

2007 ETRC FALL EVENTS



ETRC NEWSLETTER

September 8 ETRC 1st Fall Club Trial, Kinzalow Farm, Hwy 27,

Spring City, TN. ETRC's Fall Club trial will start at 8:00 AM with Junior Hunter, Senior Hunter, Master Hunter and Single Classic events. Puppy stakes will be held for Junior Puppy (under seven months) and Senior Puppy (seven months to one year of age). To all new members, this club trial will be practice and a learning session as a tune-up for the AKC Hunt Tests.. The fee is \$10.00 per dog per event except Puppy stakes is \$5.00. Ducks will be thrown in each event. Puppies will have the option of bumpers or birds. We have hired birdboys. Non-club retriever owners are invited to observe or participate. Bring your lunch, water, and a chair. **DIRECTIONS: From Knoxville take I-40 West to Rockwood (Exit 347). Exit on Hwy 27 South. Go 20.3 miles to Mile Marker 25. On the right see Hale Bopp Road. Road dead-ends into the Kinzalow Farm. FROM ATHENS take Hwy 30 through Decatur into Dayton. Take Hwy 27 North to Spring City. Kinzalow Farm is 1-1/2 miles north of Spring City across from 27 Market.**

October 6 ETRC 2nd Fall Club Trial, Chota Wildlife Refuge,

Vonore, TN. Chota is a TWRA Wildlife Management Area. Events will start at 8:00 AM of Singles Classic Master, Senior, Junior, and Puppy stakes. Bring your lunch, water and a chair. **DIRECTIONS: Go 20 miles south of Maryville on Hwy 411 to Vonore, TN. Turn on Hwy 360 and go 8.2 miles to intersection. Turn left on Citico Road and go 5.0 miles to Chota Refuge sign on left.**

October 20-21 AKC Fall Hunt Test, Kinzalow Farm, Spring City, TN

Single Master, Double Senior and Junior. Enter by www.entryexpress.net.

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KINZALOW FARM
Hwy 27, Hale Bopp Road
Mile Marker 25.
Directions: 1-1/2 miles
North of Spring City, TN

Summer Cookout and Semi-Annual Business Meeting

A summer cookout was held at the home of Past President Ron and Cheryl Wright in Oak Ridge, TN on Saturday, August 18. A group of 35 members and family were treated to grilled hamburgers and hot dogs prepared by Ron, Gary and Charlotte Witt. Abundant salads, baked beans, veggies, and luscious desserts were contributed by members. Our thanks to Ron and Cheryl for being the perfect hosts. The members broke into a “Jolly Good Fellow” at the end of the cookout for Ron. A business meeting was held with 22 voting members quorum present. A treasurer report was given showing a \$7000.00 gain from the May AKC Hunt Test. Under new business, discussion was held and a motion made to accept the usage rules of the property owner for the Kinzalow Farm as published in the newsletters in July. The motion passed with a show of hands. Pre-test planning for the October 20-21 AKC Hunt Test was discussed. Two chairpersons were named. Brent McCoy will be Head Marshal and Bill Weaver will be Bird Steward. Contact Brent if you can marshal either Saturday or Sunday at (423)-365-7477. Equipment movers using ATV’s, trailers, and small boats will be needed. Contact Glenn Gaskins, president, at (865) 691-7477 to help.

AKC NEWS

The AKC has sent a letter to all clubs announcing a “Canine Legislation Department” and a “Canine Legislation Support Fund”. AKC is soliciting donations to help fight anti-dog legislation. These donations would not be tax deductible.

The AKC is also exploring the possibility of forming a Political Action Committee (PAC). A letter was submitted to the Federal Election Commission on August 15 to determine if the AKC and it’s member clubs would qualify for tax-exempt status. If approved by the government, donations made to the PAC would be tax deductible. Lobbyists would be utilized to promote AKC’s dog-friendly agenda.

A new group, Tennessee Federation of Dog Clubs, is soliciting dog clubs across the State to band together to provide direction and funding to stop bad dog legislation and promote good dog laws. A founding meeting will be held on September 29 in Murfreesboro to get organized. The primary goal would be to oppose any legislation that would restrict, limit, or tax our right to keep personal dogs intact and to breed our dogs. The federation intends to hire a professional lobbyist by setting dues assessed to the dog clubs.

All of these solicitations will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Bass Pro Shop Obedience/Field Demonstrations

A large group of ETRC members gave field and obedience demonstrations at the Bass Pro Shop located in Sevierville on Saturday, August 25. Despite the extreme heat, members were able to keep their retrievers in the shade of the building until their turn to give a short five-minute demonstration of skills. Patti Gibson coordinated the group of the following members:

Wes Cosner; Jim Maggard; Mark, Art, and Patti Gibson,;Sheila Nelson; Carol Stone; Bill and Fran Weaver; Jody Howard; Roberta Williams; and Glenn Gaskins. Also present were ETRC members Marlene and Donnie Forrester who are employed at the Bass Pro Shop. Marlene is Promotions Manager at Bass Pro and coordinates sponsoring activities with clubs and groups. , .