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or dad – who were also nearby to take plenty of priceless photographs – to keep them pointed in the right direction. Within a matter of minutes, all 1,500 eggs were gathered into baskets and it

was time for the 5 to 8-year-old children, whose egg hunt would take place on the outfield grass

of one of the ballfields.

"This is our first time at this Easter Egg Hunt, and we plan on making it a spring tradition," Tara Randall of Murphy, NC, said following the 4-and-under hunt. "We are new to the area. A co-worker from Blairsville told me about

it, so my husband and I decided to bring our daughter.

"We've been to other events like this when we lived in Tennessee, but this one is by far the most organized. "They have enough eggs

so everyone gets a few, but at the same time, there aren't so many people that you have to worry about getting trampled by parents who are finding the eggs for their kids."

The outfield was split

in half for the final two age groups, with 1,500 eggs on one side of a portable fence and 1,000 on the other.

done, a raffle was held for a giant Easter basket, with one lucky boy and one lucky girl

from each age group taking home one of the grand prizes.

Every child that participated in the hunt was eligible for the drawing, and at the conclusion of all three hunts, one raffle ticket was given to each participant for a shot at

one of the prize baskets.

"This is one of the most exciting events that we have at Meeks Park," Paris added. "It's one of the highlights of my year, getting to come out and watch the kide cetting so excited and the kids getting so excited and having so much fun."



The egg hunt is made available to area residents every year as a fun activity for families in the community. Photo/Lowell Nicholson





Happy Easter!



The Union County Rec Department laid thousands of eggs for the hunt.

