

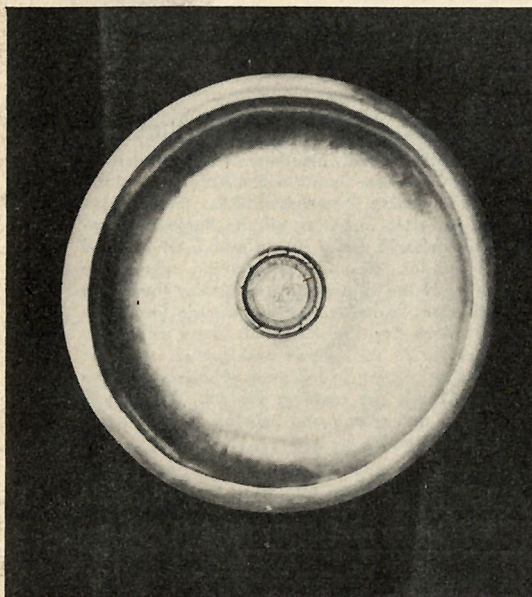
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This beautiful solid silver trophy (value \$100.) will be given to the winner of the First Brittany Spaniel Futurity. The trophy is donated by President Walter B. Kleeman and will be given outright, in addition to the cash purse.

First A.B.C. Brittany Futurity

Friday, October 1, has been set by the Board of Directors of the American Brittany Club as the opening date for the First Annual Futurity. This will open the fall field trial season; and give all prospects an equal opportunity for competition, this date has been selected prior to any of the regular field trial events, so that all entries will start with equal, untried field trial experience as derbies.

An area near Detroit, which has been closed to hunting for a number of years, has been obtained by Al Ady. Maxwell Riddle of Ravenna, Ohio, the well-known sports authority, AKC judge and field trial judge, and William T. Windsor, conservation authority and widely-known field trial judge, will occupy the judicial saddles. Both are widely experienced in the realm of field trials, and having judged Brittany Spaniels on a number of occasions in the past,

are thoroughly familiar with our grand little dogs and know what they should do in the field.

Entries for the First Annual Futurity can be sent in now to the Secretary of the Futurity Committee. Enclosed with this issue of the BRITANNY FIELD AND BENCH you will receive an entry blank. If you have more than one futurity prospect to enter, we will be glad to send on as many additional blanks as you may need. Just ask for them.

According to the original futurity rules as announced on the enrollment blanks, the entries for this futurity will close August 2, as August 1 falls on Sunday, and all entries must be in by that time.

In view of the fact that breeders as well as owners have a stake in the futurity, every individual who has sold an eligible puppy should see that one of these blanks is placed in the hands of the present owner. Breeders as well as owners participate in the distribution of the stake money; therefore, you have an interest both ways.

Original enrollments and second forfeits produced almost \$500.00, which should be greatly increased when the entries are received. Expenses will be deducted from this amount, but the prize is well worth trying for.

President Walter B. Kleeman has announced that he will present a solid silver trophy to the first place winner of the 1948 futurity, which is in addition to the prize money the winner will receive.

Better get busy at once, as time rolls around very rapidly and August 2 will be here before you realize it. It would be a shame not to give that good puppy its chance.

A.K.C. Raises Show Championship Ratings on Brittanies (Div. 1)

The new ratings are:

No. of dogs—2	3	4	7	9
No. of Points—1	2	3	4	5

Change in A.K.C. Field Trial Rules

No post entries will be accepted and entries shall close at the time of the drawing which shall take place at least three days before the first day of the trial.

Any dog entered and present at a field trial must compete in all stakes in which it is entered.

Brittany Field & Bench is published for Brittany Spaniel owners everywhere and its publication is made possible through the co-operation of the members of the American Brittany Club and its Regional Clubs.

A free copy will be mailed to anyone upon request, as long as they last, but the only way to receive regular copies is to join the American Brittany Club or one of its Regional Clubs and help support the magazine.

For information regarding membership, please write the Chairman of the Membership Committee, Mr. Coy N. Conwell, 104 Norton Ave., Pontiac, Michigan, or to one of the Regional Secretaries if there is a Regional Club in your section of the country.

Next issue will be released about the middle of September.

Closing date for accepting any copy or advertising will be August 15th.

New A.K.C. Show Champions

Avono Retta (formerly Retta of Avono) owned by Jack Whitworth of Avon, Ohio and handled by Lee S. Wade.

Pepper of Loufel, owned by Raymond H. Goland of Athol, Mass.

Wild Haven Topsee, owned by Mr. Campbell of Michigan.

Buck of Chippewa, owned by Hilmer Peterson, Brandon, Minn., and handled by W. Larson.

New A.K.C. Field Trial Champion

Broad Archer of Richmond, owned by Dr. R. C. Busted, Savannah, Ga. and handled by Thomas W. Cox.

Champions?—Bench Show? Field Trial?—or Dual???

It was suggested at the Annual Meeting last year that Brittany Field & Bench designate which title a dog held when its name was given in the magazine.

From now on, we will use the letter "B" to designate a bench champion, such as Ch. (B) Brit of So-and-so.

For a field trial champion, we will use the letters "FT", such as Ch. (FT) Brit of So-and-so.

A dog having won both titles will be referred to as Dual Ch. So-and-so.

May we suggest that all Brittany owners follow this practice in making out pedigrees, etc. We think it will prevent confusion.

Annual National Show and Trial

The Annual Show and Trials will be held at Rensselaer, Indiana, on November 19-20-21. Mrs. G. W. Andree of Rensselaer is the Secretary. This is the big event of the year. The trial will start with the Puppy Stake on Friday morning and continue with Derby and All-age through Saturday and Sunday. The Annual Specialty Show will be held Friday evening with America's best dogs competing for honors. Only in this Annual National Show and Trials can you see all the past and present champions of both the field and the bench.

Write Mrs. Andree for information.

Plan your vacation NOW to include the NATIONAL.

A.B.C. Annual National Meeting

The 1948 Annual Meeting of The American Brittany Club has been set for Rensselaer, Ind., Saturday evening, November 20th. Every Member of the club, including all the Regional members too, should make this a MUST on his and her schedule. This is the meeting where the members of the club outline the policy they wish the directors to follow for the coming year, this is the place for the Regional Clubs and their members to air their views and express opinions. This is the meeting to tell your officers what you want. This is the meeting for all. Won't you please try and attend and take an active interest in club matters?

A.B.C. Fall Field Trial Schedule

The following schedule for fall field trials has been approved by the directors of the American Brittany Club. However, these dates must all be approved by the American Kennel Club before they can be final and are subject to change until such time as they are approved.

Futurity (Michigan)—October 1.

Michigan—October 2-3.

Massachusetts—October 9-10.

N. H., Vt. or Mass.—October 16-17.

New Jersey—October 30-31.

Pennsylvania—November 6-7.

Ohio—November 13-14.

Indiana (National)—November 19-20-21.

California—No date set.

The Maritime Brittany Club of Moncton, N.B., are holding their trial on October 23-24. Also the Charlottetown Kennel Club, Prince Edward Island will again run a trial open to all pointing breeds on October 19-20-21.

Brittany Article in July Issue of Field & Stream magazine

Mr. Jack Denton Scott, Gun Dog Editor of Field & Stream has informed us he will feature the Brittany Spaniel in the July issue of Field & Stream magazine. Mr. Scott attended the New Jersey trial and saw the dogs do their stuff.

Don't forget "Field & Stream for July".



Broad Archer of Richmond (on right) Winner of the Open All-age Stake. (Dog on left not identified)

The Ohio Regional Field Trial

By Ivan R. Yoder.

The Spring Field Trial Circuit of the American Brittany Club opened in Ohio this year. Two almost perfect days were encountered for the running of the 43 dog entry. Puppy and Derby Stakes were run on Saturday, April 3rd and the All-age Stake on Sunday, April 4th.

Judges were James C. Tallmadge of Jeromesville, Ohio, who has judged a number of times before and Paul Bechtol of Orrville, Ohio. Mr. Bechtol is new to the Brittany ranks, but well known in pointer and setter circles.

Puppy Stake

The Puppy Stake got off to an early start and first place was taken by Belloaks Mike, owned by Mr. James B. Bell, Jr. of Palm Beach, Fla., and handled by Thomas W. Cox. Mike had a good race and made two finds in the birdfield, one of which he retrieved to hand.

Cheri of White Hub, owned by Dr. G. W. Andree of Rensselaer, Indiana and also handled by Cox was second. Cheri ran a good race most of the way and had a find.

Third went to Joyeux Jacqueline, owned by Mr. Donald Benjamin of Cleveland, Ohio and handled by Buck Bissell. She started out well, slowing down for the finish.

Fourth went to Vim, owned by Mr. Alan R. Stuyvesant of Allamuchy, N. J. and handled by Lee Holman. Vim started poor, but ran well toward the end.

Summary

1st—Belloaks Mike, by Aotrou's Jacques—Sue of Loufel. James Bell, owner. Thos. Cox, handler.

2nd—Cheri of White Hub, by Aotrou's Jacques—Sue of Loufel. White Hub Kennels, owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.

3rd—Joyeux Jacqueline, by Ch. (B) Avono Jake—Monut Sully. D. L. Benjamin, owner. Buck Bissell, handler.

4th—Vim, by Fr. Ch. (FT) Poilu du Droulet—Rumba de l'Argoat. Alan Stuyvesant, owner. Lee Holman, handler.

Derby Stake

The Derby followed immediately after the Puppy Stake and the blue went to Avono Hapte, owned by Mr. Jack Whitworth of Avon, Ohio and handled by Thomas W. Cox. Hapte ran a

terrific race all the way around and hit all the birdy spots on the back course. He had a find and a back in the birdfield and was steady.

Henri of Leeway, owned by Mr. John Lee of Indianapolis, Indiana and handled by Lee Holman was second. Henri had two finds and chased merrily, but his back course effort did not equal the first place dog.

Third went to Lambin du Juchoir, owned and handled by Mr. R. H. (Buck) Bissell of Keene, N. H. He ran a good race and had a steady find in the birdfield.

Fourth place went to Frank's Brittany Bob, owned by Mr. Frank Mowbray of Pontiac, Mich., and handled by Holman. Bob ran a good race and might have looked wider if he had not been braced with the wide-going first place dog. He had a good steady find.

Summary

1st—Avono Hapte, by Ch. (B) Avono Happy—Ch. (FT) Tess of Chippewa. Avono Kennels, owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.

2nd—Henri of Leeway, by Snafu of Richmond—Gypsy Rose of Leeway. John W. Lee, owner. Lee Holman, handler.

3rd—Lambin du Juchoir, by Ch. (B) Kaerson of Loufel—Pink Lady. R. H. Bissell, owner, handler.

4th—Frank's Brittany Bob, by Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel—Gwennecc's Freckled Susie. Frank W. Mowbray, owner. Lee Holman, handler.

Open All-age

The first brace of the All-age went down at 7:30 Sunday morning. It rained during the night, but Sunday was a perfect day for a field trial.

Broad Archer of Richmond, owned by Dr. R. C. Busted of Savannah, Ga., and handled by Cox won to complete his Field Trial Championship.

Broad Archer and Avono Happy were called back for a second series which resulted in Archer placing first. In his first series Archer ran a fair heat until birdfield was sighted, then he put on a burst of speed. He went on point just coming into birdfield and was sent on to relocate when no bird was produced. He again locked up about twenty feet ahead and took a few steps at flush, stopping at command. On his next find he was steady all the way. Avono Happy in his first series broke very fast and ran a wide race all the way around, slowing slightly at the end. In the birdfield he backed his bracemate and was steady while bracemate chased. He then had one perfectly handled find while the bracemate was away.

Calling these two back for a second series created quite a bit of confusion, due to both dogs having to be handled by the same handler. About all that can be said of the second series is Broad Archer won.

Ivy of Loufel, owned by Alan Stuyvesant and handled by Holman took second. Ivy ran a good shooting dog race, backing bracemate and one steady find on back course which bracemate chased. Another find and a back in birdfield.

Ch. (B) Avono Happy, owned by Whitworth and handled by Cox was placed third.

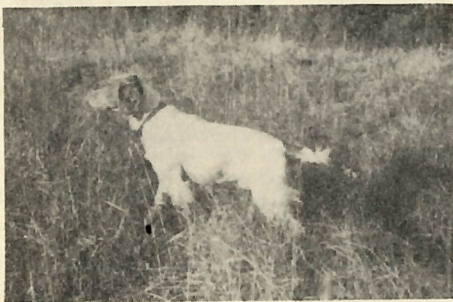
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The Michigan Regional Field Trial

By E. W. Averil

The Michigan Regional held its Spring trial at the Highland Recreational Area, near Pontiac on April 10 and 11. Judges were Mr. Rene P. Joubert of Houston, Texas and Mr. Paul Dawson of Garden City, Michigan. Mr. Joubert is an Honorary Member of the American Brittany Club, being the first man to be elected to this honor. He flew up from Houston just to judge this trial and he could hardly believe how much our Brittanies have improved in the eight years he has been away. Mr. Dawson has probably judged as many Brittany trials as anybody and he, too, was impressed by the great improvement he saw since the last trial he judged.

In spite of the fact that rain fell right up until the first brace of All-age dogs was set down Sunday, weather conditions were generally favorable, considering the fact that April 10th is pretty early in the Spring. Mr. Joubert, fresh from 80-degree heat in Texas, had to borrow a coat from Buck Bissell, but the rest of judges, handlers and officials found conditions pretty much to their liking. 50 pheasants were purchased and planted in the birdfield between braces, virtually all of the dogs having bird work. Most of the dogs handled these half-groggy, pen-raised, birds very well indeed, something that we couldn't very well say a few years ago. For this, the credit must go largely to such men as Tom Cox, Hilmer Peterson, Bill Kull, Buck Bissell, Lee Holman and other professional trainers who have trained large numbers of Brittanies.



Gwennec's Pascey II—First in the All-age.

On Saturday, 12 Puppies and 14 Derbies were run. In the Puppy Stake Lambin du Juchoir, owned and handled by Mr. Ralph H. (Buck) Bissell, Jr. of Keene, N. H., took first place.

Second place was won by Alberdo Heart, owned and handled by Mr. G. L. (Pat) Murphy of Lansing. Third by Delta King of Richmond, owned by Dr. R. C. Busted of Savannah, Ga., and handled by Tom Cox. Fourth by Vio, owned by Mr. Walter Kleeman of Springfield, Ohio and handled by Bill Kull.

The Derby was won by Avono Hapte, owned by Mr. Jack Whitworth of Avon, Ohio and handled by Tom Cox.

Second place went to Calatin MacEochaidh Sam, owned by Dr. T. J. Talbott of Lima, Ohio, and also handled by Cox. Third was won by

Sue's Sport of Annapolis, owned and handled by Mr. R. E. Whittington of Inkster, Mich. Fourth went to Allamuchy Valley Uno, owned by Mr. Alan R. Stuyvesant of Allamuchy, N. J., and handled by Lee Holman.

The All-age Stake, in which 26 dogs were entered, took almost all day Sunday. Both judges said that at least a dozen dogs ran well enough to have been considered in some trials, and as it was, they had difficulty selecting the four that stood out. However, there was no question in their minds as to which dog to put first. Gwennec's Pascey II, owned by Mr. W. E. (Tommy) Thompson of Ferndale, Michigan, and handled by Jane Thompson (no relation) was the winner. He ran a very nice heat, and although he is just three years old, he will be able to complete his field trial championship if the points won in the 1946 New Jersey trial, in which he won both the Derby and the All-age, are accepted by the A. K. C.

Second place went to Avono Jill of Karomish, owned by Mr. Whitworth and handled by Cox. Third was won by Ch. (B) Avono Jake, owned by Mr. D. L. Benjamin of Cleveland, Ohio and handled by Buck Bissell. For fourth place, it was necessary to call two dogs back, Hill-son's Duke, owned by Mr. Roy A. Hill of Lansing and handled by Bill Cox, and Pasatrou's Rex, owned by A. H. Ady of Detroit and handled by Lee Holman. Although both dogs found a bird on the call-back, Duke also had a back of his brace-mate's point and was thereby awarded fourth place.

Ohio Field Trial

Fourth went to Biddy of Loufel, another Stuyvesant dog also handled by Holman. She ran a fair race and had two steady finds.

Summary

- 1st—Broad Archer of Richmond, by Cayenne MacEochaidh—Etain MacEochaidh. Dr. Robert C. Busted, owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.
- 2nd—Ivy of Loufel, by Du Rosellier Cosquerou—Ch. (B) Jan of Loufel. Alan Stuyvesant, owner. Lee Holman, handler.
- 3rd—Ch. (B) Avono Happy, by Kaer de Cornouaille—Bonne et Belle. Jack Whitworth, owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.
- 4th—Biddy of Loufel, by Du Rosellier Cosquerou—Ch. (B) Jan of Loufel. Alan R. Stuyvesant, owner. Lee Holman, handler.

Futurity Pups Sired by Avono Hapte the Derby Winner at Ohio and Mich.

- Avono Hapte . . . $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Ch. (B) Avono Happy} \\ \text{Ch. (FT) Tess of Chippewa} \end{array} \right.$
- Joe's A. V. Gaby $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Allamuchy Valley Joe} \\ \text{Gaby Deslys} \end{array} \right.$

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Ch. (B) Avono Happy with Cox, winner of All-age. Rain in the Face with Dorencamp, winner of Derby. Joyeux Jacqueline with Bissell, winner of Puppy Top row, Judges: Paul Bauer and Dr. J. Earl Miles.

The North Jersey Regional Trial

By Ed. Kinder.

The North Jersey Regional Field Trial was held April 17th and 18th on the Flat Brook Public Hunting and Shooting Grounds at Bevans, N. J.

The judges for all stakes were Dr. J. Earl Miles of Brooklyn, N. Y. and Paul Bauer of Marble Head, Mass.

Hugo Blasberg was the Chairman of the Field Trial Committee and most of the success of the trial was due to his efforts. The balance of the committee was, Al Magee, E. Breeze and myself.

Saturday morning found eight puppies ready for the break-away. The day was cloudy with a brisk wind. The stake was won by Joyeux Jacqueline, owned by D. Benjamin and handled by Buck Bissell. Second was Ace, owned by R. Baldrige and handled by Lee Holman. Third place went to Butch, owned by Dr. Busted and handled by Tom Cox. Sutton's Jeff, owned and handled by 13 year old Johnny Sutton took the fourth place ribbon.

Other puppies entered were: Clair d' Allamuchy, Dr. O. V. Wry; Topsy's Big Red and Topsy's Sue, Hugo Blasberg; Jasper B of Loufel, Lou Ufford.

Immediately following the Puppy, the first brace of the Derby started around the course. Sixteen Derbies were entered and the blue ribbon went to Rain in the Face, owned by Elias Ritts of Pittsburgh, Pa. and handled by C. Dorencamp.

Calatin MacEochaidh Sam was second, he is owned by Dr. T. J. Talbott, Lima, Ohio and handled by Thomas W. Cox. Third place went to Allamuchy Valley Uno, owned by Alan R. Stuyvesant of Allamuchy, N. J. and handled by Lee Holman. Little Gail Goland's Jollie Hill Britsie was fourth and handled by Ray Goland.

Other Derbies entered were: Ben's Suzette, Ben Nerone; Allamuchy Valley Mark, J. White; Joyce B and Peg B of Loufel, L. Ufford; Schutisie, E.

Ritts; Lambin Du Juchoir, Buck Bissell; Buckeye de Klemanor and Brittany House Abner, W. B. Kleeman; Spud V Rensselaer, Dr. R. C. Pavy; Henri of Leeway, John Lee; Cedar Lake Britsie, Dr. C. Fenner; Frank's Brittany Bob, F. Mowbray.

An excellent dinner was held Saturday evening at Flo-Joe's. President Al Meester welcomed the owners and handlers and thanked all for participating in the trial. The judges were introduced to the gathering and among the distinguished guests present were Mr. Beardsley of A. K. C. and Mr. J. Denton Scott, Associate Editor of Field & Stream magazine.

The trophies for the Puppy and Derby were presented by the Secretary and the drawing for the All-age Stake to be run Sunday was held.

Twenty-three dogs were entered in the All-age. The stake was nicely run, but the bird work in most cases was not too impressive. Most of the dogs were encouraged to run a little wide, due to lack of cover in the birdfield and parts of the back course.

The winner was Ch. (B) Avono Happy, owned by J. L. Whitworth of Avon, Ohio and handled by Tom Cox. Second place went to Ch. (B) Pepper of Loufel, owned by Raymond Goland, Athol, Mass. and handled by Bill Kull. Third was Stylish Dawn, owned and handled by Al Magee and fourth place went to Meester's Pal, owned and handled by Al Meester.

Other entries were: Dick's Stubby, R. Christman; Georges of Leeway, John Lee; Foo MacEochaidh, Alan Stuyvesant; Miss Topsy, Hugo Blasberg; Ch. (B) Avono Jake, D. Benjamin; Aotrou's Lil of Pasatrou, Mildred Ady; Pequoig Gunner, George Girardi; Avono Hapte, Jack Whitworth; Basbleu's Sandy, Coy Conwell; Waac de Kitchi Gummi, R. Koby; Calatin MacEochaidh Sam, Dr. Talbott; Brittany House Happy, D. J. Reardon; Ch. (B) Kaerson of Loufel, Lou Ufford; Luke's Allamuchy Terry, Ivy of Loufel, Biddy of Loufel, Alan Stuyvesant; Buster Tim, Fred Liggett; Rain in the Face, Elias Ritts.

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Meester's Pal, 4th. Goland with Ch. (B) Pepper of Loufel, 3rd. Holman with Ivy of Loufel, 2nd. Meester with Allamuchy Valley Omar, 1st in All-age.

The New England Regional Trial

By Eleanor S. Ufford.

Brittany Spaniel owners gathered at the old Airport, North-west of Keene, N. H., on Saturday and Sunday, May 1 and 2, for the last trial of the Spring Brittany Circuit.

The Puppy and Derby were run on Saturday, with Mr. Burley Bidwell, Springfield, Vt. and Mr. Luther Otto, Westminster, Mass. judging. Mr. John McGovern, Lowell, Mass. and Mr. Charles Palmer, West Springfield, Mass., were in the saddle for the All-age on Sunday. A total of fifty-one dogs were entered for the two days. Two of the regular handlers, Thomas W. Cox and Bill Kull did not bring their strings east this spring, otherwise we would have had the largest entry of any of the Regional events.

The course was typical New England cover, running through narrow fields, bound with hedge rows and into woody areas before hitting the birdfield. Mature pheasants were liberated in the birdfield, Joe Paernteau and Louis Goland, both of Keene, acted as bird-setters.

Through the co-operation of the Cheshire Kennel Club, visitors enjoyed a well stocked refreshment stand. The banquet on Saturday evening was well attended. Mr. Alan Stuyvesant giving a interesting and informative talk on the Brittany as he has known them in France.



Romarin du Juchoir winner of Puppy Stake.

Eight dogs were entered in the Puppy Stake. Romarin du Juchoir, owned by R. H. Bissell of Keene, and ably handled by Mrs. Bissell placed first. Mary showed good bird sense, hitting for cover at the breakway and hunting the birdy places around the entire course.

The second place dog, Ace, owned by Ray

Baldrige, Wyandotte, Michigan and handled by Lee Holman, ran a fair ground heat and upon entering birdfield, retrieved a pigeon to hand.

Topsy's Big Red, owned and handled by Hugo Blasberg, Hawthorne, N. J., filled third position. Red ran spasmodically, bumping a bird and chasing merrily.

The 18 dog Derby was run at the conclusion of the Puppy Stake. The ground was still very wet from the heavy shower of the previous evening and the pheasants took none too kindly to their damp hiding places, consequently, no outstanding bird work.



Peg B of Loufel winner of the Derby.

After giving a good account of themselves in the first round, Lou Ufford's Peg B of Loufel and Henri of Leeway, owned by John Lee and handled by Lee Holman, first and second place dogs, respectively, were recalled to run a second short heat. Both dogs hit for cover and on entering the birdfield, Peg winded and pointed her bird, finally retrieving to hand. Henri had a find at the far end of the birdfield, giving a merry chase.

Allamuchy Vamp of Loufel and Cherry Stone Duke, 3rd and 4th place winners, ran together in the first brace. Both showed good bird sense. Duke found and pointed, Vamp backing, and both dogs giving chase.

Sunday broke warm and bright, drying up much of the accumulated water. Scenting conditions seemed excellent through the morning, but as the day wore on, the dogs experienced great difficulty in locating birds in the dry swale.

Allamuchy Valley Omar, owned and handled by Al Meester, set the pace for the day in the second brace. Omar ran a well sustained race, found and handled a bird on the back course and came into the birdfield to repeat his performance twice more. It appeared that Al was a bit skeptical of Omar when he refused to leave his find as Al couldn't produce the bird. Omar was ordered on, but refused to move and after another look, Al found the pheasant.

Alan Stuyvesant's Ivy of Loufel, handled by Lee Holman, took second place with two steady finds, one in full view of the gallery.

Third went to Ch. (B) Pepper of Loufel, owned and handled by Ray Goland, who had a fine piece of bird work, but his ground heat lacked the dash of the afore mentioned dogs.

Meester's Pal completed the stake in fourth place.

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New England Trial

Summary of winners.

Puppy Stake

- 1st—Romarin du Juchoir, owner, R. H. Bissell, Jr., Keene, N. H.
2nd—Ace, owner, Raymond, Baldrige, Wyandotte, Michigan.
3rd—Topsy's Big Red, owner, Hugo Blasberg, Hawthorne, New Jersey.
4th—No fourth place dog was named.

Derby Stake

- 1st—Peg B of Loufel, owner, Lucien H. Ufford, Bellows Falls, Vermont.
2nd—Henri of Leeway, owner, John W. Lee, Indianapolis, Indiana.
3rd—Allamuchy Vamp of Loufel, owner, Eleanor Ufford, Bellows Falls, Vermont.
4th—Cherry Stone Duke, owner, Tom Stone, Clearfield, Pa.

All-age Stake

- 1st—Allamuchy Valley Omar, owner, Al Meester, Prospect Park, N. J.
2nd—Ivy of Loufel, owner, Alan R. Stuyvesant, Allamuchy, N. J.
3rd—Ch. (B) Pepper of Loufel, owner, Raymond H. Goland, Athol, Mass.
4th—Meester's Pal, owner, Al Meester, Prospect Park, New Jersey.

The Athol Regional Field Trial

A trial was held at Athol, Mass., on April 24-25, but since we received no report, we are sorry to say we cannot give you the names of the winners.

Anyone desiring information, may write the Field Trial Secretary, Mr. Raymond H. Goland, 40 Pierce Street, Athol, Mass.

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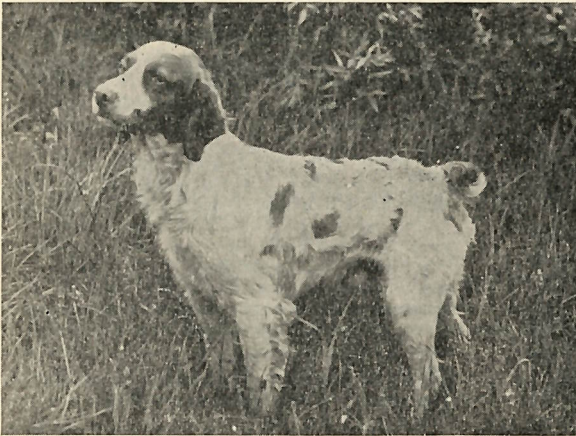
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Photograph of 18th century painting of a Brittany said to be by Jean-Baptiste Oudry (1686—1755).

The Brittany Spaniel is liver and white. The birds are Red-legged Partridge, found generally in Southern France and Spain. This would indicate that the Brittany was highly thought of outside of his own bailiwick. The birds are bigger than quail but smaller than grouse. From this you may be able to judge the approximate size of the dog. Oudry was considered to be the greatest animal painter in France during the reign of Louis xv and there are several of his paintings of dogs in the Louvre Museum in Paris.

"True Brittany Type"

By Alan R. Stuyvesant,
Vice-President of the American Brittany Club.
(Former President of the former Brittany Spaniel
Club of North America).

I have read with great interest both Doctor Leeper's and Lou Ufford's most interesting articles in the last two issues of our Brittany Field and Bench.

I think that, if it came to taking sides, I would range myself with Doctor Leeper. I will try to tell you why.

Though the Brittany Spaniel may be the proud decendent of an illustrious breed of old French hunting dogs, tracing his origines back to the "AUCUPATORII" mentioned by GASTON PHOEBUS, in 1387 in his famous "LIVRE DE CHASSE", we must not forget that the breed, as we see it today, has of relatively recent years been transformed by the infusion of setter and other pointing dog bloods.

At the beginning of this century, as most of us know, the principal Brittany breeders in France got together and decided that, to improve the breed and accentuate its steadiness on point as well as to increase its size and improve its general appearance, they would use several crosses of the larger pointing breeds. A very few pointer crosses may have been used, the others were mostly orange and white setters, known then on the Continent as Scotch Setters. There was also some infusion of the blood of the larger French Spaniel to raise the

size of the liver and white Brittanies. That is one reason why liver and white and orange and white Brittanies are never judged on the same bench in France together.

Like many of the more newly "fabricated" breeds of dogs, the Brittany does not always breed absolutely true to type. By that, I do not only, or necessarily mean that there will be much discrepancy among the puppies of a same litter,—though that is a danger to watch out for when crossing liver and white and orange and white dogs. What I particularly do mean here is that certain dogs, or certain blood lines, may have a tendency towards accentuating certain characteristics that are not always in the Brittany "Type".

In France, where most of the Brittany judges are experienced Brittany breeders, and all are men who have been closely associated with the breed for forty years or more, this tendency is carefully taken care of by rigorous selection on the bench.

Dogs showing certain characteristics believed to be dangerous to the maintenance of the "Brittany Type" are ruthlessly discarded from bench show awards and even from Field Trial Championships. (In France, to obtain a Field Trial Championship a dog must, over and above his Field Trial requirements, acquire a certain standing on the bench; and vice-versa, a bench Champion must have shown adequacy in a recognized Field Trial. I wish that the A. K. C. would help us work out some such arrangements for our breed here, but they won't do it.)

Our American judges, for whom Brittanies are still pretty unimportant, and who, being recruited chiefly from the ranks of the setter and springer men, and knowing relatively little about the history and the breeding problems of our breed, have not been doing this at all.

I cannot say that I blame them. It is very difficult to judge a breed when all you have to go by is a written standard. It is a different matter when you have lived with a breed all your life and have its type well pictured in your mind. An experienced French judge can tell at a glance when a muzzle is right or when it is too heavy or too long and whether a dog is "typy" or not, or whether or not it has a "true Brittany expression". It is quite a different matter for the poor judge who may never have seen many, if any Brittanies before.

For that reason, most of our judges have been classing our dogs on "soundness" alone, thinking that that at least was a criterion that could be evaluated and compared.

Now, soundness in itself is a matter that I will not attempt to go into at present, except to point out that what is desired in a springing dog may not be tops in a running dog, and that the gait of a thoroughbred horse should not be judged from Hackney standards.

On the whole, I would say that our American Brittanies of today are a very fine looking bunch of dogs. I think that they compare very favorably with the dogs in France today. They are probably sounder than a cross section of

their dogs. That may, in part, be due to the better care and feeding we have been able to give our dogs in the last few years. I am talking about the general run of our dogs; not about many of our A. K. C. Champions. What we may have gained in "soundness" we are losing in "type", particularly among the dogs who seem to have success at many of our bench shows. Many of our American Champions might not even be allowed in the ring under a competent French judge!

This does not, in any way, mean that I consider that all of our A. K. C. bench Champions are deficient in type. Some of our judges have definitely recognised the Brittany Type and the dogs that they have placed have been excellent. However, as a fellow breeder myself, any mention of individual dogs, either as good or bad ones would be out of place in this article.

But, if any fellow breeder, reading this article, resents it being over-critical of his champions or the dogs he is producing, I can only quote the old English proverb; if the cap fits, wear it.

This may sound like a crazy thing to say; that many of our bench Champions are less typey than the general run of our dogs who never get placed on the bench. But when we consider it carefully, it is not only so, but it is very easily explained.

The Brittany, much as we like him, is not a pretty dog. Certainly not as pretty as a springer or a setter. Mr. Ufford blames the scarcity of Brittanies placing in Sporting Groups on the scarcity of sound Brittanies at the shows. I would blame it, in part on the scarcity of Brittanies at the shows, period. But I also think that many judges class the dogs in the Groups by the popularity of the breed as well as by the showiness of the individual dog. Brittanies are not very popular at bench shows and very few of them are showy.

How many times have we heard Brittany breeders say that such and such a dog might not look so good in the Brittany class, but would look swell in the Sporting Group?

Only recently, at one of the biggest shows in the country, a French friend of mine who had shot over Brittanies, and good ones, all his life, mistook the Brittany representing us in the Sporting Group for a German Drathaar. He was a beautiful "moover" and looked very well among the other sporting dogs, but I must admit that he didn't look much like a Brittany. And yet there we had a very sound dog, and an A.K.C. Champion, of excellent breeding.

If we are to maintain the true Brittany type, there are certain warnings that we must watch very carefully. Otherwise we are soon going to be breeding bobbed-tailed setters or bastardised springers or whippets. These newer breeds may be fine, and if it is the considered opinion of the members of the American Brittany Club that either one, or all of them might be the type of dog that we want, then O.K., but let us find new names for them and not still call them Brittany Spaniels.

What we want to be most careful of is of not slipping into any one particular type without wanting to, or fully realising we are doing so.

Among the most striking faults toward which we are tending, are; backs too long, chests that are too narrow and without sufficient spring of rib, heads that are either heavy and common, or muzzles that are too long, ears that are too long and often carried too low, feet that are too clumsy and large, poor pigmentation and poor coats.

Now, when we analyse these faults what do we find? That, practically in every case they are common setter traits.

The setter blood in our dogs is very strong, and we must continually be on the look-out and ready to fight against letting it get the upper hand in our dogs.

A setter's chest is entirely different from what a Brittany's should be. A setter is allowed, though God knows why, to have feet as large as a springer's. The Brittany's feet should be small and compact, more like those of a pointer.

A Brittany should have a rather small head in proportion to his body. And yet we see some of our Champions with heavy, massive heads almost like on a Clumber Spaniel, or long delicate noses like an Afgan. A Brittany's ears should be quite small and carried high, and yet we see some of our well known dogs with graceful drooping ears that make the dog look like a Saluki.

In all bench shows I have been to in this country I have yet to see a judge try to get the contestants to cock their ears, and yet that is as important for the true Brittany expression as it is in Fox Terriers, and no judge would think of placing a Fox Terrier with Beagle ears.

The question of pigmentation is also very important. The black nose and the attendant blackish pigmentation around the eye is strongly reminiscent of the lemon and white setter. It is, and it should be strictly forbidden in Brittanies, and yet I have seen one bench Champion in particular with this very definite fault.

On the other hand a very light pigmentation, where the orange has faded into a pale lemon is equally bad. That, if encouraged, will just degenerate into the common variety of "yellow dawg",—which is a natural color for dogs and is the eventual end of any breed if allowed to degenerate long enough. (Whether, as some breeders claim, there is a close affinity between the lemon yellow and the black, I cannot say, but will be interested in checking the point with some of my pointer friends). Anyway, the pale, light eye which practically always goes with the yellow color, may be O. K. for Weimaraners, but is not so good in Brittanies.

I agree with Lou Ufford when he points out that we are only a few generations removed from our first imports, but I do not agree with him if he says that that should relieve us of any worry, or responsibility about conserving type.

We are very lucky that most of the imports were made after a great deal of study and forethought. Most of the dogs brought over were among the best in France, and they were purchased with the definite view of being used as foundation stock for this country.

We could not have better "ancestors" than
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True Brittany Type

Ch. Gwennec de l'Argoat, Etoile de l'Argoat, Ch. Idoc de Cornouaille, Kaer de Cornouaille, Ch. Iane de Cornouaille, Histr de Cornouaille, Jackette and Kotic de Cornouaille, Lettic de Pradalan, Jilo, Margot de Basgard and sons and daughters of Ch. Dingo and Ch. Hello.

Of the newer imports made since the war, most have again been made with the same care and forethought.

Among the adults, Ratousse de Basse Bretagne is a liver and white French bench Champion, Folette IV de Pradalan, also liver and white won the liver and white bitch class at the Brittany Specialty Show at Rennes in 1946, Rumba de l'Argoat won the orange and white bitch class at the same show with the "qualification excellent". Tudor du Roc'Hellou was classed best male, (O. & W.) at the Brittany Specialty Show at St. Brieux in 1947, where Thais du Roc 'Hellou won the "Classe jeune" and placed second in the open bitches, (O. & W.). Both she and Tudor also won the "classification excellent". (At French shows not only are the liver and white judged separately from orange and white, but also the sexes rarely compete with each other even for best of breed as they do here).

The puppies sent to our club by the Parisian Regional of the French Brittany Club were chosen because their sires and dams were among the very tops in French Brittanies today. We are very lucky to have sons and grandsons of Field Trial Champions Poilu du Droulet, Raly des Valieres, Plook D'Edgaraja, and of Molitor de Cotignac to add new blood to the excellent Brittany blood lines already in this country.

I am not trying to say that we must immediately rush to breed to these newer dogs instead of to our top notch American bred dogs. Not by any means, unless we feel that in certain cases we have been breeding too close already.

The pups sent to us from France may not turn out to be bench material. We all know how difficult it is to pick a winner from a litter of three months old pups. I need not go into that. All I can say is that, in practically all cases I have made it a point of seeing their sires and dams and they were good, typy Brittanies.

What I recommend however, is that if we have a good, but setterised Brittany bitch, not to breed her to a dog with the same faults, whether he is one of the newer imported dogs or one of our American bred dogs. We have plenty of good, sound, typy Brittanies, among our American bred and among the others.

And even here, I do not mean to say that studs with certain physical defects should never be used. Some of the best dams and stud dogs in any breed have sometimes been pretty poor in some respects, only, their good products did not come from mating them to other dogs who had the same faults.

This is particularly true where the faults are hereditary, and where they are throw-backs to ancestors whose breed conformation was entirely different.

What we all need is to know what a good Brittany should really look like. Once we, and

our judges, have the type well established in our minds we will be on the right track. We have everything but that. We certainly have samples of the best blood lines to work with.

However, and here I repeat myself over and over again if necessary, these blood lines are not fool proof. No Brittany cross is fool proof.

As an example I will take several well known dogs, of my own as well as of other's breeding. Luke's Allamuchy Terry, (called Mike) and Luke's Allamuchy Chesta are litter brother and sister. Dual Ch. Aotrou MacEochaidh, Tutti Fruitti MacEochaidh, and I believe Stop MacEochaidh and little Delta MacEochaidh are from the same sire and dam. I have chosen these particular dogs among many because they are outstanding, (even Chesta) and yet they do not look at all alike. They do, however, all have their hunting interest and ability in common.

Some matings do breed very true to type; others equally good on paper do not always do so.

I also repeat again that the French keep a cross check on the "type" of the breed by a very careful selection on the bench, which so far we are not doing.

It stands to reason that if we allow strongly setterised types to become bench Champions, many of our breeders who, after all have no other criterion to go by, will think that they must be the type we want, and will breed to them. Little wonder if these setterised specimens, bred to other setterised specimens will produce dogs that will get more and more setterised as time and unintelligent or thoughtless breeding goes on.

I am not very worried about our "soundness". Once we thoroughly establish our type, in our own minds as well as in those of our judges, then, among "typy" dogs, soundness will win out. The "typy" but unsound dogs will automatically weed themselves out.

But, I am very much afraid that if we continue to neglect type, it will not be many years before we have some very poor, but very sound, setters, springers, beagles, or whippets all competing for prizes as Brittanies.

In next issue of our magazine we will try to tackle the very ticklish question of just what is type in a Brittany. I hope to have some photographs and sketches for you by then.

A. R. S.

A. B. C. FUTURITY PUPS

Three bitches are now bred:

Georgia Lady to Ch. (FT) Broad Archer of Richmond.

Lloyd Saylor Spunk to Ch. (FT) Broad Archer of Richmond.

Duchess of Loufel to Tudor du Roc'Hellou.

W. K. STRINGER

456 Hurt Building Atlanta, Georgia

Are Brittany Owners Lacking in Sportsmanship?

We do not think so. But the rumor persists in gun dog circles because of several unfortunate experiences at recent field trials. Heated comments by irate owners, often to judges themselves, make all of us look like bad losers and injure the ninety-nine fellows who play the game to the one who does not.

Brittany Field Trial Committees have always spent unlimited time and effort to obtain nationally known men for judges, whose integrity, knowledge and experience are unimpeachable.

A. K. C. rule, Chapter 20, Section 2, says "A judge's decision shall be final in all cases affecting the merits of the dogs."

In the first place not a single one of us ever follows all the braces around the course, and most trials are won and lost on the back course. We may see the dogs in the bird field, but we must remember that the bird field work is about one-fourth of the heat. A judge places a dog as he sees it perform, not by what it did last week nor by what he thinks it can do. Also, a judge on horseback may see things a person on foot might not see. The work of each dog is compared with the performance of the other dogs and placements made accordingly. Order of running, the bracemate, the time of day, the weather, amount of birds in bird field and on back course all come under the heading of "getting the breaks" or "not getting the breaks" and they can make or break any dog.

In a show, the judge is in the ring with the dogs and examines each dog carefully. Therefore, he may find faults that you do not see from outside the ring, or he may find faults with his hands that no one can see with the eye.

Perhaps some of you do not know that a field trial or a show is planned and carried out entirely by the local committee in charge. The officers and directors of the Parent Club and the officers and directors of the Regional Club have no authority whatever at a show or a trial unless they are a member of the local committee in charge. When a trial or a show is licensed by the American Kennel Club, the local committee is given absolute and complete charge by A. K. C. They and they alone are the official representatives of the American Kennel Club. It is their duty and responsibility to enforce all rules and regulations and they have full authority to suspend any person from all privileges of the American Kennel Club and the American Brittany Club.

The directors of the American Brittany Club can issue directives to apply to all trials and shows, and they can hold committees responsible for not carrying out these orders.

As directors of the American Brittany Club, we must insist that all chairmen and secretaries of each field trial and bench show committee read and thoroughly familiarize themselves with all A. K. C. rules and that all rules be fully enforced, and particularly A. K. C. rule in

Chapter 22, Section 2. (A copy of these rules will be sent free of charge to anyone writing the American Kennel Club and asking for them) We, however, wish to further state that this order shall not in any way deprive any contestant from his right to question a judge or the committee in a gentlemanly manner, about the running, showing or placing of his dog. Nor shall it in any way deprive any person of his rights to enter a protest as outlined under Chapter 22 of A.K.C. rules and regulations. But we do wish to make it clear to one and all alike, that we cannot permit insulting our judges and abuse of our committees, and violations of these rules shall result in immediate suspension of any person from all privileges of both the American Kennel Club and the American Brittany Club.

Signed by

Walter B. Kleeman Coy N. Conwell
Alan R. Stuyvesant A. H. Ady
Jack L. Whitworth

Directors of The American Brittany Club, Inc.



HAVE A FULL STRING AND

CAN NOT ACCEPT ANY

MORE DOGS TO TRAIN

UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1.

Thomas W. Cox

Rural Route 2

RENSELAER, INDIANA

Brittany Regional Club News

We would like to have a section of the magazine set aside for Regional Clubs and what they are doing. We can do this, if the secretary of each club will write me all their activities, when and where they meet, number of members and all details of the club. It will give the other clubs an idea of what their neighbors are doing. I will be glad to receive a report on Regional meetings. The American Brittany Club does not want membership for their dues alone, we want your ideas and activities in order to pass them along.

Remember, Confucius says, "A candle placed under a basket, will give no lite and will soon burn out unnoticed."

A. H. Ady, Director of Regionals.
9024 N. Martindale Ave.
Detroit, Michigan

Michigan Regional

Saturday night, May 1, was the last meeting of the Michigan Brittany Club until Sept. 11th. According to the business which has been transacted by the officers and members, they are all entitled to a good rest.

In 1947, the Michigan Brittany Club accomplished the following and wound up the year with 58 members.

On January 4, 1947 the Michigan Regional of the American Brittany Club held its first meeting and sixteen members were enrolled. In

eight meetings a total of 266 members attended, giving an average of 52% of the members present at each meeting.

Shows—In the four recognized shows, there was a total of 76 entries. The club was responsible for the majority of these entries.

Field Trials—The club held three trials, two licensed and a fun trial. A total of 131 dogs were run. The entry fees totaled \$855.85, and disbursements were \$616.93, leaving a profit of \$238.92.

The club also managed the National Trial and Show at Pontiac, with Coy Conwell as Chairman. A total entry of 65 dogs in the show, 74 in the trial, making it the largest show and trial ever sponsored by the American Brittany Club.

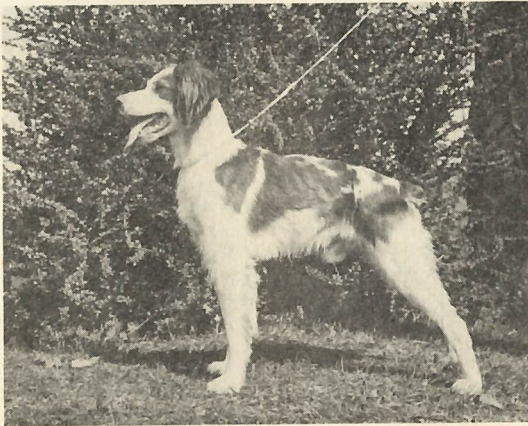
The Conservation Commission, State of Michigan has set aside the Highland Recreational Area and removed it from public hunting. They have designated it as a field trial area and various Sportsmens Clubs have donated funds for feeding and maintaining wild life on this area. The Michigan Brittany Club's quota was \$200.00.

At the September fun trial, the prizes were donated (value \$60.00) by six sporting goods stores in Lansing, thru the efforts of G. L. (Pat) Murphy. The Lansing papers gave the club a lot of publicity. This trial was held in order to familiarize amateurs in handling dogs.

In January 1948, the following officers took office:

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" For Those Who Know Brittannies "



TUDOR DU ROC'HELLOU { Fr. Ch. Sidi Du Roc'Hellou
Saki Du Roc'Hellou

Best Male at the Brittany Specialty Show at St. Brioux, France, 1947.

ALLAMUCHY VALLEY KENNELS

Alan R. Stuyvesant

Allamuchy, New Jersey

Michigan Regional

Coy Conwell, President; D. L. Prouty, 1st Vice-President; E. W. Averill, 2nd Vice-President; W. H. Vance, 3rd Vice-President; M. H. Ady, Secretary and Treasurer.

It was decided to give trophies to various bench shows held in the State, if our delegate to these various shows would be allowed to sit in at the meetings when judges were selected. Two shows have been held so far this year, for a total of 59 Brittany Spaniels shown.

The club donated \$125.00 for conservation at Highland, made a donation of \$75.00 to the Brittany Field & Bench, joined the Michigan United Conservation Club for \$12.50, paid a total of \$105.00 for show trophies, making a total expenditure of \$317.50 for the betterment of Brittany Spaniels.

There has been an average of 39 members present at the five meetings held this year.

One of the biggest highlights of 1948 has been the spring field trial so capably handled by E. W. Averill, Esq., with Paul Dawson and Rene Joubert handling the judicial duties. A report of this trial will be found elsewhere in the magazine, except Mr. Averill, in his report to the club, gave us a check for \$104.95.

The club will hold another water test trial at Dr. Cooley's country home at Jackson, on July 18, and a fun trial in September at Lansing.

To date this year, we have 74 members.

This report made by the Secretary of the Michigan Regional of the American Brittany Club for the benefit of our members who were not able to attend meetings regularly, also to Michigan Brittany owners who would like to join the organization. Please contact me and I will be more than glad to send application blanks to you.

M. H. Ady, Secretary
9024 N. Martindale Ave.
Detroit, Michigan.

California Regional

At a special meeting of the Directors of the American Brittany Club on April 10, 1948, the application of the California Brittany Club was approved as a Regional Club.

This regional has 21 members and the officers are as follows:

Thurmond McWhorter, Sr., President
Thomas Carman, 1st Vice-President
Stanley C. Moore, 2nd Vice-President
Victor B. Appel, Secretary-Treasurer, 5839
Clean Avenue, North Hollywood, Calif.

California owners are invited to join.

They are planning a field trial this fall, this will be the first all Brittany trial to be held on the Pacific Coast.



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New England Regional

Sunday afternoon, March 7, 1948, a group of twelve Brittany fans met at the Hotel Raymond in Fitchburg, Mass., to discuss possibilities of forming a New England Regional of the American Brittany Club.

This meeting brought out some encouraging facts, and a list of known owners of Brittanies within the New England area was assembled.

With the cooperation of the Lowell Sportsman's Club, a second meeting was arranged for Saturday evening, March 27, at "The Rex", in Lowell, Mass.

A. H. Ady of Detroit, Michigan and Coy N. Conwell, Pontiac, Michigan, both vice presidents of American Brittany Club, came east to attend this organization meeting, and ably explain the benefits of a regional club and its relationship to the parent organization.

Thirty-four Brittany enthusiasts attended this meeting. With a charter membership of 22 active members and four associate members, a new club, to be known as Central New England Brittany Club, was formed.

Officers were as follows, President, L. H. Ufford, 1st Vice President, John McGovern, 2nd Vice President, R. H. Bissell, Jr., 3rd Vice President, Dan Reardon, Secretary and Treasurer, Carleton Gardner. The offices of vice presidents carry the assignments of "Field Trials", "Bench Shows" and "Membership", in the order named.

The following were elected to serve as direc-

tors of the new club, Ray Goland, Al Weigel, Edw. J. Hall, Thomas K. Rice, Al Ilg and Dick Hoyer.

Athol and Orange Pheasant Club, and Cheshire Kennel Club, both signified their desire to cooperate with this new club in putting on a three stake spring field trial at their town, which offer was promptly and gratefully accepted by the newly organized Brittany Club.

Any owner of a Brittany Spaniel who resides within New England is eligible to belong to this club and is invited to join. Full membership, including voting power in American Brittany Club, is included with membership in the Central New England Brittany Club.

Carleton Gardner, Secretary
P. O. Box 96, Lowell, Mass.

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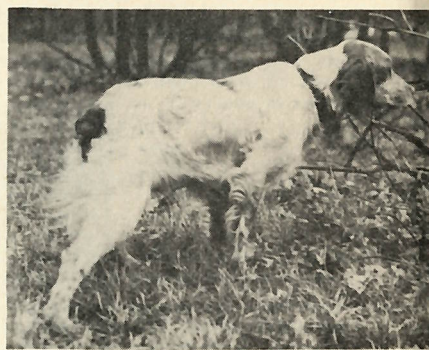
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"Sam"—Orange and White

Calatin MacEochaidh Sam

Show:

Reserve Winner— Chicago International Kennel Club, 1948.

Field:

1st, Puppy, N.J.—3rd, Derby, Mich.
4th, Derby, Pa.—4th, Derby, Mass.
1st, Puppy, P. E. I. (Pointer-Setter)
2nd, Derby, N.B.—1st, Derby, N.J.
2nd, Derby, Mich.—2nd, Derby, N.J.

DR. T. J. TALBOTT

Ohio Regional

At the field trial banquet, at Smithville Inn, Smithville, Ohio on April 3, an Ohio Regional of the American Brittany Club was formed with the following officers elected:

President Robert M. Spangler
1st Vice-President. . . Paul Yoder
2nd Vice-President . Dr. Tom Talbott
3rd Vice-President . Dr. J. E. Talbott
Secretary-Treasurer . Donald L. Benjamin

At the present time the officers are drawing up the By-laws for the Ohio Regional that will be submitted to the members for approval. At present we have 26 members. A meeting for the officers and members will be called in the near future.

Robert M. Spangler, President
Route 2 Massillon, Ohio

Brittanies at the National Sportsmen's Show, Grand Central Palace, N. Y. (Feb.)

By EVELYN MONTE

Bird dogs at Grand Central Palace? Yes indeed. For what would a sportsmen's show be without bird dogs? One might as well set out during the hunting season without a dog in front, ready to take over the arduous chore of finding that rarity, the elusive ringneck or almost-extinct-as-buffalo, quail...pointing them for the gunner and retrieving after the flush and shot. Without bird dogs, the results would be the same and hold little interest for many sportsmen. And just as the dogs take over their duties to ease the way for the hunter, they are the hardest working animals in the sportsmen's show. And they like it.

Hunting conditions, bird hunting that is, are highly pseudo on Lexington Avenue. Actual shooting is frowned upon by the proprietors of the Sportsmen's Show and the local gendarmes. This is understandable since it might entail picking off a few ringside sportsmen or the impresario in a nearby booth who sells a mechanical mouse guaranteed to mystify or give the horrors to your friends (depending on the gender). It seems that in such case the shootee would be forestalled in any plans for seeing future sportsmen's shows by having permanent residence up the river.

But, except for the shooting, all the rest of the enactment of a bird dog at work takes place within the confines of a modest and not too artfully simulated pasture amidst the tangy aroma of maple sugar, Joe La Flamme's moose (or meese) boat varish, movie star horses and the recumbent hides of a dozen or so "tigers" which have been languishing since they met up with the hefty spear of Sasha Seimel in the Matta Grosso.

The birds are planted in a cage and covered with foliage. As the dogs pointed, we explained via the "mike" all the whys and wherefores

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WANTED BRITTANY SPANIELS TO TRAIN FOR GUN DOGS AND FIELD TRIALS.

Am leaving for S. Dakota
July 1 to train on pheasant.
Now have in my employ
Mr. G. L. Gray from Miss.,
who has trained dogs for
The Ames Plantation in
Grand Junction. So send
them along Brittany fans
and we will give them our
best and write you our
frank opinion on what you
can expect from your dog.

We are particularly anxious
to get a few Futurity pups
to try out in Dakota.

Plenty of birds, best of food
and my personal care in
sanitary kennels.

We also board dogs at our
modern kennels in Goshen.
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and concrete runs which
are washed every day.

Bill Kull
202 Dewey Avenue
GOSHEN, INDIANA

Brits at the Sportsmen's Show

and then, to show the bird, a dead bird was thrown in the air from the "cover". This was retrieved, the Brittany Spaniels showing most wonderfully in this act.

The members of the North Jersey Brittany Club made a fine turnout and had thirteen Brittanies in the exhibition. When a field of thirteen Brittanies line up it is quite a sight. Last year, they won a lot of new admirers, many persons who were entirely unfamiliar with the breed, by their work in the show. This year they gathered in many more. Scheduled for only one day's performances, they gave such an outstanding show that we asked them to please come back again . . . so they gave another fine performance. They did their work, to a dog, almost flawlessly, despite the overpowering heat, the strangeness of surroundings and the head patting of some 1,000 or so hands as they reclined, panting, on the benches between shows. This was the first time that we have had an all-Brittany performance at the sportsmen's show and it certainly made a hit.

It is a mammoth tribute to the skill, the scenting powers and the intelligence of the Brittany that they so soon got the idea of what was expected of them in this peculiar place. Most of the dogs, even those who were new to this indoor business, took very little time to catch on. As soon as they realize they can actually find

birds in this strange sort of spot, they forget the hullabaloo of the crowd and side shows and go to work. The older dogs often disdain the planted birds but show their training in a willing performance, even though they convey the idea that it is all just for show and they know it. The pups usually are too eager to care whether it is natural or not. Quail! How they can stack up on that scent . . . even though it comes from birds that are in a cage under very unreal "cover".

Members of the North Jersey Club that brought dogs to the show were: Hugo Blasberg, Alan R. Stuyvesant, Fred Liggett, Herman Deiser, Al McGee, Al Meester, Dr. Wry, Ben Nerone, Eddie Kinder, and that redoubtable nimrod, 70 year old Dick Cristman. Dick's dog, Stubby, did mighty well which not only pleased his proud owner, but everyone there.

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2 Firsts—4 Seconds—3 Thirds—1 Fourth in All-age Field Trials
Best of Winners 1944—Winners Male 1945—Best in Show 1946
in the National Brittany Spaniel Specialty Show

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