



2017 NATIONAL championship

DATES: Sunday, November 12 through
Saturday, November 18, 2017

LOCATION: **Boston, Georgia**
and the surrounding areas

JUDGES: Central Time Zone – Tony Despenas
Mountain Time Zone – Breck Howard
Pacific Time Zone – Charles Tyson

ENTRY FEE: \$400.00

ENTRY SERVICE: www.EntryExpress.net

ENTRIES: Enter online at: www.entryexpress.net or mail entries
and make checks payable to Entry Express, LLC

Mailing address for entries: Entry Express, LLC
P.O. Box 743
Charleston, AR 72933

UPS and FedEx shipping: Entry Express, LLC
115 S. Greenwood St.
Charleston, AR 72933

Mailed entries MUST include the \$4.50 Administrative Fee per
entry. Administrative Fee of \$4.50 for ONLINE entries also.

CLOSING

DATE: Online entries close: Monday, October 30, 2017, at
11:59 pm CT. Those who qualify Oct. 31 – Nov. 5, 2017
must call: Dave Opseth 540-272-2649 or Tina Styan (Of-
fice: 262-278-4201 or cell: 414-405-7833)
by noon CT Monday, November 6, 2017 with their entry.

NRC OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: Tommy Parrish, Clinton, SC
864-833-0469, tparrish@bbandt.com

VICE PRESIDENT: Mitch Patterson, Dongola, IL
618-751-5167, dualch@sbcglobal.net

SEC'Y/TRES: David Opseth, Etlan, VA
540-272-2649, david.opseth@gmail.com

BOARD MEMBERS: Julie Cole, Yuba City, CA – 530-701-7850
Ginger Cope, Rowlett, TX – 214-532-6209

FIELD TRIAL COMMITTEE:

Chairman: Jeff Talley – Tallahassee, FL
850-566-5206

**Field Trial
Secretary:** David Opseth, Etlan, VA
540-272-2649

**Field Trial
Committee:** Jeff Talley, Dave Ospeth, Tommy Parrish,
Mitch Patterson, Ginger Cope and Julie Cole

Chief Marshals: Mark Menzies – *Chief Marshal*
704-579-1810
Alvin Hatcher – *Co-Chief Marshal*
Rich Dresser – *Co-Chief Marshal*

EVENT COMMITTEE ChairS:

Hostesses: Cindee Talley – *Chair*
850-509-5090
Jessie Kent – *Co-Chair*
706-444-3024
Martha Cole Glen – *Co-Chair*
Cheryl Richardson – *Co-Chair*

Merchandise: Patty Simmons – *Chair*
678-787-9923

Special Committee: Charlie Hays
Wendy Bicknell
Cathy Vignos

Bird Throwers: Bert Windham – *Chair*
229-894-9439
Bubba Joiner – *Co-Chair*
229-344-1014
Jim Houldridge – *Co-Chair*
229-894-2226

Bird Stewards: Joe Driver – *Chair*
252-289-7574
Wes Lee – *Co-Chair*
850-933-8701

Grounds: Dave Barrow – *Chair*
804-512-9254
Scott Bergman – *Co-Chair*
804-725-5632

Gun Captains: Richard Smith – *Captain*
631-921-2267
Olen Bielski – *Co-Captain*
508-320-3824

Traffic: Carl Boteze – *Co-Chair*
607-316-9457
Bob Meier – *Co-Chair*
860-488-0145

Training Grounds: Mike Lardy – *Chair*
Pat Burns – *Co-Chair*

Training Manual: Bill Woodson – *Chair*
865-599-0281

**Corporate
Sponsor Liason:** Gwen Jones, Hernando, MS
901-485-3932

Official Artist: Jean Wu – 928-899-1996

Official Photographer: Mark L. Atwater, UpClose Photo

Official Announcers: Wayne Anderson, Jonathan White,
Susan Metka

Official Timer: David Morrison

Official Reporter: Retriever News
Qualifications: Tina Styan, Managing Editor
Retriever News – 262-278-4201
Official Veterinarian: Clanton-Malpus-Hodges Veterinary Hospital
2134 E Pinetree Blvd, Thomasville, GA 31792,
229-226-1914;
After Hours 229-403-1163

Emergency Information

Emergency Coordinator: Jeff Talley – 850-566-5206
Fire / Police / Ambulance: 911
Hospital: Archbold Medical Center
113 Hansell Street, Thomasville, GA 31792
229-228-2410

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Headquarters:

Best Western Rose City Conference Center Inn
133 Liberty Street, Thomasville, GA 31757 – 229-226-9998
Rates range from \$99.99 - \$114.99 plus taxes and fees. Ask for the National Retriever Championship discount. NO Dogs allowed in the rooms.

Hotels and Motels:

Holiday Inn Express
452 Liberty Street, Thomasville, GA 31752 – 229-226-4666
Rates range from \$99.99 - \$114.99 plus taxes and fees. Ask for the National Retriever Championship discount. NO Dogs allowed in the rooms.

Quality Inn

15138 US Highway 19 South, Thomasville, GA 31757 – 229-225-2134
Rates range from \$59.99 - \$94.99 plus taxes and fees. Ask for the National Retriever Championship discount. You MUST call the front desk for discount. **Pet Friendly - \$10.00 per day per dog

Econo Lodge

15130 US Highway 19 South, Thomasville, GA 31757 – 229-584-0909
Rates range from \$30.00 - \$50.00 (depending on length of stay) plus taxes and fees. Ask for the National Retriever Championship discount. You MUST call the front desk for discount. **Pet Friendly - \$10.00 per day per dog

Hampton Inn

1950 GA Highway 122, Thomasville GA, 31752 – 229-227-0040
Rate is \$132.00 per night plus taxes and fees. Ask for the AAA and the AARP discount. NO Dogs allowed in rooms.

Baymont Inn

1470 Remington Avenue, Thomasville, GA 31792 – 229-516-4020
Rates range from \$86.00 - \$92.00 plus taxes and fees. Ask for the AAA or the AARP discount. Pet Friendly – Onetime \$20.00 pet fee

Campgrounds:

Sugar Mill RV Park
4857 McMillam Road, Ochlocknee, GA 31773 – 229-227-1451
Rates range from \$28.20 - \$25.38. Ask for the Good Sam Club Discount

Tallahassee East Campground

346 KOA Road, Monticello, FL 32344
850-997-3890 or Toll Free 844-997-3890
Rates range from \$39.00 - \$135.00 (monthly rates also available)
Cabins, RV hookups and tent sites available. Ask for the Good Same Club discount.

City of Roses RV Park

227 Old Boston Road, Thomasville, GA 31792 – 229-236-9090
Rates: \$30.00 per night; \$105.00 per week; \$400.00 per month

Airports:

Tallahassee Regional Airport
3300 Capital Circle SW, Tallahassee FL – 850-891-7802

Thomasville Regional Airport
882 Airport Road, Thomasville, GA 31757 – 229-225-4313

Food Service:

There will be food services available on the grounds daily.

Training Grounds:

The drawing for the next day's training sites will be at 6:00 pm each night at the HQ hotel. (Best Western Rose City Conf. Center Inn)

The first drawing will be Sunday, Nov. 5th at 6:00 pm and will be for Monday Nov. 6th.

A Training Grounds and Test Site Guide will be available online – coming in October. If you have any questions, please contact:
Mike Lardy – 920-450-1449 or Pat Burns – 920-896-2911

***Please Note:** If you would like a paper copy of the training sites, please print the digital copy. Printed training guides will not be provided.

Field Trial Grounds:

The exact location of the Field Trial Grounds will also be included in the Training Grounds Manual online, as noted above.

Bitch Check:

Bitch check will be conducted on Saturday, November 11, 2017 immediately following the National Retriever Club Annual Meeting.

Training Birds:

Training birds will be available beginning Monday morning, Nov. 6th. Specific location and time will be provided through Entry Express and Retriever News websites and Qualifier announcements at a later date.

Scratch Policy:

Entry fees for the scratches will be refunded in full for a bitch in season prior to and during the running of the trial, appropriate veterinarian certificate for sick or injured dog or extenuating circumstances approved by the Field Trial Committee.

Running Order:

The draw will be conducted by Entry Express service and the first running dog will be determined at approximately 2:00 pm, during the annual meeting Saturday, November 11th, the day before the event starts.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

Saturday, November 11, 2017

- 8:00 am NRC Board of Directors and Field Trial Committee
(**Thomas University – The Smith Bonvillian Building**)
- Merchandise will be sold
 - Hostess will give out Contestant's Packets
- 1:00 pm Retriever Advisory Committee
- 2:00 pm NRC Annual Meeting
- At the Conclusion – Bitch Check
- At the Conclusion – All Committee Meetings

****All above meetings and Bitch Check will be at the Thomas University – The Smith Bonvillian Building which is located on the south side of the campus next to the large parking lot off of Pine Tree Boulevard.**

- 6:00 pm Cocktail Welcome Party – *Formal Attire*
Ag Pro Corp. Office, 19595 US Highway 84, Boston, GA
Appropriate dress will be cocktail attire for the ladies and ties for the gentlemen.

Sunday, November 12, 2017

- 6:00 am Introductions (**Trial Grounds**) and Opening Ceremony
- 6:30 am Test Dogs
- 7:00 am 2017 National Retriever Championships Starts

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

- 6:30 pm Workers' Party
Pebble Hill Plantation – Sugar Hill Barn
1251 US Highway 319 South, Thomasville, GA 31792
Sugar Hill Barn is building #25, located south of the Pebble Hill Plantation entrance.