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KCRC NEWS



It was cold, windy, and wet at the KCRC March Sanctioned "Fun" Trial held March 4th and 5th but that didn't stop this little gal from wanting to get in on the action.

It was cold, windy and wet on Saturday for the beginning of the KCRC March Sanctioned Fun Trial. Numbers were down but not the enthusiasm. The temperature in the 40's was also a big change from the 78 degree weather just three days earlier. The Open and Derby were held at the Prairie Hollow area of James A. Reed Wildlife Area as well as the Puppy stakes. Those hardy enough to come out enjoyed the camaraderie of their fellow retriever enthusiasts. Sunday proved to be a welcome relieve. Even though it started out gloomy and overcast, by 10:00 AM the clouds departed, the sun came out, and everyone began shedding those heavy winter hunting coats. With increased numbers the day was filled with lots of dogs, retrieves, blinds, and good old fashion fun. Thanks to all who helped, judged, threw birds, or just came out. It was a fun weekend despite Saturday's weather. A special thanks to John Gassner and Gordon Bell who drove in from St. Louis to judge the Amateur and Qualifying. In addition thanks to Judges Debbie Newton and Mark Lagergren, Open-Derby, Chad Huff, Puppy's, and Sue George and Mike Brigman, Novice.

2006 K.C.R.C. Officers, Directors, & Committee Members

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Sandra Anderson, Mike Westfall

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Doolittle

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Field Trial Secretary: Joanne Wilbanks

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Stephanie Batman, Mark Lagergren

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Hunt Test Secretary: Joanne Wilbanks

Hunt Test Committee: Sue George*, Becky Eckett (Spring
06), Dannette Doolittle, David Wolfe
(Spring 06), Dex Doolittle (Fall 06),
Joanne Wilbanks, Phillip Mefford

**Hunt Test Judges
Committee:** Sue George*, Joanne Wilbanks,
Dannette Doolittle, Phillip Mefford

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**Sanctioned Trial
Judges Committee:** Kip Anderson*, Stan Bukaty, Janice
Johnson

KCRC Webmaster Joanne Wilbanks

* Denotes Chairperson

MARCH 2006 FUN TRIAL RESULTS

Jr. Puppy

1st Maggie - Carol Seymour

Sr. Puppy

1st Big Al - Bob Lamm (O) Anthony Piranio

2nd AllyMay - Bob Lamm (O) tony Gumina

3rd Mello - Max Carr

4th Jazz - Sue George (O) Chad Huff

RJ Buddy - Stan Bukaty

Jam Bell - Jay Hughey

Jam Haley - Mike Cassetti

Jam Bella - Eli Reichman

Novice

1st Murphy - Anthony Piranio (O) Nancy Phillips

2nd Jefferson - Bob Lamm

3rd Big Al - Anthony Piranio

4th Stash - Joyce Kinghorn

RJam Rocky - Bob Lamm

Jam Ally May - Bob Lamm (O) Tony Gumina

Jam Aries - Jason Seaton

Jam Stoney - Stan Bukaty

Jam Lucy - Bob lamm

Qual

1st Gunner - David Wolfe

2nd Rocky - Anthony Piranio

3rd Jefferson - Bob Lamm

4th Dixie - Greg Bell

RJ J.B. Debbie Newton

Jam Willow - Dave Wolfe

Jam Rocky - Bob Lamm

Amateur

1st Gus - Stan Bukaty

2nd Casey - Greg Bell

3rd Holly - Jerry Kapral

4th Chaz - Dan Heard

RJam Dakota - Dan Heard

Open

1st Tug - Sue George

2nd Gus - Stan Bukaty

3rd Holly - Jerry Kapral

Derby

1st Big Al - Bob Lamm (O) Anthony Piranio

2nd Rocky - Bob Lamm

3rd Buddy - Stan Bukaty

In The Spotlight
New Members: Max and Jodie Carr
Hometown: Crane, Missouri

When a family is willing to drive all the way from Branson, Missouri area to run the KCRC puppy stakes, not just once, but for two successive fun trials well, it gets your attention!

Max Carr readily admits when it comes to the dog game that he's "ate up with it." Though he's brand new to the Hunt Test and Field Trial game, Carr has been involved with retrievers since 1994 in his job at the Stone County Sheriff's Department handling their first narcotics dog. Kilo, a golden retriever was endowed with the quintessential golden nose and "had a huge heart, there was no quit in her," Carr fondly recalled. It was Kilo's drive and intensity that enthralled Carr and motivated him to eventually get his own personal dog.

Carr took his time and did a lot of research - finding the bloodline that Kilo came from, eventually finding a litter from a line nearly the same as Kilo's. Now, the Carr's are the proud owners of "Mello" and are well on their way to finding a dog for each member of the family. Free time in the Carr household has now become a dog affair with Max, Jodie and their boys, Dalton age 6 and Dakota age 8 taking their turns throwing birds and running Mello. When it came to teaching puppy basics, Max did his fair share of reading and has now successfully brought Mello through basic obedience, force fetch and collar conditioning. "The satisfaction of taking a dog from basics forward and to see the progression is amazing to me," Carr said. Though they've just joined KCRC, the Carr's already feel at home in the club, "the people up here are fantastic, everyone's very helpful and friendly," Carr said.

With new members like the Carr's, KCRC's future is indeed shining brightly.

Welcome to KCRC - Max, Jodie, Dalton, Dakota and of course, Mello. We'll lookforward to seeing a lot of all of you in the years to come.

Story
by
Eli Reichman



K.C.R.C.
Upcoming Events

April 14, 15, & 16, 2006
Pittsburg, Kansas
K.C.R.C. Licensed Field Trial

June 3,4, 2006
James A. Reed Wildlife Area
K.C.R.C. Sanctioned Field Trial

LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED
July 8, 2006
K.C.R.C. General Membership Meeting

September 9, 10, 2006
TBA
K.C.R.C. Sanctioned Field Trial

October 20,21, & 22, 2006
TBA
K.C.R.C. Licensed Field Trial

December 2, 2006
TBA
K.C.R.C. Christmas Party

(All Sanctioned trials begin at 9:00 A.M. Sign up begins at 8:30 A.M. at the Headquarters)

**It Was A
“DOG DAY AFTERNOON”
Scenes from the Novice Stake - 3/06 Fun Trial**



Kansas City Retriever Club Spring 2006 Hunt Test

It was windy and cold but that did not stop the Hunt Test. We were a little afraid that Mother Nature would have her way with us but the weather remained clear and dry. The grounds were as always beautiful and provided a variety of different scenarios on land and water. The new lake will be incredible when it fills in.

Janice Johnson and Pam Dennis set up a wonderful Junior Test complete with tons of land decoys and lay out blinds on the land. The flyer was shot out into an open field with lots of room to run and get lost while the control bird was thrown into a plowed corn field. A large spread of decoys with pop up blinds were set up for the water test. It was a control bird thrown across the lake for one single and a mark up on a point for the other. The pop up blinds had a dual purpose. Not only did it duplicate hunting but they kept our judges out of the wind. Among the qualifiers were our own club members Anthony Piranio with Rocky, Jason Seaton with Aries, Bob Hayden with Ginger and Anthony Piranio with Nancy Phillip's Murphy.

Sunday we dodged a big bad weather bullet. Our judges, the Gamekeepers, Mitch White and Paul Kartes from Ohio, set up a double with the flyers shot into a plowed corn field and the memory bird thrown into the sorghum. The blind was down two terraces and up and over another. The judges showed they had incredible sense by running the water series on the north end of the lake behind Wood Dale Farms main house, down in the wooded area and out of the wind. It was a double with a diversion bird that had to be picked up and a blind. This test was both fun and realistic. Qualifying club member for the senior hunt test were Bob Lamm with Jefferson and Lyle Steinman with a clients dog.

I did not see a lot of the Master as I was at the Junior and Senior both days but I understand the tests set up by Ken Reed and Debbie Chiaverini kept our handlers on their toes. There were three tests that were challenging and up to the level expected of a master test. The weather was cold and windy on Saturday and that added to the degree of difficulty. Our poor Marshall, Deanna Wolfe, who is not big on being cold, was a real trooper and stuck it out 'til the end on her very first marshalling assignment ever. Kadoos to Deanna. Our club member qualifiers for the Master were Dave Wolfe with Gunner and Lyle Steinman with his own Rebi not to mention 7 of his clients dogs.

All in all everyone had a great time. Ribbons were passed out at the Hayden's "lodge", which is always a great way to end the day.

A great big thanks to our live gunners, Dave Payne, Wayne Bauerer, Greg Bell, Alan Allmon, Dale Yelton, Bob Hayden, jr, Bob Lamm and Dave Wolfe. Thanks to Dannette Doolittle for lunches, Phil Mefford our Hunt Test Steward, Dave Wolfe our Captain of the Guns, Joanne Wilbanks our Secretary and Becky Eckett and all of the committee for their hard work. A big thanks to Chad Huff. Without his efforts and equipment the whole weekend would have been a lot more difficult to get through. And of course, a huge thanks to Barb and Bob Hayden for their unending generosity and for the use of their property.

I would like to add a huge thanks to Bill and Becky Eckett as well, for use of their property in the past when we have needed it. Without the Haydens and Ecketts the Hunt Tests these last few years would have been a lot more difficult to put on. We cannot thank them enough.

Sue George

More News Regarding the March Sanctioned Fun Trial

I awoke to the sound of pitter patter on my roof Saturday morning. "Rats," I thought, "freezing rain!" I opened my back door to let the dogs out....slush! Boy today was going to be fun. I wondered how many others would be like me and heading out to the James A Reed Wildlife Area to run dogs at our club trial in this horrid weather.

As it turned out, there were a number of weekend warriors. The Open/Derby judges get my vote for smartest move of the weekend/month/year. They held their stakes at Prairie Hollow and judged from underneath the pavilion, "Kadoos" to Debbie Newton and Mark Lagergren. Chad Huff helped us out by judging the ever competitive puppy stake. We had wonderful gunners/throwers all day in Stephanie Batman, Ron Batman and Eli Reichman, who stood out in the rain and threw for everyone. A BIG THANKS to them for their efforts.

I just want to say to anyone who has missed these last two trials you BLEW IT!!! Not only did the winners of the past trial get prints from our very own, world renowned, photographer Eli Reichman, but both trials Stephanie Batman has been taking gorgeous pictures of our dogs and presenting them to us ready for framing. Thank you so much Steph. These pictures are a joy to receive and make it more than worth the entry fee.

Sunday was a total 180 from the day before. We had more people out and wonderful weather. John Gassner and Gordon Bell came all the way from St Louis to help us out by judging the Amateur and the Qualifying. I judged the Novice with Mike Brigman. This was Mike first time judging and he did a very nice job!!

When ribbons were about to be handed out at the area headquarters Greg Bell received a call from Bill Cook, who had received a call from Andy Whitley letting him know that John and Andy's wonderful Jake had won the Amateur in LA. It had been 20 years since a golden had won in LA. Jake only needs one more point to qualify for the National Amateur. We will keep our fingers crossed for Jake, Andy and John.

All in all it was a wonderful weekend. Don't make a mistake and miss out on all the fun at our next event!

Sue George

KCRC Spring Hunt Test Results

Master - Saturday - 41 Entries Judges: Ken Reed & Debbie Chiaverini

#	Dog Name	Owner	Handler	Results
3	LaCrosse Max Q Jake	Andy Whiteley	John Gassner	Pass
4	Watermark's Maximum R.O.I. MH	Lyle Steinman	Lyle Steinman	Pass
5	Kornman's Back in Black	John Kornman	John Kornman or Terri Kornman	Pass
7	Moonschoon Show Me The Money MH	Jeff & Virginia Schoonover	Lyle Steinman	Pass
10	Dynamite's MS Yankee Rebel MH	Lyle Steinman	Lyle Steinman	Pass
14	Wildfowler's Golden Gunner	David Wolfe	David Wolfe or Deana Wolfe	Pass
15	Hershey's Chocolate XXVII SH	Douglas Dodge	Lyle Steinman	Pass
18	Mann's Best Friend Pepto MH	Bob & Beth Mann	Lyle Steinman	Pass
21	Westwood Rockeye	Randy Fetherhuff	Lyle Steinman	Pass
33	Mr. Cutter	Lynn LeFlore	Lynn LeFlore	Pass
35	Red Label Return to Cinder. MH	Dale McConnaughey	DALE MCCONNAUGHEY or BOB WILLETT	Pass
36	Mann's Best Friend Tucker MH	Bob & Beth Mann	Lyle Steinman	Pass
41	Candlewoodcash Foxys Tucker	Joe Bilek	Lyle Steinman	Pass

Senior - Sunday - 19 Entries Judges: Mitch White & Paul Kartes

#	Dog Name	Owner	Handler	Results
2	Cook's Aqua Jewel Castile SH	Gary Cook	Gary Cook	Pass
3	Patriot's Top Dollar SH	Eric Johnson	Greg Nelson	Pass
4	Dakota's Pepper	Vic Jost	Chris Brinegar	Pass
6	MAH Star Rocky	Michael Haarmann	Michael Haarmann or Robert Lamm	Pass
12	TOPBREAKS THOMAS JEFFERSON	Bob Lamm	BOB LAMM	Pass
17	HR Gracie's Power Ten Gauge SH	Scott Tallent	Scott Tallent	Pass
18	Moccasin Creek's Captain Sinbad SH	Darrell Hindman	chris brinegar	Pass

Junior - Saturday - 33 Entries Judges: Janice Johnson & Pam Dennis

#	Dog Name	Owner	Handler	Results
3	Aux Arcs Ace of Clubs	Chris La Rose	Chris La Rose	Pass
4	Dakota's Little Holly	Andrew Brinkman	Andrew J. Brinkman or Tasha N. Brinkman	Pass
6	Riparian Rocket Man of Mo-Kan	Anthony Piranio	Anthony and Donna Piranio	Pass
7	Clint's Black Penny	Clint Mann	Clint Mann	Pass
10	CH Waifin's Topform Conundrum	Susanna Joy	Susanna Joy	Pass
11	Wood Dale Topbrass Ginger	Robert Hayden	Bob Hayden or Bobby George	Pass
13	Big Alphonse Capone of Mo-Kan	Anthony Piranio	Anthony and Donna Piranio	Pass
14	Dika's Pintail Pinnie	Richard Myers	Richard Myers	Pass
15	Santa Fe's Show Me Suez	Ron Wehner	Ron Wehner	Pass
18	MWB's Lightning Strikes Twice	Zac Lujano	Zac Lujano	Pass
19	MPK Dakota Diamond Boss' Liz	Bill & Lori Sutton	Lyle Steinman	Pass
21	Sabastain Maitland Shooter	Monte Lauderdale	Monte Lauderdale	Pass
22	Crane Creeks Mello Sensation	Gary Carr	Gary M. Carr	Pass
26	Bailey's Irish Cream of Grey Oaks	Scott Burton	Scott Burton	Pass
27	Little Ms Marker Murphy	Nancy Phillips	Nancy Phillips or Anthony Piranio	Pass
28	Rivercrest Man O'War	William & Joanne Wilbanks	Jason Seaton	Pass
30	MAH Star Rocky	Michael Haarmann	Michael Haarmann or Robert Lamm	Pass
33	Pennell's Jackson Deuce	Rob Pennell	Mike Lettau	Pass