

Leash and Whistle

The Newsletter of the

Ohio Valley Retriever Club

June/July 2007

Upcoming Club Dates

8/8/07	August Board Meeting	7pm	Gander Mountain WEST (Rome Hilliard Road)
Folks are welcome to gather at BW3 in the adjacent shopping center prior— please come!			
9/11/07	Closing date, Hunt Test	11:59 pm Central	Entryexpress.net
9/12/07	September Board Meeting	7pm	Location TBD
9/22-23/07	Fall AKC Hunt Test	8am	Woodbury Wildlife Area Coshocton

June Board Meeting Notes

The June meeting of the Board took place on Wednesday, June 13 at the home of Marty and Chris Bell. Board members in attendance were Ed and Nancy Schillig, Marty Bell, Don Smith, Greta Ode, Gary Gardner; other club members in attendance were Bev and Jerry Burns.

Treasurer Ed Schillig reported that the balance remains at approximately the same healthy level as previous years post-Spring Hunt Test; hunt test bills have been paid, and insurance has been paid. There was a small profit associated with the hunt test. Please contact Ed for details.

The format of the May training day at Woodbury Wildlife area was discussed; it was well-attended; there were 2 series, 14 dogs running each series, plus one long mark and a blind option for those who stayed a bit longer. A training day was scheduled for Saturday, June 16, at Woodbury, with Marty to chair. A pig roast was scheduled at Ed and Nancy Schillig's home on Saturday, July 14.

Fall AKC hunt test preparations are being finalized; Treasurer Don Smith reported that the test was ready to go live on Entry Express, pending final information on judges and a few details. The Fall AKC test will take place September 22-23 at the Woodbury grounds. Spring AKC hunt test preparations are also underway, with the judging panel nearing completion.

Marty Bell and other club members have been training on the AEP property south of Zanesville, and report favorable grounds and conditions. The pros and cons of holding future AKC events at these grounds need to be further explored.

All members are encouraged to attend Board Meetings!

Club Events Summary

A club training day took place on Saturday, May 5, 2007. The day was well-attended, with several newer members present. Fourteen dogs ran 2 series, with a long single mark and a blind and some additional puppy marks for those who stayed a while longer. The day was chaired by Ed Schillig.

A very hot club training day took place on Saturday, June 16, 2007. Ten dogs ran 2 series, with some additional training available afterwards. Despite the temperature, some excellent training took place. The day was chaired by Ed Schillig, who took over in a pinch for an injured Marty Bell (Marty will be fine ☺).

The second annual OVRC Pig Roast took place on Saturday, July 14, at the Schillig's in Delaware. The event was held in conjunction with the Schillig's neighbors and their families. About a dozen OVRC members were in attendance; the weather was mild and breezy, the conversation was excellent, and the pig was simply delicious (and was presented complete with an apple in its mouth!).

Fall AKC Hunt Test Information

The Ohio Valley Retriever Club's Fall AKC Hunt Test will take place on September 22-23, 2007. Entries are being handled by Entry Express; the premium may be viewed and entries made at entryexpress.net.

The Closing Date is 11:59 pm CENTRAL time, September 11, 2007.

Judges:

Master—Tim Summers and Bob Samios
 Senior Saturday—Rita Summers and Michelle Keehn
 Senior Sunday—Peggy Bauman and Margaret Rathje
 Junior Saturday—Peggy Bauman and Margaret Rathje
 Junior Sunday—Rita Summers and Michelle Keehn

Cost:

Master--\$65.00
 Senior--\$60.00
 Junior—\$55.00

Event Secretary: Don Smith
 Event Chair: Gary Gardner
 Event Co-Chair: Ed Schillig
 Committee: Greta Ode, Marty Bell, Frank Weisbeck (gun captain), Tim Price

The club will again have a dinner on Saturday night at the Coshocton Sportman's Club after all stakes are completed. Saturday's Junior and Senior awards will be presented at that time, and a raffle drawing will take place.

Professional photographer Dale Churchill will again be on site to document the event, and photos will be sold on his web site. Check out this spring's photos by Dale at www.dogphoto.com/ovrc/ .

Call for Workers

The success (and occasional very marginal profit) of the past year's AKC events has been due in large part to the volunteer work of the members. Working an AKC event is also perhaps THE BEST way to learn what to expect at your next competition.

If you can hold a clip board, point where trucks can park, toss a duck, carry a holding blind, shoot a popper gun, or gun flyers, you are IN DEMAND!

If you are able to work either day of the fall event, even for a few hours, ***please contact the newsletter ASAP.***

Puppies!!!

Member Pat Taynor writes that he union of Raindancers High Noon "Cooper" (OFA excellent), all-age qualified male owned by Ron Briggs, and Shamrocks Midnight Anne' JH (OFA good), owned by Pat Taynor, produced a litter of 5 females and 3 males, 7 black and 1 yellow. Pat thanks Bill Ash for his "tolerance and considerable help." Inquiries accepted by Pat Taynor, 740-862-3617 or 740-503-0212.

Braggs

Don Smith's "Daisy" is now HR Meglyn's Maramaxx Daisycutter MH. While Don reports she had a few miss-starts, she's now gone 5 for 5, passing at Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club on July 21-22; Daisy is two years eight months old. "I'm pretty proud of that little girl," Don writes.

Marty Bell's "Kip," "Blaze," and "Tank" and their littermate, Mike Phillips' "Nitro," all earned their first Master passes at Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club.

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