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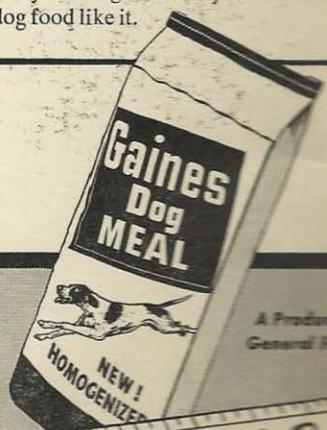
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EDITORIAL

In a field trial the contenders are under judgment for the quality of performance which comprehends speed, range, style, in action, animation, intelligence in seeking his ground, character and style while pointing, bidableness to handler and various other describable qualities such as bird sense, and stamina and some almost indescribable one's including that rather over-worked word "class".

Class has been defined as "grace under pressure" and it is an excellent definition. If, indeed, a dog has terrific power, drive, such sheer exuberance in hunting and the quality of "almost running away but not quite" yet is under the demands of controlled and proper finish in manners, he has a certain superiority above the dog that is more perfunctory, slower or lacking in utmost power although that dog may do an equally good, or even better, job of finding and handling game.

It must be remembered that the nature of field trial competition is far different from an ordinary day's hunting. There are great shooting dogs, that wouldn't be given a glance in a field trial and there are great field trial dogs that could never replace the field companion or the so-called "meat" dog. Both are necessary for a sport that has, since its beginning, been known as the cleanest, most earnestly and honestly played one in the dog realm.

In the Jockey Hollow Field Trial Club's open shooting dog stake, "The Clinton", a snappy little Brittany Spaniel that came into the bird field and had five perfect finds, where previous contenders had swung around the area and missed these birds, wasn't even placed. That's hard to understand. It was a "class" Brittany performance but a smaller dog, without a sky-rocketing tail, a big slashing stride, has two strikes against him when judged with pointers and setters. In fact, many judges consider that they just can't be judged together. There's just that much more dog to a big dog to do what the stake calls . . . a high class shooting

dog exhibition.

There were many murmurs from the gallery and in many respects they were earned for the Brittany did a wonderful job. True, there were some holes in his back course race but from the time he hit the bird area he was superb.

This dog was Alan R. Stuyvesant's dual champion Allamuchy Valley Uno, handled by Harold Frantz and though he didn't place he put on an exhibition that was a great credit to the breed, earned the plaudits of the judges, of more than a hundred spectators and was written up in all the newspapers and magazine reports of the trial. He had the best performance in the stake, bird-wise. He hunted like a demon and had the best earned find in the stake in a swath of tall canary grass in the back field and came up with four snappy finds in the bird field, nailing them with precision and showing perfect manners each time. This was the sight that thrilled the gallery.

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TENTH ANNUAL NATIONAL TRIALS

Weather, and a woman, conspired to make field trial history at the Tenth Annual American Brittany Club National Trials, Carbondale, Illinois, Nov. 30-Dec. 7.

Disagreeable is the only word to describe the gray skies which gave way to snow, freezing temperatures which kept it frozen on the ground, then rain that turned fields to mud and swelled the streams. Finally, after five dull days, the sun made a reappearance and the week-long trials ended in a happier mood. Wonderful how sunny skies can lift the spirits of man and dog!

"Never underestimate the power of a woman" — especially when it comes to handling dogs. What Jane Thompson, veteran Brittany handler from Northville, Michigan, did at the Nationals this year, will stick like a thorn in the flesh of every male handler. It was not enough that Jane repeat with Howard Crippen's Dual Ch. "Pontac Dingo" what she did last year in winning the big Open All Age Stake. Dingo has now retired the old American Brittany Club rotating National trophy, and he is the first dog to have his name engraved on the beautiful bronze statue that Alan Stuyvesant had cast in France, and presented to the club.

But Jane, it seems, also had the unmitigated gall to take home the trophy for first in the Puppy Stake with Hero's Master Spot, and then put that same pup in competition with Derbies and win the National Derby Stake with a nine and one-half month old pup! Hero's Master Spot (Pontac's Hero — Nankay Mitzie) is owned by Dr. Harry E. Lee of Detroit, Michigan.

• Walter B. Kleeman of Springfield, Ohio, did his best to bolster masculine ego by placing his merry little hunting companion, Domino de Klemanor first in the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake over 24 dogs. Domino then proceeded to rank second to Dingo in the Open All Age Stake!

Interest in the Brittany Spaniel and the



Walter B. Kleeman, club secretary; Howard P. Clements, chairman of the field trial committee.

American Brittany Club has grown rapidly over the past few years. Thirteen regional clubs now hold trials from Virginia to California and from New England to the Pacific Northwest. So it does not seem surprising that 153 Brittanyes were entered to compete in the week-long trials held on the Crab Orchard Field Trial grounds. But it is amazing that so many stalwart souls bucked hazardous driving conditions to get there, for there were over 90 people in attendance, from all over the United States.

The largest delegation was from the Michigan Regional Club, including the president of the American Brittany Club, Coy Conwell, and its treasurer, E. W. Averill. Also from Michigan were the Woods, Holleyoaks, Dawsons, Chojnackis, Larsons, Mssrs. Crippen, Crouch, Frank and Jane Thompson.

The Illinois Brittany Club, proud that

for the American Brittany Club. This wildlife refuge, located in the "Little Egypt" district of southern Illinois is just about as close as you could come to laying a finger on the center of Brittany population in the United States. But no census taker made the selection. These grounds have been used now, for the third successive year, because of bird supply, terrain, and accommodations.

The liberal sprinkling of quail covies all along the multiple courses gives an opportunity for every dog running to show on birds. True, the scenting conditions this year left much to be desired, but when it is realized that 101 covies were moved on the courses in the week of trials, there is no doubt the birds are there. The largest number of covies encountered on any one day (20), was on Friday, which correspondingly was the first day of sunshine after four days of cloudy, snowy, rainy weather!

The terrain is natural "quail country" given every advantage that man can devise to keep the Bob-white happy and well fed. It is a pleasure to see what Eugene Crawford and his staff, employing wise conservation methods along with farming, have done for this region. The lespedeza and serisia have gained a foot hold on bare hillsides, multiflora rose plantings are getting dense, making the fencerows very inviting, and with woods and thickets left natural, and swales left for the sedge grass to take over — field trialing at Crab Orchard should become even more enticing as the years go on!

Illinois contains such a magnificent spot as Crab Orchard for running the Nationals, turned out in record number. Howard Clements, vice-president of the American Brittany Club, carried the weight of the trials on his capable shoulders, and the Coxes, the Stauntons, La-Fleurs, Holmans, Crawfords, Bob Buick and Jim Wettengell, all helped act as hosts to the out-of-state Brittany folk.

The Louis Tippets flew out from Portland, Oregon; the Jim Bells came up from Florida and Dr. and Mrs. Truex from Tennessee.

From the eastern seaboard journeyed the R. R. Machletts and Bob Machletts, Jr., the Stevensons, Fosters, Bissells, Hugo Blasberg and George Sutton.

The Midwest Regional, now the second largest regional club in the country was represented by the Campbells, Hoffmans, Kellys and Burnhams.

The secretary of the American Brittany Club, Walter B. Kleeman, and his wife came from Ohio, as did Drs. J. E. and T. J. Talbott, and Mrs. Ann Carr.

The Pennsylvania representative was Dr. William P. Yant of Pittsburgh.

Neighboring Hoosiers included the Curt Davis', Lees, Dr. Borders, Col. Davis and Bill Kull.

It was a pleasure this year to welcome folks from two newly formed Brittany regional clubs. The J. H. Williams from the Old Dominion Brittany Club (Virginia) and the R. V. Lowrys from the Sooner Brittany Club (Oklahoma). For Mr. and Mrs. Ray Klass, Mr. and Mrs. E. Niemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Huser, and R. G. Dyer, this was their first experience at a Brittany National.

William F. Brown, editor of the American Field spent an afternoon in the saddle watching some of the All Age Brittanys in the field, and LeRoy Beard-sley of the American Kennel Club was on hand.

Evelyn Shafer, N.Y.C. worked under most exasperating conditions to try and get pictures. Snow and rain are no help!

To return to Crab Orchard for its National Trials, is becoming an old story

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Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge, Illinois, November 30 - December 7

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Judges of Open Stakes: John Hoover and Hugo Blasberg.



Judges of Amateur Stakes: Roy Blackwell and Joe Beal.



Goose hunting was popular during off moments. Charles A. Franks and Dr. Larson.



Louis Tippet, Dr. William P. Yant, Mrs. Ann Carr, Eugene Crawford, Tom Cox, Mrs. James Bell and Mrs. Buck Bissell.



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Officers of the Crab Orchard F. T. Club: W. H. Howell, pres.; Reid T. Troutman, vice-president; Lloyd Teas, director; and Carl Parsons in charge of marshalls.

Certainly the members of the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club have done their utmost to make the grounds adaptable, what with laying bridges over ditches, making breaks in fencing, etc. The hours of work can only be appreciated when you look back four years ago and realize the gains.

There is no question that accommodations, from horses by day, to beds at night, are an indispensable part of a successful trial. Brittany folk were housed all the way from Carbondale to Marion principally in the fine motels of the region. Lunches in the club house, as well as the Annual Dinner, Monday, Dec. 1, were taken care of by the Marion Motel cuisine.

Many people expressed their admiration for the fine horses and equipment to mount the gallery. The vast dog kennels, dog wagon, etc., all help expedite the running of trials. But we could never have handled such a large entry were it not for the fact that members of the Crab Orchard Club came forward to lend a hand wherever needed.

Howard Clements of Chicago, Illinois, is the big wheel of the American Brittany Club setting the National Trials in motion. On his committee were Walter Kleeman, Coy Conwell, Ray Machlett and John Lee.

A lot of the power that pushed the trial along was furnished by Thomas W. Cox of Carbondale. Tom serves a very important post as liason between the American Brittany Club and the local Crab Orchard Club, and countless details fell on his broad shoulders. When all is said and done, there needs to be a Johnny-on-the-spot, and Tom Cox fulfilled that function.

Mr. Louie Mofield, Carbondale, who has driven the dog wagon for us in years past, did so again, except for the first day when he was elevated to a judges saddle, and looked over the promising pups. He was accompanied by Dr. R. A. Scott, also of Carbondale.

Mr. Roy Blackwell, Lombard, Illinois, and Mr. Joe Beal, Downers Grove, Il-

linois, continued on after the running of the Fifth Futurity, to judge the Amateur All Age Stake.

Mr. Hugo Blasberg, Hawthorne, N. J., joined a veteran Crab Orchard man, John Hoover, Salem, Illinois, to adjudicate the Derby and Open All Age Stakes.

Lloyd Teas served as marshal.

NATIONAL PUPPY STAKE

Sunday morning, in a cold rain and clouded skies, the National events got underway. The Puppy Stake was run on a single course, no birds were moved.

Of the nine pups entered, Hero's Master Spot out-smarted them all with his masterful covering of ground, hunting all the way. Spot is owned by Dr. Harry Lee, Detroit, Michigan and handled by Jane Thompson.

Winchester of Aotrou, braced with Spot and handled by Bill Kull, was awarded second place for he, too, showed a punch and aggressiveness. Dr. George S. Westfall, Goshen, Ind., is the owner of "Windy".

Harry C. Crouch's Dian of Edough, and R. G. Buick's Peg of Edough, both handled by Lee Holman, accounted for third and fourth places respectively. Both turned in good ground heats, but not as sustained as the top placed dogs.

Next on the schedule of events came the National Brittany Specialty Show, held at the club house, Sunday night.

Monday, and part of Tuesday was taken up with the running of the Fifth Brittany Futurity, as has already been reported. Results were announced at the club house at lunch time, and without any delay the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake got underway. Forty-five minute heats were scheduled, and the running of the Amateur continued until late Wednesday afternoon.

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG STAKE

There was no noontime sun to bring out the birds — continued gray overhead, with slightly thawing snow underfoot. Four braces were run Tuesday afternoon, the remainder running on Wednesday.

Six covies of quail were moved in the afternoon's running.

Wednesday brought nary a flick of blue in the gray sky and the first two braces in the morning ran in a mist that seemed ominous. Ground had thawed to the point where walking through wheat and cornfields was laborious. Scenting conditions were practically nil. Early covies found were balled up tight and right under a dog's nose. Only one covey found in mid-afternoon showed signs of being scattered out feeding.

Domino de Klemanor, trustworthy little bird finder for Walter B. Kleeman of Springfield, Ohio, was top dog of the stake. Domino demonstrated uncanny intelligence, coupled with experience gained from hunting, to hit the haunts of quail all along the course. The dog required little handling, seemed to know exactly what was required and finally gained his reward in thicket. It was but



AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG STAKE

Walter Kleeman, owner-handler of "Domino de Klemanor": Edgar D. Averill owner-handler of "Int. Ch. Diane de Beauch, U.D.": Mrs. James Bell with "Dual Ch. Bonaire Dec" owned by William P. Yant: Howard Clements, owner-handler of "Tennessee Luke".

a single Bob-white, yet his style and manners were as though he had rounded up all the covies of the county, proudly handling them for his master. Domino exemplifies the type of perfect little shooting dog Brittany men would all like to own.

Diane de Beauch, owned and handled

by E. W. Averill, Birmingham, Michigan, came in for second, followed in third place by Bonaire Doc, handled by Ed. Staunton, Wauconda, Illinois. These two dogs were braced together and shared in routing a scattered covey along a line of multiflora rose planting. Diane was the first to discover that quail were lurking in the "living fence". And then there followed a race to see who could find and handle the most. Diane was credited with two finds, steady to flush and long delayed shots, for handler fumbled the firing. However, on a find of Doc's Diane grew impatient and nosed out the bird, but stopped at command, and stayed for shot. Doc's tally was an independent find on single, handled well, and another at which he took one jump at shot, but stopped on command. Both dogs were moderate in range, but hunting all the time.

Tennessee Luke, owned and handled by Howard Clements of Chicago, Illinois, earned consideration for fourth place. Luke ran a classy heat and styled up well on single found right at the edge of lake. Held till handler flushed and fired, hesitated, and then chased about 10 feet, stopping on command. Further along course brace mate pointed in fence row, with Luke backing stylishly. Non-productive, but it added to Luke's score.

Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault, handled by Bob Machlett, showed manners on quail that would have pushed him into the winners' bracket had the original covey contact been to his credit. However, it was his brace mate, quartering well ahead to the right through a weed-patch, that routed a single. Judges rode hard to the vicinity, but found no indication that Snuffy was prepared to capitalize on the find. Wippy, coming into the territory had three singles flush one after another; handler shot and Wippy was steady. Then on a fourth single Wippy styled into point which handler called, but before he could flush the quail arose. Wippy again gave no indication of breaking.

By far the most spectacular find was that of Jeffrey of Argard, owned by A. Leroy Magnuson, and handled by Walter

B. Kleeman. Jeffrey ran a class heat and was quartering through soybeans when he swung sharp into point, which judges noted from horseback and called to handler. Before handler could reach the dog, brace mate had swept within five feet of Jeff on point, but he remained staunch. A tight ball of coveid quail were flushed right under his nose. Jeffrey broke at wing and chased.

Curt's Fanche Rip and Juchoir's Martin, running wide in the first brace of the stake, came on point together under large cedar tree. Quail flushed just beyond, before either handler could get there. Both dogs stopped and stood without command.

Rusty LaRue of Leeway and Avono Comanche were wide-ranging and diligent in their search for birds, but had no finds in their brace.

Helgramite Howie ran a good shooting dog heat; was credited with a non-productive in fence row, then had a find on single which he executed nicely.

Meadowink Buzz ran very wide and handled nicely; showed style and application but found no birds.

Birdless also went Belloaks Mike, Miss Topsy, Helgramite Chip, Luke's Beau Fort, Nanette du Boise, Pontac's Dingo, George's of Leeway, and Joyeux Jacqueline.

In the last few minutes of her brace, Jeanette's Cookie had a find deep in impenetrable thicket. Very little of the action could be seen except that Cookie was holding when the birds flushed.

NATIONAL DERBY STAKE

Hard rain, all night long, washed away the last vestiges of snow on Thursday. It not only saturated the ground, but filled the ditches to overflowing. Every brace of Derbies (with the exception of two Wednesday afternoon and one Friday morning) ran under the same dismal conditions—rain, and more rain, never slackening. There was practically an absence of scent so the bird work was extremely sketchy. Time and again covies flushed wild near enough you'd swear the dogs should have smelled them. In fact the "near misses" that could have won the stake dashed many a hope to pieces. The stake seemed jinxed, but ultimately it was resolved in favor of the youngest dog competing, Hero's Master Spot, a nine and one-half month old pup owned by Dr. Harry Lee, Detroit, Michigan, and handled by Jane Thompson.

Spot was working through lespedeza pasture, quartering nicely, when he became extremely birdy, flash pointed, moved on, then pointed again, and up burst a covey of quail. Spot chased a few yards, then returned to the area at handler's command to see if there were any stragglers to rout. He showed amazing bird sense for a Brit so young. Spot's wide hunting range and kindliness to handling were commendable.

Palomar de Boswell, owned by Dr. Robert E. Boswell, Dayton, Ohio, and handled by Bill Kull came in for second place. Palomar ran late Wednesday afternoon. Just beyond multiflora rose

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fence Palomar came upon a covey feeding on soybeans. Handler called point, and Palomar finished his find in good Derby fashion. Running moderately, but hunting all the way, he later had an unproductive to mar his record.



**WINNER OPEN PUPPY STAKE
AND OPEN DERBY STAKE**

Jane Thompson, handler of "Hero's Master Spot", owned by Dr. Harry E. Lee, Detroit, Mich.

Holman's Yankee Traveler, owned by D. F. Olund, Skokie, Illinois, traveled to third place under Lee Holman's whistle. Traveler was down the first thing Thursday morning, and on his first cast out to cover beyond wheat field at breakaway he came on a covey of quail. Pointed, and then chased as covey flushed before him.

Chestnut Guy handled by Buck Bissell for his owner Clair Plaisted, Butler, Pa., ran one of the widest, most convincing performances of any of the Derby contenders. His position in fourth place was for an excellent hard-hunting ground heat, but no birds.

Meadowink Jerry ran well, wheeled as quail flushed wild.

Albeda Valley Bud, with moderate heat, had stop to flush on brace mate's find.

Undoubtedly the widest going Derby down was Coindot de Beauch, making two wide casts at the start, worked well through a dense thicket, and sprinted out on another horizon cast at the close, handling all the way.

Wide-going too were Rocky of Chippewa, Albeda Valley Dingo, Tennessee Zelda and Mist de Klemanor, but none had contact with game.

NATIONAL OPEN ALL AGE

It could snow for the Futurity, and rain for the Derby, but nice to be greeted with bright blue skies for the running of the All Age. There was not a cloud in the sky Friday morning, and the sun rose quickly. Temperatures had dropped about 10 degrees, and the cool, clean, morning air was buoyantly alive with promise of better bird work. For the first time in a week of trials, handlers and judges shielded their eyes against the bright morning sun.

Out-classing all the other 39 dogs that ran in the hour-long heats of the Open All Age Stake was Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo, handled by Jane Thompson, whose owner is Howard Crippen of



WINNER OPEN ALL AGE STAKE
"Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo", owned by Howard H. Crippen, Dearborn, Mich.

Dearborn, Michigan. Dingo hit a covey

going full speed ahead through open weed field. He slammed on the brakes so hard his body was still lunging forward. There was no doubt this was "it". Later on Dingo chalked up another covey find to his credit, again with perfect manners.

Domino de Klemanor owned and handled by Walter B. Kleeman came in for a very substantial second place with a solid find and a stylish back. Domino quite endeared himself to the gallery with his regal stance on point — nose thrust out high, body stretched out as far as it would go, and his little tail stretched up as high as it would go, too!

Third to be honored was Pat of Para-

dise, whose owner Lt. Col. Coffie is serving with the armed forces in Japan. Pat was handled by Jane Thompson. When it came to total number of finds, Pat topped the stake with three covies, one stop to flush on a single, and an impossible find of a single quail in the thickest thicket you could ever imagine! Pat's ground heat did not compare favorably, but she is certainly a bird-finding fool!

Juchoir's Martin, owned and handled by J. H. Williams of Lynchburg, Virginia, for two finds and a divided find, showing manners on one, was named to fourth place.

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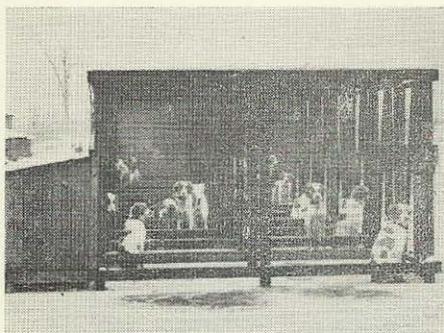
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L. T. Mofield (in charge of the dog truck)



Reporter Mrs. John W. Lee



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GALLERY



Mrs. Jane Thompson and Mrs. E. C. Staunton making out judges' books.



Bob Dyer, Jess Hayslip, L. T. Mofield, Bill Kull and Eugene Crawford.

on birds were Meadowink Buzz, Amos of Edough, and Deuce de Humboldt. These three had ground heats worthy of sending them to placements below the two top dogs, but all three failed to come through the acid test.

Jeffrey of Argard laid down one of the widest going heats of the stake and thrilled the gallery with a spectacular find deep in the woods. Before handler could crash through to him, styled up beautifully on point, the birds flushed and Jeff broke.

There were those among the gallery who showed surprise the list of call backs did not include the name Nanette du Boise, brace mate to Amos of Edough. Nanette was not flashy in her running, but consistent and wide in her application. She was as full of bounce at the end as at the breakaway — a characteristic lacking in many of the Brittanys competing in the hour-long stake.

THE RUNNING

CHAMPION

PIERROT DE FONTAINE VALLEE
HELGRAMITE JACQUES

7:13. Jacques had contact with birds in woods where course turned sharply west, but was moving when judges came upon the scene. Both handled well to the front. Down in sedge swale Pierrot came on point. Held for quite a while, then lowered his nose and upped the birds. Further up at far end same swale, pointed again, but that was unproductive. Pierrot chalked up several unproductive "scent" points; Jacques backed one. Pierrot showed tiring, picked up 8:25. Jacques continued on course, but his hunting lacked punch at the end.

HELGRAMITE HECTOR
CH. JEANETTE'S COOKIE

Just five minutes after breakaway through cornfield, Hector pointed in



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thicket to right. Handler spent considerable time trying to locate birds, and sent dog on. Hector worked it out and finally pinned them down with a nice point, large bevy. Hector ran a few feet at shot, but stopped on command. At 9:25 three deer were seen in woods to right. Dogs disappeared and from location of their return, obvious they had been off after the deer. That dash after deer was the maximum exertion for Cookie, who for most part had only fair range. Six minutes before brace ended, Cookie whipped into nice point on single. Steady.

PAT OF PARADISE (BUCKEYE SCRATCHED)

Pat sent out alone at 9:50. For about five minutes Pat had merry time with meadowlarks in area to right of railroad, and even made half-hearted attempt at point. 10:05 Pat lost from sight at ditch bank. Handler arrived on scene just in time to call point when covey flushed. Pat broke, but stopped on command. Further along, quartering through soybean field (that consistently coughed up quail) Pat stopped to flush on single. Just beyond road crossing in clump of trees, Pat again pointed, held steady at shot and wing, but settled. Course wound up through open fields and gallery was about to cross into another field when handler realized Pat was not with us. Found, styled beautifully on point in thicket to left of horse path. Evidently had been there for some time — with all gallery riding past. At flush, huge covey, completely surrounding the dog — boiled out. Pat's manners were absolutely flawless. On every covey find her manners were improved — and this was really pretty. Then Pat spied an overgrown berry thicket, went to investigate, and pointed through tangle of hog wire and brambles. Handler had to come in from one end and thread her way to the dog, backing in to keep from being torn to shreds, and finally by kicking, flushed a single quail. Then handler asked judge's permission to pick up dog and "put him and me" over the hog fence, for the dog couldn't go either forward or back in the impenetrable briars.

DUKE OF DEARBORN DUAL CH. AVONO HAPTE

11:00. Both dogs ranged pretty wide for the first ten minutes, then slowed drastically. Rabbit pointed in thicket. At 11:30 Pete made half-hearted point on a meadowlark and Duke backed. 11:39 Pete pointed in rail fence overgrown with honeysuckle. Duke backed. Looked legitimate, but it was another false alarm. 11:41 Pete was picked up, followed by Duke about five minutes later.



Mrs. Walter Kleeman and Mrs. E. C. Staunton.

BUTTONS AND BOWS BELLOAKS EZRA

Course right after lunch. The area was swarming with geese, some feeding, some in the air, others coming into feed, all honking as loudly as possible. Both dogs zipped off with much fervor, cutting up the open fields in pleasing pattern. 1:32 Buttons made stylish point in patch of briars to side of woods. Held solid, but nothing produced. Both dogs cut out and ran wide the first 30 minutes. Buttons

worked in closer at finish; Ezra likewise, but still punching.

DUAL CH. PONTAC'S DINGO TEX OF RICHMONT

Brace set down 2:15. After about 15 minutes of tearing across country on spectacular casts, Dingo seemed to slacken a bit. Hitting cornfield, he stretched out again, really working it over. 2:32 he was hitting it hard going diagonally through weed field when he stopped dead in his tracks — body thrust forward as though arrested in full motion. Handler called point and ran to get to the dog. Judges urged their horses on at full gallop to witness a magnificent sight. Large bevy whirred out at flush, Dingo taut, but swelled up high as the birds took off, as though he wanted to culminate his head-on point in more lordly fashion. Fired by birds, Dingo swept on across to far end of field where he turned toward draw. Point called, but there was a laxness that left some doubt in mind, and it did prove unproductive. Tex had unproductive point called. At 2:56 dogs working along

side of ditch bank. Dingo observed standing as eight of a covey flushed. Remained staunch and on point, for two more birds leaving same area. Crossing ditch and on up other bank, Dingo appeared to be winding, but responded to handler's onward command. Soon after a bevy flushed from vicinity.



GALLERY

BELLOAKS MIKE JUCHOIR'S MARTIN

Breakway at 3:08 up along railroad, working out territory to left and on into oak woods. Cross road, still in woods, point called for Mister down close to brook. Mike backed on command. Handler flushed, large covey, both dogs holding steady to shot and wing. Mister swept out through open, worked out draw, unproductive at far end. Mike moderate in range throughout. Both dogs worked on birds along fencerow overgrown with honeysuckle, sharing the find. Mike stood four-square on point — extremely stylish. On flush, Mister ran about three steps, Mike held. 3:59 Mister again pointed in corner of field; Mike backed on command. When handler went in, one quail flushed to left, another behind the dog. Apparently Mister slammed on his brakes and overran about a foot. Both dogs moved on, about 25 yards ahead the remainder of the large covey arose.

Since dogs, handlers, and judges were all ready on the starting line at 6:58, the first brace on Saturday got off to an early start. There was a heavy frost on the ground, with temperatures about 30 degrees in early morning. Clear skies, with

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promise of soaring temperatures as the day progressed.

CURT'S FANCH RIP
CHAMPION

HELGRAMITE HOWIE D'ACAJOU

7:13 Doc had unproductive; Rip called back from long cast beyond fencerow, backed his brace mate. 7:14 Rip unproductive — stink birds later rose from vicinity. 7:27 swinging back from lake, on hilltop, single quail was flushed by gallery after both dogs had swept through. 7:52 dogs were working in heavy cover bordering ditch. Covey flushed wild in between — might have been a find for Doc for he was closest to the spot. At flush both dogs were steady. Swinging back around edge of woods, single from the covey flushed wild. Again both dogs stopped to flush. Both ran well to the front; Doc required more hacking, Rip to the outside.

F. T. CH. WIPPY
DE LA VALLEE BOURRAULT
SOLOMON VALLEY NIKKI

Nikki took to thickets working well. Wippy disliked burrs, but got going again after handler dislodged them. 8:26 Nikki appeared to be making game—went on about four steps, stopped, then on in same direction, finally stopped and handler called point. Couldn't produce. Nikki seemed fired up after this game scent — what ever it was and made wide cast around sedge swale to left. Wippy remained working close to handler—had he strayed to right of old home place on hill, he would have come on covey. As it was, the gallery rode it up. 8:51 both dogs working rabbits in thicket close to road. Finally succeeded in jumping the cottontail out of his hiding place. 9:01 Nikki on point, held tight as covey flushed. Handler had difficulty shooting. Nikki advanced two steps, then held solid. Find occurred just 30 seconds before pick-up.

DUAL CH. UNO'S JET
HELGRAMITE CHIP
9:00 breakaway through area to left

of railroad tracks. Jet cut way out to right on wide cast. 9:40 just across the road, Chip pointed; Jet backed on command. Nothing produced. Jet sent on to front; Chip roaded to right along side of road and finally styled up on solid point. Steady, but broke two steps at shot. A beautiful piece of relocation. 9:45 Chip returning to course, was working across field when again he pointed, sent on to relocate. The actual bird work credited on this second find was relocation and then stop to flush. 9:50 Jet's power had diminished.

MEADOWINK BUZZ
LEXINGTON AMHERST GODEFROI

10:14 cast off, both showing medium range. 10:30 both dogs busied about in thicket by roadside, rabbit went out. Hitting open country, Buzz cast wide, Lex showed a lot of interest in meadowlark's on hillside. Buzz kept stretching out farther as he went along, maintaining a pretty sustained race; never too wide, but

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consistent. 11:10 in thicket both dogs chased a rabbit — their handlers barking out sharp rebukes. 11:12 Lex stopped to flush — dense growth made it impossible to see whether he had actually pointed the covey. Steady at shot.

DUAL CH. BONAIRE DOC
LUKE'S BEAU FORT

12:47 breakaway. Both made some nice casts to begin with. Doc driving ahead; Luke somewhat logey. 1:25 Doc pointed on side of bank, edge of dense woods. steady. -:29 Luke had point at edge of woods just before hitting open. Handler flushed large covey, shot. Doc backed on command. Birds were running out as handler flushed. Both dogs steady. 1:41 Luke pointed in very dense thicket —unproductive.

TUDOR'S YANKEE BOY
DOMINO DE KLEMANOR

Slim pointed in briars. No point called, but handler let dog go on and try and establish something more definite. While he was working it, single quail flushed near gallery. Yankee Boy stretched out in open, but Domino kept in the lead, working out every birdy spot along the way. 2:17 point called for Slim by cedars under large elm tree. Unproductive. Off to left in weed field 2:19 point called for Domino. Handler couldn't locate birds, came back, pushed him once, but Domino would not be budged; pushed him again, but nothing doing. Finally

walked past dog on point, and flushed large covey. Domino held. Handler, in midst of whirring birds was trying to fire blank. After several attempts succeeded. 2:32 Slim come into point after working in honeysuckle thicket. Domino was winding birds, coming down draw to same honeysuckle clump. Obviously winding the birds from afar out, he styled up on beautiful point. Head and nose stretched into the wind, body taunt and even his tail perked straight up behind. Slim's handler went in and flushed covey, Slim steady. Domino stood solidly backing until the action was completed and the curtain rung down, then calmly sat, and watched for the signal to be sent on.

RONILE AVANT COUREUR
CALATIN MAC EOCHAIDH'S SAM

3:05 start of brace. Sam moderate range, Ronile tried some wide casts but hacked back. Sam stopped at flush as handler put up a covey of quail. After working through woods, Ronile really sprang to life, zipped down across wheat field, skirted sedge swale and finally dove into it, then crossed ditch and was seen working on opposite bank. At fencerow break, Ronile pointed; Sam backed, then kept creeping up and finally nosed in ahead of Ronile, still standing staunch on point. Nosing out the birds, Sam gave chase. Handler reached down to steady Ronile. Three or four more singles flushed from adjacent region; Ronile sat down still on point. Sent on, both dogs worked in

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thicket trying to round up any stragglers. Ronile credited with additional stop to flush. Ronile tired at end.

Another clear day dawned on Sunday—blue sky flecked with mackerel clouds, for the continuation of the running of the Open All Age Stake.

LARRY LEE KAERSON DEUCE DE HUMBOLDT

7:02 breakaway. Both dogs wide, Deuce the more consistent in application. Deuce cut out clear to lakeside and ran along mud flats. Larry Lee did a lot of stopping and looked for direction. Deuce swung wide to take in woods to right, working over a wealth of country. 7:55 Deuce pointed square into bramble. Larry Lee backed on command. Unproductive. One minute later Larry Lee pointed. Handler twice tried to budge him, but he held tight, though not stylishly. Covey find was about 100 yards to left in draw from where Deuce had first pointed.

CH. THAIS DU DOC HELLOU BELLOAKS GINGER

8:08 both cast wide at breakway hitting the horizon. Crossing road and into cornfield, Thais had plunged into slough to right and nosed out three quail. Showed nothing, as they flushed before her. Both Ginger and Thais treated to class heats when it came to running. 8:50 Ginger lost in woods but reappeared to the front having worked down the draw. Ginger slowed down considerably after sortie into the woods. Thais retarded, but showed more consistency.

BRITTINA OF HUNTMORE BAKER'S NIGHT MIST

Baker showed little animation even at breakaway. Brittina quartered horizontally instead of wide sweeping casts to the front. Bounced through soybean field nicely, covering large area to the left. Baker, with laborious gait was working just in front of D-B buildings, pointed, and showed manners on flush and shot. At half-time Baker was picked up. Brittina finished out alone at moderate range.

CH. AMOS OF EDOUGH NANETTE DU BOISE

10:15 Amos flung himself out at breakaway. Nanette bounced right along, but Amos at the start was flashy and aggressive for the first fifteen minutes. Nanette punched harder all along. Completed the course six minutes before any other All Age dogs and were taken across road, working both sides of dense thicket along ditch. Just 30 seconds after they were ordered up a large covey feeding on ditch bank to left, pitched out, about 75 yards ahead of where the dogs were ordered up.

JEFFREY OF ARGARD UNIS OF LEEWAY

12:45 breakaway—heading for woods. Too companionable at the start, they tried to bump each other out of the way. After about ten minutes of sticking together, with the blame on Unis, they finally parted and worked independently, both covering a lot of territory. 12:55. Swinging down along fencerow Unis was casting to the right through open field, when covey flushed in lespedeza patch on top of the hill. Jeff on wide cast to left over hill and into thicket and woods. 1:01. Both dogs plunged into dense thicket near lake, birds flushed out. When judges got on scene, Unis was observed standing solid, Jeff moving. 1:25. Jeff found deep in woods—on point—Held tight for several tense minutes while handler tried to get in to him, but broke and took the birds out. 1:29. Jeff pointed a single and took it out—handler then picked him up. Unis lost all her desire to hunt after brace mate's departure. Went down into lake and flopped—very ready to call quits before heat was completed.

TENNESSEE LUKE AVONO COMANCHE

1:48. Breakaway in open, wooded fencerow to left and out in cornfield beyond were Canadian honkers and snow geese feeding. Both ran moderately; Comanche hacked unduly, trailed Luke part of the time. 2:29 Luke winding birds, and on handler's caution, stopped. Could

not produce. Luke sent on, but before he could relocate, gallery rode up the covey. Cross ditch in honeysuckle growth, Luke stopped again, and was sent on for relocation. Single flushed from way out.



Hugo Blasberg, judge; Howard H. Crippen, Dearborn, Mich., owner of "Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo", Jane Thompson, handler; Howard Clements, field trial chairman.

SECOND SERIES

3:00—MEADOWINK BUZZ AND DEUCE DE HUMBOLDT CH. AMOS OF EDOUGH

After just one minute of running, Deuce bumped a covey and chased. Ordered up. 3:05 Amos joined Buzz. In woods both stopped to flush of single. Further on in heavy cover, both dogs had worked through an area where marshal's horse flushed a covey. Plenty of evidence that each had ample opportunity to "show" had they desired. Immediately they were ordered up and the stake concluded at 3:20.

The call-backs of these three dogs to show on birds clearly demonstrated how well Marshal Lloyd Teas and Judge John Hoover knew their covey locations. In only 20 minutes time, the dogs had worked through two covies and the issue was flatly settled.

SUMMARY

NATIONAL OPEN PUPPY STAKE

Judges: Mr. R. A. Scott and Mr. Louie Moefield, both of Carbondale, Ill.

First Place — Hero's Master Spot, male. Sire, Dual Ch. Pontac's Hero; dam, Nankay Mitzie. Owner, Dr. Harry E. Lee, Detroit, Mich. Handler, Jane Thompson.

Second Place — Winchester of Aotrou, male. Sire, Rem of Aotrou; dam, Happy Ann d'Andre. Owner, Dr. George S. Westfall, Goshen, Ind. Handler, Bill Kull, Goshen, Ind.

Third Place — Dian of Edough, female. Sire: Dual Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno; dam, Dual Ch. Patsy of Edough. Owner, Harry G. Crouch, Detroit, Mich.; handler, Lee E. Holman, Whittington, Ill.

Fourth Place — Peg of Edough. Sire, Dual Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno; dam, dual Ch. Patsy of Edough. Owner, R. G. Buick, Mt. Prospect, Ill.; handler, Lee Holman, Whittington, Ill.

SUMMARY

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG STAKE

Judges: Mr. Roy Blackwell, Lombard, Ill.; Mr. Joe Beal, Downers Grove, Ill.

First Place—Domino de Klemanor, male. Foo MacEochaidh, F. T. Ch. Pamalie of Aotrou. Owner and handler, Walter B. Kleeman, Springfield, Ohio

Second — Int. Ch. Diane de Beauch U.D. Female. Potic de Beauch, C.D.X. Bonne Lassie. Owner and handler, Edgar W. Averill, Birmingham, Mich.

Third — Dual Ch. Bonaire Doc, male. Bonaire Bob — Freckles. Owner, Dr. William P. Yant, Pa.; handler, E. C. Stanuton, Wauconda, Ill.

Fourth — Tennessee Luke. Sire, Smoky Valley Happy — Luke's Coquette. Owner, and handler, Howard P. Clements, Chicago, Ill.

SUMMARY

NATIONAL OPEN DERBY STAKE

Judges: Mr. Hugo Blasberg, Hawthorne, N. J.; and Mr. John Hoover, Salem, Ill.

Under 2 Years Old

STARTERS—31 BRITTANY'S

First — Hero's Master Spot, male. Dual Ch. Pontac's Hero. Nankay Mitzie. Owner, Dr. Harry E. Lee, Detroit, Mich.; handler, Jane Thompson, Northville, Mich.

Second — Palomar de Boswell, male. Bourbon II — Valley Britt Fan. Owner, Dr. Robert E. Boswell, Dayton, Ohio; handler, Bill Kull, Goshen, Ind.

Third — Holman's Yankee Traveler. Ch. Tudor du Boc' Hellou — Bob Star. Owner, D. F. Olund, Skokie, Ill.; handler, Lee Holman, Whittington, Ill.

Fourth—Chestnut Guy. Sire, Lloyd's Job Britt; dam, Schutsie. Owner, Clair Plaisted, Butler, Pa.; handler, Buck Bissell, Keene, New Hampshire.

SUMMARY

NATIONAL OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

Judges: Mr. Hugo Blasberg, Hawthorne, N. J.; Mr. John Hoover, Salem, Ill.

39 Starters — Brittanys

First — Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo. Ch. Basbleu's Sandy, of Loufel — Allamuchy Sue. Owner, H. H. Crippen, Dearborn, Mich.; handler, Jane Thompson, Northville, Mich.

Second — Domino de Klemanor, male. Foo MacEochaidh — F. T. Ch. Pamalie of Aotrou. Owner and handler, Walter B. Kleeman, Springfield, Ohio.

Third — Pat of Paradise, female. Jerry's Duke — Rose of Paradise. Owner, Lt. Col. Coffie, Tokyo, Japan; handler, Jane Thompson, Northville, Mich.

Fourth — Juchoir's Martin. Sire, Dual Ch. Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee; dam, F. T. Ch. Joyeux Jacqueline. Owner and handler, J. H. Williams, Lynchburg, Va.

SPECIALTY SHOW ABC NATIONAL

L. D. LaFLEUR

To say everyone was happy would be a statement hard to believe at a dog show, but the decisions of Mr. Maxwell Riddle, dog editor for the Cleveland Press, rendered at the tenth annual American Brittany Club's specialty show, were well received and popular with the large crowd of Brittany fans gathered at the Crab Orchard Field Trial club house, Nov. 30.

Mr. Riddle, who also judged the 1945 Specialty Show, proved an extremely capable workman, carefully examining each dog in each class and keeping a fine balance between type and soundness. No



BEST IN BREED

Maxwell Riddle, judge; Lee Holman, handler of "Ch. Amos of Edough" owned by E. C. Staunton Waucondal, Illinois.

judge has a longer service to the Brittany and much thanks can be given him for his continued support and promotion of the Brittany as a dual dog. Mr. Riddle expressed high praise for the steps forward we have made in not separating the field and the bench. He pointed out the improvement made in the last 10 years, noticeably in the feet, legs and eyes.

A total of 44 dogs were entered for competition. Sixteen males, 20 bitches and eight entered for specials only. The best of breed went to Ch. Amos of Edough, owned by Ed. Staunton of Wauconda, Ill. Amos has been handled to all



BEST IN BREED AND OPPOSITE SEX

Maxwell Riddle, judge; Lee Holman, handler of "Ch. Amos of Edough", owned by E. C. Staunton, Waucondale, Ill.; Henry A. Holleyoag, Wyandotte, Mich., owner-handler of "Ch. Holley Haven Suzette"

his wins, both on the bench and in the field by Lee Holman. Amos was whelped June 8, 1949. He is out of Lass of Casa Blanca by Larry's Allamuchy Man. Mr. Robert Buick of Mt. Prospect, Ill., being the breeder. Best of opposite sex was awarded to Henry Hollyoak's bitch, Holley Haven Suzette, bred, owned and handled by Henry Hollyoak of Wyandotte, Mich. Suzette was whelped May 28, 1949, out of Holly Haven Bonnie, by Aotrou's Pepin.

CLASS WINNERS

Puppy—6 to 9 Months

DOGS

First—Salvator de Klemanor. Walter B. Kleeman. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor — Int. Ch. Wanda de L'Argoat.

Second—Helgramite Whippington. Alice R. Machlett. By F. T. Ch. Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault — Helgramite Marmalade.

FEMALES

First — Sleepy Hollow Peggy. Luther Hoffman. By Dual Ch. Uno's Jet — Sleepy Hollow Tillie.

Second — Lady Ball de MacEochaidh. Edwin P. Weik. By Joyeux — Suzanne de MacEochaidh.

Third — Tennessee Stormy Sue. A. Allen Truex M. D. By Brit de DuBarry — Ch. Whitey of Paradise.

Puppy—9 to 12 Months

BITCHES

First—Dian of Edough. Harry G. Crouch. By Dual Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno—Dual Ch. Patsy of Edough.

NOVICE

DOGS

First — Allamuchy Valley Rusty. Alan R. Stuyvesant. By Ch. Allamuchy Valley

Uno — Allamuchy Valley Ultra.

Second — Geiler's Beau Duroc. E. E. Geiler. By Allamuchy Valley Warpath—Rusty Lady.

BITCHES

First — Flicka. Dr. C. P. Reslock. By Chappy of Tess — Jilo's Honey.

Second — Illinois Girl. Wilford Day. By F. T. Ch. Roger of Edough — Illinois Blondie.

Bred by Exhibitor

DOGS

First — Meadowink Buzz. William P. Yant. By Avono Jinx—Molly.

BITCHES

First — Holley Haven Dutchess. Henry A. Holletoak. By Aotrou's Pepin—Holley Haven Bonnie.

Second — Toffee Idoc Sandra. T. J. Talbott M. D. By Ch. Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel—Baker's Night Mist.

Third — Tennessee Zelda. S. Allen Truex M. D. By Ch. Tennessee Buccaneer — Ch. Whitey of Paradise.

AMERICAN BRED

DOGS

First — Tigre de Klemanor. Walter B. Kleeman. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor—Int. Ch. Wanda de L'Argoat.

Second — Jaques Du Boise. Richard D. Wood. By Ch. Beau De Brookcliff—Nanette Du Boise.

Third — Duckerbird Sir Guy de Beauch. Charles A. Frank. By Int. Ch. Unan de Cornauaille—Int. Ch. Diane de Beauch, U. D.

Fourth — Pontac Marron de Beauch. Edgar W. Averill. By Ghost of Edough—Pontac's Trena de Beauch.

BITCHES

First — Belloak's Ginger. Mrs. James B. Bell Jr. By Ch. Buck of Chippewa—Ch. Julie of Loufel.

Second — Eclair Speedie de Havendale. Mrs. Haven C. Stayton. By Darda De Riche-lieu — Yankee Girl II.

Third — Tiny Lady. E. N. Kelly. By Allamuchy Valley Warpath—Rusty Lady.

OPEN DOGS

First — Voyageur de Klemanor. Walter B. Kleeman. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor—Int. Ch. Wanda de L'Argoat.

Second — Larry Lee Kaerson. Dr. E. S. Elliot. By Ch. Kaerson of Loufel—Luke's Lena De Joyder.

Third — Rocailleux de Klemanor. Edgar W. Averill. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor—Int. Ch. Wanda de L'Argoat.

Fourth — Geiler's Beau Duroc. E. E. Geiler. By Allamuchy Warpath — Rusty Lady.

OPEN BITCHES

First — Espre de Klemanor. Walter B. Kleeman. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor—Int. Ch. Wanda de L'Argoat.

Second — Mandy of Edough. R. G. Buick. By Hello Mike—Iolet of Edough.

Third — Lettic of Valley Britt. R. V. Lowry. By Burt's Buddy Fentress—Georgette of Leeway.

Fourth — Roberta of Leeway. Mrs. Ralph H. Bissell. By F. T. George's of Leeway—Belle of Loufel.

SIDELINES AT THE NATIONALS

Instead of "Sidelines" we were awfully tempted to call these digressions "hind-sights of hind sides" because that is the view that looms in the foreground as you ride around day after day—hindsides of horses, and handlers, and dogs. Way out ahead are the dogs (casting objectively, of course!) and beyond them the limitless undulating fields and woods, lake and sky, that compose the grounds at Crab Orchard.

The hindsides of horses are more or less standard, but the hindsides of handlers present an interesting study. You find yourself musing about how did Marcell Bell achieve such perfect posture—did she practise with a book on her head?

And what is the story behind the famed leather hat that Walter Kleeman sports? As long as we can remember going to trials, that hat has gone with Walter. It may be his good luck garment — certainly worked with Domino this year! We noted too, that he never lets it get in someone else's possession. When he grew hot and took it off, marshal offered to carry it, but nothing doing!

The question still unanswered is what large retangular object does Bill Averill carry in the tail pocket of his hunting coat? The outline is clearly discernible, but the contents? "Extra birds, in case Diane doesn't find any"—quipped Ed Staunton.

Ed should know, for he and Bill were braced together in the Amateur Stake. Seems they had made an agreement to "take it easy" and not wear themselves out trying to keep up with the dogs. The only trouble was that Doc and Diane had not been let in on the secret, and did they ever give those two some rapid fireworks. Wow!

Bob Machlett, one of the new amateur handlers to come on the scene, works his arms as well as his legs — sort of a wind-mill action — and he generates plenty of power. Does all right, though, and so does his lovely wife, Babs. In fact, the entire delegation from the Southern New

England Club really participated. Ray Machlett, Howard Stevenson, Andy Foster, and the two Bob Machlett Jrs., all took a turn at handling dogs. Their jaunty Bavarian hats lent a gay color and quite took the eye of one of the judges.

But the fellow with the most interesting stride is Laffy LaFleur. It is unique—and defies description—a rolling of the hips that's really most intriguing!

About 100 people attended the annual dinner in the club house Monday night.

Everyone forgot the snow outside, there was so much warmth and good cheer within. Bill Kull missed his calling—he should have been a salesman. When it came to marketing Brittany pins he was so persuasive he got Machlett to stand most of the expense, but reserved for himself the glory of "pinning" Jane!

President Coy Conwell welcomed everyone after the fine turkey dinner; Walter Kleeman made the introductions of guests Eugene Crawford, Al Howell, Dr. Scott, Reid Troutman, Ike Brandon, Ralph Gholson, Roy Beardsley (A.K.C.) and then Ed Flener got going with the Calcutta. The prices really soared on the All Age dogs! Way beyond the average purse, but since the American Brittany Club gets 30 per cent of the take, it seems a painless way to extort money to help defray expenses of the trial.

The eatingest man on horseback is Tom Cox. The pockets of his voluminous parka were stuffed with doughnuts, candy bars, and even pies! But he really needed the "extra" energy for he was Johnny-on-the-spot to summon the dogwagon when signals got crossed. Tom came galloping back like Paul Revere, shouting "The Brittans are coming!" to the waiting judges.

And what's the gossip we heard of the newly elected vice-president of the Brittany Club coming all the way from Oregon to our trials, and then desert to run a Weimeraner. Heresy we call it!

If her owner could thus show a little independent spirit, so too could Ouragan Tippy. She distinguished herself with an all-night binge. Not only did she decide

to have a fling, but she persuaded "Mister" to go along with her. Just like a woman to get a good man in trouble! For that caused Mister to break an engagement with the photographer for the lineup of Futurity winners. And that's why poor, hard-working Evelyn Shafer never got the picture. All because of a willful, ornery, little bitch!

It was nice when slickers and rainhats gave way to colorful costumes. Bill Kull's yellow and cinamon teddy-bear shirt almost made one forget the sun wasn't out. But "Queene" was the gal to watch as the going got hot. When even the redoubtable Bob Buick leaped to pick up her cast off garments, that's sumpin'. Up until then Marshal Teas had always welcomed the honor.

No doubt "Queenie" was the cause of three more women handlers making their debut at the National. Marcell Bell, Babs Machlett, and Mary Larson gave the men cause to wonder if women will ever take over the Amateur Stake.

Children were more in evidence at the National this year. Sunday night's Specialty Show had a large enthusiastic juvenile audience from Carbondale and nearby. The Bob Lowrys from the newly formed Sooner Brittany Club, brought Bobby along, and Nancy Lee Burnham came with Mike and Neil. Even "Grandpaw" Holman proudly displayed his Louise. Jimmy Holman became the envy of all the riding gallery with his fine horsemanship.

The Brittany Nationals are certainly getting to be more and more family affairs. Coming as it does, between the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, it is like a large family reunion for Brittany folk to gather together at Crab Orchard. The holiday mood is much in evidence, and though Santa singles out just a few of the many, many dogs that compete, there's always the hope of another year. . . . another chance . . .

The talk goes on and on, and Brittany enthusiasm runs so high that a mere "wife" laughingly remarked that she hoped in the world hereafter she would

be made a Brittany!

We cannot close these remarks without thanks to the many kind friends who helped make tolerable the life of the reporter, including:

Lloyd Furrell, the hostler for honoring me with his top gal "Dolly".

Tom Cox, the human alarm clock . . .

Bob Buick and Jim Wettengell, who furnished taxi service deluxe . . . and

Marcell Bell, whose bright red rain outfit made riding in the snow and rain, a warm and pleasant experience.

Betty Staunton, and the Bells, for providing hot coffee about mid-morning every day. Then on Sunday they rounded up quantities of sandwiches and coffee for no lunch was served at the club house. Arline Holman came laden with lunch on that last day, too, so no one went hungry.

CH. SUZANNE DE BEAUCH DIES IN WHELP

Ch. Suzanne de Beauch died in whelp in August. Suzanne's first litter of eleven pups set a new record in Brittanys: This litter produced Dual Ch. Remarkable de Fontaine Valle, Ch. Pierrot de F. V. (the only Brittany to have won points in the field plus two sporting group placements). Also in this litter was Ch. Toni de F. V. who has placed in the sporting group. Two bitches Pierette and Laure have nearly completed their bench championships. This is the only litter in the U. S. that has produced both a Field Champion and two Sporting Group winners. Suzanne's death is a loss to the breed. She was owned by Mrs. Alice Clough of Erie, Pa.

Champion At Stud

AVONO COMANCHE

Complete conformation from one of the greatest blood lines in Brittany history. Four wins, including 16 places. Whelped July 2, 1949. Comanche is in his prime, a splendidly built specimen. In South Dakota this summer, with Bill Kull, he has been campaigned this season. Available to a few choice bitches.

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Owner

Sidney, Ohio

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Sire—Hapte of Avono—Avono Happy, Ch. Tess of Chippewa.

Dam—Avono Jill of Karomish—Kaer De Cornoualle, Bonne De Beauchamps.

FIFTH ANNUAL FUTURITY

Juchoir's Martin, owned and handled by 31-year-old James H. Williams of Lynchburg, Virginia, topped a field of 44 starters in the Fifth Annual Brittany Spaniel Futurity. "Mister", hunting through a blinding snowstorm, found two covies of quail which he handled maturely.

Second in the money was Miste de Klemanor, owned by Walter B. Kleeman of Springfield, Ohio, and handled by Tom Cox. Miste ran a laudable heat, and likewise was credited with two covey finds.

Dingo's Mercury, whose owner is Ralph Whittington, Inkster, Michigan, was piloted into third place by Jane Thompson. Mercury, a daughter of Pontac's Dingo, hunted well and on contact with birds was credited with a stop to flush.

Elliott's Red Zipper, true to her name, zipped over the countryside hunting for quail, and found a covey which she bumped and chased. Zipper was handled by Lee Holman. Her owner is Dr. E. S. Elliott, Fox Lake, Wisconsin.

Once again the magnificent grounds and facilities at Crab Orchard were used by the American Brittany Club for the running of their Fifth Annual Brittany Spaniel Futurity on native birds. Because of the long drought this summer and fall, the cover was not as dense or as high as it has been in years past. That was all to the good, as far as Brittany enthusiasts were concerned, for their little dogs could show to better advantage in the open.

Extensive description has already been given of these grounds, in conjunction with the running of the 48th American Field Futurity. But how different can the same courses look under different weather conditions! Whereas for the big Quail Futurity it was hot and dry, and the running took place in a veritable dust storm, Brittany folk had it wet and cold and much of it was run in a snow storm! Even so, the quail population is so abundant at Crab Orchard, 21 covies were counted on

the courses during the 11 hours of running. It should be gratifying to Eugene Crawford, capable manager of this Federal Wildlife Refuge located near Carbondale, Illinois, to learn some of these covies were encountered in multiflora rose plantings — 68 miles of which have been planted in fencerows as refuge for the Bob-white.

The facility with which field trials are conducted by the host Crab Orchard Field Trial Club, is due primarily to a nucleus of hard-working members. Their duties and responsibilities make demands all during the year — not just at trial time. W. A. Howell, president; Reid Troutman, vice-president, and Dr. R. A. Scott, secretary-treasurer, serve on the board of directors together with Ike Brandon, Carl Parsons, John Hoover, Tom Mofield and Ralph Gholson. Each of these gentlemen, in turn, officiate as chairman of a committee with specific duties such as management of grounds, horses and stables, dog kennels, etc. Because no item incidental to field trials has been overlooked in the assignment of work to the various committees, the trials run smoothly. If there have been any kinks, they've been worked out long before the Brittany descend, for this is the last of a busy fall field trial season for the Crab Orchard Club. Organization work may not be clearly understood by those attending a trial at Crab Orchard for the first time, but to those of us who have journeyed back year after year, the measure of success that these boys have achieved is amazing.

Behind-the-scenes work in handling Futurity nomination records, etc. for the Fifth Futurity was done by John W. Lee, Indianapolis, Ind. To him goes much of the credit for the large number of entries. Out of 69 bitches nominated on or after October 30, 1950, 59 completed litter enrollments. The pups from nominated litters had to be entered individually by August 1, 1952, and when it was learned that 70 had paid the entry fee, a record Futurity was anticipated. The 44 actual

starters were named just prior to the drawing which took place at the Clubhouse Sunday evening, November 30th, immediately following the Brittany Spaniel Specialty Show. After deducting trial expenses from a total gross purse of approximately \$2,000, the net will be divided two-thirds to the owners of the four placed dogs and one-third to the breeders of the dogs.

THE WINNERS

The story of Jimmy Williams and Juchoir' Martin (better known as "Mister") is the old saga of a man and his dog, for this youngster from Lynchburg, Virginia has worked day after day to develop his very first Brittany into a great



J. Williams with Juchoir's Martin.

dog. The Brittany has been referred to as "an old man's dog" but here is a YOUNG field trial addict who has already proved that a good bird dog commands respect in mixed competition with pointers and setters! Mister took 1st place Puppy honors, Izaak Walton League Lynchburg, Va. in the fall of 1951, and was named 2nd in the Open All Age, Spring of 1952. Whenever Mister appeared in regional Brittany trials, he gobbled up the top honors placing:

1st—Puppy Stake, Bevans, New Jersey, Fall, 1951.

1st — Derby Stake, Clinton, New Jersey, Spring, 1952.

1st — Derby Stake, Bedford, Virginia, Spring, 1952.

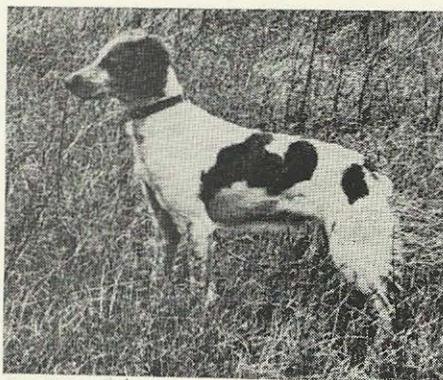
1st — Open All Age Stake, Butler, Pa., Fall, 1952.

1st — Amateur All Age Stake, Butler, Pa., Fall, 1952.

Jimmy Williams is also the power behind the Old Dominion Brittany Club, a newly formed Brittany Regional club. His enthusiasm and vigor knows no bounds. His intelligent handling of Mister to gain gain the top rung of the Futurity should be an inspiration to other amateur handlers to try and do likewise.

Dr. Thomas J. Talbott, Lima, Ohio, is the nominal breeder of "Mister" for he is out of his bitch, Joyeux Jakqueline bred to Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee, owned by Herbert Farnsworth, Andover, Massachusetts. Actually it was Buck Bissell, Keene, New Hampshire, trainer of both Remarkable and Joyeux Jakqueline, who advocated the mating for each, good birds dogs themselves, possessed qualities lacking in the other. Dr. Talbott concurred, and the mating took place. The litter consisted of four females and two males. Of the five now living, three have placed in field trials, but none have progressed as far as Mister.

Walter B. Kleeman, hard-working Secretary of the American Brittany Club, is the owner and breeder of Miste de Klemanor, the second place dog. Walter is not only the mainstay of the American



Miste de Klemanor, 2nd in Futurity

Brittany Club, but year in and year out he continually wins new friends for the Brittany breed by hunting with his Brits both here and in Canada. Miste goes

back to Mr. Kleman's famed Brittany, Jeffrey de Klemanor on his sire's side, and Lou Ufford of Bellows Falls, Vermont, was the breeder of Miste's dam.

Miste de Klemanor has been a consistent winner in Brittany Regional trials.

First Place — Puppy Stake, New Jersey, Spring, 1952.

First Place — Puppy Stake, Meene, New Hampshire, Spring, 1952.

First Place — Derby Stake, Lowell, Massachusetts, Fall, 1952.

First Place — Derby Stake, Illinois, Fall, 1952.

Howard Crippen, Dearborn, Michigan, is the breeder of the third place dog, Dingo's Mercury. Pontac's Dingo is the sire and Jeannette's Cookie, the dam — both also owned by Howard Crippen. When one remembers the meteoric rise of Pontac's Dingo on the field trial circuit, climaxed by a spectacular National Open-All-Age win a year ago, it is not surprising that his daughter should share the limelight of the 1952 Brittany Futurity.

Dr. E. S. Elliott of Fox Lake is the breeder as well as the owner of Elliott's Red Zipper, the fourth place dog.

Judging the stake were the fine team of Roy Blackwell, Lombard, Illinois, and Joe Beall, Downers Grove, Illinois. This duo, or judging-partnership, has presided over several regional Brittany trials in Illinois, and won complete respect and admiration of all Brittany handlers. That enviable reputation was further sustained by the decision handed down in the Fifth Brittany Spaniel Futurity.

Ike Brandon of Carbondale, Illinois, lent valuable assistance as marshal. The vast area is bewildering to outsiders, but Ike knew where covies could be found and did his utmost to direct operations in such a manner that bird work would be provided.

Before proceeding with description of the actual running, it would be well to mention that after naming the four placed dogs, the judges gave special men-

tion to Albedo Valley Bud, another "Dingo" pup owned by Howard Crippen of Dearborn, Michigan. In their estimation Bud ran one of the best ground heats of the stake, and handled, but found no birds.

THE RUNNING

The eastern sky was aflame as Brittany enthusiasts drove out Monday morning, December 1, 1952, for the start of the Fifth Annual Brittany Futurity. Brilliant rose hues were reflected in Crab Orchard Lake, so that both sky and water seemed on fire. Instead of marveling at Nature's lavish display, Brittany folk might better have remembered the admonition "red at morning, sailor take warning" — for the sun never broke through! Leaden sky grew darker and more ominous as the day progressed and then about 1:45 came the first flurries of snow. Faster it fell, in large wet flakes throughout the afternoon, and by the time a halt was called after the 14th brace, visibility was reduced to zero.

The eight braces remaining to be run in the Futurity were concluded Tuesday morning, December 2nd, with about an inch of snow blanketing the ground. Temperatures were well below freezing, and gray low-lying clouds further dulled the hopes of quail movement or good scenting conditions.

It may make interesting speculation to point out that all dogs named to the first three places ran in the late afternoon snowstorm. In one and one half hours of running time that afternoon a wealth of eight covies were encountered!

HOLMAN'S YANKEE CLIPPER PONTAC MARRON DE BEAUCH

Both dogs had nice breakaway. Marron showed well in the open, but failed to hunt cover. Yankee Clipper was reluctant, and after fifteen minutes, handler picked him up.

UNAN'S OAK LEAF CLUSTER ELLIOTT'S RED ZIPPER

Zipper cast wide, with well sustained forward race. Cluster ran restricted race,

and twice was confused by rabbit scent. Zipper was working draw along a hillside, winding birds. Handler called point, and almost immediately quail boiled out. Zipper continued hunting hard to the end.

PAL — MEADOWINK HANK

Started out through cornfield. Hank made nice wide casts, looked especially good cutting up through swale. Momentary point in thicket — probably rabbit — then on to another cornfield which he worked well. Hunted strong most of the way, but slowed toward end.

Pal had moderate range. Together with Hank he bumped a covey on lee side of hill. Pal stopped to command as quail went out. Hank seemed unconcerned.

MEADOWINK JERRY

HELGRAMITE KIMAMACOUGH

Beautiful wide-going breakaway through corn strip. Both dogs hunted hard and independently. Kim made nice covering of soybean field. On the few occasions when bracemates searched together, Jerry seemed more aggressive. They were both "horizon" hunters, ranging far, almost out of sight, but always responsive to handlers.

OURAGAN TIPPY

ALI AMUCHY VALLEY PAMALIE

Breakaway was lacking in animation or fire. Tippy, working in draw, bumped a single and chased. Pamalie hunted fair, range narrowing down considerably as the brace proceeded. Tippy made a nice cast up hillside and finished stronger than she began.

ALBEDO VALLEY DINGO

PAM-DOT OF UNO

Dingo off well at breakway, trailed by Pam who seemed more interested in bracemate than hunting birds. Dingo hunted out honeysuckle tangle and woods lot thoroughly then out to open territory where he widened out beautifully. In heavy weeds dogs were lost to sight and

before handlers or judges could reach vicinity birds got out. No definite action could be credited.

RUBY OF EDOUGH

ALBEDO VALLEY BUD

Both cut out ahead to woods at breakaway. Rube soon showed again in open lespedeza field, but Bud stuck to thicket and heavy cover working through it intelligently. Struck out boldly in open territory, would spy sedge swale or thicket, and in mature, bird-wise fashion give it the once-over, covering a vast amount of territory on his casts. Rube made intermittent ventures into brush but preferred the open. As brace continued, Rube settled to more consistent, searching pattern, and finished strong.

TENNESSEE ZELDA

BEBE MICHEL DE RICHMONT

Breakaway in fairly dense sedge pasture. Both punched well and worked independently. Zelda drove ahead with a lot of snap. Bebe found diversion with larks on a hillside, staying with them overlong. Zelda quartered through cornfield and on to likely looking thicket before Bebe had even explored the outer fringes. Through lespedeza patch Bebe got on rabbit trail; circumscribed a bit, and then went on. Both dogs were working a draw when a single flushed wild, followed by remainder of covey. Both paused momentarily, but no definite location credit could be assigned.

TIGRE DE KLEMANOR

KING OF ST. JOSEPH VALLEY

Breakaway was in open pasture with fencerow objectives. At side of cornfield skifted by woods King sailed right through a covey feeding. Tigre had explored the territory previously and was deeper in woods as covey raised, seemingly unaware. King stopped at flush and stood erect and quivering as birds milled out. Both dogs applied themselves with moderate range. After contact with birds King hunted more intelligently, giving particular attention to fencerows and thicketledges, way rambled off, job done

TOFFEE IDOC SANDRA

HELGRAMITE HUMPERDINK

Sandra ran in small circles about handler. Dink ranged out better, especially in open country. At times Dink ran horse paths, but showed diligent application in cornfield. Working down along edge of wood, both dogs had plunged through territory where seconds later gallery rode up a large covey. Toward last of brace Sandra seemed to gain more confidence, taking in more territory.

About mid-way in this brace, the snow began to fall. At first in fine flakes, but they kept getting heavier and more moist. Sky was completely overcast, a dull gray and weighted clouds, portending no let-up.

BROVINBER CLAREST

MEADOWINK TIPPY

At the start, Tippy stretched out merrily. Brovinber not quite as wide but hunting fair. Both quartered well and worked to the fore. Covey flushed wild in fencerow.

MISTE DE KLEMANOR

DINGO'S MERCURY

Miste from the start cast wide. Mercury began somewhat slower but hunted all the way. Running along draw, Mercury came close to covey, wheeled, and pointed just as birds flushed. In a wide cast across ditch and working through thicket on opposite bank Miste found a covey. Handler called point and shot as birds whirred away over the tree-tops, chasing. Visibility was becoming so restricted that seconds later when Miste again was lost to sight in thicket, no definite work could be seen except that birds emerged followed by Miste. Breaking out finally into open territory, Miste had a find that she pointed solidly, and held for handler to come in and flush. Another covey seen by gallery on this course brought the total up to five covies encountered in 30 minutes.

COINDOT DE BEAUCH

CHESTNUT GUY

This seemed destined the "lost brace" of the Futurity running. The snow un-

doubtedly had something to do with it, but handlers were losing dogs and dogs losing handlers most of the time. Soon after dogs were cast off Coindot charged out through soybean field and stopped. Judges thought it might be a point, and came galloping over (Sorry—just a stylish "kennel" point.) Across the railroad track while rest of party turned right, Coindot elected to explore the woods and thicket to left. Finally rallied to the front and both worked well through woods. Breaking out in open, Guy made a wide cast down wheatfield and before handler realized the temptation feeding thereon, had routed myriads of geese. Guy circled and chased them out till it took lungfuls of whistle to get him back on the job. Coindot again was far afield toward finish. No bird work other than with honkers.

JUCHOIR'S MARTIN

LE BLANC OF LEEWAY

The snow was coming down thick and fast when this brace was set down. Mister searched close in adjacent heavy cover at the start, then kept ranging out farther and farther afield. Le Blanc hunted consistently, punching all the time. Mister impressed especially quartering up a hillside, with lofty carriage and powerful stride. Along path skirting woods, Mister established point not 20 feet ahead of judges horses. Mighty handy to display his manners at close range, for visibility was extremely limited at that point! He was lofty on point, but broke at shot, stopped on command. Just a few minutes later, to left of same path, Mister pointed a second covey and held tight as they flushed and handler shot. Handler touched him on the head, and he proceeded. Along edge of woods just before pickup, Le Blanc bumped a single and stopped on command.

UNAN'S DEE CARLO

RED SPOTTED HORSE

This first brace Tuesday morning got underway at 7:1. Breakaway through soybean field was unconvincing. Both dogs seemed unwilling to stray far to look for game, though Dee did cast off across

ditch in promising manner.

MANDY OF EDOUGH
AOTROU JAN OF UNO

Breakaway was through open field, with geese honking invitingly in wheat field ahead. Mandy reached out and showed more determination all along as her engine warmed up, nor did she slow any when it came to briars. Jan, too, soon got going in high gear. Working along oak tree fence row, Jan was not content with that birdy territory alone, but cut across lespedeza field to sedge swale at left, working back and forth. Didn't overlook anything that might prove good quail country. Jan was tearing down draw when covey arose — in two installations — or from the number of birds in each section, it could have been two covies. Toward end of brace Jan slowed somewhat; Mandy finished strong.

ROCAILLEAUX DE KLEMANOR
MEADOWINK JANE

Roc had a hard time starting, reversing direction back to cars. Jane showed well in the open, but reluctant to punish herself in thickets. When Roc finally got going he hunted creditably.

HOLMAN'S YANKEE TRAVELER
ROC OF RICHMONT

Both dogs broke away through cornfield in fine style, going blue blazes. Swinging wide to left Traveler caught scent of two deer seen near railroad tracks. He really went a-traveling, but responded well to whistle. Intuitively Traveler and Roc seemed to divide a soybean field, one quartering to the left, the other to the right, doing a magnificent job. The wily Bob-whites elected that morning to hug close to buildings of Diagraph Bradley, and flushed wild.

SHORE'S VALLEY BILLY
OURAGAN VICKI

At the breakaway were a little too companionable. Both punched hard. Bill was a large dog with somewhat laboring gait, but took to briars well. There were times when both showed eagerness for hunting.

Vicki especially impressed with work in heavy cover, but she was not consistent enough all the way.

TAT'S HELLOU DE BRITT
DUCKERBIRD SIR GUY DE BEAUCH

Started out together, but soon went their separate ways, Guy at moderate pace, Britt punching harder. Britt plunged across open to thicket — at far left covey flushed wild. Started working all down the next swale but turned back before investigation completed. Had he continued, he would have come on birds flushed by gallery, not 20 feet from where Britt turned back. Guy kept plugging along without showing much animation for hunting especially in briars.

MISTINGUETTE DE BEAUCH
FLICKA

Misty laid down a consistent, though moderate, hunting race, handling kindly. Flicka was unresponsive and confused. Spent most of the time lost in thickets.

LEEWAY'S PRINCE OF SAMOA
SHARON'S HAPPY PRIDE

Prince ran wide with head held high, bouncing as though on springs. Happy was an industrious little hunter — all that could be seen of her in heavy cover was a white flash. Down in thicket Prince paused, moved on, paused again. Handler called point, but couldn't produce.

DISTRIBUTION OF PURSE

Fifth A.B.C. Brittany Spaniel Futurity

Total amount of purse after deducting expenses, \$1,558.79.

First — Juchoir's Martin. Owner, James H. Williams; breeder, Tom J. Talbott; handler, James H. Williams. Owner's share, \$415.68; breeder's share, \$207.84.

Second — Miste de Klemanor. Owner, Walter B. Kleeman; breeder, W. B. Kleeman; handler, Thomas W. Cox. Owner's share, \$259.80*; breeder's share, \$129.90.

Third — Dingo's Mercury. Owner, Ralph Whittington; breeder, H. H. Crippen; handler, Jane Thompson. Owner's share, \$207.84*; breeder's share, \$103.92.

Fourth — Elliott's Red Zipper. Owner, Dr. E. S. Elliott; breeder, Dr. E. S. Elliott; handler, Lee E. Holman. Owner's share, \$155.87; breeder's share, \$77.94.

*Entry blank designated winnings to be paid to handler.

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND FALL TRIAL

The Central New England Brittany Club held its Fall trial on new grounds near Chelmsford, Mass. With the help of members of the Lowell Sportsman's Organization. The trial, as usual, was a great success. Secretary Carl Gardner and Mrs. Gardner worked hard to bring about the good results. Sherwood Coggins, Sr., was also instrumental in getting the trial going. The new grounds proved satisfactory although the field trial committee thought for a short time that they had lost half their course as one of the farmers over whose land the course was laid out decided at the last moment to refuse permission to use his land. However, much telephoning, string pulling, and a lot of Yankee ingenuity got the thing fixed while the Puppy Stake was being run.

The Puppy Stake was lacking both in quantity and quality. As it was the first trial for all the pups they spent a great deal of time looking over the horses. The first two place winners however soon straightened out and went to hunting. Windy, handled by Bill Kull, completed his casts a little better than Hill's Freckles, handled by Bissell. Both these pups when they got warmed up showed a lot of promise. French Rose, handled by Kull was third and Juchoir's Peanut, Mrs. Bissell, handling, was fourth.

The Derby Stake was not up to the caliber of some Derby Stakes we have seen at Lowell before. Many of the entrants were in their first trial and showed their lack of experience. The winners, however, did a bang up job. Cox handling Miste de Klemanor, took the blue. Miste, or Tilly as she is called ran as wide as the course would permit and had creditable bird work. A new Brittany owner at his first trial walked away with second with his new purchase, Juchoir's Markette. Though Mr. Lephart had never seen a trial he and the dog did everything right. Markette produced two birds, both of which her handler flushed. Her race was a little closer than the winners. Meadowink Jerry, with Tom Cox, was

third and Pierre Magnus (Kull), fourth.

The Open All Age produced a new champion Avono Comanche, under the whistle of Bill Kull. Drawn early when scenting conditions were good, Comanche found and handled a bird in the bird field. Belloaks Ezra was second. He hit a bird on the opposite side of the bird field and before handler could reach him bird flushed wild. Ezra was steady. Bing de Poka, handled by Kull was third. He was involved with a grouse on the back course on which no definition could be obtained. A pheasant find in the bird lot completed his work. Stevenson and Helgramite Howie took fourth. Howie went on his usual bird finding spree and gave the gallery plenty of fun watching his spectacular points

But the stake that gave us all the biggest thrill of the trial was the amateur. Belloaks Mike took Jim Bell hunting. They ended up with about four grouse and five pheasants. Mike took Jim through all the woods and brush in the back course and did some beautiful work. Steve had to be satisfied with a second with Howie, and a third with Helgramite Chip. Both dogs did very good jobs but couldn't beat the volume of birds that Mike had produced. Herb Farnsworth, with his Dual Champion Remarkable took fourth. Mrs. Bell tried her hand at trials for the first time. Belloaks Ginger pointed and Mrs. Bell could not produce. With the gallery rooting, and Ginger insisting a bird finally boomed up in the face of the dog and handler. Next time we are going to train those birds to ring a bell before they flush like that.

TRIALS AT PINEHURST

The Dominion Brittany Club is holding a multiple course trial on quail at Pinehurst, N. C., on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, 1953. The courses are the well known ones used by the big circuit Pointer and Setter trials. Sandy Shore and Dewey English are judging. The thing that intrigues me most about the trial is the fact that buggies will be available for rent so that those who do not ride may follow the dogs on the courses.

SOONER CLUB FIELD TRIAL

Hot weather and dry field conditions didn't stop the Sooner Brittany Club from staging its first organized field trial Oct. 4, 1952 at the Oklahoma Game and Fish Department's Lexington Game Management Area. Owners of Brittans from Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas entered a total of 22 dogs in the event. The Johnson grass and black jack cover made it tough going for both dogs and handlers, but the little pointing spaniels showed plenty of "go" and stamina, and all came through with creditable showings. Winners of the three events of the trial and other entries were as follows:



(Photo by Larry Gaffney)

Handlers and judges get ready to cast off a brace of hard working Brittans during the Sooner Brittany Club Field Trial, Oct. 4, 1952. Pictured, left to right, Herschel Brown, judge; Jess Hayslip, handler; Delmar Smith, handler; Ben Eitelman, judge, and Dan Huddleston, field trial secretary.

ALL AGE

(Winner was awarded a Silver Cup)

First — Rosco's Duce DeHumboldt, owner, C. J. Goering, Newton, Kans.; handler, Jess Hayslip, Larned, Kans. Second — Tex of Richmond; owner, R. C. Busted, Canyon, Tex.; handler, Jess Hayslip, Larned, Kans. Third — Lettie of Valley Britt; owner, R. V. Lowry, Rosston, Okla.; handled by owner. Fourth — Budington Prince — owner, H. O. Whala, Okla. City, Okla.; handler, Delmar Smith, Okla. City.

Other Entries and Owners: Robbie II, Powell Briscoe, Okla. City; Jeffrey of Argard, Dan Evans, Salina, Kans.; Tim's Britty, George B. Wint, El Reno, Okla.; Sen De Bretagne, Jim R. Knight, Okla. City; Tennessee Laddie, Dan Huddleston, Okla. City; Bella LaJuana, F. H. Bryan, Altus, Okla.

DERBY

First — Roc of Richmond; owner, R. C. Busted, Canyon, Texas; handler, Jess Hay-

slip, Larned, Kans. Second — Mike; owner, W. E. Smith, Amarillo, Tex.; handler, Jess Hayslip, Larned, Kans. Third — Budington Prince; owner, H. O. Whala, Okla. City, Okla.; handler, Delmar Smith, Okla. City. Fourth — Jeffries Dick Mike; owner, G. Simpson, Salina, Kans.; handler, Jess Hayslip, Larned, Kans.

Other Entries and Owners: Towsey Marquis Copin, Paul E. Fast, Okla. City; Chief Jato, Clyde L. Daniels, Okla. City; Enaudis Feather Broom, Jim R. Knight, Okla. City; Jacque Euchaidh, Paul Dalrymple, Okla. City; Monsieur Dash, Andy Way, Okla. City; Bobo Lot, W. C. Owens, Midwest City, Okla.

Rose of Edanys and Royalee Bobo, owned by LeRoy Magnuson of Salina, Kansas, were the only entries in the Puppy Stake. They ranked in the order named.

WALLACE HUGHES,
Sooner Brittany Club,
Publicity Chairman.

WICHITA KANSAS KENNEL CLUB SHOW

Winners of the Brittany Spaniel class at the Wichita, Kansas Kennel Club Show, held in the Forum Rose Room on Sunday, Sept. 7, 1952. This was a one-day unbenched show.

Judge was Mr. John Banks.

PUPPY — Bitches

Bitches

First — Fe's Rose Flambeau. Owned by R. V. Lowry. Sept. 21, 1951. By Allamuchy Valley Warrior and Lettie of Valley Britt.

Second — Victoria de Evanston. Owned by Diane M. Oltman. Dec. 25, 1951. By Jeffrey Dick and Luke's Freckles Windem.

Novice, Bitches

First — Lassie de Klemnor. Owned by Clarence Goering. May 28, 1951. By Chance MacToni and Pryor Creek Lady.

Bred by Exhibitor, Bitches

First — Taffi de Humboldt. Owned by Ray C. Olson. May 10, 1951. By Kay's Patrice de Cornouville and Luke's Freckles Windem.

American-Bred Bitches

First — Penelope de Evanston. Owned by Louis F. Oltman. May 17, 1950. By Johnnie's Pal and K-Haven's Daisy May.

Second — Luke's Freckles Windem. Owned by Ray C. Olson. July 3, 1948. By Allamuchy Valley Lake and Bonnie Windem.

Open, Bitches

First — Luke's Suzann Allamuchy. Owned by William O. Ackerman. May 25, 1951. By Allamuchy Valley Slim and Luke's Lena DeJoyde.

Second — Yankee's Sandy Girl. Owned by Kenneth Phillips. June 28, 1950. By Tudor's Yankee Boy and Luke's Yankee Lou.

Third — Speedy. Owned by Mrs. Haven Stayton. Feb. 23, 1951. By Darda de Richeieu and Tudor's Yankee Girl.

Winners—Dogs, first: Skippy Allamuchy Luke, owned by William O. Ack-

erman. Reserve: Prince Mack of Belmont, owned by Clarence Goering.



Winners—Bitches, first: Luke's Suzann Allamuchy, owned by William Ackerman. Reserve: Penelope de Evanston, owned by Louis F. Oltman.

Best of Brittany Spaniel: Skippy Allamuchy Luke, owned by William Ackerman.

Best of opposite sex: Luke's Suzann Allamuchy, owned by William Ackerman.

SIXTH FUTURITY

There have been 58 nominations of which 10 were failures. The total purse at the present time is \$525.00.

On the basis of the original nominations, it would appear that the purse for the Sixth Futurity will equal last year's purse, which makes it advisable for all owners to keep up their nominations. The entry date is Aug. 1, at which time a fee of \$15.00 is to be paid on each dog. All owners who have nominated litters will receive entry blanks prior to that date.

For further information, write to E. C. Staunton, 175 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4, Ill.

CALIFORNIA FALL TRIAL

By E. P. HARTMAN

The California Brittany Field Trial was held October 25 and 26, 1952 at Firebaugh State Cooperative Hunting Area, Fresno County, California with the Firebaugh Motel as headquarters. This is the permanent field trial area for the California Brittany Club. Very fine weather prevailed all during the trial.

The Puppy Stakes were run Saturday morning with four entries followed by the Derby Stake with 10 entries.

The Puppy Stake was won by Berenda Creek Pamela, owned and handled by John W. Dickinson of Turlock, California. Pamela had a lot of drive, watched her handler well but not much, had a good pattern and was solid on point, showed a very good nose. She was an outstanding puppy.

Berenda Creek Cindy, owned by Arthur Epstein of Madera, California, and handled by E. Ham, was second. Cindy was eager, very responsive to whistle, was birdy and with more experience will give any of these puppies a run for their money.

Belle Fille de Richmond, owned and handled by Joe M. Gerlach of Albany, California, was wild and eager, had lots of drive, was untiring throughout the course. Showed good nose in locating birds and was still going strong after the heat.

Berenda Creek Sue, owned and handled by Edgar J. Pitman of Madera, California, did not find any birds.

DERBY STAKE

The Derby Stake was won by Gallinaceous Pat, owned by John C. Tappeiner of Sherman Oaks, California and handled by Elmer Flack. Pat ran a good ground course, was steady on point and flush. Also honored brace mates points.

Hartman's Michael of El Monte, owned by Margaret Hartman of El Monte, California, and handled by Elmer Flack was second. Showed good ground work, steady to shot. Pace and range good.

Sutter Basin Sue, owned and handled by R. W. Pearson of Robbins, California,

stamina and staunch on first bird.

Hartman's Ike of El Monte owned by Henry Holt, Jr., of Palo Alto, California, and handled by Elmer Flack, ran exceptionally wide race, was steady on three birds but was out of control on last bird.

OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

The Open All Age Stake was run Sunday with an original entry of 18 Brittanys. There were 16 starters with Bing of Dingeville, owned by Wallace Montna of Yuba City, California and handled by



Left to right: Bing of Dingeville, Sutter Basin Suee, Modesto Happy, Hartman's Ike of El Monte.

Elmer Flack, clearly demonstrating his right to the top spot. Bing ran an excellent ground course, looked well, but better later. He was steady to flush and shot. Honored brace mate's find although his brace mate broke.

Second place was awarded Sutter Basin Sue, owned and handled by R. W. Pearson of Robbins, California. She was a very consistent worker, steady to her finds and to her brace mate's finds, although her brace mate chased. Sue had a long distance find relocating this bird two times.

For third place went to Modesto Happy, owned by Dr. H. B. Stewart and handled by S. L. Curci of Modesto, California. Found one bird and honored a point but was a little slow in the bird field.

Fourth place went to Hartman's Ike of El Monte, owned by Henry D. Hort, Jr., of Palo Alto, California, and handled by Elmer Flack. Ike ran a good course, had four finds, was steady and also honored his brace mate's find.

The judges were George H. Higgs of Rosemead, California, and Adolph T. Kreuder of Los Angeles, California and their decisions were given after careful consideration and received with evident approval. They kept each brace moving, losing little time between braces.

Field Marshall for Saturday was filled by Dewey E. Plummer and Mrs. Plummer alternating braces. Sunday, Marion F. Baker was our official field marshal. Changes were made due to the fact that we were notified late Friday evening that Dr. H. C. Schumacher was taken ill and would not be able to judge our field trial with Mr. Higgs. So we were very grateful to have Mr. Kreuder as field marshal move up to an alternate judge. Mr. Kreuder is an experienced judge in setter and pointer trials.

The California Department of Fish and Game were very cooperative in furnishing us the domestically raised pheasants, liberated by the club under the supervision and inspection of Fred Hein, of the Fresno State Game Farm.

I wish to thank everyone participating in this trial and making it a very successful event.

FIRST SANCTION MATCH

The California Brittany Club held their first Sanction Match Saturday evening, Oct. 25 at the Service Club of Firebaugh, California. There were 27 entries which was the largest entry of Brittanys in any one bench show here in California. This First Sanction Match was honored by having Mr. George H. Higgs do the judging of this show. Mr. Higgs has judged Brittanys in the East and here in the West and is very familiar with their standards.

The winners were:

Puppy—Six months to 12 months—Bonjour Peter Pan, owned by Rinard Pitman of Madera, California, best of puppy dog.

Berenda Creek Pamela, owned by John W. Dickinson of Turlock, California, best of puppy bitch.

Best of match went to Allamuchy Luke's Jerry, owned by . Ham, of Madera, California.

Sutter Basin Sue, owned by R. W. Pearson of Robbins, California, best of opposite sex.

CHAMPION PARADE

We were honored by having a Champion Parade of three Brittanys who have made their championship on bench shows. The three champions present were:

Ch. Britt of Blaisy Bas, owned by J. M. Sullivan, Berkeley, California.

Ch. Milady Patrice Avono, owned by Victor B. Appel, Los Angeles, California.

Ch. Reynell's Allamuchy Mike, owned by Reynell Dalgleish, Van Nuys, California.



REYNELL'S ALLAMUCHY MIKE

Following the Sanction Match the annual banquet was held in the banquet room of the Service Club, Firebaugh, California. Trophies for the Puppy Stake and Derby Stake were presented at that time. After the banquet a short business meeting was held.

CALIFORNIA BENCH SHOWS

There has been a great deal of activity in bench shows here in the West. The California Brittany Club is attempting to put out a new bulletin about every 60 to 90 days listing all the activities that has been furnished for publication.

The outstanding event in bench shows was the show at Chico, California, on Sunday, Oct. 19, 1952. There were 13 Brittanys entered. Judge, Mr. Chris Shuttleworth.

NOVICE DOGS

One Entry

Nick, owned by G. L. Westesen.

AMERICAN BRED DOGS

Two Entries

First — Trooper Boy, owned by James

M. Ross.

Second — Gallianceous Doc, owned by Howard E. Allen.

OPEN DOGS

Five Entries

First — Reynell's Allamuchy Mike, owned by Reynell Dalgleish.

Second — Bourbon de Colauzer, owned by Mr. and Mrs. George Monk.

Third — Ultramend's Valgo Cracker, owned by Frank McHugh and Hansen.

AMERICAN BRED BITCHES

First — Gallianceous Gal, owned by Howard E. Allen.

OPEN BITCHES

Four Entries

First — Lady Morrie Brit, owned by Lee Roy Woodford, Jr.

Second — Ginger Lady, owned by Mr. H. A. Weigand.

Third — Harriets Happy, owned by James M. Ross.

BEST BRITTANY SPANIEL

Reynell's Allamuchy Mike, owned by Reynell Dalgleish.

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

Ladie Morrie Brit, owned by Lee Roy Woodford, Jr.

Reynell's Allamuchy Mike was presented with "The Glenn Hardy Trophy" for Best of Breed. This made the third five point show for Reynell's Allamuchy Mike which entitles him to his championship. Reynell's Allamuchy Mike, owned by Reynell Dalgleish, S392052, March 5, 1949. Breeder, Harry C. Keister by Ch. Tudor du Roc Hellou and Allamuchy Valley Ultima. This we believe will be very good news to Harry C. Keister and our very good friend Alan R. Stuyvesant, who was responsible for Mike coming to California.

We are planning a Spring Field Trial the latter part of February or the first part of March. The dates will be announced later.

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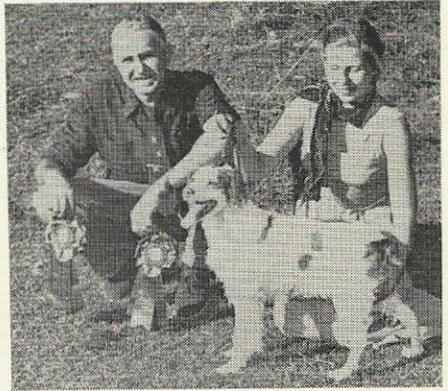
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NO. JERSEY SUMMER OUTING

Miss Topsy, owned by Hugo Blasberg of Hawthorne, New Jersey, covered herself with glory at the annual outing of the North Jersey Brittany Club, held on the estate of Alan R. Stuyvesant at Allamuchy, New Jersey. Free of her maternal duties with a litter of nine weeks old pups, the little Brittany spaniel proceeded to garner first place in the field trial and best of breed in the show held as part of the day's activities. Owner-handler in the field trial, Topsy was handled by Miss Joan Mills in the "show" ring.

The field trial, held on pigeons, judged by Alan Stuyvesant and Robert Schenck of Washington, D. C., had an entry of 11 braces. Miss Topsy's performance was outstanding. Second went to Al Meester's Allamuchy Valley Omar from Prospect Park, New Jersey and third to Allamuchy Valley Maude, a 12 year old, owned by Herman Deiser of Haledon, New Jersey.



Miss Topsy with Joan Mills and Hugo Blasberg.

Fourth place in the trial went to Al Meester's Meester's Pal and honorable mention to Steve Wyckoff's Bobby Sox and Dick Cristman's Rusty.

First, second and third puppy winners in the show were Kate, owned by Harvey Rhodes, Herman Deiser's Suzette and

ALLAMUCHY VALLEY KENNELS

ALAN R. STUYVESANT

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ALLAMUCHY, NEW JERSEY

Lucy Smith's Junan.

Nimrod, owned by James Peale of Plainfield, New Jersey was best-of-opposite-sex to Miss Topsy in the show! Second in bitches went to Bobby Sox. Second in the class for males was won by Meester's Pal and third went to Rock, owned by Charles Hoffman of Dover, New Jersey.

A crowd of over a hundred enjoyed the day's outing which included a fine clam-bake served at noon and a trap shooting contest to wind up the day. Winners in the trap shooting were Miss Georgia Mills of Stockton and Sanford Vreeland of Hackettstown.

FLATBROOK TRIAL

The sudden freeze in early October caught the trees in full leaf and this beautiful Sussex County hill country was ablaze with reds, bright oranges, and yellows. A riot of color greeted the eye in every direction one looked from the broad expanse of the Flatbrook Valley, the air was a chill tonic, and it was good to be alive for two perfect days of field trial weather.

Although it was his first experience as field trial chairman, John P. Carrigan of Maplewood, N. J., ran things smoothly with the assistance of committeemen, Harold Frantz, and Ben Liggett, the latter doing of fine job patrolling the road which intersects the course and holding up traffic so that contestants could work without danger. New Jersey State Troopers also were on hand most of the time to lend assistance and the removal of this hazard added much to the trial. President Sanford Vreeland, Vice President Martin Kraeke, and Secretary Hugo Blasberg, all gave assistance and the stakes were run off with precision and a minimum of delays for which your scribe, doubling as a judge for all three stakes, was very grateful. It was a pleasure to judge with Arthur S. Hillhouse, Jr., in the Puppy and Derby events and James T. Park in the All Age. Both of these gentlemen take their judging seriously and the handlers generally had a horse breathing down their necks when they went to a point. While this might seem to some to be overdoing it a bit, the general comment

of the handlers was favorable and the decisions to be well received

Although a substantial number of the contestants are known to be excellent bird dogs and many turned in fine races, it was one of those days when, in spite of the fact that it was cool and there was a good but not too strong breeze, birds seemed to be very difficult to handle. Very few lay well for the dogs and attempts at relocation on the runners generally ended up with a stop to flush or the birds got away.

OPEN PUPPY STAKE

The entry in this stake was light and the work generally more puppish than is usually the case, both members of each brace running part of the time as though yoked to his brace mate. There was little excuse for this as the cover, mostly stubble and clover, was almost ideal for gun



Peg of Edough, Windy, Dian of Edough, Jitterbug of Leeway.

dogs. Peg of Edough, a snappy and nice moving young bitch, handled by Lee Holman, completed some good swings, her race largely to the front. Peg is owned by R. G. Buick of Mt. Prospect, Ill.

Windy, owned by Dr. G. E. Westfall of Goshen, Ind., and handled by Bill Kull, started rather modestly but improved steadily as the heat progressed and ended up in the bird field going away.

Lee Holman also handled the third place winner, Dian of Edough. This youngster, owned by H. G. Crouch of Detroit, Mich., is very attractive in action, but failed to develop a real pattern in her work on the back course.

OPEN PUPPY

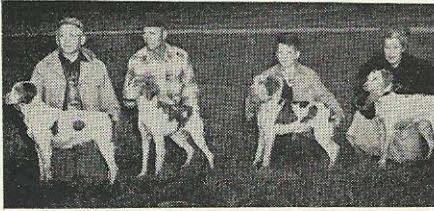
First — Peg of Edough, By Allamuchy Valley Uno—Patsy of Edough.

Second — Windy. By Rem of Aotrou—Happy's Ann d'Andre.

Third — Dian of Edough. By Allamuchy Valley Uno—Patsy of Edough.

OPEN DERBY

There was a very good entry in this stake and some promising derby performances were turned in. Brovinber Clarest topped the list with a well de-



NORTH JERSEY DERBY

Brovinber Clarest, Leeway's Prince of Samoa, Pierre Magnus, Tennessee Zelda.

veloped pattern, swinging forward and working out the course in a logical fashion. The pace was well sustained throughout and Clarest turned in one of the best finds in the trial, slamming into point on a pheasant in the bird field, the bird well located and staunchly pointed, manners acceptable for a derby at the flush and shot. Bill Kull handled Clarest for Mrs. A. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Leeway's Prince of Samoa, owned by John W. Lee of Indianapolis, Ind., and piloted by Holman, copped second place with a good fast race at excellent range, a flash point, and a very sincere effort at relocation on a running bird.

Another dog from the mid-west, Pierre Magnus, owned by E. H. Phillips of Dayton, Ohio, and in the string of Bill Kull, took the show position. Pierre had a find in heavy canary grass on a pheasant, doing a very neat back somersault as the bird flew directly over his head after the flush, stopping to command for the shot.

S. Allen Truex's Tennessee Zelda was one of the best moving dogs in the stake. She showed an unfortunate tendency, however, to loop her casts coming in several times directly behind the handler after taking in a big piece of country.

The bird finder in this stake was Mrs. Pat Barrell's Helgramite Brando who really cut up the bird field after a strong race and had what might be called several contacts with game. Brando produced his

own birds with little hesitation and had a grand time in general. When he decides to point instead of push, he will make it rough for the opposition.

OPEN DERBY

First — Brovinber Clarest. By Fantome de Klemanor—Busher de Klemanor.

Second — Leeway's Prince of Samoa. By Dan of Leeway—Queen of Leeway.

Third — Pierre Magnus. By Boswell's Bourbon—Valley Brit Fan.

ALL AGE

Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee, a handsome white and orange dog, copped top place in this stake. He ran a strong searching race, making good swings through the cover on the back course and going at a good clip in the bird field, stacked up in a high-headed point. Buck Bissell, professional handler, flushed the bird from heavy cover, and Pierrot stood staunchly



OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

Pierrot De Fontaine Valle, Helgramite Howie d'Acajou, Crane's Polka Dot, Thais du Roc Hellou in background. Standing, Judges Chas. W. Clark and James Park.

for the flight and the shot, with no let down in his intense posture. Pierrot is owned by Mrs. Alice Clough of Erie, Pa. Understand this dog is a Bench Champion and has had field work for less than a year, if true, he put on a very fine performance.

W. E. Stevenson, enthusiastic amateur from Stamford, Conn., piloted his Helgramite Howie de Acajou to second place. Howie had an outstanding race on the back course, searching diligently at good range and pace. His work on one find in the bird field was somewhat hesitant, but he finally pointed the bird staunchly and was steady to wing and shot.

Third place was awarded to Crane's Polkadot, owned and handled by Ransford Crane of Basking Ridge. Polkadot had an honest searching race, somewhat restricted in range, and one find in the bird field on which his location was excellent, but on which he sat down on point.

Thais du Roc Hellou, owned by Alan R. Stuyvesant of Allamuchy, would have gone higher in the stake by virtue of a very strong ground race, had she not had difficulty with a running pheasant in the bird field which she could not pin down in spite of an honest effort. On her second point the bird was well located and her manners excellent. Thais was handled by Lee Holman.

OPEN ALL AGE

First — Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee. By Avono Jake—Suzanne de Beauch.

Second — Helgramite Howie d'Acajou. By Chief of Chippewa—Lexington Jay Mahogany.

Third — Crane's Polka Dot. By Liggett's Buster Tim—Joe's Allamuchy Sue.

THE BRITTANY ON TV

An unusual publicity spot for the Brittany recently was the nation-wide TV program Dave Garroway's Today. This is an early morning program, starting at 7 A.M. in the east. For the first two hours it is televised in the east and mid-west. The third hour's show goes to the west coast. It's a news program, including interviews with personalities connected with current events, weather notes, etc. and despite its early appearance, has a wide audience and high rating.

The way the appearance of Brittanys happened was through a tie-in with publicity for the Westminster Kennel Club show coming up in February. Arrangements were made to have one breed of dogs shown about every two weeks between the middle of November and Feb. 9 . . . An adult dog and a puppy of the same breed. On the first show of the dog series there were Beagles. I was asked to bring in Brittanys for the second show on Nov. 26. Well, I had my Ulysses, but no pups. But Ray Machlett did have a two-months-old litter of seven by Helgramite. Kiminacough out of Helgramite

Chickadee. He very kindly offered to send in a pair for the show and, of course, they stole it.

They were sent in by car, in a crate, delivered at my apartment on Tuesday afternoon and were picked up again the following afternoon at my office. Meanwhile they capered quite happily in the apartment at the NBC TV studio lounge from 6 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. between their many appearances before the cameras and in my office at 250 Park where all work was practically suspended until they left. Incidentally, as a note for those people who think house breaking is difficult, the girls in my office spent their lunch hour taking care of the pups and by the end of the hour these pups were paper-broke.

The interview with Dave Garroway took the form of a discussion of the breed, its fine points, prowess as a hunter, etc. Uly and the pups were shown in various spots throughout the program which was kinescoped and reshowed in several newscasts programs during the evening.

Of course, this wasn't the first time we've had Brittanys on TV here in the east. On several occasions on various shows there have been appearances of Alan R. Stuyvesant's Allamuchy Valley Uno, of Hugo Blasberg's Miss Topsy, Al Meester's Omar and Pal and my Ulysses.

Among a wide response to the program was a telegram from Annapolis, Md., and several letters from distant states.

EVELYN MONTE

LETTER BOX

Dear Mr. Blasberg:

Congratulations on your fine magazine. Every copy improves. It is really an enjoyment to have all the news. The magazine is the one common link to bind the Brittany owners together. I know a lot of work goes into each magazine, and I for one appreciate all you are doing.

Enclosed please find check for eight dollars for Brittany pin. Please send to L. D. LaFleur, Box 264, Roselle, Ill.

"STREET BUM" DOG SCORES IN TRIAL

A dog that was a town "bum", on the streets of Pompton Falls, N. J., was one of the winners in a Fall shooting dog stake staged by the North Jersey Brittany Club at Preakness, N. J.

Twenty-three Brittany's competed in the gun-dog feature, on released pheasants. Meester's Omar, owned and handled by Al Meester of Prospect Park, N. J., was the Open Stake winner with Hugo Blasberg's Miss Topsy as runner-up. Third went to Allamuchy Valley Rusty, owned and handled by the veteran Dick Christman of Paterson.

In the novice stake, Jake Rozema's Rusty, from Pompton Lakes, took first and Dr. Claude Van Stone's Sir Britt was second. Third was won by a little Brittany Spaniel who spent his time wandering about the streets of his town, a regular "bum" dog, until Robert Fitzgerald,



DERBY WINNER

Martin Kracke with Jersey Beau.

whose shop was one of Tim's favorite hang-outs, tracked down the owner and arranged to take over the wanderer..

Fitzgerald knew a good dog when he

Tim began to learn what it was to have a real home and some work afield. Now it looks as if he may be seen regularly at the Brittany trials.

Jersey Beau, handled by his owner, Martin Kracke of Paterson, N. J., was the derby stake winner.

GAINES YOUTH AWARDS

We call your attention to the following announcement. Many of the Brittany groups know of some youngster or youngsters that are eligible for nomination for a Youth Award. Send in their names, date of birth, some details about what they have done and are doing in dog activities, to the Gaines Rog Research Center, 250 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

LETTER BOX

Dear Hugo,

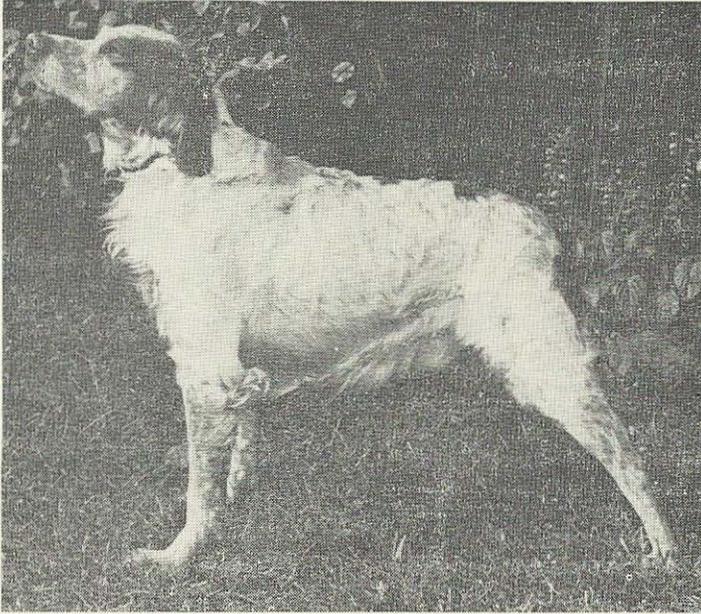
I enjoyed Dr. Busteed's article on Color Inheritance very much. I would, however, like to take issue with him on one point, that of black in the coat. I had the opportunity of discussing this factor with Dr. Whitney, well known authority on dog breeding and color inheritance. He was of the opinion that probably color in Brittany's is inherited the same as color in pointers.

To explain — There are two different types of yellow, one the lemon yellow, which is accompanied by dark eyes, and a black nose. The other type, the orange yellow is usually accompanied by a lighter eye and a pinkish-brown nose. In checking 186 different litters of Pointers Dr. Whitney came to the conclusion that there were two factors involved in producing these colors. B—the factor for black which is absent from liver dogs and E—the factor for extension of brown which is absent from liver dogs and E—the factor for extension of brown and black pigment in the hair. In the presence of E, dogs have spots of brown or black on a white ground, in its absence colored spots on the coat are yellow. This would give us the four types: BE-black; BE-liver; Be-black nosed yellow; Be-brown nosed yellow.

You will readily see from this that by

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crossing a black nosed dog (Be) with a liver bitch (BE) that some dogs of the formula BE would result, that if some black spotted dogs would be produced. Though we know that the Brittany stand-liver bitch (bE) that some dogs of the ard outlaws a black nose there are many of them still used for breeding.

In 1915 cocker breeders Dr. Phillips and Dr. Barrows of the University of Ohio published a paper on color inheritance in cockers that showed by matings of certain type liver dogs with red dogs that some black progeny could be expected. This would follow the same general pattern as the above.

I see no reason why the color in Brittanys does not follow this same general pattern. Where both black in the coat and black noses are undesirable to us I suppose it would not be possible for any of us to afford to make extensive research into the matter but I think that many of us have heard of cases of black Brittanys from such matings.

NICKY BISSELL

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Helgramite Hollow, the beautiful summer home of Ray Machlett, was the setting for the Southern New England Brittany Club Trial. Co-host for this pleasant and comfortable meet was Dr. Frederick Birkman, whose country estate joins that of Mr. Machlett, offering nearly 400 acres of beautiful hunting cover.

Saturday morning brought a bit of chill and a few drops of rain. However, the weather cleared by noon, and from then, throughout Sunday, it was sunny and clear. Added to this delightful scene was the breathtaking effect of fall coloring, possibly at its very height this week end.

Andrew J. Foster of Stamford, Conn., is the efficient and congenial secretary. W. E. Stevenson, also from Stamford, together with R. R. Machlett and Dr. Frederick Birkman, a'l committee members and Field Marshall Clyde Campbell, really out did themselves for the enjoyment, fun and efficiency of the trial.

The ladies of the club, headed by Mrs. R. R. Machlett, chairman, did an out-

standing job of serving luncheons at one of the Machlett cabins. Saturday evening, dinner was served in Dr. Birkman's barn, which was artistically decorated for the occasion, with the ladies supplying home made pies, etc. All the food was donated by the ladies of the club, and the entire proceeds of the banquet went into the club treasury.

After dinner, entertainment was furnished by O. Q. McOsker of Bronxville, N. Y., who presented us with the colored sound movie, "The Sedgefield Story," produced by Ralston Purina Company. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all participants and their guests.

Fifty-nine Brittanys competed in the four events, coming from as far away as Ohio, Indiana, Virginia and New Hampshire.

The judges for the Puppy and Derby Stakes were Mr. Raymond Hoyer, of Andover, Mass., an old-timer with some 30 years experience in judging setters, pointers and Brittanys, and Dr. John Powers, of Cooperstown, N. Y., a life-long sportsman, a Rhodes scholar and owner of champion pointers. Mr. Hoyer was joined on Sunday by Mr. Cameron Clarke, Jr., of Fairfield, Conn., for the All Age and Amateur Stakes. Mr. Clarke is one of the younger judges, who is fast growing in popularity and has had a wealth of experience with pointers.

Winners of Puppy Stake were:

First: Windy, owner Dr. George Westfall, Goshen, Ind., handled by Bill Kull.

Second: Helgramite Pierre Martini, owned and handled by Orlo Q. McOsker, of Bronxville, N. Y.

Third: Helgramite Whippington, owned and handled by Ray Machlett, of New Canaan, Conn.

Fourth: Aurevoir French Rose, owner A. G. Hensohn, Jr., of Knoxville, Tenn., handled by Bill Kull.

Bill Kull of Goshen, Ind., who ran eight braces in the Derby Stakes, really came out with top honors. The youngster who best impressed the judges with his eagerness to hunt was Pierre Mangus, owned by Mr. H. Phillips of Dayton, Ohio, handled by Bill Kull. Second place also went to a fine working dog, Bro-

DUAL CHAMPION
HELGRAMITE HOWIE D'ACAJOU

WHELPED MAY 24, 1948

Sire: Chief of Chippewa — Dam: Lexington Jay Mahogany



PARTIAL LIST OF WINNINGS

FIELD

- 2nd—National Open All-Age 1950
- 4th—National Open Amateur All-Age 1951
- 1st—Open Amateur All-Age, Central New England Brittany Club 1951
- 1st—Open All-Age—Illinois Brittany Club 1952
- 1st—Open All-Age—Southern New England Brittany Club 1952

BENCH

- Best of Winners
Madison Square, N. W., 1952
- Reserve Winner
Nat. Brittany Specialty Show
Carbondale, Ill., 1951
- Best of Breed
Greenwich, Conn., 1950
Newtown, Conn., 1951
Framingham, Mass., 1952
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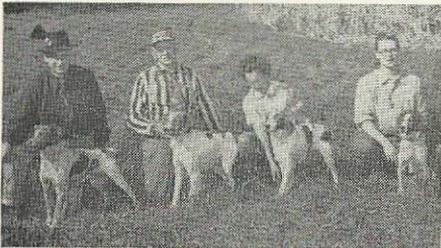
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vinger Clarest, owned by Miss Adelaide Burgwin of Pittsburgh, Pa., and handled by Bill Kull. Third honors went to Helgramite Kinamacough, owned and handled by Ray Machlett, New Cannan, Conn. Again, Bill Kull placed fourth with Palamar de Boswell, owned by Mr. Robert E. Boswell, of Dayton, Ohio.

The winning honors in the Open All Age went to W. E. Stevenson with his fine young dog, Helgramite Howie D'Acajou. Mr. Stevenson handled his own dog, which is now a dual champion. His ground work was inspiring, his finds were held in stylish and faultless manner with



ALL AGE WINNERS

First, Helgramite Howie d'Acajou; second, Bing de Poka; third, B. Ch. Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee; Wippy de La Vallee Bourrault.

one find in the back field and two in the bird field. Second place went to Bing de Poka, owned by Mr. L. H. Schultz, South Bend, Ind., and handled by Bill Kull. Third place winner was handled by R. H. Bissell, Jr., Ch. Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee. Owner of this fine dog is Mrs. Alice Clough, of Erie, Pa.

The Amateur All-Age Stake really brought more interest and enthusiasm than any held at Helgramite Hollow—probably because of the many top notch dogs being handled by their amateur owners and trainers, and because it was the initial contest for a very beautiful silver trophy, which had been presented by a loyal member of the club, Mr. Dean S. Edmonds. Permanent ownership of the trophy requires two successive wins by the same dog, or three wins by the same owner. Leg trophies, replicas of the original, are to be presented to each winner. Ray Machlett's field champion, Lexing-



Judge Clarke Ray Machlett and Judge Hoyer with Lexington Amherst Godefroi

ton Amherst Godefroi, really came through with flying colors and by so doing won the first leg on the trophy. Lex was one of the few Liver dogs competing. He did outstanding work in a corn field by handling a cock bird—then he came charging into the bird field—covering it fast and efficiently. Lex found both birds—both quite some distance from his handler. He held them both and was as steady as a rock on the flush and shot. Ransford Crane, Basking Ridge, N. J., owned and handled the second place winner—Crane's Polka Dot. This orange and white bitch did an outstanding job, working merrily with head high, covered the back field in grand style, then handled her bird like a real champion. Third place went to a truly determined little bitch, Field Trial Champion Joyeux Jakueline, handled by Mrs. Ann Carr and owned by Dr. Tom Talbott of Lima, Ohio. The gallery was highly amused and interested at the bird work when she pointed a deep planted bird close to the stand. Mrs. Carr, unsuccessfully tried three times to kick up the bird, each time directing a "go on", but each time the bitch whirled and went back on staunch-pont. When the bird was finally flushed, it was handled beautifully.

THE MICHIGAN TRIAL

The Michigan Brittany Regional Fall Trial was held at the Pontiac Lake Recreation Area on Oct. 3, 4 and 5. Sixty-seven dogs were entered. The judges were Mr. Paul Rushing of Dearborn, Michigan and Dr. Tom Talbott of Lima, Ohio.

Contrary to all belief the weather was ideal on Friday, Oct. 3. The Puppy Stake was started off at 1 P.M. under sunny skies and a 60 degree temperature. There were nine puppies entered in this stake with the winner in a class by himself. Truthfully, he would have given the Derbys a tough time of it. The placings were as follows:

- First — Joie of Hunterhaven.
- Second — My-Ti-Fine Sue.
- Third — Peg of Edough.
- Fourth — Hero's Master Spot.

The Derby got under way at 8 A.M. on Saturday, Oct. 4. Another fine day in the offing, 60 degree temperature, a little wind and overcast skies. One of the judges for this stake and the All Age was grouse hunting and was thrown from his horse. He was unable to make the trial and sent a telegram to that effect. The telegram was not received in time to acquire the services of an experienced judge and the trial had to be run regardless so did the best I could under the circumstances. There were 30 starters in this stake. The competition was keen. Any one of five dogs could have been put up in the winners column. Albedo Valley Bud put down a good back course with a good solid point and two other finds in the bird field. Coindot De Beauch had a good back course and three finds in the bird field. Just a reminder: A Derby doesn't have to show finished bird work to be judged best. As long as a Derby puts down a good searching back course and shows some degree of steadiness on birds that should suffice in this stake. Aubaine Duche put down a good back course with two finds in the bird field, good all the way. Palomar De Boswell had a good back course after five minutes of play with two perfect finds in the bird field.

The placings were as follows:

- First — Albedo Valley Bud.

- Second — Coindot De Beauch.
- Third — Aubaine Duche.
- Fourth — Palomar De Boswell.

The weather still fine, cooler temperatures accompanied by a brisk wind when the All Age stake started off at 8 A.M. on Sunday, Oct. 5. Buttons and Bows put down a good ground heat and had one perfect find in the bird field and a back. Brittina of Huntmore had a medium ground heat and three perfect finds in the bird field. Pontac's Hero put down a medium ground heat with two points in the bird field, one stop to flush, handled good. Ronile Avant Coureur, good ground heat, two finds and one non-productive in the bird field. The placings were as follows:

- First — Buttons and Bows.
- Second — Brittina of Huntmore.
- Third — Pontac's Hero.
- Fourth — Ronile Avant Coureur.

The Amateur stake was run off on Sunday afternoon. There were eight entries but not much to talk about. There was not enough competition and didn't have finished work in any brace. The placings were as follows:

- First — Buttons and Bows.
- Second — Jeanette's Cookie.
- Third — Ami Chasseur.
- Fourth — Nanette DuBoise.

All in all, the trial was a success. Here's hoping that in the future we can expect more support from the Amateur handlers.

Don't forget the National Trials at Carbondale, Illinois, to be held Nov. 30 to Dec. 6, 1952.

RICHARD D. WOOD,
Field Trial Vice-president

ANNUAL MEETING OF AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB DEC. 1, 1952

The membership of the American Brittany Club was called to order by President Coy Conwell at 8:00 Monday evening, Dec. 1, 1952 at the Club House of the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club near Carbondale, Illinois.

Over 100 members of the American Brittany Club, together with a number of guests, were present.

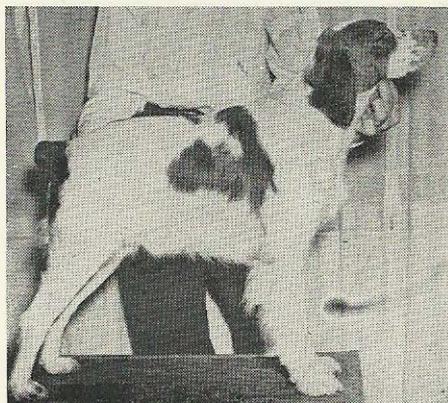
President Conwell announced that due

to the large attendance, the very large number of entries in the various field trial events which had to be drawn that evening, and the fact that Mr. Ed Flener of Herrin, Illinois was present to conduct the auction for a Calcutta on the Open All Age Stake, the business of the directors would be conducted the following evening, Dec. 2, at the Crab Orchard Motel.

The drawing for the various field trial events having been completed, Mr. Flener conducted a Calcutta auction for entries in the Open All Age. This occasioned a great deal of interest, a lot of fun, and resulted in a profit of over \$200 for the American Brittany Club.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

WALTER B. KLEEMAN,
Secretary.



International Champion Bonnie Kay's Ricki (Ch. Fun Gallore Benedict X Fun Galore Fanchon) Owned by Muriel M. Holemo, Detroit, Michigan.

Ricki has 21 best of breeds and 7 group placings he placed 2nd in group at the 1952 Detroit Show.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

The California Brittany Club for its enterprise in getting out a club bulletin. It is in mimeograph form, running some six long pages and carries news of the club's events and its members. The club secretary and treasurer, E. P. Hartman, does the editorial stint . . . no small one,

considering the amount of copy that goes into the club's publication which, incidentally is called The Brittany Dog News.

The Ohio Brittany Club for the separate sheet that accompanied the premium list announcing its specialty and in which details were given on the show and the trial grounds (a map was included, too) and, most important from a good public relations standpoint, it carried an explanation of the many factors involved which necessitated a raise in entry fees.

THE VERY IMPROBABLE

R. C. SHOEMAKER

It was exactly five days before the Washington State hunting season opened and here was a little Brittany less than a year old who was gun shy! Gun shy to the extent that when a gun was fired a hundred yards away, the dog crawled under the fender and on top of the tire of the trainer's truck. The trainer, and the dog's owner, Dr. Glen Helmer, agreed that it was nearly an impossible case.

Omitting many of the details the trainer went through in five days, the dog showed the intense desire to catch live birds and through this solution, the dog was cured of this shyness.

Opening day, Jacque pointed and retrieved three birds for his happy owner. This is a story in itself and normally would end here. But this was only the beginning.

Dr. Helmer returned his dog to the trainer after hunting all season. This was done more in appreciation to the trainer rather than for the dog's benefit. After the dog was with the trainer only two weeks, the owners missed the little dog so much they came and got him. The training had been paid in advance so when the trainer offered a refund, they said to wait as they would bring the dog back later.

Several months elapsed before the doctor, who had been in contact with the trainer, returned Jacque. He and his wife only wanted the dog worked on the prairie and steadied to wing and shot.

After two weeks in training, the trainer

noted an uncanny ability of the dog to locate and point birds. Jacque also required little coaching to remain steady to wing and shot. His work in all departments—ground coverage, nose and style—seemed above reproach.

When this was reported to the owner, he seemed a little uninterested and slightly dubious. Doctor Glen Helmer could not bring himself to believe that his dog was exceptional. He, nor his wife, accepted the fact that they were fortunate indeed to have a dog that worked so beautifully. This is a strange attitude to confront a trainer, as most customers will persistently over rate their dogs' ability. Jacque's owners were satisfied that their dog was good and felt that that was all there was to be desired. Jacque continued his work with the trainer. The last day that the trainer had him on the prairie with his horse, Jacque scored three perfect finds and a stop-to-flush with outstanding style and confidence.

On the following week-end, the owners came over and the trainer told them the dog was a finished product and should be taken home and worked at least once a week. It was suggested then that the dog should be run in the next Brittany trial or in the All Breeds shooting dog stake.

Jacque left for home and in parting, the Helmers agreed maybe the dog could be entered some day. Nothing definite was planned and when an All Breed shooting dog stake came, Jacque was not entered.

The Brittany Spaniel trial was next and Jacque's owners were called and notified that the dog should be entered. They were not convinced that Jacque was good enough but agreed that if the trainer would handle the dog they would enter him.

As trial time neared, the fears and excitement of field trials entered into the owner's hearts. Perhaps they should not go, after all, they had never even seen a field trial. Why should they go to a trial that was open to professionals and all the good dogs? Yes, maybe Jacque was too young and he had had only six weeks of

training. All the feeling that comes with a first field trial arose within the Helmers. Even the encouragement of their best friend couldn't help much. But they finally decided to at least send in his entry.

On the day of the Open All Age, Jacque was down in the next to last brace and his owners had not arrived by noon. They did not know what brace they were to run in so it was evident they were hoping Jacque had already run. But they finally arrived and only a half an hour before Jacque was to run. To add to their worries the trainer told them he had changed the handler the night before from trainer to owner and Dr. Helmer must handle his own dog.

Any apprehensions he had had were doubled and there were 24 All Age entries. The trainer walked a brace with the doctor and explained all he could in a half hour.

The field trial marshal called aloud, "Apple Hill Jacque", and the judges asked, "Are you ready, handlers?" and they were cast off. Again all the emotions Dr. Helmer had were enlarged by the expediency of the trial and here he was afield with his dog in an open trial!



BONNIE KAY'S LADY (Int Ch. Bonnie Kay's Ricki X Bonnie Kay's Jude) Best of Breed at the Michigan Regional Specialty over an entry of 57 including Specials under Judge Jerome Halle, 3rd in Sporting Group, Judge Alva Rosenberg. Best of Breed at Ohio Specialty - 20 entries. Owned by Ken Holemo, Detroit, Michigan.

MIDWEST TRIAL

By LOUIS F. OLTMAN

The Midwest Regional Brittany Club held their annual fall field trial at Newton, Kansas on Nov. 1, 2 and 3. It was originally planned for Nov. 1 and 2, but when the entries were counted and it was found there were 91, it was decided to extend the time through the third day. So far as we can find by checking available records and questioning the professional handlers, this is the largest number of entries ever made in a Brittany Spaniel field trial.

With the 91 entries of our favorite breed dog divided into four stakes—Amateur Handlers—Open Puppy—Open Derby — and Open All Age, each was hotly contested.

Despite abnormally dry weather—there having been no rain in this area for almost eight weeks, our Brittans turned in their usual good job of field and bird work. Judges Bucky Harris and C. E.

Allen of El Dorado, Kansas, had an unenviable job in making their decisions for winners. We wish to extend our thanks to them for an excellent job done. This trial was particularly interesting due to the being the first time that we have had so many dogs entered by professional handlers. Jess Hayslip, Tom Cox, Lee Holman and Bill Kull brought in 35 entries—making the competition that much keener.

Our thanks to officers of our club and members of all committees for their efforts in making this trial the success it was.

The Kansas State Game Commission again made available to our club the supply of quail for our trail.

Our regular monthly meeting was held in conjunction with a dinner at the Ripley Hotel in Newton, Kansas on Saturday night, Nov. 1. Sixty members and guests attended.

SUMMARY OF AMATEUR

First place winner Jeffrey of Argard with good range and ground coverage, hunting every foot of the way, swung into the bird field, made only one find but handled the bird perfectly with snap and precision, that was beautiful to see.

Solomon Valley Nikki — Runner-up, was called back for second brace. This lit-



AMATEUR HANDLER'S STAKE

Jeffrey of Argard — Solomon Valley

Nikki — Rusty's Freckles Flirt

Duchess de Cornouaille

tle dog showed good bird sense and had good range the first time out but failed to produce birds. The judges called him back, and in his second run produced birds and handled them nicely.

Rusty's Freckles Flirt, placing third, worked intelligently and handled her one

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find in the bird field with ease.

Fourth place went to Duchess de Cornouaille with fair range on the back course and one find in the bird field, which she handled fairly well.

WINNERS — AMATEUR HANDLERS

First — Jeffrey of Argard, owned and handled by A. LeRoy Magnesun. July 5, 1950 Sire: Jeffrey Dick, Dam: Lady Argard II.

Second — Solomon Valley Nikki, owned and handled by Ray C. Olson, Glasco, Kansas. July 5, 1950. Sire: Jeffrey Dick, Dam: Lady Argard II.

Third — Rusty's Freckles Flirt, owned and handled by E. N. Kelly, K.C.Ks. March 28, 1947. Sire: Pierrot de Mirabeau, Dam: Rusty Lady.

Fourth — Duchess de Cornouaille, owned by Mrs. Gordon Offenbacher, Buffalo, Kansas. Oct. 9, 1949. Sire: Kay's Patrice de Cornouaille, Dam: Pine Lawn's Lady Yvonne.

SUMMARY OF PUPPY WINNERS

The puppies, which have always drawn good interest in our club, ran some nice braces with top honors going to Bret le Mirabeau. Showing good hunting instinct and covering a lot of ground, this little dog showed field work that would do credit to many a finished dog.

Victoria de Evanston, placing second, didn't show too much in the back course, having only fair range. But with the smell of birds in the bird field, she sud-



OPEN PUPPY STAKE

Bret le Mirabeau — Victoria de Evanston
Cap

denly sparked into action, making one good point and merrily chasing the bird out of the field. Then she made a stop point, catching the quail before it could get off the ground.

Third place went to Cap, a hard working little Brittany who covered a lot of ground, making a good hunting pattern.

Patsy placed fourth with fair ground

covering ability and finding birds in the bird field.

WINNERS—PUPPY STAKE

First—Bret le Mirabeau, owned by Capt. R. B. Spangler, Ft. Riley, Kansas. Handled by S. D. Campbell. May 1, 1952. Sire: Tat's Hellou de Britt, Dam: Tat's Lady de Mirabeau.

Second—Victoria de Evanston, owned by Diane Oltman, handled by Louis F. Oltman of North K. C., Mo. Dec. 25, 1951. Sire: Jeffrey Dick, Dam: Luke's Freckles Windem.

Third — Cap, owned by Harold Goerz of Newton, Kansas. Handled by Clarence Springfield. Nov. 21, 1951. Sire: Rusty de Avono, Dam: Dixie de Karomish.

Fourth—Patsy—Owned and handled by H. Dean Raustian. Nov. 24, 1951. Sire: Van-Huychs Brittany, Dam: Sweet Sally Patrice.

SUMMARY OF DERBY WINNERS

Tat's Hellou de Britt captured first place in the Derby with a show of exceptional training and handling, making good range in the back course, and swept the bird field with three good finds, handling two with all age ability.

Second place was taken in by Miste de Klemanor, a hard working dog with a good wide range. She had one good find

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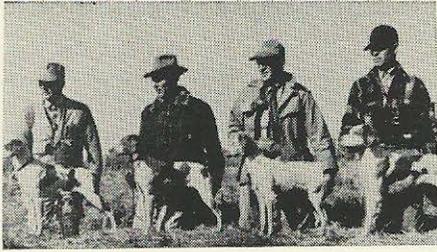
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OPEN DERBY

Tat's Hellou de Britt - Miste de Klemanor
Tennessee Zelda - Holman's Yankee
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DERBY STAKE WINNERS

First—Tat's Hellou de Britt, owned and handled by S. D. Campbell of Ft. Riley, Kansas. Feb. 12 1951. Sire: Ch. Tudor Roc's Hellou. Dam: Bob's Star.

Second—Miste de Klemanor, owned by Walter B. Kleeman, Springfield, Ohio. Handled by Tom Cox. May 14, 1951. Sire: Fantone de Klemanor, Dam: Ch. Busher de Klemanor.

Third — Tennessee Zelda, owned by S. Allen Truex, Jackson, Tenn. Handled by Bill Kull. Sire: Tennessee Buccaneer, Dam: Whitey of Paradise.

Fourth — Holman's Yankee Traveler, owned by D. F. Olund, Skokie, Ill. Handler: Lee Holman, Feb. 12, 1951. Sire: Tudor du Roc Hellou, Dam: Bob's Star.

in the bird field, holding staunch and steady to shot.

Third place went to Tennessee Zelda, making finds in the brd field, but no points.

Holman's Yankee Traveler, fourth place winner, made good range with finds in the bird field.

SUMMARY OF ALL AGE WINNERS

Meadowink Buzz won the coveted All Age first place. Piloted by Tom Cox, he gave an exhibition of field work and bird handling that was a pleasure to see. The course was completely covered, with side trips to check all available bird shelter, pointing and handling three birds in the bird field with no mistakes.

Tudor's Yankee Boy handled by Bill Kull took second place. Showing good hunting sense and making all available bird cover, he had two points in the bird field which were well handled.

Third place winner Jeffrey MacEochaidh, handled by his owner, Roscoe E. Kimerling, had good hunting range, with two finds, but was not too steady



OPEN ALL-AGE

Meadowink Buzz — Tudor's Yankee Boy
Jeffrey Mac Eochaidh — Tat's Hellou
de Britt

to shot and wing.

Tat's Hellou de Britt, winner of the Derby Stake, placed fourth. Owned and handled by S. D. Campbell, this little dog showed exceptionally well in the All Age, ranging good and handling his finds with dispatch.

OPEN ALL AGE WINNERS

First—Meadowink Buzz, owned by William Yant, Murrys ville, Pa. Handled by Tom Cox. Oct. 24, 1949. Sire: Avono Jinx, Dam: Molly.

Second—Tudor's Yankee Boy, owned by Mike Burnham. Bogue, Kansas. Handled by Bill Kull. July 26, 1948. Sire: Tudor du Roc Hellou, Dam: Allamuchy Yankee Girl.

Third — Jeffrey MacEochaidh, owned and handled by Roscoe E. Kimerling of Humboldt, Kansas. May 30, 1948. Sire: Ch. Kay's Patrice de Cornouaille, Dam: Kay's Allamuchy Clipper.

Fourth—Tat's Hellou de Britt, owned and handled by S. D. Campbell of Ft. Riley, Kansas. Feb. 12, 1951. Sire: Ch. Tudor du Roc's Hellou, Dam: Bob's Star.

HOW TO TRAIN A FUTURITY WINNER

Excerpts from letters Jimmy Williams wrote us last summer.

"I have read over reports of the running of the last two Futurities so many times that I can recite to you which dogs ran, what they found and what the average of coveys found to braces cut loose is. Everytime I read where one of the Futurities cut through a wooded area I go out to the pen, grab Mister and run h'm through every wooded area I can find. When I read about the horses and dogs bogging down in mucky terrain, I borrowed a horse from a friend of mine, drove about 35 miles to a swampy site near Altavista, Va. and ran Mister for about two hours. I about killed the horse

and myself (also got a dose of chiggars) but Mister came out of it very nicely.

"If you should pass through Virginia any time between now and December and see a spindly legged man running across a cow pasture with a dog in front of him and an Angus bull behind, firing a pistol with one hand and blowing a whistle with another, with a snake bite kit around his neck, speak to the poor man because it will be me.

"I am about to lose my job, my wife, and my home with this dog but I can frankly say that I have never had such a big time in all my life.

"I have walked across one of my farmer friends land so much that the other day he asked me if I would please start walking in a different direction each time I crossed his land because I had gone in the same direction so much that his hay crop was growing at a 45 degree angle."

When we met at the running of the Futurity, Jimmy was very perturbed—As the time of his running approached, it began to snow. Fifteen minutes before time to put his dog down it came down like a real blizzard. Jimmy, looking out of the car window, shook his head sadly and said: "Well, I tried running him on everything, but no one told me I should try running him on a blade of snow.

ILLINOIS TRIAL

L. D. LA FLEUR

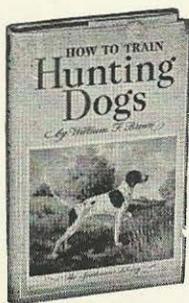
The Illinois Regional Brittany Club conducted its Fall trial on Nov. 14, 15, and 16. The grounds were laid out on one of the farms owned by Dr. F. M. Hutchinson, located five miles east of Bradford, Ill. From a spectator standpoint, the weather was ideal, but dry ground conditions and high temperatures made it difficult for the dogs to show at their best. The course was laid out over rolling country with plenty of birdy objectives. A small winding creek was crossed at two points, which provided water for the dogs.

The field trial committee deserves credit for a smooth running trial. Officiating as members of this committee were E. C. Staunton, Howard Clements, Dr. Hutchinson and R. G. Buick.

The judicial assignments were handled to perfection by Coy N. Conwell of Pontiac, Mich., Howard P. Clements of Chicago, Ill., and your scribe.

OPEN PUPPY STAKE

Joey of Hunterhaven emerged the victor with a nice race, point and a merry chase. Diane of Edough was second with a strong race. Hero's Master Spot was third, combining a nice race with a find



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of a covey of quail on the back course.

OPEN DERBY

Miste de Klemanor fairly sparkled on the back course and showed a willingness to handle. Her one find was handled in fine fashion. Holman's Yankee Traveler was just below the winner. Palomar de Boswell showed the most finished bird work, but lacked luster in the back course.

Others that impressed were Bebe Michel de Richmond, Roc Richmond, Leeway's Prince of Samoa and Meadowink Jerry.

AMATEUR ALL AGE STAKE

Butch's Ace put together a consistent back course with a perfectly handled find in the bird field, plus a back of his brace mate. Meadowink Buzz handled his two finds to perfection, but his back course left something to be desired. Buttons and Bows with a find in the back course and again in the bird field could have placed higher with a better back course.

OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

Curt's Fanche Rip ran a big searching race coupled with a find that was handled to perfection. In addition, Rip backed his brace mate's find.

Meadowink Buzz placed second with his usual excellent bird work. A better back course could have placed him higher.

Butch's Ace hunted every inch of the course and produced a find in a deep swale on the back course, showing that he knows the ways of the wily pheasant. Another find in the bird field found Ace steady. Anxious to retrieve, it took a little heavy handling to keep him in line.

Others close to the winners' circle were Tudor's Yankee Boy, Belloaks Mile, Buttons and Bows, Belloaks Ginger and Bing de Poka.

OPEN PUPPY

First — Joie of Hunterhaven, sire, Pontacs Dingo; dam, Britina of Huntmore. Owner, McManus, Huntington Woods, Mich.

Second — Dian of Edough; sire, Allamuchy Valley Uno; dam, Patsy of Edough. Owner, H. G. Crouch, Detroit, Mich.

Third — Hero's Master Spot; sire, Pontiac's Hero; dam, Nankay Mitzie. Owner, Dr. A. H. Lee, Detroit, Mich.

Fourth — Jitterbug of Leeway; sire, Nip-

per; dam, Unis of Leeway. Owner, John W. Lee, Indianapolis, Ind.

OPEN DERBY

First — Miste de Klemanor; sire, Fantone de Klemanor; dam, Ch. Busher de Klemanor. Owner, Walter B. Kleeman; Springfield, Ohio.

Second — Holman's Yankee Traveler; sire, Tudor du Roc Hellou; dam, Bob's Star. Owner, D. F. Olund; Skokie, Ill.

Third — Palomar de Boswell; sire, Bourbon II; dam, Valley Brit Fan. Owner, Robert E. Boswell, Dayton, Ohio.

Fourth — Rocky of Chippewa. Sire, Chip-pewa Flash; dam, Duchess of Troy. Owner, Lloyd De Money, Troy, Kansas.

Judges—Coy N. Conwell and L. D. LaFleur.

AMATEUR ALL AGE

First — Butch's Ace; sire, Butch's Lad; dam, Cedar Lake Britsie. Owner, E. D. Waterman, Marshalltown, Iowa.

Second — Meadowink Buzz; sire, Ayone Jinx; dam, Molly. Owner, William P. Yant, Murraysville, Pa.

Third — Buttons and Bows. Sire Ko of Dannse; dam, Bill Patnioc. Owner, George W. Wilson, Flint, Mich.

Fourth — Curt's Fanche Rip. Sire, Lloyd's Fanche Spot; dam, Bill's Birchwood Patches. Owner, R. Curt Davis, Monticello, Indiana.

Judges: Coy N. Conwell and Howard P. Clements.

OPEN ALL AGE

First — Curt's Fanche Rip. Sire, Lloyd's Fanche Spot; dam, Bill's Birchwood Patches. Owner, R. Curt Davis, Monticello, Ind.

Second — Meadowink Buzz. Sire, Ayone Jinx; dam, Molly. Owner, William P. Yant, RD No. 1, Murraysville, Pa.

Third — Butch's Lad. Sire, Rich's Ace Hi; dam, Susie Q. Owner, E. D. Waterman, Marshalltown, Iowa.

Fourth — Bing de Polka. Sire, Rem of Aotrou; dam, Happy's Ann d'Andre. Owner, L. H. Schultz, South Bend, Ind.

Judges: Howard P. Clements and L. D. LaFleur.

BRITTANY SPANIEL STANDARD

The Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club at its meeting on Nov. 18, 1952, approved the following changes in standard for Spaniels (Brittany) as submitted by the American Brittany Club, Inc.:

The Disqualification paragraph in the present standard to be deleted and the following substituted in its place:

DISQUALIFICATIONS — Any Brittany Spaniel measuring under seventeen and one-half inches or over twenty and one-half inches shall be disqualified from bench show competition. Any black in the coat or a nose so dark in color as to ap-

pear black shall disqualify. A tail substantially more than four inches in length shall disqualify.

The paragraph on Nose in the present standard to be deleted and the following substituted in its place:

NOSE — Nostrils well open to permit deep breathing 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 black nose is a disqualification. A two-tone or "butterfly" nose should be severely penalized.

The paragraph on Nasal Membranes in the present standard to be deleted.

The paragraph on Eyes in the present standard to be deleted and the following substituted in its place:

EYES — Well set in head. Well protected from briars by a heavy, expressive eyebrow. A prominent, full or pop eye should be heavily penalized. It is a serious fault in a hunting dog that must face briars. Skull well chiseled under the eyes, so that the lower lid is not pulled back to form a packet or haw for catching seeds, dirt and weed dust. Judges should check by forcing head down to see if lid falls away from the eye. Preference should be for darker colored eyes, though lighter shades of amber should not be penalized. Light and mean-looking eyes to be heavily penalized.

MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB DEC. 2, 1952

The organization meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Brittany Club was held at 8:00 Tuesday evening, Dec. 2, 1952, at the Crab Orchard Motel, Carbondale, Illinois. First Vice-president John W. Lee, presided.

Regularly elected directors and representatives of the various regional clubs present were:

J. H. Williams, Old Dominion; Louis E. Tippet, Pacific Northwest; Paul Dawson, Michigan; Mike Burnham, Midwest; Howard Clements, Illinois; Hugo Blas-

berg, North Jersey; Andrew Foster, Southern New England; John W. Lee, Hoosier; Dr. Thomas Talbott, Ohio; E. W. Averill and Walter B. Kleeman, At Large.

The tremendous interest of all of the members attending the national events was shown by the wonderful attendance at this meeting. More than 160 members at large attended and participated in the discussions. In fact, the Motel was so crowded, there was standing room only.

E. C. Staunton, chairman of the Election Committee, reported the results of the national election and announced that Walter B. Kleeman and Alan R. Stuyvesant were elected as directors to serve three years as directors at large.

A terse report of the treasury was given by Mr. E. W. Averill, showing the American Brittany Club had a cash balance of \$2,780.00. A detailed treasurer's report is included with these minutes.

Mr. John W. Lee gave a very interesting report on the futurity for 1952, giving the details and showing that this particular futurity event had a gross income of \$2,108.64.

As this was an organization meeting, Mr. Curt Davis presented the following slate:

John W. Lee, president; Howard Clements, first vice-president; Coy Conwell, second vice-president; Louis E. Tippet, third vice-president; E. W. Averill, treasurer and AKC delegate, and Walter B. Kleeman, secretary.

And moved its adoption. Motion was seconded by E. C. Staunton. There being no other nominations, Mr. Davis moved the entire slate be approved by acclamation. This was seconded by Mr. Staunton and unanimously carried.

Mr. Lee then appointed the nominating committee for 1953, consisting of Herbert Farnsworth, chairman; D. F. Olund and E. C. Staunton.

Mr. Hugo Blasberg was named chairman of the publicity and magazine committee and he made a very strong appeal to the members for better support in getting in all the articles for publication as

promptly as possible. Mr. Blasberg also requested pictures and complete details with all articles sent in. The magazine committee is very anxious to continue this service to the members, but must have the assistance of all the members of the club to make it the success it should be. The only possibility of increasing the number of publications will be to furnish this material as promptly as possible so that Mr. Blasberg can organize it into its proper use.

E. C. Staunton reported on the progress and prospects for the 1953 Futurity and presented blanks for nominations in the 1954 Futurity.

Mr. J. H. Williams of the Old Dominion Club covered the program for the field trial which this club is holding at Pinehurst, North Carolina, consisting of four stakes to be run on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, 1953. A hearty invitation was extended to all the members to attend and enter their dogs, this being the first field trial to be held by this club on which championship points can be awarded, and the advantage of running the dogs over continuous courses was stressed. It is hoped that it will become an annual feature.

Mr. Averill reported on the progress of the acceptance of the new Standard by the American Kennel Club, which became effective in the month of December. President Lee appointed E. W. Averill and Walter B. Kleeman to represent the American Brittany Club in the revision of the field trial rules to include desirable features of the new Standard.

A resolution was passed by the board empowering the secretary to arrange schedules for field trial and show dates, both for spring and fall, which would be most advantageous to the clubs holding these events, and organized into circuits to enable these clubs to obtain the maximum number of entries.

Mr. Roy Beardsley, A.K.C. representative, being present, was most complimentary on the progress of the American Brittany Club, also on his relations with the club, acting as he does as liaison representative through the secretary of the

American Brittany Club. He stated that no organization gives him greater cooperation or is more willing to work with the American Kennel Club.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

WALTER B. KLEEMAN,
Secretary.

OLD DOMINION BRITTANY SANCTIONED TRIAL

The second Sanctioned Field Trial of the old Dominion Brittany Club was held on November 2, 1952, at the Graves Mill Farms on the outskirts of Lynchburg, Virginia. We were most fortunate in obtaining this field trial site as it was ideal Brittany country, with a break-away along a hedge row where a big running Brittany could really stretch his legs. The course was so laid out that it encompassed the area in which the gallery was located and rarely did a brace of dogs disappear from the spectators view. The bird field was in a bottom below the breakaway point and extended over a ridge toward a wooded area. As a result of the ideal visibility that existed for the gallery, there was a constant murmuring of "oos and ahs and look at that's".

The judicial requirements could not have been more capably handled than they were under the experienced judging of Mr. Carl Hopkins and Mr. Lloyd Howard, both of Lynchburg. These gentlemen have been running and judging fine bird dogs for many, many years and they have a reputation of knowing a class dog when they see one. This was their first experience with an all Brittany trial and we felt that they were most impressed with the hard hunting little fellows.

Although severe drought conditions had existed in this area for sometime and it was expected that scenting conditions would be everything but favorable, the weather did its best to please us and there were very few dogs that went birdless.

In the Puppy Stake there were four entries, and since there were also four

ribbons, everyone won something. Marvin Bryant took first place with Smoky Mountain Paradise, a very nice moving pup. Marvin is one of the newest members of our club and this was his first trial. We were all very proud of his win.

Second place was awarded to Miss "B", handled by Miss Ann Bridges, daughter of Hugh Bridges, our club president.

Third place pup was Stud of Chowan handled by young Mr. Walter Eanes, Jr. Mr. Eanes has also recently been welcomed into our club.

Jet Fire, handled by Mrs. Frances J. Williams, took the runner up position. This little pup was just four months old and other than smelling around the judges horses, he didn't get very far from his handler.

In the Derby Stake, Juchoir's Gale, handled by your scribe and commonly called "Missie", walked off with top honors. She had a medium back course and a divided find with Darley's Jock, her brace mate, handled by Dick Darley, and incidentally the second place dog in the stake. Both dogs were steady until the bird flushed and as expected, they went with the bird. Missie had hardly started off with this bird when she flash-pointed another. The second bird got up almost in her face and she hesitated a second as if to decide which of the two birds to chase, finally deciding on the latter.

Third place honors in the Derby Stake went to Binky of Longvue owned by Hank McWane and handled by Duncan Smith. Runner up position was awarded Juchoir's Poppy, owned and handled by Fisher Darley. Fella, as he is called by his owner, is quite a personable little Brittany and he put on quite a show for everyone in the Open All Age but more about that anon.

The highlight of the day was the Open All Age Stake. Although we are a new club and there were only amateur handlers present, the enthusiasm of both the dogs and handlers overshadowed any inexperience that might have existed. Even though Fella, handled by Fisher Darley, did not place in this stake, he put on quite a show for both the judges and gallery. Upon entering the bird field point was

called by the handler of his brace mate. For some reason everyone's attention, including Fella's handler, was focused on the dog on point, and Fella, sizing up the situation, decided it was a good time for him to lay down in the cool grass that bordered the bird field, and catch his breath. He did this in a most dignified manner and seemed to be thoroughly enjoying himself until he heard the laughter from the gallery. As the sound of laughing voices reached his ears, he became most indignant and sat back on his haunches and glared at the spectators as if to say, "Maybe you think I can't find a bird". He then proceeded to cut the bird field to pieces and almost immediately flash-pointed a bird. He went with it at the flush and both he and the bird disappeared in a cloud of dust over the crest of the bird field, with the handler and the judges not too far behind. Fella is a mighty classy looking Britt, and with a little more experience he should attract any judge's attention.

Binky of Longvue, handled by Duncan Smith was second place dog because of his consistent back course race and one well handled find in the bird field. Upon occasion, several of us have hunted with this dog and he has given all indications of being a bird finding trick.

We were all most pleased that High's Rusty Sue, owned by our club president, Hugh Bridges, was among the winners in this stake. Hugh was the first Lynchburger to own a Brittany and his enthusiasm for the breed was partly responsible for the many Brittany owners around these parts today.

Sir Britt, owned by Ed Clark of Alta-vista, Virginia, was named runner up. Ed has a new slant on exercising his Brittany in that he takes him with him whenever he plays a round of golf. Guess Ed figures if he ever shoots a birdie, he wants Sir Britt to be there.

Since this trial fills our requirements with the American Kennel Club for a license, we are all most enthusiastically looking forward to our first point trial, and a visitation from all the fine Brittany folk throughout the country.

JAMES H. WILLIAMS,

PACIFIC NORTHWEST TRIAL

By EVERETT G. METZER

The first AKC licensed field trial of the Pacific Northwest Regional was held at Ellensburg, Washington on September 20-21. Brittany Spaniels from Idaho, California, Oregon, and Washington competed in three stakes for top honors. The courses were laid out over the Ellensburg Airport grounds and the vicinity just northwest of the city. The cover was ideal for good running and yet heavy enough to hold the birds from moving. The weather was unusually hot and dry with the temperature around 93 degrees.

The trial under the direction of chairman, Louis E. Tippet, was excellently managed. Assisted by Everett Metzger, the secretary, and members of the committee, Mr. Tippet kept the trial in high gear and on schedule throughout the two day meet. The officers of the Club headed by Ray Oliver, President, were always in attendance and ready to assist when needed. Headquarters was made at the Antlers Hotel where a banquet was held Saturday evening. Fifty enthusiastic Brittany fans gathered to dine on the famous Ellensburg Beef and to view the sound picture "The Sedgefield Story".

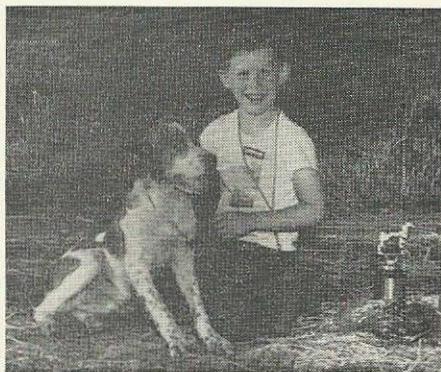
In attendance at the trial was Dr. and Mrs. Sullivan of Berkeley, California, Howard Allen of the Tip-Top Kennels of Arbuckle, California, and Clark Fisk of Idaho.

The judging was in the capable hands of Bill Lonergan and Pete Bridewell of Tacoma, and Frank Huff of Seattle. Mr. Lonergan and Mr. Bridewell worked the Puppy and Derby Stakes on Saturday and the All-Age was run under the experienced eyes of Frank Huff and Pete Bridewell on Sunday. All three of the judges are well known in the Pacific Northwest and have a world of experience in selecting class bird dogs in field trials. Their decisions were unquestioned and well received.

Lunch was served free to the large gallery each day at noon by Edith Tippet assisted by Mrs. Marie Lonergan, Mrs. Helen Dauphin, Mrs. Marjorie Lyons, Mrs. Kenneth Matzen, Mrs. Roy Neigh-

bor, and Mrs. Grace Metzger. The Clubhouse of the Kittitas Field and Stream Club was utilized for this occasion.

The Puppy Stake got away at 8:30 A. M. Saturday morning under a bright sun that soon had everyone in their shirt-sleeves. Mark's Little Jock, owned and handled by Mark L. Shoemaker of Kirkland, Washington was the outstanding Puppy with a big ground heat and one



Youngest Brittany handler in America, Mark L. Shoemaker, age five and one-half years, with Mark's Little Jock.

find. Jock's handler, five and one-half year old son of professional trainer Dick Shoemaker, proved to be a chip of the old block as he guided his puppy to a first. Second place went to Prince Michael of Spanghven, owned and handled by Frank Johns of Seattle. Mike did not run as wide as the First Place Puppy, but ran hard and provided a nice ground pattern. He had one find which he flash pointed and chased. Jeanne De Fern-Croft was third and was handled by her owner, John Jarvis of Mercer Island, Washington. Jeanne started out good, but let down in the middle. She picked up towards the end when she entered Birdy Country. Dee's Amber Eyes and Lyon's Rex The Second were the other starters. Both are very young dogs and showed lots of promise.

The Derby Stake was started immediately after the Puppy Stake finished. First went to Bimbo II, handled by Kenneth Matzen and owned by Roy Neighbor of Seattle. Bimbo had four finds of pheasant which he handled with

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1st — Open All-Age 1st — Open Puppy Stake
3rd — Open All-Age 3rd — Open Puppy Stake
4th — Open All-Age

Jacque de Ferncroft, owned by John Jarvis, placed first in an all-breed trial. Further proof of Richard C. Shoemaker's training:

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1st — Open All-Age 1st — Derby Stake
2nd — Open All-Age 3rd — Derby Stake

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1st — Open All-Age 1st — Amateur All-Age
3rd — Open All-Age 3rd — Amateur All-Age

Washington Regional German Shorthaired Trial

2nd — Open All-Age 2nd — Open Derby Stake
4th — Open All-Age 3rd — Open Derby Stake

1ST — OPEN PUPPY STAKE

It will interest you to know most of these wins were made with the owners handling their own dogs. Mrs. Frances Larson won two first places in two starts in the Weimaraner Trials. With this proof of my training, I would also like you to know all my kennels have cement runs with cyclone fencing, ultra-violet control and infra-red heat and complete modern facilities. Shoemaker's Ranch Kennels has 20 spacious acres with a pond for water retrieving, and also has horses for road work and prairie training. I place emphasis on class, style and ability in my training.

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the manners of an All-Age. He ran a wide consistent ground race and punched hard all the way. He was as wide as the course and hit the birdy cover like a veteran, needing little or no direction from his handler. The second place dog was Gallineaceous Sue and was handled by her owner, Howard Allen of the Tip-Top Kennels of Arbuckle, California. Sue is a pleasing little bitch and had two finds and a stop to flush on pheasant and laid down a good hard ground race. She pointed with nice style and her manners were perfect at flush and shot. Kullakulla Komax handled by his owner Jim Lyon of Tacoma was third. Komax placed on his Ground Heat, plus plus One Find and a Stop to Flush. Other starters were Jeanne De Ferncroft, Michael of El Monte, and Christine Christy.

The open All-Age Stake was run Sunday and started promptly at 7:00 A. M. The gallery was surprisingly large for such an early hour. Many were out to watch the dogs drawn in the earlier braces as it was expected that the winner would come from one of them. The hot dry weather took its toll of some of the dogs, but surprisingly few faded altogether. Every dog in this stake had an opportunity for bird work despite the temperature which rose to 93 degrees. Twenty-two Brittany's were put down in this stake and represented the best on the Pacific Coast.

First went to Apple Hill Jacques,



ALL AGE WINNERS

Apple Hill Jacques, Baldy of Paradise, Dr. Lasher's Derby and Jacques of Ferncroft.

owned and handled by Dr. Glen Hilmer of Seattle. Jock had five finds on pheasant and one on a covey of huns. He displayed perfect manners and pointed with pleasing style and gave evidence of an excellent nose as he ran in the very hottest part of the day. Jock was extremely wide and hit the Birdy Cover with a slam bang style that took the eyes of the judges.

J. W. "Dude" Vaughn, of Yakima, handled Clint Wright's Baldy of Paradise to second place. Baldy laid down a better ground pattern than the first place winner, but was not as wide. He had four finds on pheasant which he handled with good manners. Baldy is an easy dog to follow in the field as he has very little orange in his coat and he runs and points with nice style.

Dr. Lasher's Derby won third and was handled by Dick Shoemaker of Kirkland. Derb is owned by Dr. Lasher of Bremer-ton and is a nice free-wheeling Brittany. He had two finds on pheasant and a stop to flush. He was also credited with a back of his bracemate's point. His ground work was good as he hit every bit of cover on the course.

Jacques of Ferncroft was fourth and was handled by his owner John Jarvis. Jacques had one nice find on what proved to be a "covey" of pheasants. Pointing in a low swale his handler flushed some dozen pheasants out over his head without causing him to break. Jacques ground race was very good and he paced himself very well finishing strong over a very difficult course.

Ashurst Jerry provided the gallery with a big thrill when he hit an old pheasant rooster at full speed and slammed into a beautiful point shortly after the breakaway in the ninth brace. His handler was hard put to produce, but after four or five minutes of kicking and thrashing around in the high grass the old timer who had decided to lay tight was flushed. Through all the commotion Jerry stood like a rock and maintained a rigid point and did not relax until after flush and shot.

Brit of Blasy Bas owned by Dr. Sullivan of Berkeley looked like a potential



OPEN ALL AGE
Apple Hill Jacques

winner until he hit a running jack rabbit. Brit is a very stylish dog and his nice way of hitting the birdy cover caused much comment among the gallery.

Other starters were: Judith of Ferncroft, Suzanne de Carnac, Bob-O de Bluen Brug, Nugget Marlana Anaconda, Ionaergan's Rev, Dauphin's Kim, Bimbo II, Melrene's Lady Rusty, Gallineaceon's Gal, Lady Cub Lyon, Antoneite de Carnac, Jotek III, Nancy A, of Loufel, Evergray's Tic-Toe Bobby, Faisan de Klemman, and Reynell's Allamuchy Mike.

RIDE IN CAR TRUNK DANGEROUS FOR DOG

Think twice before you put your dog in the trunk compartment of your car when traveling, warns Harry Miller, director of the Gaines Dog Research Center, New York.

Dogs are extremely susceptible to the poisonous effects of carbon monoxide, a gas produced in quantity by motor car engines and sucked into the rear com-

partment from the exhaust pipe, he states.

If you must carry your dog in the trunk compartment be sure to guard against the risk of poisoning or death by carbon monoxide by installing some device to provide for proper ventilation, Mr. Miller adds. One way to ventilate the trunk in passenger cars is to make a fairly large opening in the deck between the back of the rear seat and the rear window. The opening can be covered with wire mesh. This type of "ventilator" doesn't spoil the appearance of the car and allows air from the car's open windows to flow back into the trunk. Another way is to make an extension of the exhaust pipe with flexible hose, run it upward (never downward) against the car's body so that the exhaust gases are carried off well above the dog's nose. Rubber suction clamps will hold the extension pipe in place and it can be attached and removed at will.

On the other hand, don't make the mistake of carrying your dog in an open-backed crate fitted under the lifted lid of the trunk compartment so he will get "plenty of air" — a practice often followed by hunters. In such cases your dog is exposed to too much cold air and possible draft. Although death may not be the immediate result of the drafts of cold air, there's a strong chance that he may get pneumonia or rheumatism or stiffened joints, especially if he is wet, overheated and tired from the hard exercise of hunting, according to Mr. Miller.

Dr. Thomas J. Jones, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Georgia, in his paper "Principles of Rearing Healthy Puppies", brought out that probably the greatest error committed in raising puppies is waiting too long before offering the puppies supplementary feeding. If the mother of the pups is allowed to nurse the puppies for a period of five to six weeks without help from the owner, especially in cases of large litters, the pups, and the mother as well, surely suffer. Puppies should be offered supplementary feed at three weeks of age to start them towards the weaning period, he stated.

OHIO CLUB TRIAL AND BENCH SHOW

The Ohio Brittany Club held one of its most successful field trials and Specialty shows at Mansfield, Ohio, on November 7-8-9.

The weather was ideal for running bird dogs. Cloudy, chilly and a frost on the ground. Never too warm for heavy clothing, yet not down to freezing at any time. Sixty-three Brittany spaniels from all sections of the country were entered in the field trials, and twenty in the show.

The grounds were located on "Mud Gardner's Karoy Farms", about seven miles northeast of Mansfield. The course broke-away toward a small hill of standing corn stalks, bounded by hedge-rows, and continued into a swale and sparsely wooded areas at the extreme end, where the dogs were turned and headed directly back toward the gallery through a half mile field of clover.

This clover field made the most wonderful bird field anyone has ever seen. Two pheasants were released for each brace in this half-mile area. There was no staked off bird field. No marking where the birds were placed. The dogs had to go out and find them, and find them they did, almost without exception.

There were many objectives on the back course to draw the dogs out and it became increasingly evident that a great deal of fine ground coverage was going to be seen. It was practically standard to find merit in each brace. But in the bird area they really shone. Their intelligence in seeking, faculty of finding, and in almost every case, handling the released pheasants, was most remarkable and thrilling to watch.

Judges for the puppy stake which was run off on Friday afternoon were B. S. (Timmy) Millar of Ashville, Ohio and W. Logan Case of Ravenna, Ohio. Bill Crooks of Kenton, Ohio, and Logan Case officiated in the judicial saddles for the open all age on Saturday morning. It was Bill Crooks and Timmy Millar and Case repeating in the amateur all age on Sunday afternoon. All the arbiters are well

known as judges of fine bird dogs and have had considerable experience in selecting winners in important stakes all over the country. They gave their utmost attention to the contestants and their keen observations and careful deductions rated the highest regard.

Nanette du Boise scored a double victory by winning the open all age on Saturday, then repeating the win in the amateur all age on Sunday. Nan was handled by her owner, Richard D. Wood of Dearborn, Michigan, an amateur, who also trained and bred the dog. She won the open all age with a very good back course effort in which she was hitting all the right spots, plus two bang-up finds. Her second find was a smashing point in the bird field in which her brace mate ran in and flushed the bird before either handler could reach the spot. Nan's manners were perfection all the way through and under most trying conditions. The next day she proved it was no fluke by defeating many of the same dogs in the amateur all age stake.

Second in the open all age went to Buck de Bretagne, who ran a splendid ground race, but his handler failed to produce a bird on the first called point. On the second find, Buck had the bird well located and was steady and lofty, but handler may have indicated a lack of confidence in dog by grabbing him immediately as shot was fired.

Third was taken by Meadowink Buzz, who was braced with the second place dog. Buzz was as fast and wide as his brace mate, but didn't hunt quite as hard. He had one good find and a back in the bird field.

Belloaks Ezra, the fourth place winner, had perhaps the best back course effort of the four placed dogs, but marred by an unproductive, a slight chase, then two perfectly handled finds.

Derby was won by Palomar de Boswell with a good consistent back course in which he covered all the birdy spots. His efforts were rewarded with three back course finds and two in the bird field.

Rocky of Chippewa, who was second, may have been faster and wider, but not as consistent. He too, had three nicely

handled finds.

Mandy of Edough, who placed third and Miste de Klemanor, the fourth place winner, both ran excellent heats and each came up with a good find.

Puppy winner was Hero's Master Spot. He ran an excellent ground race and had two good puppy finds. His inexperienced mistress did a swell job of handling, but Hero did most of it on his own.

The other puppy placements were close, with Joie of Hunterhaven having a definite edge for second.

In the Amateur Handler's All Age, Nanette du Boise, as mentioned above, was the winner. She ran a good searching heat and had a perfectly handled find and backed her brace mate on one unproductive point.

Second went to Dual Ch. Pontiac's Dingo. He ran about the same back course heat as the winner, but had an unproductive point and moved a few steps at flush on the next find.

Ronile Avant Courier, who took third, was the biggest running and hardest hunting dog in the stake, but only had a stop to flush on the back course. He came up with his bird field find just a few minutes after the judges' called time.

Fourth, went to Domino de Klemanor. He too had a big back course, but like the third place winner, only had a stop to flush.

SUMMARY

Open All-age Stake — 21 entries.
Judges: Bill Crooks and Logan Case.

1. Nanette du Boise. By Bench Champion Toffee Idoc de Basgard—Penny Avec Moi. R. D. Wood, Dearborn, Michigan, handler and owner.
2. Buck de Bretagne. By Bench Champion Buck of Chippewa — Field and Bench Ch. Angelique de Bretagne. L. L. Tice, Cincinnati, Ohio, handler and owner.
3. Meadowink Buzz. By Avono Jinx—Molly Dr. W. P. Yant, Murrysville, Pa., owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.
4. Belloaks Ezra. By Field and Bench Ch. Avono Hapte — Sue of Loufel. James B. Bell, Palm Beach, Fla., owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.

Open Derby Stake — 23 Entries

Judges: Bill Crooks and B. S. Millar.
Palomar de Boswell. By Bourbon II—Valley Britt Fan, Dr. Robert Boswell, Dayton, Ohio owner. Bill Kull, handler.

2. Rocky of Chippewa. By Chippewa

Flash — Duchess of Troy. Lloyd de Money, Troy, Kansas, owner. Jane Thompson, handler.

3. Mandy of Edough. By Hello-Hunter—Robert Buick, Chicago, Illinois, owner. Lee Holman, handler.

4. Miste de Klemanor. By Fantone de Klemanor — Bench Ch. Busher de Klemanor. Walter B. Kleeman, Springfield, Ohio, owner. Thomas W. Cox, handler.

Open Puppy Stake — 6 Entries
Judges: Logan Case and B. S. Millar.

1. Hero's Master Spot. By Pontac's Hero — Nankay Mitzie. Dr. Harry E. Lee, Detroit, Michigan, owner. Hilda Lee, handler.

2. Joie of Hunterhaven. By Field & Bench Ch. Pontac's Dingo—Brittina of Huntmore. McManus, owner. Jane Thompson, handler.

3. Spanghaven Ike-A-Dermus. By Spanghaven Skyline—Spanghaven Queenie. Rober M. Spangler, Massillon, Ohio, owner and handler.

4. Windy. By Rem of Aotrou—Happy's Ann d'Andre. Dr. George S. Westfall, Goshen, Indiana, owner. Bill Kull, handler.

Amateur Handler's All-Age
Stake — 12 Entries

Judges: B. S. Millar and Logan Case.

1. Nanette du Boise. By Bench Champion Toffee Idoc de Basgard—Penny Avec Moi. R. D. Wood, Dearborn, Michigan, handler and owner.

2. Field & Bench Ch. Pontac's Dingo. By Bench Ch. Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel—Allamuchy Sue. H. H. Crippen, Dearborn, Michigan, owner and handler.

3. Ronile Avant Courier. By Field & Bench Ch. Avono Happy — Ronile Avono Moonray. Jerome N. Halle, Cleveland, Ohio, owner and handler.

4. Domino de Klemanor. By Foo MacEochaidh—Pamalie of Aotrou. Walter B. Kleeman, Springfield, Ohio, owner and handler.

Jerome N. Halle of Cleveland, Ohio, well known show judge and ardent field trial enthusiast, judged the specialty show and gave the nod to Bonnie Kay's Lady, owned by Kenneth Holemo of Detroit, Michigan, for Best of Breed, and to Walter Kleeman's "Ch. Buccaneer de Kleemanor" of Springfield, Ohio for Best of Opposite Sex. Winners male was Avono Corky, owned by Charles Morse of Cleveland, who completed his championship at this show. Reserve male was Tigre de Klemanor, also owned by Kleeman. Winners bitch was Bonnie Kay's Lady mentioned above. Reserve bitch went to Suzanne de MacEochaidh, owned by Dr. David R. Scott of Hamilton, Ohio.

Headquarters was the Mansfield-Leland Hotel, where the Brittany Specialty Show followed an excellent banquet

provided by Joe Wright and his hotel staff on Saturday evening.

Class winners were as follows:
Puppy, Dogs, 9 months
and under 12 months

1. Avono Bosbon. By Bobbie of Marvan—Chippewa Avono Tess. James C. Tallmadge, Jr., breeder and owner.

Novice, Dogs

1. Avono Valfont Marty. By Field and Bench Ch. Avono Happy—Pierrette de Fontaine Valle. Breeder, Alice Clough. Avono Kennels, owner.

Bred by Exhibitor, Dogs

1. Gold Flash Vert. By Kaer de Klemanor—Polly of Marvan. H. H. Green, breeder and owner.

American-bred, Dogs

1. Buc LeRoux Donnoven. By Gar-Rouz—Paw Paw Dasher. Breeder, Dorothy Benjamin. Mima J. Millar, owner.
2. Rocailleux de Klemanor. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor—Int. Ch. Wand de l'Argoat. Breeder, Walter B. Kleeman. E. W. Averill, owner.

OPEN, DOGS

1. Avono Corky. By Field & Show Ch. Avono Happy—Ch. Fun Galore Louella. Breeder, John Adasek. Charles W. Morse, owner.
2. Tigre de Klemanor. By Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor—Ch. Wanda de l'Argoat. Walter B. Kleeman, breeder and owner.
3. Britt Aifield Happy. By Field & Show Ch. Avono Happy—Ch. Fun Galore

Louella. John Adasek, breeder and owner.

4. Reed's Beau Brummel. By Mack of BelleBrit—Reed's Petite Fille. Breeder, Harold Reed. Dr. John Schuckert, owner.

Winners Male — Avono Corky

Reserve — Tigre de Klemanor

AMERICAN-BRED BITCHES

1. Candide De Rallim. By Ch. Duffy of BelleBrit—Judy of Bellebrit II. Breeder, Paul Woder. George E. Millar, owner.
2. Bomberett. By Nipper — Suzanne de MacEochaidh. Dr. David Scott, breeder and owner.

OPEN, BITCHES

1. Bonnie Kay's Lady. By Ch. Bonnie Kay's Ricki — Bonnie Kay's Judee. Kenneth Holemo, breeder and owner.
2. Suzanne de MacEochaidh. By Iota MacEochaidh — Mathurine du Nord. Breeder, C. L. Armour. Dr. David R. Scott, owner.
3. Belloaks Ginger. By Ch. Buck of Chippewa—Ch. Jule of Loufel. Breeder, L. H. Ufford. Mrs. James B. Bell, Jr., owner.
4. Holley Haven Duchess. By Aotrou's Pepin—Holley Haven Bonnie. Henry A. Holleyoak, breeder and owner.
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success or failure depends almost entirely upon those who are put in charge of the many details. Too much cannot be said in praise of those who helped along this successful achievement in having everything run smoothly and according to Hoyle. Jack Whitworth should perhaps be mentioned first in this respect, as he undertook the task of Field Trial Secretary. George Millar and Mima Millar, Club President and Secretary, rate a lot of praise for their efforts, and as usual, behind the scenes handling a great part of the necessary chores were Vice-president, Harold Reed; Chuck Morse, Jim Tallmadge, Bob Spangler, Ernest Dickson and Walt Rawlings.

Last, but not least, the ladies of the club deserve a great deal of praise for the delightful luncheon they prepared both days for the noon-day meal. Too many were involved to mention them each separately, so we'll ask Mrs. Jean Whitworth, Mrs. Jenny Morse and Mrs. Mima Millar, who were put in charge to pass along our appreciation to those who helped. And our most sincere thanks to Mud Gardner for the use of his summer home for the preparing and serving of this food.

PENNSYLVANIA TRIAL

On Oct. 25 and 26th the Pennsylvania Regional Brittany Club sponsored their annual fall trial on the Pittsburgh Butler Airport grounds.

This airport, Graham Field, is owned by Mr. J. B. Graham who is an ardent sportman with many years of experience in the pointing breeds. The airport is surrounded by a vast area of farm land which is cultivated for the sole purpose of controlling vegetation and this acreage is placed at the disposal of the Brittany Club for their trials through the courtesy of Mr. Graham and Mr. Shoulter, the manager.

The course, circular in shape, was arranged with the breakaway on the North West quadrant and the entrance to the bird field on the north east. Within the

course and on the north boundry a large bird field of approximately 15 acres occupied a basin of excellent cover for releasing and retaining birds in abundance.

Handlers were enthusiastic in their praise of the course. It would be difficult to find more desirable grounds than were presented here.

The Nixon Hotel in Butler, Pa., served as Field Trial Headquarters. The drawing for all stakes was conducted here on Friday evening, Oct. 24 and excellent accommodations were available for the field trial party.

C. E. Shauck of Bethel, Pa. and Mr. R. C. Sutton of Pittsburgh, Pa., formed the judiciary. Mr. Earl Walker of Butler, Pa., advertised judge, was unable to fulfill the assignment due to official business and Mr. Shauck did a commendable job in substituting for him and along with Mr. Sutton did a very satisfactory job.

The weather was very dry, eventually closing the hunting season in Pennsylvania for the first nine days, however quite cold.

Seventy-eight dogs competed in the two-day event. Entrants from many states were present with distant states such as Florida, Oregon, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire and Virginia, being represented. A great many of the outstanding Brittanys of the U. S. were competing for honors.

The excellent entry attracted by this club is a recommendation for the Field Trial Committee. The number of braces handled over the two days is evidence of the efficiency and co-operation of judges, handlers and committee. Each day the trial was started promptly shortly after it was light enough to see the dogs in action.

All dogs were run on planted pheasants.

Officers of the club, Dr. William P. Yant, Clair Plaisted, A. E. Jones, Chauncey Carr, Elias E. Ritts and Eugene Caughey, who were all present and assisted in conducting the trial.

DERBY STAKE

An exceptional entry faced the judges in this event with 34 dogs competing.

Tennessee Zelda in the string of Bill Kull gained top honors in a closely contested stake, with a perfect derby perfor-



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DERBY WINNERS

Left to right, rear: Judges C. E. Shauck, R. C. Sutton. Bill Kull with Tennessee Zelda, T. Cox with Misty de Klemanor, G. Yant for Kull with Brovinber Clarest, J. Thompson with Albedo Valley Dingo.

mance on the course and a back on brace mate's find in the bird field, Zelda was wide and lofty in her search for game and probed all likely objectives with determination.

Misty De Klemanor, owned by Walter Kleeman, and handled by Tommy Cox pressed the winner with a diligent performance and one flash point with a lusty chase in the bird field.

Third place went to Brovinber Clarest, a kennelmate to the first place dog. Clarest displayed good range and application. He was credited with one well located find, handled in typical derby fashion.

Albedo Valley Dingo, handled by Jane Thompson, received fourth award with a good race marred somewhat by inconsistent application, one undefined contact with game on course and one well handled find in bird field.

Chestnut Guy, handled by Bucky Bissell, delivered an outstanding performance in the early part of his race and was making a strong bid for a place. He closed somewhat in the final quarter but pressed the winners closely.

DERBY SUMMARY

34 BRITTANY'S

One Course

Judges R. C. Sutton and C. E. Shauck

First — Tennessee Zelda, by Tennessee Buchner vs. Whitey of Paradise. Owner, S. Allen Truex, Jackson, Tenn.; handler, Bill Kull. Second — Misty de Klemanor, by Fantone de Klemanor ex. Ch. Busher de Klemanor. Owner, Walter Kleeman, Springfield, O.; handler, T. Cox. Third — Brovinber Clarest by Fantone de Klemanor ex. Ch. Busher de Klemanor; owned, Mr. Adelaide Burgwin, Pgh., Pa.; handler, Bill Kull. Fourth — Albedo Valley Dingo by Pontac's Dingo ex Rousse de Raou; owner, Russ Hosmer, Pontiac, Mich.; handler, Mrs. J. Thompson.

AMATEUR HANDLERS STAKE

Juchoir's Martin, owned and handled by James Williams of Lynchburg Va., set the pattern for this stake with an excellent performance from start to finish. At the end of the breakaway Martin was found on a lofty point in orchard. At flush and shot his manners were perfect. Sent on, Martin reached to all objectives and completed his casts in appealing manner. At the three-quarter point Martin whirled into a rigid stance at the edge of corn where two pheasants were precisely located. Again his manners were faultless as the birds were flushed and shot fired.

Helgramite Howie d'Acajou, owned and handled by W. E. Stevenson of Stamford, Conn., was awarded second with a highly acceptable ground heat, two well located and well handled finds and a third find on which he was slightly unsteady.

Third went to Bonair Doc. owned by William P. Yant, and handled by his daughter, Susan Yant. Buzz's ground heat was of high quality. He covered the course in a workmanlike manner and fairly cut the bird field to shreds but failed to connect.

AMATEUR HANDLER

12 BRITTANY'S

One Course

Judges R. C. Sutton and C. E. Shauck

First — Juchoir's Martin by Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee ex Joyeux Jakqueline. Owner and handler, James H. Williams, Lynchburg, Va. Second—Helgramite Howie d'Acajou by Chief of Chippewa, ex Lexington J. Mahogany. Owner and handler, W. E. Stevenson, Stamford, Conn. Third—Bonair

Dec by Bonair Bob, ex Frecklez. Owner, Dr. William P. Yant, Murrysville, Pa.; handler, Miss G. Yant. Fourth — Meadowink Buzz by Avono Jinx, ex Molly. Owner, Dr. William P. Yant, Murrysville; handler, Miss G. Yant.



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AMATEUR HANDLERS STAKE

Left to right: Judges R. C. Sutton, C. E. Shauck. Handlers: J. Williams with Juchoir's Martin, J. Stevenson with Helgramite Howie d'Acajou, G. Yant with Bonair Doc, S. Yant with Meadowink Buzz.

ALL AGE STAKE

In the All Age event 22 dogs competed with 18 of them contacting game. The scenting conditions were difficult, caused by high and frequently changing winds, resulting in inaccurate location, unproductive points and indifferent bird work, considering the number of opportunities on game. The bird work generally was not of the positive clean cut caliber normally expected.

Juchoir's Martin repeated his ground working performance of the amateur stake and was credited with two lofty finds in the bird field. Martin's unerring nose went straight to his game when he pointed he was fairly on his toes, head high and manners perfect at wing and shot.

Bing de Polka handled by Bill Kull explored the limits of the course with wide extensive casts which were well executed. His ground work rated high but his single was poorly located in the bird field.

Third place went to Belloaks Ezra, in

the string of Tom Cox. Ezra was credited with a good consistent ground working performance and one well handled find on a running bird on which he was ordered to relocate.



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ALL AGE STAKE

Left to right, rear: Judges R. C. Sutton and C. E. Shauck. J. Williams with Juchoir's Martin, B. Kull with Bing de Polka, T. Cox with Belloaks, J. Stevenson with Helgramite Howie d'Acajou.

Helgramite Howie d'Acajou delivered a well patterned performance on the course. He was credited with one find at the back turn of course, one stop to flush but was charged with an unproductive in the bird field.

ALL AGE — 22 BRITTANY'S

One Course

Judges R. C. Sutton and C. E. Shauck

First — Juchoir's Martin by Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee ex Joyeux Jacqueline. Owner and handler, Jas. H. Williams, Lynchburg, Va.

Second — Bing de Polka, by Rem of Aotrou ex Happy's Ann d'Andre. Owner, L. H. Schultz, South Bend, Ind.; handler, Bill Kull.

Third — Belloaks Ezra, by Dual Ch. Avono Hapte, ex Sue of Loufel. Owner, Jas. B. Bell, Jr., Palm Beach, Fla.; handler, T. Cox.

Fourth — Helgramite Howie d'Acajou, by Chief of Chippewa ex Lexington J. Mahogany. Owner and handler, W. E. Stevenson, Stamford, Conn.

PUPPY STAKE

One Course

Judges R. C. Sutton and C. E. Shauck

Peg of Edough, handled by Lee Holman, won the puppy stake with a sparkling race which produced two finds, well

chased. Peg is attractively gated and merry in action. Her range is ample and her derby prospects bright.

Dian of Edough, a litter mate to the first place puppy, was a very close second. There was but little to choose between these puppies other than a slight difference in pattern and range.

Joie of Hunterhaven, handled by Jane Thompson was third with a good puppy performance, a flush and chase on back course.

Windy, owned by J. McMannus and in the string of Bill Kull delivered a good race with ample range and good style.

PUPPY STAKE—10 BRITTANYS

One Course

Judges R. C. Sutton and C. E. Shauck

First — Peg of Edough by D. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno ex Patsy of Edough. Owner, R. G. Buick, Mt. Prospect, Ill.; handler, Lee Holman.

Second — Dian of Edough by D. Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno, ex Patsy of Edough. Owner, Harry G. Crouch, Detroit, Mich.; handler, Lee Holman.

Third — Joie of Hunterhaven by Pontac's Dingo ex Brittany of Hunterhaven. Owner, J. McMannus, Huntington Woods, Mich.

Fourth — by Rem of Aotrou, ex Happy's Ann d'Andre. Owner, Dr. George S. Westfall, Goshen, Ind.; handler, Bill Kull.

HOOSIER CLUB TRIALS

Cheerfully chanting "rain before seven, clear before eleven", Hoosier Brittany enthusiasts gathered at Tippecance River State Park, Winamac, Indiana, Nov. 22, for their Third Fall Trial. Stoically they donned rain gear, welcoming the gentle rain from heaven, for it promised good scenting conditions after many months of drought.

The cold, unrelenting rain did not disperse at the magical hour of seven; it kept up all day long. Especially did it work a hardship on the judges. Water-soaked saddles soon began to ooze, and while handlers and spectators might complain of wet "feet", Bill Madden, Col. M. L. Davis, and Walter Buage suffered wet "seats". This trio of dauntless judges were joined on Sunday by Dr. R. L. Pavy, and their willingness to forego relief in order to complete a heavy schedule was

most appreciated. Sixty-six Brittans were under judgment in the two days of trials.

The hard-working President of the Hoosier Brittany Club, Curt Davis, with his field-trial-secretary wife, La Rue, were primary pushers of the trial. As refuge against wind and rain, there was a welcome tent atop the hillside. Chef Mike Ward and Mrs. Ward kept quantities of hot coffee ready inside the tent, as well as doughnuts and hot dogs for the hungry. Mike even obligingly "cooked" wet gloves above the stove.

Perry Beshoar, Willbur Ade, Gene Fowler and John Lee, all lent a hand to see that horses were ready, birds set out, etc.

Again Brittany folk took over all of the cabins at the "Cozy Motel", and we loved "Lucy's" for after-trial dinners and 6 a.m. breakfasts. Winamac's welcome was warm, and full of Hoosier hospitality.

PUPPY STAKE

The youngest set — the Puppies—were set down first in the chilling rain of Saturday, and Hero's Spot usurped the limelight. This young Brittany, owned by Dr. Harry Lee, Jane Thompson, handler, had a powerful running stride that carried him in lordly fashion to all the birdy objectives. In the bird field, with head held high and sniffing into the wind, he was an appealing, merry hunter. The quail used in this stake set tight, and only one puppy actually moved a bird. Diane of Edough, Joie of Hunterhaven, and Winchester of Actrou, all found favor in the eyes of the judges and were awarded placements among seven contenders.

OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

By nine o'clock the Puppy Stake was completed; and the All Age got underway. Pheasants were set out in the bird field for this stake, and some of the birds acted as water-soaked as the spectators, refusing to fly. Scent was restricted in the steady downpour, but despite the adverse conditions, there was plenty of nice bird work. The All Age Brits showed they were also all-weather dogs.

Belloaks Ezra, owned by James B. Bell of Palm Beach, Florida, and handled by

Tom Cox, by virtue of two stylish finds in the bird field, and a sparkling ground heat, was awarded top honors. Ezra swung into his points with an intensity of purpose that caught the eye. His manners at shot and wing were polished.

Pontac's Dingo, H. H. Crippen, owner, Jane Thompson, handler, was perfection itself on his two solid finds. On both he performed under extremely trying conditions. After Dingo first established point, his brace mate came in ahead and kept creeping up on the bird, finally nosing it out and chasing. Dingo remained staunch. Again on Dingo's second find, brace mate gave chase but Dingo was not to be budged.

Bing de Poka, piloted by Bill Kull, whose owner is L. H. Schultz of South Bend, Indiana, was placed third. Bing showed intelligent hunting, but somewhat restricted range. He found birds in the fencerow thicket just west of the bird field—then went on to be credited with two finds in the bird field. At flush on his first bird, Bing took one step, then held tight as bird went out.

Jeannette's Cookie, also owned by H. H. Crippen, Jane Thompson, handler, was a merry little hunter and showed manners on one solid find in the bird field.

Belloaks Mike was also credited with a find on which he displayed finished manners.

DERBY STAKE

As though to compensate for Saturday's rainy face, the weatherman turned a bright and beaming countenance on Sunday. Scenting conditions were well nigh perfect; the damp ground meant scent would cling, easily discernible in the clear rain-washed atmosphere. The only drawback was that definite paths had been carved by the horses traversing soaked fields, causing some dogs to hit the easy route on the back course. Quail were used exclusively for the running all day Sunday, and happily stayed in the vicinity of the bird field.

Tigre de Klemanor, handled by Tom Cox, whose owner is Walter Kleeman of Springfield, Ohio, put on a sterling per-

formance. He cast wide on the break-away and came zooming into the bird field far ahead of handlers and judges. At the far eastern edge he went down on point, leaning into it with much style. Handler called point, and then took several minutes to reach Tigre as he had to traverse the entire length of the bird field. Tigre held steady as a rock until the bird was flushed; then leaped high in the air and gave chase. It was the sort of tingling, electrifying action that spells top-notch Derby performance.

Meadowink Jerry, William P. Yant, owner, with Tom Cox, as handler, was awarded second place. Jerry covered the back course with dash and determination, and had two nice Derby finds in the bird field.

Holman's Yankee Traveller, owned by Dave Olund, Skokie, Illinois, and handled by Lee Holman, turned in an exhilarating performance. Traveler had a point about midway through the bird field. He hit the scent hard, a three-legged point. Brace mate came in ahead of Traveler, but he did not flinch till the bird was flushed, then joined in the chase. Later on in a sassafras clump Traveler pointed momentarily, then as quail winged, Traveler traveled too — in high gear — way out the southeastern-extremity of the bird field over the hill.

Palomar de Boswell, in the last brace of the stake was credited with two nice Derby finds.

Albedo Valley Dingo came close to being in the winners' column but fell short on breaking brace mate's point.

There were several Derbies whose overall performance was creditable, namely Tennessee Zeld, Leeway's Prince of Samoa, and Mandy of Edough.

AMATEUR ALL-AGE STAKE

Right after noon on Sunday, with quail whistling from the far corners of the birdfield and beginning to covey up, the Amateur All Age Stake got underway. Local Hoosier hunters whose Brits have found many a bob-white for their masters, look forward to this event with relish. So competitive has the Amateur Stake become that no owner has twice retained

the Coy Conwell rotating trophy. Once again a new name has been added - that of Rusty LaRue of Leeway, whose owner and handler is Dr. James A. Borders of Indianapolis, Ind. Rusty has gained quite a reputation for himself as "tops" in shooting dog trials in Indiana against pointers and setters, but this was his first win against a field of all Brittanys.

Rusty hunted hard all around the back-course and was rewarded with birds when he delved into a fence-row thicket at outer edge of birdfield. Rusty found and handled two singles, in masterful style.

Curt's Fanche Rip covered the back-course thoroughly, and at a pace that only long-legged Curt Davis, his owner and handler, could keep up with. Rip had a decisive point in the birdfield on which he was faultless.

George of Leeway, full brother to the first-place dog, Rusty LaRue of Leeway, owned and handled by John Lee of Indianapolis, likewise was credited with a find in the birdfield on which his manners were beyond reproach.

Belloaks Ezra, winner of the All-Age event the previous day, bounced out with Mrs. James B. Bell of Palm Beach, Florida, to try and duplicate his win. Running in the last brace of the afternoon, with quail coveys abundant, it was almost too much for Ezra to cope with. He had at least three finds, but his manners on game did not come up to the standards set by the winners.

It is somewhat of a record, we believe, that in this stake every dog put down, found quail, leaving little doubt in the minds of the gallery, that the reputation of the Brittany Spaniel as a top-notch bird dog is justified.

PUPPY STAKE

Judges: Bill Madden and Walter Buege—7 Brittanys.

First — Hero's Master Spot, male. Pontac's Hero, Nankay Mitsi. Owner, Dr. Harry E. Lee; handler, Jane Thompson.

Second — Diane of Edough, female. Dual Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno—Dual Ch. Patsy of Edough. Owner: Harry G. Crouch, handler, Lee Holman.

Third — Joie of Hunter Haven — male.

Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo — Brittany of Huntmore. Owner, McManus, handler, Jane Thompson.

Fourth — Winchester of Aotrou, male. Rem of Aotrou, Happy's Ann d'Andre. Owner: Dr. George S. Westfall, handler, Bill Kull.

OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

Judges: Walter Buege and M. L. Davis—21 Brittanys.

First—Belloaks Ezra, male. Dual Ch. Avono Hapte — Sue of Loufel. Owner: James B. Bell, handler: Tom Cox.

Second — Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo—Male, Ch. BasBleu's Sandy of Loufel—Allamuchy Sue. Owner: H. H. Crippen, handler, Jane Thompson.

Third — Bing de Poka — Male, Rem of



TIGRE de KLEMANOR

Derby Winner

Aotrou — Happy's Ann d'Andre. Owner, L. H. Schult ; handler, Bill Kull.

Fourth — Ch. Jeannette's Cookie—Female, Mickey—Cadillac Sue LaRue. Owner: H. H. Crippen; handler, Jane Thompson.

DERBY STAKE

Judges: M. L. Davis and Walter Buege—26 Brittanys.

First — Tigre de Klememor—Male. Ch. Buccaneer de Klememor—Ch. Wanda de l'Argoat. Owner: Walter B. Kleeman; handler, Tom Cox.

Second — Meadowink Jerry—Male. Dual Ch. Avono Hapte — Haymaker Molly. Owner: William P. Yant; handler, Tom Cox.

Third—Holman's Yankee Traveler—Male. Ch. Tudor du Roc Hellou — Bob Star. Owner: D. F. Olund, handler: Lee Holman.

Fourth — Palomar de Boswell—Female. Boubon II—Valley Brit Fan. Owner: Dr. Robert E. Boswell, handler, Bill Kull.

AMATEUR ALL AGE STAKE

Judges: R. L. Pavy and Bill Madden—12 Brittanys.

First—Rusty La Rue of Leeway—Male. Rouxidoc of Richmond—Cherie De Raou. Owner and handler: Dr. James A. Borders.

Second — Curt's Fanche Rip — Male. Lloyd's Fanche Spot — Bill's Birchwood Patches, Owner and handler: R. Curt Davis.

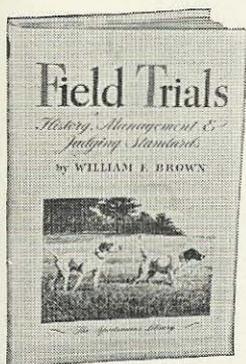
Third—Field Ch. George's of Leeway—Male. Rouxidoc of Richmond—Cherie De Raou. Owner and handler: John W. Lee.

Fourth—Belloaks Ezra—Male. Dual Ch. Avono Hapte—Sue of Loufel. Owner, James B. Bell; handler, Mrs. James B. Bell.

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