

Region 10, Ken McDaniel:

Hunt test season is about to be in full bloom with hunting season around the corner as well. It's been extremely hot and dry – earlier than ever this year it seems. Perhaps that's an omen that we will have an early autumn?

On behalf of the clubs of Region 10 I would like to thank Mark Torinus for his generous donation to all our clubs. Author Mark E. Torinus has written a book that recounts 32 years of hunting ducks in Saskatchewan, *Prairie Pothole Fever* and has made a gift of the book to all our clubs for raffles. The book has two purposes, according to Mr. Torinus. The first is to tell you how to do your own self-guided Saskatchewan hunt. The second purpose of the book is to tell good hunting stories – often humorous -- about dogs, duck, hunts that go well and hunts that go bust. Check out Mark's website, www.prairiepotholefever.com We wish Mark the greatest success with book sales!

Our region will be blessed with several more 25th Anniversary hunts this fall. Congratulations to all these clubs!

As always, I urge the clubs of Region 10 to call on me if I can be of service – and I hope to see you all “around the bucket” somewhere this fall.

Amite River HRC, www.arhrc.org/President, Mark Evans mevans@mindspring.com

Our club recently voted to hold a training day every third Saturday of the month. The first one was held June 20th at Steve and Kim Riggins' property. Joel Danehower organized the day and even though the temps were in the mid 90's, we had an excellent turnout. Thanks to Steve, Kim, and Joel for all of their help.

ARHRC held its annual elections at the June meeting. Officers elected were: Mark Evans- President, Carl Bellemin- Vice President, Randy Herring- Secretary, and Pam Flotte- Treasurer.

Congratulations to Chuck McCall and Steve Riggins on achieving Grand passes at the Spring Grand. We continue to plan for the 2010 Spring Grand which we will host.

Bayou HRC. President, Bobby Zeringue, bobbyz@charter.net

The BHRC nominated club officers at the June meeting at Billy and Pam Chaisson home in Larose. A great meal was prepared by Denise Saucer, Billy and Pam. Billy handled the pit outside, while Pam and other members' wives prepared desserts in the house. I don't think Pam will let Billy cook in the house, but he does a good job outside.

We will be holding our meetings on the second Tuesday of every month. BHRC will hold the August 11th meeting to elect officers.

Training groups are training in preparation for the Fall Hunt Test Season. Training sessions are short and early in the morning.

Cajun HRC, www.cajunhrc.com, President Reese Borill Jr., rborilljr@aol.com

Cajuns are enjoying the summer and vacations. It's been hot and dry but finally there have been a few rains. Cajun will be making preparations for our 25th Anniversary hunt. It should be nice, cool, and pleasant weather since it's the last weekend of October. Hoping everyone will come out to join us for some Cajun hospitality!

Central La. Retriever Club, President Ken McDaniel, kenmc@cebridge.net

We had our first “regular scheduled monthly training day” June 20th. It was held at the home of Joe and Tina Perron and their Champion Retriever Kennel. They have a beautiful place and a great place for training. Thanks Joe and Tina for your terrific hospitality. It was a fine day and we had a good turnout to enjoy it.

Central La. would like to offer condolences to Mr. Benny Mills on the passing of his wife, Mary. We pray he will receive the strength needed in this time of trial.

We are currently in the process of making final preparations for our 25th Anniversary Hunt Test. We hope you were able to come out and join us for this special event.

Lake Charles Retriever Club, www.lakecharlesretrieverclub.com, President Vince Liggio, vliggio@pumpelly.com.

Well the heat is on!! As I am writing this it is 102 degree here in Southwest Louisiana. Early morning training and some yard work is all we are able to get it these days with the heat. We have continued our club training days on the 3rd Saturday of the month but we have had to shut them down early due to the heat/humidity.

Lake Charles Retriever Club had it annual spring crawfish boil last month. Boogie and Charlene LeJeune were gracious host. Boogie has recently built an outdoor area/ kitchen (Man Cave) and they allowed us to break it in. We had a great turn out and boiled over 250lbs of crawfish, potatoes, corn, sausage and anything else that would taste good in seasoned crab boil water. Thanks to all who helped cook, clean and of course, eat. Thanks to all the ladies for the wonderful desserts.

Plans are in the works for our October Fall hunt - information and dates to come soon. Until next time, keep the dogs cool.

Report submitted by Club Reporter Chris Fontenot.

North La. HRC, President Otis Gordy, dogordy@hotmail.com

Whew!! I hope that the recent weather isn't an indicator for what we have in store for the rest of the summer. It has been hot and dry here in North Central La. Try to keep the dogs cool and work them early in the mornings if at all possible. It doesn't take long to over heat a dog.

We want to thank every one that made the 25th Anniversary Hunt possible. We want to thank all sponsors, especially: Gunners Up, Tritronics, Shroon Shop (Donna Remides), TP Outdoors, Spotted Dog, Rolling Hills Kennels (Otis and Denice Gordy), Ducks Unlimited, Bass Pro and many more. Thank YOU for your contributions.

Congratulations go the following for their titles: HR- Tommy Harp with Mac and Vedge's Fowl Attitude, Nathan Garrett with Black Magic Saphira, William Walker with Gauges Bull Sprig; HRCH - Robert Gaines- Rooster's Madison Hunter, Otis and Denice Gordy- Rolling Hills Rock n Roll, David Wisenor with Louisiana's Roux Majik Ryder. 500 points goes to Mr. Jim Harris and Black Shadow Super Chief. Thanks also to Mr. Jim for delivering the ducks.

North La in conjunction with South Arkansas held a handlers seminar last month at the home of Roger and Becky Morton. The seminar was given by Roger. It was very informative for the club members and prospective new members. We would like to thank everyone that attended and Thanks to Roger and Becky for hosting this event. Everyone enjoyed the good food. After the seminar, N. La. President Otis Gordy passed out judges jackets. Those receiving jackets in both clubs were: Harris Clark, Jim Harris, Don Ratcliff, Omar Driskill, Joe Ratcliff, Berry Meadows, Roger Morton, Denice Gordy, and Charles Moulard.

South Arkansas and North La HRC Club Member Tommy Landers was featured on a Little Rock, AK. Morning TV Show. Tommy demonstrated handling his dog. Dr. John Porrier. Bennie and Ann Landers were also featured in the clip and told a little about HRC. Congratulations Tommy.

North La would like to send condolences to Mr. Benny Mills on the passing of his wife. Mr. Benny has helped us judge started for many years and has apprenticed most of the judges in the south.

We will be finalizing details in the next month for our fall hunt to be held Sep. 26th. & 27th.

Looking forward to seeing you at the up coming hunts and try to stay cool
Report submitted by Club Reporter Denice Gordy, dogordy@hotmail.com.

Pontchartrain HRC, President Elmore Bauer,

For the month of June, it has been hard to get out and train. Not only has it been too hot but the Spillway has been flooded again.

On June 13, 2009 we participated in the National Get Out of Doors Day with the Corp of Engineers. They had a very good turn out. PHRC did demonstrations for the crowd on dog training techniques. We have also been invited to participate in the New Orleans Boat and Sportsmen Show in January 2010.

PHRC will continue to have training days on the first Saturday of each month, so if you find yourself in the area come out and join us.

Report submitted by Club Reporter Karen Klotthor, Karenk@cbtec.com.