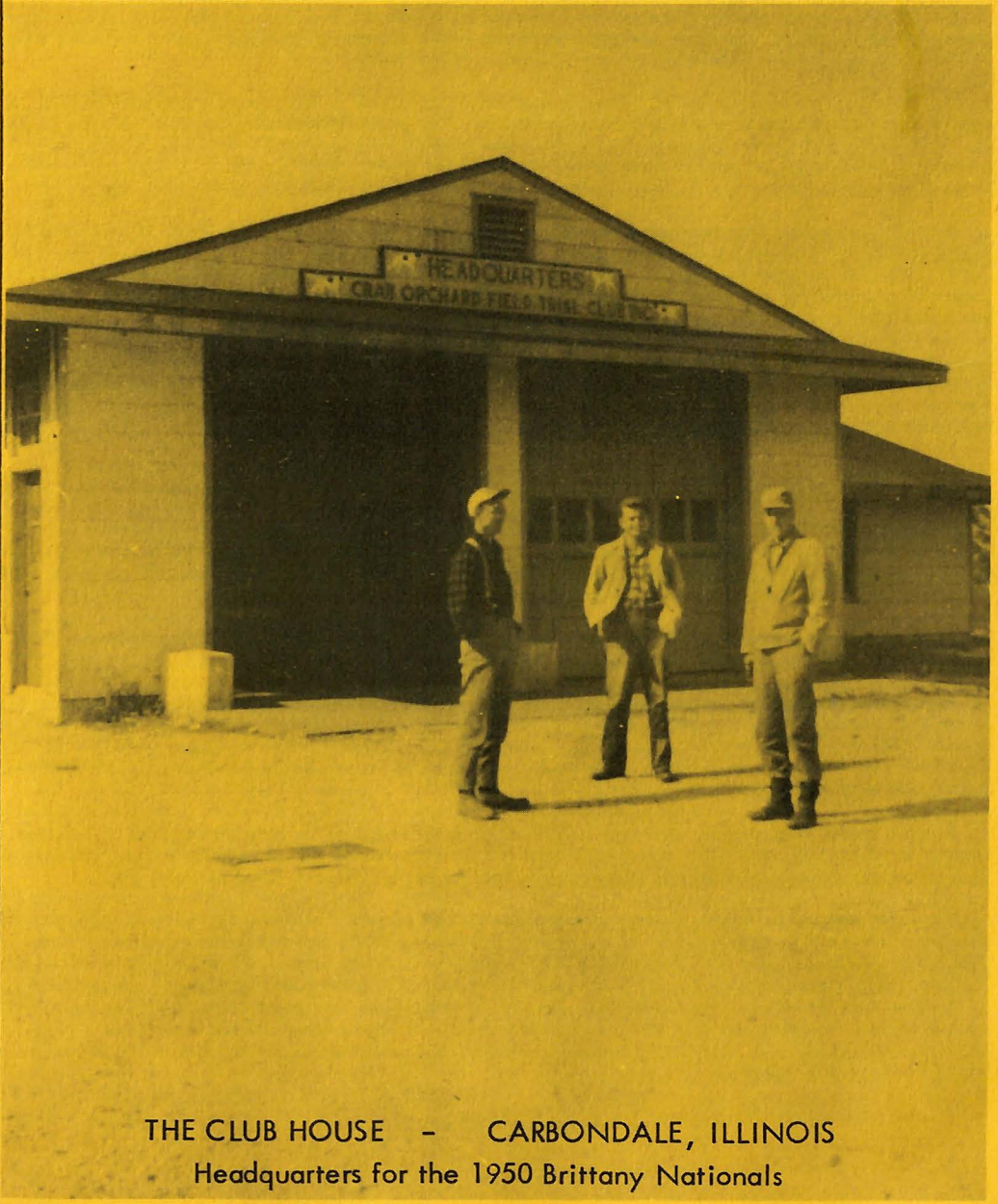


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## New Imports Arriving From France

by  
Alan R. Stuyvesant

On my return from a three month's stay abroad I am glad to be able to report that several new and interesting Brittany Spaniels have arrived safely in this country.

Mr. Ray Machlett, of Connecticut, brought back French Bench Champion UNAN de CORNOUILLE from the Bourdon's Kennels at Callac in Brittany. Ch. UNAN is four years old and won his Championship of France last year. His Field Trial requirements for the confirmation of that bench championship were fulfilled during this past Field Trial Season.

Ch. UNAN, whose pedigree I unfortunately do not have before me at present was very highly recommended to us by Messrs. Pouchain, Allaire and Servier who are three of the leading bench and field judges in France today. He should be an excellent stud dog in this country.

Mr. Machlett has already started campaigning him on the bench in this country when Buck Bissell, our popular trainer and handler won brilliantly with him in a five point Westchester Kennel Club Show at Rye, N.Y. on Sept. 10th. Mr. Machlett is also the owner of WIPPY de la VALLEE BOURAULT, the young imported dog who looked so good to many of us in some of the Derby stakes last year. (WIPPY is out of a litter sister to Ch. Tudor and Ch. Thais du Roc'Hellou who were imported a couple of years ago.)

Another outstanding French Bench Champion to reach these shores is Champion WANDA de L'ARGOAT. WANDA is by International and French (bench) Champion SIDI du ROC'HELLOU, the sire of Ch. Tudor and Ch. Thais du Roc'Hellou, out of a sister to Ch. Rumba de l'Argoat. Wanda who is only just over two years old is particularly unusual in having won her bench championship of France, and having completed her field trial requirements last year when she was little over a year old. To the best of my knowledge Wanda was only beaten once on the bench and that was for the International C.A.C.I.B. honors at the Paris Show this year. The bitch who nosed her out, in a much discussed and debated decision was Monsieur Barthelemy's de Mazeris bitch who is this year's French orange and white champion. (It may interest the American fanciers to know that one of her new champion litter brothers, Val de Mazeris is also among the available stud dogs in this country.)

I take time here to remind our Brittany fanciers of the very excellent ruling existing in many of the foreign kennel clubs, notably in France. This ruling requires any bird dog to have received an official recognition of more than -adequacy, at least in a recognized field trial before he is allowed to use his title of bench champion, no matter how many extra "points" he may have piled up on the bench before being able to use his title of Field Trial champion. I wish that we could get the AKC to enforce a similar ruling over here, but I am afraid that for the moment anyway that is not envisaged by them.

Wanda has been imported by Walter Kleeman and will, I hope soon become a strong pillar on which to rebuild the excellency of his old pre-war Kleemanor strain.

A youngster of about five months old, YAO de l'Le et Rance, from Monsieur Guynemer's old and well established kennel is finding a home in Illinois with Leo LaFleur, the Illinois Regional's secretary. If breed counts, YAO should develop into quite a dog. Though Monsieur Guynemer has done very little showing in the field or on the bench since the war, his kennel and strain has been very highly thought of by the French Brittany authorities for over twenty years.

Another young dog to be brought over is XOCHENE de L'ARGOAT, a year old daughter of French F.T. Champion POILU du DROULET out of a sister of the aforementioned Ch. Rumba de l'Argoat who is well known to many of us in the East and in Canada for her fine performance on woodcock and grouse.

Xochene, who has only been shown once on the bench won a qualification of "Excellent" under the judgement of Monsieur de Kermadec in this summer's Brittany Specialty show in Rennes, Brittany. Both Ch. Wanda and Xochene, like Ch. Rumba de l'Argoat and Ch. Gwennec and Etoile de l'Argoat of Mr. Louis Thebaud's days come from the kennel of Monsieur Ed. Baudot, the wellknown breeder of Callac de Bretagne.

Another two American-bound dogs who are still in France are; an as yet un-named male pup of Monsieur Pouchain's breeding and WERDA du DROULET, one of the last daughters of Monsieur Allaire's F.T. Ch. LAGOR d' EDGARADJA. Both are in training in France and will be campaigned over there before being brought over to this country.

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## National Field Trial & Specialty Show High-Lights 1950

by  
Walter B. Kleeman

1950 Should stand out as a well highlighted milestone in the progress of Brittany Spaniels as pointing dogs on the American scene. The popularity of the Brittany Spaniel has gone forward by leaps and bounds from a very limited number of breeders in the middle thirties. Very few of the original handful of fanciers in those days could have foreseen the tremendous acclaim that these industrious and attractive little dogs have achieved.

While there has been a growing list of Brittany field trials throughout the northern half of the United States sponsored by the parent club and the nine regional clubs, members of this fine organization, this year in addition to the week-end trials which are scheduled throughout the fall, there will be a full week of field trials which will be held at the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge near Carbondale, Illinois the week of November 26th to December 2nd.

In addition to the field trial events, the annual meeting of the American Brittany Club will be brought to order by President Alan R. Stuyvesant at the club house on Thursday, November 30th and the annual specialty show will be held Friday December 1, at the club house within the refuge, all classes to be judged by Maxwell Riddle of Cleveland, Ohio nationally famous American Kennel Club all-breed judge.

The program of field trial events gets under way on Monday, November 27, at eight o'clock when the Illinois Regional Brittany Club is scheduled to start out its program with a puppy stake, which will be followed by an amateur shooting dog stake, an open derby and an open all-age. These events should be completely finished by Tuesday night November 28th.

Howard Clements and Walter B. Kleeman will judge the puppy stake; the amateur shooting dog stake will be judged by Evelyn Monte' and Elias Vail; Coy Conwell and Elias Vail will judge the derby, and the open all-age will be judged by Elias Vail and Horace Lytle.

On Wednesday morning, November 29, the American Brittany Club plans to run its Third Annual Futurity. The entries for this event closed August 1 with Thirty-one of the country's best bred Brittanys of derby age. These entries are representative of Brittany Spaniel breeders from coast to coast.

Judges for this event are those well known personalities in the realm of bird dogs, Horace Lytle of Dayton, Ohio and Raymond A. Hoyer of Andover Massachusetts.

At eight o'clock Thursday morning, provided the Futurity has been brought to a successful conclusion on the preceding day, the national field trial program of the American Brittany Club will get under way with a puppy stake followed by the open derby and the climax and concluding program, the open all age, which should bring together the very best Brittany Spaniels in the country. Three days have been allotted to the running of these events, starting on November 30 and continuing through December 1st and 2nd.

The committee in charge of the week of Brittany competition is headed by Howard Clements of Chicago, Illinois; General Chairman, E.W. Averill of Detroit Michigan, Chairman of the show, and R.G. Buick of Mt. Prospect Illinois, Field Trial Chairman. This committee planned this super Brittany week with a great deal of care and thought for Brittany owners living at some distance from Carbondale. The events do not start until Monday morning, enabling those planning to attend to leave their respective homes and business and arrive in time for the first field trial stake. Running through and planning to finish on Saturday with the completion of all events, leaves the same period for returning home after the week of competition. (Concluded on page 7)

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### THE 1950 FUTURITY

by  
Walter Kleeman and John Lee

For the second year in succession, the American Brittany Club will stage the running of its Futurity stake at Carbondale, Illinois. Everyone who attended the running last season expressed admiration for the exceptionally fine opportunity each brace had to show on game.

The United States Wildlife Service maintains a staff of men at the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge making a continuous study of quail and other wild life under natural conditions, with a very careful and planned supervision of food, cover and water.

The running of all Field Trials within the refuge is over continuous courses, which are so laid out that the pickup from the first brace in the morning is close to the point where the second brace is put down, and so on throughout the day. These courses are so planned that they start and end after approximately thirty minutes running on one of the highways which penetrate the field trial grounds and divide the entire area into sections of approximately equal size.

During the running of last year's events, every brace had an opportunity to show on from two to eight coverts of quail.

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## THE 1950 FUTURITY

This is the country where the best bred derbies of 1950 will have an opportunity of competing for glory and a share in the large futurity purse.

Entries for the Third American Brittany Club Futurity closed August 1 with thirty-one entries. This is smaller in number than either the first or second futurities held in 1948 and 1949, but the 1950 Futurity will be more truly representative of Brittanys as these entries are dogs owned from New England to California.

1. Larry Lee Kaerson  
Sire: Ch. Kaerson of Loufel  
Dam: Luke's Lena Dejoyde  
Owner: Dr. E. S. Elliott  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman
2. Tana Kay  
Sire: Tudor du Roc'Hellou  
Dam: Allamuchy Valley Ultima  
Owner: Dr. H. C. Keister  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman
3. Jersey Kaerbeau  
Sire: Ch. Kaerson of Loufel  
Dam: Luke's Lena Dejoyde  
Owner: Dr. J. F. Weisert  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman
4. Dotty of Leeway  
Sire: Dan of Leeway  
Dam: Kilissa MacEochaidh  
Owner: John W. Lee  
Breeder: John W. Lee
5. Danielle of Leeway  
Sire: Dan of Leeway  
Dam: Kilissa MacEochaidh  
Owner: John W. Lee  
Breeder: John W. Lee
6. LaPetite Madame  
Sire: Wesru's Britt  
Dam: Fern Bridget Freckles  
Owner: Walter E. Conklin  
Breeder: Alexander Melville
7. Avono Comanche  
Sire: Dual Ch. Avono Hapte  
Dam: Avono Jill of Karamish  
Owner: Jess G. Wright  
Breeder: Avono Kennels
8. Meadowink Jim  
Sire: Duffy of Belle Britt  
Dam: Rittsie  
Owner: William P. Yant  
Breeder: William P. Yant

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## Maritime Canadian Provinces Field Trials

Brittany owners in the United States, particularly along the Atlantic seaboard and in New England, will be glad to learn of the revival of field trials which will be held this year at Moncton, New Brunswick on October 14th and 15th under the able chairmanship of Jack Mayer, and at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island on October 17th and 18th under the well-known direction of F. A. S. Jones.

While these trials are all breed trials, members of the American Brittany Club always have been well represented by the number of Brittany starters and have garnered more than their share of placements. Many of the best dogs which have been shown on the American field trial circuit received their start in one or both of the above trials in former years.

The Moncton trial will be run on native woodcock and ruffed grouse, whereas the trial at Charlottetown will be run over more open country and its principal game bird will be Hungarian partridges.

Judges for these events will include Raymond A. Hoyer of Andover, Mass., Herbert Farnsworth of Andover, Mass., L. Devoe of St. Johns, New Brunswick and Walter B. Kleeman of Springfield Ohio at Moncton. Judges for the Charlottetown trial will include most of the above with the addition of Jack Mayer, who will judge the puppies and derbies.

## NORTH JERSEY TRIALS

by  
Evelyn Monte

The annual fall trial of the New Jersey Regional, North Jersey Brittany Club will take place October 21 and 22 at the Flatbrook Valley Tract, Bevans, N. J. with stakes for Puppies, Derbies and the Open.

The latter stake will be judged by Dr. C. W. Rogers of Ridgefield, N. J. and Russell Hardifer of Paterson, N. J. Lucien Ufford of Bellows Falls, Vt. and Burley Bidwell of Springfield, Vt. will judge the Puppy and Derby stakes.

Those who have attended trials at the Flatbrook Tract in Beautiful Sussex County in the northern part of Jersey, know that these grounds provide an ideal course, with plenty of space for a dog to roam yet ample opportunity for the cover-bustin' individuals. The accommodations will be accessible to the grounds and a good get-together time for Brittany owners is promised.

For information, entries and everything pertaining to the trial, send to Hugo Blasberg, secretary, 5 Royal Ave., Hawthorne, N. J.

## Brittanies Top Jockey Hollow Picnic Trials

by  
Evelyn Monte

Meester's Pal, owned and handled by Al Meester of Prospect Park, N. J. was the winner of the Jockey Hollow Field Trial Club's pigeon trial, an annual event held in conjunction with the summer picnic at the Andover, N. J. farm of Dr. J. Earl Miles.

Second place was won by another Brittany, Dr. J. F. Weisert's F.T. Ch. Jersey Jeff. Third went to a setter. There were twenty-six entries in the stake, most being pointers and setters.

Al left the picnic to show his dogs in the Lake Mohawk Kennel Club gun dog exhibit which was the same day. He didn't know until he got home that he had won the trial as dogs were still being run when he had to leave the grounds. Guess Al had an idea his dog had been good enough not to require a second series.

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## NEW ENGLAND NOTES

by  
Mrs. Buck Bissell

The C. N. E. B. C. lost one of its most loyal supporters in the recent death of Mrs. Howard (Dot) Stanley. It came as a sudden shock to all of us as the previous evening she had attended the Brittany meeting at Lou Ufford's in Vermont.

Lou Ufford's Ch. Jule of Loufel has established some kind of a record we believe. Her previous three litters have consisted of ten pups each and she (with Eleanor's help) raised them all. This spring at seven years of age she had eight pups.

R. R. Machlett is now visiting France. He plans to visit some Brittany breeders over there and perhaps bring back a dog with him.

There were five Britts entered in the Holyoke Kennel Club show. Best of Breed was won by Jan of Renfreu owned by Ralph Bissell.

Director Al Weigel and Howard Stanley are making plans to fly out to attend the Nationals this fall.

An informal summer meeting was held at the camp of Al Weigel near Canobie Lake, N. H. on Sunday, July 16th. Though attendance was small everyone had a very enjoyable time as the Weigels are hosts par excellence.

The biggest entry of Brittanies yet seen in New England at the Cheshire and Wachusett Kennel Clubs was on August 5th and 6th. There were thirteen entries at Keene. Winners and Best of Breed went to Baker's Night Mist owned by T. J. Talbott, Lima, Ohio. Reserve was Joyeux Jakequeline, owner Dr. Talbott. Winners and best of opposite sex was won by Spindle City Rusty with reserve going to his litter brother Spindle City Shorty, both owned by Howard Stanley.

Wachusett also had thirteen entries. Winners and Best of Breed was Spindle City Rusty. Reserve dog was Spindle City Shorty. Best of opposite sex and winners bitch was Claire de Venture owned by Thurston Hartwell. Reserve was Baker's Night Mist. This win completes Claire de Ventures Championship subject to A. K. C. confirmation.

Among the visiting exhibitors was Mrs. Ann Carr from Lima, Ohio.

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### NOTE !

PLEASE - please - send in your material for the December issue NOW. As the Holiday Season approaches, everyone gets busier and busier. So let's beat the rush.

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## AGE LIMITS FOR BRITTANY FIELD TRIALS

by  
Walter B. Kleeman

Inasmuch as there has been some misunderstanding regarding the age limits for field trials, the Directors feel that the members should understand the sequence of events which brought about the change and the subsequent problems presented by this change, which have occasioned a revision of policy.

In the report of the annual meeting in 1949 the members of the American Brittany Club were advised that after January 1, 1950, the Directors of the American Brittany Club, after due consideration, felt that for the improvement of the breed it was advantageous to increase the age limits for the various field trial events from twelve months to eighteen months for puppies and from twenty-four months to thirty months for derbies.

At the organization meeting of the Directors in January, 1950 in Cleveland, Ohio, a resolution was presented and passed, which made this rule effective as of January 1, 1950. All field trials which were scheduled and run during the spring of 1950 used these age limits in qualifying entries for the various events.

The reasons back of the age limits approved were to permit of later training of young dogs. Puppies would not be started in training until they were a year or more old. Derbies would not be forced to become finished dogs until after they were thirty months of age. It was felt that a more natural development of the young dogs would be accomplished by these greater age limits.

Unfortunately, the AKC uses a limit of from six to nine months and from nine to twelve months in classifying puppies for shows, and the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America set up a standard of age classification which arbitrarily changes a dog's age on January 1 irrespective of when it was whelped. In other words, a puppy whelped in January, 1949 or in December, 1949 became a year older on January 1, 1950, although it is considered satisfactory to hold puppy trials in the spring of the year for dogs whelped after the preceding January 1.

"Puppy Stakes - from January 1 to June 30 in each year for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of the year preceding. From July 1 to December 31 in each year for dogs whelped on or after June 1 of the year preceding."

"Derby Stakes - January 1 is regarded as the universal birthday for bird dogs in field trial competition, as with race horses. From July 1 to December 31, Derby competition is for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of the year preceding. From January 1 to June 30, Derby competition is for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of two years preceding."

While this age system is used by some breeds recognized by the AKC, such as beagles and spaniels, the rules read, "A puppy stake shall be for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of the year preceding that year in which the puppy stake is run." This does not apply to the pointing breeds.

We have been requested by a representative of the AKC not to adopt an arbitrary age change as of January 1, such as described above. Therefore all Brittany events, both show and field trials, are being standardized for actual age based on the date of whelping and the date of competition.

Unfortunately, after our spring trials had gotten under way and we had received approval from the AKC for the increased age limits so that championship points could be awarded to the winners of these events, it was also found that our rules were in conflict with the AFTGA, and that our age limits were so different from any of the other pointing breeds, it was impossible for the AMERICAN FIELD, who is pledged to maintain the minimum requirements of the AFTGE, to report our puppy or derby events.

It was felt that this would destroy the interest of a great many Brittany owners, trainers and breeders, as the AMERICAN FIELD, having sponsored the activities of the pointing breeds

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### New Import Keeps Winning Habits

Nine Brittany Spaniels made up the entry at the Westchester Kennel, at Rye, New York. Best of Breed went to a new import, Unan de Cornouaille. This dog is a French Champion -- being shown eleven times in France and winning eleven C. A. C.'s. Never was defeated in the breed in France. This was his initial American Show. Unan is owned by R.R. Machlett of New Canaan, Connecticut.

Reserve Winner (dog) was Alan R. Stuyvesant's Allamuchy Valley Vox.

Best of Opposite Sex and Winners Bitch went to Laure de Fontaine Vallee, with Reserve going to Juchoir's Lemon, both owned by Mrs. R. H. Bissell, Jr.

## It Was A Wonderful Clambake And Everyone Had A Nice Time

by  
Evelyn Monte

Some sort of charmed circle protected the Deer Park Lake grounds at Allamuchy, N.J. on September 10th, the day of the North Jersey Brittany Club picnic. It rained all around, a few miles away and many miles away at the Westchester K. C. Show at Rye, N.Y. on the same day where everyone sloshed around ankle deep. But it was dry and pleasant on that wild-wooded mountain top above Allamuchy. The rain held off until the end when everyone was getting ready to leave anyway.

It was a gala get-together for Brittany folk, with some sixty in attendance and partaking of a truly wonderful old fashioned clambake. The clambake is credited to the culinary arts of Sanford Vreeland of nearby Hackettstown who wasn't too busy, however, to take a turn at the trap shooting contest and came off with the winning score.



New Jersey Clambake gets under way.

That ever-busy secretary of North Jersey, Hugo Blasberg, can take a bow for arranging the picnic but it was Alan Stuyvesant, the owner of Deer Park, says Hugo, who saw to it that new docks were built on the lake and new long tables and benches set up. All in all, it couldn't have been a more delightful setting nor a happier day.

Alan did yeoman service in manning the trap and didn't take part in the shooting. It was a debated question whether he was being hosty and refusing to take unfair advantage of the others by competing or whether, in doing the work of pulling the trap he was assured of an excuse for not displaying what might have been less than equal skill. The latter was, at any rate, his declared objective.



Who was taking care of the dogs?

There were some water retrieving trials for Brittanies and though they weren't officially judged it appears that Steve Wyckoff's Bobby Sox and Alan Stuyvesant's Biddy of Loufel had themselves a heyday retrieving for the dogs that refused the water as well as on their own shift.

It would be impossible to name all the Brittany notables who were there but it must be mentioned that Mr. and Mrs. Walters came all the way from Baltimore, Maryland for the event. Popular Jimmy Salvate, State Fish and Game Councilman and rod and gun editor of the Paterson Call was there, much to everyone's delight.

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### WINNERS IN THE EAST

Best of breed at the Somerset Hills Kennel Club show at Far Hills, N.J. on September 9 th, went to Alan R. Stuyvesant's F. T. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno. This, on top of his victory at the Lake Mohawk earlier event, ought to bring Uno somewhere near, if not at, his bench championship. (A. R. Stuyvesant note: Why don't you tell us these things?)

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### North Jersey Notes

by  
Evelyn Monte

You can take a dog to the fields but you can't make him find birds if there aren't any there, instead of wasting mileage and shoe leather, not to mention their Brittanys' hard working efforts to find game where it aint, the members of the North Jersey Brittany Club decided to do something about it. This summer owners could at least have an even chance of putting their young dogs on birds and getting in a little pre-season training during the cool (and what turned out to be virtually COLD) summer evenings, after a hard day at the office.

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## PROPOSED NEW STANDARD

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At the January 1948 meeting of the Board of the American Brittany Club, the directors voted unanimously to change the bench standard to cover certain points that were not clear in the original standard, which had been approved by the American Kennel Club on April 9, 1946. These changes were designed to tie in more closely with the original French standards, particularly as regards coloration, and also to get away from some wording that apparently was not clear to certain judges.

The proposed changes were as follows:

Present wording: **DISQUALIFICATION** -

Any Brittany Spaniel measuring under 17-1/2" or over 20-1/2" shall be disqualified from bench show competition. Any black in the coat or a completely black nose shall disqualify.

Proposed wording: **DISQUALIFICATION** -

Any Brittany Spaniel measuring under 17 1/2" or over 20-1/2" shall be disqualified from bench show competition. Any black in the coat, or a nose so dark in color as to appear black, shall disqualify.

Present wording: **NOSE** -

Nostrils well open to permit deep gulping of air and adequate scenting while at top speed. Never shiny. Color brown, tan or deep pink. A pure black nose is a disqualification. **NASAL MEMBRANE** - Should be as dark as possible - the color of tobacco juice, or bluish purple. Many breeders believe off-color noses are linked with undesirable character faults.

Proposed wording: **NOSE** -

Nostrils well open to permit deep gulping of air and adequate scenting while at top speed. Tight nostrils should be penalized. Never shiny. Color fawn, tan, light shades of brown or deep pink. A dark brown or black nose is a disqualification. A two-tone or butterfly nose should be severely penalized.

Present wording: **EYES** -

Well set in head.....  
Preference should be for darker colored eyes, though lighter shades of amber should not be penalized.

Proposed wording: **EYES** -

Well set in head.....  
Preference should be for darker colored eyes, though lighter shades of amber are permitted. Light and mean looking eyes to be heavily penalized.

The above changes were printed up and presented to the American Kennel Club for their approval in June 1948. However, Mr. Neff, vice - president of the American Kennel Club stated that they preferred to have any changes in the standard, no matter how slight, presented to the entire membership by mail ballot, before approving such change. It was pointed out to Mr. Neff that the changes were merely clarifications where the authors had translated the original French standard into English that did not accurately reflect what the French authors had in mind. However, Mr. Neff still regarded it as a change and insisted on a vote of the entire membership. The AKC Delegate reported this back to the club but no action was ever taken to poll the members on the proposed change. It was apparently felt that the changes were too unimportant to warrant the expense and work involved in putting out a mail ballot. Hence, our standard is just as it was in 1946 - and incidentally it is just about the best written standard in the book. So the judges tell us - and they ought to know, they read enough of them, over and over again, year after year, before judging a show.

It is not entirely clear to the writer where the French got the idea that a dog with a dark eye and a light nose was a better hunter than one that did not have such qualities. However, it is abundantly clear that the centuries of breeding and hunting Brittany Spaniels convinced the French breeders that such was the case and they put it in their first standard (in 1908), by unanimous vote, that black coats were not permitted, clear and mean - looking eyes were to be penalized and the nose should be brown (in a liver and white dog) or fawn (in an orange and white dog). A later amendment added that a dog with a black nose should be disqualified and it is this amended standard from which our American standard was drawn.

Since the French have been so careful to eliminate black from the breeding stock over a long period of years, it seems likely that any "Brittany" that shows up with a black nose now may well be the result, somewhere in its background, of a bitch getting out when nobody was looking. This was partially confirmed, a few years ago, when a man who owned a Brittany bitch and a Springer male had the misfortune of having them get together and the resulting pups all had orange and white coats and black or very dark brown noses. Incidentally all seven of them were pointing before they were a year old. He was careful to see that the pups went to people who would not breed them and no harm resulted from the cross but the writer happened to see one later on and it looked just like a Brittany if it had not been for the real dark-brown nose.

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## National Field Trial High-Lights - 1950

Everyone who attended the Brittany field trials held at Carbondale in 1949 were very enthusiastic over the field trial grounds and all of the facilities made available to us by the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club. It is field trial country de luxe unlimited terrain with carefully planned continuous courses. Hotel and motel accommodations are available in Carbondale and neighboring cities of Marion and Herrin. There are numerous good restaurants, and prices are surprisingly low by comparison with other locations in which we have held trials in the past. Plenty of horses are available for those who wish to ride the braces.

For those who have not seen the Wildlife grounds, there are 45,000 acres in the refuge being administered by the Federal Wildlife Service. 22,000 acres are surrounded by a cyclone woven wire fence in which no shooting is ever permitted, and there are 23,000 acres of open season territory on the outside of the fence.

The United States Wildlife Service has made a continuous study of quail production. Quail have been brought to a land carrying capacity through careful production of food, water and cover. Every brace of dogs put down in any of the events in the trials is assured of an opportunity of showing on wild game in territory with cover ideal for showing top quality shooting dogs at their best.

This is ideal country for Brittany Spaniels, and every Brittany Spaniel owner should make a real effort to be at Carbondale this fall for the thrill of his life.



Express Delivery at a Gallop  
How can he see where he is going?



Ch. Thais du Roc'Hellou

### COMPLIMENTS of the ALLAMUCHY VALLEY KENNELS

The Home of -

F.T. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno  
Ch. Allamuchy Valley Joe  
Ch. Allamuchy Valley Vim  
Ch. Rumba de l'Argoat  
Ch. Tudor du Roc'Hellou  
Ch. Thais du Roc'Hellou  
Pamalie of Aotrou  
Biddie of Loufel  
Luke's Allamuchy Chesta  
Allamuchy Valley Slim and others

Alan Stuyvesant, Owner      Allamuchy, N.J.      Harold Frantz, Manager

## OHIO NOTES

by  
Don Benjamin

The Ohio Brittany Field trial will be held near Berlin Dam 2-1/2 miles south of state route 224 on state route 225. Stakes will be puppy, derby, open all age and amateur all-age. Judges (pending AKC approval) will be Mr. Don Mack of the American Field, Mr. Max Riddle of the Cleveland Press, Mr. Tim Millar of the Ohio Conservation Dept. and that well known pointer and setter man, Mr. Bill Crooks of Kenton.

Extra; Friday night proceeding the field trials the Ohio Club will hold a specialty show for Brittany Spaniels at the Portage County Fish and Game Clubhouse, located at Sandy Lake 3-1/2 miles south of state route 5 at Blackhorse. Judge will be Lee Wade.

For more information etc., write Mrs. Mima J. Millar, 18317 Reese Road, Cleveland, Ohio or myself.



Michele de Klemanor

Delivers an Ohio cock bird almost as big as the dog.

Flash: Finishing his championship on the bench with a three point win at Chagrin Valley bench show was Tonie de Fountaine Valley owned by Mr. & Mrs. Carl M. Strand, 167 S. Alleghney Ave. Jamestown, N.Y. Tonie has been shown all the way to his championship by Brittany handler Don Benjamin. Tonie is a son of Ch. Avono Jake. Best bitch at the same show was Baker's Night Mist owned and handled by Mrs. Ann Carr of Lima, Ohio.

Peeps into the future: We hear that soon Mrs. Lee Clough will be the proud breeder of her first two home bred champions from one litter. Seems like it was nip and tuck to see which dog would finish his championship first. May they both do as well in the field as they did on the bench.

## DUAL PURPOSE BRITTANY OWNERS

What about obedience? There must be many Brittany Spaniels accomplishing more than a modicum of success in Obedience Trials. Brittany Club members are interested in All Brittany activities. Send in news of your Obedience Dogs - Your views on the new rules - any personal anecdotes concerning Obedience and your dog and what it means to him, to you and to your youngsters.



Retrieving a cock pheasant in South Dakota

## JUNIOR SHOWMAN

And speaking of youngsters, do you have a Junior Showman in the family? Let the other Club Members know how he or she is doing. This will encourage other youngsters to get in the fun. You write it or let the young fry write their own experiences.

## GET IN THE ACT

Your Club wants to make this magazine interesting to the entire family. If you really want to make this YOUR magazine you'll have to do something about it. Get material and send it in. How about some pictures? How about some cartoons that gave you a laugh? How about some gripes, if you've got some?

It only takes a minute! Share your ideas and experiences with the rest of the club. Your experiences may save a Brittany owner time and trouble. Take that minute \*\*\* write it up and send it in \*\*\* we'll do the rest.

YOUR PUBLICATION COMMITTEE  
Ed McKernan ----- Evelyn Monte

## MICHIGAN REGIONAL PICNIC - SHOW - TRIAL

by  
Ruth Williams

The Michigan Brittany Club held it's Second Sanctioned Match and Water Trial on Sunday, July 16th at the Dr. R.M. Cooley Farm, Ackerson Lake Road, Jackson, Michigan.

The day was very warm with showers threatening but the high elevation of the Cooley Farm made it possible to enjoy a delightful breeze. Cars began arriving around 10 o'clock - each one loaded down with mothers, fathers, grandmothers, grandfathers, children, picnic baskets, thermos kits --- and Brittannies.

The judging of the Sanctioned Match began around noon with Mr. Chris G. Teeter from Royal Oak, Michigan doing a very thorough job. The winners of the first three places in each class were awarded trophies (total value \$100) together with the customary ribbon prizes.



Judge Chris Teeter Gives Best in Match Trophy to Mrs. Griffith's Suntans Happy Hy-Tone

The class winners were as follows:  
Puppy Males

- 1 - Our Sam  
Owners - Loretta & T.J. Hanson
- 2 - Albedo Valley Bob  
Owner - G. L. Murphy
- 3 - Bokare Jake  
Owner - John Slosar
- 4 - Ronnie  
Owner - W. D. Laurie

### Novice Males

- 1 - Count Van De Gaston  
Owner - Dr. H. B. Gaston
- 2 - Albedo Prince  
Owner - Mrs. C.J. Dunks
- 3 - Aotrou's Grand Fella  
Owner - C.O. Thurlow
- 4 - Pontac's Dingo  
Owner - H.H. Crippen



A Line Up - of Champion Brittanys that Watched the Show

### American Bred, Males

- 1 - Britt Afield Rex  
Owner - John Adasek
- 2 - Barry  
Owner - B. W. Brodt
- 3 - Potic 11 De Beauch  
Owner - E.W. Averill
- 4 - Hillson's Duke  
Owner - G.L. Murphy

### Open, Males

- 1 - Suntan's Happy Hy-Tone  
Owner - Jane & Joel Griffin
- 2 - Bonnie Kay's Ricki  
Owner - Muriel M. Holemo
- 3 - Wesru's Prince  
Owner - Weston T. Williams
- 4 - Aotrou De Eden  
Owner - Chas. E. Segar

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## ALL STAR JUDGING PANEL

An All-Star Judging Panel has been lined up for you this year. We regret we have been unable to secure pictures of all these grand people in time to give them to you \*\*\* Every one is a Top-Ranking Judge.



Evelyn Monte

Evelyn Monte', well known dog researcher and writer, will judge a number of the events of the Illinois Regional and National program. Mrs. Monte' also will act as official reporter for the gala week of field trial events and show program to be held at Carbondale, Illinois.

She is a member of the staff of Gaines Dog Research Center, New York City. She is an associate editor of the Gaines Dog Research Progress, a professional publication put out by the Center as a service to breeders and veterinarians. Mrs. Monte' has been writing about dogs for approximately ten years. Her work has appeared in POPULAR DOGS, NEW YORK TIMES, HERALD TRIBUNE, PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN AND INQUIRER, and the NEWARK STAR LEDGER, where she has conducted a Sunday column on dogs in general, called OFF THE LEASH.

As a regular staff reporter, she has covered assignments in various parts of the country for the AMERICAN FIELD, the only woman believed to have that role.

She has bred and shown bench and field trial dogs, and is one of the few women who have judged and handled dogs in numerous pointer and setter and Brittany trials among the pointing bre-

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eds. She also has judged springer and cocker trials, and presided at German Shorthair trials.

Mrs. Monte' owns and has campaigned several very good Brittanys, is a member of the North Jersey Brittany Club, and represents this Club as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Brittany Club. For the past three years she has directed demonstrations of bird dogs at work in the National Sportsmen's Show in New York.

Henry P. Davis, in preparing his Dog Encyclopedia, called upon Mrs. Monte' for considerable research and writing for this publication.



Maxwell Riddle, sports writer for the CLEVELAND PRESS, told us that he is forty-three years old and has been judging dogs and field trials since 1935. His judging assignments have been in all-breed shows from Sydney, Nova Scotia to Winnipeg, Manitoba and from New York to Los Angeles, including in that area most of the major cities such as Brooklyn, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, Detroit, Cincinnati and many towns and cities in the Los Angeles area and the San Francisco area, Fort Worth, Texas, Nashville, Tenn. and numerous other American cities.

Max Riddle knows dogs, having judged pointer and setter trials, springer and cocker trials, he has judged the German Shorthair Pointer Club of America trials, and has been both trial and show judge for a number of coon-hound meets.

He served as the first show chairman for the American Brittany Club and acted as our first trial secretary. He was of great assistance at the time the American Brittany Club was seeking recognition and having difficulty getting it from the American Kennel Club. He acted in an advisory capacity in developing the present day Brittany standard.

Max's dog column in the CLEVELAND PRESS is widely read, and being so often quoted, is the medium of settling many a friendly argument and some that are not so friendly.

When the MODERN DOG ENCYCLOPEDIA was in the throes of creation, Max contributed almost a third of the breed sections for this great publication.

He was president of the Dog Writers Association for two years, and in 1949 was voted the dog writer of the year.

Last but not least by any means, Max is one of the few honorary members of the American Brittany Club, and is probably better versed on what a Brittany should be for the show ring and in the field than any individual in America today.



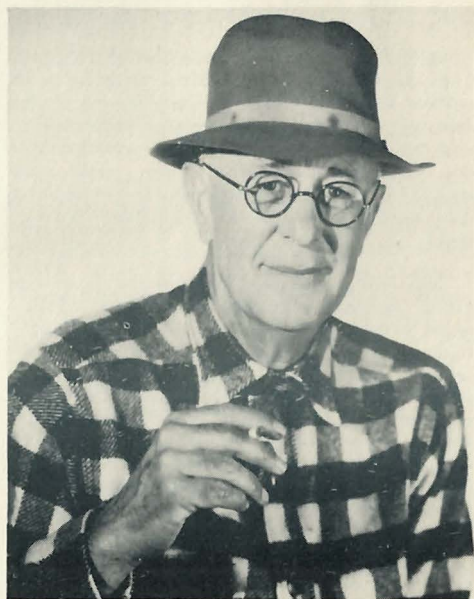
Paul Dawson of Garden City, Michigan has judged field trials throughout the Middle West. He has the distinction of having judged the first all-Brittany trial ever held in the United States. He recalls with nostalgic pleasure the dogs which placed in that trial held near the L. A. Young Gun Club on the outskirts of Detroit. U.S. Senator Homer Ferguson owned and handled the dog which won that earliest of Brittany trials.

In the interim he has judged numerous pointer and setter trials through the middle States. In 1949 he filled one of the judicial saddles during the running of the Second American Brittany Club Futurity, at Carbondale, Illinois.

He has owned and handled a number of good pointers, one of the best being "Treadway Babe", who had twenty - three field trial wins. Other well - known competitors were "Seabrite Boy", "Travelin Lite", "Twilite Tear" and a good many others.

Paul has seen the development and adaptation of Brittany Spaniels to American use as field dogs from the middle thirties down to the present day. In his own words, he expresses his admiration for their progress:

"To me it is amazing how these dogs have developed in the last ten or twelve years. I recall the first trial, the dogs lacked the initiative that they have today, and it is a must for field trial dogs. Bill Averill's old "Pat" gave me one of the greatest bird finding exhibitions I have ever been privileged to witness. In one of Michigan's Brittany trials which I judged, Pat that day had nine finds in one field, all of them handled perfectly. I will never forget it."



Horace Lytle is best introduced by the sort biographical sketch which appears on the dust cover of his latest book, HOW TO WIN FIELD TRIALS:

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"Horace Lytle, a native of Dayton, Ohio has been a leader in bird dog and field trial circles for more than a quarter of a century. His lifetime interest in fieldsports was reflected even in the accounts served by the advertising agency of which he was president until his retirement in 1945.

"For nearly 20 years Mr. Lytle was Gun Dog Editor of FIELD & STREAM, and since 1945 has been Editor of the Sporting Dog Department of SPORTS AFIELD. In 1924 he organized the Miami Valley Amateur Field Trial Association, of which he is still Secretary-Treasurer, and from 1926-28 acted as Secretary-Treasurer of the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America, the parent body of all amateur field trial clubs. He has judged bird dog field trials from Minnesota to Alabama, and has served as one of the judges for National Championship, Grand Junction, Tennessee.

"In addition to his well-earned popularity as a columnist for sporting journals, Mr. Lytle is well known among bird dog fanciers for such widely read books as BREEDING A BIRD DOG, BIRD DOG DAYS, SANDY, STORY OF JACK, GUN DOGS AFIELD, SIMPLE SECRETS OF DOG DISCIPLINE, HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DOG, POINT and HOW TO WIN FIELD TRIALS."

Ray P. Holland, former editor of FIELD & STREAM and one of America's outstanding sports writers feels that "Horace Lytle is one of the foremost judges of field trials in this country, and he never placed a dog that wasn't a bird dog first. With an eye for style, speed, and range, he insists that a dog must be hunting and must handle game if it is to win under his judgment."

William F. Brown, Editor of the American Field, has said, "Horace Lytle is one of the game's immortals - he has contributed importantly in many respects and his wealth of experience is almost unparalleled-as breeder, owner, judge, field trial club official and author. He is noted as an astute analyst of bird dog performance, a profound student of bird dog psychology, and his voluminous writings on canine subjects have been deservedly hailed as classic contributions to sporting dog literature."

While Horace has never owned a Brittany Spaniel, he has handled several in amateur competition, in 1937 and 1938 long before the days of organized Brittany trials, one to a placement in a derby stake. Having hunted over them for a great number of years, he is thoroughly familiar with what a Brittany can do and should do when put down in field trial competition.



Raymond A. Hoyer, better known as "Dick," probably passed judgment on more Brittanys in more field trial events than any other judge in the country.

A Brittany owner and a member of the Central New England Regional Club, Dick has an exceptionally keen and well rounded conception of good Brittany performance. As a professional handler, he has campaigned dogs throughout the New England States, and over the grouse circuit in Pennsylvania and Michigan.

When the Grand National Grouse Championship was held in Massachusetts in November, 1946, he laid out the grounds and acted as marshal for this important stake. He also has acted as judge for numerous grouse trials, which include the National Grouse Championship in western Pennsylvania, three times for the Setter Club of New England, three times for the New England Grouse Trial Club, and three trials for the Hookset Grouse Trial Club in New Hampshire. He also has acted as judge for the New England Regional Amateur Championship in Massachusetts and the Southeastern Pheasant Championship in Massachusetts.

Dick's services have been in constant demand for Brittany trials, handling assignments in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and this year for the third time will judge the mixed breed pointing trials near Charlotetown, Prince Edward Island and the woodcock and grouse trials near Moncton, New Brunswick.

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## Michigan Regional Picnic-Show-Trial

### Best Dog in Match

Suntan's Happy Hy-Tone

### Reserve

Britt Afield Rex

### Puppy, Bitches

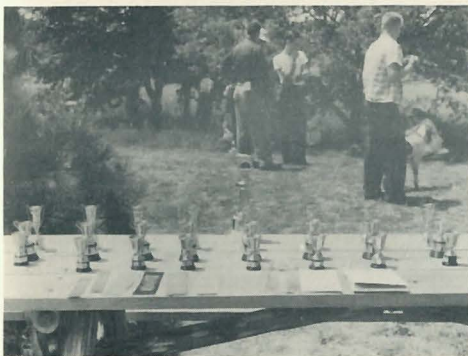
- 1 - Mubbs of Britt Hollow  
Owner - Herman Hill

### Novice, Bitches

- 1 - Idoc's Trinkla La Rue  
Owner - James Staub
- 2 - Debbie  
Owner - David M. Duncan
- 3 - Hodell's Jeannie  
Owner - Melvill P. Hodell

### American Bred, Bitches

- 1 - Babe  
Owner - Walter E. Conklin
- 2 - Penny Avec Moi  
Owner - Richard D. Wood



The Trophy Table at the Mich. Sanctioned Match

- 3 - Suzzette of Avono  
Owner - Benton H. Whitworth

### Open, Bitches

- 1 - Wild Haven Lady Lou  
Owner - Lon D. Ford
- 2 - Susan Lengelen  
Owner - G.H. Peterson

### Best Bitch in Match

Wild Haven Lady Lou

### Reserve

Idoc's Trinkla La Rue

### Best of Match

Suntan's Happy Hy-Tone

Lunchtime was a very welcome intermission but after only a short rest period everyone started down toward the lake on the Cooley Farm where the water trials were to be held.

The dogs proved to be very much like people, some of them loved the water and did a fine job of retrieving, others paddled around the edges enough to get their tummies wet-and some were interested spectators.

In the judges' opinions Poca Poca, owned by Pat Murphy, was the most outstanding retriever in the event and was awarded a fine cup.

All in all a day to remember - good friends, good food, a good time - and good dogs!

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## There's Nothing Like An Agenda

by  
Evelyn Monte

Hugo Blasberg, secretary of the North Jersey Brittany Club, has sent us a check list for stake managers of field trials. It looks like a formidable agenda but in reality such a list clearly defines the step by step process of organizing a trial properly, and makes all the difference between a well-run, successful event and one that has tag ends and forgotten items that harass committee members into complete collapse, waste valuable time and leave judges frustrated and participants disgruntled.

It would be well for all stake managers of trial-giving clubs to use such a list in committee meetings, assign definite tasks to members and have all items checked off as completed, or in the process of completion, before the start of events.

There is a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction in running or attending a trial that goes along smoothly without a hitch. But these things don't just happen. It takes a lot of hard work, planned work before, during and after. Hugo has had wide experience and knows whereof he speaks when he presents a check list. He has managed more than one successful Brittany Club

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## All Star Judging Panel



Elias C. Vail originally attracted public attention through his phenomenal success in training American hunting dogs. Dogs trained by him copped all eastern field trials held by the various retriever breeds for many years.

He has spent most of his life with dogs, principally the sporting breeds, having trained for the public for about fifteen years. During World War 11, Elias spent a year and a half with the K-9 Division of the Army. Since 1945 he has been connected with the Gaines Division of General Foods Corporation.

His services have been in great demand in judging field trials of all types - hounds, retrievers and the pointing breeds. He has been a prime favorite on the Brittany circuit, having judged a number of the principal events during the past several years.

Some years back Elias Vail was immortalized in print, being the principal subject of a book written around his training methods and procedure, - a classic for the dog man's library.

His present day workaday life consists in assisting wherever a dog problem presents itself.

Being an accomplished raconteur, his presence enlivens any gathering of dog men.

## Field Trial Champions

by  
Buck Bissell

The accompanying chart brings out some rather interesting facts. Of the 13 F.T. Champions five are dual champions and rumor has it that another one has finished his bench championships recently. Kaer de Cornouaille is sire of 5 champions from 5 different dams. He is grandsire of three. Idoc de Cornouaille is sire of one and grandsire of seven.

The average time required to finish a dog from the time he first appeared in a trial is five seasons. Some dogs were run in practically every trial from the time they were first brought out. Others have been campaigned sparingly at certain stages in their development. The average age at which championship was completed was 4 years and 1 month. Seven of the champions were professionally handled. Three were handled entirely by amateurs. The other three were run partially by professionals and partially by their owners.

These top flight dogs have placed in 45% of the stakes in which they were entered. The leaders being Brit of Bellows Falls 70%, Angélique de Bretagne 65% and Astrou MacEochaidh 56% (all duals too). If you've got a dog that needs one win to finish, New Jersey looks like the best place to try him, for 4 dogs have completed their championships there.

(Note: On this Chart of Field Trial Champions all owners were written to confirm my figures - most responded but did not hear from 2 or 3.)



BUSHER de KLEMANOR

Pointing Prairie Chickens  
in Saskatchewan



Name of Dog Breeder Owner	Sire	Dam	Whelped	Sex	Total No. Stakes Entered	Total Places	Puppy	Derby	All Age	Amateur	Pointer & Setter Place- ments	Date First Entered Brit. Trial	Date Ch. Finished
Dual Ch. Brit of Bellows Falls E. Lutz L. H. Ufford	Kaer de Cornouaille	Oged of Casa Blanca	7/15/41	M	(10*)	(7*)		1-1st	3-1st 3-2nd		7 2-1st 4-2nd 1-3rd		
Dual Ch. Aotrou MacEochaidh Dr. Keough A. H. Ady	Idoc de Cornouaille	Lettic de Pradalan	7/25/40	M	9(16*)	5(12*)			3-1st 1-2nd 1-4th				N. J. Fall '46
F. T. Ch. Gwenec Pascey 11 I. D. Barbour W. Thompson	Gwenec's Pascey	Fifi D'Orsay	6/9/45	M	18(6*)	9(3*)		2-2nd	2-1st 3-2nd 1-3rd 1-4th		?	Fall '46 ?	Mich. Apr. '48
F. T. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Addie A. R. Stuyvesant A. R. Stuyvesant	Kaer de Cornouaille	Allamuchy Valley Mary	2/10/45	F	9(6*)	4(4*)			3-1st 1-2nd			Fall '46 ?	Nationals Fall '47
F. T. Ch. Broad Archer of Richmond R. S. Busted R. S. Busted	Cayenne MacEochaidh	Etain MacEochaidh	4/8/44	M	11(9*)	3(6*)			3-1st		1	Fall '45	Ohio Apr. '48
Dual Ch. Avono Happy J. Whitworth J. Whitworth	Kaer de Cornouaille	Bonnie et Belle	3/6/43	M	20(5*)	8(2*)			3-1st 3-2nd 1-3rd 1-4th			Fall '46 ?	N. J. Fall '48
F. T. Ch. Avono Hapte H. Peterson Dr. Yant	Dual Ch Avono Happy	Tess of Chippewa	4/11/46	M	17	6		2-1st 1-4th	2-1st 1-4th			Fall '47	Ill. Fall '48
F. T. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Omar E. Plank Al Meester	Kaer de Cornouaille	Cozette	9/15/44	M	14	5			3-1st 1-4th	1-1st	13	Spring '47	Lowell Oct '49
F. T. Ch. Jersey Jeff (formerly Sutton's Jeff) H. Blasberg Dr. Weisert	Ch. Allamuchy Valley Joe	Miss Topsy	5/21/47	M	10	4	1-4th	1-1st	1-1st 1-4th		5 all 2-nds	Spring '48	N. J. Nationals Nov. '49
Dual Ch. Buckeye de Klemanor L. H. Ufford Walter Kleeman	Ch. Buck of Chippewa	Ch. Julie of Loufel	1/17/47	F	30	15	2-1st 3-2nd	2-1st 2-2nd 1-3rd 1-4th	1-1st 2-2nd 1-4th			Fall '47	Ohio Apr. '50
F. T. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno A. R. Stuyvesant A. R. Stuyvesant	Kaer de Cornouaille	Evette LaRue	5/27/46	M	28	7		1-3rd 1-4th	3-1st 1-2nd 1-4th			Spring '47	Ind Apr. '50
Dual Ch. Angeliqne de Bretagne A. D. Patterson L. L. Tice	Toro de Klemanor	Puchyan Peggy	4/7/44	F	26	17(1*)			3-1st 2-2nd 9-3rd 2-4th	1-3rd	9	Fall '45	N. J. Apr. '50
F. T. Ch. Georges of Leeway J. Lee J. Lee	Rouxidoc of Richmont	Cherie de Raou	2/22/46	M	28	14		1-1st 2-2nd 2-3rd	3-1st 1-2nd 3-4th	1-3rd	1-3rd	Spring '47	N. H. May '50

\* Prior to 1947 - Some records incomplete

## NORTH JERSEY NOTES

Years ago one could depend fairly well on finding a few pheasants on which to work dogs within a thirty minute drive from town or city but such conditions no longer exist. So a plan was devised to provide some birds of their own. A resolution was passed at the last spring meeting providing that forty pheasants be purchased by the Club and released on open ground. Al Meester, Martin Kracke, Steve Wyckoff and Dick Christmas loaded the birds on Al's truck and distributed them. Each planting consisted of cocks and hens. Then the members of the Club were notified as to the areas where the birds were released. There were five different locations and, though at this writing, we have no word as to how the birds, boys and Brittanies fared, we'll be able to tell when we see those derbies and pups steady to shot and wing this fall



4 - month old Liver & White pups show Doc Busted a snappy point.

Ever mindful of keeping the Brittany before the public, several North Jersey members had their dogs taking part in the Lake Mohawk Kennel Club show in more ways than in the show ring. A special feature of the Lake Mohawk event is the gun dog exhibition which consists of actually working bird dogs on planted pheasants. Each time this exhibition is held it draws most of the crowd away from the ringside. Last Year it had such attraction for the spectators that the group judging played to an empty ringside and people were six deep around the gun dog demonstration. This year, show officials thought the demonstration should take place after the group and before the best in show judging. As most always happens at a show, time was of the essence towards the end and best in show had to go on because of newspaper deadlines so the gun dogs again proved a strong counter attraction.

The show grounds are on the golf club fairway and the gun dogs had the entire outside area to play with. Heaps of brush and pine served as cover on the fairway and there was plenty of outlying "rough" so the action was spectacular. As

usual Al Meester's Pal and "Buddy" (Ch. Allamuchy Omar) did themselves and Al proud by some excellent work and Harold Frantz's Pamalie of Autrou showed superb manners to the flush and shot over her find. Evelyn Monte's Allamuchy Valley Ulysses, getting his chance at long last after drooling at the sight of other performers, was turned loose for the grand finale with all the dogs in the field at once and though his joie de vivre and bird finding ability was commendable he found the competition too invigorating and decided to do a lone act by following his bird way past the Foley tents and over the mountains.

At the same show, Alan Stuyvesant's Allamuchy Valley Uno, with Harold Frantz at the other end of the lead, took best of breed. \* Uno is by Kaer de Cornouille - Eyette La Rue.

### New Imports Arriving from France

If I do say so myself I think our American breeders have been very fortunate in obtaining these outstanding imports. I sincerely believe them to have been the most promising of any of the orange and white Brittanies I was privileged to see or hear about during my trip. I wish to thank the French judges, particularly Messrs. de Kermadec, Pouchain, Allaire, Servier and Barthelemy for their help and assistance in locating and obtaining these dogs for us.

Leaving For



**SOUTHERN  
TRAINING TRIP  
DECEMBER 1st.**



**PUPS AND STARTED DOGS  
FOR SALE**



**BUCK BISSELL**

**Box 131-E**

**Keene, N.H.**

## AGE LIMITS for BRITTANY FIELD TRIALS

for many years, was more widely read than any other news-carrying medium by former owners of other breeds who had recently acquired a Brittany Spaniel.

Members of the Board were the recipients of numerous complaints that the spring events were not reported in full. A resolution was presented and voted on through the mail in accordance with the By-laws of the American Brittany Club, and the age limits rescinded.

Unfortunately, training for fall was about completed by the time that this vote could be introduced to the Board requesting that in view of the hardship occasioned by all trainers, either a amateur or professional, who were preparing their dogs for the fall trials, it was advisable to postpone the age limit change until January 1.

Therefore, the field trials this fall will be operated on the same age limits as were used in qualifying the events in the spring of 1950. On January 1, 1951 the age limits will revert to those which were used prior to December 31, 1949. These are: "Puppy events for dogs under twelve months of age; derby events are for dogs under twenty-four months of age."

It is felt by the Board of Directors that in reverting to the previous age limits, Brittany Spaniels once again demonstrate their greater adaptability and increase their desirability to the American public by meeting the other pointing breeds on the closest approximate basis to the minimum requirements as set up by the AFTGA.

Many members of the Club have seen fit and are very anxious to place their Brittans in direct competition with the other pointing breeds, and by returning to these age limits are in a position to train and compete more effectively.

### PROPOSED NEW STANDARD

While we rarely, if ever, see a Brittany with a black nose in a dog show, the writer has noted a couple of them on hunting expeditions and even received a couple of pups, years ago, that had some black on the nose - although they were not entirely black. We regarded this as a major fault, at the time, and gave the pups away to men who wanted them for hunting only. They hunted reasonably well - no world beaters, but pretty fair meat dogs. If the proposed change applied only to Brittans in dog shows, it probably wouldn't be worth the time and expense of getting out a mail ballot. However, the fact that the standard may be used - and should be used - by breeders in selecting dogs to breed, makes it desirable to make the change just to keep the best possible wording before Brittany breeders all over the country.

## *An Invitation --*

TO ATTEND THE

# PENNSYLVANIA REGIONAL 1950 Fall Trial

To Be Held At The

## Pittsburgh Butler Airport

SATURDAY - October 28th

SUNDAY ----- October 29th

FOR DETAILS WRITE OR WIRE

## C. C. CARR

Secretary, Pennsylvania Regional  
BRITTANY CLUB

1150 Patton St.  
Pittsburgh 21, Pa.

### There's Nothing Like an Agenda

trial and has also managed several all-pointing breed trials for the Jockey Hollow Field Trial Club.

Here is the secret of success .....

- 1 - Judges
- 2 - Judges Books
- 3 - Tokens of appreciation for Judges
- 4 - Trophies
- 5 - Ribbons
- 6 - Bulletin Board
- 7 - Megaphone
- 8 - Horses
- 9 - Birds
- 10 - Notification to Members
- 11 - Advertising other than notification to members
- 12 - Arrangements for starter
- 13 - Arrangements for getting the first and second braces on grounds in time to start the event.
- 14 - Food for Judges with refreshments
- 15 - Food for Gallery
- 16 - Parking arrangements and signs if necessary
- 17 - Instruction to Judge on length of heats and other essential information.
- 18 - All necessary arrangements with A.K.C.



**" Just Finished The Best Season I Ever Had "**

At my training camp in South Dakota. Made a lot of good bird dogs. Have openings for some dogs for my southern trip on quail, January 1st. Also a couple of pups for sale. I make all field trials.

**TRAINER , BILL KULL**

**202 Dewey Ave.**

**Goshen, Indiana**

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**PROSPECT MISS**

**Pointing Hungarian Partridges on the very edge of saltwater  
Orville's Cove, Prince Edward Island, Canada**

## THE 1950 FUTURITY

9. Belloaks Falcon  
Sire: Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor  
Dam: Sue of Loufel  
Owner: James B. Bell, Jr.  
Breeder: James B. Bell, Jr.
10. Belloaks Frankie  
Sire: Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor  
Dam: Sue of Loufel  
Owner: James B. Bell, Jr.  
Breeder: James B. Bell, Jr.
11. Belloaks Fantan  
Sire: Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor  
Dam: Sue of Loufel  
Owner: James B. Bell, Jr.  
Breeder: James B. Bell, Jr.
12. Lucky Hunter  
Sire: Hello Hunter  
Dam: Blossoms of Kaer  
Owner: Harry L. Calvin  
Breeder: Lee Holman
13. Pontac's Dingo  
Sire: Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel  
Dam: Allamuchy Sue  
Owner: H.H. Crippen  
Breeder: Coy N. Conwell
14. My Gracious  
Sire: Avono Jake  
Dam: Veemy de la Chaise  
Owner: Mrs. O.N. Gaebellein  
Breeder: D.L. Benjamin
15. Sally Blu  
Sire: Allamuchy Valley Uno  
Dam: Allamuchy Valley Ultra  
Owner: O.L. Lairmore  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman
16. Nannette of Oakridge  
Sire: Lloyd's Fanche's Spot  
Dam: Jille de Mignon Yvonne  
Owner: Gene C. Fowler  
Breeder: M.W. Hibbs
17. Pontac's Hero  
Sire: Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel  
Dam: Allamuchy Sue  
Owner: Coy N. Conwell  
Breeder: Coy N. Conwell
18. Avono Jillson  
Sire: Dual Ch. Avono Hapte  
Dam: Avono Jill of Karomish  
Owner: J.L. Whitworth & J.C. Tallmadge  
Breeder: Avono Kennels
19. Britt of Bergland  
Sire: Wesru's Britt  
Dam: Fern Bridget Freckles  
Owner: Herman O. Hill  
Breeder: Alexander Melville
20. Reynell's Mile  
Sire: Tudor du Roc'Hellou  
Dam: Allamuchy Valley Ultima  
Owner: Reynell Dalgleish  
Breeder: Dr. H.C. Keister
21. Uno's Allamuchy Valley Marg  
Sire: Allamuchy Valley Uno  
Dam: Allamuchy Valley Ultra  
Owner: Alan R. Stuyvesant  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman
22. Spindle City Rusty  
Sire: Britt of Bellows Falls  
Dam: Lady Margaret  
Owner: Mrs. Howard Stanley  
Breeder: Howard Stanley
23. Spindle City Shorty  
Sire: Britt of Bellows Falls  
Dam: Lady Margaret  
Owner: Howard Stanley  
Breeder: Howard Stanley
24. LaRuels Fanche Dan  
Sire: Lloyd's Fanche Spot  
Dam: Jille de Mignon Yvonne  
Owner: LaRue Davis  
Breeder: M.W. Hibbs
25. Gay's Gus of Leeway  
Sire: Dan of Leeway  
Dam: Belle of Loufel  
Owner: Samuel R. Sutphin  
Breeder: John W. Lee
26. Kid Frenchy  
Sire: Ch. Kaerson of Loufel  
Dam: Luke's Lena Dejoyde  
Owner: A.M. Framke  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman
27. Fantome de Klemanor  
Sire: Ch. Jeffrey de Klemanor  
Dam: Avono Jerri de Klemanor  
Owner: Walter B. Kleeman  
Breeder: Walter B. Kleeman
28. Nancee de Klemanor  
Sire: Sabreur de Klemanor  
Dam: Chippewa de Klemanor  
Owner: Walter B. Kleeman  
Breeder: Walter B. Kleeman
29. Buckshot de Klemanor  
Sire: Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor  
Dam: Antoinette de Basgard  
Owner: Walter B. Kleeman  
Breeder: Robert L. Pavy

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## THE 1950 FUTURITY

### 30. Suzette de Klemanor

Sire: Sabreur de Klemanor  
Dam: Chippewa de Klemanor  
Owner: Walter B. Kleeman  
Breeder: Walter B. Kleeman

### 31. Uno's Jet

Sire: Allamuchy Valley Uno  
Dam: Allamuchy Valley Ultra  
Owner: D.F. Olund  
Breeder: Lee E. Holman

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## History of The Brittany Spaniel

by  
E. W. Averill

**Editors Note:** The author of the following piece wishes to apologize to serious students of the old French records for his occasional free translations from the book "L'Epagneul Breton". He says that he last studied French some 25 years ago and that his knowledge of the language is somewhat rusty. However, wherever possible, he has checked with French students of more recent vintage and feels that, basically, no mis-statements have been made, although it is likely that a person more familiar with the language might well have been able to have expressed the facts more cogently.

While many of the members of the American Brittany Club are familiar with the background and history of our breed, there appear to be a considerable number of members who are not at all certain where the Brittany came from and what gives him his principal characteristics. It is generally believed that the breed was created very recently, a false assumption, because he dates back many centuries in France. In fact, an author who lived in the year 150 A. D. described in a poem a dog as follows: "Among the animals who track and hunt, there is an excellent kind, small, that are bred by the savage people of Brittany. It is mostly by the sensitivity of his scent that this dog takes precedence over others." Could this be other than our own beloved Brittanies?

Since this was long before the invention of firearms and since a bow and arrow is not too handy a weapon for shooting a bird on the wing, it is understood that the ancients took their birds by having a dog that would actually catch the bird on the ground and bring it in or one which "point" the bird so that a net could be thrown over both the dog and bird by the hunter. All Spaniels have to this day the instinct to "set" when they scent a bird although our breed has this instinct much more highly developed than other Spaniels. In this connection, it is well to

remember that the word "Spaniel" originally meant a "dog from Spain" and these dogs were not a "breed" in the sense that we use the word today.

Another ancient record, although not as ancient as the one mentioned above, is a tapestry now shown in the Louvre, in which two Brittany Spaniels are shown hunting with King Louis XI. While Louis XI was possibly the most unpopular of France's many unpopular kings, he was known as an ardent hunter and was said to have the best hunting dogs in the country. That he should elected to use Brittany Spaniels would indicate that the breed at that date was highly regarded as a field dog.

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## New Edition of Field Trial Booklet Ready



A revised and enlarged second edition of the booklet "Standards of Judicial Practice and Field Trial Procedure" has been brought out by the Gaines Dog Research Center, New York.

The booklet, the work of a committee of field trial veterans consisting of Samuel G. Allen, Frank C. Ash, William A. Bruetter, Henry P. Davis, John M. Hadaway, Elias C. Vail, Wallace F. Vail and W. Lee White originally appointed for this purpose in 1946 by the president of the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America, is intended to further better judging at field trials for dogs that point upland game birds. It consists principally of questions based on situations occurring in the course of field trials and answers to them that represent the consensus of current opinion of more than a score of highly regarded judges. While not offered as field trial "rules", the subject matter will be found to be exceedingly helpful to experienced and beginner judges, as well as handlers and owners. The new edition deals with 67 questions -- 15 that were not in the first edition, the complete printing of which was quickly exhausted following its publication in February of 1949.

A copy of the booklet may be had on mailing of 20 cents to the Gaines Dog Research Center, 250 Park Avenue, New York 17, N.Y. While individual copies are priced at 20 cents, a group order for 50 copies is only \$7.50 and for 100 copies only \$12.50.

We urge all Brittany clubs to take advantage of the group offers for their club members.

# AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB

## FUTURITY RULES

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#### The American Brittany Club Futurity

SECTION 23: The American Brittany Club Futurity, established for the purpose of encouraging and benefiting owners of Brittany Spaniels is inaugurated by and is conducted under the management of the American Brittany Club. The initial trial is to be held in the fall of 1948.

#### Conditions and Rules

Each American Brittany Futurity shall be open to every pure-bred Brittany Spaniel bitch on or after October 30 of any year, and all her progeny born on or after January 1st of the year following, the dams of which have been duly nominated and whose litters have been enrolled with the American Brittany Club.

All dams nominated and all sires bred to must be registered or eligible for registration.

The trial shall be held on game birds, pheasant or quail, and shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the American Brittany Club. The time and place of the trial shall be announced at least sixty days before the day set for its commencement.

Nominations and entries must be made on blanks furnished, free of charge, by the American Brittany Club.

Nominations of dams must be made within thirty days after the bitches have been bred, at which time the sum of \$5 must be paid on each dam nominated. When the litter shall have reached the age of thirty days, the second and final nomination payment of \$5.00 must be made. This payment will entitle each puppy of this particular litter to be entered for the American Brittany Futurity Purse after the dog has been properly registered in a recognized stud book such as The American Kennel Club or The Field Dog Stud Book.

Nominations of dams may be made on or after October 30 of any year and shall close positively July 1st of the year following, for the American Brittany Futurity to be run the year subsequent to the closing date.

If a bitch fails to whelp or gives birth to a dead litter, her nominator may substitute another, or transfer the nomination to another person in the same or next succeeding stake, subject to the approval of the American Brittany Club, provided said nominator shall give notice within twenty days after the time the bitch should have whelped. If notification is not made in accordance with this requirement, first nomination fee shall be forfeited.

A single substitution may be made under the same conditions governing original nomination.

#### Entering Dogs

Entries for each American Brittany Futurity shall close August 1st (except when that date falls on Sunday, when it shall be August 2nd) for the current year's trial. On or before August 1st those expecting to start dogs must describe their entries on entry blanks furnished free of charge by the American Brittany Club, and pay on each a forfeit fee of \$15.00. A starting fee must be paid, in addition, before the drawing. The drawing shall take place the day before the date announced for the trial to be run. Dogs must be registered. No dog may start until the registration number of that dog has been received by the field trial secretary.

The nominating, forfeit and entry fees will be pooled and after deducting expenses of the stake, including 10% for the American Brittany Club, the balance will constitute the purse. The purse will be divided two-thirds to the owners of the winners and one-third to breeders of winners; both owner's and winner's divisions of the purse to be divided:

- (1) 40-25-20 and 15 if there are four moneys paid. Four moneys shall be paid if there are more than 16 starters.
- (2) 45-30-25 if there are three moneys paid. Three moneys shall be paid if there are 16 or less starters.

# Fifth Annual Brittany Spaniel Futurity

FOR ALL PURE-BRED BRITTANY SPANIEL BITCHES BRED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 30, 1950

## A.B.C

NOMINATIONS CLOSE JULY 1, 1951

**PURSE**

**Will Be Divided**

**Two-thirds to Owners of Winners  
One-third to Breeders of Winners**

AMERICAN  
BRITTANY CLUB

Nominating Fees { First Forfeit . . . \$5.00  
Second Forfeit . . . \$5.00

TRIAL TO BE RUN DURING FALL OR WINTER OF 1952

Date of Service	Name of Bitch	F.D.S.B. No.	Color	Sire of Bitch	Dam of Bitch
		A.K.C. No.			
Name of Dog bred to	F.D.S.B. No.	Sire of Dog bred to	Dam of Dog bred to	Name and Address of Owner of Dog bred to	
	A.K.C. No.				

Please enter the above-named bitch in the Brittany Spaniel Futurity, the enclosed \$5.00 being first forfeit money.

Owner .....Street Address .....

Town .....State .....

Mail all checks and communications to the AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB, J. W. LEE, Chairman, R. R. 15, Box 418, Indianapolis 44, Indiana



## DIRECTORS PAGE

Dear Brittany Owners and Club Members:

With this issue of the AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB MAGAZINE you will receive an enrollment blank for the 1952 Futurity. Enrollments in the Futurity each year for this annual fixture of American Brittany Club can be made on bitches bred after October 30 for puppies to be whelped on or after January 1 of the following year. This event has become an accepted stake and a definite part of the field trial program sponsored by the American Brittany Club each year.

John W. Lee will act as chairman of the 1952 Futurity Committee. Mr. Lee has very ably handled the 1951 entires and has prepared the following report of the enrollment which closed July 1 this year.

Sincerely yours,

Walter B. Kleeman  
Secretary

### REPORT ON THE 4TH ANNUAL AMERICAN BRITTANY SPANIEL FUTURITY (1951)

Following are some tabulations on the Fourth Annual American Brittany Spaniel Futurity (1951) which may be of interest to Brittany breeders:

Total No. to whelp	78
Failed to whelp	11
Surrender of first fee due poor issue	4
Litters on which second fee has not yet been paid	8
Nominations completed to date	55

The largest number of litter nominations were made by the Toffee Idoc Kennels (J. E. & T. J. Talbot). Six litters.

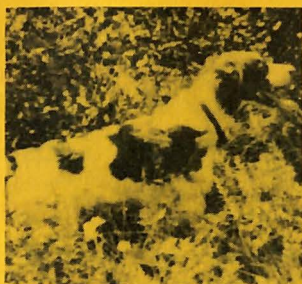
The sire used in the largest number of completed enrollments is Roger of Edough, owned by R. G. Buick. Six litters.

Submitted by

John W. Lee,  
Futurity Chairman



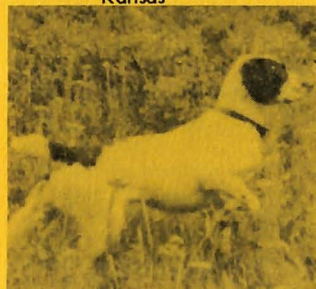
Girl ----- Derby  
An introduction from Kansas  
Owner: John Zimmerman, Park  
Kansas



Patsy of Edough. Also 3rd place  
winner '49 Futurity. Owner: R. G  
Buick, Mt. Pleasant, Illinois



Allamuchy Valley Slim. '49 Futurity  
winner. Owner: Alan R. Stuyve-  
sant, Allamuchy, N.J.



Roger of Edough  
He needs no introduction  
R.G. Buick, Mt. Prospect, Ill.

### SPORTSMEN AND FRIENDS

These dogs are pointing wild  
natural game. They show bird  
sense and the great intensity of  
natural bird dogs.

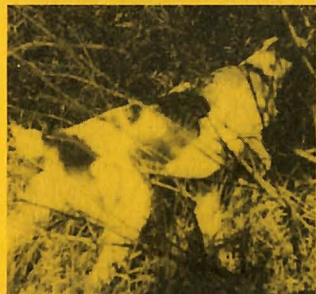
I have several other good dogs  
I would like to show you but can't  
do it all at once.

Can place 6 dogs for training  
in the south, December 15th -  
would try some puppies for Spring  
Trial.

We thank all customers for risk-  
ing our judgement.



Larry Lee Kaerson. Whelped June  
1, 1950. Owner: Dr. E. S. Elliott  
Fox Lake, Wis.

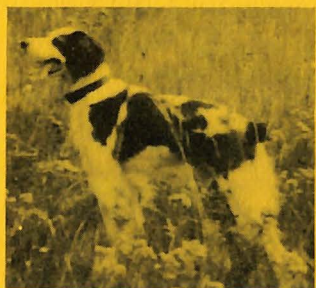


Kid Frenchy. Whelped June 1st  
1949. Owner: A.M. Framke  
Elmhurst, Illinois.

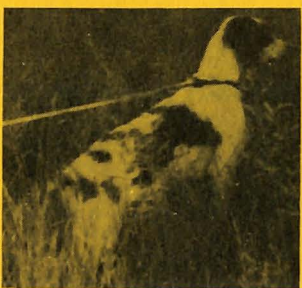
### Under The Guide And Whistle Of LEE HOLMAN Whittington, Illinois



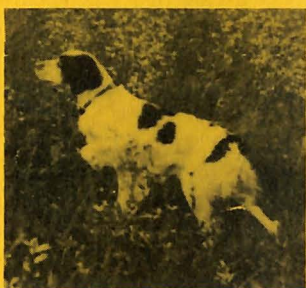
Uno's Jet. Whelped July 1st, '49  
D.F. Olund, Chicago, Ill.



Tudor du Roc'Hellou  
Imported from France  
Alan R. Stuyvesant  
Allamuchy, New Jersey



Lena's Deyoyde Gal. Whelped  
March, '50. Pointing Chickens  
at 4 months. Owner, C.J. Tem-  
pas, Bevar Dam, Wis.



Franks Brittany Bob needs no  
introduction. Frank Mowbray,  
Pontiac, Michigan.