May 2013

Hi all.

Our hunt test is coming up very soon and volunteers are still needed to help with all of the stakes on all of the days. See note below from Joe Brakke:

If you are available to help please send the following information to:

Joe Brakke joeb@lpbroadband.net

or

Brian Cooke at 303-732-4009 or bcooke124@what-wire.com

I AM AVAILABLE TO WORK ON THESE DAYS:

I WILL BE RUNNING A DOG in MASTER / SENIOR / JUNIOR

I WOULD PREFER TO WORK AS: MARSHAL / LIVE GUNNER

AND WOULD ALSO WORK: BLIND STATION / POPPER STATION

Again, once you are highly confident you will be at the test to help, please send me a reply message with your suggested help area.

We are bringing the kids to help to run one Master, but we will need plenty of club help at Master B on Saturday. The more that volunteer then we can make sure we rotate stations so we have fresh help during the day.

Looks like our first couple of Left-Hand Lake Club training days have been a success, with the next one coming up soon, we need to find a chair for 6/2/2013. If you would like to chair on this date please let Brian Cooke know bcooke124@what-wire.com

We need to set up a cleaning day at LHL - we are in need of someone to lead that task.

Please feel free to contact anyone on the board with any question or concerns you may have at anytime throughout the year. Sorry this is out late, been busy at work and such things that require my attention as well!

I received the memo on page 3, below, from the AKC board effective 7/1/13 for the club's information.

Best regards and Happy Training,

Gabriele (Gaby), President, CFRC

# CONGRATULATIONS to CFRC Members Who Received Passes in the Ft. Collins Hunt Test!

#### Club Trailers:

Were inventoried & organized last Sat by Brad H., Stephanie P., Billie H. her grandson Ian & his friend. We had a great lunch together afterwards. Many thanks are due these members.

### May LH Lake Club training day:

6 people had a beautiful day for training their dogs on water singles & a blind. We also did a water steadiness drill that several people participated in & got beneficial results. All participants helped as well as ran their dogs.

### **April Training Days:**

The fun hunt and pot luck at Carol Brady's was well attended on a sunny day. Lots of fun as puppies showed great potential!

The first LH Lake club day saw 9 handlers and 14 dogs braving a stiff wind for some early season water work!

Welcome Waggin: Garth Berkeland of Centennial, Colorado and his new black Labrador puppy. <a href="mailto:qwberkeland@forestail.com">qwberkeland@forestail.com</a>

MEMBERS: PLEASE CHANGE YOUR MEMBERSHIP LIST:

new address & info: Brian & Pat Cooke

16270 Greatrock Way Brighton, Co 80603 Phone: 303 659-4709

CALL FOR DUES: THIS IS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR DUES FOR SALE

3 X- LARGE AIRLINE CRATES (SIZE 500) Call Carol Brady (303) 902-1107

## From AKC



Date: May 2013

To: Clubs Licensed to Hold Retriever Hunting Tests

Subject: Labrador and Golden Retrievers Are Eligible to Participate in Spaniel Hunting Tests

The AKC Board has approved Labrador Retrievers and the Golden Retrievers as eligible to participate in the Spaniel Hunting Test Program effective July 1, 2013. AKC Performance Events are meant to test the skills for which a breed was originally developed. The history of both the Labrador and Golden Retrievers indicates they were developed to be versatile hunting dogs, proficient in both upland and waterfowl hunting. Their upland heritage is still very much in use today as these breeds are commonly used for upland bird hunting.

Titles earned by Labs and Goldens will be designated with a "U" (for Upland) to indicate the title was earned in the Spaniel Hunting Test program. Hunting style descriptions for these breeds will be posted on the AKC website www.akc.org/events/hunting\_tests/spaniels/hunting\_styles/

- as soon as they are available. Retriever Clubs can apply to become licensed to hold Spaniel Hunting Tests after July 1, 2014. (One year following the breed's eligibility to participate.)

Because of the popularity of the retriever breeds and the relatively small size of Spaniel Hunting Tests (the average entry in 2012 was 25 dogs), Spaniel owners are concerned they will have difficulty entering their traditional events. Therefore, if entries are limited to a specific number, Spaniel clubs, at their option, may prioritize entries to the Spaniel breeds. Likewise, once Retriever clubs become licensed to hold Spaniel Hunting Tests, they will be allowed to prioritize entries to the Retriever breeds.

Specifically the following will appear in Chapter 1, Section 4 of the SHT Regulations upon the next reprint –

Section 4. Tests Offered, Entry Requirements. Prioritizing Entries. If entries are limited to a specific number as stated in the premium, a Spaniel Club may, at its option, prioritize the entries for its Hunting Test to the Spaniel breeds (except the Irish Water Spaniel) plus Airedales. If at the time of closing the limit has not been reached, the Club must accept entries from other eligible breeds up to the event limit. If entries are to be prioritized to the Spaniel breeds (except the Irish Water Spaniel) and Airedales, this must be stated in the premium. If entries are limited to a specific number as stated in the premium, a Retriever Club may, at its option, prioritize the entries for its Hunting Test to the Retriever breeds plus the Irish Water Spaniel. If at the time of closing the limit has not been reached, the Club must accept entries from other eligible breeds up to the event limit. If entries are to be prioritized to the Retriever breeds and the Irish Water Spaniels, this must be stated in the premium.

All-breed hunting clubs and Airedale clubs may not prioritize their entries (except in the case of a test held in conjunction with a National Specialty Show).

A Spaniel Club is defined by the club having "Spaniel" in its name (except for the Irish Water Spaniel clubs). A Retriever Club is defined by the club having "Retriever" in its name plus the Irish Water Spaniel clubs.

Initially retrievers passing Spaniel hunting tests will not appear on the results posted on the AKC website. This is due to a programming issue. Passing performances are being tracked by hand and title certificates will be issued when the proper number of passes has been achieved. Should owners have questions regarding the number of passes their dog has achieved, please e-mail Karen Reuter, Manager Performance Events Operations, at KAR@akc.org.

Comments can be e-mailed to Huntingtest@akc.org.