



## CHAPTER NEWSLETTER August 9, 2017

**Next Chapter Meeting:** Tues., August 15 , Cabela's, 6:00 P.M.

**Word of the month:** “Disappointingly average”—that is the current (early) prediction for quail populations this coming Fall in the Rolling plains area of Texas. Based on data being gathered by Dr. Dale Rollins at the Rolling Plains Quail Research Ranch. After two banner years of quail boom in TX, it appears that this year's hatch may have been negatively affected by high temperatures and lack of rain which drives vegetative growth and insect availability for chicks to get off to a good start.

**“Happy Birthday”** to Ted Mason who turned 75 in late July. Ted was one of the original “cast of 10” when this organization was born under a different name in 1992.

**Q8 Quail Symposium** was held in August in Knoxville, TN. Jack Dahl will be on hand at the **September meeting** to give us a report on the symposium. The symposium gathers every 4 years and is comprised of the top quail researchers/educators in the country sharing “best practices” and research data on everything and anything that has to do with Bobwhite quail populations.

**Prescribed Fire Council** will hold its annual meeting at the Wendell Ford Regional Training Center near Greenville, KY on September 11 & 12. If you wish to learn more about prescribed fire and how to use it to manage your land safely and effectively, plan to attend. For more info, contact Kyle Sams at 1 800 845 1549 ext. 4523.

**Ft. Knox Hunters** will find it easier to access the post for hunting this Fall thanks to a system called *i-Sportsman*. *i-Sportsman* is a website that hunters and fishermen to check-in an out of the installation's 95 designated hunting areas, purchase permits, and check harvested game. The system also provides information about the wildlife programs on post, Hunt Control office hours of operation, season dates, and weapons registration. Hunt Control also plans to conduct this year's quota gun deer hunt through *i-Sportsman*. You will register on-line. If selected for the deer hunt, you will receive an e-mail and digital information packet about the hunt. For those who don't use computers, all tasks that are performed using *i-Sportsman* call also be done at the Hunt Control Office. Go to <https://ftknox.isportsman.net/> to learn how the process works. Many other military installations have also converted to using this process for controlling and operation their hunting programs. Learn how to use it now and make your life in November a little easier.

**Frazier History Museum** is hosting a fund-raiser at Elk Creek Hunt Club in Owenton KY on Friday, Sep. 22, 2017. All levels of shooters are welcome. Register as a team or as individual shooter. Awards and prizes, catered BBQ, Swag bag, 4 boxes of shells, individual coaching, golf cart, awards ceremony with Bluegrass music, Kentucky bourbon, craft beer, and appetizers will be provided. Sounds like a great event. Register at [www.fraziermuseum.org](http://www.fraziermuseum.org).

**2017 Fall Seed Distribution** will take place at the **September Chapter meeting**. Deadline for ordering seed has now passed. Seed will be provided to those who placed an order prior to the previously-announced August 8, 2017 deadline.

**Quail Forever 2017 Youth Outdoor Activity** will be held at Fern Creek Sportsman's Club on Saturday Oct. 7. For children age 10-16. Trap shooting, archery, air rifle, .22 rifle, and bait casting will be taught to children and attending adults. 40 kids in A.M. 40 kids in P.M. If you wish to volunteer to help, contact Chuck at [watch6406@aol.com](mailto:watch6406@aol.com) or call 502 267 5625. **For now, mark your calendar. Pre-registration for attendance is required. Event flyer is attached to this msg.** Please make copies and get it into the hand of your neighbors, relatives, church youth groups, or anyone else who can help us recruit kids to attend this event. Note the deadline for sign-ups.

**Chapter-owned Sprayer** is available to all Chapter members for doing habitat improvement work on private property. Contact Jack Dahl at 552 8424 to make arrangements for pick-up up in Simpsonville. Make plans now for Fall spraying.

**Need Quail for Training Summer and Fall?** Craig Peach is raising quail near Bagdad. Keep his phone # handy for contacting him about availability. 502 382 0586

**Your Chapter** is seeking ideas for social events that will provide opportunity for family-friendly activities. Got some ideas? Bring them to the July meeting or contact one of the Officers listed below.

**What will be happening in August?** Quail hatch peaks July 15 to August 15 with 50% of the hatch occurring during those four weeks. Please keep your mowers in the barn until September 15. Give the chicks a chance to survive. Gray squirrels are being born and hummingbirds are aggressively feeding. Hybrid striped bass are in the jumps this month at Taylorsville and Rough River Lakes. White bass are doing the same at Green River Lake.

**“If People concentrated on the important things in life,** there would be a shortage of fishing poles and bird dogs.”

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**See Our Web Site** for Chapter-related info and a variety of new photos which are added periodically. [www.qfcommonwealth.org](http://www.qfcommonwealth.org) You will also find links to other web sites that may be of interest to you.

**SEND PHOTOS** you would like to share to [watch6406@aol.com](mailto:watch6406@aol.com)  
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Tony Cissell raises a “toast” after the July meeting



Ron Gagliardi got a nice striper on the Cumberland River

It seems that no one else got out in July. It was hot, wasn't it? Submit your photos to Chuck