



ETRC NEWSLETTER

ETRC Annual Awards Banquet Saturday, February 25

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, February 25, 2006**, as the date of our retriever club's Annual Awards Banquet and Semi-Annual Business Meeting to be held at Calhoun's on the River restaurant, Neyland Drive, Knoxville, TN. Hospitality Hour will begin at 6:00 PM with dinner served at 7:00 PM consisting of Calhoun's famous baby back ribs, chicken, catfish, and all the side dishes. Election of year 2006 officers, annual Gun Dog of the Year, Puppy of the Year, and Member of the Year awards will follow. All members and family are invited to attend, share their retriever's accomplishments, swap tall hunting tales, and enjoy the great food and fellowship. The cost is \$20.00 per person, (\$10.00 for children). This year Calhoun's is charging \$28.00 per person but the club is picking up the extra \$8.00. Please call Chuck Atchley, Treasurer, (865) 453-8101 or Roberta Williams (865) 428-0139 (e-mail: sharphlw@usit.net) for advance reservations. Payment may be made the night of the banquet **only** if a call is received for an advance reservation. Food will not be prepared for you unless your name is on the advance list. Engraved plaques will be presented by the club to all members who have received an AKC Hunt Test title this year. Please call or e-mail Roberta with the following info- AKC Name of Dog, Owner's Name, Title, Date of Title.

Nominations for 2006 Officers

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| President | Mark Gibson | <u>Board of Directors (2)</u> |
| Vice-President | Glenn Gaskins | Sandy Sutton (3-Yr) |
| Secretary | Fran Weaver | Ralph Brooks (3-Yr) |
| Treasurer | Chuck Atchley | Robert Dodson (2-Yr) |
| Hunt Test Secretary | Roberta Williams | (Replace Glenn Gaskins) |

UPCOMING ETRC EVENTS

- February 11 Holt Farm Training Day
- February 25 ETRC Annual Awards Banquet and Semi-Annual Business Meeting, Calhoun's on the River, Neyland Drive, Knoxville, TN 6 PM

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NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS

www.etrclub.org

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UPCOMING ETRC EVENTS (continued)

- February 25 Holt Farm Training Day
- March 11 Holt Farm Training Day, Group Training Session, Junior, Senior, and Master setups using ducks. Members may use e-collars and training aids such as heeling sticks and pinch collars 8 AM.
- March 25 ETRC 1st Spring Club Trial, **NO training aids**, Singles Classic, Junior, Senior, Master and Puppy tests (**Location to be Announced**).
- April 8 Holt Farm Training Day
- April 22 ETRC 2nd Spring Club Trial, Atchley Farm, Hwy 338, Sevierville, TN, WILD GAME COOKOUT 4 PM.
- May 13 Holt Farm Training Day
- May 27-28 ETRC Spring AKC Hunt Test, Holt Farm, Sweetwater, TN, Single Master, Double Junior and Senior. Closing Date May 16. Roberta Williams, e-mail: sharphlw@usit.net. Premiums may be printed off the club's website.

BRAGS

Ralph and Nancy Brooks received a 3rd Place in the Owner/Handler Qualifying at the Atlanta Retriever Club on October 28 for their Labrador retriever Woody.

Jody Howard and her Golden Retriever Ruby received their first Master qualification at the Palmetto Retriever Club in Patrick, SC on December 10.

Sandy Sutton and her Flat-Coated Retriever completed her Junior title at the Palmetto Retriever Club in Patrick, SC on December 9.

Marilyn Spahr and her Golden Retriever completed their Junior title at the Palmetto Retriever Club in Patrick, SC on December 9.

Shelby, a chocolate Labrador, owned by Chris Woods/ handled by Barb Knowlton completed her Junior title at the Palmetto Retriever Club in Patrick, SC on December 9.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

The annual ETRC membership dues for 2006 are due March 1, 2006. The dues are \$25.00 per year for a family membership. You may fill out a renewal form on the club's website and make any changes necessary especially if your e-mail address has changed. If you want to train on the Holt Farm two times per month in Sweetwater the annual optional training fee is \$75.00 per year due by April 1. Send to Chuck Atchley, Treasurer, 1927 Kings Estate Road, Sevierville, TN 37876. We currently have 92 members.