



Annual Awards and Banquet ETRC Upcoming Event

The ETRC Awards Banquet and semi-annual business meeting will be held on Saturday, February 25 at Calhoun's on the Bearden Hill restaurant in Knoxville. We have a different format for the banquet this year due to the slow economy and to help with the member's expense. We will meet beginning at 6 PM and everyone may order off the menu when they arrive allowing members to spend as little or as much as their budget will allow. Drinks can be ordered from the servers and gratuities added to individual tabs. There will not be a buffet dinner served. Meals will be delivered when ordered. We will need a head count to let Calhoun's know the number attending and how many servers will be needed. Please RSVP to Michael Evans (TnScorpion15@aol.com) no later than February 11th. DIRECTIONS To Calhoun's on the Bearden Hill: 6515 Kingston Pike, I-40 Exit Papermill Road, Knoxville, TN.

Phone: 673-3377. At 7:30 PM the semi-annual business meeting will commence. The agenda will include New Business, Old Business, Awards presentation, and Election of 2012 Officers and Board of Directors. A voting ballot will be given to each member at the door to cast their secret vote. The following is a listing as reported by the Nominations committee Chairman, Doug Nelson, of the 2012 nominees for each office:

Officers (1-Yr Term)

President Carol Stone
 Vice President Kelley Eller
 Secretary Karen Edwards
 Treasurer Chuck Atchley
 Hunt Test Secretary Roberta Williams
 Past President Ken Wade

Board of Directors (3-Yr Term)

Derek Dieterich (Vote for two)
 David Knott

Board of Directors (1-Yr Term)

Trudie Kuka (Kelley Eller Vacancy)
 (Vote for one)

AKC Delegate (1-Yr Term)

Garry Clausing

AWARDS

Each year ETRC presents members with gold engraved plaques to commemorate each AKC title they may receive in the calendar year of 2011. The plaques are awarded at the February banquet. The following items are needed for the engraver: Owner's Name _____; Title Earned _____

Dog's AKC Full Name _____ Date of Title _____

Please e-mail information to: Roberta Williams, sharphlw@usit.net by Feb 10, 2012.

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Additional Nominations Procedure per ETRC ByLaws

ARTICLE VI—Section 4. Nominations,

(c) Additional nominations may be made by any member prior to December 31st of each Club year, in writing to the Secretary, provided that the proposer shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying willingness to be a candidate. No person may be a candidate for more than one position (except for the position of Delegate).

(d) Nominations shall not be made at the annual meeting or in any manner other than as provided in this Section 4 of ARTICLE IV.

ETRC 2012 Annual dues are payable beginning January 1 in the amount of \$25.00 for a family membership. Please remember to send dues promptly to our Treasurer: Chuck Atchley, 1927 King Estates Rd. Sevierville, TN 37864. A reminder statement will be sent by the Secretary to all current members in January.

CALENDAR—SURROUNDING AKC HUNT TESTS –ETRC Events

December 3-4 Palmetto RC, Cheraw, SC, Cooper Black Sport Facility, Single Master, Double Senior and Junior Stakes

February 25 ETRC Awards and Business Meeting, Annual election of Officers. Calhoun's on Bearden Hill, 6515 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN. 6 PM Social Hour

Training Tip #34

WALKING SINGLES

From: Total Retriever Marking with Mike Lardy

Walking singles are single marks thrown by one thrower who moves after each retrieve. The thrower should move far enough to avoid situations where the dog goes back to a previous fall (hunting an old fall) or gets confused by scent from a previous retrieve. Generally the fall areas for walking singles with a young dog should be 20-30 yards apart. One way to do it is to have the thrower move to, or a few yards beyond, where the last fall area to throw the next one.

We introduce young dogs to various new situations with walking singles. They can be stretched out to greater distances, run through various cover types (picked corn fields, grain stubble fields, alfalfa cover strips) and varying terrain (rolling hills, ravines, gentle ditches, roads).

Walking singles are a useful marking tool that, you can use throughout a dog's training career. Walking singles are great for sharpening marking, building attitude, and physical conditioning. We begin our training each winter with several days of long walking singles. This is a good conditioning for the dog.

Keep in mind:

- Do not throw the marks angle-back. Flat throws encourage a dog to run at the mark, rather than the gun.
- Do not start yelling if your dog get lost on a hunt—just have the gun help.
- Do not routinely repeat any mark your dog has trouble with. This only fosters the idea that a bird can be found where he found one before.

2011 MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Member of the Year -Membership Vote

Name _____

Justification _____

Send to: Michael Evans, Director, tncorpion15@aol.com

2011 ETRC SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

ETRC Sportsman of the Year Award—Membership Vote

Name _____

Justification _____

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