

The Ames Amateur Field Trial Association announces the 73rd Renewal of the

# HOBART AMES MEMORIAL CLASSIC

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— Purina is this year's official sponsor —

**Starting Monday, January 12, 2026**

**To be run on the National Championship Morning Course, Ames Plantation, Grand Junction, TN**

**Deadline for Entries:** On or before 6:00 p.m. (CST), Saturday, January 10.

**Drawing:** Saturday, January 10, 7:00 p.m., at the Ames Plantation office. Open to all participants.

**\*HOBART AMES OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour)..... Entry Fee: \$300.00**

**A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING STAKE • PURINA DOG & PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS STAKE**

*There will also be a \$20/dog National Championship grounds fee in addition to the entry fee for the All-Age stake.*

**\*JOE WALKER OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (1 Hour)—Starts at conclusion of All-Age Stake, if time allows ..... Entry Fee: \$175.00**

**AMERICAN DERBY INVITATIONAL POINTS STAKE**

**\*60% of entry fees divided 50-30-20**

**Judges:** Mark Haynes, Brownsville, TN, and Keith St. John, South Fulton, TN • **Reporter:** James A. Atchison, Caruthersville, MO

**Note:** If the All-Age Stake is longer than 4 days there will be a different set of Derby Stake Judges! The club will run at least 6 braces per day with the next brace ALWAYS on standby!

Only solid barrel guns can and will be used during the trial! Ames Plantation will furnish solid barrel guns (.32 caliber pistols w/blanks) for handlers use if necessary. Anyone attempting to use an open barrel gun with or without blank ammunition will be automatically disqualified!

No alcoholic beverages allowed on the courses. No stallions will be allowed on Plantation property. All horses must have a current negative Coggins Test (less than 12 months). All individuals stabling horses on Plantation property must provide Ames Plantation, for permanent

possession, a photocopy of their current negative Coggins Test upon arrival. Guests are allowed to use their cell phones before and after braces are run, but NOT during the actual running. Those in attendance are special guests of the Ames Plantation and will be asked to comply cooperatively with staff concerning traditional running rules on Ames Plantation. No running on Sunday.

The Wayne Tate Memorial Steak Dinner sponsored by The Bank of Fayette County and the HAMFTC for all owners, handlers, club members, and invited guests will be on Tuesday, January 13, immediately following the afternoon running, at Bryan Hall.

**Send entries to: MATT BACKUS, Ames Plantation, P.O. Box 389, Grand Junction, TN 38039**

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