



# Big D Barker

## April 2004

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### **Vice-President Speaks – Eric Starnater**

What a great Spring hunt test season for Big D members and their furry companions. Every hunt test I went to in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana had numerous Big D members running their dogs and supporting other clubs monetarily and physically. It was obvious that Big D members have spent a lot of time training this Spring.

Big D continues to grow and flourish thanks to the hard work and enthusiasm of all of our members. The April meeting was attended by about 30 people including 3 new members. Welcome to the Big D family, you will learn more about retrievers in this club than you could ever imagine. Thanks to Craig Smith of Game Guard for showing some new Big D customized products that he is offering and Eddie Hicks who demonstrated a new way to rig decoys for quick set-up/pick-up.

The next training day has been scheduled for May 8, 2004. Thanks to Tim Slattery for offering to host the training day once again. Location and directions will be posted on the website.

Once again, thanks to Mike “Ziggy” Ziegler for all of his efforts toward the raffle. I could elaborate on all of the incredible merchandise and services that he has acquired but I don’t think you would actually believe me. Let me just say that it will be much bigger and better than last year. That is the operating philosophy of Big D HRC, “do everything you

can to improve on what you have done in the past". If you hold to this philosophy with the club and with your dogs, you can achieve incredible success.

Good luck to everyone participating in the 2004 Spring Grand in College Station!

See you at the line

Eric

<http://www.bigdhrc.com>

### **From The Web Master**

If you have any items that you wish to have posted on the Big D HRC web site please send them to Patti Benton at [Secretary@BigDHRC.com](mailto:Secretary@BigDHRC.com) for review. This includes, litters, boats, e-collars etc. I am trying to make the maintenance of the web site more streamlined and having a standard form for posting items will help accomplish this. If you have a topic or an article for the web site, please send it to Patti Benton.

### **Training/Fun Hunts/Club Events**

May 8, 2004 at 8:00 at Tim Slattery's. There will be more details posted on the Big D web site later this week.

### **Group Emails and the rules**

When sending out a group email to [BigD@listserv.tamu.edu](mailto:BigD@listserv.tamu.edu) please use the following rules.

1. At the conclusion of your message put your email address after your salutation, this way if someone wants to respond to your message they will know the correct email address to use.
2. Do not use the group email list as a chat room. Use the email list for exchange of information not casual banter.
3. Keep the comments positive and polite. Your thoughts and ideas may not always agree with the author.
4. The group email now has the option of a Reply to the send or Reply All to the group. Please keep this in mind when sending a response.

### **Training Schedule**

HEB area – there is a group of Big D members that get together in the HEB. Please

contact Eric Riggs is you are interested in training with the group. Mobile 214-497-4671  
Home 817-589-7109

Rowlett area – if you are interested in starting a training group in the Rowlett area, give  
Mike Legato a call (972) 670-8150 or drop him an email [mlegato1@comcast.net](mailto:mlegato1@comcast.net)

### **Newly titled Big D dogs**

Congratulations to the following Big D HRC members who earned titles this Spring.

#### **Started Hunting Retriever**

SHR Kanati's Sylus Early Jake – Mark Kawalek  
SHR Bailey's Lady Abigail - James Fischer  
SHR Tin Pan Allie - Fred De Haan  
SHR CH Tag Along's Kani Makana CD JH NAJ WCX - Mark & Malinda Miller  
SHR Cox' Tank - Rusty Cox  
SHR Sade Gray Locket - Robb & Victoria Hicks  
SHR Legato's Midnight Blue - Mike Legato  
SHR Roscoe - Handled by Ori Mathews

#### **Hunting Retriever**

HR Cornerstone's Rock of Ages - Chris and Dalene Barnes  
HR Texanna Yellow Gold - Ken & Peggy Robbins  
HR Ram's Dixieland Delight- Chad & Karen Greenway  
HR Buck Creeks Little Black Dot - Bob Love  
HR Kanati's Sylus' Early Jake - Mark Kawalek  
HR Wildrose Lonestar Torey - John Fetner  
HR Heavy Metal Thunder - Bart Hege

#### **Hunting Retriever Champion**

HRCH KPR's Texas Lady Black Rose - Ken & Peggy Robbins  
HRCH Bring 'em Back Boomer - Brian Dunlevy  
HRCH High Desert's Midnight Mac - Ryan & Sharon Garrett  
HRCH Benton's Ria of Opus - Patti & Dave Benton  
HRCH Starwater's Pair of Aces - Eric Starnater  
HRCH Bear Creek's Doubleplay to Win - Coke Waggener

#### **500 Point Club**

HRCH Anderson's Role Tide Role - handled by Bob Love

### **Monthly Meeting**

The club meets at **7:00 PM** on the **first Tuesday** of each month at **Joe's Crab Shack**

located at I-35E and Northwest Highway in Dallas. We have a room reserved in the back. The next meeting will be **May 4, 2004**.

### **Spring Hunt Tests**

Three Rivers HRC – May 22 & 23, 2004 - Hunt Secretary: Betty Jennings, PO Box 130 Peru, KS 67360 (620) 725-3169 [tricreek@hit.net](mailto:tricreek@hit.net)

Colorado River RC – June 5 & 6, 2004 - Hunt Secretary: Tracy Stephens, 5069 CR 388A Brazoria TX 77422, (979) 964-3543

### **Whelping Pen News!**

Check out the litters still available on the Big D web site. The following is a list of who still has puppies available.

Glenda Mitchell – She still has 1 yellow female from SHR Polly JH and GRHRCH UH Sylus MH breeding. She also has 3 chocolate males and 2 chocolate females from HR Lottie and GRHRCH Jake MH. See [www.mitch-labs.com](http://www.mitch-labs.com)

### **Stud List**

HRCH UH Benton's Magnum Opus MH (Magnum) (Yellow) - Patti & Dave Benton (972) 874-5383

GRHRCH UH Go West Sylus MH (Sylus) (Fox Red) - Bart Hege - (940) 464-3610

HRCH Ivie's Whitewater (Stroker) (Black) – Charles & Diane Smith – (936) 637-4820

GRHRCH Marks-A-Lot Barracuda Xpress MH (Cuda) (Chocolate) – Mike Fisher – (817)371-3600

FC Utopian High Pass (Logan) (Black) – Lee Smithwick – (806) 747-1745

Stars Sweet Java QAA (Chocolate) – Lee Smithwick – (806) 747-1745

## **Big D Barker Info**

Whelping Pen News, Look At Them Go! and Stud List listings are \$10 per issue to non-members **but free to all Big D members**. If you want to write letters to the editor, add information, list your litter or stud; mail your information to the Big D Barker Editor [Secretary@BigDHRC.com](mailto:Secretary@BigDHRC.com) or Patti Benton, 1400 Lakehurst Drive, Flower Mound, Tx 75022. Member stud and whelping pen listings on the club website for no charge.