

March—April

2023



AMERICAN TREEING FEIST ASSOCIATION
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ATFA Newsletter



**Bob Wallace Memorial Rally
Winner**
Cedarwood Bo



Kentucky Regional Winner
Coles' Banjo

The 2022-2023 ATFA hunting season has come to an end. We held two Rally Hunts and nine Regional Hunts with 214 entries averaging 20 dogs at each event. Four dogs earned the title of ATFA Squirrel Champion and three dogs finished to ATFA Grand Squirrel Champion.

Hunts were held in Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia and Kentucky.

We welcomed many new members and registered new dogs into ATFA. ATFA has registered over 2500 dogs since our beginning more than 35 years ago.

Many thanks to the Officers, Board of Directors, Hunt hosts and their families for all the hard work and to everyone who attended our events. We are a successful organization because of the active involvement of so many.

Now it is time to rest up and look forward to our next event the annual picnic which will be held in Pell City, Alabama on August 12, 2023.

Kentucky Regional Hunt Scores

Dog	Owner	Handler	Score
1 Coles Banjo	Todd Coles	Ryan Coles	992.5
2 Crossfire Crow	M Brown/D Hill	Marty Brown	975
3 Coles' Dixie	Chad West		705
4 Clint's Max	Clint Atkins		625
5 East Boley Chicory	Owen Brayson		600

Bob Wallace Memorial Hunt Scores

Dog	Owner	Handler	AM	PM	Total
1 Cedarwood Bo	Chad Wagoner		1075	675	1750
2 Coles' Dixie	Chad West		250	750	1000
3 Crossfire Scooter	J Carpenter/M Brown	John Carpenter	625	275	900
4 JBC's Scalded Copper	Nick Gipson		375	350	725
5 Crossfire Crow	M Brown/D Hill	Marty Brown	500	125	625
6 Styles Dixie Lou	Kenny Styles	Kenny Styles	425	125	550
7 Landrum's Labrador	Keith Landrum		0	550	550
8 Clint's Max	Clint Atkins		375	125	500
9 Coles' Fiddle	Todd Coles		125	375	500
10 East Boley Chicory	Owen Brayson		175	325	500

Election News

A nominating committee has been appointed to conduct the annual ATFA election. Keith Landrum will chair the committee with members Lee Balliet and Bill Yawn.

Board positions for directors Chad West and Barbara Coxwell are up for election this year in addition to all officers - President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer.

The nominating committee has nominated current officers Todd Coles, President,

Marty Brown, Vice President, Mark Gouger, Secretary/Treasurer and current Board members Chad West and Barbara Coxwell for re-election.

Any current ATFA member in good standing can be nominated to run for a board position or officer by submitting a petition with 5 signatures of current ATFA members to the nominating committee chairperson Keith Landrum by May 1, 2023.

Ballots will be included in the next newsletter.

Land Between the Lakes

The final two hunts of the 2022-2023 season were held at KenLake State Park in the Land Between the Lakes. We had a great turnout for both events.

The Regional hunt was held on Friday afternoon with beautiful Spring weather. A chili lunch was served prior to the draw out. Hunters and friends gathered at a local restaurant "The Pond" for supper following the hunt.

Saturday the Rally Hunt began with wind and threats of afternoon rain. Squirrels were very difficult to find.

The Wallace family served a delicious barbecue lunch followed by our raffle which as always provided much entertainment as well as raising funds for ATFA.

Thanks to everyone who attended. It was a great finish to our year!

Yearbook Ads

Okay all ATFA members it is time to get those yearbook ads together! Squirrel season is over and now you can get out all those great pictures you took and use them for your ad. Ad deadline is May 15th.

The price of ads is \$45 for one page, and \$40 for each additional page. Better yet, you get your 2023-2024 membership free when you place an ad in the yearbook! The book will be prepared and printed this summer. Better quality pictures with a good contrast between the dog and background work best. Digital pictures saved in jpeg work well too. Use no more than 3 pictures per page. Pictures must be emailed or hard copies submitted. **NO** text or messenger pictures can be accepted because they do not print well.

Ads can be emailed to: hcoxwell77@comcast.net or

mailed to: ATFA
P.O. Box 204832
Martinez, GA 30917-4832

Payments can be made online at the ATFA website through paypal or sent to the treasurer:

Mark Gouger
535 Baily Lane
Whitwell TN 37397



Membership

ATFA's new membership year begins July 1, 2023. All memberships need to be renewed at that time. Dues are \$30 per year for an individual or family. They include the newsletters, yearbook and the ability to register and hunt dogs in all of our events. Dues can be renewed online through the ATFA web page or sent to treasurer Mark Gouger. A renewal form can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

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Time to renew your membership

AMERICAN TREEING FEIST ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (Area Code) _____

Membership \$30.00 Renewal: _____ New: _____

Please make checks payable to: **ATFA**
Mail to: **Mark Gouger**
 535 Baily Lane
 Whitwell TN 37397