UNITED FIELD TRIALER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

221 NEAL ROAD COMMERCE, GA 30530 678-617-0621

January 2, 2024

Dear UFTA Member:

CONGRATULATIONS! The dog(s) and team(s) listed on your registration form are qualified to participate in the 2024 UFTA Nationals to be held February 24 – March 2 at Cedar Creek Quail Unlimited, 200 Sportsman Lane, Crab Orchard, KY. Our Trial Host this year is Cedar Creek Quail Unlimited and Joey Preston is our contact - 859-983-3096. **No campers or living quarter trailers will be allowed on the Cedar Creek Quail Unlimited campus this year.** If you have a camper, please contact Cedar Creek Camp at 606-370-0544 or visit www.cccamp.us to book an RV spot. They are just minutes from the trial grounds. If you have any questions regarding lodging or questions about the facilities, Joey Preston has posted that information on Cedar Creek's Facebook page.

A Staff meeting will be held at the Conference room prior to the beginning of the Nationals.

Attendance is mandatory.

Practice birds will be available **Wednesday afternoon**, **February 22nd** at Cedar Creek Quail Unlimited. Practice birds **must be** purchased from Cedar Creek Quail. **No outside birds** are allowed to be brought onto the fields.

EVENTS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:

QUALIFYING – AMATEUR POINTING QUALIFYING – DOUBLES FLUSHING

SUNDAY:

FINALS — DOUBLE FLUSHING QUALIFYING — AMATEUR WOMEN'S FLUSHING

MONDAY:

FINALS – AMATEUR POINTING QUALIFYING – FLUSHING OPEN QUALIFYING & FINALS – SENIORS

TUESDAY:

QUALIFYING – FLUSHING OPEN QUALIFYING – DOUBLES POINTING

WEDNESDAY:

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MORNING
FINALS – FLUSHING OPEN
FINALS – DOUBLES POINTING
WOMEN'S – POINTING
BANQUET / AWARDS / HIGH POINT AWARDS

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THURSDAY:

QUALIFYING – OPEN POINTING

FRIDAY:

QUALIFYING - OPEN POINTING

SATURDAY:

FINALS - OPEN POINTING

OPEN POINTING - AWARDS EVENT

All dates during the week of Nationals are subject to change due to weather, safety and field availability..

All Amateur dogs that qualify for the National Amateur Finals must have the proper registration and/or litter registration paperwork on your dog available upon request of the Field Trial Committee.

Anyone, age 62 and over, who is interested in running in the Seniors Trial on Monday, February 26th please include the fee of \$125.00 per dog with your deposit. This will be a two (2) run event. Therefore, please indicate the dog(s) you plan to enter and include this fee with your deposit. You must run a dog that

is qualified for the UFTA Nationals. This event is for the handler and not the dog. This event will have a payback.

The Youth Pointing & Flushing Division will be Saturday 2/24 through Tuesday 2/27. The Youth trials will be broken down into age groups, if we have enough participants. There will be a 2 - 7-year-old group, 8 - 17year old non-shooter group and 14 - 17-year-old shooter group. Each group will earn prizes. A maximum of two dogs per youth per division. The 14 - 17-year-old shooter youth division may also enter the 8 - 17-year-old non-shooter Division. The Youth Trial will consist of one run. Please call or Text Tracey Gazaway @ (706-455-7252). List your youth entry with age, division and # of dogs you intend to run in on the attached page. Provisions can be made to run on different days throughout the week if time allows. A parent will be allowed to shoot for their child. UFTA will be covering a portion of the entry fee to facilitate the Youth event. Entry fee will be \$30.00.

REMINDERS:

- 1. If you are the Handler/Designated Shooter and run a dog in qualifying, you MUST run the dog in the Finals.
- 2. A dog that goes to the finals as one of the High Point Dogs, counts as one of the four (4) dogs that a Handler/Designated Shooter could possibly be taking to the finals.
- 3. The 2024 Nationals will require competitors to double blind, as always, but the competitors will be required to remain in the blind until their brace begins. Competitors in the blind will not be allowed to watch the brace before them. This requirement will be used for all divisions.
- 4. If you are registering and paying for someone else's dog(s), you must submit a separate registration form for each additional owner. You can secure a blank registration form from the website to complete this process. Please register only the dogs listed on your form.

A majority of Board members approved the following: "At the Nationals, a handler/designated shooter can run no more than 6 dogs per day. A maximum of 4 dogs can be run per division. This format will be used at the 2024 nationals only. Field trailers that handle/shoot for 6 dogs will meet with the board to discuss run orders and will be monitored by the board. Pointing runs take precedence over flushing"

The entry fee for each division is listed on your registration form which is enclosed with this letter. This year you have the option to either pay your fees in full or just the required deposit amount. Please choose to either pay the full amount or just the required deposit amount.

Please complete the enclosed form and mail it along with your registration fees. Make your check payable to UFTA and mail to: UFTA, 221 Neal Road, Commerce, GA 30530.

Your registration must be postmarked on or before Wednesday, <u>January 24</u>, <u>2024</u> in order to participate.

Please make sure you have our correct email address, which is: maryarnau@yahoo.com.

We look forward to seeing all of you in Kentucky at the 2024 UFTA Nationals in February 2024.

Sincerely,

Frank Arnau, Treasurer & Board Member United Field Trialer's Association, Inc. 221 Neal Rd, Commerce, GA 30530 678-617-0621:: maryarnau@yahoo.com