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2016 American Brittany Club National Championship November 27-30, 2016

J. Perry Mikles Blue Mountain Wildlife Demonstration Area near Booneville, Arkansas by Jessica Carlson





Left to Right: Raus & Carla Tracy, Tom Tracy Jr with Roustabout's Flat Out, Jerry McGee, Chad Holman with Black Creek Deacon, Judge Chris Weatherly, Tom Milam with Georgia's Texas Two Step Judge Chris Rider, Judy Graves, Ed Graves with Whizki's Sting, Jessica Carlson

In the summer of 2011, Jeff Hoskins, long-time Brittany breeder and competitor from Colorado, had an enviable dilemma on his hands. He had five young prospects from which to choose, and they were all showing great promise! Three of these youngsters were by Jeff's stud dog, FC/AFC Sniksoh Little Rascal, out of Allen Davis's AFC DeCan's Blazin' Bye, who was herself the product of a frozen semen breeding from NFC/FC Beans Blaze.

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Jeff had two males and a female from this breeding, and he called both of the boys Hank. The two Hanks were practically twins, both with full white bodies and orange markings only on their heads. By fall, it was decision time, and while all the pups were running, pointing, and showing great promise, Jeff had to choose. He finally picked one of the Hanks, and the other Hank went to Paul Rosevear, who gave him the name Roustabout's Flat Out. Paul also had a few young prospects, and it wasn't too much longer before his Hank, via trainer Tommy Tracy, wound up in the hands of successful amateur, Jerry McGee. Jerry finished Hank as a Field Champion just after he turned four years old, and they began to make themselves noticed on the circuit. In 2016 when Jerry's health would not allow him to ride as he would have liked, Tommy Tracy stepped in as Hank's handler. Under Tracy's whistle, Hank decisively won the American Brittany Club Quail Classic/Championship in October. At the end of the season, we made our annual migration to Booneville, Arkansas for the ABC National Field Championship. Jeff made his first trip out from Colorado, and Jerry watched with pride as Hank threw down a formidable performance in the first day's running. He clearly set the standard for the rest of the stake, and it was up to every contender thereafter to try to take the win away from him. That's how we like to see the National Championship won!!

We were blessed with good "bird dog" weather for most of this year's Nationals. Other than a thunderstorm delaying the running on Tuesday, most of the dogs enjoyed temperate



conditions favorable for finding birds; and so they did. Multiple coveys were found on all three courses, giving the dogs plenty of opportunities to demonstrate their abilities.

We cannot observe Championship performances without Championship quality grounds, and to that end we rely on those managing the area to allow us that opportunity. We are ever thankful to Red Bailey and Brad Wells for maintaining and cultivating the Blue Mountain WDA. The grounds were in as good a condition as many of us can remember seeing. Thoughtful cutting and grooming throughout all three courses allowed the dogs to navigate the land in as sensible a manner as they chose. Each course had open areas in which we could see whether dogs opted to open up and use the country when they had to reach farther to the objectives. The grounds are named for former Arkansas Game & Fish Commission director and longtime field trialer, J. Perry Mikles, who is largely responsible for our having the privilege of these beautiful grounds and excellent facilities on which to hold our National Championship.

No trial happens without a great deal of work behind the scenes and in the preceding months. Our hardworking Chairman, Tom Milam and Secretary, Steve Ralph are to be profusely thanked for their tireless contributions and always keeping in good humor. Frank Pride rode every brace throughout, and kept us all on course. Recent Booneville city council electee Robert Smith piloted our dog wagon, and its regulars Nancy Clendenen, Donna Pride, Diana Kubitz and Linda Thomas kept us supplied with donuts, coffee, water and Tootsie pops. We are grateful for the support of the Booneville Chamber of Commerce and the warm welcome we always receive from the city of Booneville, its merchants and citizens.

Purina is our long-time sponsor and we appreciate all they do for our club and our breed. No doubt nearly every entry in this championship thrives on Purina Pro Plan! We are also thankful to Garmin for supporting our championships, and the great help that their products are to our endeavors. Lary Cox of Christie Saddleworks manufactured the beautiful saddles for this year's winners, which are also tremendously appreciated.

The entrants this year were under the watchful eyes of a brace of Chrises. Chris Rider returned to judge for a fourth time at the ABC Nationals, and is always a welcome addition to the judicial team as he watches over each of his charges with equal measure of attention and fairness of opinion. He was joined this year by Chris Weatherly, who in his position at the Ames Plantation has immeasurable experience on which to draw a well informed and sound judgement. We appreciate the attention each man gave to every performance, and the placements were well received.

And this is how they ran...

BRACE 1: KINWASHKLY FAT BASTARD (TRACY) AND SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID (DOIRON). Sonny was the first to score, found standing to the front near the big oak at 8, and he stood with high style as a large covey was flushed for him. Fatz was out of pocket as we reached Lick Creek, and did not return to judgement. Sonny was seen intermittently to the front through the heavier cover leading to and just after Lick Creek, then gave his handler the slip and after an absence at the S-curve he rejoined us from the rear. He recovered well, making a nice move around the riverside treeline, turning right and disappearing into the trees where he was found standing 57. Birds ran in front of him with Sonny remaining staunch. All was in order when birds were flushed, and time was called with Sonny working towards the bridge.

BRAČE 2: DRIVING MIŠS DAISY II (TRACY) AND K NINE'S ON THE LOOSE (DOIRON). It was not to be the best day for either of these girls, as Lucy could not seem to find a line she liked to hunt; Daisy made some promising moves on the edges, but had trouble maintaining the front. Daisy was credited with a stop to flush inside the trees after we passed the old bridge at 21, but both dogs were leashed as we exited the horseshoe into Parish Field at about 35.

BRACE 3: KOKOMO JOSEY JOE (GORROW) AND JJ'S LEVI THE LIONHEART (WILLIAMS). Cast into Parish Field, Levi first headed left into the meadow and then joined Josey following the feed strip along the right treeline. Josey was seen taking the whole outside edge, while Levi carded a stylish find in the feed strip just as it curved back to Old 109. At the 109 intersection, birds popped up and Levi running on our side of the road did not get stopped in time. Josey was coming along the opposite side of the road and was seen stopping to the flight of one of the birds. He continued forward, with point being called by the scout on the right side but Josey was moving around the area when we approached. He made a nice move along the left side feed strip and was rewarded with a small covey find at 15. For the remainder of his hour, Josey would swing out on powerful casts but often followed the terrain to an extreme that caused his handler to wait until the edges brought him back to the front; and occasionally he would stop and appear to be working scent, sometimes moving on but once resulting in a non-productive. His hour ended just before we crossed Lick Creek, where Josey stopped on the left edge of the path and birds were found running in the brush before him.



BRACE 4: SHADY'S DESERT KNIGHT (JOHNSON) AND MTB CABO RITA DE SCIPIO (WHITE). The two veterans of the stake, Rita being 10-1/2 on her retirement run and Knight

turning 10 next month, both broke away well. White called point for Rita at 5 and we arrived to find her standing staunchly next to a feed strip on the right side. She had to be relocated but pinned the birds farther down the line near a bunch of trees. All was in order and she was released to catch the front, but encountered another covey along the way and carded her second find at 10. We crossed Lick Creek and found Rita standing with intensity against the trees on the left side. Although she looked convinced, nothing could be found even with relocation. Rita was released and as she caught the front, Knight was working a find between the feed strip and the tall cover just below the gravel road. Rita gave her handler the slip after the road crossing, and the tracker was called for at about 45. Knight continued on, carding a second find in a large thicket at about 42, but was not performing to his handler's expectations and was leashed thereafter.



BRACE 5: ROUSTABOUT'S FLAT OUT (TRACY) AND SNIKSOH WINDTUCK WILLY (BURCHETT). The dogs were brought from the wagon to the next logical breakaway spot, as we had not yet reached the double gates. Both broke away with determination, with Willy seen a time or two in the first few minutes. Hank was away to the front and soon out of sight, next spotted at 10, pointing in high style at the treeline that leads to the double gates. A small covey was flushed, and Hank was released towards the riverside meadow. He charged down the river's edge like he owned the place, and like a bolt of lightning he was a white streak going away. Willy returned from behind at 14, but was soon again out of sight. As we neared the bridge, both dogs were out of pocket and we spent some time with scouts and handlers searching. Hank had apparently swung all the way around the river's edge, continued past the bridge, and after a few minutes of being beckoned for, he returned from our right rear. He did not apologize for covering the course much faster than we could keep up with him, but instead retook the front in commanding fashion as we crossed the bridge at the halfway mark, and the tracker was called for his bracemate. Hank took full advantage to having the stage to himself, and proceeded to put on a show for his second half. He was found

on point again to the front, standing stylishly on an old road near Riblin Bottoms at 32. A bird flushed past him with Hank merely turning his head to mark the flight. He blew past the old bridge and took the full edge on the right side after, until he was again stopped by birds at 42. Hank pointed well off the edge of the brush line, with a small covey precisely located. At 50, Hank charged down the feed strip along Old 109 with a head full of steam. Point was called by the scout at 56 and we rode to find Hank standing with authority on the other side of Old 109, near the intersection. Tommy flushed birds a good distance in front of Hank, who remained statuesque throughout. He was released to finish going well forward, seeming ready to go another hour. The gallery was abuzz as we took our mid-morning break; we all knew we had seen the one to beat.

BRACE 6: MTB ZIPNSON VENI VIDI VICI (DOIRON) AND WHIZKI'S STING (HOLMAN). Vinny and Holly were released near the big mott, headed towards the horseshoe. Vinny made a wide cast to the left as we approached the gap, while Holly continued forward with some pleasing moves. We had both dogs through Parish Field and across Old 109, where Holly pointed just past the intersection, standing on the road, and a small covey was flushed for her at 27. As we made the loop back towards the bridge, both dogs pointed in different areas of a large thicket at 35, with all in order. We crossed the bridge and Vinny had a second find, standing in pleasing style at a mott just to the left side of the road, with birds up for him at 43. Both dogs made promising moves but were a bit inconsistent in their range and pattern. Vinny had a long absence after his second find and came through the gallery at 54. Both dogs finished forward as we crossed Lick Creek and came into the open meadow.

DAY 1 POSTED DOGS – SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID, ROUSTABOUT'S FLAT OUT, MTB ZIPNSON VENI VIDI VICI, WHIZKI'S STING.

A large thunderstorm loomed Monday morning and the decision was made to delay the running until just after noon. It continued to drizzle for another hour or two after that, but at least we were spared complete misery after a beautiful first day's running!



BRACE 7: ROUSTABOUT'S WHITE KNIGHT (TRACY) AND MIKEY'S SPICE GIRL (DOIRON). Lance was lost after the

first turn. Spice pointed at a gap between two treelines at 12, but self-released during the flushing effort.

BRACE 8: GEORGIA'S TEXAS TWO STEP (TRACY) AND KINWASHKLY TEMPO (TILLSON). We crossed Lick Creek and this brace was released from the other side. Tempo was seen a few times charging to the front but was out of pocket as we crossed the road, and did not return to judgement. Georgia cruised down the edges in a pleasing manner, scoring her first find before the double gates at about 20. She made a beautiful move along the river's edge, carrying it forward and being found on point at the wood's edge to our right front at 37, carding her second find. Tracy took her forward across the bridge and well to our front for her last 20 minutes, and we didn't see much of her until we rounded the turn at the old bridge and Georgia was seen going into the woods to our right. Time expired with her out of sight but Tracy rode to the right and was able to call her forward to show within the grace period.

BRACE 9: MK'S MAGNIFICENT BANDITO (JOHNSON) AND MCCHESNEY'S I GOT MY MOJO WORKING (JOHN). This pair was turned loose heading towards the horseshoe. Chico started fast and strong, got a little hung up in the horseshoe but managed a nice find on a covey near the pond at 18. He rounded Parish Field with us but was lost shortly after we crossed Old 109. Mojo was slower to start, had a non-productive at the edge of the woods as we were coming out to Parish Field. He stuck to the edges well thereafter, and it earned him a find at the intersection of Old 109, then a second one at 45 in the large mott to the left side of the road after we crossed the bridge. He finished his hour forward as we made our way back towards camp.



DAY 2 POSTED DOG – GEORGIA'S TEXAS TWO STEP. BRACE 10: HAL-J'S SMARTEYES-JOKER'S EZ ACE (JOHN) AND CRESCENT CITY GIRL (TILLSON). Nola was the first to score, with an early find in some trees just to the left of the path at 5 minutes. As we came by the big oak at 8, she had a stop to flush on a huge covey running in the brush under the trees; Tillson remarked that it looked like the ground was moving under there. At 18, Ace pointed on the left side of the horse path in what seemed like an unlikely spot, but sure enough a large covey was flown in front of him. We crossed Lick Creek and he was found standing in a feed strip below the road. Birds were finally pinpointed upon relocation. He caught the front at 32, and had a loose non-productive in the pine crossing, after which his handler decided Ace wasn't himself today and elected to pick up. Nola continued on with some nice moves, occasionally checking back in, and finished her hour at the bridge.

BRACE 11: BLACK CREEK DEAČON (HOLMAN) AND UNCLE KRACKER (TRACY). Holman positioned Dee past the path heading right off the breakaway, hoping he'd break straight away, but no such luck as both dogs blasted away to the right and along the riverside treeline. At 50 seconds Dee pointed just outside the feed strip. Kracker was inside the edge nearer the trees, came out through the feed strip turning towards Dee and didn't get himself stopped until he was at Deacon's shoulder. Dee stood with head held high, never flinching through this and as both handlers arrived, with Holman flushing a small covey from the feed strip. Dee charged forward and was brought through the small gap, then ran out the front end and wasn't seen again until we came around the old bridge and paralleled Old 109. His time was running out but the scout indicated that he was all the way forward on the road edge, just couldn't be seen from where we were. Holman rode out to the road to gather him and turned him right with us at 27. Dee threatened to blow out the front again as we approached the horseshoe, but would show himself in time and continue with powerful casts belving his age of nearly 10 years. Holman called point at a feed strip at 39 but waved it off, and Dee took the outside edge of Parish Field all the way forward where he pointed a small running covey near the intersection at 50. He was released across old 109 and charged forward again, rimming the edges until pointing between the feed strip and woods at 54. Holman pointed out birds in flight as he approached, but was able to flush more for the judges to observe as well. Both handler and dog went at speed to the front and finished a field ahead of us at the end of the hour.

BRACE 12: JAGOUB'S BUZZ'N BAYOU (TRACY) AND SPANISH CORRAL'S SONNY PATCH (DOIRON). Both dogs broke away well, with point called for Patch near a small mott at 10. He stood with great intensity for a small covey to be flushed for him. At 17 Skeeter had a find at the woods' edge to the right of Mario's Hill. At 25 the scout called point for Patch before the gas well turn. He stood between two lines of pine trees for a second nice find. At 35, both dogs were found standing in a feed strip with Skeeter slightly behind Patch, who had struck an awkward pose and was unable to hold himself up. He was retired for the day after a short flushing effort. Skeeter was credited with a back and taken on, but after having a non-productive in a big patch of brambles in the next field, Tracy opted to head in to camp.

BRACE 13: SPARKY'S PRAIRIE WIND GYPSY (JOHN) AND BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP (TRIMBLE). Gypsy was not quite up to her usual performance today, and after having a stop to flush on a relocation at about 40, she was eventually taken up by her handler. Tuff made a good effort for his handler but was not able to locate game during his hour.

BRACE 14: RUSTY RIDGE WHERE U BEEN (DOIRON) AND CROSSCREEK ARGUS' EARLY CHRISTMAS (HOLMAN).

Gus was slow to start but at 13 had what may have been the biggest covey find of the stake. He stood inside a feed strip as Holman flushed what seemed like a hundred birds that came up in three waves from the brush in front of him. Gus started making some promising moves but wasn't beating what the judges already had and was up at 35. Been, the youngster of the stake at just 21 months, flew around the course with great enthusiasm. He occasionally got himself off track and found himself behind, but always with a ground-eating stride. He pointed at the Old 109 intersection at 45, where a liberated covey had been found running on several occasions. Doiron spotted a dead bird just in front of Been and as he reached down to pick it up, another bird flew just past young Been, who made an aggressive mark at the flight. It was enough to end his day, and we rode to the bridge to release the next brace.

BRACE 15: SNIKSOH SPANK'S HANK (HOSKINS) AND CEDAR VALLEY SPIDER (TRACY). The two white dogs seemed well matched from the start. At 5 minutes we saw Hank swing wide to the right and down the road leading to the double gates. After a minute or two the call of point was heard down the road, and when we arrived Hank was standing with style but Hoskins could not produce a bird. We caught the front to find Spider had been picked up, not performing to his handler's expectations. After crossing Lick Creek, Hank had a classy find in a bunch of pine trees, and though he made some promising moves, his handler elected to call it a day after the gas well chute.

DAY 3 POSTED DOG – BLACK ČREEK DEACON. BRACE 16: BONY BUD (STONEHOUSE) AND JJ'S ALABASTER ANGEL (WILLIAMS). Bud was absent after the Lick Creek crossing. We heard the scout call point from the direction of the road as we were coming out of the S-curve. Bud was moving in the area when everyone else arrived, and after a minute of trying to wrangle the dog, Stonehouse had to take his tracker. Angie was in an out of pocket but showed periodically to the front, took edges well, but shortened after 45.

BRACE 17: FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED THE LINE (TILLSON) AND BLACK CREEK BLAZE (HOLMAN). Blaze disappeared at 2 and after an extended absence he returned from behind. He continued his roguish behavior and the tracker was finally handed to Holman at 54. Ty was consistently forward, making some good moves, and had a stylish find at the Old 109 intersection. He finished going along the river's edge past the bridge, but was distracted by the other handler riding hard forward in a noisy attempt to stop Blaze who had reappeared just before the bridge.

BRACE 18: DAKOTA GUN RUNNER'S BUCKSHOT (TRACY) AND REMCHESTER'S PREMIUM WHITE LIGHTNING (STONEHOUSE). Buck was up early, not having his best day. Hooch gave it a good go for about 45 minutes, but was retired by his handler after a non-productive.

BRACE 19: WIMBERLEY ROWDY BO-DANDY (JOHNSON) AND SS RIG'S COLORADO GUN RUNNER (MILAM). Rigs was not working up to his handler's expectations and was picked up at 24. Rowdy pointed in a large mott at 32 and Johnson saw birds running in the brush. Judge Rider dismounted and walked into the brush with him but was not able to observe the birds, finally Rowdy was taken on. His second half was strong, taking the edges well but he ended his hour without bird contact.

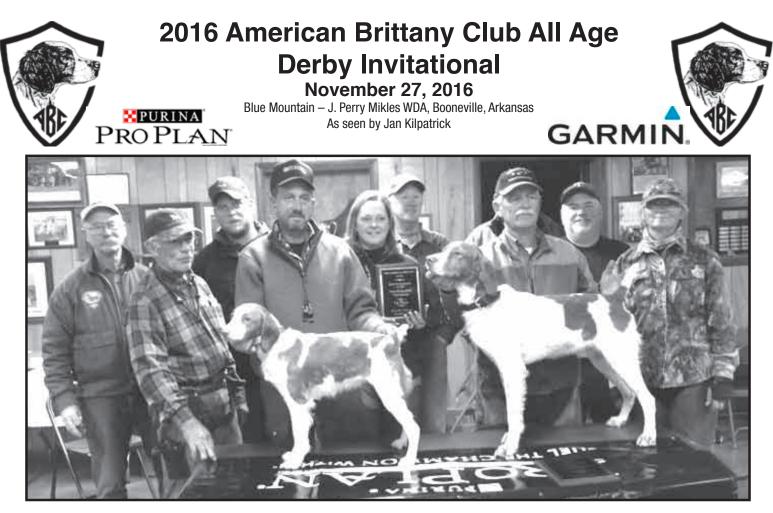
BRACE 20: JAC'S OVER ACES (HOLMAN) AND MAXWELL'S PRICKLY PETE (DOIRON). Both dogs stood just across Old 109 at the old bridge crossing, with birds flushed for a divided find. Dan was a little too interested in returning to the same brush line, and was picked up shortly after. Pete continued forward and down the right side against the treeline, then crossed over and headed down Old 109. Point was called for him at 24, and he stood with high style, but Doiron could not locate his birds. Pete went on with good speed and had a stop to flush just before we entered the horseshoe. He scored a second find at 45, pointing with head and tail high through the flush and shot. Things were looking good for Pete until he dug into the feed strip at the edge of Parish Field and came out behind a covey at 54.

BRACE 21: TEQUILA SCORCHER (TILLSON) AND GLADE RUN IRISH (TRACY). Both dogs started well, trading big casts and showing well forward at Lick Creek after an absence. Irish had a non-productive at a thicket on the left side after the creek, and Tracy elected to pick up there. Lincoln continued on past the gas well but had lost some of his forward momentum and was also up at 45.

2016 ABC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND OPEN LIMITED ALL AGE 1HR (49S) J: CHRIS RIDER & CHRIS WEATHERLY

- 1 FC ROUSTABOUT'S FLAT OUT (D), by FC/AFC Sniksoh Little Rascal x AFC Decan's Blazin Bye; o Jerry McGee, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 2 GFC/FC/AFC BLACK CREEK DEACON (D), by FC Perfect Timing x Rebel Jac's Hankern Jill; o Ronald W. Harling, Jr. & Sr., h Chad Holman
- 3 GFC/FC GEORGIAS TEXAS TWO STEP (B), by FC/AFC Dakota Alleycat x JB's Georgian Amber Blaze; o Travis & Clayton Tangen, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 4 WHIZKI'S STING (B), by DC Hi Proof Whizki, x h FC Sting; o Edward V. & Judy Graves, h Chad Holman





Left to Right: Judge Dr. Robert Rankin, Tom Milam, Tommy Thomas, Scott Johnson with Turning Points Shenanigans, Harlene Johnson, Judge Kent Patterson, Claude Kilpatrick (hidden), Paul Doiron with Rusty Ridge Where U Been, Steve Ralph, Jan Kilpatrick

The American Brittany Club's first All Age Derby Invitational was offered as a way to showcase 12 derby age dogs who accepted the invitation to compete in this hour derby stake by compiling the most points in official regional trial derby events throughout the calendar year. The Judges for the All Age Derby Invitational were Kent Patterson and Dr. Robert Rankin, both long time Brittany enthusiasts, who have judged and handled many promising young Brittanys. Both wanted to see a dog that showed the potential to run and win on these Booneville grounds as adults with the instinctive intelligence and independence of an all age contender.

THE RECOGNIZED: FIRST PLACE: Top Dog Brace 2 -TURNING POINTS SHENANIGANS, orange and white female born 7/31/2015. Sire: GCH/DC Masked Jack of Diamonds, Dam: CH Copely Wincrest Grand Theft Auto. Owned by Julie Nelson and handled by Scott Johnson. SECOND PLACE: Top Dog Brace 6 - RUSTY RIDGE WHERE U BEEN, white and orange male born 2/27/2015. Sire: NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid, Dam: FC Blew by Yet?. Owned by Claude & Jan Kilpatrick and handled by Paul Doiron. HONORABLE MENTION: WICHITA WILD WOMAN, white and orange female born 5/25/2015. Sire: FC/AFC Shady's Count Kid, Dam: MK's My Little Ammo. Owned by Chris & Laura Roberds and handled by Scott Johnson

THE RUNNING:

BRACE 1 LOL DIRTY DANCER, "ROXIE", ED TILLSON AND MTB LOUREE'S LET'S HAVE A FEE-"ESTA", TOM WHITE. Both dogs broke to the right with Esta quickly reaching the gate and making a turn back toward the road crossing to the left. Roxie hit the right edge and was soon out of sight and counted out at 19. Esta pointed sharply in a small feed strip at 6 but no birds were found so she was moved forward. At 23 Tom called for the tracker right before the Lick Creek crossing. We crossed Lick Creek and took a short break while Ed captured Roxie and brought her back to the dog wagon.

BRACE 2 TURNING POINTS SHENANIGANS, "SHANDI", SCOTT JOHNSON AND ROYAL FLUSH BETTIN' ON BLACK, "JACK", ED TILLSON. Breakaway for Shandi and Jack began at 8:54 just after the Lick Creek Crossing. Shandi's winning performance consisted of a well patterned forward ground race and four bird encounters. Shandi's first bird contact occurred at 32 on a big covey hanging out on the left treeline through Upper Woods Crossing. She was also credited with her 2nd and 3rd finds on this same covey at 34 and 36. Jack was doing a nice job running the edges but ran out of steam at 42 and was picked up. Shandi logged her final stop and chase at 49 before finishing her hour with what the judges felt was the most mature application of the grounds, running every edge to completion at a reasonable range and speed.

BRACE 3 SKF MISS CHEAP BOURBON WHISKEY, "KD", SCOTT JOHNSON AND SONNY'S HOT SUMMER BREEZE, "BREEZY", PAUL DOIRON. KD & Breezy took off on Course 2 at 10:15. Point was called on head high Breezy at 15 which she handled flawlessly through the flush and fire before being moved on. Breezy and KD ran through this course with animation and determination. At 30 Breezy was found standing staunchly on a big covey and exhibited broke manners to the flush and fire before being moved forward. KD had a nice staunch point at 35 on a covey exhibiting derby manners on the flush. Both girls had a shared bird encounter with Breezy pointing staunchly and KD assisting in the flush at 38. Breezy logged her final broke dog find at 49. Both dogs finish out their hour moving forward at a moderate range and speed. KD had another nice, solid point right at time which she flushed enthusiastically at the shot.

The morning braces concluded at 11:15 and we all headed in for lunch.

BRACE 4 HIGHPOINT SPIKE'S SOUTHERN GAL, "ELLIE", BEN KUYKENDALL AND JACOUB'S SPELL CASTER, "TABU", TOM JAGIELSKI. Ellie and Tabu were off in a cloud of dust at 12:55. These two girls were practically invisible through the Lick Creek Crossing when they both made an appearance but took off again until the turn into the Cotton Fields when both were seen and Tabu began handling and making some really nice casts into the heavy cover on the right. Ellie continued in stealth mode and Ben called for the tracker at 43. Tabu finished out her hour moving moderately to all the likely bird spots but her determined search went unrewarded.

BRACE 5 KB NOR EASTERN BLO WYNNE IN, JH, "WYNNE", KENDALL BROWN AND WICHITA WILD WOMAN, "NICKI", SCOTT JOHNSON. 2:13 breakaway for Wynne and Nicki and the afternoon temperatures had risen considerably. Nicki logged a find at 15 on a large covey which she handled with style and intensity and derby manners. Wynne stopped in a feed strip at 32 but no birds were produced so she was moved on. Both these girls were looking in all the right places but the afternoon heat had probably moved the birds deep into the woods. At the finish Wynne was intelligent in her search but had greatly reduced her range and speed. However Nicki showed little sign of tiring and continued to work the territory in a smart, snappy way. For her efforts Nicki received a Judges Honorable Mention.

BRACE 6 RUSTY RIDGE WHERE U BEEN, "BEEN". PAUL DOIRON AND TREASURE STATES "TOBY" MACDADDY, ED **TILLSON.** Been and Toby showed fleetness of foot from the get go at 3:20. Both disappeared for a short time just after the crossing but were rounded up and surged to the front, running the edges. Been slammed on point at 11 where an armadillo was found so he was moved on. Both dogs made another huge right hand cast through the woods, but reappeared to the front at 22 in the vicinity of the gas well. Toby continued forward but disappeared and the tracker was requested for him at 45. From this point Paul handled the stylish running Been to his second place finish with a fast, far reaching race and impressive bird finding ability. Been logged 3 finds at 30, 34, and 52 as he ran the edges through Beaver Slough with intense, stylish points and acceptable derby manners. After the final bird contact Been was watered up and made another more subdued cast just as time was called at 4:20. It was good naturedly reported that his scout's horse demanded more oats and needed two new shoes at the completion of his brace.

The inaugural American Brittany Club All Age Derby Invitational was finished and we all headed to the clubhouse to see how it all shook out.

2016 ABC ALL AGE DERBY INVITATIONAL J: DR. ROBERT RANKIN & KENT PATTERSON

- 1 TURNING POINTS SHENANIGANS (B), by Masked Jack of Diamonds x Copley Wincrest Grand Theft Auto; o Julie Nelson, h Scott Johnson
- 2 RUSTY RIDGE WHERE U BEEN (D), by Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Blew By Yet?; o Jan & Claude Kilpatrick, h Paul Doiron
- 3 WICHITA WILD WOMAN (B), by Shady's Count Kid x MK's My Lil Ammo; o Chris Roberds, h Scott Johnson



National Specialty Show Judge Selection

The National Specialty Show Committee is currently selecting breed judges for the 2018, 2019 and 2020 ABC National Specialty Show. Committee members welcome judge suggestions from ABC members in their region. Please send names of potential judges to your regional show committee members. Thank you and hope to see you in Fort Smith this November!

National Specialty Sho	ow Committee Members
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East Coast	East Central	Central	Midwest	West Coast
Jane Bjork	Geri Clements	Nancy Clendenen	Sara Taylor	Mary Brown
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Contact Emmy Wollenburg, ABC National Specialty Show Chair, at emmcauliff@gmail.com or 608-843-8434 with any questions.



2016 ABC Quail Classic/Championship



With a respective entry of thirty six dogs, handlers had come from Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Ohio, Nebraska, New Mexico, Kansas and Texas. Our judges, Dickie Sorrell of Hubbard, Texas and Charlie Collier of Corsicana, Texas, are two highly qualified individuals. Both have had success with dogs they have trained and handled. Dr. Robert Rankin was our course marshal and did a great job assisting handlers that were not familiar with the grounds.

The cover of the courses was in general knee high but no so heavy that a dog could not be seen most of the time. However, some areas were fairly thick and heavy going. The major difficulty was the weather. The temperatures ran from the low 70s in the mornings and climbed to the upper 80s in the afternoons for the first two days with little wind. The third day saw some moderation with cloud cover and a light breeze.

The "chuck wagon" was in good hands. Linda Milam took the lead with valuable assistance from Jan Conner, Carolyn Kuykendall, and Margaret Horstmeyer. Lunches were served and supper with various dishes was a hit with everyone. No trial can be successfully run without a competent dog wagon driver and we have the best in Rick Conner.

Garmin furnished one of their excellent electric training units for the winner. Purina had sent bags of their super dog food. These two companies are top notch and deserve the full support of the field trial community. Their products are the best.

BRACE 1: MAXWELL'S LEGAL TENDER (FAITH)-ROGERS AND CARPE DIEM (CARP)-LINCOLN. Faith had a big cast from the breakaway and was not returned to judgment. Carp was in and out for the hour with no bird contact.

BRACE 2: MAXWELL'S QUICK SILVER (CHICK)-ROGERS AND REDROCK'S SIESMIC SNIKSOH (MICKEY)-LINCOLN. Breakaway was into Evergreen Point. The dogs hooked up with Chick in the lead. Mickey became separated early and Lincoln requested the Tracter. Chick continued through the Bear Trap and Fireworks area and point was called by Rogers in the north treeline. A single was flushed over Chick's head. She turned and marked flight with a couple of steps. She maintained a forward race with time being called at the Big Mott on the back course.

BRACE 3: CRESCENT CITY GIRL (NOLA)-TILLSON AND RAMMER JAMMER JAX-KUYKENDALL. Breakaway was at the Big Mott. Nola had two finds, one before Rocky Crossing and one after the crossing. She was very stylish and displayed good manners. Her race was forward at good range. Her time was up with a nice finishing cast across Airport Meadow. Jax may have had the best find after a big cast north on the treeline from Pond 4. He wheeled and stood like a statue. Kuykendall flushed a small covey with Jax maintaining his posture. At 29 the wheels came off. After Rocky Crossing a bird popped in front of him. His brakes failed and there were too many steps.

BRACE 4: HAL-JS SMARTEYES JOKERS EZ ACE-JOHN AND MAXELL'S ONCORE (MICK)-ROGERS. Mick was injured and was up. Ace had a nice find before Manck's Crossing but got hot at 25 and was up.

BRACE 5: TEQUILA SCORCHER (LINCOLN)-TILLSON AND HIGHPOINT SOUTHERN SPIKE-KUYKENDALI. Both of these dogs did a good job on the ground with big forward casts. Spike got hot and was up at 40. Lincoln was not bothered by the heat and continued his effort but had no bird contact.





BRACE 6: SNICKSOH SWEETNESS (TAYLOR)-JOHN AND MAXELL'S HEAVY HITTER (GABE)-JOHN. Taylor was out of picket early. She showed up but was gone again. Her day was over. Gabe ran well in the heat and found water when he needed it. A good job went for naught with no bird work.

BRACE 7: FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED THE LINE (TY)-TILLSON AND JACOUB'S BUZZ'N BAYOU (SKEETER)-TRACY. Break from camp, Skeeter was lost early. Ty had a find at 12 west of Manck's Crossing. A large covey was ridden up on Girl Scout's Point. Ty stopped for a stop to flush. Later his race shortened as he got hot. He suffered a non-productive at 53.

BRACE 8: CHECOTE (COCO)-CARRINGTON AND CEDAR VALLEY SPIDER-TRACY. Breakaway was into Evergreen Point with good opening casts by both dogs. Spider had a solid find on Airport Point with all in order. Spider continued around the course with a forward application. Point was called by Coco's Scout across Lem Roberts Road. No birds were produced. The brace finished at Pond Dam 4.

BRACE 9: SPARKY'S PRAIRIE WIND GYPSY-JOHN AND GLADE RUN IRISH-TRACY. Across Pond Dam 4 with both dogs showing their heels. Gypsy was seen sparingly. Irish had a competitive forward race but neither dog had bird work.

BRACE 10: TLM TALL TALE (SAM)-MILAM AND KASHMIR (KASH)-TRACY. After lunch breakaway was from camp. The humidity was high, there was no wind and it was 86 degrees. At 6 Kash was on point with Sam backing. No birds were produced. At 20 Sam threw a non productive, was hot and Milam threw in the towel. Kash had another non productive a short time later and the brace was over.

BRACE 11: KINWASKLY FAT BASTARD (FATS)-TRACY AND DAKOTA SUN-CARRINGTON. Both broke into Girl Scout Point and continued around the course past Tent Pad Point and Briar Point. There still was no breeze and it was very hot. Both handlers picked up at about 40.

BRACE 12: UNCLE KRACKER-TRACY AND MAXWELL'S SHOW TIME (ELLIE)-JOHN. The judges saw the dogs and they were hot. We retired to the shade, cold liquid libation and hoped for a better day tomorrow.

BRACE 13: JJ'S LEVI THE LION HEART-WILLIAMS AND RUJEM'S "LAST" PENNY-TRACY. It was cooler this morning, there was a light breeze with lower humidity. Breakaway was from camp and both dogs attacked the front. Just before Manck's Crossing, Levi had a find at 12. All was in order. Penny was found standing after the crossing high on the left. A small covey was flushed. Both pieces of work were good finds. Across Lem Roberts road into Girl Scout, Penny was off to the left out of pocked but was returned to the front. Levi was standing halfway through the point on the left. Good style and displayed intensity through the flush of another small covey. He continued to the front the rest of the brace but his pace and casts became more moderate. Penny ran hard and finished strong.

BRACE 14: SS RIG'S COLORADO GUNRUNNER-MILAM AND CVK'S SPARTAN KING (LEO)-TRACY. Breakaway was from the north of the Double Motts. Both dogs were forward through the Bear Trap. At 10 Rig's suffered a non productive before the crossing to Bed Springs. Catching the front, he ran through a couple of quail in the road and couldn't get stopped. Leo hunted to the front and pointed at 16. He moved during the flush and was picked up.

BRACE 15: MTB CABORITA DE SCIPIO (RITA)-WHITE AND

GEORGIAS TEXAS TWO STOP-TRACY. Rita got off to the side and was hard to get back to the front. The same thing happened again and she was relieved by her handler. Georgia broke away well and was to the front for the brace with good forward casts. She pointed at 31 at the Big Mott and had a small covey well located. She continued forward across Pond 4 Dam and worked her way through the back country. As the course crossed the west ridge and turned back toward pond 4 Georgia is off to the left. She is found standing along the treeline leading to the pond by her scout. Tracy flushes a large covey with all in order. She finishes the brace well to the front for a good ending.

BRACE 16: DRIVING MISS DAISY II-TRACY AND KINWASHKLY TEMPO-TILLSON. Tempo went to the right at the dry pond north of Manck's Crossing not to return. Daisy Continued Girl Scout Point and got hot. Tracy relieved her of her duties.

BRACE 17: CASTAWAY WILSON-TRACY AND TLM PETE NOCONA-MILAM. Wilson was young and inexperienced. He hunted hard, got behind and was picked up at 30. Pete started well and had a good find at 20 on the curve going to the Double Motts. He fought the heat and blew all four pads but finished the hour with a moderate race.

BRACE 18: MTB SCIPIO'S HOT SHOT OF WHIZKI (CALI)-WHITE AND ROUSTABOUT'S FLAT OUT (HANK)-TRACY. Breaking away in front of the Airport, Hank pointed at 3 with Cali backing. Birds were flushed and we continued across Manck's. Hank had his second find at 10. Cali had gotten behind and then caught up. At 15 Hank and Cali had a divided find at the Big Mott on the back course. Hank rolled on and went on the right side of the trees leading to pond 4. He was found by his handler standing in the cut between the two meadows at 20. Cali and Hank proceeded into the back country. Cali crossed the ridge but went left about 400 yards instead of right. Hank appeared lost and was missed by his scout. The scout and handler retracked to a feeder deep in the back country and found Hank standing but his birds had left. Back across Pond 4 Dam, Hank had his fifth find at the feeder in the right treeline. As with all of his finds he displayed perfect manners and great style. As he regained the front near Rocky Crossing time was called. Cali had also covered a lot of ground and had tired at the end.

2016 ABC QUAIL CLASSIC/CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND OPEN LIMITED ALL AGE 1H(36S) J: CHARLIE COLLIER & DICKIE SORRELL

- 1 FC ROUSTABOUT'S FLAT OUT (D), by FC/AFC Sniksoh Little Rascal x Decan's Blazin Bye; o Jerry McGee, h Tom Tracy
- 2 GFC/AFC RU-JEM'S "LAST PENNY" (B), by FC Trademark's ATM x Red Bud Zipper; o Ruth & Jerry McGee, h Tom Tracy
- 3 FC GEORGIAS TEXAS TWO STEP (B), by Dakota Alley Cat x J B's Georgian Amber Blaze; o Travis & Clayton Tangen, h Tom Tracy
- FC CRESCENT CITY GIRL (B), by NAGDC/DC/AFC Clyde's Double Trouble x CH Starlight's Zeta Tauri; o Barry & Petra Steinmetz, h Ed Tillson



JUDGE DICKIE SORRELL, TOM TRACY HOLDING FC ROUSTABOUTS FLAT OUT, BOB RANKIN, JERRY MCGEE HOLDING GFC/AFC RU-JEM'S LAST PENNY, JUDGE CHARLIE COLLIER, TOM MILAM HOLDING FC GEORGIAS TEXAS TWO STEP, ED TILLSON HOLDING FC CRESENT CITY GIRL, DOG WAGON DRIVER RICK CONNER AND BEN KUYKENDALL Action at AKC

April 2017 by Jeri K Conklin

Past AKC Results

DUAL CHAMPION (September 2016)

DC CHRISTE'S IM A JAKESTER (D) by NAFC FC AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Rainbow's Ms Wanda JH, o Steven Ball & Christi Ball, b John R Fellon & Shiela J Krug

SENIOR HUNTER (October 2016)

GREGG'S VINTAGE AJAX SH (D) by FC AFC Ajax VII x Ajax Darcy Dark Side, o Bruce Gregg, b John Marinelli & Judith Marinelli

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (October 2016)

THUNDERS LAST FEATHERED ARROW CGC (D) by Thunder Rj Lightning x Princess Marilyn Doodlebug, o Josh Schultz & Zabrina Stellburg, b Josh Schultz & Zabrina Stellburg

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (November 2016)

CIMARRON TRAILS NEGAN OF CLEAR CREEK CGC (D) by CH AFC Rja Captain's Heart-N-Soul JH x Cimarron Trails Little Miss Annie Mae, o Melissa Lyons-Vitalone, b Rick Neff

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (December 2016)

CLAY HILL'S OWN ASTER CGC (B) by Black Creek Tim x Ctown's Own Wild Flower RN, o Leah Griffith & E Lynn Dunn, b E Lynn Dunn & Seth Griffith

PENNY FOR OUR THOUGHTS CGC (B) by GFC FC AFC Black Creek Deacon x Rebel Jac's Grace, o John Miller & Shelley Miller, b Ronald W Harling Jr.

NOVICE BARN HUNT (November 2016)

GCH CH RAO'S STONE QUARRY BLUES CA RATN (D) by CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside JH x GCH CH Lyric's I Am...I Said, o Teresa Armstrong, b Elaine Rhodes & Becky Rao

CH TWOEMZ KISS ME DEADLY RATN (B) by GCHS CH Sovereign's Chasing Legends x GCH CH Ginjac-Magic Me I'M The One BN RN JH, o Michele C Martin, b Michele C Martin

MASTER BARN HUNT (November 2016)

MACH CASABERGEN'S VICTOR GENTRY CD BN RE MXS MJS MXF RATM CGCA (D), o Sharon Miller & Larry Miller

AKC Results for January 2017

DUAL CHAMPION – bred by exhibitor

DC DIAMOND HILL DANGEROUS WEAPON (D) by GCHB DC AFC Diamond Hill Dangerous Man x NAFC DC AFC Tm's Tennessee Twister, o Lisa Pollock & Paul Pollock, b M Brooke Caviness & Lisa Pollock

CHAMPION – bred by exhibitor

CH DUAL LANES COLT 44 MAGNUM (D) by CH Dualan Marsport Supercharger x GCH CH Dual Lanes Spring Breeze Of Big Oaks, o Donna Harrison & Herbert Harrison, b Donna Harrison & Herbert Harrison

CH HYBRITTIN'S FIFTH ELEMENT (B) by CH Hybrittin's A Duie Pyle x GCH CH Hybrittin's After Midnight, o Judy Cohen & Arthur Cohen, b Judy Cohen & Arthur Cohen

CHAMPION

CH DREAM HI ROCKWELL'S LIL' MISS KNOW IT ALL (B) by GCHP CH Dream Hi's Don'T Hate The Player Hate The Game x CH Sandbar Dream Hi's Always One Step Ahead, o Kristina Rickard & Kellie Rockwell, b Kristina Rickard & Lori Rickard & Sarah Mackney

CH GUNNIN'FOR YOU AT SIERRA (D) by GCH CH Millette's On Target x GCH CH Dream Hi's Lady Of The Chair, o Kristina Rickard, b Kristina Rickard & Lori Rickard & Tom Rickard

CH MARSPORT TROUBLES FAMOUS JAKE (D) by CH Marsport Trouble In Fargo x CH Marsport Sanbar Musiccity Roxie JH, o Mike Hall, b John W Marsman

CH MILLETTE'S GAME PLAYER (D) by GCHP CH Dream Hi's Don'T Hate The

Player Hate The Game x CH Millette's Lucky Charm, o Ms. Michelle Marie Millette, b Michelle Millette & Krissy Day & Kristina Rickard

CH SKATTER CREEK'S STORM COMING IN (D) by CH Shadywood Sanbar's Legend Has It x CH Wind Mtn Baylee's On The Rocks, o Susan Estes, b Randa Mcneill & Connie Strom

CH TNT'S QUEEN OF COMEDY (B) by DC Tnt's Sirius Renegade Buddy Boy x GCH DC GFC AFC Tnt's Raise'N A Ruckus, o Tommy Thomas & Linda Thomas, b Tommy Thomas & Linda Thomas

GRAND CHAMPION

GCH CH COPPER CALIAH'S DREAM HI RIVER LILLY JH (B) by DC Copley's Red River x GCH CH Elkhorn Jack's Misdemeanor (Misty) JH, o Shellie Sytsma & Kristina Rickard, b Mr. Brian K Riggio & Mrs. Mary Lynn Riggio

GCH CH POLLACK'S NORMAN J ROCKWELL JH (D) by GCH CH Rockwell's Jake The Snake JH x Pollacks Sassy Girl JH, o Jodi Pollack & Kellie S Rockwell, b Jodi Pollack

GRAND CHAMPION BRONZE

GCHB CH MT VIEW'S SLEEPING BEAUTY JH CGC (B) by CH Mt View's Vita Nuova MH x CH Mt. View's Mark Of Excellence MHA, o Peggy Meakin, b Mary A Breininger & Roy Schaeffer & Patricia A Ortelli

FIELD CHAMPION - bred by exhibitor

DC DIAMOND HILL DANGEROUS WEAPON (D) by GCHB DC AFC Diamond Hill Dangerous Man x NAFC DC AFC Tm's Tennessee Twister, o Lisa Pollock & Paul Pollock, b M Brooke Caviness & Lisa Pollock

- FC HIGHPOINT BLAZIN' MEG (B) by FC AFC Highpoint Blazin' Lamont x FC Southern Breeze, o Ben Kuykendall, b Ben Kuykendall
- FC J&M ALL DUG IN (D) by DC AFC Jerob's Tradewind Clipper x FC AFC J&M Jax Sugar Babe, o Mary E Crawford & James R Crawford, b Mary E Crawford & James R Crawford

FIELD CHAMPION

FC RAMMER JAMMER JAX (D) by NAFC FC AFC TIm Frequent Flyer x Flatrock's I'M Watching You Dad, o Arthur Baer III, b Bonnie Pirtle

GRAND FIELD CHAMPION

GFC FC AFC JJ'S LEVI THE LIONHEART (D) by NAFC GFC FC AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Sandbank Rose, o Joseph B Williams, b Ron Maxwell & Sam Maxwell

NAFC GFC FC AFC SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID (D) by NGDC FC San-Dee's Blazing Shane x FC AFC Stevi x Bulletproof Jill, o Mr. Joe Gower, b Steve Cosgrave

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION

- AFC BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP (D) by FC Broadway Joe VI x Brendi Brook's Cowgirl Up, o Ray Trimble & Mary Jo Trimble, b Ms. Beverly R Haynes & Mr. Bill E Haynes
- AFC MAGIC CARPET RIDE (D) by NAFC GFC FC AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x DC Mikey's Spice Girl, o Wayne Hale, b Jerry A Cape & Carolyn Cape

UTILITY DOG EXCELLENT 2

FAROUT FIELDS NOBLE NELLIE ROSE UD X2 OM2 BN GN GO RA JHA (B) by Farout Fields Zeus's Prophecy JH x Farout Fields Wiggy Bridget, o LouAnn McGahey, b Jacqueline C Arnold & Rodger Rowles

BEGINNER NOVICE

CH BRITWOODS THE HEAT IS ON BN RN (D) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle JH x CH Britwoods Code Orange, o Luann Fullwood, b Luann Fullwood

GERSTDALE'S CAPITAL GAINS BN JH (D) by CH Copley's Gunnery Sergeant JH x GCH CH Gerstdale's Take The Money N'Run JH, o Harriet V Tucker & Debbie Inferrera, b Debbie Inferrera

GCH CH RAO'S STONE QUARRY BLUES BN CA RATN (D) by CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside JH x GCH CH Lyric's I Am...I Said, o Teresa Armstrong, b Elaine Rhodes & Becky Rao

PREFERRED COMPANION DOG

CH SWIFT RIVER'S BELIEVE I CAN PCD BN RAE2 JH NA NAJ OAP OJP NF OFP CA (B) by CH Jordean Believe It Or Not x CH Swift River's Solo Attraction BN RE JH AX AXJ OAP OJP NF, o Patricia John, b Frances N Phillips & Patricia John

RALLY NOVICE

AI RN OAP NJP OFP (B), o Bert Kaizuka,

GOLDSTAR'S BELIEVE I CAN FLY RN (D) by GCHG CH MACH2 Brookewood's Just Too Hot UD RAE MXC MJC MXF T2B2 x CH Swift River's Believe I Can PCD BN RAE2 JH NA NAJ OAP OJP NF OFP CA, o Ms. Patricia John, b Patricia John & E Susan Drazek

RALLY ADVANCED

CH REPEAT'S LITTLE 501 BLUES BN RA SH OAP NJP CAA (D) by GCH DC AFC Havapal's Rev Me Up Repeat VCD1 BN RE SH OA OAJ OAP OJP NF NFP x CH Dogwood's Gilmore Girl, o Julie Ann Asmus, b Todd Parmenter

RALLY ADVANCED EXCELLENT 2

CH SWIFT RIVER'S BELIEVE I CAN PCD BN RAE2 JH NA NAJ OAP OJP NF OFP CA (B) by CH Jordean Believe It Or Not x CH Swift River's Solo Attraction BN RE JH AX AXJ OAP OJP NF, o Patricia John, b Frances N Phillips & Patricia John

MASTER HUNTER ADVANCED

GCH CH BRIGADIER'S CHECK YOUR SI X MHA DS (D) by CH Dualan Marsport Supercharger x GCHG CH Shamrock Rivals Bolt Out Of The Blue, o Mike & Julie Lee, b Mike Lee & Phil Booth & Amy Booth & Julie Lee

NOVICE AGILITY

AMMO'S ONCE UPON A DREAM RN NA NAJ CA (B) by CH Ammo's Southern Boogie x Ammo's Wild Honey, o Patricia Dunville, b Sandra Leavens & Gary Leavens

RUSTIN'S MOCKINGBIRD SONG OF SCOUT BN NA NAJ CGC (B) by GCH CH MACH6 Credit Kaze's Capital Gains RN MXG2 MJG2 MXF T2B2 x CH MACH Rustins Treasure Of The Sierras RN MXS MJS2 MXF T2B, o Mr. Edmund J Ronan & Ms. Carol A Ronan, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

GCH CH SOUTHGATES JJ'S GLORIOUS LIGHT JH NA (D) by CH Jordean Mace Windu Of Aurand x CH Swift River's Wish On A Star UD, o Jeffrey Ellis, b Karen Putnam & Anthony Morabito & Nancy Morabito & Tim Putnam & Alexandra Putnam & Lindsey Putnam

CH TIMBERLINE'S LONE RANGER NA (D) by GCHP CH Sanbar's Ride The Winds x CH Timberline Cedaridge Chocholic JH NA, o Teddi Montes-Botham & Anthony and Kris Thompson, b Anthony Thompson & Teddi Montes-Botham & Nancy B Hultquist

OPEN AGILITY

GUGIN'S LUCKY SPUD JH OA NAJ (D) by Windswept Ridge's Gunsmoke x Montana Rusty's Longbranch Miss, o Cassandra & Jeffrey Gugin, b Dr. Gary H Ramsey

YREMY RED CLOUD OA OAJ CGC (D), o Gabrielle De Benedictis

MASTER AGILITY EXCELLENT

CH RUSTIN'S FUTURE'S SO BRIGHT MX MXJ NF (B) by GCH CH MACH6 Credit Kaze's Capital Gains RN M XG2 MJG2XF T2B2 x CH MACH Rustins Treasure Of The Sierras RN MXS MJS2 MXF T2B, o Ms. Colleen M Driscoll & Aimee M Schilling & Terrence M Santelli, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

MASTER BRONZE AGILITY 2

MACH3 CREDIT KAZE WITH A PERFECT DIAMOND M XB2 MJS2 MFS TQ X T2B3 (B) by GCHS CH Credit Where Credit Is Due x CH MACH4 Chilcote Kaze Jewel On Fire M XS2 MJC2 M XP2 MJP2 MJPB MFB TQ X T2B2, o Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MASTER SILVER AGILITY 4

GCH CH MACH12 RUSTINS JEWELER'S APPRENTICE JH M XS4 MJS4 M XF T2B3 (B) by Cimmaron's Nightkap UDX OA AXJ x MACH9 Rustins Valuable Treasure JH MXS3 MJS4 MXP NJP MXF T2B, o Colleen Driscoll & Aimee Schilling, b Colleen Driscoll & Aimee Schilling

MASTER AGILITY E XCELLENT PREFERRED 2

CH MACH4 CHILCOTE KAZE JEWEL ON FIRE MXS2 MJC2 MXP2 MJP2 MFB TQX T2B2 (B) by CH Chilcote's Credit To Ceasar JH x CH Chilcote Kaze Hana JH NAJ, o Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MACH12 SHILOH OF AGOURA MXB4 MJS4 MXP2 MJP2 (B) by CH AFC Loki's Blizzard Of Mischief x CH Shiloh's Tru Believer JH, o Leslie Wilk, b Linda McDonald & Pennie Peterson & Lynda Evans

NOVICE AGILITY JUMPER

ABR'S RELEASE OF THE FLYING MONKEY NA NAJ (D), o Amanda Mcgavin RUSTIN'S MOCKINGBIRD SONG OF SCOUT BN NA NAJ CGC (B) by GCH CH MACH6 Credit Kaze's Capital Gains RN MXG2 MJG2 MXF T2B2 x CH MACH Rustins Treasure Of The Sierras RN MXS MJS2 MXF T2B, o Mr. Edmund J Ronan & Ms. Carol A Ronan, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

NOVICE AGILITY JUMPER PREFERRED

CH TWOEMZ A GIRL LIKE ME CD BN RA NAP NJP CGC (B) by GCHS CH Sovereign's Chasing Legends x GCH CH Ginjac-Magic Me I'M The One BN RN JH, o Ms. Cynthia A Miller & Karen E Brown & Russell Walborn, b Michele C Martin

OPEN AGILITY JUMPER

ALAR'S HONOR THE WIND NA OAJ (D) by DC Lost Creek Timber Ridge x DC Alar's Sky Dancer, o Janet Gabriel, b Aurelia Farinas & Jessica Carlson & Gunter Schanzenbacher

GCH CH HICKORY HILL'S HEART LIKE MINE NA OAJ NF CA (B) by CH Hickory Hill Highwayman RN x CH Fly'N-Hi's Orange Sunset Matuka, o Anne Parchman & Marla Parchman, b Anne Parchman & Marla Parchman REMY RED CLOUD OA OAJ CGC (D), o Gabrielle De Benedictis

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER

CH RUSTIN'S FUTURE'S SO BRIGHT MX MXJ NF (B) by GCH CH MACH6 Credit Kaze's Capital Gains RN MXG2 MJG2 MXF T2B2 x CH MACH Rustins Treasure Of The Sierras RN MXS MJS2 MXF T2B, o Ms. Colleen M Driscoll & Aimee M Schilling & Terrence M Santelli, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER

GALEJADE DE ACRES VENTEUSES CD MX MXB MXJ MJB (B) by Grand Garcon Des Windy Acres x Gypsy Madam De La Foret, o LYNN VAN VLEET, b Mr. Philip E Rogers & Mrs. Walda E Rogers

MASTER SILVER JUMPER

CHANTELLE MX MXS MXJ MJS (B) by Mcclures Buddycastlesluckyjoker x Madame Lady Mcclure Of Lesters Jones, o Diane K Geving, b Krystal Platt

- MACH ETENDARD DES GRANDS LACS BN RE SH MXB MJS (D) by Arius De Saint Lubin x Patouche Victoria JH, o Denine Ackerbauer, b Stephen Hughes & Sherry Hughes
- MACH HURRICANE THATS THE TICKET JH MXS MJS T2B CA (D) by DC AFC Duncan's Place Your Bet JH x CH Hurricane Little Feat, o Laura Spear, b Kelly Woerfel
- CH MACH CIMMARON MADE YOU LOOK JACK MXB2 MJC MFB T2B (D) by CH Cimmaron Caughtcha Look'N UD RAE NAJ x CH Cimmaron's Taylor Made CD MX MXB MXJ MJB MXF, o Carol Baron, b Christine Ward-Weber

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER 4

CH MACH10 CHILCOTE'S GREAT IDEA OF MARIAD MXC3 MJB4 MXF TQX T2B (B) by CH Chilcote's Daring To Be Great x CH Chilcote's I Am Your Idea, o Mariann Jackson & John R Jackson, b Shirley Chilcote & Angel Rumbolo & Jessie Schulz

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 2

MACH12 SHILOH OF AGOURA MXB4 MJS4 MXP2 MJP2 (B) by CH AFC Loki's Blizzard Of Mischief x CH Shiloh's Tru Believer JH, o Leslie Wilk, b Linda McDonald & Pennie Peterson & Lynda Evans

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 4

MACH5 PACH MARJO'S DEMON IN THE RUFF MXS2 MJG2 MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MFS TQX T2B2 (B) by FC AFC Marjo's Red Rum x Elyssa's Allie Baba, o Janice Brunner, b Marsha Luisi

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER PREFERRED

CH MACH4 CHILCOTE KAZE JEWEL ON FIRE MXS2 MJC2 MXP2 MJP2 MJPB MFB TQ X T2B2 (B) by CH Chilcote's Credit To Ceasar JH x CH Chilcote Kaze Hana JH NAJ, o Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

AGILITY FAST NOVICE

CH TOP SHELF'S HAS TO BE MAGIC AX OAJ NAP NJP NF (D) by CH Jordean Up All Night x GCHG CH Millette's Sweet Memories CD BN RN JH AX AXJ NAP NJP NF OFP, o Ms. Sharon Anne Buehler, b Wendy A Archinal & Gail Schmieder & Jennifer Krieger

AGILITY FAST OPEN

CREDIT CHILCOTE'S WITH SONIC GENIUS OA OAJ OF (D) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x GCH CH Credit's Tarnished Copper Penny, o Maribeth Helgesen, b Jessie Schulz & Kathleen Krzeszewski

GCH CH CREDIT KAZE'S ROCK N REIGN JH AX AXJ OF CGC (D) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x MACH 3 Credit Kaze With A Perfect Diamond MXB2 MJS2 MFS TQX T2B3, o Christine Harrison & Steven Harrison, b Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz

CH TOP SHELF'S THE CHOSEN ONE JH NA NAJ OF (D) by CH Jordean Up All Night x GCHG CH Millette's Sweet Memories CD BN RN JH AX AXJ NAP NJP NF OFP, o Wendy Archinal, b Wendy A Archinal & Gail Schmieder & Jennifer Krieger

AGILITY FAST OPEN PREFERRED

GCHG CH MILLETTE'S SWEET MEMORIES CD BN RN JH AX AXJ NAP NJP NF OFP (B) by CH Castle's How Sweet It Is x CH Millette's Marilyn Merlot, o Wendy Archinal, b Michelle Millette & Cathy Dugan & Beverly Millette

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION

MACH FRANKIE BACALAITO COQUI MXB MJS MXF T2B2 CGC (D) by Loaded For Bear x Daisy Flashing K, o Mr. Niclaus E Taulai & Mrs. Raquel D Martinez, b Tracie Kolacek MACH GALEJADE DE ACRES VENTEUSES CD MXB MJB (B) by Grand Garcon Des Windy Acres x Gypsy Madam De La Foret, o LYNN VAN VLEET, b Mr. Philip E Rogers & Mrs. Walda E Rogers

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 2

CH MACH2 PACH2 BROOKEWOOD'S MARDI GRAS UD RN JH MXG MJB2 MXP7 MXPG MJP8 MJPG PAX2 OFXFP (B) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle JH x CH Brookewood's Just An Illusion, o Susan Osmansky & L E Osmansky, b Ms. Cynthia A Miller & Howard Huber III

MACH2 MARIAD'S COVEY RISE MXG MJG MXF T2B (D) by CH MACH2 Mariad Thats My Point Bigoak JH MXG MJC MXF T2B x CH MACH11 Chilcote's Great Idea Of Mariad MXC3 MJB4 MXF TQX T2B, o Mariann Jackson & John Jackson, b Mariann Jackson & Shirley Chilcote & Jessie Schulz

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 6

GCH CH MACH6 CREDIT KAZE'S CAPITAL GAINS RN M XG2 MJG2XF T2B2 (D) by GCHS CH Credit Where Credit Is Due x CH MACH4 Chilcote Kaze Jewel On Fire MXS2 MJC2 MXP2 MJP2 MJPB MFB TQX T2B2, o Terrence Santelli & Aimee Schilling, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 11

CH MACH11 CHILCOTE'S GREAT IDEA OF MARIAD MXC3 MJB4 MXF TQX T2B (B) by CH Chilcote's Daring To Be Great x CH Chilcote's I Am Your Idea, o Mariann Jackson & John R Jackson, b Shirley Chilcote & Angel Rumbolo & Jessie Schulz

TIME 2 BEAT 2

MACH HURRICANE THATS THE TICKET JH MXS MJS T2B2 CA (D) by DC AFC Duncan's Place Your Bet JH x CH Hurricane Little Feat, o Laura Spear, b Kelly Woerfel

BEST IN SHOW/RESERVE BEST IN SHOW AND GROUP PLACEMENTS

GCHP CH BRIGADIER'S LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE (B), M Lee/J Lee

- 4 Hernando County Kennel Club Ms. M Martorella
- 3 Hernando County Kennel Club Mrs. K B Ashe
- 1 Clearwater Kennel Club D R Holloway JR
- 2 Pasco Florida Kennel Club Mr. C G Liepmann
- 2 Manatee Kennel Club, Inc. K D Anderson
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- 3 Lake Eustis Kennel Club, Inc. Ms. A H Roth
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- 3 West Oahu Kennel Club Mr. M Lanctot
- 3 West Oahu Kennel Club Mrs. P Lanctot
- 4 Aloha State Sporting Dog Association Mr. G L Andersen

GCHP CH DREAM HI'S DON'T HATE THE PLAYER HATE THE GAME (D), T Rickard/L Rickard

- 4 Kennel Club of Palm Springs, Inc. E Sweigart
- 3 Tacoma Kennel Club Mrs. K C Wilson

GCH CH LABYRINTH NMR CHAMPAGNE DELIGHT (D), C Lawrence/M Lawrence/K Hanson

- 3 Baton Rouge Kennel Club Ms. G Kerr
- GCHB CH ORY'S CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (B), J Ory/T Ory
 - 3 Kachina Kennel Club M Faulkner
 - 3 Kachina Kennel Club Mr. S L Marx

GCH CH RIVERMIST BROXDEN SOVEREIGNMVP (D), D Droel/J Droel/ J Carlson

3 – Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, Inc. - Mr T Alexander

GCHP CH SANBAR'S RIDE THE WINDS (D), C West/R West/P West/W Pepin

- 4 Nolan River Kennel Club Mrs. A D Hearn
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- 3 Corpus Christi Kennel Club, Inc. J H Ireland
- 2 Corpus Christi Kennel Club, Inc. Ms J N Paulk

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Field Trials

EAST COAST

NORTHERN VIRGINIA Dick Cross WMA Boydton, VA February 10-12, 2017

Open Puppy (8 S)

J: Joanne Perry & Phil Rutler

- 1 Withheld
- 2 MEHAGIAN SEMPER FI TINIAN (B), VIZ
- 3 PINEY RUN STAR (B), by Maxwell's Outer Limits x FC Chancey's Frozen Assets; o/h Martha Greenlee
- 4 TAPPAHANNA ROCKET MAN (D), P

Open Derby (9S)

J: Joe Luisi & Howard Schultz

- 1 MEHAGIAN SEMPER FI TINIAN (B), VIZ
- 2 PINEY RUN STAR (B), by Maxwell's Outer Limits x FC Chancey's frozen Asset; o/h Martha Greenlee
- 3 MONICA'S QUAIL POINT BLACK RIVER DUCHESS (B), GSP
- 4 Withheld



Hit's Miss Bee Havin

Amateur Gun Dog (20S)

J: Mavin Roth & Howard Schultz

- 1 HIT'S MISS BEE HAVIN (B), by NGDC/FC/AFC Hit's For Pete's Sake x Marjo's Irish Legend; o Ralph & Judy Kiracofe, h Judy Kiracofe
- 2 FC ROVANS WILDMAN (D), by Rovans Sweatman x Rovans Spitfire; o Ronnie & Ian Clark, h Ivan Clark
- 3 HITAIL'S ALL WOUND UP (D), by NGDC/FC/AFC Hits All Jack's Up x Brigadoon's Runaround Sioux; o Donald & Marilyn Augustine, h Donald Augustine
- 4 CH MARJO'S PARTY LIKE A ROCKSTAR JH

(B), by FC/AFC Marjo's Red Rum x FC/AFC Marjo's Here for the Party; o Ann Marie Martucci, h Joe Luisi

Open Gun Dog (19S)

J: Sharon Townley & Joe Petroski

- 1 TJ'S BLACK DIAMOND (D), y Shadow Attack x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o John & Joanne Perry, h John Perry
- 2 SHAILORVILLE'S GUNNER (D), by FC/AFC Coos Rylee x Queen Alexandria of Shailorville; o Frances Gorman, h Ben Lorenson
- 3 HITAIL'S ALL WOUND UP (D), by NGDC/FC/AFC Hits All Jack'd Up x Brigadoon Runaround Sioux; o Donald & Marilyn Augustine, h Donald Augustine
- 4 HITS MISS BEE HAVIN (B), by FC/AFC/NFDC Hit's For Pete's Sake x Marjo's Irish Legend; o Judy & Ralph Kiracote, h Judy Kiracote

Open Limited Gun Dog (20S) J: Sharon Townley & Phil Rutler

- 1 BRIAR PATCH MS GABREAL (B), by Hopes Carolina Sunshine x Briar Patch Pearl; o Marvin & Kay Roth, h Marvin Roth
- 2 FC RUSTY NAIL OF COOS (D), by GFC/FC/AFC One Off Mojito Mike x FC Penelope of Coos; o Tom Wood, h Ben Lorenson
- 3 HIT'S MISS BEE HAVIN (B), by NGDC/FC/AFC Hit's For Pete's Sake x Marjo's Irish Legend; o Judy & Ralph Kiracofe, h Judy Kiracofe
- 4 HITAIL'S ALL WOUND UP (D), by FGDC/FC/AFC Hit's All Jack'd Up x Brigadoon's Runaround Sioux; o Doanld & Marilyn Augustine, h Donald Augustine

Open All Age (22S)

J: Mike Blondin & John Perry

- 1 NGDC/FC PINEY RUN LILY (B), by NFC/FC/AFC Piney Run Art x Piney Run Gypsy; o Martha Greenlee, h Ben Lorenson
- 2 FC MARJO'S JOHNNIE WALKER (D), by FC/ AFC Marjo's Red Rum x Marjo's Fly Honey Bella; o Marsha Luisi, h Joe Luisi
- 3 PINEKONE WHISTLING DIXIE (B), ES
- 4 PINEY RUN JAKE (D), by NFC/FC/AFC Piney Run Art x Piney Run Gypsy; o Martha Greenlee, h Ben Lorenson

TARHEEL Dick Cross WMA South Hill, VA February 14-19, 2017

Open Puppy (7S)

J: Robert Felins & Joe Petroski

- 1 MEHAGIAN SEMPER FI TINIAN (B), VIZ
- 2 COVEYRISE WHIZ BANG SAMMI (B), by The Whiz Kid x Becassier's Sawtooth Samantha; o Bruce & Karen Conover, h Bruck Conover
- 3 HOPE'S ADELE OF TRANQUIL ACRES (B), by Hopes Danny Boy of Tranquil Acres x Hopes Capture the Moment; o Lee & Lillian Holbrook, h Lee Holbrook
- 4 PINEY RUN STAR (B), by Maxwell's Outer Limits x Chancey's Frozen Asset; o/h Martha Greenlee

Open Derby (12S)

J: Marvin Roth & Lee Holbrook

- 1 COVEYRISE WHIZ BANG SAMMI (B), by The Whiz Kid x Becassier's Sawtooth Samantha; o Bruce & Karen Conover, h Bruce Conover
- 2 PINEY RUN STAR (B), by Maxwells Outer limits x Chancey's Frozen Asset; o/h Martha Greenlee
- 3 ROVANS RAMBLIN ANNABELLE (B), by Rovans Wildman x Rovans Lois Lane; o/h Diana Haynes
- 4 ROVANS NO STOPPIN DYNAMO (D), by Rovans Wildman x Rovans Xena Princess Warrior; o Ronnie & Ivan Clark, h Ronnie Clark

Amateur Gun Dog (23S)

J: Diana Haynes & Larry Cox

- FC HIT'S MISS BEE HAVIN (B), by NGDC/FC Hit's For Pete's Sake x Marjo's Irish Legend; o Judy & Ralph Kiracofe, h Judy Kiracofe
- 2 FC ROVANS WILDMAN (D), by Rovans Sweatman x Rovans Spitfire; o Ronnie & Ivan Clark, h Ivan Clark
- 3 GREEN MOUNTAIN LOUIE GUNN (D), by Green Mountain Brady x Green Mountain Shotgun Lizy; o Mike & Debbie Blondin, h Mike Blondin
- 4 FC/AFC DUKE'S BLAZE WINFIELD (D), GSP

Open Gun Dog (17S)

J: Tom Oswald & Joe Petroski

- 1 FC HIT'S MISS BEE HAVIN (B), by Hit's For Pete's Sake x Marjo's Irish Legend; o Judy & Ralph Kiracofe, h Judy Kiracofe
- 2 FC ERIN'S SAINT LOUIS JIMMY (D), P
- 3 FC/AFC MARJO'S CRUZAN ROVAN (B), by Marjo's Red Rum x Rovan's Hurricane Hannah; o Marsha Luisi, h Joe Luisi
- 4 FC/AFC WYNFIELDS RED NECK WOMAN MX MXJ MJB OF (B), GSP

Open All Age (9S)

J: Marvin Roth & Howard Schultz

- 1 Withheld
- 2 FC/AFC DUKE'S BLAZE WYNFIELD JH (D), GSP
- 3 PREACHER'S BARE KNUCKLES (D), GSP
- 4 PREACHERS ORIGINAL SIN (D), GSP

2017 Tarheel Championship

Twenty-four Brittanys representing owners from ten states came to the line between February 14-16, 2017 to compete in the annual Tarheel Grand Open Limited Gundog Regional Brittany Classic hosted by the Tarheel Brittany Club at the Dick Cross Wildlife Management Area in Boydton, VA. With more than \$16,000 in donations spent this past summer clearing and improving field trial conditions at the wildlife management area, the grounds provided a vastly more challenging arena for some of the best shooting dogs on the East Coast than ever before. Wide open lanes with multiple objectives tested the bird-finding skills and endurance of dogs and handlers alike.

Our judges - Dave Pomfret and Sharon Townley did a fabulous job. They spent nearly three full days in the saddle and paid close attention to their duties. It was our honor to have them observe and comment upon our dogs.

In the end, Piney Run Lily, an orange and white female Brittany with a record of significant accomplishments already behind her, captured the blue for owner Martha Greenlee of Baskerville, VA. Handled by Ben Lorenson, Lilly ran a super fast race to the front with four exceptionally picturesque finds and was found standing a fifth time in deep cover after time was called. Piney Run Jake, owned by Kent Patterson and handled by Ben Lorenson, captured the Runner-Up spot with a classic forward race and four finds, the last found standing shortly after time had been called in deep cover out on a limb.

Third Place went to "I'm Your Man (Gus)", who showed his power throughout the entire second brace with solid finds at 8, 21 and 31. His finish was among the strongest of the entire stake demonstrating significant capacity for even greater accomplishment. The final placement went to "Coveyrise Steady Eddie (Eddie). Eddie demonstrated a powerful forward race hanging to the edges of the open fields and handling kindly. He had two stylish finds and a classy distant honor of his bracemate.

We wish to thank all of those who joined us for this year's event and in particular Ronnie and Ivan Clark, Bruce and Karen Conover, Marvin Roth, Marilynne Augustine, and Tom Oswald, without whose help in operating the dog wagon, planting birds and keeping everyone fed the trial would not have been the great success it was. Also a very special thanks to the "Painted Pony", the old time rock band that played the songs we all remembered and kept us on the dance floor late into the evening.

We would be remiss if we didn't express a very warm thank you to the great folks at Purina who once again supported our Championship. Without their continued support and commitment to providing the best nutrition for our athletes our sport would not be what it is today.

Here is a quick rundown of the many excellent performances:

Day 1: Brace 1: Hits Miss Bee Havin' (Bee)-Kiracofe and Rusty Nail of Koos (Rusty)-Lorenson. With 2 stylish finds, a nonproductive and a stop to flush, Bee rendered an classic shooting dog performance and kept the gallery high in their saddles the entire brace. Rusty performed equally as well with a stylish find in wooded cover at 19. Both finished far forward on the river bottom.

Brace 2: I'm Your Man (Gus) and Bye. Gus's performance was described above.

Brace 3: RJA's Captain's Heart-N-Soul (Cody) -Welsh and Shailorsville Tucker (Tucker) - Lorenson. After a strong breakaway at the clubhouse both dogs



Top (Left to Right) Dave Pomfret, Judge; Martha Greenlee with winner Piney Run Lily; Ivan Clark; Ben Lorenson with Runner Up Piney Run Jake; Kyle Merrill; Ronnie Clark; Sharon Townley, Judge

Bottom (Left to Right) Bill and Fran Gorman with I'm Your Man and Bruce Conover with Coveyrise Steady Eddie

crossed the dirt road headed to the small pond where Cody settled into a hunting pattern. At 14 Lorenson called point for Tucker and both dogs moved onto the second half of the course. At 34 Ben decided to take Tucker to the truck. Cody continued to hunt his way to a find at 57 with all in order.

Brace 4: Kinwashkly Midnight Rambler (Jack) - Merrill and Bye. Jack broke away strong on the river bottom and remained up front across the dam and onto the second half of the course. At 40 he was rewarded with a large covey find on the backside of the lake. His finish was strong and a pleasure to observe.

Brace 5: Coveyrise Steady Eddie (Eddie) - Conover and Triumph's County Girl Shake It 4 Me (Jinger)-Lorenson. Eddie's performance was described above. Jinger ran the far edges of the breakaway and at 30 found her mark with with all in order. At 50 she demonstrated a lack of manners and was called to task.

Brace 6: C Waypoint Chancey Big White Cooper (Big White)-Merrill and Bye. Big White demonstrated yet another performance of tremendous power. Closing on the entire river bottom soon after breakaway. he was next observed crossing the river bottom dam and found standing at the silo. After demonstrating interest in the area before the trestle, he moved on with among the strongest finishes in the stake.

Day 2: Brace 7: Coveyrise My Gal Sal (Sal) - Conover and Finn MacCuhal (Mac)-Lorenson. Sal established point at 20 at the shack on the lake with Mac honoring her presence after a short round-a-bout. Ben collared Mac and Conover relocated. Sal took 3 steps and stopped again. Unable to produce a bird, Conover unwisely relocated Sal a second time resulting in a total collapse of manners.

Brace 8: Piney Run Rex (Rex) - Lorenson. Rex put on a sterling performance with finds at 5, 10, 30 and 35. Unfortunately his desire to see the whole course early got to him and Ben asked for the tracker at 50.

Brace 9: Marjo's Johnnie Walker 2 - PINEY RUN JAKE (D), by Piney Run Art x (Walker)-Luisi and Rainbow's Chik'N Mcnugget (Nugget)-Merrill. A strong breakaway on the clubhouse course by both dogs. Walker established a stylish point at 15 with all in order. Shortly thereafter Tucker got his turn and unfortunately Walker failsed to honor. After Kyle flushed and returned to collar Nugget, Nugget forgets his manners and was up.

Brace 10: Shaillerville's Gunner (Gunner) - Lorenson and Bye. Breaking away at the river bottom, Gunner disappeared in the thick brush along the river bank. At 10, his scout calls point but upon the judges arrival the birds had flushed and Gunner had exited

the area.

Brace 11: Jake's Loyal Legacy (Gabe) - Lorenson and Mr B's Cool Running (Raggs) - Borgman. Raggs found his mark along the trail to the cabin at 23 but lost his manners as the handler approached. Gabe was reported seen under a bird at 31 and was up also.

Brace 12: Piney Run Lily (Lily) - Lorenson and Bye. Lily's performance was described earlier.

Brace 13: Piney Run Jake (Jake) -Lorenson and Bye. Jake performance was described earlier.

Day 3: Brace 14: Sunrise in Tennessee (Misty) - Merrill and Bye. After two nice finds along the river bottom, Misty became over enthusiastic at 26 and was up.

Brace 15: Thomas' Dixie (Dixie) -Lorenson and Rovan's Lois Lane (Lois) - Clark. Breaking away on the clubhouse course both dogs demonstrated the ability to cover ground guickly. At 15, Lois had a short run on deer but guickly returned to rim the big field after the pines. Dixie hunted a bit closer and established point at 23 near the lake cabin. Lois failed to honor and was up. At 33 Dixie hit another successful mark and slid into a hunting pattern on the river bottom for the finish.

Brace 16: Palmetto Pointe's Autumn Blazing Star (Autie) - Lorenson and Green Mountain Lucy (Lucy) - Blondin. After breakaway on the river bottom. Lucy had a find at the silo with all in order. At 40, Lucy established another point at the cabin on the lake. Ben's dog followed with a nonproductive into the wooded area behind her. After an extended flushing attempt, Blondin produced a bird and both handlers moved on to the finish.

2017 Tarheel Championship

Grand Open Limited Gun Dog 1hr(24S)

J: Sharon Townley & Dave Pomfret

- 1 PINEY RUN LILY (B), by Piney Run Art x Maxwell's Southern Hospitality; o Martha Greenlee, h Ben Lorenson
- Piney Run Gypsy; o Kent Patterson & Ben Lorenson
- 3 I'M YOUR MAN (D), by Spanish Coral's Sundance Kid x Sandbank Rose; o Francis Gorman, h Ben Lorenson
- 4 COVEYRISE STEADY EDDIE (D), by Covey Rise This Budz 4U x Spring Hill's Rigueza Del Prado; o Bruce & Karen Conover, h Bruce Conover

CENTRAL

GREATER SAINT LOUIS Sportsman's Grounds Grovespring, MO Jan 31 - February 8, 2017

Open Puppy (10S)

J: Tom Tracy, Jr. & Dave Capstick

- 1 SKF WILLY'S MISS MOLLIE (B), by Beaver's Straight Arrow x SKF Little Miss Beretta; o Mitch Sims, h Bob Burchett
- 2 RU-JEM'S GRAND TOUCH BOURBON (D), by Touch of Bourbon Little Chug x Bark River Queen of Diamonds; o/h Jerry McGee
- 3 DETROIT RASCAL'S SON OF A GUN (D), by Rencroft's Detroit Rascal x Center Ridge's Witey Girl; o Burton McCandless, h Bob Burchett
- 4 REDBUD JAKE (D), by Jac's Over Aces x Gun Creek Zipster; o/h Stan Williamson



Hy Steppin Annie Oakley

Open Derby (12S)

J: Mike Poehler & Stan Williamson

- 1 SKF WILLY'S MISS MOLLIE (B), by Beaver's Straight Arrow x SKF Little Miss Beretta; o Mitch Sims. h Bob Burchett
- 2 WIYANNA (B), by Blueridge Hunter Gonna Fly x Ocaje; o/h Terry Gowin
- 3 TNT'S MAZIN GRACE (B), by Purgasons Ozark Frank x Purgasons Ozark Remi; o Nick Jones, h Bob Burchett
- 4 HY STEPPIN ANNIE OAKLEY (B), by Jagoub's Buz'n Bayou x Super Natural; o Chris & Gerilyn Sennott, h Chris Sennott

Amateur Gun Dog (11S)

J: Mike Poehler & Stan Williamson

- 1 DC TNT'S SIRIUS RENEGADE BUDDY BOY (D), by TNT's Sirius Medicine Man x TNT's Renegade Gal Pal; o/h Tommy Thomas
- 2 WHIZKI PETE (D), by Hi Proof Whizki x Special Edition; o Charlie Baglan, h Dale Pool
- 3 BANJO XVII (D), by Gunrunner's Lady's Man x

Desert Rose IV; o/h Dale Pool

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Open Gun Dog 1hr (20S)

J: Dave Capstick & Joe Williams

- 1 DC TNT'S SIRIUS RENEGADE BUDDY BOY (D), by TNT's Sirius Medicine Man x TNT's Renegade Gal Pal; o/h Tommy Thomas
- 2-DC/NGDC/GFC HOPE'S CHIEF OF CROSSCREEK (D), by Hope's Ranger Rick x Sanbar Crosscreek Play by Play; o Barbara & Wayne Peppin & Bob & Polly West, h Bob Burchett
- 3 CH GEORGIA DRIVE BY (D), by Peter Gunn x Gambler's Blazin Chick; o Burton McCandless, h Bob Burchett
- 4 GCH CH DC/GFC/AFC TNT'S RAISE'N A RUCKUS (B), by Havapal's Renegade Billy Boy x Bourbon's Lucky Penny; o/h Tommy Thomas



Allevcat's Drought

Amateur All Age (14S)

J: Clifford Weaver & Rodger Fiorito

- 1 NFC/GFC/FC ROUSTABOUTS FLAT OUT (D), by Sniksoh Little Rascal x Decan's Blazin Bve: o Robert Rankin & Jerry McGee, h Tommy Thomas
- 2-DC/NGDC/GFC HOPE'S CHIEF OF CROSSCREEK (D), by Hope's Ranger Rick x Sanbar Crosscreek Play by Play; o Barbara & Wayne Peppin & Bob & Polly West, h Wayne Peppin
- 3 ALLEYCAT'S DROUGHT (D), by Dakota Alleycat x TM's Tennessee Twister; o/h Stan Williamson
- 4 SPECIAL EDITIONS HI PROOF WHIZKI (D), by Hi Proof Whizki x Special Edition; o/h Dale Pool

Open All Age 1hr (34S)

J: Kendell Schmidt & Gailen Cooper

- 1 NAFC/GAFC/FC/AFC GLADE RUN IRISH (D), by Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feathers Coco Bean; o David Webb, h Tommy Tracy, Jr.
- 2 GFC/FC/AFC KINWASHKLY FAT BASTARD (D), by Leah's Running Jayhawk x Kinwashkly French Velor; o Bo Ackerman & Leslie Andreas, h Tommy Tracy, Jr.

- 3 FC DRIVING MISS DAISY II (B), by County Line 2 DIAMOND C'S RECON (D), VIZ Ace's High x Famous Chick; o Burton Wice, h 3 - DIAMOND C'S VIVACIOUS VIVIENNE (B), VIZ Tommy Tracy, Jr.
- 4 ANJ'S OHIO HELLION (D), by Grand Junction Jake x High Hope's Little Ann; o Mike Poehler, h Bob Burchett



ALAMO **Boyd Ranch** Wortham, TX January 20-22, 2017

Amateur Walking Puppy (4S) J: Chris Corliss & Kim Ochoa Hall

- 1 STONEY HILL'S CAJUN RUBY (B), GSP
- 2 STONEY HILL'S JEWEL DELIGHT (D), GSP
- 3 JAX BLAZIN BENNY (D); o Mary Ruffin & M. Davis, h Ben Kuykendall
- 4 SETTER DOWNS ONE MORE SHOT (D), IS

Open Puppy (12S)

J: Charlie Collier & Kim Hall

- 1 CR RINGO'S RUSTY TEQUILA (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Esko's Git The Tequila; o Rhonda & Chris Simpson, h Vic Carrington
- 2 DAKOTA SUN'S SEMPER FI (D), by Dakota Sun x Bail Out; o Dick Mantler, h Vic Carrington
- 3 HIGHPOINT SPIKES KATIE ELDER (B), by Highpoint Southern Spike x Double E Uno; o/h Ben Kuykendall
- 4 TEJAS ONE AND ONLY (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Edko's Git The Teguila; o/h Vic Carrington

Open Derby (8S)

J: Chris Corliss & Jim Crawford

1 - HI-N'S HURRICANE ABBY (B), GSP 2-4 -Withheld

Amateur Gun Dog (17S)

J: Vic Carrington & Julie LaRue

- 1 HI-N'S HEEL ON WHEELS (B), GSP
- 2 DIAMOND C'S VIVACOUS VIVIENNE (B), VIZ
- 3 CH POWER'S AMAZIN ZOE MX MXJ XF (B). by DC/AFC J & M Ace High Jax x Lone Star's Gambler's Last; o/h Robert Power
- 4 RUBY JUNE (B), ES

Open Gun Dog (20S)

J: Charlie Collier & E. J. Hall

- 1 STONEY HILL'S BUSTIN' LOOSE (B), GSP
- 2 FC/AFC HANSHAW'S WIDOWMAKER (B), GSP



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Amateur All Age (13S)

J: Charlie Collier & Julie LaRue

- 1 HI-N'S HEEL ON WHEELS (B), GSP
- 2 STONEY HILL'S BUSTIN' LOOSE (B), GSP
- 3 FC RAMMER JAMMER JAX (D), by FC/AFC TLM Frequent Flyer x Flatrock's I'm Watching You Dad; o Arthur Baer, h Trey Baer
- 4 Withheld

Open All Age (13S)

J: Chris Corliss & E. J. Hall

- 1 J&M ALL DUG IN (D), by DC/AFC Jerob's Tradewind Clipper x FC/AFC Jax Sugar Babe; o James & Mary Crawford, h James Crawford
- 2 FC HIGHPOINT SOUTHERN SPIKE (D), by Shastas Spike From Evil Roy x Southern Breeze; o Ben & Carolyn Kuykendall, h Ben Kuvkendall
- 3 FC HIGHPOINT BLAZIN' MEG (B), by FC/AFC Highpoint Blazin' Lamont x FC Southern Breeze; o Ben Kuykendall, h Trey Baer & Ben Kuykendall
- 4 DAKOTA SUN (D), by FC/AFC Dakota Luke x Musketeer Carpel Dier; o Dick & Cindy Mantler, h Vic Carrington

BLUEBONNET Hubbard, TX February 11-13, 2017

Amateur Walking Puppy (9S)

J: Keith Hickam & Cindy Findley

- 1 STONEYHILL'S JEWEL DELIGHT (B), GSP
- 2 BLUERIDGE'S ICEBREAKER (D), by Powder River's Whiz Bang Boom x Dirty Bird's Girl On

Fire; o Phillip Day & David Downing, h Cary Czichon

- 3 FRIEDRICH'S ANNIE OUT OF FIRESTARTER
 (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed the Line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o/h Dennis Friedrich
- 4 JAX BLAZEN BENNY (D), by Rammer Jammer Jax x Highpoint Blazin Meg; o M. Ruffin & M. Davis

Open Puppy (14S)

J: Keith Hickam & Tim Hildago

- 1 CR RINGO'S RUSTY TEQUILA (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Esko's Git The Tequila; o Rhonda & Chris Simpson, h Vic Carrington
- 2 STONEYHILL'S JEWEL DELIGHT, GSP
- 3 FRIEDRICH'S ANNIE OUT OF FIRESTARTER
 (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed the line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o/h Dennis W. Friedrich
- 4 TEJUS ONE AND ONLY (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Esko's Git The Tequila; o/h Vic Carrington

Amateur Walking Derby (8S)

J: Cindy Findley & Wes Felt

- 1 HI-N'S HURRICANE ABBY (B), GSP
- 2 STONEY HILL'S COOL HAND LUKE (D), GSP
- 3 COUNTDOWN'S EARLSTHEPEARL O'SANDCREEK (B), GS
- 4 BRAYMAR'S SIXPACK CHALLENGER V PENDAR (B), WEIM

Open Derby (10S)

J: Cindy Findly & Ben Kuykendall

- 1 BLUERIDGE BOTTLE ROCKET (D), by Blueridge Hot Fudge Sundae x Rivermist Broxden Isn't She Dovely; o Cary Czichon & David Downing
- 2 STONEY HILL'S COOL HAND LUKE (D), GSP
- 3-4 -Withheld

Amateur Gun Dog (15S)

J: Julie LaRue & Wes Felt

- 1 HI-N'S HURRICANE ABBY (B), GSP
- 2 FC CHUKARHILL RIMROCK EIGER (D), ES
- 3 FC/AFC STONEY HILL'S BUSTIN' LOOSE (B), GSP
- 4 FC MVR CHK MATILDA MACFARLANE (B), GS

Open Gun Dog (19S)

- J: Julie LaRue & Wes Felt
- 1 TRINITY'S CHK XPERT WITNESS, ES
- 2 HI-N'S MEGA STRIKE (B), GSP
- 3 FC POINT TO DUBLIN (D), IS
- 4 FC/AFC STONEY HILL'S BUSTIN LOOSE (B), GSP

Open All Age 1hr (13S) J: Wes Felt & Keith Hickam

- 1 FC RAMMER JAMMER JAX (D), by NAFC/ FC/AFC TLM Frequent Flyer x Flatrock's I'm Watching You Dad; o Arthur Baer, h Ben Kuykendall
- 2 FC HIGHPOINT SOUTHERN SPIKE (D), by Shastas Spike From Evil Roy x Southern Breeze; o Ben & Carolyn Kuykendall, h Ben Kuykendall
- 3 HIGHPOINT BLAZIN' HIGH NOON (D), by Highpoint Blazin' Lamont x Southern Breeze; o/h Ben Kuykendall
- 4 TLM PETE NOCONA (D), by Yankee x TLM Hidden Money; o Linda & Tom Milam, h Tom Milam



CALIFORNIA Camp H California City, CA January 28-30, 2017

After two weeks of rain, we were blessed with sunny skies on the start of our spring trial. We had quite a few new faces join us who came early for the 2017 ABC Western Futurity and 2017 ABC Chukar Classic. We welcomed trialers and dogs from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Canada and Arizona. Great judges, great dogs, great food and friends made for a great weekend. We saw some really nice dogs compete this weekend with a nice variety of placements. On Monday, we hosted an Amateur Walking Derby for the benefit of the derby dogs who came for the Futurity to get acquainted with our desert environment. The judges awarded Nancy Noble from Washington a "handler Award of Merit" for her work with her dog, Rocket and her first time in the field. Nice job Nancy! Thank you to our handful of volunteers who came to help with the trial, we couldn't have done it without you.

OPEN PUPPY (8S)

J: Jeremey King & Michael Vaz

- 1 HIGH LONESOME BOWDEN HILLS (M), by FC/ AC Firestarter's Crossed The Line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o Jim and Pattie Hammett, h Jim Hammett
- 2 JT COPPER BUCKAROO JH (D), by FC Kiger Hills Louee x Lock and Load Daisy; o Jeff Minch, h Paul Doiron
- 3 MV'S GRB Dirty GIRL (B), GSP
- 4 EL DEEOGEE (F), by NAC/AFC/FC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet; o/h Phillip Emery

Award of Merit K NINE WE HAVE A SITUATION

AMATEUR WALKING DERBY (12S)

J: Raul Pineda & Willie J Stevens, Jr.

- 1 BRANDY'S SPANISH CAPTAIN (B), by NAFC/ FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sonny Patch x FC/AFC Hi Proof Brandy Mist MH; o/h Jim Murphy
- 2 RIVERMIST BROXDEN 'N ROJA'S ICY HOT (D), CH Be-Line's Le Duc Sky Diver x GCHB CH Ataboy's Dazzle Me Daphne JH; o Allyison Godfroid, Amy & Phil Booth, Linda Langford, h Linda Langford
- 3 SUNDANCE KIDS ROCKY MOUNTAIN RENEGADE (D), by NAC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Tabette JHA; o James Sterling Cullor, h Bill Landress
- 4 PC SEVEN E REV'N ICE COLD SLURPEE (D), by FC Felter's Rev'n Lobo x Gun Runner's Diamond Forever; o/h Layne Peterson

Award of Merit

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Open Derby (22S)

J: Jeremey King & Jim Murphy

- 1 SUNDANCE KID'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN RENEGADE (D), by NAC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Tabette JHA; o James Sterling Cullor, h Bill Landress
- 2 MV'S GRB'S ONE FINAL WILD DEED (F), GSP
- 3 RISING SUN'S DOUBLE TROUBLE (D), by DC MB's Make Mine A Double x Rising Sun's Valiant Shoshoni Warrior SH; o Todd Emery, h Jason Staley
- 4 PC SEVEN E REV'N ICE COLD SLURPEE (D), by FC Felter's Rev'n Lobo x Gun Runner's Diamond Forever; o Layne Peterson, h Jason Staley

Amateur Gun Dog (25S)

J: Raul Pineda & Steven Crabb

- 1 FC MV's GRB's Wild Deeds (B), GSP
- 2 MTB ZIPNSON VENI VIDI VICI (D), by NAFC/FC/ AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x DC/AC Zippity-Do-Dot; o Haley Glick & John Patrick Rountree, h Paul Doiron
- 3 FC ALDER'S SOPHIE BROOK (B), by DC Delane Speak Of The Devil x FC/AC High Hope's Little Ann; o Daniel & E. Campbell, h Layne Peterson
- 4 DCR'S MOJO JUSTICE (B), GSP

Open Gun Dog (35S)

J: Rhonda Cornum & Wayne Hale

1 - FC/AFC QUAIL ROCK TOO TOUGH (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Wishful Thinking; o Ellen Weinfurtner, h Paul Doiron

by NAFC/ Flatrock's **AMATEUR WALK**

- 2 GCH CH ALMADEN'S MASKED SHADOW 2 VALLA THE DEMON HUNTER (B), ES DANCER (B), by GCH DC Masked Jack of Diamonds x DC Almaden's Lone Shadow Dancer; o Bill & Judy Cappello, h Paul Doiron
- 3 FC ALDER'S SOPHIE BROOK (B), by DC Delane Speak Of The Devil x FC/AC High Hope's Little Ann; o Daniel & E. Campbell, h Jason Staley
- 4 MTB SPICENSON CAPTAIN RYAN (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x DC Mikey's Spice Girl; o Tom White & Margaret Horstmeyer, h Tom White

Award of Merit

FC/AFC GROUSE MT LEGENDARY OUTLAW MH

Open All-Age (14S)

J: Ellis Herz & Willie J Stevens, Jr.

- 1-NAFC/FC/AFC SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID (D), by NGDC/FC San-Dee's Blazing Shane x FC/AFC Stevix Bulletproof JH: o/h Joe Gower
- 2 MTB ZIPNSON VENI VIDI VICI (D), by NAFC/FC/ AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x DC/AC Zippity-Do-Dot; o Haley Glick & John Patrick Rountree, h Paul Doiron
- 3 FC STALEY'S ORANGE OUTLAW MR. COOPER (D), by Oberon Fairy's King x Titanias Fairy Queen; o Dan Campbell, h Jason Staley
- 4 FC K NINE'S ON THE LOOSE (B), NAFC/ FC/AFC Maxwell's Blew By You II x K Nine Gun's & Roses; o Linda McDonald & Arlette Hennessey, h Paul Doiron

SAN DIEGO Camp H **California City, CA** February 4-5, 2017

Amateur Walking Puppy (5S)

J: Arlette Hennessey & Steve Crabb

- 1 MATTHEWS BIRD DOGGIN' REMMI (B), GSP
- 2 HIGH LONESOME BOWDEN HILLS (D), by FC/ AFC Firestarter's Crossed The Line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o Jim & Patti Hammett, h Jim Hammet
- 3 TEKOA MOUNTAIN BILL'S STRING (D). ES
- 4 VALLA THE DEMON HUNTER (B), ES
- Award of Merit

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Open Puppy (6S)

J: Mike Eisen & WJ Stevens Jr.

1 - HIGH LONESOME BOWDEN HILLS (D), by FC/ AFC Firestarter's Crossed The Line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o Jim & Pattie Hammett, h Jim Hammett

- 3 EL DEEOGEE (B), by NAFC/AFC/FC Spanish Corral's sundance Kid x FC Blew by Yet?; o/h Philip Emerv
- 4 JANEE'S LET LOOSE ON HIGH OCTANE (B), by FC MVP Redline's High Octane x FC Janee's Let Her Go; o Cortnee Staley, h Jason Staley

Amateur Walking Derby (13S)

J: Arlette Hennessey & Steve Crabb

- 1 TEKOA MOUNTAIN BILL'S STRING (D), ES
- 2 AUNT TROJI'S DIRTY NIKE (B), GSP
- 3 MATTHEWS BIRD DOGGIN REMMI (B), GSP
- 4 GCH/CH COPPER CALIAH'S DREAM HI RIVER LILLY JH (B), by DC Copley's Red River x GCH/ CH Elkhorn Jack's Misdem; o Shellie Sytsma & Kristina Richard, h Mary Brown

Awards of Merit

SPANISH CORRAL'S WILD BILL

CH BRITTANY'S RAMBLIN' PERFECT STORM AT CAMELOT JH

Open Derby (16S)

J: Wayne Hale & Mike Eisen

- 1 FINLEY'S GATORBAIT (B), GSP
- 2 AUNT TROJI'S DIRTY NIKE (B), GSP
- 3 VNK'S PERFECT EQUATION (D), GSP
- 4 SPANISH CORRAL'S WILD BILL (D), by NAFC/ FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o/h Claude & Jan Kilpatrick

Amateur Gun Dog (22S)

J: Arlette Hennessey & Steve Crabb

- 1-FC KWK WINDSWEPT GUINEVERE OF CAMELOT JH (B), by Pake's Hunter x Windswept Rosebud; o Jeri Kay Conklin, h Philip Emery
- 2 ASPEN'S MILLION DOLLAR BOUNTY (D), by NAFC/AFC/FC Spanish Corrals Sundance Kid x Blazen Rebel Aspen; o/h Philip Emery
- 3 WILLOWYND AND KTIA'S NEXT WAVE JH (B), VIZ
- 4 FC ALDER'S SOPHIE BROOK (D), by DC Delane Speak of the Devil x FC/AFC High Hope's Little Ann; o/h Daniel Campbell

Open Gun Dog (25S)

J: Mike Eisen & Willie Stevens

- 1 JANEE'S I'LL MAKE YA FAMOUS (D), by NAFC/ FC/AFC Maxwell's Blew By You II x Decan's Uncontained Blaz; o Layne & Diane Peterson, h Jason Staley
- 2 RENEGADE'S PONCHO (D), by Renegades Bourbon on the Rocks x Renegade's Lilly: o/h Louis Schmitz
- 3 FC/AFC QUAIL ROCK TOO TOUGH (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Wishful Thinking; o Ellen Weinfurtner, h

Paul Doiron

4 - FC/AFC SKY'S TROJAN ARROW (B), GSP

Open All Age (14S)

J: Ellis Herz & Raul Pineda

- 1 NAFC/GFC/FC/AFC SPANISH CORRAL'S SONNY PATCH (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x CH/AFC Midas Blazin Amber Skies: o/h Joe Gower
- 2 NAFC/GFC/FC/AFC SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID (D), by NGDC/FC San-Dee's Blazin Shane x FC/AFC Stevix Bulletproof; o/h Joe Gower
- 3 BLEW ME AWAY (D), by NAFC/FCAFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o Norman & Terry Ahl, h Paul Doiron
- 4 SHADY'S BLUEWATER REPETE (D), by FC Blye Water Shady Pete x Treley's Bluewater Brooke: o Marilynne & Clem Little & Windy Schmitt, h Wayne Down





THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB 71st Annual Field & 56th Annual Show Futurity

Trial and Show to be run Spring of 2019 PURSE: 2/3 to Owner of Winner, 1/3 to Breeder of Winner



ABC Futurity Rules can be found on the ABC Website and in the ABC Policy Book CONDITIONS AND RULES FOR FUTURITY ELIGIBILITY

- The 2019 American Brittany Futurity shall be open to every Brittany bitch and her progeny whelped during the calendar year of January 1 - December 31, 2017, who is owned or leased by a member of The American Brittany Club, and whose litters have been Futurity nominated with The American Brittany Club. Sires do not necessarily have to be owned/leased by an American Brittany Club member. All dams nominated and all sires bred to must be registered with AKC, CKC, or FDSB.
- The nominating breeder needs to be a current full member in Good Standing of the ABC when the litter is nominated and the closing dates of the of the Sectional Futurities in which puppies from their nominated litter compete. They must sign the Litter Nomination form, and any breeder purse checks will be paid to this designated nominated breeder. If their membership has lapsed at the time of the Sectional Futurity, the purse will revert back to the ABC Futurity Administrative Fees.
- Nominations of dams must be made within 60 days after a bitch has whelped, and a Nomination Fee of \$40.00 ("First Forfeit") must be paid at this time. This payment will entitle each puppy of the nominated litter to be entered in the ABC Futurities (Field and/or Show) after the puppy has been properly registered with AKC or FDSB. Nomination Fees are set by the ABC Board of Directors.
- Late litter nominations will be accepted with the following current fee schedule: In addition to the Nomination Fee of \$40.00, late fees are \$60.00 for 61-90 days, and \$100.00 for 91-180 days. Nominations after 180 days will be accepted at the discretion and decision of the ABC Futurity Committee. The postmark will determine the fee for late nominations. The ABC Board of Directors may impose additional late fees from time to time.
- A Final Forfeit Fee, to be eligible to compete in the Sectional Futurities (Western/Central/Eastern), is due by October 1, 2018, and is submitted by the owner of the eligible puppy. Futurity Entry Fees will also be paid prior to 2019 Sectional Futurity events by the owner of the eligible puppy for each Sectional Futurity event in which the eligible puppy is entered. Final Forfeit Fees as well as Sectional Futurity Entry Fees are set by the ABC Board of Directors and subject to change.
- More information on the ABC Futurity and additional copies of this form can be found on the ABC website:

www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/futurity.htm

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Versatile Brittanys in Action

By Carla Simon



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Scent work is a game and some rewards are better than others. You know you're on the right track when your dog is so excited you can see the whites of his eyes.

What did it look like when you saw your dog that excited? Was he chasing a bird? Or would he rather chase a ball or Frisbee? Does he scream when you approach the dog park where you go walking? Or will a steak have him drooling jumping on the counter? If your answer is yes, those situations are valuable training opportunities.

If you can control access to the situation that makes your dog crazy with anticipation, then you can use it as a reward. In the middle picture, puppy Tika is entranced by a bird wing. Accordingly, we can use the wing to proof behaviors from stays on the agility pause table, to free-stacking in the conformation ring.

Paradoxically, the highest value rewards are usually huge distractions! Be forewarned: if you're going to use the wing as a reward, be prepared to work through that distraction in your next training session¹. At first, the presence of the wing may make your pup so excited he appears to lose his brain and forgets the most basic behaviors. Start by selecting a behavior that he knows well e.g. down. Ask him to lie down in the presence of the wing, then reward immediately. His behavior of lying down will be much more reliable.

Note the wing probably isn't the best choice for teaching down to a puppy. Toy rewards tend to be energizing, while food rewards tend to be calming, so I teach the down using food. Once the pup understands down on cue, show him the wing and start proofing. When he lies down for even a millisecond, give him the wing. The pup may fail several times, but working through the challenge is worth it for motivating that unique dog.

What's rewarding is determined by the individual dog. There are 4 main categories of rewards:

- 1. Food
- 2. Toys
- 3. Life Rewards e.g. going for a run, visiting his favorite person
- 4. And combinations of the above

Within each category of rewards, a hierarchy is hidden. Many dogs prefer food to toys. But that's not the end of the story. Within food rewards, your dog probably prefers a juicy bowl of tripe over one piece of dry kibble. You can further augment drive by experimenting with food play e.g. holding the dog back while you throw a piece of food so it rolls on the ground, then releasing the dog and to racing him to it. Another strategy would be training the dog to jump up and grab food with the verbal cue "get it". Once your pup knows the game, occasionally say get it and move the food away at the last second, for a near miss! Then repeat the game but allow him to get it. Keep your dog guessing, to keep your dog in the game.

Some dogs are inherently motivated by toys, but you can develop the toy drive of any dog. To illustrate, a dog that isn't interested in tug at first may be attracted to a rolled-up sock containing sardines so when he bites down he gets a taste. Limit the game to 5 seconds and quit while he wants more. Similarly, with a dog who already loves to tug, occasionally drop the tug toy on the ground, allowing him to "steal it", or run away with the tug dangling, so he has to chase you to jump up and grab the tug toy.

Context matters. For instance, food rewards are more attractive when he's hungry compared to when he's already stuffed. If your dog loves to swim, diving into the lake on a sunny day is more enticing on a sunny day than during a blizzard when he's already exhausted.

Don't be Afraid to Be Goofy

Your energy is critical to maximize rewards. Don't underestimate the value of "being goofy". Challenge yourself to lose all the props (toys, treats, leash, etc.) and play "naked" with your dog for 5-10 seconds. It's important to practice this skill, because at some point in your dog's life, you'll be surprised by a dangerous situation, without any leash or rewards, and need to recall or heel your dog away. Prepare today, by attempting prop-free play, in a distraction free environment, where you can test roughhousing or whispering to engage and reward your dog.

Rewarding has everything to do with your attitude, but there are some nearly universal fallbacks. For example, crouch down and pause, then *run* away *fast*. Most dogs will take off running with you, revitalized and energized, even if they were previously flat.

Get creative. Take a shot at the splat down game with several of your dogs at the same time (provided there's no resource guarding). Give the signal or verbal cue to lie down, and only reward the fastest dog, by tossing single reward at him so he needs to grab it or his friends will steal it. After a few heats, the dogs drop like the earth is magnetized. Don't worry, nobody wins them all. But they all want to win! As the late Patty Ruzzo said, find the joy². Training shouldn't be boring.

Creating Interactive Reward Events

Traditionally, dog trainers thought of rewards as things e.g. you give your dog a biscuit or a ball. Amp up your rewards by focussing less on the items and more on the interactive experience while rewarding your dog. More valuable reward events result in:

- greater focus, drive and attention
- higher motivation
- faster learning
- quicker performance of behaviors
- harder work effort, and
- ignoring more challenging distractions to perform the work and earn his reward.

Combine reward categories to build a satisfying, memorable, reward event³. For example, a low value reward might incorporate robotically clicking then handing your dog one piece of kibble while patting the dog's head like a basketball and saying in a monotone "good dog". Turn that into a reward event by giving high pitched (not growly) enthusiastic praise, clicking and treating 10 times in a row, fast like a machine gun. An even more intense reward could fuse a 30 second game of tug with a rabbit fur toy or 15 venison treats, delivered while telling the dog how strong or fast he is, followed by a 3-minute off leash romp where you allow your dog to sniff whatever he wants.

In nosework competition, I use wieners to reward individual searches (since the judge and competitors are waiting), and once all the searches are complete, I pay my dog with an energetic game of tugging his stuffed toy, while we run outside together, and spend at least 5 minutes together. Having cultivated many options, even if I forget my dog's toy, we have an arsenal of exciting rewards available for our "after party", from nose touches to hide and go seek.

Whatever rewards your dog loves, imagine how to blend them together for an unforgettable reward event. If you can see the whites of your dog's eyes, you did something right. Your dog is having more fun already.

Resources

- Get more ideas at: https://noseworkblog.wordpress.com/2017/03/09/scent-work-distractionstraining/
- 2. Patty Ruzzo Classics: Competition Basics, Fronts & Finishes, Variable & Unpredictable (video available on amazon.com)
- 3. Advanced Concepts in Motivation Turning Your Reward into an Event, Video by Michael Ellis at http://leerburg.com/228.htm. Learn more at http://michaelellisschool.com.



We have a spectacular weekend planned for you: MB-F Shows/Premiums will be available on ABC website.

⇒ Thursday, July 6: Judges Education, Field Demo, Puppy Match & Mini-Me's (Mrs. Cathy Rigoulot, Judge)

- ⇒ Friday, July 7: Michigan Sporting Dog Show (Mr. Robert L. Robinson, Judge)
- ⇒ Western Michigan's Concurrent Specialty (Nancy Gallant, Judge)
- ⇒ Saturday, July 8: Summer Specialty (Dr. Robert A Indeglia, Judge; Sweepstakes: Kristofer Kelso)

held in conjunction with the Ann Arbor Kennel Club, Field Demo & Dinner on the grounds.

⇒ Sunday, July 9: WMBC 2nd specialty in conjunction with AAKC show (Mrs. Patricia Robinson, Judge)

Monroe County Fairground, 3775 S. Custer Road,

I-75 Exit 15 or U.S. 23 Exit 17 M-50, Monroe, MI 48161

Set-up, parking & camping all in the same Brittany designated area. Friday MSDA provides breakfast and beverages all day and a Margarita party a3er BIS! Saturday and Sunday lunch will be available at our setup. Cathy Rigoulot is planning a lovely dinner for Saturday evening in the 4-H Bldg. next to our set up. Prices and menu TBA later.

We have a block of **25 rooms at the Quality Inn** in **Dundee, Mi**. Cabelas is just a couple of blocks away! Lots to do and see in Monroe County and there is a flyer on the ABC website listing all the attractions!

You'll have the opportunity at 4 majors in one weekend, great judges, excellent location, AAKC offers dock diving and agility. Expect a fun packed me in Michigan July 6—9, 2017!

T-Shirts and memorabilia available through Laurie Walters: all order must be prepaid.

Products, prices and other info on ABC website.

Diana Kubitz, Chairman

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GCHS SANBAR'S RIDE THE WINDS owners Bob & Carolyn West, Polly West and Wayne Pepin



GREGG'S VINTAGE AJAX, SH owners Bruce Gregg

New Sittes

CH Crosscreek Sanbar We Just Could'nt Say No - owners Wayne Pepin, Polly West and Bob West CH Sanbar Crosscreek Touch and Go - owners Wayne Pepin, Barbara Pepin, Polly West and Bob West Gregg's Vintage Ajax, SH - owner Bruce Gregg GCH Rao's Stone Quarry Blues, CA, RATN - owner Teresa Armstrong CH Wincrest Copley Melody of Love, JH, RATI - owners Tim & Barbara Dayton and Robin Tomasi

Congratulations to our 2016 Dogs of the Year and New Titlists

GCHS Sanbars Ride The Winds - owners Bob & Carolyn West, Polly West and Wayne Pepin 2016 ABC National Specialty Award of Merit

DC Sanbar Castle Built on Legends - owners Bob & Carolyn West and Polly West 2016 ABC National Specialty 1st place Dual Champions Class & Award of Merit

GCH Sanbar's Evening Attire - owners Polly and Bob West 2016 ABC National Specialty Best of Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweepstakes

NGDC/DC/GFC Hope's Chief of Crosscreek – owners Wayne and Barbara Pepin & Polly and Bob West 2016 ABC National Gun Dog Championship 3rd

Special Recognition



Specialty Shows



MICHIGAN Ionia, MI October 24, 2016

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The 8th annual Harvest Specialty was held October 24, 2016 with the Western Michigan Brittany Club. Our judge was long-time Brittany breeder Debbie Melgreen. Mrs. Melgreen drew a nice entry of over 30 dogs. From over 10 specials, Mrs. Melgreen awarded the Veteran Dog, Gch Dogwood Hollow Bengal Zero Zero, "Tiger", as Best of Breed. Tiger is owned and shown by Brooke Burlingame. Best of Opposite Sex went to Ch. Copley-Sheltanny Echo of Angels JH owned and shown by Julio Rodriguez. Mrs. Melgreen was quite consistent and selected littermates Classic's Kacie Can Do and Classic's Can Do Hi Dilemma for RWB and WB, bred, owned and shown by Mary Wolnewitz. Thank you to our show committee of Chelley McCandless, Cathy Rigoulot, Keith and Mary Wolnewitz and Warren Shopp. Thank you to all the exhibitors who support our show.

Linda Allen, MBC Show Chair

Regular Classes Judge: Ms. Debbie Melgreen

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3 - DETROIT RASCAL'S SON OF A GUN, by AFC Rencroft's Detroai Rascal x CH Center Ridge's Whitey Girl; o W. Burton & Michelle McCandless, b Harold Darga

12-18 Month Junior Dogs

1 - DOGWOOD HOLLOW SERENITY'S FLASH THE STARTS AND BARS, by GCH Star Flight Jumpin' Jack Flash AXJ BA RN CGC x GCH Dogwood Hollow Little Surfer Girl; o William Scanlon, b Geri Clements & Cheryl Mika & A. & J. Burlingame, Jr.

Bred-by-Exhibitor Dogs

1 - SOVEREIGN'S LEGENDARY DISCIPLE, by GCHS Sovereign's Chasing Legends x GCHB Trio's Sovereign Alleluia JH; o/b Dawn & Joe Droel

Open Dogs

1 - MARSPORT TROUBLES FAMOUS JAKE, by CH Marsport Trouble in Fargo x CH Marsport Sanbar Music City Roxie JH; o Mike Hall, b John Marsman

2 - STAR FLIGHT BRADLEY COOPER CGC, by GCH Star Flight Jumpin' Jack Flash AXJ BA CGC RN x GCH Lyric's Shilo CGC CD RN, b Marie Starsiak

Winners Dog

SOVEREIGN'S LEGENDARY DISCIPLE

Reserve Winners Dog

DOGWOOD HOLLOW SERENITY'S FLASH THE STARS AND BARS

9-12 Month Puppy Bitches

1 - OVER UNDER'S KICK IT OUT, by FC Legacy's Pine Bandit x CH Over Under's Killin' Time JH; o/b Eileen Gust

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Chestnut Ridge King Cobra CD JH x CH Southpaw's Lil Allie Cat; o June Cuthbertson & Mark Cruz, b June Cuthbertson

4 - WAR-JON'S GABI' BEE-BOPPIN ANNIE, by Woody Pines Chipper x DJ's Country Best Girl; o Warren & Elisabeth Shopp, b Joseph Kern



Winner's Bitch CLASSIC'S CAN DO HI DILEMMA



Reserve Winners Bitch CLASSIC'S KACIES CAN DO



Best of Breed GCH DOGWOOD HOLLOW BENGAL ZERO ZERO

Winners Bitch CLASSIC'S CAN DO HI DILEMMA

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CLASSIC'S KACIES CAN DO

Best of Breed

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Best of Opposite Sex

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Best of Winners

SOVEREIGN'S LEGENDARY DISCIPLE

Select Dog CH RENEGADE'S AMMO'S TOBY

Select Bitch

GCH STAR FLIGHT MADHOUSE ON MADISON



Best of Opposite Sex CH COPLEY-SHELTTANY ECHO OF ANGELS JH



Winners Dog/Best of Winners SOVEREIGN'S LEGENDARY DISCIPLE

WESTERN MICHIGAN Ionia, MI October 24, 2016

Once again we shared our show venue with the Michigan Brittany Club and together we make up the Harvest Specialties. We had 39 entries this year and were pleased to offer 4 point majors on a Monday, the day before the ABC National Gun Dog Championship started. The Western Michigan Rifle & Pistol Club was transformed into a show site with a few volunteers from the Western Michigan Brittany Club.

We were honored to have as our judge this year David Frei, the former voice of Westminster. He did his final show in 2016 and is now pursuing other interests in the same field as a show judge! His Best of Breed was CH Renegade's Ammo's Toby owned by Diana Kubitz & Ashlee Whitcomb and handled by Amy Booth. Best of Opposite Sex went to CH Copley-Shelttany Echo of Angels, JH owned and shown by Julio Rodriguez. Best of Winners was Dogwood Hollow Serenity's Flash The Stars and Bars owned by Will Scanlon and handled by Cheryl Mika. We'd like to congratulate all the winners and thank all the exhibitors for supporting our specialty! Special thanks to Helen Riggle for stepping up and taking photos for us when our photographer had to take her elderly father to a doctor's appointment. Helen you were a life saver!

Kudos go out to Thom Christnagel, Carlos Gust, Deb Smelt and my workhorse husband Gary Kubitz for setting up the entire show while I worked on the trophy table, judges table and set out serving materials for our lunch. Couldn't do this without you guys and you are truly appreciated! After the WMBC judging we served lunch before the MBC specialty. Clean up was assisted by the aforementioned people along with Keith and Mary Wolnewitz, Cathy Rigolout and Linda Allen of MBC. Thanks again to everyone who worked to make these specialties a success and for all the exhibitors and friends for their continued support. Our biggest thanks go to Purina for their support of our specialty! Purina is a staunch supporter of the American Brittany Club and its regional clubs. Don't forget about our specialties in July of 2017 where we will also host the Summer Specialty at the Monroe County Fairgrounds with the Ann Arbor Kennel Club! Information is available about trophy donations and plans are in the works to make this weekend really special.

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4 - GRANMARS SWEET DREAMS, by CH Granmars Can Do Prince Drew x DC Granmars Classic Diamond Account; o Jackie & Dr. Eric Swanson, b Tim Foley & Patrick Brown

Winners Bitch

CLASSIC'S KACIES CAN DO

Reserve Winners Bitch

KALA'S SWEET DREAMS ARE MADE OF THIS

Veteran Dogs

1 - GCH DOGWOOD HOLLOW BENGAL ZERO ZERO, by CH Jordean-Sequani C I Told U So x CH Dogwood Hollow Gone With the Wind; o Jennifer Burlingame, b Cheryl Mika & Geri Clements



Best of Breed CH RENEGADE'S AMMO'S TOBY

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CH RENEGADE'S AMMO'S TOBY, by DC/AFC Masked Shoshoni War Chief JH x CH Ammo's Some Like it Hot; o Diana Kubitz & Ashlee Whitcomb, b Sandra & Gary Leavens

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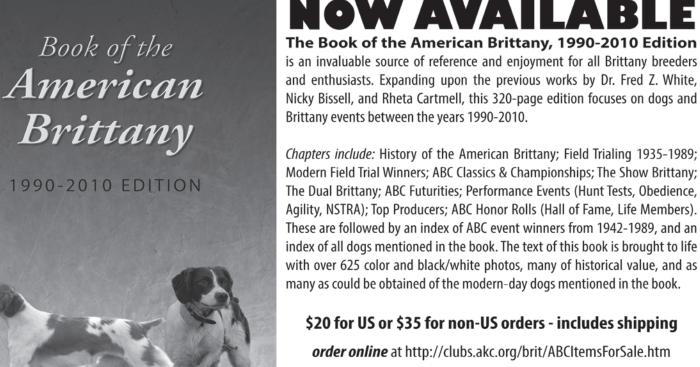
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CH SOVEREIGN'S LEGENDARY MUSTANG

Awards of Merit

CH TRIUMPHANT N'KALA'S SKY'S THE LIMIT GCG RIVER MIST BROXDEN SOVEREIGN MVP



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Please e-mail your recipes to Sheila Cordner at sheilaskitchencorner@gmail.com. along with your submission please include your name and club affiliation. Sheila Cordner belongs to the Southern New England Brittany Club and is known for her culinary talents.

CAJUN SHRIMP PASTA

- 1 lb. linguine
- 1 tbsp. extra-virgin olive oil 1 lb. peeled and develned large shrimp Kosher salt Freshly ground black pepper 2 tbsp. Cajun seasoning 2 tbsp. butter 2 tbsp. all-purpose flour ³/₄ c. heavy cream ¹/₂ c. grated Parmesan, plus more for garnish
- ¹/₄ c. chopped fresh parsley

In a large pot of salted boiling water, cook pasta until al dente. Drain, reserving 1 cup pasta water, and return to pot. Meanwhile, in a large skillet over medium heat, heat olive oil. Add shrimp and season with salt and pepper and cajun seasoning. Cook until pink, 2 minute per side. Transfer to a plate.

Wipe out skillet and add butter. Once melted, stir in flour and whisk until golden. 1 minute. Add heavy cream and whisk until creamy, then add Parmesan and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup pasta water. Whisk until creamy. Season with salt and pepper. Return pasta to skillet and toss until creamy, then add shrimp and parsley and toss until combined. Garnish with Parmesan and serve. Serves 4

ROASTED ASPARAGUS CARBONARA

1 bunch asparagus,

trimmed and guartered 1 tbsp. extra-virgin olive oil Kosher salt

Freshly ground black pepper

12 oz. linguine or spaghetti

4 slices bacon, preferably

thick-cut 2 large eggs, plus 2 egg

volks

¹/₄ c. grated Parmesan

Heat oven to 400 °F. On a large baking sheet toss asparagus with oil and season with salt and pepper. Roast until tender and charred. 15 to 20 minutes. Meanwhile, in a large pot of salted boiling water. cook pasta until al dente. Drain, reserving 1 cup pasta water, and return to pot. Meanwhile, in a large skillet over medium heat, cook bacon until crispy. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate. Drain half the fat. In a small bowl, whisk together eggs and egg volks, and Parmesan. Season generously with salt and pepper. To skillet with remaining bacon

fat, add cooked linguine and egg mixture and stir until coated. Add enough pasta water to make a loose creamy sauce. Stir in roasted asparagus and bacon and serve.

SHRIMP SCAMPI ZOODLES

4 medium zucchini, washed and trimmed Kosher salt 1 lb. medium shrimp, peeled and deveined Freshly ground black pepper Extra-virgin Olive Oil 3 cloves garlic, minced 1 small onion, chopped 1/2 tsp. crushed red pepper flakes $1 \frac{1}{2}$ c. dry white wine

Zest and juice of 1 lemon 3 tbsp. cold unsalted butter, cut into 3 pieces ¹/₄ c. chopped parslev 1 lemon, thinly sliced

Preheat oven to 400 °F. Insert flat end of one zucchini into a spiralizer and turn to make noodles; repeat with remaining zucchini. Cut the noodles to 7" lengths and place in

a colander, sprinkle with 1 tablespoon salt and gently mix to coat noodles. Set aside and let noodles drain over a dish. In a medium bowl, season shrimp with salt and pepper. Place shrimp in an even layer on a rimmed sheet pan. Roast for 8 minutes. In a large skillet set over

medium heat add 2 tablespoons olive oil, garlic, onions, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper, and red pepper flakes; cook until softened, 2 minutes. Heat to medium-high; add wine, lemon zest, and lemon juice and simmer until sauce has reduced. 3 to 4 minutes. Drain zucchini noodles and pat dry with paper towels. Add to sauce and toss until warmed through. Reduce heat to low and stir cold butter into the sauce; add cooked shrimp. Toss with parsley and garnish with lemon wheels. Serve immediately. Serves 4

TRAININ'DOGS



with Rick Smith

What's the Point?

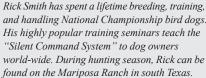
Take a quick look at these three photos: Which dog is pointing? Of course the answer is obvious to those of us who know pointing dogs. All three photos show dog on point, and they're all nice, classy dogs doing a great job. However, if you ask someone from the general public (or even some hunters with minimal pointing dog experience), they will say the only dog actually pointing is the German shorthair. Why? Because that dog has one front foot held up off the ground, and some folks erroneously think that, yes, the front foot is what's doing the pointing, rather than the whole dog.

Pointing is all about the nose first, with sign running a very distant second. Ideally, the dog should stop as soon as it has scent. Then, using its nose to refine and gain direction, the dog will focus in and pinpoint the spot where it believes the bird is located. Look where the dog is looking. Even though the dog can't see the bird, it can use that superior sense of smell to lock on to the potential location, and the dog's head will turn toward the area the scent is strongest. The eyes will watch, but the nose does the finding.

Why do all three dogs look different in their pointing style? To find the complete answer, we need to consider the time when canines had to fend for themselves and there was no such thing as kibble. While it was possible – especially in a pack situation – for dogs to chase down their prey and kill it, it was often easier and more effective to first scent the prey and then carefully sneak up or stalk it, then pounce when close enough and chase if needed. The closer the dog was to what it wanted to catch, the better the chance of grabbing it.

Even in a pack situation, they would carefully creep up on their prey, working as a team and watching one another as they crept closer so they would be able to surround their quarry. Teamwork was an important part of the survival of a pack. One over-anxious member breaking to chase before it should have often resulted in alerting the prey animal and having it escape unharmed. That, in turn, meant the pack didn't eat and had to work harder to find something else.

When humans entered the picture and dogs started to become domesticated, they learned to hunt as a team, which evolved and refined into the process we use today. Fortunately for us, rocks, spears, nets, and



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slingshot have evolved into shotguns. The instincts of our dogs, however, remain much the same and have been shaped by careful breeding, then enhanced by training.

Scent is still the very foundation of the entire hunting and pointing process. The sensitivity and discrimination (not the same thing) of the dog's nose make all the difference, and are a large part of the reason we see the different pointing poses in the three photographs. Scent – strength and location – causes most of it. Then, add the training the dog has had about how to properly respond to the scent. Ideally, a well-trained dog will stop and freeze, becoming motionless, at the first scent of a bird. How that first scent is discovered depends largely on the wind and terrain, and on whether the dog is inhaling or exhaling when it passes through the scent cone.

If you look at the picture of the setter in the field (center), she has had enough flat, open ground and clear scent to stop in a balanced fashion, with all four feet on the ground and enough scent for a sure lock on the bird. The shorthair shows what we mentioned earlier, the classic "raised paw" pose. Some of the time, this simply means that the dog really got good scent and



just froze mid-step. And a lot of the time, it means the dog already had scent but kept on creeping slowly until it got closer to the bird, called "roading in," or "cat walking." In this particular photo, the dog had simply stopped mid-stride at first scent. A half-second later found the dog with all four feet firmly on the ground, balanced and steady and in the same spot.

Moving in on a bird is not desirable, as it

can cause it to flush wild and out of effective shotgun range. Dogs that do this are generally either inexperienced or untrained, and they want to point on sight rather than scent; they don't want to stop until they actually can see the bird rather than just smelling it. Too much "wing on a string" with puppies can help create this problem, because that's visual rather than scent oriented. A dog that creeps in on birds is also telling us that it really doesn't think it needs us on the team. That dog would rather bump and chase and try to catch the bird all by itself instead of being part of the pack and working with us.

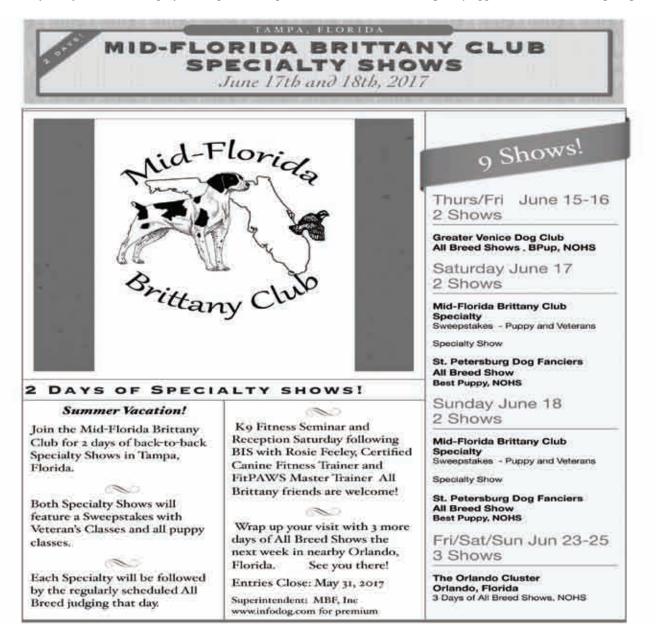
Now let's take a look at the third photo, the rather dramatic pose of the setter in the pines. This was one of those breathtaking moments that stick with us forever. The dog was running wide open past the scent cone, grabbed bird scent in mid-stride and flipped around sideways in the air, landing locked on a solid and very stylish point. The legs are where they are because that's simply the way the dog landed, never moving a muscle.

The pointing we have in our hunting breeds today is the result of centuries of selective breeding. Most all dog breeds, from small to large, have some level of hunting instinct if given the opportunity. They will stalk and play chase games and pretend to hunt, even if it's only after toys. Just look at puppies of any breed playing. They chase (prey-chase drive) ad pounce on toys, trying to "kill" them. They shake those toys and tear them apart. All of that is about instinct even if we like to call it playing.

Pointing dogs, however, have had this skill refined to a very high level. Breeders selected the dogs with the strongest instinct to point rather than simply chase, and by carefully continuing to select for that trait, the pointing breeds we have today were developed. There's a fine line between the desire to chase and the need to point, and both qualities are needed to have a great hunting dog. Without the desire to chase (restrained by careful training), there would be no need to point.

The bottom line is this: No matter how your dog points, it's a thing of beauty, bred and honed by centuries of careful selection. When you dog locks up on a bird, take a moment or two to make a mental memory of that fine dog work before you walk in to flush. If you're like us, those goose bump-inducing points will be alive in your mind forever, and you'll always look forward to the next one.

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2016 Purina Award Winner



2016 Purina All Age Brittany of the Year Award winner

Glade Run Irish L to R: Dr. Robert Rankin, Raus Tracy, Tommy Thomas, Tom Tracy Jr., David Webb

This year's Purina Award winner is seven-year-old Glade Run Irish out of FC Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feather Coco Bean. Irish is owned by David Webb and handled by Tom Tracy Jr.

This year's Purina Award, which is presented to the top All Age Brittany in the country, was based on 36 hour All Age stakes of which Irish won the Southern Open Brittany Championship, Region 5 Prarie State Amateur All Age Championship, International Open All Age Championship, Gr. St. Louis Open All Age hour, and placed in the ABC National Championship, US Open Championship, Mid-South Brittany Championship, and International Amateur All Age Championship.

The Award ceremony is held at the Blue Mountain Wildlife Area clubhouse on Saturday night between the ABC National Amateur Championship and ABC National Championship. The clubhouse was packed with people who came to celebrate the accomplishments of this year's winner and the unveiling of last year's winner portrait.

Thank you to Purina for sponsoring this Award and to artist Ross Young for painting the beautiful portrait of last year's winner.



2015 Purina Award winner portrait presentation

The Ace Of Spade L to R: Tim Self, Dave Capstick, Dr. Robert Rankin



2016 Purina All Age Brittany of the Year Award standings

Points	Dog	Owner	Handler
1620	Glade Run Irish	Webb	Tracy/Thomas
	Ru-Jem's "Last" Penny	McGee	McGee/Tracy/Thomas
	Jj's Levi The Lionheart	Williams	Williams
	Kinwashkiy Fat Bastard	Ackerman&Andreas	Ackerman/Tracy
	Uncle Kracker	Ackerman	Tracy/Alexander
	Georgias Texas Two Step	Tangen	Tracy
	Spanish Corral's Sonny Patch	Gower	Gower/Doiron
	Sniksoh Little Diamon	Wonderling	J. Johnson
472	Roustabout's Flat Out	McGee	Tracy/Thomas
464	Tequila Scorcher	Crain	Tillson/Carlson
	The Ace Of Spade	Capstick&Self	Capstick/Self
416	Mtb Scipio's Hot Shot Of Whizki	White&Horstmeyer	White
408	Black Creek Deacon	Harling	Holman
390	Sparky's Prairie Wind Gypsy	Koepke&Fujikawa	John/Ralph
324	Firestarter's Crossed The Line	Christensen&Rankin	Tillson/Carlson
288	Jj's Alabaster Angel (Angie)	Williams	Williams
284	Cedar Valley Spider	Webb	Tracy
282	Jagoub's Buzz'N Bayou	Jagielski	Tracy
272	Driving Miss Daisy II	Wice	Tracy
258	Lapat's Rocky	McDonald	J. Johnson
254	Kinwashkly Tempo	Miley&Andreas	Tillson
244	Crescent City Girl	Steinmetz	Steinmetz/Tillson
240	Whiskey's Little Tip	Jowett	J. Johnson
208	Jj's Tasmanian Devil	Williams	Williams
200	Chancey's Frozen Asset	Alexander	Alexander
196	Hal-Js Smarteyes-Jokers Ez Ace	Revoir	John
194	Mvp Redline's High Octane	Nelson	Doiron
192	Remchester's Premium White Lightning	Stonehouse	Stonehouse
188	Castaway Wilson	Huglen	Tracy

182		Chejne&McCaffrey	John
160	1	Schaeffer	Burcett
146	Piney Run Hank	Donahue	Lorenson/Patterson
130	Power River's Nobody But Me	Dowing&Krajcar	Downing
128	Piney Run Jake	Patterson	Patterson
122	Wimberley Rowdy Bo-Dandy	Gay	S. Johnson
112	Sniksoh Spank's Hank	Hoskins	Hoskins
104	SS Rig's Colorado Gun Runner	Milam	Milam
102	Hap's Spice Rum Beckham	Harrison	J. Johnson
96	Dakota's Gun Runner Buckshot	Berkowitz	Tracy
96	Remmi	McGuirk&Quinn	J. Johnson
84	Lost Creek Shot Of Bourbon	McCann	Tracy
84	Mk'S My Lil Ammo	Blasi	Blasi
80	Tnt's Blazing Shoshoni Shake'N Bake	Thomas	Thomas
78	TLM Pete Nocona	Milam	Milam
78	Tlm Frequent Flyer	Gerardy&Milam	Gerardy
78	Brendi Brooks Cowboy Up	Trimble	Tracy
76	Black Creek Blaze	Harling	Holman
68	Roustabout's White Knight	Rosevear	Tracy
60	Campbell's Razz-Ma-Tazz	Campbell	Campbell
60	Mtb Cabo Rita De Scipio	White&Horstmeyer	White
56	Kwk Windswept Guinevere Of Camelot	Conklin	Doiron
48	Romance's Texas Two Step	Romance	J. Johnson
44	TNt's Sirius Renegade Buddy Boy	Thomas	Thomas
42	MK's Magnificent Bandito	Oliver	S. Johnson
40	Marjo's Leftover	Perry	Perry
32	Kinwashkly Midnight Rambler	Miller	Patterson
30	Maxwell's Heavy Hitter	Rogers	Rogers
30	Carpe Diem	Lincoln	Lincoln
28	Mtb Zipnson Veni Vidi Vici	Glick&Rountree	Doiron
26	Rusty Ridge Where U Been	Kilpatrick	Gower



A Little Competition

A Novella and Twenty-Two Short Stories

Alice and Ace

The rivalry had been building for four years, though to the two men in charge it seemed a much shorter time. The first hint of the greatness of their dogs had come on the Madsden Ranch in their derby season. They'd taken first and second (Ace first, Alice second) in the Iron Nation Derby. In the three field-trial seasons since, their dogs' reputations had grown on placement after placement in quality stakes.

Ace, pointer male, worked in the string of Bill Collins, home base Holly Springs, Mississippi. Alice, setter female, worked in the string of John Gregory, home base Thomasville. Georgia. So Ace built his reputation mostly in the edge-country trials of the Mississippi drainage, while Alice built hers on the piney woods Deep South circuit. They met head to head only in the summer on the prairies and at the Invitational on Thanksgiving weekend.

(Each had won the invitational once, been runner-up

to the other once.) In this, their third all-age season, they were both at the top of their form. In January, Alice had won the Continental and Ace the Free-For-All. They were neck and neck in the Purina Points race for Dog of the year. And one more thing, they looked alike-both with gold mask and ears. Ace weighed fifty-five pounds, Alice fortyfive.

When she ran clipped in the warm months, you could barely tell them apart.

Alice and Ace were the talk of the bird-dog world-a small arcane world of deep passions, where men and women take bird dogs to heart, root for their favorites like Yankee or Dodger fans. It had been years since so dominant a pair had appeared on the circuit. And no one could remember when it had been a pointer and a setter, a male of one breed, a female of the other. It was the stuff for legends in the hard-nosed world of open all-age competition where road-warrior professional handlers roamed from August to April in search of glory and a share of meager purses.

The warriors logged more miles in the saddle than Civil War troopers, more miles on the highways than rodeo cowboys. Week after week, through blistering heat, stinging rain, freezing cold, they saddled up, came to the line, heard "Let 'em go," rode and sang and flushed and shot and rode some more-all in hopes of hearing the club secretary say, "The winner is...."

Their strange world existed for a tiny fraternity, spread about the continent, known to one another but to no one else. Most folks didn't know their sport existed, could have cared less that the world's two best bird dogs would go down in the National Championship. But those of the fraternity, the bird-dog clan, could talk of nothing else.

Now great athletes always have their detractors, those who see in every winner something not to like. Rumors of faults swirled around Alice and Ace; rumors of holes, imagined or real, in their canine characters. Some said Alice wouldn't back unless her handler were present to holler "Whoa." That Ace would blink a bevy if he could get away with it.

In fact, Alice would back but she'd rather be in front on a point, so if no human were around, she'd sneak past a pointing bracemate and steal the show. And if her handler or scout were present and

whistled "Dixie," she'd steal a point. And Ace would leave a covey-if he sensed he'd been lost and left behind. He'd back off his birds and go to the front, for he knew he couldn't win while lost on point (they say ole Texas Ranger did the same for Jack Harper).

CHRISTIE

Yes, Alice and Ace were those rarest of things, brainy competitors, splendid athletes, the best of the best, rare as a three-carat diamond in a Birmingham pawn shop.

Ace was owned by the Bascum brothers of Orlando, orange growers who's sold their groves to Disney, put the money in T-billsrisk free. They went to Vegas twice a year on a budget. Their only other indulgence was Ace. They'd had a dog with Bill Collins for twenty years, but never a major winner until Ace. They were basking in the glory of their pointer, driving trial to trial in a big motorcoach to see him run, their wives along to make sure their medicines were taken on time.

Alice belonged to (or more accurately owned) Wally McGraw, a Virginia peanut farmer who had raised her from a pup. A shoe-leather bird hunter for forty-five of his sixty years, Wally loved a good bird dog as much as any man, bred them for a hobby, one litter a year. A pointer man mostly (because of the sheep burrs), he'd received Alice's mother as a gift. He'd decided to breed her to a top trial dog. After weaning, Alice had run loose on his farm. One day he watched her take a field edge out of sight. She was just five months old. Something told him she was special. He'd read in the American Field about John Gregory, about his success with setters-a rare thing in the all-age game.

When John Gregory got Alice, she was thin as a rail, having run loose all summer around Wally's farm. He liked her eyes, and she was built right, had the easy gait of her sire, which John had briefly his string. John put Alice on the bench and the barrel, taught her to whoa. Tried her on pigeons, which she would not point-her months of freedom had taught her they were not the game birds she'd been bred to point. When he got her to the prairie, he saw she was a natural-the rest is history, as they say.

Ace's advent had been a little different. He'd been raised in Oklahoma by a probate judge who specialized in breeding pointers and racing quarter horses. The Bascum brothers had bought dogs from the judge for many years, paid dearly but always got their money's worth. (The judge was too smart to sell a poor dog to a good customer.) Bill Collins had taken Ace to Canada "on approval," and after two weeks, he'd told the Bascum brothers to buy him quick, before the judge raised the asking price.

Now this brings us down to the present-Alice and Ace are six years old, have six championships apiece under their collars and are on their way to Grand Junction, Tennessee, for the National Championship. It's February and likely to be rainy and cold. Reports on the bird crop at the Ames Plantation are encouraging. Forty dogs are to be drawn, but all eyes will be on Alice and Ace, the don and diva of the field-trial season.

At Bryan Hall, Alice draws the first brace, Ace the last. In her three hours, Alice finds seven coveys, handles them perfectly, hunts a pattern like you'd draw on a map, finishes with a flourish. Everyone says, no dog can beat her. One by one they try and fail, until Ace finally comes to the line. It's spitting snow. He finds seven bevies too, and hunts a pattern as pretty as Alice's. "Call 'em back," say the judges. "Not fair," says Ace's owners. "She's had two weeks rest, he just went three hours.

"Don't worry about that," says Bill Collins. "He'll be ready."

It warms overnight, and the snow is gone when Alice and Ace come to the line. Two thousand riders squint into the sunrise. The senior judge says, "Let 'em go." They trade finds for an hourthree apiece. Then they disappear. Ten minutes later the lusty cry of "Point!" comes from the corner of Morgan's Swamp. When the judges get there, Ace and Alice's scouts are grinning like possums, but no dog is in sight. "Where are they?" asks the senior judge.

"Right over there, Judge," says Sam Brown, Alice's dusky scout, pointing to a cedar thicket deep in the swamp. The judges dismount and walk behind the handlers through the knee-deep waters of the swamp.

"I'll be," says Bill Collins, first to see Alice and Ace. They are locked tight in the mating embrace.

"I didn't know she was coming in season," says John Gregory with apology in his voice. The judges remount and ride for the Manor House. When they get to the road, Doctor Carlisle yells that a decision will be announced in front of the Manor House "in a little while" (he doesn't say in thirty minutes, as is his custom).

The judges meet in Hobart Ames' gunroom, where Edmund Osthouse's drawing of Ames shinnying a log with a batwing of bourbon in his pocket hangs above the bar.

"What do we do, boys?" the senior judge asks. He has no idea

what to do-this has not happened before. Ace and Alice were even to the time of their tryst, and no other dog has come anywhere close to their performances.

"I say it's her fault, we name him champion," says Fred Ferguson, the junior judge who holds a well-hidden prejudice against longhairs.

"You can't do that," says Judge Jimmy Black of Kentucky, who loved pointers and setters equally and had developed champions of both breeds. "The feminists will eat us alive if we blame the setter lady for coming into heat."

Then the senior judge has an epiphany.

"Boys," he says, "there's just one thing to do, but it's never been done before. Let's get the other directors in here." So they call the directors in from the dining room where they wait in coats and ties.

"Gentlemen, you know our problem. You couldn't separate those performances any more than you could have separated them dogs out there in Morgan's Swamp. I say we name them Co-National Champions. It's the only fair thing, and we make the rules."

A long silence follows. The other judges nod. Then everyone nods.

Out on the steps, the secretary announces it-to a short stunned silence and then violent applause. It's the right thing, everyone agrees. Bill and John hate to get just half the purse, but that's better than none of it, as has been their fate in all the years before.

Sixty-three days later, Alice whelps eight pups, four longhaired like her, four shorthaired like their sire. The Bascum brothers take the shorthairs, Wally McGraw keeps the longhairs.

Who won the Purina Award? Well, Alice and Ace finish the Purina contest dead even in points. (After his affair in the swamp, Ace doesn't place again, and Alice goes on maternity leave.) The pups? What happens to the pups? Well, that's another story for another day. Be on the lookout for derbies with a gold mask and ears, pointers and setters.



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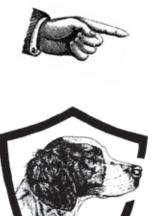
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May 20-21	Anthracite E. New England(w)(19) So. New England	Michigan Saginaw			
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