

Region 10, Ken McDaniel:

I hope everyone is enjoying the new year. If my grandfather's method of forecasting the weather works this year (the 1st 12 days of January represent the 12 months) we sure will have a cool summer! How about that global warning – I guess the polar cap has moved to Louisiana! We have already had several record lows.

Region 10 is has a full and exiting spring hunt test season – I wish you all a safe and successful one!

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

Our Christmas party was well attended. We had approximately 50 people at Hunter's Run Gun Club that enjoyed a delicious ribeye steak dinner prepared by Joel Danehower, Carl Bellemin, and Major Rougon.

Duck season is now winding down and it won't be long before the Spring hunt tests begin. It also won't be long before we host the Spring Grand. Preparations continue and we look forward to seeing a record number of entries.

Happy new year!!!!

Bayou HRC. President, Billy Chaisson., pchiasson@mobiletel.com

As a club we haven't been getting together too often for training days because everyone has been busy hunting or with the holiday season but we continue to prepare for our upcoming hunt test.

The hunting gods haven't been too good to many of our members as limits have been hard to come by, but a few members have been doing OK. Some members are more likely to put their guns aside a little early this year and get into training a little sooner than expected. We are looking forward to putting on our hunt test and members are looking for door prizes from all sources possible. We are planning to raffle a \$500 gift certificate from a local sporting goods store for a new shotgun or any other sporting items they may have in the store. Many other items will be raffled as well. We're looking forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming test.

Cajun HRC, www.cajunhrc.com, President Benny Landry, blandry@miswaco.com

As I am writing this report we are in the last two weeks of our hunting season and the weather man is saying we are going to have the coldest weekend we have had in four years in South La. My dog is 6 years old and has never retrieved a duck in a frozen duck pond yet. We have had the wettest month of December since 1944, 20 inches of rain in one month. We have plenty of water to train, hunt ducks and hold hunt tests.

We had our Christmas party in Estherwood La on December 12th and elected new officers for 2010. We also gave out 20 plaques to members that obtained titles earned during the year. Congratulations to all especially to Mark Briley and his dog Stormy for achieving 500 points.

Cajun will host our Upland Test February 6th and our spring hunt test March 27th and 28th as well as the Judges/Handler Seminar February 13th, 2010.

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

We had our annual Christmas party and award presentations December 11th at the Central La. Retriever club house. After dining on roast pig that Bron Hayes prepared with

the help of the Sayer brothers, sides brought by Robbie and Glenda Andries from Tunk's seafood, and desserts furnished by several of the ladies, plaques were awarded to the members for their dog's title achievements. We finished off the evening with our traditional "Dirty Santa" gift exchange.

We will begin to have our regular monthly training days after hunting season. Our club extends an open invitation to any neighboring clubs' members to join us. We usually post the time and place on the HRC Central sub-forum.

Our spring test is the first weekend of March and we hope you will join us.

Lake Charles Retriever Club, www.lakecharlesretrieverclub.com, President Vince Liggiio, vliggiio@pumpelly.com.

Lake Charles Retriever Club held their annual meeting and awards banquet in December. Many plaques were given out for awards and titles achieved in 2009 by members and their 4 legged companions. Great work! Thanks to Rocky Fontenot and Boogie LeJeune for coordinating the food and awards. We sure enjoyed the White Elephant gift exchange!

New officers were sworn in for 2010. They are as follows: President- Vince Liggiio, Vice President- Greg Hock, Treasurer- Murray Reed, Secretary- Chris Fontenot, Trustee- Robert Falgoust. I know these gentlemen will uphold their positions in a grand manner for 2010.

Our 20th anniversary Hunt is coming up soon. It will be held February 27-28, 2010 in Sweetlake, LA. Hunt Marshal, Sharon Dubard and Hunt Secretary, Charles Fontenot have been busy preparing for this to be a hunt to remember. We will have a lot of the original founding member of HRC judging the hunt. Omar Driskol, Claudene Cooper, Glenn Stelly are just a few to name. We will have great food, fun, prizes, and wonderful test to enjoy the weekend. Entries can be made by Huntsecretary.com or links from our website lakecharlesretrieverclub.com. I look forward to seeing you all at the hunt.

Report submitted by Club Reporter Chris Fontenot.

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

Happy New Year to everyone. It is very cold here in North Louisiana. The last couple of nights we have had lows of 14-15 degrees and highs of 32. My big pond had a solid sheet of ice on it. Watching the ducks slide across the ice while they were trying to land was so funny. Maybe this cold weather will kill some of those drastic bugs i.e. mosquitoes, ticks and fleas.

The holiday season has come and gone, but the hunting season is still in full force. I have talked to several different people that had their limits of ducks by 8 am some days and other days just killed 3 or 4. Just depends on the weather I guess. The deer are the same way, some days I see 8-9 other days I may see only 1 or 2.

Hunt test season will be starting up in this part of the country next month. I hope everyone has good luck and looking forward to seeing you all.

Report submitted by Club Reporter Denice Gordy, dogordy@hotmail.com.

Pontchartrain HRC, President Elmore Bauer,

Pontchartrain had their Christmas Party on Dec 13, 2009. We did something a little different this year. Jeff and Shelly Anastasio opened their home to the club. We started

with a training day around 10:00 am and grilled Chicken, sausage, deer and duck around 1:00pm. All members that came brought a dish or desert. We had way more food than needed so everyone went home with a plate. John Veath even gave Mickey new hair. We all had a great time and will do the same next year if possible.

Hope everyone had a great hunting season. PHRC members will be starting to gear up again for hunt tests. We will be holding our Spring Hunt on March 13 & 14, 2010. Hope you can join us.

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