



Bryan/College Station Retriever Club

August 1999

Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 17, 1999

7:30 p.m.

Fuddruckers Restaurant

2206 Texas Avenue, College Station

Quotes

Some random quotes from the July Meeting, taken totally and completely out of context:

"I'm not in a good mood, I wanna go home."

"If that person is not so friendly, or a little rude... .."

"If you don't want to show up early, don't."

"I've seen people do dumb things; I'VE done dumb things."

"I wasn't aware I was that."

"You have to write in English."

"Start early, it's too hot."

"I'm going to be training a golden retriever!!"

"It was 43 yesterday, that would make it 42 today."

"And you're not even a Yankee!"

"And the goat weed is growing."

"You gotta draw the line somewhere."

"We could be real rude and run the test real sloppy."

"Could you bring me a wallabee?"

"How about grackles on land and pigeons on water?"

Hunting Licenses go on sale August 11

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is encouraging dove hunters to purchase their licenses well in advance of the September 1 opening day of the 1999-2000 hunting season. The Super Combo License is \$49.00 this year, and includes a resident hunting and fishing license plus all seven state hunting and fishing stamps. Or you can purchase all the above separately for \$82.00 (editor strongly resists the urge to include "duh" afterwards... ..). Hunters of migratory game birds must be certified under the Harvest Information Program, which consists of answering a few "basic questions." Also available where licenses are sold is the ability to enter the new Big Time Texas Hunt special drawings. This includes the Texas Grand Slam and the Texas Exotic Safari. One also has the option to purchase a license over the phone using a credit card, by calling 1-800-TX-LIC-4-U.

Teal Season will be from September 11-26.

All this information and more can be found on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Web page, at www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

27 days until dove season!

Club Training Day

The Club decided at the July meeting to have a training day on Saturday, August 7, 1999. Hopefully, this newsletter will reach you before then, so you can plan on attending! It will be at the training grounds in Snook, beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Apologies.....

I would like to apologize to Vicki and David Christianson for forgetting who they were! They submitted an application for membership to our club. Well, folks, let me tell you who they are! At our Spring test, when we were running our little selves ragged trying to get 180 dogs in and out of the tests, these wonderful people volunteered to help, and ended up throwing birds for our Master Test! They have moved near the Bryan-College Station area, and wanted to be affiliated with our club. Public apologies to you, Vicki and David, for not remembering the name that went with the hard-working, gracious people who volunteered in our time of need! So, next meeting, we will present their application for membership, along with their dogs Nugget, Lotto, Dancer, Abby, Katy and Sassy, and Dusty.

USELESS TRIVIA QUESTIONS

- 1. What are the 7 State stamps available to Texas Hunters and Fishermen/women?**
- 2. What part of a duck/goose do you look at to determine age?**
- 3. What are the most numerous North American Ducks?**
- 4. What duck is nicknamed "baldpate?"**
- 5. What is the incubation period of a mourning dove egg?**
- 6. Name the 5 main categories into which legally hunted game species in North America are divided.**
- 7. Approximately how much money has been raised from the purchase of federal duck stamps since 1934?**
- 8. What is the official beer of Ducks Unlimited?**
- 9. If wildlife watching were a corporation, where would it have placed in the Fortune 500 in 1996 with \$29.2 billion dollars in generated expenses?**
- 10. The object of many youthful prank hunts, the Snipe is a real bird with an average weight range of how much?**

Questions compiled from various resources, answers available at the August 17 meeting.

Editor strongly resists the urge to put a club member's name in the above cartoon.