

MONTANA STATE

HOUNDSMEN ASSOCIATION

March 5, 2012



Spring Tune Up

May 5th and 6th, 2012

South of Boulder, near Elkhorn, MT

Open Events Only
No UKC Events This Trial

Directions:

Go 6 miles south of Boulder, MT on MT Hwy 69. I-15 Exit 164 then South to 6 mile marker, turn east at the sign for Elkhorn.

From I-90, Exit 256 at Cardwell, north to MT Hwy 69 to mile marker 6, turn east. Watch for signs.

Events on **Saturday May 5, 2012**

(Events and Order Subject to Change)

Open Coon Drag
Puppy Coon Drag
Open Cat Drag
Kids Bench Show
Single Tree
Double Tree
Veteran's Race - Cat
Coon Final
Potluck Dinner
Cat Final

Events on **Sunday May 6, 2012**

Blow Out Bear Drag - \$1000
\$500 – 1st Line
\$500 – 1st Tree
Fastest to the Tree



Kid's Bench Show 2011

Camping is available, but it is dry camping. You will need to bring your own water!

Remember to bring a dish and your favorite drink for the Potluck. MSHA will provide the meat!

NO NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, OR FIREARMS ALLOWED AT THIS EVENT.

UKC, MSHA, and landowner are **not** responsible for loss, theft, or accidents.

Important Notices!

Membership fees have gone up!

The new fees are \$12 per person and \$2 per person after the first up to a maximum of \$20 for a family.

New Officers – Elected June 2011

President – Scott Cargill
Vice President – Huck McGowan
Secretary – Dacia Johnson
Assistant Secretary – Ruby Christian
Treasurer – Mable Deane
Masters of Hounds – Steve Boyles
and Will Hamett

Please see our website for contact information!

www.montanahoundsmen.com

Feb. 16, 2012 FWP Commission Meeting Results

Mountain Lion:

Statewide: Allow unsuccessful special lion license applicants to purchase a general lion license. Hunter must wait 5 days after purchase to hunt (same as other lion license purchases after August 31).

Region 2:

Replace current special lion regulation with a hybrid. Starting February 1, any unfilled quota may be taken with special lion license OR general lion license. Special lion licenses (permits) will be invalid when quota is filled.

If quota is filled by February 1, Hunting Districts will not open to general lion licenses.

Portion of HD 298 hunting unit boundary is changed.

Region 3:

Hunting District boundary changes have been approved as previously proposed in HD318, 335, 339, 343, 350, 370, 380, and 388

March 21st REGION 3 Mountain Lion Quota Meeting in Three Forks

Location: United Methodist Church Annex at 7:00 pm
Contact for directions: Mable Deane 285-4474 or Dacia Johnson 580-7703.

Regional FWP biologists will be present to hear houndsmen's opinions and recommendations for lion quotas to take to FWP Commission meeting. Please take the time to give your input of the areas you hunt in. If you live in a different region, your biologist may do something similar if approached. Feel free to ask your local biologist to set up a meeting in your region.

We can help coordinate a note to all houndsmen in that region.

Hunters crossing the west fork of the Bitterroot River with a 155-lb. lion. Hunters are Will, Colter, Jerry, Becky, Jackie, and Wyatt.



State Championship

June 2 and 3, 2012

Events on **Saturday, June 2, 2012**

UKC Field Trial Deadline – 8:30 a.m.

Open Coon Drag

Puppy Coon Drag

Open Cat Drag

UKC Bench Show Deadline – 12:30 p.m.

Kids Bench Show

Fastest to the Tree

Single Tree (Walt Fadness Memorial)

****Cash Prize for Single Tree Memorial****

Double Tree

Coon Final Blow Out

Potluck Dinner

Events on **Sunday, June 3, 2012**

Cat Final Blow Out

UKC Swim Race Deadline – 8:30 a.m.

Open Swim Race

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For your information:

Recently in the news there has been talk of putting bounties back into place on some predators in some counties in Montana.

This has been referred to in the news as a license to kill. This is not true!

A bounty is simply a reward for a certain type of animal. That animal must still be legally taken according to our current state and federal laws.

For example, a group could offer a bounty on bald eagles. They would never pay out a bounty because it is illegal to kill bald eagles (federal law).

**Directions: Galt's @
White Sulphur Springs, MT**

Five miles south of White Sulphur Springs on US Hwy. 89S/12W, turn west on BIRKY ROAD between mile marker 35 and 36. Go west approximately 9 miles and watch for signs.



Camping is available, but it is dry camping. You will need to bring your own water!