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INTRODUCING the New ABC President

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Year 1990 – Purchased my first Brittany, Bandit U Dickens, in the parking lot of the Des Plaines Conservation Area during a field trial for the LaSalle Brittany Club. My original intention was to have a skilled Pheasant Hunting dog and family companion. I received both with "Bud".

My competitive spirit also became ignited when I learned about the sport of "Field Trialing" allowing my dog and myself to practice and compete our skills in Field Trials for the majority of the year – well beyond hunting season. I also became involved with a number of seasoned field trial and general competitively natured LaSalle members who competed their dogs in Field Trials, Obedience and Show competitions. Donna, my wife also became very active in this lifestyle. We really enjoyed it at the start and continue to enjoy it today.

We have continued competing in this lifestyle achieving numerous American Field, Open and Amateur Field Trials Titles and a National Open Field Champion (Gamblers Ace in the Hole) and a Dual Champion label on Rocky also. Total number of dogs achieving various Titles from our kennels are over 8 dogs. I am actively competing dogs today. We also actively Breed our champions today also.

I am active in many areas in the Brittany World – in the past serving as a Central Board of Director and recently being re-elected to the BOD as representative of the Central division. I am on the Michigan Brittany Championship board, the Prairie State Championship Board, past President of the Hoosier Brittany Club, Past First Vice President of the LaSalle Brittany Club and recent Field Trial Chairman for the LaSalle Brittany Club fall trial.

In 2016 I was awarded the LaSalle Brittany Club "Lifetime Achievement" award.

We have traveled to Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Nebraska and Wisconsin attending Field Trials in all these areas. We currently are actively campaigning dogs today.

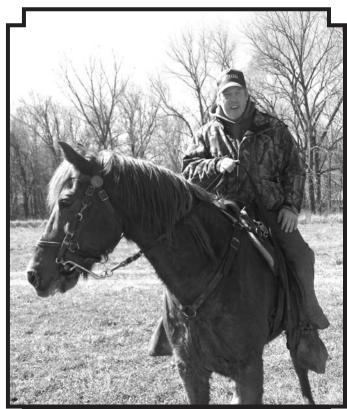
We have attended and competed in both the National All Age and National Gun Dog Championships on a regular interval. I also judged the Open Gun Dog Championship in the past. I actively judge at many of these field trials.

On another personal note: currently, I am a General Manager for a large Baking Facility outside of Chicago. I have a college four-year degree from Lewis University in

Business Administration. We live on 11 acres on the outskirts of Manhattan, Illinois.

Today the American Brittany Club is facing challenges in membership retention and overall sustainment. Overall costs have challenged people to stay active in the American Brittany activities – we need to figure out how to keep costs at a level to bring in new people and continue to be able to sustain as an organization.

I am a strong believer of maintaining "Tradition" and would work to sustain the values and history of the club. However, I do realize that people's recreational needs, lifestyles and interests have evolved so we will need to figure out how to address these changes while still maintaining the tradition previously discussed but with aim at future sustainment and growth of the ABC.



ABC President, Ed Janulis

Thank You, Bob Rankin

The membership of the American Brittany Club wishes to recognize and thank our outgoing President Bob Rankin for his dedicated service to the club. Beside holding down the President's term for the past several years, Bob has a long history of dedicated service as a member of the ABC board of directors, a director on the board of the Bird Dog Foundation, as well as a trustee on the board of the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America. Whenever help is needed, he has always been willing to step in and assist. Thank you for your service, Bob.



2017 National Amateur Gun Dog Championship

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2017 ABC National Amateur Gun Dog Championship Winners

(L – R) Cindy Cropek, Al Cropek with Champion - 2x NGDC/DC/AFC High Hope's Dark Nite, Judge Paul Katzel, Judge Charlie Parietti, Jon St. Clair, Julie Nelson-Claypool with Runner-up Champion - DC Turning Pts Landslide DJ, Mark Claypool, Denise Anderson, Vince Anderson with 3rd Place - NGDC/GFC/FC/AFC Magnum High Velocity, Shelly McCandless, Burton McCandless with 4th Place - CH Georgia Drive By.

Champion: (9b) 2 x NGDC DC AFC High Hope's Dark Nite o/h Al Cropek; Runner Up: (7a) Turning Pts Landslide DJ o Julie Nelson h Jon St. Clair; 3rd: (5a) NGDC GFC FC AFC Magnum High Velocity o/h Vince Anderson; 4th: (2b) CH Georgia Drive By o/h Burton McCandless.

Congratulations to all the dogs, handlers and owners and a special thanks to our Judges, Paul Katzel from Plainfield, IL and Chuck Parietti from Maryville, MO. Without your devotion to the sport and selfless time in the saddle, these types of events would not be possible. A tip of the hat to chairman Bob Burchett for running a fantastic National Gun Dog Championship event. Thanks to Mike Poehler for his job as FT Secretary, Terri DeBarr for taking care of all the paperwork, Diana Kubitz and Deb Smeltz for running the Auctions, Calcutta's, and arranging special dinners and to Eileen Gust for her many delicious meals. Special thanks to Dick Lipski for planting, feeding and organizing all of the birds for the Open and Amateur Championships and Clifford Weaver for driving the birds up from Grovespring, Missouri. Healthy, mature and high-quality birds made this event a quality stake. They coveyed up, flew explosively and survived

through the entire week flying strong every time they were encountered. Not one bird was caught by a dog during any of the events, including the Derby Classic. Every dog had the opportunity to show his or her abilities without distraction from weak-flying, limp, dying quarry. Every dog who finished the hour had multiple finds including at least one covey. Thanks to Will Langley for providing horses for spectators and competitors to rent throughout the event. Chuck and Theta Langstaff drove and stocked the dog wagon every day, allowing spectators and dogs to travel the course in comfort and a festive atmosphere - thank you both!

We wish to thank our Sponsors Nestle-Purina & Garmin. We cannot thank them enough for making our Championships successful. Purina provides us with both financial support and Pro-Plan dog food which fuels many of our competitors. Garmin also provides monetary support for the awards and provides the winner with a training collar. Thank you sponsors. We also thank The Saddle Guy for his cooperation and sponsorship as well with some of our awards.









The running:

Brace 1: BGD's Outlaw Josey Wales (Josey) Dave Johnson/ Roger Fiorito and Legacy's Pine Bandit (Bandit) Delmar McCallister. The Amateur Gun Dog Championship began on Sunday October 29, 2017, on a cool, cloudy day with a light breeze. At 8:39 a.m., Bandit and Josey set off to show everyone what a foot-handled gun dog can do. Bandit went forward before turning right and making a big move to the north. At 4:35, both dogs were found standing with their heads and tails high. As a covey lifted to the flush, Josev went with the birds while Bandit held staunchly on the back. Now running solo, Bandit again moved big to the front before his motionless silhouette was again spotted at 9:52 in the tree line before Hire's field. A single bird lifted and Bandit's style remained perfect through the flush and shot. As we swung across Hire's field, Bandit ran wide along the east edge of field then swung across to the front. He found his way through a cut and soon hit point on the far side of the line at 17:31 looking directly back at the gallery with his head and tail high and tight. A bird was produced as soon as his handler entered the line. As he was released into Hire's field, Bandit swung immediately to the west and flew down the line and around the field. At 21:49 he hit point again and large covey was produced. At 28:30, he was again found standing to the front and two birds were produced. His scout found him standing at 33:27 on the backside of an island and a single bird issued forth. Another single was located at 39:15 and a large covey followed on the shot. Again, Bandit handled the situation with style and perfect manners. In the big field north of Hire's, Bandit showed his depth and swung the east line far to the south before disappearing over a hill. His scout went after him and found him standing at 52 minutes, near the cattail draw at which he'd had his first find. By the time his handler returned to him, it was enough for any dog and he had a tough end to an otherwise memorable performance.

Brace 2: Hit's a Red Rock Girl (Ruby) Marcia Rupnow and 4th Place Georgia Drive By (Drive By) Burton McCandless. The second brace broke away into fields above the Boy Scout Bridge. Ruby was found standing at 4:10 and Drive By came in to back. A covey was soon located with all in order. At 8:39, it was Drive By's turn and a small covey was produced which Drive By turned to mark with all in order. Drive By immediately joined his brace mate to the front and his handler caught up at the top of Cardiac Hill. Both dogs stayed forward as they descended Cardiac Hill and crossed the creek. At 23:05, Drive By's scout called point. Ruby backed and a small covey was produced. Drive By again established point at 27:30 under a large oak. Ruby declined to back and soon found herself loaded on the dog wagon. A small covey was produced for Drive By. As we headed to the creek ford, Drive By worked the objectives north with energy. He pointed again at 34:39 and a single bird lifted with Drive By marking the flush. After crossing the creek, Drive By went forward on the south line and took it all the way to the gun dog parking lot before turning north on the two-track towards the dog wagon. He gave the gallery a rare show by striking point on the hillside right next to the dog wagon. A small covey was produced with all in order. He broke away onto the gun dog course and took a hard turn south towards the swamp. His scout was sent in pursuit but Drive By didn't need help as he hit the bottom and turned west, heading to the front. He worked his way to the orchard and point was called at 53:15 with two birds produced. The judges called time as Drive By worked the south line near the shotgun range.

Brace 3: Spring Hill's Red Hot Performance (Red) John Bell and Alder All Tundra Devil Tuktu (Tucker) Robert Puerner. After coffee and donuts, it was time for the final brace of the morning. The day proved short for Tucker who, at breakaway, took a hard turn, south down the four oaks line and established point 100 yards away. The covey of birds he saw was too tempting and he was back on the wagon before his day even began. Meanwhile, Red moved forward through the tall grass and worked towards the lone oak line, which he took south towards the dyke. At 4:50, point was called in the field before chute. Red stood with beautiful style as two birds took flight and a third went with the shot. At 12:40, Red's scout found him standing like a statue at the base of an oak tree.







A large covey rose around him as his handler approached. Upon release, Red strayed towards the location of his find but was soon corralled and moved forward. At 16 minutes, point was called on an island of thick cover near the swamp. A bird was produced with all in order. After we crossed the ford, Red's scout called point in the derby orchard. A long and difficult flushing attempt ensued before a covey lifted. Red's handler emerged from the thicket looking like he had covered himself in blood for Halloween; no medical attention was required and Red was released to the front. Red swung the high side of the derby course, hunting hard and fast, alternating between lines and objectives. At 44:00, point was called on the top side of the derby course and Red again showed beautiful style as a single bird was produced. As time was called, he was found standing 20 yards off the line in the field immediately before the dyke. A single bird rose to the flush finishing the hour with all in order.

Brace 4: Rico's Hi Proof Bootlegger (Mason) Chuck Schaefer

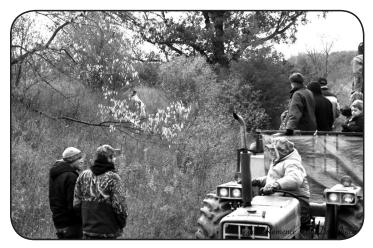
and Green Mountain Lucy (Lucy) Mike Blondin. The first afternoon brace started at 1:50 p.m. with a glimpse of sunlight illuminating grey and black clouds as the temperature warmed into the 40s. By the top of the breakaway hill, both dogs were seen making strong moves to the front. At 5:45 Mason showed to the north as we approached the cattails and Lucy was seen making a flashy move up the South side of the same line. At 10:07, Lucy's scout called point and Lucy was found standing along the north line. A small covey was produced which Lucy handled with style. At 12:00, Mason's scout found him standing but his handler was unable to produce the bird. At 15:40, Lucy was found standing on the line immediately north of Hire's field. A bird was produced with all in order. At 16:10, Mason was again found standing but no bird could be produced and Mason's handler elected to end his day there. At 26:40, Lucy had an infraction with a bird and joined her brace mate on the wagon.

Brace 5: 3rd Place Magnum High Velocity (Gauge) Vince Anderson and Starlight's Where There's a Will (Will) Rebecca Walters. The second brace of the afternoon broke away at 2:25 p.m. into the western half of Hire's field. The dogs started at a full race down the twotrack before splitting on the line at the east end of Hire's field. Will moved north down the line while Gauge headed south. Shortly after the handlers swung north. Gauge found the front again and the dogs proceeded forward. At 9:25, Gauge was found standing and showed striking style as six birds lifted before him. After being cut loose again, Gauge swung west before crossing to the east and moving forward. At 12:30, he found a break in the line and turned north. At 16:15, Will was sighted heading west down the south line. He was then found standing near a tree line at 18:20. facing into the field. Gauge backed and the flush produced a bird but Will took one step too many and his day was ended. As Vince entered the large field before the Boy Scout Bridge. Gauge swung hard to the east and took a beautiful line around the entire field, which ended with a statuesque point 5 yards off the tree edge in the large island before the Boy Scout Bridge. A single bird was produced immediately with all in order. As we crossed the Boy Scout Bridge at 33:00. Gauge covered the south line to the end before turning up the west line and finding his own way forward to the top of Cardiac Hill. As we found our way down Cardiac Hill, Gauge again made a showy move to the far northeast corner, covering every objective before crossing the creek. From there, Gauge swung to the south and his scout found him standing 3/4 of the way down the line. He pointed like he had been sculpted in the spot through a long flushing attempt that finally produced a covey of 15 birds exploding from the brush at 49:05. Upon release, Gauge flew to the next line where he slammed on point, a front leg tucked tight under his chest and covey was produced. Gauge demonstrated his depth and stamina as he ran bigger and stronger as the hour came to a close. At 58:00, point was called again and more than twenty birds rose before him. Gauge finished the hour running strong and covering the many objectives south of the creek ford.

Brace 6: Ricochet Gunsmokes Mr. Dillon (Dillon) Tommy Thomas and Nothin But Trouble (Trouble) Dr. Jim Carter, DVM. Brace 6 broke away at 3:35 p.m. with the weather cooling back into the 30s. Both dogs broke away big towards the creek crossing and Dillon was rewarded with a guick find at 2:15. Not to be outdone, Trouble established point himself a short distance away. As both handlers flushed, Trouble was relocated and worked his way to the west where he saw Dillon and backed. A short time later, Dillon's handler elected to relocate and Trouble was allowed to move on. After several relocations, a dead bird was produced by Dillon and he was released to the front. At 12:35, Trouble established point near the Gun Dog Parking Lot. Trouble showed superb style and a bird was produced without issue. Trouble joined Dillon at the front and the pair entered the orchard together before splitting up. At 16:00, Trouble slammed on point and held himself with style and intensity through the flush when he moved to mark the flying birds. The two quick finds left Trouble's handler behind but Trouble didn't notice as he made a big swing south towards the swamp before working forward and covering objectives in the orchard. At the same time, Dillon sailed through



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Georgia Drive By on point with the dog wagon and hunters

the orchard followed by a big move across the shotgun range. At 21:21, Trouble had a stylish find in the northwest corner of the orchard with all in order. Trouble caught the front and the pair moved to the four oaks line. Trouble's handler joined the front just in time to hear his scout call point at 29:55 at the intersection of the four oaks line. He didn't need to break stride for the flush, however, as a huge covey lifted and continued to lift around dog and handler as the shot was fired and Trouble was collected. Trouble's eyes were huge but he showed excellent style and manners. At 32:55, Dillon pointed with style on the south end of gun dog field and 2 birds were soon produced with all in order. Both dogs and handlers entered the chute together and, as they emerged from the far end, Dillon headed up the north line while Trouble proceeded straight to the east. At 42:05, Trouble came back down the line and established point in the open grass. A lengthy relocation effort ensued with Trouble moving hesitantly through the grass. The reason for his hesitancy was revealed when a 20-bird covey finally erupted from the grass behind him. At 44:50, Dillon established point but his handler was unable to produce a bird. At 47:15, Trouble pointed and a small covey was produced almost immediately. As we came back towards the gun dog parking lot, both dogs fell into rhythm and worked like a well-trained pair, covering objectives with confidence and speed while not overlapping each other's path. Trouble's scout called point at 56:30 next to the old oak below the parking lot. His handler went back to him and produced a bird with no issue. Both dogs worked to the front as time was called.

Brace 7: Runner Up Turning Pts Landslide DJ (Mack) Jon St. Clair and Kip's Bay Dark N' Stormy Miss Maddie (Maddie) John

Kipp. Rainy skies delayed breakaway by an hour on day 2, but the cloudy wet weather couldn't dampen the spirits of dogs or people. Both dogs broke away hard to the front with Mack's scout calling point at 5:26 on the line behind the cattail draw. Mack was standing with perfect style about 8 vards off the line. A covey of 12 birds lifted as soon as Mack's handler approached with all in order. The skittish birds made life difficult for Maddie who had stops to flush at 9:13 and again at 9:49. Both dogs were flying around the course as we entered Hire's field and the pair headed to the far east edge of the field. At 12:49; Maddie got the birds figured out and established point on line dividing Hire's field. A single bird was produced without issue. At 14:18, point was called by Mack's scout and a single bird was produced. Maddie pointed again at 18:03. Mack approached the same line on the opposite side, coming up from the west and struck his own statuesque point approximately 75 yards down the same line. A single bird was sent flying for each dog about 1 minute apart. At 24:10, Maddie again established point and a single was produced. As we moved north across the big field, both dogs ran with enthusiasm and were consistently forward. Mack took the lead and found his way through the cut to the east. He established point at 31:13 and Maddie backed with style but Mack's handler was unable to produce a bird. At 38:40 Mack struck point again in the fields above the Boy Scout Bridge. His style shone again and a single bird was produced with all in order. At 45:30, Mack slammed on point and this time a covey took flight as his handler flushed. After crossing the Boy Scout Bridge, both dogs worked in tandem, alternatively hitting objectives and running lines. Descending Cardiac Hill, Mack swung the bottom line while Maddie worked the hillside. Time was called at the bottom of Cardiac Hill with both dogs moving forward. This entertaining brace produced two championship-caliber performances with Maddie being posted and Mack awarded runner-up.

Brace 8: Spring Hill's Salida Del Prado (Sally) John Bell and Cada's Mazing Racy Gracie (Gracie) Douglas Ackroyd. Brace 8 broke away into a cold drizzle in the field immediately west of the creek at the bottom of Cardiac Hill. Both dogs broke hard to the front and turned North up the first line. Gracie continued up the line but Sally stopped at 0:26 with beautiful style. A single bird was produced immediately. Less than three minutes later Sally again established a beautiful point, this time well off the line. Gracie backed and a single bird was produced. As the dogs crossed the derby field, Sally made a big move to the front. Her fast, snappy gait carried her down lines, breaking off only to hunt an objective before moving forward. At 16:17, as the dogs approached the gun dog course, Gracie hit point and Sally backed. A covey of 9 birds lifted and all was in order. At 19:32; Sally pointed at the tree line immediately before the orchard. Some of the birds went her way and Sally's mark turned into a step too many, ending her day. Gracie proceeded forward and, at 20:23, stood staunchly in the field well away from the nearest line. Her handler followed the adage "always trust your dog" and produced a bird in the line a full forty yards from Gracie's stylish point. At 29:53, Gracie had an infraction that she was unable to convert to a stop to flush and her run was cut short.

Brace 9: Rylee's Rolling Thunder of Coos (Thunder)
Raymond Gorman and Champion High Hope's Dark Nite (Joe) Al &
Cindy Cropek. Thunder and Joe broke away at 11:30 a.m. in cool misty
weather. They started from the shotgun range with both dogs immediately
forward and out of sight. The two were soon found standing like twin
statutes on the four oaks line in a picture that will long be remembered by
all who witnessed it. A large covey rose from the line as Thunder and Joe
competed to see who could stand taller and tighter. Upon being released,
Thunder worked towards the south while Joe swung big to the West before
turning down the line to the south where he met back with Thunder. The
pair raced to the corner before turning east and barreling to the chute. As
the handlers emerged from the east end of the chute, Thunder was soon
located working objectives which resulted in a productive point at 19:15.
Joe wasn't seen until he was found standing with style just short of the
gun dog parking lot at 22:05 and a small covey was produced without

issue. Thunder had a find of his own at 22:30. After being released, Joe worked objectives briefly before opening up towards the creek. At 26:19, Joe was found standing at the cedar tree just west of the Gun Dog Parking Lot, A small covey was produced with all in order, After the breakaway, Joe again disappeared to the front. As the handlers approached the creek, Joe was glimpsed at the top of the far valley running alone and to the front as he rimmed the far south line of the derby course. Shortly after the creek at 33:45. Thunder located an irresistible bird and was relocated to a spot on the dog wagon. At 35:10, Joe was found again standing to the front. Two birds were produced after a long flushing attempt and Joe was sent forward. At 44:51, point was called again on one of the long lines west of Cardiac Hill and a covey was produced. Joe moved on and less than a minute later struck point again on a single bird hiding alone under a large oak in the next line. Rain began to fall as Joe was sent on to the south where he made a big move down the line before hitting point yet again on a covey of four. Joe was next spotted heading towards the long wooden bridge but his handler traversed the bridge without knowing if Joe had made it across. All in the gallery had their heads on a swivel when finally, at 59:35, his scout found him standing forward on the north side of the east/west line. His handler headed in to flush as time expired, sending wave after wave of quail into the sky and providing a memorable end to a remarkable performance.

Brace 10: Hy Steppin Libby's Liebling (Libby) Chris Sennot and St. Clair's Prince Rocco Vulcano Leo (Rocco) Jon St. Clair. Brace 10 began at 2:40 p.m. under cloudy skies and increasingly gusty winds. Both dogs took the north line behind the cattails and each established point on parallel lines very close together but not visible to the other. As the gallery rode to the dogs, a bald eagle lifted from the field in front and gave everyone a display almost as impressive as the stylish dogs. Birds were produced and both handlers fired. Sleet began to fall as we passed into Hire's field. Rocco crossed into the field to the front and established point where a single bird was soon produced. Rocco then moved big to the far east line while Libby worked the west. Libby had a stop to flush at 21:40 on the island at the east end of Hire's field. At 24:13, as we crossed back towards Course 1, Rocco was found standing on a line just as a downpour of hailstones began to fall. Rocco kept his focus and a small covey was produced with all in order. Rocco worked back towards the cattail patch and moved west where he met up with Libby coming from the east. At 28:34, Libby was found standing. Rocco backed and a bird was produced. Both dogs were released but Rocco had a quick error in judgment that ended his impressive run. At 32:45, Libby was found standing to the front in the field immediately to the south of the Boy Scout Bridge. A single bird was produced. Libby's handler elected to finish her day with this find.

Brace 11: Ringo Rascal (Ringo) Roger Fiorito/Dave Johnson and Emma Tayshon (Emma) Dr. Jim Carter, DVM. The weather continued to deteriorate and brace 11 broke away just north of the Boy Scout Bridge into driving rain and strong, gusty winds. Both dogs moved together across the field and into the chute leading to the top of Cardiac Hill. As we descended Cardiac Hill, both dogs crossed the creek and took the long line to the south. Ringo established point on the line but then moved to get a better look and his day was done. At 17:10 Emma's scout called point. As Emma attempted to definitively locate the bird, one lifted and she took a stop to flush. A short time later, Emma again pointed stylishly and birds were produced. Emma pointed again at 24:05, standing well off the line before a large covey of more than twenty birds were produced. Point was called again at 27:44 and a single bird was sent flying. At 31:36, Emma was cut loose by her handler and almost immediately struck point. She took a step as the covey lifted and was done for the day.

Brace 12: Bark River Queen of Diamonds (Daisy) Jeff Stanton/Chris Sennot and TNT's Raise N' a Ruckus (Rae) Tommy Thomas. Daisy and Rae broke away immediately before the Gun Dog parking lot. Both dogs moved big to the front. Daisy took the south line along the creek bottom while Rae moved straight to the front towards the orchard where she was found standing on the high line near the road.

Daisy swung up into a beautiful back. A covey began lifting as Rae's handler approached but all was handled in order. Both dogs went booming forward down the line to the west of the gun dog parking lot. Rae again pointed at 6:13 and Daisy again showed her extraordinary style on a back. A small covey flew with Rae turning to mark the flush and all in order. Rae broke away big to the South and again struck point on an island near the swamp. It took Rae's handler some time to get to her but a small covey was produced with all in order. Daisy moved forward into the orchard and at 14:13 she was found standing at the far end of the orchard. Rae showed that she too backs, on her own with style. A single bird was produced with all in order. Heavy wind and rain picked up as we moved past the shotgun range. Rae moved big towards the four oaks line while Daisy worked the South wood edge. Rae established point on the four oak line with beautiful style but the huge covey in front of her proved too tempting. As Rae was gathered up, Daisy came up and hit point near Rae's endpoint and a single bird was produced. Daisy worked the south wood edge and established point on an island where two birds were produced with perfect manners. At 30:57 Daisy struck point in the field immediately before chute. A large covey lifted and Daisy decided to follow Rae's lead to the dog wagon.

Brace 13: Gunn's-A-Blaz'n (Annie) Dr. Jim Carter, DVM and Hi Point's Summer Time (Summer) Cindy Cropek. On Tuesday morning, winter weather finally broke through in earnest. Light snow fell as Annie and Summer broke away for an 8:50 a.m. start. At the top of breakaway, both dogs were spotted moving forward with speed and enthusiasm. At 5:53, Annie's scout called point on the north side of the tree line behind the cattail draw. Summer was working the field to the north of Annie and came up for a perfect back at 50 yards. Both dogs showed beautiful style as a small covey lifted with all in order. Less than two minutes later, their roles reversed as Summer pointed with Annie backing. A single bird was produced without issue. These first two finds allowed each dog to demonstrate manners, class and style as both a pointing and a backing dog. It also got the dogs even more fired up and they drove forward with enthusiasm. At 11:50, the scouts called point and a single bird was produced in front of a divided find. Annie hit two quick lines that turned her east towards the location of the last find. Her scout again called point at 16:07; and, after a long flushing effort, a single bird was produced. Summer had a find of her own at 17:26 and a single was produced for her as well. Upon the release, Summer made a big move around the outside of Hire's field and completed the wide swinging turn around to the north. As Sumer came north, Annie proceeded south down the same line and established point at 20:30. Summer backed on her own but her huge move had significantly outdistanced her handler. The judge asked this reporter to stand with Summer on the back while Annie's handler flushed and ultimately took a non-productive. Summer's handler joined the group and both dogs were moved on without incident. At 26:50, Annie established point again about 300 yards down the same line. Summer came in and backed on her own before deciding she had enough of backing for the day and went to find her own bird. Sadly, she found herself on the dog wagon instead. Two birds were produced for Annie with all in order. At 31:30, Annie had bad luck with a bird and the running of this Championship was over.

2017 ABC National Amateur Gun Dog Championship 1hr(26S) J: Paul Katzel & Chuck Parieti

- NGDC/DC/AFC HIGH HOPES DARK NITE (D), by NFC/DC/AFC Gamblers Ace In the Hole x NFGDC/FC/AFC High Hopes Fly by Nite; o/h Cindy & Al Cropek
- 2 DC TURNINGPTS LANDSLIDE DJ (D), by DC/AFC Ricochet Maggie's Jac JH x CH Ammo's The Show That Never Ends; o Julie Nelson, h Jon St. Clair
- 3 GFC/FC/AFC MAGNUM HIGH VELOCITY (D), by FC/AFC High Hopes Tiger Jac x High Hopes Dots Original Spice; o/h Vincent Anderson
- 4 CH GEORGIA DRIVE BY (D), by NAGDC/NGDC/AFC Peter Gunn x Gambler's Blazin Chick; o/h Burton & Michelle McCandless



2017 ABC Invitational **Shooting Dog Derby Classic**

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Reporter - Mike Poehler



People in photo: (L to R) Sam Thompson with Ryder, Judge Tommy Thomas, Sam's Grandson, Bob Burchett with Mollie, Hyatt Burchett, Judge Roger McPherson, Kim Mehring with Rylee.

THANK YOU NESTLE - PURINA FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT!

In its second year, this hour Derby invites dogs born in the previous calendar year based upon their accumulated points earned from wins and placements in Derby stakes. Returning to judge this year's entry was Tommy Thomas from Somonauk, IL and Dr. Roger McPherson of Chesterfield, SC joined him. We'd like to thank these gentlemen for their time in the saddle and attention to the performances of these fine, young dogs.

Brace 1: Diamond Hill's Saradac's Tanqueray (Tango) - Lisa Pollock and KJ's All Riled Up (Rylee) - Kim Mehring. At breakaway, Rylee drives forward and starts hunting the lines and objectives with a consistent and forward pattern. Tango works the cover a bit closer with a nice drive to her gait, eventually getting lined out as we near the Horsemen's Campground. Rylee continues working lines with nice flow and pattern, having her first find at the tree line separating Hire's Field as we're heading south. Tango catches the front where she joins Rylee, each making a nice cast around Hire's Field together where the course turns East and then heads North. Both dogs work woods edge with Tango checking out the tree islands and Rylee forward where she has another find on the E/W tree line before the dry pond. Both dogs work forward heading N/W past the wet pond to the dogleg fields, both dogs make nice moves to the large downhill field before the Boy Scout Bridge. Rylee puts down a fluid pattern that works the lines forward and across the front picking up the next one working forward consistently. At the S/E corner of the woodlot before the Bridge, Tango has a find with great style and animation on the flush; her pattern and speed have improved

steadily. Entering the Derby course, both dogs make good use of the oak lines with Tango having her second find towards the end of the first line. Both dogs work the Southern woods edge where they have bird contact near the intersection of the second Oak line with Rylee spotted on point with really nice style. Entering the field heading down to the Derby Creek crossing, Tango makes a beautiful move taking the left edge clockwise forward and across the front having a nice find at the start of the Sumac patch; Rylee takes the right edge doing similarly having a find right at the creek crossing. Rylee has another find allowing Kim to flush for her along the hillside of the Gun Dog parking lot levee road. As time expires, Rylee has taken the swamp edge on the left, forward from the levee all the way into the second field of the Gun Dog course; Tango has worked the tree clumps and edges of the interior lines.

Brace 2: Sam Hill's One Wild Ride (Ryder) - Sam Thompson and B&T's Hooch With a Twist (Hooch) - Scott Johnson. Both dogs drive forward upon breakaway and bring the N/S line across the front and out of sight. As we exit the Gun Dog Orchard towards the old shotgun range, the dogs disappear around the corner heading south from the southern woods edge and are not seen again until we crest the hill before the shotgun parking lot. Ryder is later seen flying down the E/W Oak line heading west and up to the large Oak on the hillside near the western levee parking lot. Hooch is working the N/S Oak line clockwise to the end near the shotgun parking lot and takes it around the backside picking up the line heading west. Ryder

has continued working the far western edge around counterclockwise and establishes point at the tree mot along the edge of the depression near the southern edge of the field; beautiful sight standing tall and stylish far to the front. Hooch makes a similar move as both dogs' head towards the chute area. Ryder and Hooch work the tree mots of the lower Gun Dog course independently of each other; Hooch having a nice find there, where upon the flush, bounding like a Gazelle, Ryder works quickly forward through this area and is next seen standing on the N/S line a field before the Gun Dog levee. Both dogs cross the creek crossing to the Derby course and deer can be seen leaving the area. We next see Ryder working the mots of the Derby orchard area; he continues working forward making nice moves. He rims the field clockwise bringing it all the way around where he establishes a beautiful point. Hooch returns from a brief absence and makes a nice move establishing a quick point and is off again like a Gazelle clearing downed trees with leaps and bounds – very animated and fun to watch. Ryder continues to make impressive moves rimming fields and showing to the front. Hooch picks up his speed in the field after the switchback crossing and both dogs work the edge counterclockwise where Hooch snaps to a beautiful point with Ryder doing likewise on the other side of the same mot - a true and beautiful divided find. Both dogs continue to swing the edge clockwise, with Hooch pointing beautifully off one of the mots of trees, while Ryder swings the whole edge and while crossing the front, established a lofty point of his own on another mot. As time is called after crossing the western levee, both dogs have worked nicely for their handlers, with Ryder being fast, snappy and forward showing really pleasing application for a young derby dog.

Brace 3: Dogwood's Dashing Gambler (Dasher) - Dick Lipski and SKF Willy's Miss Mollie (Mollie) - Bob Burchett. Breakaway is near the lone Oak heading towards the shotgun range with Mollie riming the field clockwise and taking the woods edge then counterclockwise and forward towards the Gun Dog Orchard. Dasher works the first line forward and across the front and then deep into the four Oak Lines. Mollie is working fast and forward riming the field counterclockwise to the road and then back from the left where she establishes point just south of the cut before the Gun Dog Orchard. We can hear Dasher's bell as he works deep in the woods and then works the tree mots of the upper orchard area. Mollie drops downhill working the southern edge and the tree mots there, crossing from right to left across the forward line. She runs the bottom after exiting the orchard area and has another find on the N/S line near the lower cut. Dasher works the uphill area and both dogs work across the Derby Creek crossing. Both dogs can be seen working the tree mots of the Derby Orchard area with Dasher working low and Mollie working the high hillside where she has her third find. Dasher works his way uphill and has a find of his own. Mollie is again found standing in the woods after which she continues along the edge of the woods where she has her fifth find just before the N/S Oak line. Dasher has worked forward on the field edge and brings the N/S line across from the left and continues along the woods edge where he has a find just before the last Oak line. The dogs work the last field edge up to the snowmobile parking lot bridge where the get a drink and continue uphill over Cardiac Hill. Mollie has stayed on the southern edge along Cardiac Hill, the entire Lone Oak field leading to the Quarry section and across the front from right to left, where the fence stops her from continuing. Dasher worked the tree mots, into the woods and running out of those objectives, dropped down and picked up the line Mollie had run. Mollie continues taking the southern wooded edge through the entire next two fields and drops into the depression of the Quarry Field bringing it across and takes the northern edge there, around all the way on the fence edge. Dasher has another find off the mots of tree in the field prior to the Quarry. Crossing the bridge into the All-Age course the dogs turn right taking this course backwards with Dasher hugging the right edge forward and across while Mollie works from left to right and has another find in the N/E corner of the dogleg field. Dasher continued forward around the northern edge; after brief pursuit of birds, Mollie finishes rimming the field and quickly regains the front. She then carries the line all the way south,

then brings the southern edge of the next field across toward the Horsemen's Campground area snapping to point, holding it until her handler arrived to flush the birds. She continues on the eastern edge through the next field, into Hire's taking the western edge all the way forward and around. Dasher rims the next field on the western edge across the front having a find near the cut into Hire's and takes the eastern edge forward. Both dogs end their hour crossing into the eastern half of Hire's Field as we head into the clubhouse for a late lunch.

Brace 4: Treasure States Tooney's Tribute (Tooney) - Scott Johnson and Wingsford Blue Moon (Blue) - Bob Burchett. Upon breakaway in a steady rain, Blue breaks left taking the far edge around towards the front with Tooney working the right draw of trees to the front. In the Horseman's Campground field, both dogs work opposite edges with Tooney working clockwise south and across the front where he points on the south edge bordering Hire's Field. After the find Tooney continues west to the lines end and turning south on the edge. Blue can be seen stretching to the eastern edge at a high rate of speed, with Tooney stretching across the field from the western edge to join Blue. Crossing into the eastern half of Hire's Field, Blue swings the southern fence edge to its end and turns heading north along the woods to the east; Tooney is on the western line. The dogs cross paths, swing the front and share a divided find on the tree line before the dry pond nearest Hire's. Blue later has a stylish find in the N/E corner near the Horseman's Campground field having taken the E/W line to its western end. Both dogs become sticky in the next two fields and appear to get lined out after a brief absence as we near the Boy Scout Bridge and have a divided find on the woods edge before crossing the bridge. As we enter the Derby course, both dogs head south on the left side crossing the field and Blue elects to cross to pick up the N/S Oak line and points stylishly halfway down. Both dogs then meet in the far S/W corner of that first field for a divided find. Heading to the Derby Creek crossing. Tooney has a nice find along the swamp edge before the crossing while Blue takes the eastern edge forward and across the creek heading towards the Gun Dog course. Blue has a find near the break in the N/S line with Tooney joining the front after an absence in the swamp taking the same line Blue is on, but from the south to establish point near the bottom break in that line for a very stylish find. Both continue their run along the swamp with Blue bringing the line up hill then takes the northern edge of the Gun Dog Orchard all the way west to its end. Blue works uphill, angling N/W checking out several of the tree mots in a pleasing chain of coverage. As they exit the orchard heading to the Shotgun Range, both dogs have slowed in speed some yet continue working the southern edge of the woods where Blue establishes point. Blue continues to rim the woods edge after the find clockwise bringing the Oak line towards the Shotgun Range parking lot and snaps on point under the Oaks for her final find, with Toonev also pointing buried in the grass having worked through the cover. Time expires as both handlers flush and fire for their dogs.

Brace 5: Detroit Rascal's Son of a Gun (Cobo) – Bob Burchett, Bye. Cobo breaks away from near the Shotgun Range parking lot heading east. He works at medium range and initiates some really nice moves but remains erratic and hesitant. Bob picks him up at the 15-minute mark when it is apparent that he isn't going to settle into his usual exciting performance. Cobo was gravely ill earlier in the week; handler and owner are just happy to see him running at all.

2017 ABC National Gun Dog Derby Invitational 1hr(9S) J: Roger McPherson & Tommy Thomas

- SAM HILL'S ONE WILD RYDE (D), by FC/AFC Sam Hill's Rev It UP Rowdy x Sam Hill's Bell O's The Ball; o/h Sam Thompson
- 2 SKF WILLY'S MIS SMOLLIE (B), by DC/AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x SKF Little Miss Beretta JH; o Mitch Sims, h Bob Burchett
- 3 KJ'S ALL RILED UP (B), by FC/AFC Sam Hill's Rev It Up Rowdy x Sam Hill's Bell O' The Ball; o Kim Mehring, h Sam Thompson
- 4 Withheld

Field Trials

EAST CENTRAL

GEORGIA Carter's Preserve Lax, GA November 30-December 3, 2017

Open Puppy (12S)

J: Lane Hodges & Jamie Fountain

- 1 BREAKING BAD (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet: o Lorrie Blocker, h Ben Lorenson
- 2 PINNACLE DEE'S MIGHTY MOUSE (B), GSP
- 3 Withheld
- 4 PINNACLE JACKIE BROWN (B), GSP

Open Derby (11S)

J: Ken Block & Paul Daniels

- 1 ONE DAY SOUTHERN ICE (D), P
- 2 4 Withheld

Amateur Gun Dog (24S)

J: Brandon Sims & Tommy Hagan

- 1 GCH/DC POQUITO'S MARACAS DE RIATA (B), VIZ
- 2 LAM'S PRIDE'N JOY (B), GSP
- 3 FC NOTHIN' BUT TROUBLE (B), by DC/ NAGDC/AFC Clyde's Double Trouble x Drew's Favorite Ginger Snap; o Drew Carter, h Jim Carter, DVM
- 4 ONE DAY WINNITGIRL (B), P



SHAILORVILLE'S TUCKER

Open Gun Dog (19S)

J: Brandon Sims & Lane Hodges

I'M YOUR MAN (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC
 Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid
 x Sandbank Rose; o Frances Gorman,
 h Ben Lorenson

- 2 PALMETTO POINTE'S STARSHIP TROOPER (D), by Special Duty x Winddancer Kansas Star; o Tiffany & Tom Bass, h T. Bass
- 3 FC SHAILORVILLE' S TUCKER (D), by Birch Hill's Hobo x Centerville's Whim; o Tom Maule, h Ben Lorenson & Kyle Merrill
- 4 FC NOTHIN' BUT TROUBLE (B), by DC/ NAGDC/AFC Clyde's Double Trouble x Drew's Favorite Ginger Snap; o Drew Carter, h Jim Carter, DVM

Grand Open Limited Gun Dog 1hr(28S) J: Aline Curran & Bill Brent

- 1 FC KINWASHKLY MIDNIGHT RAMBLER (D), by CH Jumping Jack Flash x CH KINWASHKLY RUBY TUESDAY; o Jodi Miller, h Kyle Merrill
- 2 PRIME TIME FULL THROTTLE (D), by FC/AFC Prime Time Tebow x FC Star's Dixie Pearl; o Charles Cantrell, h Ben Lorenson
- 3 FC SHAILORVILLE' S TUCKER (D), by Birch Hill's Hobo x Centerville's Whim; o Tom & Robin Maule, h Ben Lorenson
- 4 FC ONE DAY FREEZE (D), P

CENTRAL

IOWA Union County Ranch Thayer, IA September 29-October 5, 2017

Open Puppy (14S)

J: Bruce Heiter & Dave Carlson

- 1 CROSS CREEK BAMA JAMA'S
 NUMBER 44 (D), by Hope's Chief of
 Crosscreek x Wild Mtn's Midnight
 Rendezvous; o Marcy Beveridge &
 Roger Stowell, h Scott Johnson
- 2 CROSS CREEK BAMA JAMA'S I WANNA TALK ABOUT ME (B), by Hope's Chief of Crosscreek x Wild Mtn's Midnight Rendezvous; o Marcy Beveridge & Roger Stowell, h Scott Johnson
- 3 TNT'S COUNTRY ROAD RUNNER
 (D), by Country Road's Firecracker
 x TNT's Renegade Gal Pal; o Tommy
 & Linda Thomas, h Tommy Thomas

4 - ROCCO'S UNDERCOVER ROYALTY

(D), by St Clair's Prince Rocco Vulcano Leo x Whitecroft Tippy Ginger Jac; o/h Cory Stokes

Open Derby (28S)

J: Charles Schaefer & Ken Windom

- 1 SNIKSOH PATTYANN (B), by Sniksoh Spank's Hank x High Hopes Little Ann; o Nick Blasi, h Bob Burchett
- 2 OVER UNDER'S KICK IT OUT (B), by Legacy's Pine Bandit x Over Under's Killin' Time; o Eileen Gust, h Scott Johnson
- 3 STELLAR FIFTY ONE (B), by
 Renegade's Kansas Kid x Kid's
 Little Ann; o Petra & Bary Steinmtz, h
 Barry Steiinmetz
- 4 KID'S ROYAL CASEY (D), by Renegades Kansas Kid x Kid's Little Ann; o/h Bruce Heiter



ST. CLAIR'S PRINCE ROCCO VULCANO LEO

Amateur Gun Dog (21S) J: Jeff Wallace & Dr. Brent Hoehns

- FC/AFC WRIGLEY'S BODEMEISTER
 (D), by Renegade's Regal Wrigley x
 Jazz's Sweetest Secret; o Petra &
 Barry Steinmetz, h Barry Steinmetz
- 2 FC/AFC ST. CLAIR'S PRINCE ROCCO VULCANO LEO (D), by SLW Prince Duke Jr. x Misty Morning XXIII; o/h Jon St. Clair
- 3 DC/GFC RICO'S HI-PROOF BOOTLEGGER (D), by Barney's Hi-Poof Ron Rico x Jayhawk's Georgia Girl; o Chuck & Mary Jill Schaefer, h Charles Schaefer
- 4 CH CROSSCREEK SANBAR WE JUST COULDN'T SAY NO (D), by Sanbar Crosscreek Repete Call x Crosscreek Liberty Bell; o Barbara Pepin, DVM & Wayne Pepin, h Wayne Pepin

Open Gun Dog (28S) J: Jeff Wallace & Dave Carlson

- DC HOOCHIE COOCHIE MAN (D), by Ramblin Man x Independence Day; o Pam Baird, h Ed Tillson
- 2 CH STARLIGHTS MERCURY OUT RYDER (D), by Timberline Straight To The Point x Rubyridge's Million Dollar Babe; o Teresa Richmond, h Bob Burchett
- 3 CH ALMADEN'S UNDER LOCK & KEY
 (D), by Masked Jack Of Diamonds x
 Almaden's Lone Shadow Dancer; o
 Emmy & Noah Wollenburg, h Ed Tillson
- 4 FC/AFC WRIGLEY'S BODEMEISTER
 (D), by Renegade's Regal Wrigley
 x Jazz's Sweetest Secret; o Petra &
 Barry Steinmetz, h Barry Steinmetz

Grand Open Limited Gun Dog 1hr(28S) J: Dano Mort & Bob Rankin

- 1 FC/AFC PRINCE ROCCO VULCANO LEO (D), by SLW Prince Duke Jr x Misty Morning XXIII: o Jon St. Clair, h Scott Johnson
- 2 CH ALMADEN'S UNDER LOCK AND KEY (D), by Masked Jack of Diamonds x Alamaden's Lone Shadow Dancer; o Emmy & Noah Wollenburg, h Ed Tillson
- 3 AFC DIAMOND HILL WORK HARD PLAY HARDER (B), by Deuce Is On The Loose x Diamond Hill She's Gone; o Lisa & Paul Pollock, h Lisa Pollock
- 4 DC HOOCHIE COOCHIE MAN (D), by Ramblin Man x Independence Day; o Pam Baird, h Ed Tillson

Amateur All Age (15S) J: Dano Morf & Kelly Donham

- 1 FC JJ'S DIABLO WITH RUSTY TEARS
 (B), by JJ's Tasmanian Devil x JJ's
 Alabaster Angel; o Joe Williams, h
 Joe Williams
- 2 TNT'S RAISE'N A LEPRECHAUN (D), by TNT's Sirius Renegade Buddy Boy x TNT's Raise'n A Ruckus; o Linda & Tommy Thomas, h Tommy Thomas
- 3 A TRACE OF BOURBON WITH
 DIAMONDS (D), by Touch Of Bourbon
 Little Chug x Sniksoh Little Diamond;
 o Rick & Becky Hastings, h Rick
 Hastings
- 4 DC/AFC TNT'S SIRIUS RENEGADE BUDDY BOY (D), by TNT's Medicine Man x TNT's Renegade Gal Pal; o/h Tommy Thomas



ANJ'S OHIO HELLION

Open All Age (28S) J: Barry Steinmetz & Dano Morf

- 1 JR'S COOL HAND LUKE (D), by KB's Shadow Dancer x Wakta; o Matt Harris & Harlene Hoyt, h Scott Johnson
- 2 FC ANJ'S OHIO HELLION (D), by Grand Junction Jake x High Hopes Little Ann; o Mike & Stacy Poehler, h Bob Burchett
- 3 FC/AFC TEQUILA SCORCHER (D), by Alomaden's River Of Shadows x Tequila With A Twist; o Charles Crain, h Ed Tillson
- 4 FC SNIKSOH WINDTUCK WILLY (D), by Sniksoh Little Rascal x Windtuck's Sweet Liberty; o Charles & Mary Jill Schaefer, h Ed Tillson

MIDWEST

SOUTHERN KANSAS William Oliver Ranch

Eureka, KS October 13-19, 2017

Open Puppy (9S) J: Belinda DeLaby & Matt Kitchen

- 1 CROSS CREEK BAMA JAMA'S I
 WANNA TALK ABOUT ME (B), by GDC/
 GFC/DC Hope's Chief Of Crosscreek
 x GFC/GCH/DC Wild Mtns Midnight
 Rendevous JH; o Marcy Beveridge &
 Roger Stowell, h Scott Johnson
- 2 ROYAL FLUSH FARM'S QUEEN OF HEARTS (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed The Line x Royal Flush Farm's High Roller; o Dan Dobson & Samantha James, h Ed Tillson
- 3 JAZZ EM UP ARROW (D), by DC Sanbar's Legendary Evening x CH Sanbar's Cross Creek Tell Me A Story; o/h Rick Hastings
- 4 TJ'S KICKIN' UP DUST (D), by NFC/

DC/AFC Tequila's Joker x DC Alar's Dirty Dancer; o Jessica Carlson, h Ed Tillson

Amateur Walking Derby (5S) J: Belinda DeLaby & Matt Kitchen

- 1 SKF JR'S STRAIGHT SHOOTER (D), by DC/AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x SKF Little Miss Beretta JH; o/h Matt Harris & Steven Foster
- 2 ARROW'S AUTUMN SAGE (B), by DC/ AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x Autumn's Silver Sage JH; o Jo Ann Kish, h Matt Harris
- 3 B & T'S HOOCH WITH A TWIST (D), by DC Hoochie Coochie Man x Tequila Twister; o Brian & Trasa Shinpoch, h Trasa Shinpoch
- 4 FIRESTARTER'S FANTASY HOTLINE
 (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed
 The Line x Sniksoh Tequilla Caliente;
 o/h Andrea Christensen

Open Derby (30S) J: Belinda DeLaby & Matt Kitchen

- 1 OVER UNDER'S KICK IT OUT (B), by FC Legacy's Pine Bandit x CH Over Under's Killin' Time JH; o Eileen Gust, h Scott Johnson
- 2 SKF JR'S STRAIGHT SHOOTER (D), by DC/AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x SKF Little Miss Beretta JH; o Matt Harris & Steven Foster, h Matt Harris
- 3 WIYANNA (B), by DC Blueridge Hunter Gonna Fly x GFC/FC/AFC Ocaje JH; o/h Terry Gowin
- 4 B & T'S HOOCH WITH A TWIST (D), by DC Hoochie Coochie Man x Tequila Twister; o Brian & Trasa Shinpoch, h Trasa Shinpoch

Amateur Gun Dog (11S) J: Nick Blasi & James Corpening

- 1 DC FIRESTARTER'S ALL IN (D), by Ugh Stumblin' From The Shadow x CH Decan's Bitterroot Bridgette; o/h Andrea Christensen
- 2 GFC/FC/AFC ST. CLAIR'S PRINCE ROCCO VULCANO LEO (D), by SLW Prince Duke Jr x Misty Morning XXIII; o/h Jon St. Clair
- 3-4 Withheld

Open Gun Dog (18S)

J: Nick Blasi & James Corpening

- 1 DC FIRESTARTER'S ALL IN (D), by Ugh Stumblin' From The Shadow x CH Decan's Bitterroot Bridgette; o Andrea Christensen, h Ed Tillson
- 2 DC ALMADEN'S UNDER LOCK AND

KEY (D), by DC Masked Jack Of Diamonds x DC Almaden's Lone Shadow Dancer; o Emmy & Noah Wollenburg, h Ed Tillson



DC DIAMOND HILL DANGEROUS WEAPON

- 3 DC DIAMOND HILL DANGEROUS
 WEAPON (D), by GCH/DC/AFC
 Diamond Hill Dangerous Man x NAFC
 /DC/AFC TM's Tennessee Twister; o
 Paul & Lisa Pollock, h Lisa Pollock
- 4 DC HOOCHIE COOCHIE MAN (D), by FC/AFC Ramblin Man x Independence Day; o Pam Baird, h Ed Tillson

Amateur All Age (13S) J: Robert Thompson & John Palmer

- 1 GFC/FC/AFC OCAJE JH (B), by NFC/ NAFC/FC/AFC Just Call me Roy x CH/ AFC Nahela JH; o/h Terry Gowin
- 2 FC SNISOH SUPER SNOOPER, by FC/ AFC Siksoh Free Boy x FC/AFC Sniksoh Sweet Hershey Kiss; o/h Jeff Hoskins
- 3 FC/AFC FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED
 THE LINE (D), by FC Making R-Point
 x FC Windtuck's Enough Said; o/h
 Andrea Christensen
- 4 FC MK'S MAGNIFICENT BANDITO (D),
 by Tee Bone x Chief's Nubbins My Lil'
 Lady; o Bill Oliver, h Matt Kitchen

Open All Age (22S) J: Robert Thompson & Josh Palmer

- 1 GFC/FC/AFC OCAJE JH (B), by NFC/ NAFC/FC/AFC Just Call Me Roy x CH/ AFC Nahela JH; o/h Terry Gowin
- 2 FC/AFC FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED THE LINE (D), by FC Making R-Point x FC Windtuck's Enough Said; o Andrea Christensen, h Ed Tillson
- 3 FC JR'S COOL HAND LUKE (D), by FC/ AFC KB's Shadow Dancer x Wakta JH; o Matt Harris & Harlene Hoyt, h Scott Johnson
- 4 KANZA SLIM (D), by FC/AFC Tee-Bone x Microbreeze; o/h Mike Lager

2017 Kansas Brittany All Age Championship

Southern Kansas celebrated their 60th anniversary during their fall field trial held at Eureka, Kansas. The regional trial began on Friday, October 13, 2017 with the championship to follow on Monday, October 16th.

There were 39 dogs drawn and going to the line for the one-hour heats. Hot afternoons til Saturday evening when a storm rolled though and cooled things down. Monday morning we started at 41 degrees with heavy dew on the grass.

Judges for the event were Garvin Collins of Missouri and Charlie Collier of Texas. They were attentive to the dogs and their decisions were well received.

We want to acknowledge our sponsor Nestle-Purina. We thank them for their support and donation of dog food for the winners and money to promote the event.

Thank you to club President Larry Hagedorn and members Terry Gowin, Matt Harris, Steven Foster, Francis Clasen, Herb Rea, Mike Lager and Scott Johnson for putting all the pieces together. Their hard work and dedication makes an event to be enjoyed by everyone.

The winner for the second consecutive time was Ru-Jem's "Last" Penny, owned by Jerry and Ruth McGee of Illinois and handled by Tom Tracy of Nebraska. She runs these grounds like she owns them showing across the prairie. She carded three finds and a back.

Runner-up was Driving Miss Daisey II, owned by Burton Wice Of Missouri and handled by Tom Tracy. She went looking for birds, showing nice style on her "dug-up" three finds.

Third place was awarded to Firestarter's Crossed The Line, owned by Andi Christensen of Colorado and handled by Ed Tillson of New Mexico. Ty carded three nice finds and a forward race.

JJ's Levi the Lionheart, owned and handled by Joe Williams, garnered the fourth place. He was carried from the 2nd brace where he had three sturdy finds and a flowing race.

Sidelines

The Southern Kansas Brittany Club celebrated its 60th anniversary this year. Charter member Delmar Smith was the special guest for the Saturday evening dinner. Other founding members were recognized and remembered were Tom Fife, Bob Rouse,

Freddy Volgemore, Tom Black, Johnny Pappan along with Lyle and Marge Johnson. Those members with fifty or more years that were present were Francis Clasen, Cecil Duncan and Herb Rea. Many of us have met these men and want to thank them for their vision and dedication to the Brittany world.

The current president Larry Hagedorn introduced Mr. Delmar Smith who spoke about the early years. The original dog circuit went from Pennsylvania to New England. Delmar went to New York to meet with people at the American Kennel Club along with C. T. Blackwood, Henry Hollyoak and Leroy Faulkner who were locals from the Kansas area. These men wanted more clubs established to expand the circuit into the Midwest, while AKC's thinking was to have only one club in each state. In the 50's field trials were walking events. With the addition of more clubs came horseback handling and a few hour long stakes to prove the endurance of the Brittany.

Southern Kansas Brittany Club ran in the Winfield, Kansas area in the early years. The William Oliver Ranch became home in 1982 when Bill and Mary Lynn opened their ranch to the club. Improvements include electric and a building to gather for meals and visiting. Saturday evening the club hosted a delicious prime rib dinner that was enjoyed by all. Joy Jensen of Eureka, a past President of the Chamber of Commerce, prepared the meal. Joy has been a long-time supporter of welcoming field trials to the area. There are several major bird dog events in this area in the fall. The town sees revenue and camaraderie between the dog people. Also present for dinner were the Mayor and a council member of Eureka.

The Running:

Brace 1: Kanza Slim, Lager and JJ's Alabaster Angel "Angie", Williams.

The temperature was a low of 41 degrees this morning with the forecast to be sunny and 70s. We left the gate heading southeast as both dogs headed left around the pond. Through the second gate and left, point was called at 9 for Angie. Extensive flushing under a large cedar could not produce birds. Slim was out of pocket as we headed through the next gate and along the creek bottom. Angie pointed in tall grass just off the creek again; nothing was produced and she was leashed. The tracking device was pulled for Slim at 25 to end this brace.

Brace 2: Campbell's Razz-Ma-Tazz, Campbell and JJ's Levi The Lionheart, Williams. We left the bottom near the pond headed to the high post gate. At 13 Razzy pointed in the path. Levi was running along the rock ledge and also pointed. Razzy was relocated several times without any game. Levi's find was all in order. At the turn into the long draw, both dogs pointed with intensity. Birds were flushed with good manners. Along the creek bottom, both dogs worked and at 30 point was called with Levi standing forward of Razzy. Both handlers fired at the flush and took the dogs on. Through the south gate and along the creek where Razzy ran to the right and Levi ran the draw all the way up to the turn to make the plateau in the west golden pasture. Razzy was out of pocket and the tracking device was called for at 58. Levi headed to the edge of the canyon finishing forward when time was called.

Brace 3: Ocaje, Gowin and JJ's Diablo with Rusty Tears, Williams. We broke from the gravel road just out of the west golden pasture. At 3, Grace carded her first find along the creek bottom. At 8, she pointed in tall grass. Rusty came over the edge of the creek bank and backed nicely on her own. A single was flushed with other birds flushing from the area. At 27, Grace pointed in the creek bottom with all in order. At 38, Rusty pointed and having a breach of manners was leashed. At 40, Grace carded another find in the orchard with only a slight turn to mark the flight. Making the turn up the hill to the red gate and across the plateau the wind had increased and Grace finished at moderate range.

Brace 4: Call Me Lucy Ned Pepper, Campbell and MK's Magnificent Bandito, Johnson. Ned didn't show well today, he was off his stride and up at 45. Chico covered the area carding three finds with nice style. He slowed near the end of the hour.

Brace 5: Roustabout's Eustace,
Tracy and A Trace of Bourbon with Diamonds,
Johnson. Both dogs started off with gusto. Tee
had an unproductive at 18. We made the turn
above the watershed lake where both dogs
worked the long draw on our right. Point was
called at 40 as both dogs stood staunchly.
Birds were flushed and both handlers fired.
We passed the dam and Tee had a find in
the bottom at 54. Trace also had a find at
54 farther up the creek with all in order. Tee
disappeared at 55 and was not returned to
judgment as we neared the south gate.

Brace 6: Alar's Dirty Dancer, Tillson and Rev'n Gunrunner's Tilley, Tracy. We broke from the south gate heading west along a long creek bottom. Dani was out of pocket early and not returned to judgment. Tilley was not running up to her potential and was leashed at the gate coming out of the west

golden pasture.

Brace 7: Shady Way's Jokers Hill Country Express, Tracy and Shady's Desert Knight, Johnson. Stan was wide and fast on the ground. We would see him from time to time and at 50 the tracking device was called for. Knight hunted the course. We entered the bowl and that was the last we saw of Knight and the tracking device was called for.

Brace 8: Tequila Scorcher, Tillson and Ru-Jem's "Last" Penny, Tracy. We broke away with a moderate breeze, each dog working the terrain. Through the second gate at the creek bottom Penny had a find at 14 having nice style We moved past the pond ad on toward the high post gate. Point was called for Lincoln as he stood in a briar thicket with Penny backing. Lincoln was relocated and pointed a small covey with good manners. Penny carded another find at 35 and again at 45 in the creek bottom. Lincoln was out of pocket at the left turn at the creek bottom. He caught the front near the end of the hour. Penny finished the hour near the watershed lake, still strong on the ground.

Brace 9: Roustabout's All In, Tracy and MK's My Lil Ammo, Johnson. The wind had increased by the second brace of the morning as we left eh south gate. At 14, Al pointed on the hillside, relocated, nothing was produced. In the corner by a feeder Bebe pointed, she went at the shot in a non-retrieving stake. AT 27, Al pointed stylishly in the cover. A nice covey was flushed and he wanted a better look.

Brace 10: Kinwashkly Tempo,
Tillson and Kashmir, Tracy. We broke away
south of the dead pond and over the hill to the
plateau. Down into the bowl Tempo pointed at
6 near a bush. While the handler flushed he
had a breach of manners and was leashed.
Kash dropped into the bowl, had another
encounter with deer and the tracking device
was pulled at 20.

Brace 11: CVK's Spartan King,
Tracy and Sparky's Prairie Wind Gypsy,
Johnson. From the red gate into the strong
wind both dogs were handy till near the
windmill canyon. At 11, point was called for
Gypsy. Nothing could be produced after a long
relocation. At 16, Leo had a covey find that he
handled with good manners until the release
and he circled around. He pointed again in a
draw up from the watershed lake with multiple
relocations. He was leashed at 35. Gypsy
disappeared in the bowl and was not sighted
again until we were out of the bowl near the
fence line when she was leashed.

Brace 12: Sniksoh Windtuck Willy, Tillson and The Crash Scene, Tracy. Willy had a mind of his own being out of pocket early. Midway in the hour the tracking device was called for him. Crash started into the wind moving through the thickets in the bottom. His range increased as the terrain opened up he began running the outside edges. We made the turn at the creek bottom an das we sat on the hillside we saw Crash hit the point solid. A single was flushed with all in order. As he was collared out more birds flushed from the creek bottom. Crash continued his reaching race, around the dam and into the neighbor's hay meadow when time was called.

Brace 13: Driving Miss Daisey II, Tracy and McChesney's I Got My Mojo Working, Johnson. Daisey ran a searching race and was rewarded with birds. At 16 in the canyon on our left she carded her first find with all in order. At 17, Mojo pointed in a swale just before the road gate. A coyote was sighted leaving the area and Mojo was taken on. We crossed the plateau into the bowl where at 39 Daisey pointed on the fence line. Farther up the fence line Mojo also pointed. Daisey's big covey was flushed and flew right over Mojo's head. Both dogs stood the pressure. Mojos handler elected to try for birds in front of him but extensive flushing didn't produce any game. Daisey was forward out of the bowl, over the hill, into the orchard where she had a stylish find at 56. Mojo had no other bird contact in the hour.

Brace 14: Kokomo Josey Joe,
Tillson and Kinwashkly Fat Bastard, Tracy.
We broke away from the red gate. Josey
had a find at 14 in the windmill canyon. He
stood until the shot ending his time on the
ground. Fatz pointed on a ledge up from the
creek crossing. Flushing and relocation could
not produce any game. He was sent on but
couldn't get untracked and was leashed at 25.

Brace 15: Georgias Texas Two
Step, Tracy and Stoney Hills Princess
Fiona, Johnson. Georgia started with steady
application. Princess worked the cover, having
an unproductive at 10. AT 31 she pointed again
but failed to remain steady. At 32 Georgia
pointed with a soft style. She continued her
race and at 46 had another find finishing the
hour at a steady pace.

Brace 16: Crescent City Girl, Tillson and Glade Run Irish, Tracy. Lola was hard to keep track of, being out of pocket from time to time so the tracking device was called for at 37. Irish was slow to start with an unproductive at 2. He was leashed at 25.

Bracy 17: Roustabout's White Knight, Tracy and Sniksoh Little Diamond, Johnson. Knight hunted the cover at 49 where he pointed a quail in a tree. He finished the hour without further game contact. Diamond was slow to start and was leashed at 25.

Brace 18: Firestarter's Crossed
The Line, Tillson and TLM Tall Tale, Tracy.
Ty carded finds at 23 and 27 with a strong

Ty carded finds at 23 and 27 with a strong forward race. We were in the bowl where Ty pointed again with all in order. AT 37 he pointed at a hole — handler elected to send him on. He finished the hour well forward. Sam had a find at 11 with all in order. At 23 he backed his bracemate. He had a hard time maintaining the front making his pattern erratic. AT 31 he had game contact. He finished the hour as he started.

Brace 19: Jagoub's Buzz'N Bayou, Tracy and Touch of Bourbon Little Chug, Johnson. At 14 Skeeter pointed, relocated,

pointed again. Handler than flushed a bird. At 28 he pointed with Chug backing, the bird was flushed behind Skeeter. Both dogs stood firmly. Chug had bird contacts at 46, 52 and 55 which had him in a hunting mode. Skeeter went over the hill near the end of the hour and was returned in the grace period.

Brace 20: Castaway Wilson, Tracy ran as a bye. He was all over the country being a handful. At 48 he had an unproductive. He was leashed before the end of the hour.

LIONHEART (D), by Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Sandbank Rose; o/h Joe Williams

BLUEBONNET Porter Ranch 3 Hubbard, TX November 10-12, 2017

Open Derby (14S)

J: Dickie Sorrel & Trey Baer

- 1 DAKOTA SUN'S SEMPER FI (D), by Dakota Sun x Bail Out; o Dick Mantler, h Vic Carrington
- 2 B & T'S HOOCH WITH A TWIST (D), by DC Hoochie Coochie Man x Tequila Twister; o Brian & Trasa Shinpoch, h Trasa Shinpoch
- 3 TEJAS ONE AND ONLY (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Esko's Git The Tequila; o Mitsue Nakamura & Don White, h Vic Carrington
- 4 SAGE BARTON (D), by Dakota Sun x Bail Out; o Mace Marlin McCain, h Vic Carrington



Kansas Brittany All Age Championship Grand Open Limited All Age 1hr(39S) J: Charlie Collier & Garvin Collins

- 1 GFC/GAFC/FC/AFC RU-JEM'S "LAST" PENNY (B), by FC Trademark's ATM x Red Bud Zipper; o Ruth & Jerry McGee, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- GFC/FC DRIVING MISS DAISEY II (B),
 by County Line Ace's High x Famous Chick; o Burton Wice, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 3 FC/AFC FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED
 THE LINE (D), by FC Making R-Point
 x FC Windtuck's Enough Said; o
 A. Christensen & V. Rankin, h Ed Tillson
- 4 GFC/GAFC/FC/AFC JJ'S LEVI THE

Amateur Walking Derby (6S) J: Dickie Sorrel & Trey Baer

- 1 B & T'S HOOCH WITH A TWIST (D), by DC Hoochie Coochie Man x Tequila Twister; o Brian & Trasa Shinpoch,h Brian Shinpoch
- 2 WHIPPOORWILL'S UPTOWN GIRL (B),
- 3 FRIEDRICH'S ANNE OUT OF FIRESTARTER (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed The Line x Snikosh Tequila Caliente; o/h Dennis Friedrich
- 4 BRAVO FLURRY WILSON'S RED GRACE (B), VIZ

Amateur Gun Dog (8S)

J: David Downing & Trey Baer

- TRASA'S LITTLE SKY DANCER (B), by FC/AFC Kb's Shadow-Dancer x Trasa's Little Ann SH; o/h Trasa Shinpoch
- 2 MV COUNTDOWN'S CAEL MACFARLANE (D), GS
- 3-4 Withheld

Open Gun Dog (13S) J: Dickie Sorrel & Trey Baer

- GRADE 8 BOLT (D), by DC Kinwashkly
 Dirty Ned Pepper x DC/AFC Tsunami;
 o William Oliver & Scott Johnson
- 2 GFC/FC/AFC ST CLAIR'S PRINCE ROCCO VULCANO LEO (D), by SLW Prince Duke Jr x Misty Moring XXII; o Jon E. St. Clair, h Scott Johnson
- 3 WOODSONG'S MEDICINE MAN (D), by FC/AFC T.J.'s Apache x DC KK Mojorette's Coquina JH; o James C. & Nina Woodall, h J.C. Woodall
- 4 Withheld

Open All Age (13S)

J: Dickie Sorrel & David Downing

- 1 FC STONEY HILL'S PRINCESS FIONA
 (B), by FC Rocklan's Whizzle Stop x
 FC Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie; o Phil
 & Louise Corlew, h Scott Johnson
- 2 FC MK'S MAGNIFICENT BANDITO (D), by Tee Bone x Chief's Nubbins My Lil' Lady; o Bill & Mary Lynn Oliver, h Scott Johnson
- 3 FC SNIKSOH LITTLE DIAMOND (B), by FC/AFC Shady's Count Kid x Diamond Hill's Magical Mollie; o Tom H. & Jane L. Wonderling, h Scott Johnson
- DAKOTA SUN (D), by FC/AFC Dakota
 Luke x Musketeer Carpel Dier; o Dick
 & Cindy Mantler, h Vic Carrington

FORT WORTH Wortham, TX December 15-17, 2017

Amateur Walking Puppy (8S) J: Dale Barker & Wesley Felt

- DYNAMITEMAKEIT (B), by NAFC/GFC/ FC/AFC/AmFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o Peggy Jeanne Doiron, h Jan Kilpatrick
- 2 STONEY HILL'S MAKIN IT RAIN (B), GSP
- 3 LILY OF THE VALLEYS (B), by Floyds Dandy D x Gun Slingin' Annie; o/h Jason Hoffman
- 4 KINWASHKLY RUSTYRIDGE JUSTIFED

(B), by DC Kinwashkly Dirty Ned Pepper x Kinwashkly Single White Female; o Claude & Jan Kilpatrick, h Claude Kilpatrick

Open Puppy (5S)

J: Dale Barker & Wesley Felt

- 1 STONEY HILL'S MAKIN IT RAIN (B), GSP
- 2 HIGHPOINT SPIKE'S SOUTHERN STAR (B), by FC Highpoint Southern Spice x FC Blazin Pepper "Hollie" Norwood; o Carolyn Kuykendall, h Ben Kuykendall
- 3 KINWASHKLY RUSTYRIDGE JUSTIFED
 (B), by DC Kinwashkly Dirty Ned
 Pepper x Kinwashkly Single White
 Female; o Claude & Jan Kilpatrick,h
 Claude Kilpatrick
- 4 DANDY'S LAST CHANCE (B), by Floyd's Dandy D x Gun Slingin' Annie; o Ronald Kerr, h Duane Floyd

Amateur Walking Derby (10S) J: Dale Barker & Wesley Felt

- 1 STONEY HILL'S MAKIN IT RAIN (B), GSP
- 2 FRIEDRICH'S ANNIE OUT OF FIRESTARTER (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed the Line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o/h Dennis Friedrich
- 3 KINWASHKLY RUSTYRIDGE JUSTIFED (B), by DC Kinwashkly Dirty Ned Pepper x Kinwashky Single White Female; o Claude & Jan Kilpatrick, h

Jan Kilpatrick

4 - DYNAMITEMAKEIT (B), by NAFC/GFC/ FC/AFC/AmFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o Peggy Jeanne Doiron, h Jan Kilpatrick

Open Derby (10S)

J: Ben Kuykendall & Wesley Felt

- DAKOTA SUN'S SEMPER FI (D), by Dakota Sun x Bail Out; o Dick Mantler, h Vic Carrington
- 2 SAGE BARTON (D), by Dakota Sun x Bail Out; o Mace Marlin McCain, h Vic Carrington
- 3 KINWASHKLY RUSTYRIDGE JUSTIFED
 (B), by DC Kinwashkly Dirty Ned
 Pepper x Kinwashkly Single White
 Female; o Claude & Jan Kilpatrick, h
 Claude Kilpatrick
- 4 FRIEDRICH'S ANNIE OUT OF FIRESTARTER (B), by FC/AFC Firestarter's Crossed the Line x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente; o Dennis Friedrich, h Vic Carrington

Amateur Gun Dog (18S)

J: Charlie Collier & Dickie Sorrell

- 1 STONEY HILL'S HOT PEPPER (B), GSP
- 2 MCMULLEN'S CYRUS JIM (D), ES
- 3 HI-N'S MEGA STRIKE (B), GSP
- 4 MCMULLEN'S LOUIE LOUIE (D), ES

Open Gun Dog (18S)

J: Charlie Collier & Dickie Sorrell

- 1 FC/AFC STONEY HILL'S BUSTIN' LOOSE (B), GSP
- 2 HI-N'S MEGA STRIKE (B), GSP
- 3 STONEY HILL'S HOT PEPPER (B), GSP
- 4 HI-N'S HURRICANE ABBY (B), GSP

Amateur All Age (13S)

J: Charlie Collier & Dickie Sorrell

- 1 HI-N'S HURRICANE ABBY (B), GSP
- 2 MCMULLEN'S CYRUS JIM (D), ES
- 3 FC STONEY HILL'S MISS MADDIE (B), GSP
- 4 Withheld

Open All Age (13S)

J: Charlie Collier & Dickie Sorrell

- 1 FC HIGHPOINT SOUTHERN SPIKE (D), by Shastas Spike From Evil Roy x Southern Breze; o Ben & Carolyn Kuykedall, h Ben Kuykendall
- J&M SHOOT THE BREEZE (B), by DC/ AFC Jerob's Tradewind Clipper x FC/ AFC J&M Jax Sugar Babe; o James & Mary Crawford, h Jim Crawford
- 3 HIGHPOINT BLAZIN' HIGH NOON (D), by FC/AFC Highpoint Blazin' Lamont x FC Southern Breeze; o/h Ben Kuykendall
- 4 FC RAMMER JAMMER JAX (D), by FC/
 AFC TLM Frequent Flyer x Flatrock's
 I'm Watching You Dad; o Arthur Baer,
 h Ben Kuykendall

BOARD OF DIRECTORS TELECONFERENCE MEETING





- Approved motion to allow Treasurer to change banks
- Elected Ed Janulis as ABC president
- Appointed Joe Droel as Central Director to fill vacant seat

HUNT TESTS

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND John E. Flaherty Field Trial Area E. Windsor, CT November 18, 2017

Junior Hunter A (12S)
J: Peggy A. Augiar & Susan Gregory
NATTY BUMPPO SUR LE DELAVAN, o
Edward & Janice Pantacoloni
CAPEWIND'S PERFECT TEN, o Tania

Lewandowski

Bedford

Lewandowski

Senior Hunter A (4S) J: Steven M. Bedford & Robert Fasulgo

No Brittany Qualifiers

Master Hunter A (4S) J: Lawrence Gates & Steven

Junior Hunter B (8S)
J: Davan Bradshaw & Paul Shirley
CAPEWIND'S MUDDY WATERS, o Tania

HORIZON BREEZEWATER'S SIREN SONG, o Martin Boros & Lisa M. Tailby

Senior Hunter B (2S)
J: Paul Bruk & Laura Bedford

Master Hunter B (4S)
J: Paul Brick & Laura Bedford

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND John E. Flaherty Field Trial Area E. Windsor, CT November 18, 2017

Junior Hunter A (10S)
J: Peggy A. Aguiar & Paul Shirley
MARSHALL'S BANDIT, o Philip Marshall
CAPEWIND'S PERFECT TEN, o Tania
Lewandowski
CAPEWIND'S MUDDY WATERS, o Tania
Lewandowski

Senior Hunter A (4S)

J: Steven M. Bedford & Dawn S. Hill CH BIRCH SPRING PC LUNAR ECLIPS JH, o Philip Thayer, Jr. & Benjamin R. Thayer

Master Hunter A (4S)
J: Steven M. Bedford & Dawn S. Hill
No Qualifiers

Junior Hunter B (8S) J: Dawn Bradshaw &Susan Gregory NATTY BUMPPO SUR LE DELAVAN, o Edward & Janice Pontacoloni

Senior Hunter B (2S)
J: Robert Fasullo & Laura Bedford
No Brittany Qualifiers

Master Hunter B (3S) J: Robert Fasullo & Laura Bedford No Qualifiers

Brittany Field Trial Hall of Fame

Attention ABC Clubs and Members!

Do you have a club member(s) who has supported your club for a long time?

A member who faithfully attends and chairs events, helps new members, and works tirelessly for the club and the Brittany breed?

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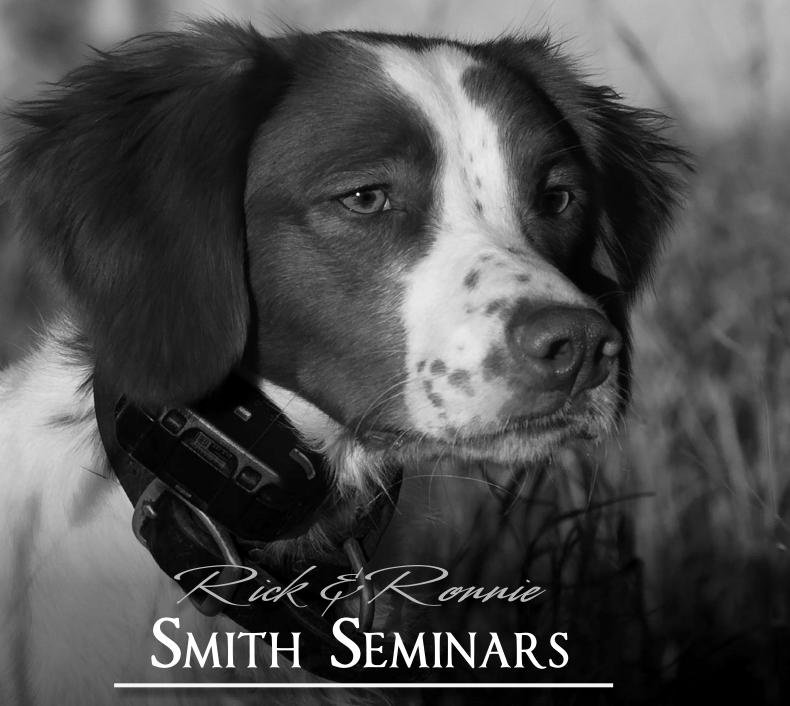
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Versatile Brittanys in Action

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How to Punish Your Dog

Punishment should fit the dog. For some dogs, petting is a wonderful reward, while other dogs would rather work, so touch may actually be punishment for them.

Punishment should fit the "crime". Overreacting may be counterproductive, because negative attention may reinforce misbehavior too. For example, if your agility dog picks up pylons marking the course and does the zoomies around the field, screaming and chasing him is probably not your best strategy. He might think it's a fun game and repeat it in future. A more neutral, yet effective punishment is in order, followed by training to address the root cause.

For me, I've decided that the first time a puppy tries to hump my leg, I'll stop him. I say "no", in a low-pitched gruff tone of voice. I take the puppy by the collar, gently remove him from my leg or the object, and tell him that's awful. If he repeats the behavior, I stubbornly repeat my response, but louder and more emphatically. And if he decides to continue to try to hump me, all the fun stops. I end his opportunity for reinforcement by confining him by himself in a safe area of the house where he is punished by being alone for a short time. In the case of humping, it rarely recurs. (I use the same set of actions to address a dog jumping up on the dinner table.) If you encounter a recurring behavior, I would not assume that having the dog spayed or neutered will correct it. That may be a good idea as well, but I strongly believe it's important to nip those bad behaviors in the bud, before they become rooted as habits that you have to endure long-term.

If you're ever in a scenario when you're confused about whether your dog is behaving aggressively, reactively, or just having fun, seek the help of an experienced trainer to help you decode the canine communication and body language. If your dog bites or scares you, you need professional help right away!

For most dogs that are not behaving aggressively, once you decide to punish, don't just tell your dog no, and keep repeating yourself while he continues to misbehave. Show your dog what you want him to do instead. For example, if the puppy repeatedly nips your hands while teething, try interrupting the behavior and substituting with an appropriate chew toy.

Many times, when active Brittanys are misbehaving, what they really need is consistent, daily, mental and physical exercise. Like an off switch, misbehavior tends to disappear when the dog is tired and content. Another effective strategy can be to engage the pup in a training session. For example, instead of roughhousing when I don't want to, try five minutes of training sits and recalls, ending with a play session or a walk. That will create a new and productive way for you to spend time together in a way that's enjoyable to both parties.

What If It Becomes a Habit?

Having said that, I've also heard of handlers hurting, scaring and harshly correcting their dogs, turning them off their work. You can go too far towards being overly disciplinarian just as easily as you can go too far in laughing and encouraging misbehavior. The middle road is probably ideal. Consider a mild, immediate "punishment" that is just sufficient to stop inappropriate behavior while leaving an impression. The goal is to prevent recurrence, without hurting the dog or his trust in you.

It's About You and Your Unique Dog

Rules about exactly when and how to punish inappropriate behaviors are less important than recognizing pivotal formative events and dealing with them right away. Choose what works best for you and your unique dog. But ignore huge mistakes at your peril! If an intolerable behavior recurs 2 or 3



Photo of puppy humping his stuffed animal, which I ignored, © Hunter's Heart Kennels 2013.

times, you may need the help of an experienced trainer, who can coach you through the challenge, set you up for success and build your relationship with your dog. On the other hand, if it's not important to you, then just smile and move on.

Think I got it all wrong? Drop me a line about how your pup inspired you to wonder about punishment, or just made you chuckle. Even better, share some photos, please!

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In 1993 the Board of Directors voted a Hall of Fame for Distinguished Members, honoring those who have given exceptional service to the club. The original honorees were inducted in 1994.

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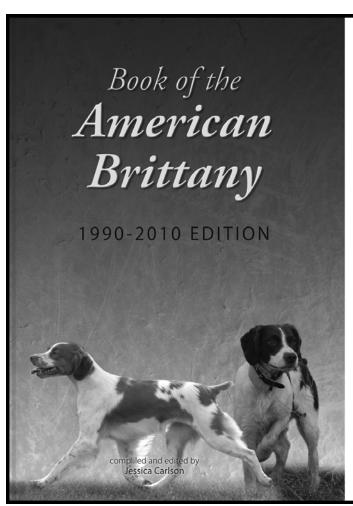
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Valentine, NE September 25-29, 2017 by Ken Blackman







L-R Adrian Jackson (judge), Tom Tracy,, JR. with CVK's Spartan King, John Harms with Glade Run Irish, Tom Milam with Ru-Jem's "Last" Penny, Stan Noble (judge)

It's ritual at the Harms Ranch to assemble in the "shop" after chores are done to crack open a couple (usually more) and detail how the training that day had gone. How many coveys were found; pheasants or chickens; what part of the ranch did we run on? But one evening in 2013 Jim Harms asked Al Gorrow if he could swing a major Brittany trial over to his place. Jim knew that the ABC held it's Chicken Championship to the east at Bassett. Little did Jim know that Al would start the ball rolling along with Pam Baird, Tim Self, Dave Capstick and Burton Wice to do what they could to organize the Greater St. Louis Brittany Club and offer the ABC that it would sponsor the Pheasant Championship.

With it's amazing terrain and challenging weather, the Harms Ranch, situated on nearly 18,000 Ac., on the North boundary of the Valentine NWR and bordered on the east by the Ballard's Marsh WMA, offers a challenge for any bird dog and it's handler. My good friend, Kent Patterson had penned a detailed description of the Ranch where the 2017 Region 19 AAA Brittany Championship had been contested several

days before the first dogs were turned loose for the 2017 ABC Pheasant Championship/Classic. Kent's gifted account of the grounds is impossible to top, so if you go back and read it, you'll enjoy his style.

But once more, let me offer a thanks to the Harm's family for their open invitation and hard work to make this one of the most exciting field trials on the American Brittany Club's calendar. Jim and his wonderful wife, Barb, have done everything that clearly puts a spotlight on Valentine, NE during the several weeks we're there. Jim and Barb's son, and John and his wife Alicia and three kids are there throughout the trial. The steak fry during the trial is becoming a "must attend" for everyone at the trial. Burton and Sharon Wice hosted the Steak Supper in honor of their 2016 Champion, Driving Miss Daisy II. Using their lifelong connections with the Valentine community, the Harms' able to pull together support from neighboring ranchers and local businesses. Tehrani Motors provided the Polaris UTV's for both trials. The ABC and the Greater St. Louis BC couldn't do a great job, without the sponsorship

of Purina Pet Foods and Garmin. These fine companies support, across the entire spectrum of competitive Field Trials in North America us with product and ad space. John did yeoman's duty working with Tom Tracy to set up the courses, marshalling and keeping track of the comings and goings on the ranch. Due to the changing patterns from year to year, there are some parts of the Ranch that are inaccessible. Therefore, each year, this trial takes judges, handlers, owners and spectators to different parts of the Ranch. When you leave the houses and barns you can expect to be on the continuous course for 3 hours.

Our judges for this year's renewal were Stan Noble, who hails from Santa Fe, TN and Adrian Jackson from Boys Ranch, TX. Stan is a highly respected and asked for arbiter. He's judged at the Championship level for AKC, AFTCA and American Field trials. First and foremost, Stan is a hunter who raises, trains and competes with his English and Irish Setters. Since his retirement, he spends a good many weeks each summer at a lease in nearby Ainsworth, NE. He understands the terrain and what a Championship caliber pointing dog must do to win in the Sandhills. Adrian Jackson, my judging partner for this trial last year, was asked to step in when our friend. Mike Boydston, was unable to judge due to a medical issue that kept him close to his home outside KC, MO. Adrian, who's a youth counselor, is one of the most accomplished dogmen that I've known. He raises, trains and competes with his string of pointers. His horses are always top notch and as a hunter he's very critical of the dogs he's asked to look at and place in a trial. I'm told at this year's Pheasant Championship, Stan and Adrian were seen in conversation each evening comparing notes and discussing the day's running. As a note here, I was unable to attend the trial and Stan did double duty watching dogs and making notes on a handheld recorder. He also spent many hours with me detailing each brace. Without Stan, this report wouldn't be as complete.

Due to weather conditions the weekend preceding the Pheasant Championship, the Region 19 AAA was forced to run over into Monday. Thus, the Pheasant kicked off on Tuesday morning. Once it began, it ran straight through to conclusion on Friday. Like most Championship events, to run there, an entrant must be a high caliber dog/bitch. A look over the running order proved that point to be correct. However, like most events on wild birds, the entries tend to sort themselves out. As my friend, Adrian, told me last year, ".... just sit back and you'll see the ones that will end up top of our list". But Stan told me that, throughout the trial they were adjusting the order to keep the best dogs on top-as good judges have done since field trials started in the late 1800's. With scratches, the judges looked at 42 in the stake. And to the handlers credit, they all knew when their dog wasn't beating what the judges had, so, some of the braces were abbreviated.

Early in the trial, CVK's Spartan King, call name Leo, stood out for the judges with his consistently strong, forward race, needing little scouting. He ran early in the trial in the 2nd brace. Tommy Tracy rode and pointed him out frequently, as Leo was seen little in the first 20 minutes. But, just when you might call for a scout to locate him, he was coursing in to the front. To be placed, according to the judging standard, a dog can't earn a placement without satisfactory work on Pheasants. Leo punched his card with a find at 13- all in order. Sent on his way, he locked up at 25. Tommy flushed unsuccessfully and relocated him. A good distance out front, Leo circled to pin the running rooster with a superb effort to let Tommy put the bird to wing. Again, taken on Leo hit the edge of Big Lake on the north end of the ranch. At the 39-minute mark, Leo stopped to catch the whiff of an upland bird. After another show of his genes and training, Tommy marched out front of Leo and put another Ringneck to flight. One of the riders in the gallery mentioned that she noticed several other birds running in the tall sandhill grass. Stan pointed out what solidified Leo's Championship performance was

his strong finish to the front with little encouragement. Unfortunately, Jack and Tara Alexander, Leo's owners, were unable to stay for the Championship. Jack had handled Leo in the AAA the weekend before, without a placement.

In brace 14, Kent Patterson, who is the owner/Handler of Piney Run Jake, laid down a true All Age race. In that area of the ranch the course winds around a series of Sand Hills which, very often shielding the effort of the dog from the Judges. At 7 Jake was standing high and tight on a Pheasant. Kent easily flushed and put the bird to flight. At 14, Tommy Tracy who was running Roustabout's Eustace, caught sight of Jake standing. In a true show of sportsmanship, Tommy called point for Kent's charge. With ease, the Pheasant was flushed with all in order. Later in the brace Kent raised his hat. By the time the judges could navigate the sandhills to Kent, a shot was fired but the Judges couldn't see any bird. Judges didn't count the find as positive or negative. However, the style was still with Jake. As the judges noted, "Jake lit it up during the final 20 minutes to finish the hour. But like most championships, the fine line between Champion and Runner Up is barely noticeable. Jake is a strong dog with choke bore nose, and will certainly gain his share of Blue Ribbons in the future.

One of the dogs that also impressed the judges, was Glade Run Irish, owned by David Webb and handled by Tommy Tracy. With a strong ground race in the 12th brace and a perfectly positioned find on a Pheasant at 31, his only blemish, a dry stand with good manners, at 24. When Piney Run Jake took the field in the 14th brace, Irish was moved into 3rd place.

On any other day, RuJem's "Last" Penny, would have been in the top two. Her first 30 minutes produced a dry stand. Her ground race was strong, but wide. At 40 she produced a stylish find, which Tommy put to wing just where Penny told him it was sitting. Her last 20 minutes was one of the best the judges saw the whole week. Strong, forward and taken to handling kindly for Tommy.

As the judges have occasion to do, they felt that several dogs, with birdwork on pheasants, would have taken one of the top 4 spots. Of noteworthy ground games(one, with 2 finds on 'chickens') Sniksoh's Little Dancer, Georgia's Texas Two Step, Alar's Dirty Dancer and The Crash Scene were put 'on the board' during the course of the stake.

Once again, we owe a debt of gratitude to the Harms Family for opening up their ranch to the American Brittany Club and all the competitors, owners and spectators for their generosity, hands on work and hospitality. There's absolutely no substitute for running a Championship like this on wild game. And the support from our sponsors, Tehani Motors, Purina, and Garmin, can't be underestimated. And finally, thanks to Adrian and Stan for looking at our dogs. Oh, and to Jack and Tara, you get to feed the folks next year at the Harms Ranch.

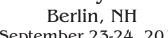
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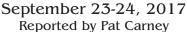
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- 3 NAFC/GAFC/FC/AFC GLADE RUN IRISH (D), by FC Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feather Cocoa Bean; o David Webb, h Tom Tracv. Jr.
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Front L to R: Ray Gorman with Rylee's Rolling Thunder of Coos, Les Casselberry with La Bandita Del Prado, Art Hembrough with Greentown's Duke of Hampshire. Rear L to R: Judge Pat Carney and Judge Paige Davis.

Saturday morning, September 23, contestants, gallery and judges gathered in the Bog Dam Road parking area for the start of the Classic. With a weather forecast that included oppressive heat for the weekend, contestants, judges and gallery felt fortunate that Saturday did not reach the oppressive stage until early afternoon. From that point on all at our event were dealing with high humidity and/or heat. Also thanks to Purina for many years of supporting ABC events.

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Judges for our championship were Paige Davis from North Berrwick, ME and Pat Carney from Danvers, MA and were looking for dogs that were there for one thing only—to find birds from breakaway to finish, or die trying. Of course there are other factors involved that affect the final outcome as well. There were several entries that exhibited this do or die attitude. Entries for the championship came from as far away as NY, PA, RI, NH, CT, MA and ME.

As always, many thanks are owed to our dedicated core group of organizers, Ray and Martha Gorman, Bill and Fran Gorman, David Hayes, Art Hembrough, who all work very hard to pull this championship together and to put on a quality event. A highlight of the weekend was the Saturday night dinner at the Mahoosuc Inn in Milan, and ably engineered by Martha Gorman. Ray Gorman (our fearless leader) and Art Hembrough are owed many thanks for the hours spent planning and working on the courses that were used—especially Art. Bill and Fran take the entries and handle the paperwork. And then there's David Hayes. For many years, David has participated, not with entries, but rather with his love for the sport and event. David shows

up in the morning with the coffee and donuts, helps move people and vehicles, and thoroughly enjoys himself the entire weekend, helping others wherever he can. This year was to be David's last rodeo as he bid a fond adieu to all, feeling that the rigors of the weekend have become more than he can safely handle. David has always been the ultimate gentleman in our sport and I am proud to count him as my friend. His presence in the hills of Kilkenny will be sorely missed.

Many thanks are owed to all who participated. We couldn't do it without you.

Brace 1, Course Deer Mountain: Sigbrit's Countessa Del Prado (Tessa)/Les Casselberry & Shaw Hill Gracie (Gracie)/Sarah **Convngham.** We broke away with both dogs working in and out of the cover and Tessa was the more forward of the two. At 10 to the right of the course, both dogs paused with Sarah claiming she heard a grouse get out. Judges hadn't heard a bird and both dogs were quickly moving again with both working up the hill on the right hand side attacking once again. At 27, the course turned right with Tessa still out at the limit of her bell. As we dropped down we could still hear her bell out front. At halfway, with Tessa out on our right, Les sent his scout to locate her. Gracie and handler are working consistently forward in front of us. At 32 we have Tessa back with us. Les had his work cut out for him, keeping tabs on Tessa. At 46 Gracie was working cover to the left when her bell stopped. Gracie looked a little unsure as Sara attempted to flush, and the result was a nonproductive. At 53 Tessa's bell stopped in thick cover. Les pointed her out to the judge, but unfortunately during

the flush, Tessa and bird left at the same time. Gracie finished her hour birdless.

Brace 2, Course Lonesome Ridge: Finn MacCuhal (Mac)/B Gorman & Colbys Hobo Run (Colby)/Arcand. Mac and Colby started off in tag team mode and lacking in the type of application required to find birds. This changed for the better around 25 and they decided that with a little effort life could be more interesting. Both dogs started reaching through the cover with good application and a much better ground race. Unfortunately they finished their hour without bird contact.

Brace 3, Course Goldenrod: Centerville's Buck (Buck)/ Conyngham & Greentown's Duke of Hampshire (Duke)/Hembrough. Strong breakaway with Buck really pounding and reaching through the cover. At 6 scout Bjork called point for Duke and at this point both dogs separated as Art headed off to handle the find, which proved to be a non-productive. In the meantime, Buck has been making some really aggressive moves through some impenetrable cover. It appears that there is no cover on the face of Kilkenny that can stop this dog. He is just hanging out there doing his job. Several times he was gone beyond bell range and Sara had her work cut out for herself getting Buck back in pocket and in front of us. In spite of his really aggressive application, Buck went birdless for his hour. Duke hit all the right spots, searching for birds with his patented steady ground race and application. At about the 50 minute mark, he went on point and it took a long time to find him. Bird was walked up before the dog was found standing. Handler fired and Duke was given credit for a find. Unfortunately two prior nonproductives did not help his case.

Brace 4, Course Moosehorn: La Bandita Del Prado (Bandita)/Casselberry & Rusty Nail of Coos (Rusty)/Wood. Both Bandita and Rusty were applying themselves to the job at hand right off the breakaway. Bandita was especially dynamic, however, somewhat lateral at times, and could drift out of bell range making it hard for Les to keep a handle on her at times. At around 36 with Bandita off the radar and Les trying to find her, Tom called point for Rusty who was well to the front. While flushing in front of Rusty, the dog moved up and the woodcock popped with Tom subsequently firing. Rusty was ordered up, and only then did we realize that Bandita was buried in cover a little down the hillside, pointing the bird and observing the whole thing says handler. Les sent Bandita forward and she capped off her find with a well-handled stop to flush on a woodcock before her hour was finished. Her effort on the ground was ambitious throughout, with some of the edge coming off the last 15.

Brace 5, Course Ammonosuc: White Rock Ranch's First Turks (Turk)/Conyngham & Morningside Beau Fortune (Bender)/Guz. Turk and Bender were applying themselves well. Around 15 Turk was down in cover off to the right of the trail when a woodcock popped. Turk didn't appear to be involved. At 25 we hit the bottom with Bender moving forward and further behind. At 41 Bender pointed a woodcock in thick grass off to our right. Unable to produce the bird, handler opted for a relocation. The bird was popped during the relocation and Bender was ordered up. In the meantime, Turk had reached the front during the relocation with Sarah herding him around and away from impending disaster. At 42 Turk pointed a woodcock as we were coming off the bottom with all in order. At 48 and up on the hillside to our left a grouse got up in the vicinity of Turk with dog involvement ending his effort.

Brace 6, Deer Mountain: Jaci's I Want Proof (Proof)/Bjork & Wood's Tiger Lily (Lily)/Wood. Both dogs broke away with gusto and were quickly out of bell range, returning at 6. Throughout their hour on the ground both Proof and Lily continued to work the cover together at a moderate range. Judges needed more inspired and independent application in order to consider them contenders. No birds were

encountered.

Brace 7, Lonesome Ridge: Mt. View's BJ Major Wilkes (Willie)/Casselberry & Morningside Captain Denmark (Tigger)/Guz. At 17 Tigger wasn't pleasing Guz and handler leashed him. Willie continued on alone with good application to the cover, including an impressive move at 28 up the hillside to our right, showing to the front, and hooking downhill to the left where we heard the bell stop. Despite several relocation attempts, a bird was not produced. Sent on, Willie headed uphill to the right of the trail, and immediately went on point again, with the same results as those experienced on the downhill side of the trail. After time and headed out, gallery pushed a grouse off the course.

Brace 8, Goldenrod: Rylee's Rolling Thunder of Coos (Thunder)/R. Gorman & Kip's Bay Dark N' Stormy Miss Maddie (Maddie)/Kipp. This course and brace produced our winner. Right off the bat, it was obvious that both Thunder and Maddie knew what they were here for. They were in the cover for the entire hour. Often at the limit of her bell, in spots where the cover was lighter, Maddie was a vision to behold as she raced through the cover. Thunder, with his powerful sweeping casts was visually less obvious, and handler had to rely more on the bell to keep track of the dog during his hour on the ground. In spite of the scarcity of birds, Maddie carded a quick stop to flush at 11. At 25, Thunder struck gold with a superlative woodcock find 20 yards off the trail to our right. He continued to attack the cover for the remainder of his hour. Reaching the end of the course before time, both dogs were directed through some unknown territory that, despite a lengthy relocation, produced an unproductive for Maddie.

Brace 9, Moosehorn: J&A's Carry The Dream of Acton (Holly)/Short & Centerville's Dot (Dot)/Conyngham. Holly and Dot started their hour moderately. By 15, they were both digging deeper through the cover. At 30, with Dot down in a swale to our left a grouse was heard exiting behind her - an opportunity missed. As the hour wore on, the relentless heat took its toll and handlers elected to pick up their charges with 5 to go.

Brace 10, Ammonoosuc: Spring Hill's Chica Del Prado (Chica)/Casselberry & Jaci's Pure Prarie League (3 Mile)/Bjork. Chica and 3 Mile were quickly away to start their hour. At 9, 3 Mile carded a woodcock find with excellent manners throughout the find. In the meantime, Chica's effort included some eye-catching casts through the cover. At 23 Chica handled a woodcock with aplomb, but then at 27 was ordered up with a minor indiscretion on a woodcock. Across the Ammonoosuc bottom and through the end of his hour, 3 Mile failed to impress.

2017 ABC New England Grouse/Woodcock Classic/Championship 1hr(20S) J: Paige Davis & Patricia Carney

- FC/AFC RYLEE'S ROLLING THUNDER OF COOS (D), by FC/AFC
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 Mazzagla & Ray Gorman, h Ray Gorman
- 2 FC LA BANDITA DEL PRADO (B), by DC/AFC Scirocco Del Prado x Kritn Cringle Xmas Treat KC; o Leslie & Donna Casselberry, h Les Casselberry 3 -GREENTOWN'S DUKE OF HAMPSHIRE (D), by Greentown's Sir Launcelot x Greentown's Lady Gwenever; o/h Arthur Hembrough
- 4 Withheld

Judges Award of Merit FC/AFC KIP'S BAY DARK N' STORMY MISS MADDIE

2017 Stars

BISS GCHB RiverMist Broxden Sovereign MVP "Mario"



GCHS Sovereign's Chasing Legends ex GCH RiverMist Broxden Best I Feather Seen JH OFA#BS-17800G24M Bred by Allyson Godfroid and Phil & Amy Booth Owners: Dawn & Joe Droel

"Mario" has been awarded multiple Best in Specialty Shows, is a Sporting Group winner, and has many Sporting Group placements.

BISS GCH Sovereign's Legendary Disciple "Titus"



GCHS Sovereign's Chasing Legends ex GCHB Trio's Sovereign Alleluia JH Bred by Dawn & Joe Droel Owners: Colleen Walsh and Dawn & Joe Droel

"Titus" was awarded Best in Specialty Show and a Sporting Group 1 his first time out with Colleen.

We are very proud of this young dog, and look forward to a promising future.



Dawn & Joe Droel - Minnesota www.sovereignbritts.com









CH Sovereign's Legendary Speed "Turbo" GCHS Sovereign's Chasing Legends ex

CHS Sovereign's Chasing Legends ex CH Tequila's Red Corvette JH Bred by Dawn Droel & Jessica Carlson Owners: Dawn & Joe Droel





"Turbo" had a great year, including finishing his show championship, Sporting Group 3 from the classes, and Second Place in the Central Gun Dog Futurity.

He is working in the field with Scott Johnson of Covey Find Kennel.



NBOB/GCHS Sovereign's Chasing Legends "Hobey"

CH Alar's the Rocketeer CD SH ex DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips OFA # BS-15897G24M CHIC # 105830 Breeder/Owners: Dawn & Joe Droel

"Hobey" made an appearance this summer and was awarded Best of Breed at two Specialty Shows.

"Hobey" is working in the field with Bob Burchett of Burchett Bird Dogs.









THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB

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72nd Annual Field & 57th Annual Show Futurity

Trial and Show to be run Spring of 2020

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

 be open to every Brittany bitch and her are of January 1 December 31, 2018, who merican Brittany Club, and whose litters

 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
 - A Final Forfeit Fee, to be eligible to compete in the Sectional Futurities
 (Western/Central/Eastern), is due by October 1, 2019, and is submitted by
 the owner of the eligible puppy. Futurity Entry Fees will also be paid prior to
 2020 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.

Directors may impose additional late fees from time to time.

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

- More information on the ABC Futurity and additional copies of this form can be found on the ABC website:
 - www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/futurity.htm

•	The 2020 American Brittany Futurity shall be open to every Brittany bitch and her
	progeny whelped during the calendar year of January 1 - December 31, 2018, 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.

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Action at AKC

February 2018 by Jeri K Conklin & Peggy Wier

Past AKC Results

DOCK JUNIOR (July 2017)CREDIT'S FLYING ACE CA DJ (D) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x GCH CH Credit's Tarnished Copper Penny, o Kathy DeLucas, b Jessie Schulz & Kathleen Krzeszewski

ADVANCED CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (August 2017)

DOGWOOD HOLLOW SUNSHINE FROM ABOVE CGCA (B) by CH Dogwood Hollow Legends Of The Fall x GCHB CH Dogwood Hollow A Little Bit Of Heaven JH, o Kathryn Durno & Karen Loring, b Timothy Durno & Cheryl Mika & Geri O Clements & Kathryn Durno

ADVANCED CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (September 2017)

GERSTDALE'S FRITO BANDITO CDX BN RAE4 CGCA (D) by CH Gerstdale's Simon Says JH x Gerstdale's Money Marquet, o Harriet V Tucker & Debbie Inferrera, b Debbie Inferrera

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (October 2017)

AMMO'S JOURNEY CGC (D) by GCH CH Ammo's Bugle Boy JH x CH Ammo's Some Like It Hot, o Katherine E Morgan & Sandra Leavens, b Sandra Leavens & Gary Leavens

POTGETER'S GUNNER CGC (D) by Taras x Tsisia, o/b Daniel Borman

AKC Results for November 2017 DUAL CHAMPION

DC AMMO'S DENVER BRIER PATCH (D) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle JH x CH Ammo's Some Like It Hot, o Linda McCartney-Roy & Jeff Currier, b Sandra Leavens & Gary

DC CROSSCREEK ARGUS' EARLY CHRISTMAS JH (D) by CH Hope's Ranger Rick x CH Sanbar Crosscreek Early Call, o Mr. Donovan Markiewicz, b Barbara J Pepin D.V.M. & Polly West

CHAMPION - bred by exhibitor

CH BLUE SAPPHIRE BENDING ALL THE RULES (D) by GCHG CH MACH3 Brookewood's Just Too Hot UD RAE MXB2 MJS2 MXF T2B2 x CH Credit's My Heart Skips A Beat, o Patricia Rosado & Elizabeth Cruz, b Patricia Rosado & E Susan Drazek & Elizabeth Cruz

CH CHISHOLM TRAIL'S CAN DO KOOPER JH (D) by CH Chisholm Trail's Take A Chance x CH Chisholm Trails Dark Diamond JH, o Lester Zitkus & Sandra Fraley, b Jody Kirtley

CH CHISHOLM TRAIL'S RAINBOW OVER DIAMOND CREEK JH (B) by CH Chisholm Trail's Take A Chance x GCH CH Diamond Creek's Sugar Rush RN JH CGC, o Jody Kirtley, b Amy Budke & David Budke

CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW AUTUMN GLORY (B) by GCH CH Dogwood Hollow Into The West x GCH CH Dogwood Hollow Irish Blessing, o Lynn Grimsley & Liz Mckinney, b Geri O Clements & Cheryl Mika & Jennifer Burlingame & Aaron N Burlingame Jr.

CH FAROUT FIELDS DAILY LOVIN' THE SUNRISE (B) by CH Fly'n-Hi's Iron Will CDX JH NA x CH Farout Fields Live'N & Love'N The Good Life JH, o Margaret C Rocker & Jackie Arnold, b Jacqueline C Arnold

CH HOPE'S FORE ON THE FLOOR (D) by GCHB CH Tonan-Magicbrit In The Leather JH x GCH CH Hope's I Can'T Drive 55, o Sandra Malloy & Douglas Tighe & Natalya Harris, b Douglas Tighe

CH MILLETTES STARS N' STRIPES (B) by CH Mich Mt. Tri The Magnificent One The Mick x CH Millette's Benelli, o Jennifer Brooke Burlingame & Michelle Millette, b Michelle Millette

CH POWDER RIVER'S KLICK PLAY WIN (D) by GCHS CH Dogwood Hollow Bengal Zero Zero x CH Powder River's Karma's A Beach, o/g Cheryl Kraicar

CH S'RENDI'S WILD AT MIDNIGHT (B) by GCH CH Big Oaks Maximus Of Johnson's Hardwood Daybreak x CH Whisper Ridge Just-A Perfect Diamond At S'Rendi, o Robyn Taliaferro, b Suzanne Sparrow

CH SOVEREIGN TRIO'S DESPICABLE ME (D) by GCHS CH Sovereign's Chasing Legends x GCHS CH Trio's Sovereign Alleluia JH, o Karen Livingston & Kami West, b Dawn Droel & Joe Droel

GRAND CHAMPION

GCH CH A2BRITS IZ I A SOUTHERN LEAP OF FAITH JH (B) by CH Ammo's Southern Boogie x GCH CH Sandstone Iz I Adorable MH NA NAJ. o/b Linda Allen

GCH CH HOPE'S IF NOT NOW, WHEN? (B) by GCHB CH Tonan-Magicbrit In The Leather JH x GCH CH Hope's I Can'T Drive 55, o Cynthia L Short, b Douglas Tighe

GCH CH WILLOWICK N ZAFFRES SETTIN FIRE TO THE REIGN (B) by GCHG CH Triumphant's Saviour Machine x GCH CH Willowick Light By Fire, o Kellie L Miller & Roxanne Bashor, b Catherine Gire & Kellie L Miller

GRAND CHAMPION BRONZE

GCHB CH CREDIT KAZE WITH A BOLD BRIANNA OA OAJ OF CA CGCA (B) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x MACH4 Credit Kaze With A Perfect Diamond MXS2 MJC2 MFG TQX T2B4, o Christine Bishop, b Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz

GCHB CH WILLOWICK SHOCK TOP OF WILDFIRE JH CGC (D) by GCHG CH Triumphant's Saviour Machine x GCH CH Willowick Light By Fire, o Margaret Saucerman & Sara Taylor & Roxanne Bashor, b Catherine Gire & Kellie L Miller

GCHG CH PREMIER'S ALL ABOUT AVATAR (D) by GCHP CH Mich's Mt Ready Aim Fire x GCH CH Castle's Sleeping Beauty Zoei, o John Reardon & Nancy Reardon, b Kristine Rickard & Lori Rickard & Joseph Ramondetta & David C Peek

NATIONAL FIELD CHAMPION

NFC NAFC GFC GAFC FC AFC GLADE RUN IRISH (D) by FC Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feather Cocobean, o/b David A Webb

FIELD CHAMPION

FC A TRACE OF BOURBON WITH DIAMONDS (D) by GFC FC Touch Of Bourbon Little Chug x FC Sniksoh Little Diamond, o Rick D Hastings & Becky J Hastings, b Tom H Wonderling & Jane L Wonderling DC AMMO'S DENVER BRIER PATCH (D) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle JH x CH Ammo's Some Like It Hot,

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NATIONAL AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION

NAFC GFC GAFC FC AFC RU-JEM'S LAST "PENNY" (B) by FC Trademark's Atm x Red Bud Zipper, o Ruth McGee & Jerry McGee, b James O Chase Jr. & Janet I Chase

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION

AFC TRASA'S LITTLE SKY DANCER (B) by FC AFC Kb's Shadow-Dancer x Trasa's Little Ann SH, o Trasa Shinpoch, b Trasa Noves

COMPANION DOG

ESPRIT D'ETE'S MISS ELLIE CD RN CAX CGC TKA (B) by DC Delane Speak Of The Devil x Grousetangle Kk Contessa JH, o Jill Martin, b Reberta Hamer

COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT

CH KEILI'S BLUE SAPPHIRE HOT AUGUST NIGHT CDX BN RN MX MXJ OF (B) by GCHG CH MACH3 Brookewood's Just Too Hot UD RAE MXB2 MJS2 MXF T2B2 x CH Credit's My Heart Skips A Beat, o Susan Osmansky & L. E. Osmansky & E. Sue Drazek, b Patricia Rosado & E

Susan Drazek & Gina Currier

RUSTIN'S MOCKINGBIRD SONG OF SCOUT CDX BN RN OA OAJ CGC (B) by GCH CH MACH8 Credit Kaze's Capital Gains RN JH MXB3 MJS3 XF T2B2 DM x CH MACH2 Rustins Treasure Of The Sierras RN MXG MJC2 MXF T2B, o Edmund J Ronan & Carol A Ronan, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

UTILITY DOG EXCELLENT 3

CH FAROUT FIELDS LUNAR ECLIPSE UDX3 OM3 BN GN GO JH (B) by DC AFC Blueridge Major Adventure x GCH CH Farout Fields Tequila Sunrise JH NAJ, o LouAnn McGahey, b Jacqueline C Arnold

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FAROUT FIELDS NOBLE NELLIE ROSE UDX3 OM5 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

BIG PINES GAME CHANGER BN JH (D) by Montana's Rusty Little Pants x Bullet's Northern Star, o Anne Louise Mayall, b Bradley Hedstrom & Lisa Hedstrom

BROOKEWOOD'S JUST GIVE ME A CHANCE BN RN CA (D) by GCH CH Brookewood Krown Royal CDX BN GN RE OA NAJ CGC x GCH CH Twoemz A Girl Like Me CD BN RE NA NAJ NAP NJP CA CGC, o/b Cynthia A Miller & Karen E Brown & Russell Walborn

PREFERRED COMPANION DOG

GCH CH J-K'S ABSOLUTE INFERNO AT THE BEACH, JOE PCD BN RAE CGC TKA (D) by GCH CH Triumphant's Absolute' JH x GCH CH Britwood Blaze At The Beach Juliet BN RAE CGCA, o/b Judy Kostelac

RALLY NOVICE

BROOKEWOOD'S JUST GIVE ME A CHANCE BN RN CA (D) by GCH CH Brookewood Krown Royal CDX BN GN RE OA NAJ CGC x GCH CH Twoemz A Girl Like Me CD BN RE NA NAJ NAP NJP CA CGC, o/b Cynthia A Miller & Karen E Brown & Russell Walborn

CH COPLEY'S LOADED SINGLE BARREL RN JH (D) by GCHG CH Shelttany's Against All Odds x GCH CH Libertie-Copley More Mimosa?, o Sharon K Millspaugh, b Emily E Fuzette & Karen Hanson & Robin Tomasi & Barbara Dayton

CH MARSPORT'S FRECKLED FIELD FLOWER CDX RN MHA OA NAJ OF CGC (B) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle JH x CH Marsport Rebel Rider, o Janet Barth, b Larry Snider & Peggy Snider

CH MARSPORT'S HERE'S JOHNNY RN MH NA NAJ (D) by CH Bobet's Flyin' Francois x CH Rao Marsports Heres Hope, o Linda Allen, b John W Marsman

OAKHILL IT'S ABOUT TIME RN TKI (B) by FC Kiger Hills Louee x Lock And Load Daisy, o Jean Griffin Anton, b Dakota Zamudio & Brandon Zamudio

RUSTIN'S MOCKINGBIRD SONG OF SCOUT CDX BN RN OA OAJ CGC (B) by GCH CH MACH8 Credit Kaze's Capital Gains RN JH MXB3 MJS3 XF T2B2 DM x CH MACH2 Rustins Treasure Of The Sierras RN MXG MJC2 MXF T2B, o Edmund J Ronan & Carol A Ronan, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

CH TOP SHELF'S THE CHOSEN ONE RN 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

CH VICT'RYS BANNER OVR T'POINT RN JH THDA CGC (D) by CH Bantam's Shadow Image x CH Bantam's High Plains Vision, o Nancy Noble, b Diane M Hedstrom

RALLY INTERMEDIATE

SUNQUEST'S ALL RILED UP BN RI DN CGCA (B) by GCH CH RJ's Sierra Edition MH x GCH CH Sunquest Wind Dancer Of Starvue BN RAE RATN CGCA. o/b Linda Dee Hartnek & Hank Hartnek

CH TRIUMPHANT'S FLYING CIRCUS RI CGC (D) by GCHS CH Triumphant's Chances Are JH x GCH CH Triumphant's Centerfold JH, o Dr. Jacqueline M Nicol & Dr. Poul S Jessen, b Linda R McCartney-Roy & Kristyn McCartney

RALLY EXCELLENT

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

CH WIND MTN LOVE ME TENDER CD BN RE JH ACT1 (D) by GCH CH Wind Mtns Show Me The Money JH x CH Wind Mtn's Catwoman, o Mitch Foust & Robyn Foust, b Connie Strom

JUNIOR HUNTER

CAPEWIND'S MUDDY WATERS JH (B) by NFC FC AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow x FC AFC The Prairie Tornado, o Tania Lewandowski, b Ed Tillson

CAPEWIND'S PERFECT TEN JH (B) by Capewind's Cutting Edge x Capewind's Muddy Waters JH, o/b Tania Lewandowski

DANDYS ONE CHANCE JH (D) by Floyds Dandy Du x Gunn Slingin' Annie JH, o/b Duane Floyd

CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW ON THE HUNT JH (B) by DC Dogwood Hollow Ray Of Hope MH x CH Dogwood Hollow Sweet Home Alabama, o Thomas Fetterhoff & Joneen Fetterhoff, b Geri O Clements & Cheryl Mika & Gary Clements

LUCY'S LOYÁL DYNAMO JH (B) by De La Cour Duncan x Alicyn's Bella Beauty, o Wildeana Marie Parkhurst & Mr. Bob Allan Parkhurst, b Jerry Andrew Crolev

MERCEDES DE CACHE D'OR JH (B) by Iggins Des Marais Du Piat x Grace Du Lys De L'Aussonelle, o John Abbate, b William A Kelley Jr. NILO JH (D) by Rock Steady's Nuthin' But Nitro x Rock Steadys Lil Orange Chic, o Mr. Bryan Eston Watson, b Mark A Shoff GCH CH OMEGA'S YANKEE SWEETHEART ROSE JH (B) by GCHB DC

Triumphant's Absolut' On Ice x GCH CH Omega's Em A Yankee Sweetheart JH, o/b Donna A Howe

PAYNE'S TAIL-GRABBIN SMOKEY BEAR JH (D) by Coward's Tuck'N Run x A Coward's Dil-Emma, o Robert Payne, b Brian Chad Coward & Kim Coward

SENIOR HUNTER

CH HORIZON'S COME FLY WITH ME SH (D) by CH Mustang's Sterling Edition SH x GCH CH Shady Brook's Measure For Measure, o Marysusan & Scott Janowski & Lisa Marie Tailby, b Lisa Marie Tailby

MASTER HUNTER

CH CANIPAT HAPPY BELLE DE K STAR MH (B) by Canipat Right On Target x K Star Happy Canipat, o Mary Kathy Shannon, b Rejean Roy CH MT VIEW'S CARLA'S LADY LOLA MH (B) by CH Mt View's Put'N On The Ritz MH x CH MT View's Touch By An Angel CD MH, o Nicholas Albano, b Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli

MT VIEW'S NIGHTMARE MOON MH (B) by DC AFC This Gambler's Fly'N x CH Mt. View's Mark Of Excellence MHA, o Stephen Malandra & Patricia A Ortelli & Maryann Breininger, b Mary A Breininger & Roy Schaeffer & Patricia A Ortelli

NOVICE AGILITY

FAROUT FIELDS LATER GATOR CD BN RE JH NA NAJ (D) by GCH CH Farout Fields Let Me At'Em JH x Moonbabe Nike JH, o Kathryn Abel & Jackie Arnold & David Abel, b Jackie Arnold

GCHB CH WILLOWICK SHOCK TOP OF WILDFIRE JH NA CGC (D) by GCHG CH Triumphant's Saviour Machine x GCH CH Willowick Light By Fire, o Margaret Saucerman & Sara Taylor & Roxanne Bashor, b Catherine Gire & Kellie L Miller

OPEN AGILITY

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

SUNSET'S JUMPIN' JACK FLASH JH OA NAJ OF CA CGC (D) by GCH CH Mirage's This Kid Rocks BN RN JH CGC x GCH CH Farout Fields Pure Gold Nugget JH CA, o Melissa John, b Sherry Foster & Leo Foster

AGILITY EXCELLENT

PIPPI CARMELITA LONGSTOCKING AX OAJ (B) by Toby Hunt 'Em Up x Sophie Jingo, o Debbie A Copeland, b Kylee Smith & Cheyenne Smith

MASTER SILVER AGILITY

GCH CH MACH CIMMARON'S GOLD STANDARD OF MARSPORT MXS MJB XF T2B4 (B) by CH Cimmaron's Set 'Em Up Joe CDX x CH Marsport Mustang Marki JH, o Karen Booker, b John W Marsman & Christine Ward-Weber

MACH ETENDARD DES GRANDS LACS BN RE SH MXS MJG NF (D) by Arius De Saint Lubin x Patouche Victoria JH, o Denine Ackerbauer, b Stephen Hughes & Sherry Hughes

MASTER CENTURY AGILITY

MACH2 FAST EDDIE MXC MJB2 T2B (D), o MJ Turner
MACH2 MARIAD'S COVEY RISE MXC MJG MXF T2B (D) by CH MACH2
Mariad Thats My Point Bigoak JH MXG MJC MXF T2B x CH MACH12
Chilcote's Great Idea Of Mariad MXS4 MJG4 MXF TQX T2B, o Mariann
Jackson & John Jackson, b Mariann Jackson & Shirley Chilcote &
Jessie Schulz

MASTER SILVER AGILITY 2

MACH4 CREDIT KAZE WITH A PERFECT DIAMOND MXS2 MJC2 MFG TQX T2B4 (B) by GCHS CH Credit Where Credit Is Due x CH MACH4 PACH Chilcote Kaze Jewel On Fire MXS2 MJC2 MXP4 MXPB MJP7 MJPS PAX MFB TQX MFP T2B2 T2BP, o Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MASTER AGILITY EXCELLENT PREFERRED 4

GCH CH MACH PACH JAMBI'S MISS TOOTALOO JH MXB MJB MXP4 MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX (B) by FC R&J's Buzz Cut x CH Jagoub's Jambalaya, o Halina Bednarz & Renata Bednarz, b Thomas Jagielski & Debra M Connell & Wilson Oubre & Paula Oubre

NOVICE AGILITY JUMPER

CH PARADISE'S HIGH FLYIN' SENORITA NAJ FDCH (B) by CH Paradise's O' What A Night JH x CH Paradise's Ribbon In The Sky, o Sarah Labonte & Travis Labonte, b Darlene Hughes

GCH CH REPEAT'S LITTLE 501 BLUES BN RA SH NA NAJ OAP NJP NF 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

OPEN AGILITY JUMPER

QUAIL HOLLOWS COPPER PENNIE OA OAJ NF CGC (B) by Quail Hollow Perfect Peace x Timberlands Brandy, o Sheila Stathakis, b Stephen Del Rossi

EXCELLENT AGILITY JUMPER

GCHB CH CREDIT KAZE WITH A BOLD BRIANNA OA AXJ OF CA CGCA
(B) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x MACH4 Credit Kaze With A
Perfect Diamond MXS2 MJC2 MFG TQX T2B4, o Christine Bishop, b
Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER

AJAX ARCTIC BLAST AX MXJ OF TKI (D) by FC AFC Ajax VII x Ajax Darcy Dark Side, o Ana Sarcheck, b John Marinelli & Judith Marinelli

MASTER SILVER JUMPER

JASPER MCGAVIN RN MX MXB MXJ MJS MFB T2B2 (D) by Pat Da's Last Bullett Max x Pat Da's Carolina Daisy, o April McGavin, b Patricia F Clary

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER 2

CH MACH3 BIG OAKS SOME PATIENCE REQUIRED OF MARIAD MXB2 MJB2 MFB TQX T2B (B) by DC AFC Grand Junction Jake x CH Big Oaks Oh Yes She Can, o Mariann Jackson & John Jackson, b Louise M Brown & Barbara D Brannan

MACH4 STONEWALLS DEVINE FUDGE MXC MJB2 MXF TQX T2B (B) by Redwing Rough & Rowdy x Stonewalls Chocolotta Coda, o Kathy McNeal, b James Robert Harrison

MASTER SILVER JUMPER 2

GCHG CH MACH3 BROOKEWOOD'S JUST TOO HOT UD RAE MXB2 MJS2 MXF T2B2 (D) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle JH x CH Brookewood's Just An Illusion, o E Susan Drazek & Cynthia A Miller, b Cynthia A Miller & Jeffrey Currier & Gina Currier & Russell Walborn

MASTER GOLD JUMPER 4

CH MACH12 CHILCOTE'S GREAT IDEA OF MARIAD MXS4 MJG4 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 4

GCH CH MACH PACH JAMBI'S MISS TOOTALOO JH MXB MJB MXP4 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX (B) by FC R&J's Buzz Cut x CH Jagoub's Jambalaya, o Halina Bednarz & Renata Bednarz, b Thomas Jagielski & Debra M Connell & Wilson Oubre & Paula Oubre

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 5

CH MACH PACH MILLETTE'S DON'T STOP BELIEVIN' JH MXG MJS MXP4 MXPB MJP5 MJPS PAX OF (D) by CH Castle's How Sweet It Is x CH Millette's Marilyn Merlot, o Andrea Lee, b Michelle Millette & Cathy Dugan & Beverly Millette

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 7

CH MACH4 PACH CHILCOTE KAZE JEWEL ON FIRE MXS2 MJC2 MXP4 MXPB MJP7 MJPS PAX MFB TQX MFP T2B2 T2BP (B) by CH Chilcote's Credit To Ceasar JH x CH Chilcote Kaze Hana JH NAJ, o/b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MASTER SILVER JUMPER PREFERRED

CH MACH PACH MILLETTE'S DON'T STOP BELIEVIN' JH MXG MJS MXP4 MXPB MJP5 MJPS PAX OF (D) by CH Castle's How Sweet It Is x CH Millette's Marilyn Merlot, o Andrea Lee, b Michelle Millette & Cathy Dugan & Beverly Millette

AGILITY FAST NOVICE

DOGWOOD HOLLOW'S APPLE PIE AX AXJ NF (B) by GCH CH Dogwood Hollow Just Imagine x CH Dogwood Hollow Deal Or No Deal, o Kim P Tees & James P Tees, b Geri O Clements & Cheryl Mika & Gary Clements

MACH2 GALEJADE DE ACRES VENTEUSES CD MXS MJS NF T2B (B) by Grand Garcon Des Windy Acres x Gypsy Madam De La Foret, o Lynn Van Vleet, b Philip E Rogers & Walda E Rogers

POWER'S ABBY SEZ SO NF (B) by Power's Zero Zinn x CH MACH Power's Amazin Zoe MXB MJB MFB T2B, o/b Robert W Power GCH CH REPEAT'S LITTLE 501 BLUES BN RA SH NA OAP NJP NF 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

AGILITY FAST NOVICE PREFERRED

REX AT BARKERS OF HUNTINGTON OA OAJ NFP (D) by Britt Haven's Turkish Taffy x Kate Of Britt Haven, o Linda Baranowski, b Emile J Berlet M.D.

AGILITY FAST EXCELLENT

GCH CH CIMMARON'S GOLD STANDARD OF MARSPORT MX MXB MXJ MJB XF T2B3 (B) by CH Cimmaron's Set 'Em Up Joe CDX x CH Marsport Mustang Marki JH, o Karen Booker, b John W Marsman & Christine Ward-Weber

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION

GCH CH MACH CIMMARON'S GOLD STANDARD OF MARSPORT MXB MJB XF T2B4 (B) by CH Cimmaron's Set 'Em Up Joe CDX x CH Marsport Mustang Marki JH, o Karen Booker, b John W Marsman & Christine Ward-Weber

CH MACH POWER'S AMAZIN ZOE MXB MJB MFB T2B (B) by DC AFC J And M Ace High Jax x Lone Star's Gambler's Last, o Robert W Power, b James L Morriss

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 3

MACH3 FAST EDDIE MXC MJB2 T2B (D), o MJ Turner

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 8

GCH CH MACH8 CREDIT KAZE'S CAPITAL GAINS RN JH MXB3 MJS3 XF T2B2 DM (D) by GCHS CH Credit Where Credit Is Due x CH MACH4 PACH Chilcote Kaze Jewel On Fire MXS2 MJC2 MXP4 MXPB MJP7 MJPS PAX MFB TQX MFP T2B2 T2BP, o Terrence Santelli & Aimee Schilling, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

PREFERRED AGILITY EXCELLENT

MISS MILEY RAE SMITH AX AXJ MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX OF XFP T2BP (B), o Rebecca Smith & Jim Smith

TIME 2 BEAT 4

GCH CH MACH CIMMARON'S GOLD STANDARD OF MARSPORT MXB MJB XF T2B4 (B) by CH Cimmaron's Set 'Em Up Joe CDX x CH Marsport Mustang Marki JH, o Karen Booker, b John W Marsman & Christine Ward-Weber

BCAT

CROSS CREEK'S LORD REMINGTON BCAT CGC (D) by GCHB CH Sanbar's Standing Ovation x Sanbar Crosscreek Small Town Girl, o James Phillips, b Wayne C Pepin & Barbara J Pepin D.V.M.

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

BROOKEWOOD JUMPIN JACK FLASH CGC (D) by GCH CH Brookewood Krown Royal CDX BN GN RE OA NAJ CGC x GCH CH Twoemz A Girl Like Me CD BN RE NA NAJ NAP NJP CA CGC, o MArcia Di Creddo Maximo & Michael Trojan, b Cynthia A Miller & Karen E Brown & Russell Walborn

MARNIE RUE MARTIN CGC (B) by Quail Ridge Chip x Quail Ridge Goldie, o Ashley Martin, b Tony Giovinale

OLLIVANDER'S SWISH AND FLICK CGC (D), o Lauren Boccolucci & Robert Boccolucci

TRICK DOG NOVICE

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

DAYTONA MAC CD JH CGC TKN (D) by AFC Buck's Bluestem Bullet CD RN MH x Mckenzie's Pooch, o Jack Higgins, b Matthew McKenzie IONA DE PAYS DU SOLEIL TKN (B) by Corentin Des Grands Lacs MH x Ellie De Pays Du Soleil MH, o Noah Gaines, b Donald S Rice & Linda S Rice

MISTER BRUTUS OF BELLEGLADE TKN (D) by Rangeley Jack Timberdoodle x Deedee, o/b Robert Pappas

SOVEREIGN'S ROCK SOLID BEGIN AGAIN TKN (B) by CH Rock Solid's Wish You Were Here UD RN NA NAJ x CH Sovereign's Eternal Hope, o Amy Pluth & Dave Pluth, b Dawn Droel & Joe Droel

THERAPY DOG

BEAU DANDY THD CGC (D) by Pollack Little Loui JH x Brown's Rambeau Sasha, o Stephen I Padel & Tina Padel, b Deb Brown & Ross E Brown

BEST IN SHOW/RESERVE BEST IN SHOW AND GROUP PLACEMENTS

GCHB CH Big Oaks Give Em The Tour (D), E Alsabrook/L Brown

2 - Tri-State Kennel Club, Inc., Dr. R A Indeglia

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

- 2 Palisades Kennel Club, Inc., Mr. W R Russell
- 3 Back Mountain Kennel Club, Inc., J A Harrington
- 2 Salisbury Maryland Kennel Club, Inc., D R Holloway JR
- 4 Mispillion Kennel Club, Inc., Mr. R D Ennis
- 2 Seminole Dog Fanciers Association, Mrs. P DiSiena
- 3 Seminole Dog Fanciers Association, Mr. D Javor
- 1 Greater Ocala Dog Club, Inc., Mrs. V Dombrowski
- 3 Greater Ocala Dog Club, Inc., Mr. J C Walton
- 3 Columbus Kennel Club, Mrs. A D Hearn
- 4 Oconee River Kennel Club, Mrs. L Hurlebaus

GCHB CH BRIGADIERS MOLLY'S LITTLE DOLLY JH CA DJ TKN (B), A Stellwag/G Stellwag/P Giebel

- 2 Furniture City Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. F Strauss
- GCH CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW SO BE IT (D), E Ctibor/M Ctibor/G Clements
- 2 Brandon Kennel Club of Mississippi, Mrs. D M Brown

- 1 Brandon Kennel Club of Mississippi, Mrs. J A Brown GCHP CH DREAM HI'S DON'T HATE THE PLAYER HATE THE GAME (D), T Rickard/L Rickard
- 1 Rogue Valley Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. S Greendale-Paveza
- 2 Southern Oregon Kennel Club, Mr. R Gschwender
- 1 Huntsville Kennel Club, J Pavey 3 Huntsville Kennel Club, Mrs. S S Hedgepath
- 1 Decatur Alabama Kennel Club, Ms. S C Way
- 1 Decatur Alabama Kennel Club, Mrs. D Cornelssen
- 2 Canadian Valley Kennel Club, Mrs. E E Berg
- 3 Arrowhead Kennel Club, Mr. J A Fehring

GCHS CH TRIMPHANT AT RIDGEVIEW FARM (D). L Thomas/W Thomas

3 - Framingham District Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. A S Bolus

OWNER-HANDLED SERIES GROUP WINNERS

GCHB CH BLUE SAPPHIRE'S THE HEAT IS ON (D), P Rosado/E Cruz OHG4 - Jacksonville Dog Fanciers' Association, Inc., C C Lane

OHG3 - Jacksonville Dog Fanciers' Association, Mr. J R Cole

GCHB CH BRIGADIERS MOLLY'S LITTLE DOLLY JH CA DJ TKN (B), A Stellwag/G Stellwag/P Giebel

OHG2 - Furniture City Kennel Club, Inc., Ms. M A Day

OHG2 - Furniture City Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. F Strauss

GCHS CH COPLEY CAN DO MAGNUM OPUS GRAND SAM RE (D), E

OHG2 - Tucson Kennel Club, Mr. R D Ennis

OHG1 - Tucson Kennel Club, Mrs. C P Patterson

GCH CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW HI-HOPE ON THE C'S RN JH CA CGC (D), M Ctibor/E Ctibor

OHG4 - Huntsville Kennel Club, Mrs. S S Hedgepath

OHG3 - Decatur Alabama Kennel Club, Ms. S C Way

OHG2 - Decatur Alabama Kennel Club, Mrs. D Cornelssen

GCH CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW SO BE IT (D), E Ctibor/M Ctibor/G Clements

OHG1 - Brandon Kennel Club of Mississippi, Mrs. D M Brown

OHG1 - Brandon Kennel Club of Mississippi, Mrs. J A Brown

CH SAMPICO'S KICK THE DUST UP (D), J Mahoney

OHG3 - Umpqua Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. K C Wilson

CH SIGBRIT'S GRAND SLAM JH (D), R Donnelly

OHG3 - Treasure Coast Kennel Club of Florida, Inc., Mrs. K Kahn

CH TRIUMPHANT'S FLYING CIRCUS RN CGC (D) J Nicol/P Jessen

OHG3 - Madera Canyon Kennel Club, Mrs. L Hurlebaus

OHG1 - Greater Sierra Vista Kennel Club, Mrs. J L Stacy

OHG1 - Scottsdale Dog Fanciers Association, Inc., Mr. J C Walton

OHG3 - Scottsdale Dog Fanciers Association, Inc., Mrs. L M Riedel

OHG3 - Arrowhead Kennel Club, Mr. J A Fehring

OHG1 - Arrowhead Kennel Club, D R Holloway JR

GCH CH WILLOWICK SHOCK TOP OF WILDFIRE JH CGC (D) M Saucerman/S Taylor/R Bashor

OHG4 - Sporting Dog Fanciers of New Mexico, Mrs. C Vogels

BEST JUNIOR HANDLER

MARY CLAIRE CTIBOR

Brandon Kennel Club of Mississippi Brandon Kennel Club of Mississippi

Columbus Kennel Club

PAIGE GIEBEL

Furniture City Kennel Club, Inc.

RESERVE BEST JUNIOR HANDLER

MARY CLAIRE CTIBOR

Decatur Alabama Kennel Club PAIGE GIEBEL

Furniture City Kennel Club, Inc.

BIRD DOG TRAINING EVENT

Sunday August 13, 2017 North Jersey and Del Val Brittany clubs hosted a day of bird dog training.

All pointing breeds were invited. Our goal was to meet dog owners who wanted to know more about field training for hunting, hunt test and field trials. We wanted to provide a short introduction and keep costs as low as possible.

We ended up with 15 handlers/ dogs and even had two youth handlers participate! We had 16 week old puppies and up to 3 year old hunting dogs participate.

This turned out to be a great way to recruit new members and was a lot of fun! Much thanks go to the participating members of both clubs for supporting this event.

Both clubs worked together to host the event and worked with a lot of new faces. We are proud to also say that some new handlers entered our Fall trials and 4 handlers walk away with ribbons at our Fall events!

We would like to thank the English Setter Club of America, for sharing their grounds.



The Bells of Autumn

PART SIX

Bonnie In Nebraska

The trip from Oscoda, Michigan, to Omaha, Nebraska, went off without a hitch. We spent the night in a little motel in central Iowa. Bonnie always loved a new experience. She was really excited about all the new sights, sounds, and especially smells in the motel. She loved hearing the sound of her feet run across the carpet. She managed to get loose and run the length of the motel, startling guests along the way and ending up in the lobby. I tried to look nonchalant as I retrieved her, but the hotel manager was less than impressed. We had neglected to bring any dog food with us, so Bonnie had to eat "people food' that night, which was fine with her.

The next day we arrived at our new house. Fortunately, the movers were already in Omaha, so we had our household goods delivered the first day. Bonnie had to check out all of her stuff, giving each item a good sniffing. When her doghouse arrived, she was really in heaven. Our house was near the top of a hill with a good view of the other yards. Since her doghouse had a fairly flat roof, she would spend hours on top of it (just like Snoopy), she loved to stare around "her neighborhood"; her snout would almost always be up in the air, sampling the air currents for new data.

Nebraska is "pheasant heaven", but the first real season to open is sharp tailed grouse/prairie chicken. The best way to hunt the elusive sharp tail is to go to western Nebraska, find the ugliest, steepest ridge you can climb, and pursue them. One of the major problems is the sand burrs and cactus that are in that part of the country. I invested considerable money in some "Australian dog boots" to overcome this problem. These were made of leather and had little holes for the dog's claws to go thru; the top was tied to the dog's foot, just like a humans boot, with a leather shoelace. I decided it would be prudent to have Bonnie wear them around the yard before we actually went hunting with them on her. Putting them on her was not an easy chore. She was not too thrilled about anything being put on her feet, but I finally got it done. She then stood up and started kicking out with each of her feet (in turn) to try to kick the boots off–that didn't work! She then ran around the yard, jumping spasmodically trying to free herself. That didn't work either. Finally, she got used to them. Unfortunately, I was to find out later that these things were a disaster in the field. Trying to put them on a super excited bird dog on opening morning takes forever, what's worse is the fact that as soon as they get wet from the dew on the ground, the damn things loosen up and fall off. They lasted about ten nautical minutes of actual "in hunting" use.

It's an amazing thing, but people who hardly ever give you the time of day want to be your new best friend when they find out you have good bird dogs and hunting season rolls around. What typically happens is they walk up to you a couple of weeks before the season and say, "When are we going hunting?" This problem gets a little more complicated when the person is your boss, or your bosses' boss. In almost all cases, this guy would never consider owning a dog; his wife probably would not let him. If he has any dog it's probably some faggy little poodle with ribbons in its hair and a name like Foo-Foo. You can be assured

that hunting will be the only social contact you ever have with one of these guys In fact, they probably won't even acknowledge your existence until the following hunting season approaches.

As a new guy in SAC Headquarters, I was asked by some of these folks to go to Valentine, Nebraska, and take them grouse hunting. Having never been Sharp Tail hunting before, and not knowing where to hunt in Nebraska, I acquiesced. The plan was for me to follow two of the Colonels in my truck, while the rest of the party flew the 275 miles to Valentine. We would then camp at the wildlife refuge and hunt for two days. Things did not start off well. When I met the other two drivers, they were late and we were already late. I told them I was desperate to use the bathroom and had to stop at the first opportunity. They agreed, and off we went. I had no idea how to get to our destination, so I was pretty well locked in to following these guys. They continued to go past gas station after gas station, turning around to laugh each time. This was pretty funny for the first half hour or so, and then I became increasingly desperate. Let's just say I ended up ruining my favorite coffee cup. I did manage to pass them just before I dumped it, and I giggled like a fiend when I saw their windshield wipers go on.

The next day was gorgeous. There are few sights as beautiful as opening day on top of a mountain in the sand hills, looking down at the McKelvie Reservoir, knowing that you have an entire hunting season ahead of you.

Sharp tailed grouse are known for flushing wild. The first group we came on was no exception. They flushed about twenty yards ahead of Bonnie. The out of breath Colonel that was with me hollered, "What's the matter, can't that dog of yours hold the birds?" Now, that's a stupid statement in the first place because the birds hold the dogs. There is no way a dog can magically cause a bird to stay still. The point, after all, is just the instinct an animal has to hesitate before it pounces, bred in over the years to cause bird dogs to do what they do. His comments really pissed both Bonnie and me off. We decided to see what kind of shape this gentleman was in. In about four hours I had my limit and the loudmouth was back in the truck, tending to his blisters and, of course, drinking a beer.

When I got back to camp, my buddy "Mad Dog" had arrived. He was a lot of fun to hunt with and really appreciated the dog's efforts. He loved to give the dogs human characteristics. His anthropomorphism would have him substituting words for the dog's actions. On this occasion, both dogs were dead tired, due to the heat and the hills. Sunnie just stayed in the cool shade of the tent, but Bonnie would drag her old bones up and follow me everywhere I went, whether it was to clean the birds or get water. Mad Dog finally said, "She obviously knows that you aren't smart enough to be trusted alone". He was probably right.

The next day we were at it again. This time it was just Mad Dog and me. The fair weather hunters stayed at camp and tried to cure their hangovers and blisters. The reason grouse hunting is so difficult in Nebraska stems from a number of things. First of all, they have the season the second week in September when it's really hot, the terrain is very difficult, and the hunters and dogs aren't in shape that

early in the year. Add to that the cactus and an occasional rattlesnake, throw in the skittish nature of the birds and you have a real challenge. Of course, Bonnie got us our limit anyway.

It was now time for my first pheasant season in Nebraska. On this first hunt we went to some farmland near Gothenburg, Nebraska. By this time I was one of the senior people in my career field. I only mention this to set the stage for this hunt. Our group consisted of three Chief Master Sergeants (E-9's), and one Tech Sergeant (E-6). We were all Boom Operators, (the guys that refuel other aircraft in midair), so the Tech Sergeant, who I will call Bertome, was a little in awe.

We had a pretty tough hunt because it was very windy and the fields were enormous. Bertome had a new over and under that was really fancy. He was very proud of it, every two or three steps he would look at his new gun lovingly. That was fine, but he kept telling us how great it was and how well he had done shooting it at the skeet range. I decided that the best way for us to conduct this hunt was for us to take turns. When Bonnie started tracking a bird or went on point, whoever's turn it was got to take the lead position. Of course, Bertome went last. Bonnie got hot on the trail of a pheasant. I told Bertome, "I don't know if it's a hen or a rooster, but at the end of this you will see a bird flush." The rest of us stayed on the top of a hill in the enormous wheat stubble field and watched the action. We watched Bertome follow Bonnie for a good twenty minutes: then she "locked on". They were so far away that we could see the action take place before we heard the gunshots. We watched Bertome step in front of her, then an enormous rooster flushed and kept flying, we heard the two gunshots and then saw a curious thing, Bonnie turned around and barked at Bertome as the rooster flew away. Of course Mad Dog had to give Bonnie's action words. He said, "She's saying, 'Bertome, you dumb son of a bitch, I run my old ass all over this field and you can't hit a pointed pheasant with your fancy new shotgun." It was a very long walk back to the group for Bertome, and we were all still laughing when he got there. What was worse for him was the ride home, as the story was told and retold every ten minutes or so for five hours and there was no place for him to hide.

Bonnie always seemed to have a problem with her ears. The inside of the left one would swell so much that the ear opening would almost shut. We still did not have a "regular" vet in Nebraska, so Les decided to take her to the closest one. He was pretty old and set in his ways. He decided that the best course of action would be to hold Bonnie and squirt some warm soapy water in her ear. He told this to Les and asked her if she would hold Bonnie's head while he performed this alleged "procedure" (for some reason both doctors and veterinarians call it a "procedure" if it hurts like hell). Les told him no, in very clear terms, but she did volunteer to hold the back end. He summoned his poor assistant to hold Bonnie's head while he squirted the stuff in her ear. The second before the "procedure" was performed, Bonnie was on the table, standing in a stainless steel dip tank with Les holding the back end, noble assistant holding her head, and the determined-set in his ways-doctor holding a squirt bulb in her ear. You may have noticed that there was no mention of a muzzle. The pan, water, and squirt bulb went airborne; the vet was holding his hand; Bonnie was out the door, and Les was laughing one nanosecond after the vet squirted the bulb. "That little dog sure is strong" were the last words Les heard him say.

Time sure flies. By this time my boy, Jason, was

eight years old and it was time for his first pheasant hunt. We went to Gothenburg, Nebraska for opening day of the 1995 season. It was a pleasant trip out, and Jason was about as excited as I had ever seen him. Visions of enormous roosters flushing and being brought down by his little .410 single shot danced thru his head. We camped in a little ravine in order to be somewhat protected from the furious western Nebraska wind. By this time Sunny had a daughter, too. Her name was Sadie, and this was her first hunt. I don't know if Sadie or Jason was more excited, but they both had a marvelous time. This was a real time of change for Jason. It so happened that Halloween fell on the night before Pheasant season opened. Mad Dog and I took him into Gothenburg so he could trick or treat. He had a wonderful time and was probably the only" non-local" to trick or treat. It was really nice to be in such a friendly little community. On the way back, he noticed that Mad Dog was drinking some peach schnapps. Jason let out with a little cough and said, "I've got peanut particles in my throat, could I have a sip of that?" Mad Dog thought that was a great line and decided he would try to use it to bum drinks the next time he was at a bar and low on cash (which was most of the time)!

Dinner was something special that night. Because of the wind, I had to call on my Air Force survival training and build a Dakota fire pit. This was easy to do because the soil was very sandy. It's a simple thing to do, you dig a hole with about a one foot circle in the top, and have it open up to about three feet at the bottom and about two or three foot deep. You then dig a second hole about six inches wide that goes to the bottom of the pit and acts as a "flue". This little device produced the best steaks I have ever tasted. We also had beef stew and of course, the dogs all got their fair share.

A front came through and it got bitterly cold that night. By the time we zipped up the tent and went to bed, the temperature had dropped to twenty or so with hellacious winds. The tent had a zipper that went down the front and connected to two zippers at the bottom that were horizontal. Bonnie perfected the technique of hitting the fly at full speed and opening it with her snout. She could be out of that tent and in trouble in no time. That night, I witnessed a curious event. It was as if the dogs regressed to being den animals. I knew it was going to be cold so I brought a great number of winter clothing articles. Among those were about five sets of Chinese underwear—that quilted hollofill laden stuff. As soon as the dogs saw Jason and I crawl into our sleeping bags, they began working as a team to build a "nest" for themselves. I don't know how they communicated to each other, but they certainly did. All of them pulled the Chinese underwear on top of themselves and cuddled up. When they were finished, all you could see was an enormous mound of clothing with three little pink noses sticking out of it. This was just another instance of those "memories" kicking in.

That night we received a great deal of freezing rain. I knew we were in trouble the next morning. Bonnie tried to run out the tent front (as usual) and just bounced off of it. I was in a heck of a predicament: here it was opening day and we were trapped inside a tent. There was no way I could budge those zippers. Finally, I had a brainstorm and lit the Coleman lantern. By holding it close to the tent fly, we were finally able to unzip it and go chase birds. We loaded the guns and went to climb the ravine to the east. There was an enormous wheat field on top of it and I thought that would be a good place to start. When I reached the top of the ravine, a wonderful sight greeted me. Bonnie and Sunnie were "locked on", and Sadie the pup was pointing too! She was only five months old, all wet from the grass and

shivering from excitement. When Jason came over the rise, the group of pheasants took off. I was looking directly into the sunrise and couldn't tell rooster from hen, until one of them cackled. As luck would have it, the bird went down closest to Sadie. She picked up the rooster and took it to Jason. I don't think I've ever had a much happier moment. I had my boy, three good dogs, and an entire hunting season ahead of me. It doesn't get any better!

I don't know why, but Bonnie had a serious aversion to little, black, curly haired dogs that had a "yip" type of bark. In fact, she down-right hated them. It started when we lived in Mississippi. One of the neighbors owned a little poodle type dog and did not keep it penned up. The poodle would get out and yip at Bonnie, and that would be all it took! She would run at the thing at full speed, but she would not bite it. What she did was hit it with her long front legs and send it rolling—ass over teakettle. The little guy would get up, shake his head a few times, and go home. She perfected this technique when we lived in base housing in California. In Omaha she found the perfect dog to "roll". It was a mid-sized poodle-schnauzer thing and very annoying to her. We lived on a very steep hill and Bonnie must have run down that hill and rolled the black dog at least twenty times. He got so he knew what was coming and would take off down the hill when he saw her. That just made it more of a challenge! Les thought watching that annoying poodle mix roll down the hill was the funniest thing ever. Even though I have seen her do it to four or five dogs, she never did it to anything other than a small to medium black dog. Who

I took Jason out for his first squirrel hunt. Bonnie sat very still right beside him, trying to teach another generation how to "still hunt". He really loved that old dog and could not remember a time when she wasn't there to greet him every morning. They sat on the side of a large ravine, Bonnie being very still and Jason clutching his little .410 single shot. After about an hour I heard him shoot, Bonnie yip, and Jason holler for me to "come here, Dad, quick!". When I got there, a large fox squirrel was lying on the ground. Jason said "shoot him, Dad, he's getting away!". He was not going to get away; Jason had really nailed him at about fifteen feet. When we got home, Jason let the old dog carry his prize into the house to show Les. Jason was hollering, "I got one! I got one!" Les said, "Oh boy! You brought me a rat." She cooked it for him anyway. Jason loved it, and Les pretended to eat a few bites. Of course, Jason had to put his squirrel tail trophy on his bike. That only lasted until Bonnie ate it.

One of the favorite pastimes for Bonnie and Sunnie was to go jogging with Jason and me. This was never much of a challenge for the dogs or for Jason since he rode his bike. On one of our "jogs", I noticed a curious thing. Bonnie was having trouble keeping up. The old girl was trying, but Sunnie was actually dragging her for the last mile or so. This came as a shock to me. It was hard to believe that the same dog that could run all day just a few months before was having trouble during a four-mile run. I watched her closely the next time we ran and there was no doubt. Age, that great equalizer, was starting to have his way with the old girl.

It was about this time that Jason got his first quail. We were back at the little Subaru Brat, getting ready to go home after a hard day of pheasant hunting, when Bonnie went on point. I gave Jason his little .410 single shot Savage and told him it was his bird to get or lose. The little guy hurried over to Bonnie and cocked the hammer. He was so

small I had to put a revolver hammer assist on the shotgun hammer so that he would be able to cock it. Sure enough, as soon as he stepped in front of the old girl a quail took off. Jason took his shot and nailed it. The old girl brought it back to him with all due pomp, ceremony, and prodigious tail wagging. Jason couldn't wait to get home and show Mom. Little did he know that his mother is a quail snarfer. She doesn't like pheasant, but given the opportunity she will eat all the quail. This was not like the squirrel at all; Jason was lucky to get a bite.

This was a surprisingly good year for quail in Nebraska. I managed to convince Jason that he was the world's best quail shot, with his little .410. Any time a covey flushed and he shot; I would swear that he hit one of them. He got to believe this until we went dove hunting. The little guy shot a box and a half of those little 2 ½ inch shells and didn't ruffle a feather. On the way home he said, "I know you've been shooting all those quail, Dad." We got the old trius trap out and did some practicing after that. Jason has developed into the second best pheasant hunter I know.

It was a miserable day. Freezing rain is absolutely the worst weather to hunt in, especially if you wear glasses. I was scheduled to go on a long trip for the Air Force the next day, so the last thing I wanted was to be "skunked". Jason and I had walked for six hours, his teeth were chattering and I couldn't keep my glasses clear enough to see anything anyway, but we weren't ready to give up. We were about two miles from the Brat when Bonnie 'locked on". Sunny backed her so there was no doubt that a bird was there. The only question was whether it was a hen or a rooster. Jason and I approached Bonnie from the rear, he on the left and me on the right. The rooster took off with a great amount of cackling, Jason shot just before I did and the bird went down. I knew my shot missed because I shot where the bird would have been had Jason not nailed it. He had broken the left wing. The rooster took the dogs on a merry chase. It was hard to believe how fast that old dog could still run, once the adrenaline of chasing a running rooster kicked in. Bonnie caught the bird and brought it to Jason. Then she did a curious thing! She took one look at me and took off to the truck. The look seemed to say, "I'm old, I'm tired, and I'm cold; I've got your damn bird, now let's go home to the fireplace and some chow." When we got to the truck, she was waiting for us. Bonnie would repeat this a few more times, but only when conditions were terrible, she had hunted a long time, and just got a bird. Obviously, she was smarter than her humans.

It was a very cold day. One of those "Nebraska specials" when freezing rain is being blown sideways. This is a special treat for those hunters who wear glasses. Doofus had moved here from Michigan and we were enjoying our pheasant hunt together. Bonnie wasn't as fast as he remembered her but she was still very good. We hunted for about five hours and only saw hens. Finally, the old girl went on point right beside a fence. The rooster flushed with a great deal of cackling. He was shot immediately and took off running with his broken wing in trail. The next sound I heard was the sickening sound of Bonnie running into the barbed wire between her and the rooster. She picked herself up and took off after him. She dispatched the rooster and brought him to us. Her right front shoulder was covered in blood and it wasn't the rooster's blood. The barbed wire had made a terrible wound all the way to the bone and about ten inches long. My biggest concern was that she might bleed to death before I could get her to the vet. I had some

adhesive tape that was for just such emergencies, I did my best to wrap it but I was not confident. On the way to the vet a curious thing happened. Doofus wanted me to take a detour by his house so he could watch the football game. I dropped him off; it was, of course, the last time he went hunting with us. The vet was already waiting for us thanks to a call from Les. He was able to stitch up the wound and stop the bleeding. He made the statement that the old girl would probably have bled to death if not for my amateur job of wrapping the wound.

It was the last day of the season and a beautiful day it was. Although it was cold there was no wind and plenty of sunshine. Unfortunately there were no birds left. We saw a few hens but there were no roosters to be had. Then about six hours into our hunt, Bonnie locked on in one of her classic points. The rooster flushed and it was an easy shot, but he just kept going. I couldn't believe it! I saw where he landed and sure enough, there were some small spots of blood in the snow. Bonnie was immediately on his trail. The old girl was really taking charge; it was as if her daughter wasn't even there. She trailed the bird for about half an hour, very slowly and carefully, as only she could do. Suddenly, she was locked on again. I have to admit to missing three, count 'em, THREE easy shots. No excuses, I just missed. Bonnie looked at me as if I were a moron. The bird flew across a road and up a ravine. I was exhausted, but I sure as hell wasn't going to end my season like this. I hollered, "Let's go get him" and off we went. About half an hour later, Bonnie was locked on again. This was a most unusual point. She was at the top of the ravine, pointing down into it. I came up behind her and there was nothing to be seen. The hillside was just bare ground, covered by snow. Bonnie didn't care, the magic of scent never lied and she knew the rooster was there. As soon as I stepped in front of her the old rooster flushed. He had been hiding in a small cave, directly below us. It was a very interesting shot, trying to figure lead on a bird that is flying below you the entire time. This time I made the shot. Bonnie was off instantly, this rooster was not going to get away this time! I met her and she handed me the bird, amongst great pomp, ceremony, and tail wagging. I sat down and she rolled over on her back, kicking all four legs into the air and making little growling noises of celebration. This was to be my favorite pheasant hunt, the one I will always remember. Thank God I missed the earlier shots. Sadly it was to be Bonnie's last rooster. Guess she had saved the best for last.

Here it was, time for another hunting season to start. Jason and I had taken the "girls" to Valentine for the grouse opener. It's a long drive from Omaha, but well worth it. The night before opening day always is an exciting time. Talk of hunts passes and the anticipation of the hunt to come is made even more exciting by the long wait just endured for the "off season" to end. Jason and I had some great steaks the night before and listened to the covotes howl. Of course, Bonnie had to join in and do a little howling of her own. Opening day dawned with a beautiful sunrise. Jason and I were off and the dogs were doing a great job. Arthritis had really taken its toll by now and the old girl was just a shadow of herself, but she still made up with heart and will for the erosion that time had made to her once blinding speed. By 9 o'clock we had a couple of grouse. It's always interesting, the noise sharp tails make when they flush. They are a very easy bird to knock down; just one or two pellets will usually do it. Somehow, in spite of her age, Bonnie always seemed to beat Sunnie to the downed bird. We were on our way back to camp for lunch when Jason and I had

our wits scared out of us. We rounded the side of a hill and were met with the unmistakable sound of a pissed off rattlesnake. These snakes were enormous, the biggest I've ever seen. One was coiled far too close to Jason for comfort. To make matters worse, the dogs were running towards us. No time to think, I blew the head off the first snake. The second took off directly towards Sunnie. She was running towards the snake so the two were closing very quickly. I managed to dispatch the snake less than three feet from Sunnie. These rattlers were big enough to break a man's leg, Jason was noticeably shaken and so was I. Of course, I couldn't let him know that I've always been afraid of snakes and my Vietnam experiences didn't do anything to make me like them any better.

We had made our camp by a little pond, and this provided some great dove shooting in the evenings. This also managed to give Sunnie the greatest case of mixed emotions I ever saw. Sunnie was the best pure retriever I ever saw! She never killed or even bruised a bird. That's how soft mouthed she was. She would also never resume the hunt until the bird was put in the hunting vest. This developed because when hunting on pheasant farms, she would occasionally bring a hen pheasant that had not been shot, it just didn't fly. I would release said pheasant and, of course, she would run it down and bring it back again. She must have thought her human was a real moron. Anyway, she would stare at you until the bird was properly put in the hunting vest.

It was time for the evening hunt. Jason and I had climbed the big hill by camp and Sunnie was hunting like mad. I noticed an unusual thing; Bonnie was still at camp, looking up at us. Her eyes said, "I want to hunt", but her body language said, "I hurt so bad". The old girl started to drag herself up the hill, I could see it was just too much for her so I walked back down and put her in the back of the truck. The mournful sound of her howling was the saddest noise I ever heard. When I got to the other side of the hill Jason and Sunnie were waiting for me, with Sunnie on point! Our method was to approach the dog from the rear, one hunter on the left side and one on the right. That way, you didn't both shoot the same bird. As soon as we stepped in front of Sunnie, the prairie chicken flushed on my side. I didn't shoot. Jason asked me if my gun had jammed. The gun hadn't jammed; it's just that my eyes were too full of tears for Bonnie to see much of the bird. We went home the next day.

An amazing thing happened! Leslie actually asked me if I would like to go camping! I'm sure it was in an effort to cheer me up from my realization that Bonnie would not have a pheasant season like the last ten. We loaded up the little Brat truck and went to Louisville State Park. There were a few fish to be caught and Bonnie always enjoyed that pastime. She would patiently wait and then dispatch said fish as soon as they were reeled in. It was pretty crowded in the tent with four humans and two bird dogs, but we made do. Very early the next morning I was awakened to the sound of Bonnie woofing. I opened my eyes just in time to see her stick her snout in the fly of the tent to unzip it and take off at what was now, sadly full speed for the old girl. It seems a little black poodle had had the audacity to walk by "her" tent. From somewhere the old girl summoned up the energy to run the little guy down with her front legs and "roll" him. Les just laughed and laughed.

Why Does A Bird Dog Point?

By Luther Lawrence

A bit over fifty years ago, my father walked in the house and set the old ten gauge in the corner with his overall jacket pockets filled with dead birds. He handed me a fresh killed quail and said, "Son, take this bird and drop it near the path on your way out to the barn. Get the pups and bring them along the path and let's see what they do when they smell a bird."

I did exactly as I was told. As we watched, one little liver and white pointer pup smelled that bird and wheeled around in a cute little point. Some of the others flash-pointed but not for long. In moments, all the pups were wrestling with each other for possession of their new prize. These pups were not over five weeks old. In no way could they have been taught to point.

In the past fifty years I have watched hundreds of dogs point under a wide variety of conditions. And still I don't have the slightest idea exactly why a dog points or exactly what the substance is that a bird can secrete to cause a dog to point.

We know there are two kinds of points, generally – sight points and scent points. Many writers have written their belief that the point is an extension of the "pause before the pounce" observed in most all wild animals that hunt for their prey. If this is a fact several questions arise.

Tiny pups that point prove the pointing instinct is passed on to offspring in higher and lower degree depending on the ancestors. Sight pointing, such as we see when a pup points a butterfly or a bird wing jiggled on a string, is probably the same thing we call backing or honoring when a dog points another pointing dog by sight. This would raise doubts about the extension of the "pause before the pounce"

theory, since no dog could ever pounce a hundred yards or more, which is often seen in backing dogs.

Scent pointing gets more puzzling than ever. Just exactly what is that substance we might call "pointing scent?" What part or parts of the bird does it come from? Is it a vapor-like fog, or steam, or humidity that floats through the air? Does the vapor float with the wind and stick to one side of trees, weeds, etc., like snow?

Our scientists have advanced to a very high degree. They can reconstruct molecules and make an atom bomb. They can see a virus with the electronic microscope, measure smog in the air or even give pollen counts from air samples. Now why don't they find out exactly what kind of scent a dog smells when he points?

Some have believed the scent from a bird is all one kind and the only difference in it is weaker or stronger depending on how close you are. This could not be so because ten birds secreting scent all at one time would produce scent ten times as strong as one bird. So if the dog points one bird at forty yards he should point ten birds four hundred yards. No way! Gotta be something wrong with the idea of bird scent being stronger or weaker.

One writer believed scent is excreted from the bird's nostrils as he breathes, and also maybe while frightened the bird might expel anal gas, adding a new dimension to the scent picture. If this were a fact, dead birds do not breath and are totally immobile so the dog could not possibly smell a dead bird. This scent could not come from feathers because dogs often point snakes, and turtles, and reptiles that have no feathers.

Some people believe moisture is a part of

scent. Vapor theory. Now, we all know scenting conditions are better on humid or wet days than they are under extremely dry conditions. If you can, imagine an 8 oz. quail walking across a 75 acre field leaving a scent trail 40 yards wide and still weighs 8 oz. the other. If you were to take an 8 oz. aerosol spray can, you wouldn't get 40 yards until your can would be empty. So if scent is only a part of moisture, why can a dog point a bird 10 yards away when the temperature is barely above zero, freezing all moisture in seconds. At near zero temperatures no scent could exist more than a foot or two.

In the desert where there is nearly no moisture at all, animals live for years even though they must use scent to find their prey. Mosquitoes have been noted to detect the scent of man's breath from ½ mile distance even in the desert. The moisture theory just doesn't hold up.

Dogs live in a scent world and are miracles in detecting different scents even at the same time. Now, even I can smell roses in a flower garden. I can smell a skunk in a rose garden, but it takes extremes for my nose. I have walked in front of pointing dogs thousands of times, and only three or four times have I smelled the birds. They smell very faintly like a wet chicken roost.

I have watched a dog retrieve a dead bird he smelled from 10 yards and held that same bird less than one inch from my nose and I smelled absolutely nothing. Beyond doubt, bird dogs can detect many different bird scents. I believe a bird has at least five different scents in the field: 1) roost scent, 2) trail scent, 3) pointing (body) scent, 4) cripple scent, and 5) dead bird scent.

When a dog runs across the field and suddenly stops, wags his tail and moves in to check on the roost – roost scent. Then the dog smells the trail. He acts birdy, determines which

direction the birds have walked, and follows their trail with caution and enthusiasm – trail scent. Then the dog smells what we call body scent or pointing scent. He roads or walks like he is walking on eggs, on point while in motion; the scent gets stronger until suddenly the dog freezes like a statue. His muscles are rigid, sometimes trembling from the intensity of his point as his nostrils drink in that peculiar scent we call pointing scent.

The covey is flushed and you shoot two, one dead and one cripple. The dog has soon located the cripple but he does not point. He may stand, look back, and wiggle his tail. He's trying to say, "Come here, Boss, this one might still be able to fly." When you are close and urge him on, he will do his best to catch the cripple – cripple scent. Next the dog searches the area covered with fresh body scent from a whole flushed covey. Still, he can smell a dead bird; there is no doubt or hesitation. Then he just walks over and picks up the dead bird – dead bird scent.

When we clean the birds there is another rather disagreeable scent. Then while frying in the skillet another bird scent is released, the most delicious one of all to us humans. DOGS DON'T HAVE ALL THE FUN!



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Braised Pheasant

3 pheasants – cleaned and rinsed ¼ cup vegetable oil
3 cups peeled & sliced apples
1 small onion, thinly sliced
½ cup apple juice
1 tsp nutmeg
½ cup half & half
½ tsp salt & pepper

Preheat oven to 350°. In large Dutch oven or cast iron pot over medium heat, brown pheasants in oil on all sides then place apples and onions around the pheasants. Pour apple juice over everything. Dust pheasants with nutmeg. Bake covered 1 hour or until internal temp reaches 165° in the thickest part of the pheasant. Remove the pheasants, apples, and onions to a platter and keep warm in the oven. Transfer the juices to a saucepan and simmer over medium high heat. Stir in half & half and let simmer 5 minutes stirring often. Season to taste with salt & pepper. Pour over pheasants and serve.



Broccoli-Noodle Casserole

- 2 packages (10 ounces each) frozen chopped broccoli
- 8 ounces medium egg noodles
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 can (10 ¾ ounces) condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons minced onion
- ½ cup milk

Cracker crumbs

Cook the broccoli according to the package directions; drain. Cook the egg noodles according to the package directions; drain. Preheat the oven to 350° F.

In a large bowl, mix together the eggs, soup, cheese, mayonnaise, onion, and milk. Add the broccoli. In a greased 2 ½ quart casserole, make several alternating layers of broccoli, sauce, and noodles, beginning and ending with broccoli. Top with cracker crumbs. Bake for 45 minutes. Serve hot. 4-8 servings



Roasted Pheasant with Citrus Butter

2 pheasants

1 stick butter, softened

Zest of 2 oranges

Zest of 1 lemon

- 2 Tablespoons parsley, chopped
- 1 Tablespoon sage, chopped
- 1 shallot, minced
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 350°. In small bowl mix the butter, orange and lemon zest, herbs, shallot, plus salt and pepper. Rinse and pat the pheasants dry. Slide two fingers between breast skin and meat to make pockets. Turn bird over and loosen thigh skin the same way. Rub the butter underneath the skin and on top of the pheasants, being careful not to tear the skin. Tuck wings underneath and tie legs with a piece of string. Roast for 45 minutes or until internal temp reaches 160°. Let rest at room temp for 20 minutes before serving.

TRAININ' DOGS

with Rick Smith

How Trained is Trained?

There's a new guy at work, and in conversation, you mention you hunt and have a dog. Your new friend announces that he has a trained dog and likes to bird-hunt, too, and maybe the two of you could go hunting together sometime. Sounds great, right? This could be the start of a great friendship and give you a new hunting companion... or it could be a total wreck just looking for a place to happen

Why? First, you've got to define "trained" as it applies to both your dog and your friend's dog. In a perfect world, both dogs are well-trained, able to honor and back as well as handle easily and the two of you have a great time. Unfortunately, it doesn't always happen this way.

So let's talk about trained and untrained. A completely trained dog is steady to wing, shot, and fall, and will hold until released. An untrained dog is out of control. Most dogs fall somewhere in the middle, where the dog is steady to wing but breaks on shot or fall. Ask your new friend about his dog's training. If he tells you his

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dog is a great hunting dog but gives you a blank stare when you ask about stuff like steady to wing and shot, or honoring, be careful. Let's face it: Most everybody thinks their dog is pretty good... until they see somebody else's dog that really is trained.



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You're at the

truck for your first hunt with your new friend and his dog. How do you handle things so everyone comes out happy? You can get a good idea of how well-trained a dog is by how well he handles around the vehicle. Is he patient and quiet, or is he pawing franticly at the crate door, barking and whining? Does he pull when on a lead, or does he respect his handler? What a dog shows you here is usually what he will take it to the field. If he's out of control at the truck, things are probably not going to improve during the hunt.

The best plan is to suggest turning the dogs loose to hunt one at a time. This gives you a chance to see how the other dog works, and you can make further hunting decisions from there. It doesn't matter which dog works first, and hopefully all will go well with all dogs being reasonably well-trained. Maybe your friend's dog is young and well-started, but not finished. Find out what the dog knows and how far along he is in training, then make a judgment call on whether or not to hunt the young dog with yours. If things go south, you can always pick your dog up and stop any problems before they get worse.

Suppose your friend's dog is not trained and is an out-of-control nuisance. How do you handle that? Good sportsmanship comes into play here. If the dog is running willy-nilly and busting birds, don't shoot. It is possible that the new guy may not care that he screamed his lungs out all day trying to control his dog and didn't get many shooting opportunities. That's his choice. Your choice has to do with your dog and what is in the best interest of preserving the long hours of training you've put in.

The best way to prove to someone the value of a well-trained dog is to let them hunt over one. The thrill of watching a good bird dog do his job is enough to make most anybody covet a dog like that. The more shooting a good dog provides through being well-trained, the more that dog will get to go hunting, and the more you'll want to take that dog hunting. At this point, it's easy to discuss training and maybe even offer to help. This could be just what your new friend was hoping for, and you have a

chance to be a mentor.

So what can happen if you hunt trained and untrained dogs together? It depends on the situation. If you're running an older dog with a young dog and they know each other well, the pecking order is already established. If the two dogs are total strangers to each other, it will take some time to work out which dog is dominant, and that can continue through into hunting as they try to work out who is in charge. Depending on the personalities of the two dogs, this can result in a fight; it can result in one dog being so totally submissive that he won't leave his owner's side, and any combination in between. Even on the breakaway, if you turn an unfocused/untrained dog loose with a trained/focused dog, lots of times they'll both lose focus because they're paying more attention to working out who's in charge. Trained dogs run for a purpose. It's a pack purpose, and they are working for the handler. Untrained dogs run for their own purpose and don't recognize anybody as the leader or another dog as a pack member. A trained dog will run with the focus on finding birds, while an untrained dog will be running and hunting for anything and everything. This usually results in the untrained dog stumbling over all sorts of stuff, from off-game to busting birds.

How can this affect your trained dog? Again, it depends on the situation. If the untrained dog is running wild and finds birds, runs through them, and chases them off well out of gun range, all in plain sight of the trained dog, then the trained dog, seeing no correction forthcoming from the handler, decides to join in the fun because it must be okay.

Think back to when you were small. When you went with your parents to visit friends, weren't there some things their kids did that you knew you shouldn't? And if you parents weren't watching, didn't you join in the forbidden behavior, too? I know I did, especially when there was no threat of my parents catching me. Bird dogs are pretty much the same. In this situation where the out-of-control dog is busting and chasing birds and most everything else in its path, it takes an older, seasoned dog to be able to handle the pressure and keep his composure. The mature dog is perhaps eight to 10 years and up is likely to be less ambitious and more settled in his routine. A younger dog is less likely to be able to handle the chaos of being hunted with an outlaw dog, and is probably going to come unglued. It's just too tempting.

Different scenario: The two dogs know each other, and the young dog respects the older, trained dog as the leader. A young dog can learn a lot from an older dog, if the young dog is compliant and paying attention. This can be helpful in a backing situation since the pecking order is already established. A young dog will learn to back more quickly with an older dog since the older dog knows how to find birds. If there's more action, there's more opportunity to learn, and the experienced, trained dog can provide that action.

On the flip side, hunting these two dogs together too often can result in the young, untrained dog learning to rely too heavily on the older dog to find all the birds, coming what we call a "me, too" dog that learns to back but not find birds. This deprives the younger dog of the independence he needs.

What to do? Let the young dog learn from the older dog, but also hunt the young dog alone as much as possible. If the inexperienced younger dog is an Alpha personality, he is likely to let the older, experienced dog do the work of locating the birds... so the young dog can jump in and punch them out. Again, let common sense be your guide and stop this before it starts. If the younger dog is submissive to the older dog, he may just trail along behind and not want to take any initiative to find birds on his own.

A trained dog doesn't require much in the way of direction from the handler in the field. He will work within range, using the cover and objectives to his advantage without having to be constantly guided. The untrained dog, however, is probably getting hollered at a lot. All this shouting, yelling, and arm-waving does is frustrate the older dog, and in self-defense, he will tune out everything, including his handler. In other words, if your buddy wants to hunt his untrained dog with yours, do yourself a favor and don't turn 'em loose to hunt together. Let each dog have a turn to hunt, but hunt them one at a time. The result is twofold: First, your dog doesn't have to deal with the negative influence of the untrained dog; and second, your new friend gets to watch your trained dog do what his didn't, which is likely to make him want to train his own dog to be better.

The trained dog has a find, makes a stylish point, and is rock-solid steady to the wing, shot, and fall. The untrained dog breaks, rushes in, and steals the retrieve. What does this do? It deprives the trained dog of his reward – the retrieve. It also takes away some of the trained dog's desire to work for you, since the other dog got the reward/retrieve for misbehaving.

To take this scene a step further, what if both dogs go for the retrieve? It is entirely possible that you'll end up with a tug of war between the two dogs, and you can end up with two dogs with hardmouth problems developed from the competition over the bird; plus you've got nothing left of that bird for your table. The trained dog that pointed the bird should get the retrieve; it's the reward for a job well-done. There are times when a little competition can be a good thing, but be careful about letting it get out of hand. If an older dog jumps on a pup to argue over a bird, he can spook the pup off birds. Be very careful of doing anything that could potentially make a young dog bird-shy.

The bottom line is this: Always put your dog first by making decisions that will help your dog do the job you've trained him to do and maintain all your hard work. Your new hunting friend will likely step up his game to want a dog as fine as yours, and that can lead to many enjoyable days afield.

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2017 AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2017

Club House, Blue Mt. Wildlife Area, Booneville, Ar Mary Jo Trimble, Executive Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Robert Rankinat 8:00 AM. Executive Secretary called roll. A quorum of Directors was in attendance. Those Directors present were: B. Fleury, D. Dow, L. Hunt, R. Gulembo, H. Riggle, B. Hendrickson, T. Jagielski, B. Crain, S. Ralph, E. Tilson, M. Karbiner, A. Christensen, B. West, and M. Brown. New members Mary Brown and Leslie Hunt were seated.

The President reviewed his President's report and addressed the AFTCA rules for membership. He called for Officer Reports. 1st Vice President and Insurance chair Tom Milam was absent due to a death in the family. President Rankin reported for him that he had secured a Crime Policy for the ABC.

2nd Vice President Sandy Malloy reviewed her report. Ron Gulembo called the question and the following motion was put forth. MOTION # 1: MOTION BY A. CHRISTENSEN, SECONDED BY B. HENDRICKSON: I MOVE TO APPROVE A NEW MEMBERSHIP DATABASE COMMITTEE BE ASSEMBLED TO INVESTIGATE OPTIONS FOR A NEW DATABASE. 9 YES VOTES, 5 NO VOTES (FLEURY, HUNT, RALPH, TILLSON, KARBINER), TOMASI ABSENT, MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 2: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY T. JAGIELSKI: I MOVE TO TABLE THE 2ND VICE PRESIDENT'S AGENDA ITEM # 3 REGARDING A LEGAL OPINION FOR A BREEDERS' LIST ON THE WEBSITE. 12 YES VOTES, 2 NO VOTES (RIGGLE & HENDRICKSON) TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

3rd Vice President Emily Wollenburg reported on this year's Specialty Show. She requested that the High In Trial Agility Winner be given a magazine cover. MOTION # 3: MOTION BY B. HENDRICKSON, SECONDED BY A. CHRISTENSEN: I MOVE TO ADD NATIONAL HIGH IN TRIAL AGILITY WINNER ON THE COVER OF THE MAGAZINE. 13 YES VOTES, 1 NO VOTE (KARBINER), TOMASI ABSENT.

MOTION PASSED.

4th Vice President Bob Burchett discussed the running of the Invitational Derby and the Gun Dog Nationals. MOTION # 4: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY B. CRAIN: I MOVE TO FORM A DERBY INVITATIONAL COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF NAT GD FT SEC. MIKE POEHLER, NAT AA FT SEC. STEVE RALPH, VICE PRESIDENTS TOM MILAM AND BOB BURCHETT, MARY KARBINER, STATISTICIAN, AND BOB RANKIN TO STUDY FUTURE DERBY INVITATIONAL PROCEDURES WITH STEVE RALPH AS CHAIR. COMMITTEE TO REPORT BACK TO BOD BY APRIL 1, 2018. 14 YES VOTES, 0 NO VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

The Executive Secretary Mary Jo Trimble reviewed all the items she saw that needed to be considered and made some suggestions that could be used during the change over to the new Executive Secretary. Since many of these decisions depended on who would replace Trimble, a motion was made to go into Executive Session. MOTION # 5: MOTION BY D. DOW, SECONDED BY L. HUNT: I MOVE THE BOD GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. ALL YES. MOTION PASSED. SESSION STARTED AT 10:00 A.M. AND BODY WAS CALLED BACK INTO REGULAR MEETING AT **10:10 A.M.** Various proposals were made following the executive session. Two motions were put forward at this time: MOTION # 6: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY B. FLEURY: I MOVE THAT MARY JO TRIMBLE CONTINUE WITH REPORTING LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION ON THE ABC NOTIFICATION GROUP LIST. 14 YES VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 7: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY H. RIGGLE TO MAKE THE ELECTED SECRETARY BE IN CHARGE OF CHAMPIONSHIP PINS. 14 YES VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

Ex. Secretary was requested to put in minutes

that she was to contact Garmin's Warner Smith as to who should contact him regarding the ordering of Garmin Collars for the 6 ABC Classics and National Championships with results to be posted in the Policy Book.

Brian Hendrickson, East Central Director, had 3 proposals to be presented. He discussed what our current DNA policy actually proves. AKC and American Field currently now have different labs doing their DNA reports. AKC does have a searchable database. American Field DNA will still be required. MOTION # 8: MOTION BY B. HENDRICKSON, SECONDED BY R. GULEMBO: I MOVE THAT ANY DOG BORN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2018, WILL HAVE AKC DNA TO START IN THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. 8 YES VOTES, 5 NO VOTES (RALPH, TILSON, KARBINER, CHRISTIENSEN, FLEURY) 1 ABSTAINED (CRAIN), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

Judy Graves, Finance Committee Chair. presented her action items in the order of issues raised in the annual audit: The following motions were forthcoming. MOTION # 9: MOTION BY T. JAGIELSKI, SECONDED BY E. TILLSON: I MOVE TO EXPAND ITEM #8 OF THE TREASURER'S DUTIES TO READ: ANY PERSON OR OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION COLLECTING FUNDS IN THE NAME OF THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB SHALL FIRST **OBTAIN APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER** PRIOR TO COLLECTION. THE TREASURER SHALL DETERMINE IF FUNDS SHOULD BE DEPOSITED DIRECTLY INTO ABC ACCOUNTS, HELD BY THE ORGANIZATION OR PERSON AND RETURNED TO ABC FOR DEPOSIT OR HELD UNTIL EVENT FINAL REPORT IS SUBMITTED. ANY EXPENSES PAID OUT OF FUNDS COLLECTED MUST HAVE RECEIPTS ATTACHED IN ORDER TO **CLAIM REIMBURSEMENT. (2017) 14 YES** VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 10: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY B. CRAIN: I MOVE TO ACCEPT THE REVISED ACTION ITEM #2 PAGE 25-26 OF THE POLICY BOOK WHICH READS: DELETE CURRENT BAD CHECK POLICY ITEMS A, B, C, AND REPLACE WITH NEW A, B, C, D, E. #20 BAD CHECK POLICY:

A. THE TREASURER SHALL

A. THE TREASURER SHALL NOTIFY A PERSON IF A CHECK IS

RETURNED FOR INSUFFICIENT FUNDS OR ANY OTHER NON-PAYMENT BY THE BANK. ALL BAD CHECKS MUST BE MADE GOOD WITHIN 14 DAYS OF NOTIFICATION, TO INCLUDE A FINE SET BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. (SEE APPENDIX 1, 2013) AND ANY BANK CHARGES. IF NOT PAID WITHIN THE 14 DAY PERIOD, THE PERSON WILL BE PLACED ON A STATUS OF ABC ACCEPTING ONLY CERTIFIED CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS FROM THEM UNTIL THE CHECK IS MADE GOOD.

B. IF A SECOND CHECK IS RETURNED WITHIN A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS, THEN THE PERSON WILL BE PLACED ON A STATUS OF ABC ACCEPTING ONLY CERTIFIED CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS FROM THEM FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS.

C. IF A THIRD CHECK
IS RETURNED WITHIN A 15 MONTH
PERIOD THE PERSON WILL BE PLACED
ON A PERMANENT STATUS OF ABC
ACCEPTING ONLY CERTIFIED CHECKS
OR MONEY ORDERS FROM THEM IN
PERPETUITY UNLESS RELEASED FROM
THAT RESPONSIBILITY BY THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS.

D. ALL RIGHTS TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY ACTIVITIES OF THE PARENT CLUB SHALL BE FORFEITED UNLESS RELEASED FROM THAT RESPONSIBILITY BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNTIL SUCH CHECK AND/OR FEE IS MADE GOOD.

E. THE TREASURER SHALL
NOTIFY SECRETARIES OF PARENT CLUB
ACTIVITIES A LIST OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS
REQUIRED TO PAY ENTRY FEES WITH A
CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER OR
WHO ARE BARRED FROM PARTICIPATING.
14 YES VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION
PASSED.

MOTION # 11: MOTION BY T.

JAGIELSKI, SECONDED BY R. GULEMBO: I
MOVE THAT ACTION ITEM # 3 TO BE SENT
WITH ELECTION BALLOTS IN 2018. It reads:
ADD TO #32 DUTIES OF THE TREASURER:
THE ACCOUNTING RECORDS SHALL BE
REPORTED ON A FISCAL YEAR OF SEPT. 1 –
AUGUST 31 BEGINNING SEPT. 1, 2018. (2017)

14 YES VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 12: MOTION BY E. TILLSON. SECONDED BY B. HENDRICKSON: I MOVE **TO APPROVE ACTION ITEM #4, PAGE 26** WHICH READS: ADD TO THE DUTIES OF THE TREASURER AND VICE PRESIDENTS **CONCERNING FINALIZED REPORTS** OF THEIR NATION EVENTS: #33. ALL ABC EVENT MANAGERS PROVIDE THE TREASURER WITH A FINALIZED REPORT IN THE FORMAT ESTABLISHED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE END OF THE EVENT. SHOULD SUCH REPORT NOT BE FILED, THEN THE TREASURER WILL NOTIFY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THIS WILL BECOME #16 UNDER DUTIES OF THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT, #30 UNDER DUTIES OF THE 3RD **VICE PRESIDENT & #25 UNDER DUTIES OF** THE 4TH VICE PRESIDENT. 14 YES VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 13: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY L. HUNT. I MOVE TO ADOPT ACTION ITEM #5 ON PAGE 26 OF THE AGENDA BOOK. IT READS: DUTIES OF THE TREASURER: #6. DELETE (MAGAZINE EDITOR DOES NOT KEEP A PETTY CASH FUND)

PAGE 63: THE AMERICAN BRITTANY MAGAZINE POLICY: BILLING: CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB. (2017) (CHANGE SECOND MAGAZINE TO CLUB).

DUTIES OF THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT: #11: THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL BUDGET TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AS REQUESTED (2017). (DELETE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL AT THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE NEXT ANNUAL EVENT.)

DUTIES OF THE 3RD VICE PRESIDENT #13: THE 3RD VICE PRESIDENT SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL BUDGET TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AS REQUESTED (2017). (DELETE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL AT THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE NEXT ANNUAL EVENT OR BY EMAIL DURING YEARS IN

WHICH A NEW 3RD VICE PRESIDENT IS TAKING OVER (2010)).

DUTIES OF THE 4TH VICE PRESIDENT. #12. THE 4TH VICE PRESIDENT SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL BUDGET TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AS REQUESTED (2017). (DELETE BOARD OF DIRECTORS). 14 YES VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT, MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 14: MOTION BY M.
KARBINER, SECONDED BY T. JAGIELSKI.
I MOVE TO ADOPT ACTION ITEM #6, PAGE
26 OF AGENDA BOOK. IT READS: JOE
GOWER TO SERVE A FULL 5 YEAR TERM
COMMENCING 1/1/18 AND TO APPOINT
BERNIE CRAIN TO SERVE A FULL 5 YEAR
TERM COMMENCING 1/1/18 TO THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE. 14 YES VOTES,
TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION # 15: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY T. JAGIELSKI. I MOVE TO ACCEPT THE 2018 BUDGET AS WRITTEN AND PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. 13 YES VOTES, 1 NO VOTE (D. DOW), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

Discussion then moved to action items by west coast directors. One director was absent. No advance notice was received so no teleconference equipment was available to provide access to the meeting.

MOTION # 16: MOTION BY M. BROWN,
SECONDED BY B. WEST. I MOVE TO ALLOW ROBIN TOMASI TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. 7 YES VOTES, 7 NO VOTES, TOMASI ABSENT. THE PRESIDENT BROKE THE TIE WITH A NO VOTE. MOTION FAILED.

MOTION #17. MOTION BY B. WEST, SECONDED BY M. BROWN. I MOVE TO GET A COST ON A CERTIFIED PUBLIC AUDIT AND AWAIT NEW TREASURER'S DECISION IF AN AUDIT IS WARRANTED BEFORE TAKING ANY ACTION. 11 YES VOTES, 3 NO VOTES (JAGIELSKI, RALPH, KARBINER), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #18. MOTION BY B. WEST, SECONDED BY M. BROWN. I MOVE TO ADOPT ACTION ITEM #6 PAGE 31 OF THE AGENDA BOOK WHICH WOULD HIRE AN INDEPENDENT THIRD PARTY TO PROVIDE TELLER DUTIES FOR ALL ABC DIRECTOR

ELECTIONS. THESE DUTIES INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, RECEIVING MEMBERSHIP BALLOTS, VERIFYING MEMBERSHIP, FOLLOWING ABC'S DIRECTIONS FOR BALLOT COUNTING AND REPORTING RESULTS IN A TIMELY MANNER. 3 YES VOTES, (GULEMBO, WEST, BROWN), 11 NO VOTES (FLEURY, DOW, HUNT, RIGGLE, HENDRICKSON, JAGIELSKI, CRAIN, RALPH, TILLSON, KARBINER, CHRISTENSEN), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION #19. MOTION BY B. WEST, SECONDED BY M. BROWN. I MOVE TO **ADOPT ACTION ITEM #9, PAGE 32 AS** AMENDED TO READ. THE ABC WILL HAVE A SEMI-ANNUAL TELECONFERENCE TO IMPROVE GOVERNANCE IN MOTION REVIEWS AND APPROVALS AS WELL AS TO WORK WITH COMMITTEE LEADERS TO IMPROVE THE CLUB IMAGE AS THE **CLUB HAS DECLINING MEMBERSHIP WITH** FINANCIALS IN DISARRAY WITH AGENDA TO BE PUBLISHED 30 DAYS AHEAD OF TIME. BY LAWS AND POLICY WILL BE REVISED. 11 YES VOTES, 3 NO VOTES (HUNT, RALPH, KARBINER), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #20: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY A. CHRISTIENSEN. I MOVE THAT ALL AGE QUALIFICATIONS CHANGE TO INCLUDE NON-BRITTANY TRIALS OF ALL AKC POINTING BREED TRIALS FOLLOWING THE SAME QUALIFYING NUMBERS CURRENTLY USED IN BRITTANY TRIALS. 4 YES VOTES, 9 NO VOTES, (DOW, HUNT, GULEMBO, RIGGLE, HENDRICKSON, JAGIELSKI, CRAIN, TILLSON, WEST1 ABSTAINED (BROWN), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION FAILED.

The possible changes to the location and stakes run at the Gun Dog Nationals were discussed. Members of the Committee looking into this were present as was 4th Vice President Bob Burchett. MOTION #21. MOTION BY L. HUNT, SECONDED BY S. RALPH. I MOVE TO GO FORWARD HOLDING THE NATIONAL GUN DOG CHAMPIONSHIP AND NATIONAL AMATEUR GUN DOG CHAMPIONSHIP STAKES AT BOONEVILLE, BUT NO SOONER THAN 2019. 9 YES VOTES, 4 NO VOTES

(GULEMBO, RIGGLE, HENDRICKSON, WEST), 1 ABSTAINED (DOW), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #22. MOTION BY B.
HENDRICKSON, SECONDED BY E. TILLSON.
CHANGE OVER NATIONAL AMATEUR GUN
DOG CHAMPIONSHIP TO A HORSEBACK
STAKE IN 2018. 5 YES VOTES, 9 NO VOTES,
(DOW, HUNT, GULEMBO, JAGIELSKI, RALPH,
TILLSON, KARBINER, WEST, BROWN)
TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION FAILED.

MOTION #23: MOTION BY S. RALPH, SECONDED BY T. JAGIELSKI: I MOVE TO APPROVE EMAIL MOTIONS VOTED ON SINCE THE LAST ANNUAL MEETING. 14 YES, TOMASI ABSENT, MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #24. MOTION BY B.
HENDRICKSON, SECONDED BY B. FLEURY:
I MOVE TO HAVE ABC CONTACT AKC AND
ASK PERMISSION TO RUN A NATIONAL
OPEN WALKING GUN DOG CHAMPIONSHIP
AND A NATIONAL AMATEUR WALKING GUN
DOG CHAMPIONSHIP. 13 YES VOTES, 1 NO
VOTE (TILLSON), TOMASI ABSENT. MOTION
PASSED.

BOARD WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:40 P.M. MEETING CALLED BACK INTO ORDER AT 4:50 P.M. Following the Executive Session, the BOD made a formal vote in the open meeting for votes taken in Executive Session. **MOTION # 25: MOTION BY T. JAGLIELSKI,** SECONDED BY R. GULEMBO. I MOVE THAT THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS BE ELECTED: JERI CONKLIN, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT; KEITH WOLNEWITZ, TREASURER: BROOKE **BURLINGAME, ELECTED SECRETARY;** LESLIE ANDREAS, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND THAT NAGDC/FC/AFC HIGH HOPES FLY BY NITE (ZOEY) AND DC/AFC/NBOB TEQUILA WITH A TWIST BE ELECTED TO THE ABC DOG HALL OF FAME. 14 YES VOTES. TOMASI ABSENT, MOTION PASSED.

Prior to adjournment, President Rankin presented Retiring Executive Secretary Mary Jo Trimble with a gift and a thank you for her 20 years of service to the ABC from the Board of Directors.

A Little Competition

A Novella and Twenty-Two Short Stories

By Tom Word

The Million-Dollar Derby

Bo Bradley vowed revenge. Revenge upon his archenemies, fellow bird-dog handler Rex Rackett and Rex's best customer, Alvin "the Shark" Clinch, alias the Dot-Com Bandit, the third richest man in the nation, rumor had it. For the third time in as many seasons, Rex had bought a promising dog off Bo's field-trial string for the Shark, surreptitiously of course. He'd gone to Bo's customer and made him "an offer he couldn't refuse."

Bo had learned of the betrayal via a message on his truck-phone voice mail when he came in from a workout. How much had been paid, Bo didn't know, for the deal had a "confidentiality clause" preventing Bo's customer from telling. That, of course, just fueled the rumors. With the speed of the Internet, the speculated price went up, up, up...\$10,000,

\$25,000, \$50,000,

\$100,000! Meanwhile, Bo Bradley brooded. His scout, Booty Armstrong, tried his best to console Bo, but with no success. Booty was plenty mad too, though he hid it, as he'd hidden his feelings all his life. And while Bo's rage kept him from enjoying Christmas, Booty's simple faith in field-trial justice consoled him. "What goes around comes around... We'll think of somethin' to get even.'

Buying a dog off another handler's string had spawned grudges since the dawn of the sport. Handlers of late tried written contracts barring a dog's sale off the string. But usually the customer, not the handler, had the leverage, and the handler had no practical recourse. So it had been for Bo Bradley.

The last half of the season was miserable for Booty Armstrong. Usually lighthearted himself and able to entertain the more somber Bo with foolishness, he now found it impossible to lift his teammate's spirits. As the two drove with their dogs and horses the hundreds of miles from trial to trial, conversation fell off to occasional grunts. Booty depended on conversation-mostly the sound of his own voice-to keep up his own spirits on the road; with Bo vowed to silence like a Trappist monk, Booty's spirits plunged.

Booty was relieved when the season's last trial ended, and they headed home to South Georgia from New Jersey. He hoped against hope that Bo's mood would lighten with their springtime bass fishing and turkey hunting. No luck—Bo stayed glum and surly through April and May, even though the fish were biting and

As the date for departure to prairie training camp

approached, Bob gave to Booty the job of calling customers to line up prospects. It was a good thing too, for every customer Booty called wanted to talk about the Shark's latest dog purchase. Booty put this curiosity to good use, hinting that if a customer's pup turned out, he (Booty) might be able to arrange its sale to the Shark at a long price. Bo was astounded when, after three nights of calling, Booty reported a full string of forty derbies and pups.

> They left for North Dakota on July 1 with three teenage helpers and two truck-and-trailer rigs, theirs and one borrowed from a customer who would fly up to join them for the month of August.

> > Not twenty words had passed between Bo and Booty during the month of June. Booty was glad to be driving

> > > two of the teenagers as audience for his banter, not imprisoned with Bo for the 2,000 mile journey. Not even

the second truck, with

the bountiful crop of pheasants and sharptails on the training grounds lifted Bo's spirits. Booty counted on the new crop of

young dogs to do that. But Booty had misjudged the depth of Bo's feelings. Even when several derbies showed early

potential, Bo's only reaction was a grunt and a nod at pickup time.

By August 12, they'd identified their best derby, a liverheaded male with a small brown spot at the base of his tail. Booty had named him Brownie. (Booty has a lively imagination, but he didn't waste it naming dogs.) As the season's opening trial approached, they began to lengthen Brownie's training heats. That's when they discovered the "hole" in Brownie—that inevitable shortcoming in every dog (and man).

Brownie, it seemed, was an unbeatable derby for 45 minutes. But no matter how they conditioned him, after 45 minutes, he simply stopped hunting. They tried all their trade secrets to lengthen his effort, to no avail. Finally, in desperation, they took Brownie to Doc Barnes, their vet in Dickinson, who pronounced him healthy and in great physical shape. Brownie's refusal to go beyond 45 was a matter of character, not competence. A highly intelligent individual, Brownie considered 45 minutes running before a horse enough work for a day, period.

On the way back to camp from Doc Barnes' clinic, Bo and Booty looked at one another and smiled. Like an old married couple, they often had the same thoughts at the same time. For the rest of the summer and into the fall, Bo was cheerful as a Baptist preacher with a full church.

Brownie won three firsts in prairie derby stakes-thirtyminute ones. He was the talk of the circuit by the time they headed south.

Brownie was a home bred, belonged to Bo himself. After his third win, Bo gave Booty a one-fourth interest, then registered Brownie in the Field Dog Stud Book as Internet Browser, owner Bill Gates. The cheese was now in the trap; in the coming weeks, they would carefully set it. (Bill Gates was the name of Bo's nephew back in Georgia, an unknowing straw man, as well as the name of certain Seattle billionaire.)

Bo had been unsure of Brownie's sire's identity—it could have been any of several dogs in their Georgia neighborhood. Brownie's dam had climbed out of her kennel around the time of conception. But the litter looked to be purebred pointer. The sperm of one of that breed had been the fastest swimmers of several swim teams, including those sponsored by a foxhound and a black Labrador, according to a country store owner who'd seen them intimate with Brownie's mom. At the end of August, Bo and Booty had solved the mystery of Brownie's paternity. They discovered Brownie barked when lost on point. His sire had to be Hambone, a truck dog on a neighboring shooting plantation, for Hambone had the barking trait and was known to pass it to his offspring, and he too was a kennel escape artist. Bo registered Brownie as the son of a retired champion in his own kennel.

When Bo or Booty was asked if the Bill Gates owned Internet Browser (a.k.a. Brownie), they reacted with a knowing smile. Of course, the questioners took the smiles for affirmation, but Bo and Booty were careful not to lie. "Brownie's owner has a clause in our contract-we're not allowed to talk to the press or anyone else about Internet Browser or his owner," Bo and Booty said. This was something new in field trials-a brag dog with no bragging allowed! Write-ups of Brownie's performances in the Field grew more and more glowing.

Through October, November, and December, Brownie was invincible, winning first or second in every stake he contested. He had Derby of the Year sewed up, everyone said.

Bo and Booty skipped the Georgia Derby Championship—the first one-hour quail stake for derbies. They chose instead the Continental Derby Championship as the place to set their trap.

When released in the twentieth brace at Dixie plantation, Brownie lit out for the front with a yip of glee. Five hundred riders followed in his wake, including Rex Rackett and the Shark, who crowded the judges.

Brownie did not disappoint. In his first thirty minutes, he scored two finds, both on the limb at the front, handled with perfect manners and breathtaking style. When Booty led him hopping on hind legs for the restart after his second, his eyes met Bo's, and Bo blinked twice.

Brownie charged into a hilly section of longleaf pine forest. Booty drifted right, and faded into the trees. Bo rode ahead calmly on the course path, right in front of the judges, singing confidently. Ten minutes passed with no sight of Brownie. Fifteen minutes. Tension mounted, for if Brownie stayed gone for twenty minutes, he'd be "gone too long" and counted out.

With only two minutes left in the grace period, Bo lifted his cap, and spurred his horse into a canter. Judges and gallery followed like a charging cavalry troop. Ahead on a hilltop, Brownie stood proudly, chin lifted, tail to the sky. Bo flushed a big covey, then turned like a matador and fired the blank. Brownie moved not an eyelash. The gallery murmured, then applauded.

Bo blew his whistle three times to call in his scout, took his canteen from the saddle to water Brownie. Booty was nowhere to be seen, so Rex Rackett came forward to help Bo with the restart. Bo fixed him with a stare, then said in a whisper:

"You won't buy this one, Rex. For once I've got an owner richer than yours."

Rex reported the exchange to the Shark. Brownie finished with a deep, fast cast to the front. Everyone knew he'd won the Continental Derby Championship. Booty never did show up, and when Bo found him jawing with Ben Washington, Jr., and Too Bright back in the tack room, he chewed him out unmercifully. Booty reacted with anger, something that shocked everyone. Through their thirty years together, Bo had often given Booty hell publicly, and Booty had always taken it in good humor, making fun of Bo to others out of Bo's hearing. This time, Booty seemed genuinely offended. He let it be known to his fellow scouts that he'd likely be seeking other employment. This news got to Rex Rackett in a nanosecond.

After Internet Browser had been named champion, Booty refused to have his picture taken with Bo and the dog. Instead, he walked alone down the red clay road from Dixie's manor house toward the highway to Monticello, his hands set deep in the pockets of his jeans. Rex Rackett saw him leave, eased out of the crowd and followed in his pickup. A half-mile from the mansion, Rex pulled up beside Booty.

"Get in, Booty. Where you headed?" "To the motel; I'm leaving Bo Bradley. Ain't goin' to take his disrespect no mo'."

By the time they reached Monticello, Booty had agreed to come to work for Rex Rackett.

Then Rex asked the fateful question: "Any chance we might buy that derby?"

Booty was ready with a performance worthy of an Academy Award. He explained that Bill Gates couldn't stand Bo Bradley, insisted all dealing with the Bradley-Armstrong be conducted through Booty, would sure want Internet Browser to go where Booty could scout him. But there was a clause in the contract between Bo and Mr. Gates. The dog could not leave Bo's string without Bo's permission.

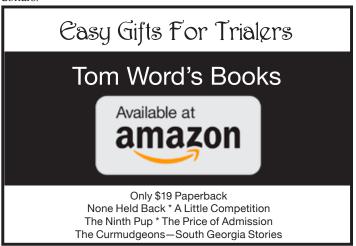
"Listen, Booty. Mr. Clinch wants that derby, and money is no object. See what Mr. Gates will take form, let Mr. Gates deal with Bo Bradley on the no-switch clause—he's the one with the leverage."

And that's how Bo Bradley and Booty Armstrong got even, and Rex and the Shark got Brownie, the best 45-minute derby of all time.

How did they do it?

After Brownie's second find at Dixie plantation, Booty rode forward under cover of a ridge 'til he met up with Brownie. On Booty's invitation, the brown-headed derby jumped for Booty's saddle, knowing he'd get a biscuit as his reward. With Brownie riding on the pommel, Booty cantered far to the front. At a known covey location, Booty put Brownie down and whistled softly in imitation of a quail. In less than a minute, Brownie was on point.

Booty Armstrong's employment by Rex Rackett lasted just long enough for the Shark's check to clear. How big it was remains a mystery in the rumor-filled work of field trials. Some say a million dollars.



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Apr 30–May 3	ABC Gun Dog Classic (Union County Ranch, Thayer, IA) - Host: Hawkeye								
May 1-2	ABC Chukar Classic (Mile Post 9, Marsing, ID) - Host: Idaho								
May 5-6	C. New England(4)	Pennsylvania	St. Croix Valley(4)		Wasatch Front				

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Other Web Site Listings:

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BRITTANY LISTS/BREED INFORMATION:

BRITTANY BREED INFO . www.brittanybreed.info

BRITTANY PEDIGREE DATABASE • www.brittanydata.com

BRITT ISSUES • Health, Training, Feeding, Living with Britts... http://groups.yahoo.com/group/brittissues

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DUAL BRITTANY LIST • Discussion of the American Brittany

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AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB . http://clubs.akc.org/brit/ Webmaster, Steve Ralph • Email: mail@blazinbritts.com

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BIRD DOG FOUNDATION, INC. • www.birddogfoundation.com

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB COMPANION ANIMAL RECOVERY www.akccar.org

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www.brittanyfieldtrialhalloffame.com BRITTANY SPANIEL CLUB OF ONTARIO

www.brittanyspanielclub.on.ca

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http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ccah/research/Brittany_research.cfm

NATIONAL ANIMAL INTEREST ALLIANCE

www.naiaonline.org • www.naiatrust.org

NATIONAL BRITTANY RESCUE • http://nbran.org

ORTHOPEDIC FOUNDATION FOR ANIMALS • www.offa.org

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1998 FC Sadie Fair Lady 1997 NGDC/FC/AFC JDZ Roc's Ardent Boomer 1996 FC/AFC JDZ Roc's Ardent Boomer

1995 FC Winchester of Hanging Jaze

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2005 FC Clyde's Double Trouble
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1992 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside 1991 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside

1990 CH Chesabrit's Code of The West

1989 CH Hope's Gunsmoke Blue 1988 CH Jen-Mars Carosel Jolly Jester

1984 CH Twin Oaks Vantage Point 1983 CH Dee's Picante Pepper of JB 1982 CH Do-Well's JB Jason

1981 CH Do-Well's JB Jason 1980 CH Greenfield Le Duc De Cannelle

1987 CH Prince Valiant's Spring A'Rival CDX/TD 1986 CH Woodstock's Lady Valentine 1985 CH Le Duc Cimmaron Storm Cloud

2002 Little Guy Levi

1979 FC Hi Ace

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NGDC/DC/AFC High Hopes Dark Nite

NATIONAL SPECIALTY **BEST OF BREED**

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Don't Hate The Player Hate The Game

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2016 FC/AFC High Hopes Little Ann
2015 DC/AFC High Hopes Little Ann
2015 DC/AFC Suemac's Sky King
2013 FC/AFC Spring Hill's Hot Wheels
2012 FC/AFC ANJ's Amazing Grace
2011 FC Foctor's Bunday!!

2011 FC Foster's Buddy II 2010 FC/AFC Jazz's Sweetest Little Secret 2009 FC/AFC Peter Gunn

2008 DC/AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle, JH

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1995 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside 1994 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside

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1993 CH Chesabrit's Code of The West

1967 Elcon's Shotgun Smoke

2007 Lane's End Fortune, UDX, AX, AXJ 2006 CH/OTCH Chilcote's Credit Check, UDX, AX, AXJ, JH

2005 DC Lafayette Border Baron, UDX2, MH 2004 CH/OTCH Chilcote's Credit Check, UDX, AX, AXJ, JH 2003 CH Lafayette Border Baron, UD, JH

2002 CH Chilcote's Credit Check, CD, JH, NA, NAJ 2001 Voyageur's Brtpatch Rifleman, CD, JH, NA 2000 Voyageur's Brtpatch Rifleman, CD, JH

1994 Lafayette Britannia Rose 1993 Little Egypt Catapult Cathy, CDX, SH

1966 CH Sam's Son Buckshot CD 1965 CH Sam's Son Buckshot CD

1964 CH Chief of Appanoose

1964 CH Chief of Appanoose 1963 CH Juchoir's Tuffy 1962 CH Juchoir's Tuffy 1961 CH Bonnie Kay's Ricki's Image 1960 CH Bonnie Kay's Ricki's Image 1959 CH Bonnie Kay's Ricki's Image 1958 DC Dingo's Little Mike 1957 CH Harvre des Bois Henri 1956 CH Avono Corky 1955 CH Tigre Par Le Tigre L'Argoat 1954 CH Do-Car's Flashy Showman 1953 CH Avono Corky

1994 FC Hybrittin's Hot Pursuit 1993 FC/AFC Echo Valley Painted Lady

1986 DC Bernie V CD 1985 FC/AFC Stedi's Bombin Banjo

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1946 CH Avono Happy 1945 CH Patrice de Sharvogue 1944 CH Patrice de Sharvogue 1943 Patrice de Sharvogue

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FarOut Field's Noble Nellie Rose UDX3 OM4 BN GN GO RA JHA

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2016 GCH Hope's Exceeding The Speed Limit, UD
2015 GCH Hope's Exceeding The Speed Limit, CDX
2014 Jayhawkers Lucky Jack UDX5 OM8
2013 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UDX4 OMG5
2012 OTCH Lane's End Fortune UDX9, OGM, AX, AXJ
2011 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UDX
2010 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UDX
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2010 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UD
2009 CH Rao Nothin But Blue Skies
2008 OTCH Lane's End Fortune, UDX, AX, AXJ
2007 Jane's End Fortune, UDX, AX, AXJ

2000 Voyageur's Britanny, CD, AX, AXJ 1999 Dusty The Brittany, CD, AX, AXJ 1998 Jozan's Mystic Mirage, CDX 1997 CH Chilcote's Credit Earned, UD, TDX 1996 CH Barkalarm Bonfire D'Labrinth, CDX 1995 Chilcote's Credit Earned, TD

1986 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper, UDT 1985 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper, UDT 1985 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper, UDT 1984 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper 1983 OTCH Lafayette King Trooper 1982 Dark Sky, CD

1981 CH/OTCH Turner's Crossroad Samantha

1992 Little Egypt Catapult Cathy, CDX, SH 1991 K IX Rebel Riot, UD

1991 CH Lafayette Texas Trooper, UDT 1990 CH Lafayette Texas Trooper, UDT 1989 Little Egypt Catapult Cathy 1988 CH Prince Valiant's Spring A'Rival, UDT



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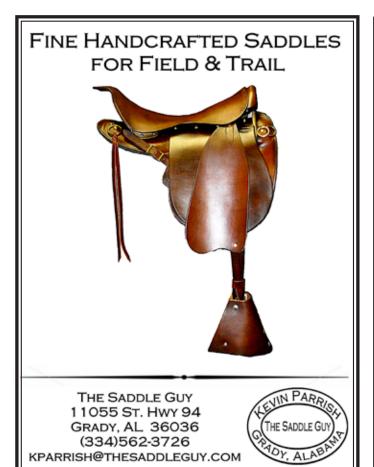
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- 3. Legacys Pine Bandit 433
- 4. Spring Hills Red Hot Performance 399
- 5. Sniksoh Little Diamond 322

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