

The President's Message
Dr. John E. Flaherty
Field Trial Clubs Association. Inc.

On behalf of the Flaherty Field Trial Association, I welcome you to the Dr. John E. Flaherty Field Trial grounds in beautiful East Windsor Connecticut. Flaherty Field Trial and Wildlife Area. Since its inception, the Flaherty area has been a work in progress. For the past 74 years, the Association and the Department of Environmental Protection have enjoyed an excellent working relationship that allows us to keep moving forward, which is essential to our success. Each year must be one of advancement.



I would like to personally thank Richard Murphy for the fourteen years he has dedicated to the Flaherty field trial Association under his leadership the association has thrived and grown. The building, grounds and parking area improvements were all done under his watch. This year the new horse wash was utilized and enjoyed by all who used it. The new wood storage facility was started and will be completed in 2017. The grounds mowing by the State was accomplished in one of the driest years I can remember and with the guidance of Rich Garini the grounds were mowed expertly by the State employee's.

Ann Kilpatrick from the CT DEEP has taken responsibility for the Flaherty grounds and has been instrumental in helping me transition into my new role and has supplied the Association with three new picnic tables for the parking area that the field trial community and general public have been enjoying. I look forward to continuing the great relationship that the association has fostered with the State. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the DEEP for continuing to allow us to utilize these fabulous grounds. The executive board would like to wish good luck to the participant's in the 2017 field trial season.

Dick Frawley