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*We've had a pretty mild winter here in the east this year and now the spring birds are singing and it's time to get out the coursing blankets so we can be ready for that first trial. The south has been having field trials during January and February but looking at the schedule on the web site there is an explosion of trials coming up in March.*

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## New Home Page

The Web Site Publication Committee along with the webmaster have been working hard on a new Home Page for the ASFA web site. Our aim has been to make it easier to navigate as well as easier to

find the information that you need. At the same time we want to make it simple for those that come to the web site for the first time to be able to find out about trials in their area. We hope you like it.

## ASFA 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The ASFA 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is here! Josie and her committee have put together a few things to help celebrate. Feel free to shop now. If you order soon you'll have your gear in time for the ACoD! We will also have a few samples to show everyone at the ACoD that we'll raffle off near the end of the weekend.

At the ACoD there will also be some enamel pins. They look much like the one for the 35th but sporting the colors of the "Ruby Anniversary". There will also be some License plate frames to take the celebration on the road with us.

The link to the ASFA Cafe Press shop  
<http://www.cafepress.com/AmericanSighthoundFieldAssociation>  
this will also be on the ASFA web site soon.



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Patrick's  
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St. Patrick's  
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Happy  
St. Patrick's  
Day

## Silken Windhound's Provisional Status

The Silken Windhounds were approved for Limited Status November 2009 and began running in ASFA field trials in December 2009.

The ASFA Constitution states in "Article X **Recognition of Additional Sighthound Breeds**; Section 4. **Approving Provisional Recognition**. Upon completion of

the steps given in Section 2 and 3, the national parent club may apply for Provisional status. To be eligible for Provisional status the new breed must have had a minimum of 10 dogs actively coursing with a minimum of 30 entries in two consecutive or two out of the last three calendar years in which the breed participated in Limited status...."

ASFA records has reported the following numbers for the Silken Windhounds:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Hounds Competing</u>	<u>Entries</u>	<u>New Hounds</u>
2010	125	655	95
2011	109	599	30

In January the ISWS, the Parent Club for Silken Windhounds, upon completion of the above numbers in the 2 previous calendar years, applied to the ASFA Board to be approved to compete at ASFA Field Trials with Provisional Status.

The Board voted to approve the Silken Windhounds for Provisional status. This will take effect on March 1, 2012.

The Silken will continue to run in the Limited Stake.

## ACoD

The ACoD is less than a month away and we are looking forward to seeing your club's delegates in Raleigh Durham. Spring will definitely be there by that time.

The REC and CRC reports are on the ASFA web site if you need to review them. Copies will also be sent out to registered delegates in their packet. Also this is an election year.

*Please be sure the "Communiqué" is distributed to your club's members and we look forward to seeing you and/or your club's delegate at the ACoD.*



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