



26TH ANNUAL

July 24 & 25, 2026

Hosted by the Mercer County Coonhunters Association
56 Henry Rd, Greenville, PA 16125

- 2 Licensed Youth-Only Nite Hunts •
- 1 Youth-Only Non-Licensed Bench Show •
- Entries Taken on Grounds •
- Double Points Event •

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 24

Nite Hunt

90-minute hunt | **Entry Deadline:** 8 p.m. | **Entry Fee:** \$10

- Entries will be taken on grounds.
- Prior qualification not necessary.

UKC-Licensed Bench Show

Judge: Jay Lahey | **Entry Deadline:** 5 p.m. | **Entry Fee:** \$10

- Double Spotlight Series Points
- Entries will be taken on grounds

Saturday, July 25

Non-Licensed Bench Show

Judge: Todd Turner | **Entry Deadline:** 4 p.m. | **Entry Fee:** \$10

- Entries will be taken on grounds
- Prior qualification not necessary
- Children may be assisted in getting dogs onto the bench, but other than that must show (including gaiting the dog) without adult assistance.
- Classes will be based on the handler's age.

Nite Hunt

90-minute hunt | **Entry Deadline:** 8 p.m. | **Entry Fee:** \$10

- Entries will be taken on grounds.
- Prior qualification not necessary.

NITE HUNTS

Youth must be at least 5 years of age and no older than 17 to be eligible to participate in nite hunts, and must be capable of calling dog struck and treed without assistance of a parent or guardian. Youth may be assisted with handling the dog physically. Youth who have reached their 18th birthday on the date(s) of this event are not eligible to compete.

Youth ages 5-12 and 13-17 to be drawn out separately in Junior and Senior Divisions. Each participant 13 years of age and under that is entered in the nite hunt must be accompanied by an adult other than those in the cast responsible for another youth. One set of 10 placements awarded each night based on score.

Crowning Junior & Senior National Hunt Champions

There will be a 60-minute Final Four Hunt in a late round on Saturday night to determine Overall Champion and Continuing Education Tuition Awards in the Senior Division. Youth must hunt complete hunt times both nights to be eligible for Final Four. The highest combined double-cast win scores first, followed by single-night highest cast win score to make up Final Four, if needed. Overall Champion and Continued Education Tuition Awards in Junior Division will be determined by the highest combined double-cast win score first, followed by single-night highest score, if necessary.

Senior Division Final Four Hunt Awards

- **1st Place:** \$3,000 Tuition Award, Senior Division National Championship Trophy, Jacket
- **2nd Place:** \$2,000 Tuition Award & Youth Nationals Final Four Plaque
- **3rd Place:** \$2,000 Tuition Award & Youth Nationals Final Four Plaque
- **4th Place:** \$2,000 Tuition Award & Youth Nationals Final Four Plaque

Junior Division Final Four Hunt Awards

- **1st Place:** \$1,000 Tuition Award, Junior Division National Championship Trophy, Jacket

BENCH SHOW

Youth must be at least 5 years of age and no older than 17 to be eligible to participate in bench shows, and must be capable of showing their dog without assistance of a parent or guardian. Classes are determined by the age of the handler; 5-12 age classes will compete in the Junior Division; 13-17 age classes to compete in the Senior Division.

Classes judged on showmanship. Age class winners to show in Finals of each division for Overall Junior Division and Overall Senior Division National Championship.

Crowning Junior & Senior National Show Champions

- Junior and Senior Division Bench Show Class and Overall Awards:**
- **Senior Overall Division Winner:** National Championship Trophy, Jacket
- **Junior Overall Division Winner:** National Championship Trophy, Jacket
- **Class Winners:** 1st - Trophy; 2nd - Red Ribbon; 3rd - White Ribbon

CONTACT INFORMATION

UKC Hunting Ops Department

(269) 343-9020 | huntingops@ukcdogs.com

LODGING

- **Cobblestone Hotel & Suites - Greenville:** (724) 588-4200
- **Quality Inn Hermitage South:** (724) 418-2394
- **Hampton Inn & Suites Sharon:** (724) 528-3030
- Camping will be available for tent and self-contained unit set-ups



CONTINUING EDUCATION TUITION PRIZE

UKC® offers a total of \$10,000 Continuing Education Tuition Prizes

Purpose: The purpose of the Continuing Education Tuition Prize is to financially assist active, interested, and capable young hound enthusiasts with the burdening cost of continuing education. The prize amount above will be held in a separate prize money account until the above named recipient makes application for the release of funds.

Payment: Prize money will be paid directly to the school upon written request of the prize recipient. A tuition billing from an accredited college, university, or trade/vocational school must accompany the written request. Under no circumstance may a Continuing Education Tuition Prize be transferred to another individual.

Deadline: The Continuing Education Tuition Prize must be redeemed by the recipient's 21st birthday. Prize money that has not been used by the recipient's 21st birthday will revert back to the UKC® Youth Fund.

Complete details available at: ukcdogs.com/Youth-Nationals | (269) 343-9020 | huntingops@ukcdogs.com

UKC, and the Mercer County Coonhunters Association are not responsible for loss, accidents or theft. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or unprescribed drugs will be allowed on the grounds or while participating in the hunt or in the building the day of a UKC-Licensed event.



PARTICIPATION WAIVERS

Please fill out and bring to the event.

UKC Entry Waiver

All events are held under the Official Rules and Regulations of United Kennel Club. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be allowed on the grounds or in the buildings on the day of a UKC-Licensed event. UKC, its agents, employees, partners, and host clubs assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by spectators or by exhibitors and handlers, or to any of their dogs or property, and further assume no responsibility for injury to children not under the control of their parents or guardians. UKC, its agents, employees, partners, and host clubs are not responsible for loss, accidents, or theft.

By signing this form, I hereby agree to waive any claim, action, or lawsuit and further agree to indemnify and hold UKC, its agents, employees, partners, host clubs, and approved UKC Judges harmless from any claims, actions, or lawsuits resulting from my participation in this event, and any action, decision, or judgment made by UKC or any representatives under the Official UKC Rules and Regulations governing this event. I acknowledge that the current Official Rules and Regulations have been made available to me, and that I am familiar with their contents. My signature indicates that I understand and agree to the above and to abide by all of the current Official UKC Rules and Regulations.

UKC Media Release

Except where prohibited by law, by attending a UKC event, attendee grants UKC a perpetual, worldwide, royalty-free license to use their and/or their dog's name, photograph, voice and/or likeness without further authorization, compensation, or remuneration of any kind for promotion and other publicity purposes in any and all media now or hereafter known throughout the world. Event entrants and attendees give UKC, and parties designated by UKC, the absolute and irrevocable right to use their likeness derived from this event or show in perpetuity. UKC may use their likeness in many forms of media including television, internet, print, social media, or other media either currently existing or developed in the future. If filmed in conjunction with the event, all rights to the material recorded by UKC and/or designated party, including sounds, negatives, outtakes, and images taken in the course of production will be the sole property of UKC and final use will be at the sole discretion of UKC.

I, _____, have read and agreed to the above waivers.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

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