

# Ericsson Memorial Hangin Tree Cowdog Trial and Gathering

## October 14-15, 2022 @ NRS Event Center Decatur, Texas

We are thinking about starting an annual HTC trial and gathering in honor of Gary, Donna, and Choc Ericsson. The Ericssons passion and commitment to this breed of working cowdogs stretched for many years. We all owe a great bit of gratitude to the perseverance of two generations and four decades of work that the Ericsson crew put in. With that said, a few of the Ericsson family members including Gary's brother Jim and sister Mary have said they thought it was a great idea and kind gesture to move forward with this event. Let's find a way to come together with good work and fellowship around a fire the way that we know Gary loved to do. We each have had great memories, stories, and fellowship that we've shared with Gary whether they were lifelong friendships or just kind cowboy words in passing.

We have located a place for the trial at no charge. Cattle are donated at no charge. If there is enough interest in moving forward with this event we will call around and start getting small sponsorships for buckles and various small awards. Our goal is to have a great time with good competition that is affordable and fun. The trial would be a Friday Saturday two day trial with a cumulative average winner in each class. We will probably throw in both evenings and have a supper both nights and do a church service Sunday morning with a big breakfast.

### CLASSES

**Open - \$175** - Gunfight, Trainers, Advanced Handlers, Gonna Be Extremely Extremely Tough Competition Ericsson Poles, Tighter Obstacles, No Obstacle Planes With Exception Of Bonus Obstacle Possibly

**Ranch - \$125** - Knifefight, Some Everyday Users, Probably Largest Class, This Bunch Doesn't Play Around, Rank Class More Practical Obstacles, Bonus Options and Obstacles, No Obstacle Planes

**Novice - \$100** - Beginners, Extended Time, No Handler Line Or Barriers

**Youth - \$25** - 16 and Under, Similar To Novice Field, 500% Payout, Yes Five Hundred

**Assisted - \$25** - Any Disability Requiring Assistance, Everyone Plays, 500% Payout, Yes Five Hundred (Dog and Handler Assistance Available Upon Request - contact Jason Terrell or Jenson Gainer for questions)

**This event is exclusively for purebred Hangin Tree Cowdogs. Appendix or Permanent papers are required. Good stockmanship will be required. Thank you.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT**

Jason Terrell - 817-776-0106

JR Bailey - 702-289-5348

Jenson Gainer - 817-797-4573

**THIS EVENT IS PRODUCED BY THE AMERICAN RANCH DOG TRIALS**

**ONLY TAKING 40 DOGS - Max 2 dogs per handler**

**Same Dog can Run in Different Classes with Different Handlers**

Dog	Class	Handler	Owner

Entry forms can be mailed in with a check. We accept Venmo.

Entries to: The American Ranch Dog Trials  
P.O. Box 58  
Colleyville, Texas 76034

**Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

While participating in this event, I agree to not hold property owner(s), trial management, staff, sponsors, sanctioning organizations/ associations, or volunteers responsible for any accident, occurrence, or injury to me or any animals injured or destroyed by me. I am aware that this is a release of liability, including asserted negligence and is a contract that I am signing of my own free will

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Name

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Signature.

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Date

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Phone Number

If mailing checks in they need to be post marked no later than May 1st. You are securing slots when you enter. The dog does not need to be identified until time of draw for the trial. If your name is written for a slot and it isn't paid by May 1st. Your slot will be offered to whomever is waiting in line. We are not taking alternates