



Music City Quail Forever
Meets second Thursday
Ellington Agriculture
Center at
TWRA Region II
5107 Edmondson Pike
Sept 2019, PI

Music City Quail Forever Website
www.musiccityquail.com

Mission Statement: *Quail Forever is dedicated to the conservation of quail, pheasants and other wildlife through habitat improvements, public awareness, education, and land management policies and programs.*

There have been many dedicated conservation minded people who have shepherded Music City Quail over the years to where it is today. Music City QU was created around 1991 with the first Chairman being Derrick Faith. Under Derrick's Chairmanship, there were several influential men that helped to get the Chapter off the ground, such as Joel Riggs, Bob Burnett, John Hancock, Lloyd Nevels, Bob Oxford and Ed Payne. Lloyd Nevels was the first Treasurer and he served this position for several years. We had regular monthly meetings where, usually, 25 to 30 members would show up. John Hancock was Sargent of Arms and made sure the meetings were run correctly. Over the next decade or so, men, such as Frank Bailey, Roy Meyer, Jim Riggs and myself (Tony Phillips), served as Chairman. Bob Oxford succeeded Lloyd Nevels as Treasurer and served for several years. Gary Hotvedt played a big role in all of our banquets and fundraisers. Les Brown, with TWRA, always had several habitat projects for us to work on. Steve Smith was a very supportive member in fundraiser and habitat projects. Written November 11, 2013 by Tony Phillips for a newsletter.

Quail Unlimited eventually closed it's doors, the date depends on who is giving it. Don Purdy as president and Bob Qualman as Treasurer formed the Music City Quail Forever Chapter CH3150, May 6, 2010.

We announced an election of officers at the beginning of this year but no one stepped forward, nor have they since. It was pointed out to me by one wise old sage "Well there is no need as long as you continue to do it."

Chapter CH3150 is in great shape. There couldn't be a better time to get on the wagon. I am sure there are some very capable people out there who will get on board in some leadership roles. Please contact Don Purdy, Richard Sudderth or Bob Qualman, the nominating committee.

This is my final newsletter as of September 15, I am no longer the President of Music City Quail Forever. Recently I saw an interview with General Jim Mattis where he said that history had taught him, "You have a role to play for a little while, so play it well, but don't let it go to your head."

Seed orders are due Sept. 28 Get your orders to Richard Sudderth as soon as possible. suddrich@aol.com
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Your membership must be current to place an order.



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Thoughts From TWRA Director Ed Carter



The struggle to keep the bobwhite quail as one of Tennessee's most prized game bird species is well known. That the TWRA has long sought, through many avenues, to institute a variety of programs and on-the-ground management practices toward that goal is well known. However with ninety percent of Tennessee in private ownership, it takes a community approach if we are to achieve success. That is why the partnership with Music City Quail (MCQ) has been so much a part of our joint efforts.



. Following are only a few examples of that partnership which could perhaps be incorporated into some of the qualities in selecting future leadership.

The importance of presence at Fish and Wildlife Commission meetings cannot be over emphasized. Over the past few years, Ron Crabtree has attended most all Commission meetings. Each time, he has been recognized by the Chairman, thereby, reinforcing the importance of quail to the Commissioners regardless of whether that topic was specifically on the agenda. Input into season setting and also giving specific presentations throughout the year not only enlightened the Commission but also those who watched remotely across the state. Ron's presence also allowed him to communicate directly to the membership the discussions and actions taken by the Commission and staff rather than allowing interpretations or hearsay to cloud the actual message.

Although it was specific to Ron, it is certainly noteworthy that he was recognized on a national level and was one of the five national Heroes of Conservation finalist which came with \$5,000 that he gave to Music City Quail. While that centered on Ron and his individual efforts, it also brought national attention to the quail management efforts underway in the Volunteer state. It is something that a new leader might take notice of in recognizing the notoriety that is possible for the Chapter and the state.

Communications were also improved by the creation of a MCQ website where events, programs, successes, and a variety of informational messages were posted. Members and nonmembers alike could gain from visits to the site. At fund raising events, speakers with inspirational and motivational messages kept the flow of information moving. Keeping the website current and relevant was a very important task and not without effort. There were also social events in which the Chapter specifically furthered the relationship with Agency personnel.



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In addition to the messaging at fundraisers, the money raised was utilized to the fullest extent possible toward furthering the goals of the club. Outreach efforts for youth, wounded warriors, and members alike helped to bring new persons into the outdoors and reinvigorated those whose interest may have waned. The Club also contributed on several occasions by helping fund needed equipment or supplies on Bark Camp Barrens and other quail oriented WMAs. The partnership on pollinator plots on some WMAs were successful on several fronts.

The Chapter was not without its own projects also including pollinator plots and other habitat- oriented endeavors. Many were placed in areas where urban activities took place so that not only did wildlife benefit, but the aesthetic beauty of the plots prompted questions from members of the public who might not have otherwise had any idea about the benefits. And, certainly not least is the help in establishing Chapter / TWRA quail biologists. That not only enhances the relationship between the two organizations but puts real projects on the ground.

In short, the Chapter and the TWRA have enjoyed a close working relationship, enhanced communications, stakeholder input, and put in place projects that not only furthered quail restoration but also brought focus on our mutual efforts. Those successes do not occur without a dedicated leader who possesses good people skills and the commitment to give the time necessary to see initiatives through. I trust these thoughts will be helpful as the excited new leaders of the Chapter step forward.

Making Memories



One of your newest members who joined Music City Quail Forever in April at the encouragement of one of our members is William Brown Lee.

Some people call him Bill but probably more call him Governor.



Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever Food Plot Pre-Order Form

Coordinate your order with your local chapter
Planting instructions available at www.PFHabitatStore.com/resources/

Name	Phone	Email

Type of Dated Crop Seed	Dated Wildlife Seed Information (limited availability)		Ship / Handle
	<i>Ships only to regional drop points.</i>		
	<i>Treated with usual insecticides and fungicides per industry standard.</i>		
A) Corn - Roundup Ready	50# bag ~3 ac. Genetically modified. Requires WTSA.		Donations Accepted (\$15 Suggested)
B) Beans - Roundup Ready	50# bag ~ 1 ac. Genetically modified. Requires WTSA.		
C) Grain Sorghum - NOT RR	50 # bag (7-8 ac). Not Genetically modified.		

PF/QF Signature Series Mixes: Pollinator Friendly, Neonic-free

Mixes are NOT roundup-ready. SOME mixes are Concep treated, safe for pre-emergent herbicides like Dual.

25# bag Grain-based Food and Cover Mixes		# Bags	Retail	Subtotal
Blizzard Buster	Mix of Grain and Forage Sorghums. Maturity range is 85-104 days under normal growing conditions. Concep treated. 25# bag = 4-5 acres. <i>Our BEST SELLING Mix!</i>		\$69.99	
Covey Rise	Blend of heavy seeded grain sorghums, 3-5 ft, 85-102 day staggered maturities under normal conditions. Great cover, super shooting! Concep treated. 25# bag = 4-5 acres.		\$69.99	
Early Longtail	Earliest grain sorghum for short season plantings. Dark red seed, 3 ft tall for great shooting & dog work. 85 days in normal conditions. Concep treated. 25# bag = 4-5 acres. <i>Great for northern latitudes!</i>		\$64.99	
Winter Shield	Grain & Forage Sorghum blend with millets for great winter cover & food. Variable maturity at 60-110 days in normal conditions. NOT Concep treated. 25# bag = 4-5 acres. <i>Favorite of our Great Plains Chapters!</i>		\$66.99	
Rooster Booster	Sorghum-heavy blend, with Corn, Sunflower, Millet & Buckwheat. Variable maturities. Great combo blend with early varieties 3 acres / 28 lb bag. NOT Concep treated. 25# bag = 3 acres.		\$58.99	
Western Food and Cover	Designed for drier climates using shorter maturity varieties including sunflowers, forage and grain sorghums, sudan grass, sweet clover and millets. 1 bag plants 3-4 acres.		\$62.99	
Dove Kandy Sunflowers	Drives doves & all birds wild! Small, black, high oil seeds attract all wildlife. Variable, around 100 day maturity. Not Clearfield type. 25# bag = 4-5 acres.		\$44.99	
Duck Kandy / Quick Food & Cover Millets	Includes 3 millet varieties and buckwheat. Provides quick cover with a 50-60 day maturity. Can be flooded for waterfowl or left as is for early successional cover for upland birds. 1 bag plants 1 acre		\$69.99	



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Green Browse & Brood Products (Enhanced with MicroNutrients)		# Bags	Prod Cost	Subtotal
Clover Kandy	Combines deer green browse & bug-rich brood habitat. A high protein blend irresistible to deer! Great for firebreaks. Plant early spring or fall. 8# bag = 1 acre.		\$59.99	
Buck Bird and Brood Food	Highly diverse blend of high protein legumes, forbs, brassicas and small grains providing an ultimate buffet. A great jack-of-all-trades food plot. 1 bag plants 1 acre.		\$79.99	
Big Buck Brassica	Deer forage & food grade turnips, forage radish. Lush leaf & hefty tuber production. Seed late summer/early fall. 45 day to maturity. 6# bag = 1 acre.		\$59.99	
Whitetail Sanctuary	Provides a permanent bedding area for deer. Includes switchgrass, indiangreass, big bluestem, yellow coneflower, black-eyed Susan, partridge pea, IL bundleflower, wild bergamot and Canada milkvetch. 1 bag plants 1 acre		\$119.99	
Whitetail 365 aka Bed and Breakfast	Proprietary blend of leguems and annual grasses including 2 peas, annual rygrass and oats. 1 bag plants 1/4 acre.		\$49.99	
Quail Quisine	Includes high-yielding annuals including ragweed, grain sorghum, millets, sunflower, and partridge pea. Can not ship to IL, MI or OR. 1 bag plants 1 acre.		\$99.99	

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