

Happy Training...

Tallahassee Hunting Retriever Club Newsletter

A Message from the THRC President...

Hope everyone had a safe and happy New Year. The Training Pond at Borderline looks great! I hope everyone has been taking advantage of the grounds and getting ready for the spring tests. The 2008 duck season is about to come to a close so I'll be there training with you (doing rehabilitation on all the bad habits my dogs picked up during hunting season)!

I want to welcome John Higgins to the Tallahassee Hunting Retriever Club's board. John is replacing Wayne Dodson, as he recently resigned. John is a Hunt Test veteran and should be a great addition to the board.

The 2008 Fall Hunt test was a great success despite seven inches of rain!! Many thanks to our Judges and Sallie's men – they worked hard all weekend. We hosted a double header in all three events; at the first test we had 106 Master, 32 Senior, and 17 Junior. At the second test we had 117 Master, 23 Senior, and 15 Junior.

We are very excited about our next upcoming event...THRC's 2009 Spring Hunt Test! In keeping with our tradition, all four 2009 Master National Judges have accepted our invitation to judge Master stakes. Hope you and your dogs will be at the event on March 14th and 15th. Be sure to make the February 26th entry deadline (on [EntryExpress](#)) and reserve your accommodations as soon as possible since there are other events in the area. And don't forget to sign up as a Volunteer on the Entry Express page as one of your "To Do" things while getting ready for the hunt test.

You will be receiving a membership renewal application for 2009. Please complete the form and enclose it along with your check so we can have your most current information. It is very important that you complete the section that shows us where you volunteered in 2008 so that you qualify for a working renewal membership.

Looking forward to working with you soon,

Sam
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THRC 2009 Spring Hunt Test Info...



Our spring hunt test is March 14-15, 2009 and is now open for



January-February 2009

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Go to [EntryExpress.com](#) to enter upcoming hunt tests:

Jan. 31 - Mid Florida Golden Retriever Club

Feb. 7/8 - Treasure Coast (FL)

Feb. 14/15 - Jacksonville (FL)

Feb. 21/22 - Lower Alabama

Mar. 7 - Wiregrass (GA)



entering on [Entry Express](#). As you know, the Tallahassee Hunting Retriever Club is proud to "show off" Borderline and to present an outstanding display of what a positive hunt test can be for judges, handlers and dogs. We can credit this successful reputation to the working members committed to gunning, marshaling, and pitching-in where needed. You can sign up to volunteer your services on-line (EE's red box) and/or the hunt test committee will contact all **working members** (indicated by your renewal amount) for that weekend. Entries close on THURSDAY, February 26, 11:59 PM-CST, giving us approximately two weeks to prepare and set up.

In Memoriam...

Chris Chantland's BLOG on Tuesday, October 28th: One of my favorite portraits that I painted is actually one that wasn't a commission. It is of *Watson* - a Master Hunter owned by friends Linda and Jim Branning from Tallahassee. They bought the original last year. I was sadly informed that *Watson* died yesterday. So I must say condolences to *Watson's* parents, as well as to all of us who lose these best friends all too soon.



"Do not bore me with petty attempts at friendship. For I have owned a dog that would lick my face and a man I never knew, died for me a world away." (author unknown)



Raisin (Bill Pedersen)

"It came to me that every time I lose a dog they take a piece of my heart with them. And every new dog who comes into my life, gifts me with a piece of their heart. If I live long enough, all the components of my heart will be dog, and I will become as generous and loving as they are."---Unknown

The one best place to bury a good dog is in the heart of its master.
(Ben Hur Lampman)



Black Lab Pups due February 2♥♥9

Sire & Dam OFA Excellent & Clear on CNM, CERF & EIC
Pups come with dew claws removed, first shots, examined by a vet, micro-chipped, eye Cerf and a 26 month health guarantee -

They will be ready the end of March. For additional information contact:

Lance Kennels, LLC - Junction City, WI - Paul Lance: 309.303.7351 (cell)

Parents:

FC AFC Badger State Ram Kicker -

Grandparents:

'01 '02 NAFC FC Candlewoods Ramblin Man -

Keith Farmer is hosting the 2nd annual Retriever Challenge as a fund raising event for Ducks Unlimited on January 17, 2009 in Waycross, GA. Cash prizes awarded and "Bear" is one of the judges! Visit the web site for all of the details:

<http://www.oaretrievers.com/>



Your dues support THRC in many ways throughout the year and are now due for the 2009 calendar year.

*****New this year, we will require the higher rate (\$70) for all renewing members submitting payment after March 31st.*****

Please submit your 1)dues *along with* 2)an updated application form found on our website>membership tab:

tallahasseehuntingretrieverclub.com



"I took my dog for a walk... all the way from New York to Florida... I said to him "There now you're done!" (Steven Wright)



Happy Valentine's Day!!!

Black, 75 lbs - 26 Derby points QAA at 23 months; Limited Open 2nd at 35 months; FC prior to 4 yrs of age; AFC prior to 5 yrs of age. Finalist Nat'l Amateur 2008

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Metis Pchit of Buckshot, MH, MNO (Girlie) - Black, 55 lbs, Derby Jam '06, '07 & '08 Qualified for Master Nat'l HT; '08 Qualified at Master Nat'l Hunt Test

Qualified '98, '99, '01, '02 Nat'l Finalist in '01; Black/Yellow factored, OFA – Good

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Bubba's Creed - Yellow, OFA – Good

FC AFC Criquetpas Getum Duke - Black, OFA – Excellent

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Buckshot's Bada Bing - Sister to FC AFC Buckshots Prize Midnight Sky, MH; Black, OFA – Good



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