



2017 MASTER AMATEUR invitational

DATES: Sunday, April 23 through
Saturday, April 29, 2017

LOCATION: Cairo, Georgia
Directions to the test grounds will be posted from
the headquarters each day of the Invitational.

ENTRY FEE: \$300.00

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.

ENTRY OPEN / CLOSE DATE:

Entries Open: Wednesday, February 15, 2017, at 8:00 pm CT.
Entries Close: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 11:59 pm CT. Those
who qualify February 20-28, 2017 must call Tina Styan (Office: 262-
278-4201 or Cell: 414-405-7833) by noon CT Wednesday, March 1st.

JUDGES: East Region

Joe Eschert, Elmer, NJ
Tom Lehr, York Springs, PA

Central Region

Tim Landecker, Clearwater, MN
Rip Shively, Columbia, MO

West Central Region

David Coffey, Rigby, ID
Bill Cummins, Noble, OK

West Region

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HUNT TEST COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

Bob Montler and John Blackbird, Co-Chairs

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TEST COMMITTEE:
Ed Sullivan
Frank Prendergast
Paul McGinnis
Steve Elliot

GUN CAPTAIN: Robert Ehlers
TRAFFIC: Bob Swift
BIRD STEWARD: Kiley Buettner
EQUIPMENT: Dave Kress
GROUND: Frank Prendergast
EMERGENCY COORDINATOR: Dave Kress
HOSPITALITY: Gloria Nusbickel
QUALIFICATIONS: Tina Styan – Retriever News
OFFICIAL REPORTER: Retriever News – 262-278-4201
OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER: Mark L. Atwater, UpClose Photo

EMERGENCY INFORMATION:

Ambulance Service: 911
Police Department: 911

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

This is a tentative schedule. Watch for postings at the event headquarters.

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

Best Western Executive Inn

2800 US Highway 84 E
Cairo, Georgia, 39828
Phone: 229-377-8000
Fax: 229-377-9193
Check In: 3 pm
Check Out: 11 am
www.bestwestern.com

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017

All events at the Grady County Cultural Center, Cairo, Georgia

Merchandise will be available.

- 4:00 pm Handlers' check in and meeting
- 5:30 pm Master Amateur Retriever Club Annual Meeting
- 6:30 pm Cocktail Welcome Party – (*Jackets and ties for men optional*)

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017

- 7:30 am Introductions (*Test Grounds*)
- 7:45 am Test Dogs 8:00 am First dog

TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017

- 6:30 pm Worker's Party (*TBA*)

BITCH CHECK

Times and locations will be announced at the handlers' meeting

SCRATCH POLICY:

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

RUNNING ORDER:

The draw will be conducted by Entry Express service. The first running dog number will be determined at approximately 4:30 pm, during the handlers' meeting Saturday, April 22, 2017, the day before the Invitational starts.

BIRDS: Mallard ducks and/or rooster pheasants.

FOOD: There will not be food services on the grounds. Food facilities are nearby in Cairo and Thomasville.

TRAINING BIRDS:

Kiley Buettner, Buettner Farms
605-351-1811 – kiley@buettnerducks.com
Please place orders by: April 9, 2017 to insure delivery

TRAINING AREAS:

Training areas will be allocated each day by lottery drawing starting Monday evening, April 17, 2017 through Saturday, April 22.
The drawing will take place at the Headquarters.
We will have a Training Area Book with descriptions and photos of each area.

PRIZES:

Event Pin – Awarded to each participant

AKC Rosette – Awarded to all Qualifiers

Goose Band – Awarded to all Qualifiers

Master Amateur Invitational Trophy – Awarded to all Qualifiers

ACCOMMODATIONS:

AIRPORTS: Tallahassee, FL – 35 minutes to Cairo, GA.

HOTELS

In Thomasville, Georgia

Baymont Inn & Suites

1470 Remington Ave.
229-227-9500 • 1-800-337-0550 • www.baymontinns.com

Best Western and Rose City Conference Center

133 Liberty Street
229-226-9998 • 800-WESTERN • www.bestwestern.com

Days Inn

15375 US Hwy 19 S.
229-226-6025 800-325-2525 • www.daysinn.com

EconoLodge

15130 US Hwy 19 S.
229-584-0909 • 800-4CHOICE • www.econolodge.com

Hampton Inn

1950 GA Hwy 122
229-227-0040 • 800-HAMPTON • www.hamptoninn.com

Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites

452 Liberty Street
229-226-4666 • 800-HOLIDAY • www.hiexpress.com

Quality Inn & Suites Conference Center

15138 US Hwy. 19 S.
229-225-2134 • 800-4CHOICE • www.qualityinn.com

Serena Inn

14866 US Hwy 19 S.
229-228-5555 • www.serenainnga.com

Thomasville Inn

15211 US Hwy. 19 S.
229-227-1111 • www.thomasvilleinnga.com

Western Motel

16309 US Hwy. 19 N.
229-228-0800 • www.westernthomasville.com

RV Park in the Thomasville, Georgia area:

Sugar Mill Plantation RV Park

4857 McMillan Rd., Ochlocknee, GA 31773
(NE edge of Thomasville, GA – 15 miles east of Cairo, GA, US 84)
Email: sugarmillpark@bellsouth.net • 229-227-1451
www.sugarmillpark.com

RV Park in the Bainbridge, Georgia area:

Bainbridge/Flint River KOA

Bainbridge, GA 39819
(From Jct. of US 84 & Shotwell St., go .3 miles south on Shotwell St.)
229-246-5802 • Email: davidbrantly@hotmail.com

RV Parks in the Tallahassee, Florida area:

Located 39 miles south of Cairo, GA
All RV Parks are just off I-10

Big Oak RV Park

I-10 & US 27, Exit 199, north 2.5 miles on US 27
850-562-4660 • Email: info@bigoakrvpark.com

Lakeside Travel Park

I-10 & SR 263, Exit 196, south 1.5 miles on SR 263 to US 90 west, 1 mile on left – 850-574-5998

Tallahassee RV Park (Good Sam Park)

I-10 & US 90, Exit 209A, west 0.5 miles on US 90, on right
850-878-7641 • Email: manager@tallahasseevrvpark.com

Quincy Florida RV Park

34 miles south of Cairo, GA
I-10 & SR 12, north 0.1 miles on SR 12, on right
850-856-9095