Airedale Terriers Join the Hunt

This month the Airedale Terrier makes its debut participating in Retrieving Hunt Tests! Some of our clubs are seeing new Airedale owners enter like Dave Morgan with “Senecas Have Gun Will Travel CD SH CA”, who qualified last weekend at the Colonial Retriever Hunt Test in Connecticut.

A look into the history of the Airedale reveals a broad range of functions for which the breed was successfully used including the need to retrieve. This is a versatile breed, often referred to as the ultimate utilitarian, developed by farmers in England where its origins are believed to have derived from several breeds including retrievers. Those familiar with the Airedale know them to have great intelligence, trainability and to be formidable hunters both for upland or waterfowl. To learn more about this breed’s history and hunting ability the Airedale Terrier Club of America’s website is an excellent source of information.

If you own an Airedale or are considering owning one, the AKC retrieving hunt test program offers a great way to let your dog experience retrieving in the field and exercise their true hunting abilities. Learn how to join the fun of Retriever Hunt Tests here.