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2017 ABC National Gun Dog Championship

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L-R: Vince Anderson with Magnum High Velocity, Denise Anderson, judge Cliff Mesnard, Lisa Pollock, Dr. Jim Carter with Emma Tayshon, Ralph Kiracofe, judge Dr. Roger McPherson, Judy Kiracofe with Hit's Miss Bee Havin, JoAnn Perry, Bob Burchett, Hyatt Burchett, Val Burchett with Hope's Chief of Crosscreek, Dr. Barb Pepin, Wayne Pepin, Bob West, Polly West

The 2017 National Open Gun Dog Championship ran with a total of 37 dogs entered. There was one known scratch due to an injury, 18b, Brigadoon's Hi-Proof Moonshine (Hooch). KJ's Darlin Darcy (Darcy), 3b, came in season and dropped to the end to run as a bye. Darcy's bracemate, Sovereign's Chasing Legends (Hobey), 3a, moved to run in Hooch's spot 18b. With these changes, brace four became three and the remaining braces followed suit.

With one weather delay, we started on Wednesday and completed the competition Saturday morning.

The judges for the 2017 National Open Championship were Dr. Roger McPherson from South Carolina and Cliff Mesnard from Ohio. The Invitation Derby was judged by Dr. Roger McPherson and Tommy Thomas from Illinois. Many thanks to our judges for their time in the saddle and helping to make the event successful.

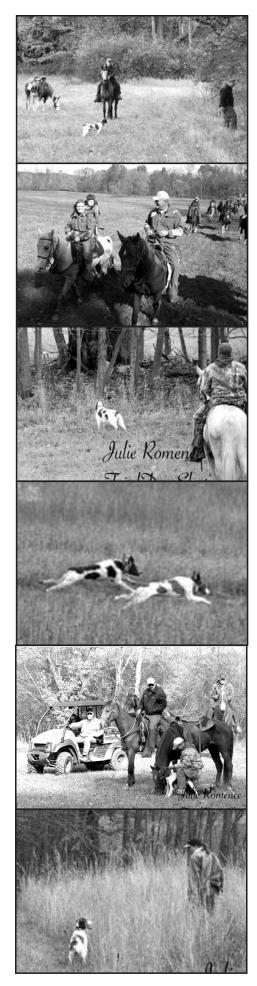
Thank you to our sponsors Purina and Tri-TronicsTM. Purina fuels many of the competitors, providing financial support for the event and complimentary bags of dog food for each entry. The winners received Pro-Plan dog food, an electronic training collar and a trooper saddle that was hand-tooled and crafted by Kevin Parish, The Saddle Guy. There were trophies, plaques and saddle bags (by Kevin Parish) awarded to the placing dogs.

Thank you to the Field Trial Chairman, Bob Burchett and Mike Poehler for serving as the Field Trial Secretary. The reporter was Joanne Perry. Members of the Field Trial Committee were Valerie Burchett, Jim Carter, John Perry, Brian Hendrickson, Jeff Currier and Dan Campbell. The Marshals were Ken Windom, Tommy Thomas and Bob Burchett. Thank you to Deb Smeltz and Diana Kubitz for making sure the donuts and coffee were on the dog wagon, taking care of the Calcutta and also the auction. Thank you to all who volunteered to marshal; Chuck Langstaff for the dog wagon; Jim Johnson for conducting the

auction; the bird planter, Richard Lipski; and the countless others who volunteered their time, effort, knowledge and support. Thank you to the grounds committee for grooming the grounds and having them in great shape for the dogs. Thanks to our Wrangler, Will Langley of Bottom Creek Farm in Attica, MI. for providing the horses. Thank you to Julie Romence for taking pictures. Thank you to all who made a donation to the trophy fund.

Monday afternoon was rainy. The ride-around of the courses was held for all who were willing to get wet. That night was the welcome dinner catered by Alibi Bar and Grill, followed by the Calcutta. Lunches were catered by Eileen Gust. Thank you to Eileen for doing a great job preparing and cooking tasty meals for everyone. Tuesday's running was delayed due to the weather. Purina catered the dinner for the Magnum's Masked Man Award: thanks to Bob Burchett for presenting the award and trophy. Congratulations to John Kipp with Kip's Bay Dark N' Stormy Miss Maddie on winning the Magnum's Masked Man award! Wednesday was the winner's dinner for Legacy's Pine Bandit, Everyone enjoyed the delicious barbeque and dessert compliments of Delmar McCallistar and his wife. Thursday was the Tri-Tronics Award Dinner. The award was presented to Hope's Chief of Crosscreek. Congratulations to Barbara and Wayne Pepin and Polly and Bob West! Friday night was a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the possibility of moving the Gun Dog Nationals from the grounds at Ionia and any other questions.

To our sponsors, the competitors, the gallery that was shared by horses and personal assist devices, and to everyone who volunteered, we greatly appreciate all that you did to make the event successful and fun. The bird word was plentiful with numerous coveys for each brace. Thank you to all!



The winners:

The Champion from brace 5, Magnum High Velocity. Starlight's Mercury Out Ryder (Ryder) - Bob Burchett and Magnum High Velocity (Gauge) - Vince Anderson. On day one, Gauge held his own and set the bar for the competition. On course 2, 5 minutes in Gauge was high and tight on the right treeline scoring his first covey find. Ryder was out to the front and on the move. Gauge swapped ends hard at 9 on the front treeline and was rewarded with another covey. Down from the Big Oak on the treeline at 23, point was called; birds lifted and Gauge was moved on. Gauge was forward through the orchard and went wide right and rimmed the bottom field effortlessly, showing to the front as both dogs made the turn down to the dike. At 34 on the dike Gauge had an unproductive with Ryder backing. Forty-five minutes in both dogs had separate finds. Ryder was rewarded and moved forward. Vince chose to relocate Gauge with a successful find. With Ryder to the front, Vince needed to catch the front and he did just that. Both dogs finished together.

From brace 8 came the runner-up Emma Tayshon. Emma Tayshon (Emma) Jim Carter and Touch of Bourbon Little Chug (Carson) - Scott Johnson. Brace 2 on the second day, Emma handled the grounds with ease working the cover. At 21 Carson was seen standing with Emma backing. Scott relocated Carson while Emma moved on. Carson was rewarded with a covey, then had another find at 28 before both dogs had divided finds at 33 and 39. At 42 Carson was seen stealing point and was up, Emma stood nicely as Jim flushed and fired. Emma worked the orchard then went to the right and swung wide, making a smooth move in the field before scoring again at 58 on the edge of the woods to finish nicely. We all missed seeing Drew and the boys!

Third place from brace 14 was Hit's Miss Bee Havin. Hit's Miss Bee Havin (Bee) – Judy Kiracofe and Diamond Hill Dangerous Weapon (Stu) - Lisa Pollock. At 10:00 a.m., dogs broke away on course 2. Bee scored first at 43 seconds on the left treeline with a covey, all in order and stylish. On the right at 2 minutes, Stu also had a covey find with nice form. These two dogs were finding birds on both sides of the fields. Bee scored again at 3 and 6. Stu scored also at 4, 14 and then at 18 with a relocation. At 22, Stu had an unproductive while Bee had a find on the left side of the field. Both dogs took the front and headed towards the dike, each on their own edge. After the dike, Stu headed right and continued on towards the treeline while Bee

continued straight. At 35, Judy's scout called point from the top of the hill from the Big Oak. Judy rode up and pointed out the covey huddled down in a drizzle; birds lifted and Bee handled it well. Bee was released to the left and she hugged the far fence line. At 40 Stu was on point at the woods edge. Lisa pointed out feathers. As Bee came across the top treeline she hit point and scored again at 42. Both dogs hunted the orchard; at 47, Bee had her seventh find as dogs crossed the second dike and went left. On the right at 53 Bee was standing and Stu came up and backed. At 58, Bee had a covey find on the right with nice style; she was released and finished going down on the treeline. Stu scored once more at 59 to finish the hour.

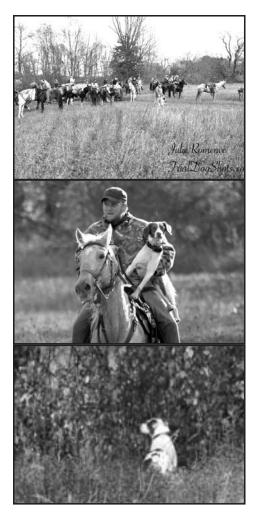
Awarded fourth place from brace 10 was Hope's Chief of Crosscreek. St. Clair's Prince Rocco Vulcano Leo (Rocco) - Scott Johnson and Hope's Chief of Crosscreek (Chief) - Bob Burchett. The dogs broke away on course one. Chief had good bird work at 6 on the right side of the treeline and Rocco scored at 7 by the barn with Chief backing. At 10 Rocco was looking nice and hit point leaving Hires Field on the treeline with a covey. Chief was hunting forward and then seen rimming the fields heading towards the Boy Scout bridge. Rocco hit point at 19 on the treeline then again at 23 and was up. Chief scored at 32 after the Boy Scout bridge, then at 40 and 48 he had covey finds and then finished going away.

Day 1 – Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Brace 1: Rico's Hi-Proof
Bootlegger (Mason) – Chuck Schaefer and
Coco Dot – Scott Johnson. Breakaway was
at 8:45. At 5, Coco Dot had a find on the right
side of the treeline. Mason had a find at 6 with
a relocation. At 12 both dogs were up with a
bump and chase.

Brace 2: Legacy's Pine Bandit (Bandit) – Jim Johnson and TNT's Sirius Renegade Buddy Boy (Buddy) – Tommy Thomas. Both dogs ran strong. Bandit had a find at 3 and crouched slightly; he was released and hit point again at 8 before moving on. Going down towards the Boy Scout bridge Tommy was working a bird and Buddy sat. Bandit hit point at 20 on the right just before the Boy Scout bridge. At 34, Bandit had another covey find but crouched a bit more. He went on with more bird work at 37, 39 and 42, with an unproductive at 45. Bandit scored at 51, 57 and 58.

Brace 3: Marjo's Leftover (Haley)

– John Perry and HiPoints Summer Time
(Summer) – Ron Gulembo. These two dogs



had a nice run. Haley scored at 10 seconds on the left hedgerow; the rest of the hour for her was spent running. Summer had a nice ground application with stylish finds at 30, 35, 44 and 48.

Brace 4: Bark River Queen of Diamonds (Daisy) – Jeff Stanton and Nothin' But Trouble (Trouble) – Jim Carter. At 6, Trouble had a nice find on the right treeline. A divided find was at 7. At 12 and 15, Daisy scored with Trouble backing. Thirty minutes into the brace, point was called for Daisy and Trouble decided not to back. Daisy continued on and was out of pocket for bit. She showed up with bird work at 53, 56 and 59. The judges asked to see her finish.

Brace 6: I'm Your Man (Gus) – Bill Gorman and Georgia Drive By (Drive By) – Bob Burchett. Gus did not have his ears on today. At 21 Drive By had a find leaving Hires Field and Gus failed to back. Drive By had bird work at 30 and at 55 it was too much.

Day 2 – Wednesday, October 26, 2017 had a short fog delay.

Brace 7: Turningpts Landslide (Mack) – Scott Johnson and Wild Wild Willie (Willie) – Steve Cosgriff. Will scored at 3; point was called with Mack backing. There was a divided find at 10; both handled it well. Mack had an unproductive at 20, then a nice covey find at 32 after a relocation. At 42, Mack was making a nice move on the treeline, then his brace was cut short as the judges said he bumped a covey.

Brace 9: Ricochet Gunsmokes Mr. Dillon (Dillon) – Tommy Thomas and Gunn's-A-Blaz'n (Annie) – Jim Carter.

This brace was cut short for both dogs. At 40 minutes Jim picked up Annie as she was not getting it done for him. Dillon ran over a bird and was up. There was a sighting of the swans taking flight as we crossed the dike.

Brace 11: Diamond Hill Work Hard Play Harder (Gin) – Lisa Pollock and Green Mountain Lucy (Lucy) – Mike Blondin. This was also a shorter brace. At 12 and 22 Gin had bird work. Lucy had bird work at 13 then was up at 22 for stealing point. Gin was not feeling herself and Lisa picked her up at 35.

Brace 12: Wild Mtn's Midnight Rendezvous (Josie) – Bob Burchett and TJ's Black Diamond (Coal) – John Perry. The afternoon ended early. Josey was short running with 2 finds and a chase. Coal held his edges nicely with 2 pieces of bird work and 2 unproductives.

Day 3 – Thursday, October 27, 2017
Brace 13: Copley-Sheltany Echos
of Angels (Zoie) – Scott Johnson and Finn
Mac Cuhal (Mac) – Bill Gorman. A divided
find at 4 started this brace. At 9 Zoie scored
a covey and continued with bird work at 11
and 15; then she was gone. At 33 Scott pulled
the tracker. Mac had a find at 15 leaving Hires
Field at the mott on the left. At 41 Mac had an
unproductive after 2 relocations, then finished
the hour.

Brace 15: TNT's Raise N' A Ruckus (Rae) – Tommy Thomas and Springhill's Red Hot Performance (Red) – John Bell.

This brace had plenty of birds. We broke away at 11:13 with Rae scoring finds at 5, 14 (with Red backing) and 19. Red was also having bird work at 5, 16. They both handled nicely. Rae continued with more bird work at 30. At 36 Red was backing Rae which proved to be an unproductive. Rae moved on to birds at 42 and 51 (with Red backing). Rae ended with one more find and was released. Both dogs finished.

Brace 16: TNT's Blazing Shoshoni Shake N' Bake (Bubba) – Tommy Thomas and Trasa's Little Sky Dancer (Sky) – Scott Johnson. Sky had bird work at 12 with Bubba backing, then there was a divided find at 18. Bubba had bird work at 38, 51 and 55 (with Sky backing). Sky had good bird work at 40, 42, 48 and 56. Both dogs finished the brace.

Brace 17: Starlight's Where
There's A Will (Will) – Rebecca Walters
and Sovereign's Chasing Legends (Hobey)
– Bob Burchett. Will had his running shoes
on and was gone. Tracker was pulled. Hobey
had plenty of bird work with a good ground
application and finds at 18, 25, 30, and 33.

Brace 18: Grade Eight Bolt – (Scott Johnson) and Sanbar's Legendary Evening (Hershey) – Jim Johnson. Bob announced the brace and away we went.... without the judges! In seconds, however, the judges were to the front. Bolt had a find at 7 with Hershey backing, then both dogs had separate finds at 15. Hershey went missing in action and the tracker was pulled, while Bolt continued to have bird work at 22. With a relocation, the bird lifted out of the tall grass. Bolt had good bird work at 42 and 50 and finished well.

Day 4 – Friday, October 28, 2017 Brace 19: KJ's Darlin Darcy

(Darcy) – Ken Windom. This was the last brace. With a sighting of deer, Darcy moved nicely on the tree lines. She scored a find at 7 by the barn. At 11, on the next treeline she marked then laid down and the day was done.

2017 ABC National Open Gun Dog Championship Open Gun Dog 1hr(37S) J: Dr. Roger McPherson & Cliff Mesnard

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Brittany Field Trial Hall of Fame



Nominations begin March 1 and close July 1

On behalf of the Brittany Field Trial Hall of Fame (BFTHF), we are asking you to participate in the BFTHF nomination process. The BFTHF is part of the Bird Dog Foundation, Grand Junction, TN.

Purpose

The purpose of the BFTHF is to recognize and honor Brittanys and Brittany owners that have made significant contributions to the Sport of Field Trialing. To date, 77 Brittanys and 48 Brittany enthusiasts have been inducted and pictures of these dogs and people are displayed in the Hall of Fame.

"To be enshrined in a Hall of Fame is the greatest achievement in field trial sports"

Nominations

You are a member of the nominating committee and your support is needed. We want you to nominate those you believe are **Outstanding** Brittanys and **Distinguished** Brittany people.

Outstanding dogs are recognized by their entire competitive career, field trial performance record (championship wins) and production record. They must be deceased at least one year prior to opening of nominations March 1. These are the same dogs you would like to find in the pedigree of that good pup you just bought!

Distinguished people have rendered exemplary service to the sport of field trialing both locally and nationally <u>for a long period of time</u>. These contributions may be as a judge, a breeder, a field trial official, a reporter, a patron or any combination thereof. The sport is better because of these people who are givers, not takers or self promoters.

Nominations Process

Visit the Election Procedure page on our website at www.brittanyfieldtrialhalloffame.com to review the Election Criteria and Guidelines. A nominator should prepare a bio with facts that outline a dog or person's worthiness to be a member of the BFTHF. The nomination and a photo should be sent by email to jandMBrittanys1@juno.com or by regular mail to Mary Crawford, Corresponding Secretary, 11902 Mile Dr., Houston, TX 77065. Support letters should be sent to mail@BrittanyFieldTrialHallOfFame.com by anyone wishing to add support for a nominee.

Election and Induction

After the nomination period has closed, the BFTHF Election Committee will vote using the bios submitted for each nominee. Normally, no more than two worthy dogs and persons will be elected in any calendar year. Induction ceremonies are held in early February of the following year.

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- 4 PREACHER'S UNHOLY WATER (D), GSP

Open Derby (12S)

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- 1 ROVANS NO STOPPIN DYNAMO (D), by FC/ AFC Rovans Wildman x Rovans Xena Princess Warrior; o Ronnie & Ivan Clark, h Ronnie Clark
- 2 SIGBRIT'S SUGAR AND SPICE JH CA (B), by CH Sigbrit's Catchers in the Rye x CH Sigbrit's Chocolate Kiss; o Alexa Patterson & Bobbie Sigmund, h Alexa Patterson
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- 4 PREACHERS UNHOLY WATER (D), GSP



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1 - COVEYRISE STEADY EDDIE (D), by FC/AFC Coveyrise This Budz 4U x SpringHill's

- Riqueza Del Prado; o Bruce & Karen Conover, h Bruce Conover
- 2 FC BRIAR PATCH MS GABREAL (B), by Hope's Carolina Sunshine x Briar Patch Pearl; o Marvin & Kay Roth, h Marvin Roth
- 3 GFC/FC MARJO'S JOHNNIE WALKER (D),
 by FC/AFC Marjo's Red Rum x Marjo's Fly
 Honey Bella; o Marsha Luisi, h Joe Luisi
- 4 RUGERHEIM'S WILD AXEL VON LOWRY (D), GSP

Open Gun Dog (9S)

J: Joe Luisi & Marshal Luisi

- 1 COVEYRISE WHIZ BANG SAMMI (B), by DC/AFC The Whiz Kid x Becassier's Sawtooth Samantha; o/h Bruce Conover
- 2 DC/AFC RJA CAPTAIN'S HEART-N-SOUL JH (D), by DC/AFC RJA's Paws-Z-Trac x Spring Hill's High Hopes; o/h Douglas C. Welsh
- 3-4 Withheld



FC/AFC COVEYRISE MY GAL SAL

Open Limited Gun Dog (7S) J: Jeff Smith & Ivan Clark

- 1 FC/AFC COVEYRISE MY GAL SAL (B), by NFC/NAFC/FC/AFC Just Call Me Roy x CH BBB's Flashy Rose; o Bruce & Karen Conover, h Bruce Conover
- 2 DC/AFC RJA CAPTAIN'S HEART-N-SOUL (D), by DC/AFC RJA's Paws-Z-Trac x SpringHill's High Hopes; o/h Douglas Welsh
- 3 AFC LOWRY'S RUGERHEIM SASSY SALLY (B), GSP
- 4 Withheld

Open All Age (8S) J: Marvin Roth & Fred Lowry

1-4 - Withheld

ANTHRACITE Freeland, PA November 11-12, 2017

The Anthracite Brittany Club held its fall field trial on November 11-12, 2017 at the Freeland Kennel Club, Weatherly, PA. Saturday dawned cold, with temperatures at 11 degrees and moderate winds. Water buckets froze solid overnight. It slowly warmed up and by Sunday afternoon we had more seasonable temperatures that made it a little more pleasant to sit in the saddle all day.

We had a nice entry of 67 dogs and majors in all three adult stakes. For the first time in several seasons we also had enough entries to run a derby stake. We ran about as many dogs as we could in our shortened daylight hours.

It takes a village to run a successful field trial and we are very appreciative of everyone pitching in to help. Paul Pollack and Marcia Rupnow jumped in to cook breakfast and lunch for us when our kitchen help called out sick. Terry Hilliard created a beautiful dinner for us, which was perfect at the end of a long, cold day. Bird planters Paul Snyder and Jimmy Wilkinson braved the cold all day long to set out birds, and everyone worked to get to the line in good order to keep things moving along. Our judges spent long hours in the saddle watching our dogs. Thank you all.

Thank you for your support, for both entering your dogs and pitching in to help wherever necessary. The spirit of camaraderie and good sportsmanship inherent in our club was evident to everyone who was there. See you in the spring.

Open Derby (4S) J: John Perry & George Habecker

- MIGHTY MILO MILES (D), by Hits All Jack'D Up x Ivy Jane Louise of Hidden Acres; o Doug & Catherine Powell, h Doug Powell
- 2 CIMARRON TRAILS MOUNTAIN MEADOW WILDFLOWER (B), by RJA Captain's Heart-N-Soul x Cimarron Trails Little Miss Annie Maye; o/h Rick Neff
- PACO DEL PRADO (D), by Saradac's Micro Blast x Reidyhill's Cisco Jane; o Leslie & Donna Casselberry, h Leslie Casselberry
- 4 BEAUTIFUL BABS (B), P

Amateur Walking Gun Dog (16S) J: Ray Gubernat & George Habecker

1 - MAGNUM HIGH VELOCITY (D), by High

- Hopes Tiger Jac x High Hope Dot's Original Spice; o/h Vincent Anderson
- 2 LA BANDITA DEL PRADO (B), by Scirocco Del Prado x Kristen Cringle-X Mas Treat KC; o Leslie & Donna Casselberry, h Leslie Casselberry
- 3 CH SHILOH'S HONEY RUN JUST-N-TIME JOSIE SH (B), GSP
- 4 LOUIS THE SUN KING (D), by Clydes Micro Breeze x Six Ridge Marmalade; o/h John Scarangello



DIAMOND HILL WORK HARD PLAY HARDER

Open Gun Dog (26S) J: Ray Gubernat & Russ Bigus

- DIAMOND HILL DANGEROUS WEAPON

 (D), by Diamond Hill Dangerous Man x
 TM's Tennessee Twister; o Paul & Lisa
 Pollack, h Lisa Pollack
- MORNINGSIDE ALL FIRED UP (B), by Hits All Jack'D Up x Morningside Lady Carrigan; o/h Brent Rupnow
- 3 MORNINGSIDE BEAU FORTUNE (D), by Shiloh's Blazin Trid N Tru x Speargrass Kate; o/h Gary Guz
- 4 DIAMOND HILL WORK HARD PLAY HARDER
 (B), by Deuce Is On The Loose x Diamond
 Hill She's Gone; o Paul & Lisa Pollock, h
 Lisa Pollock

Open Limited Gun Dog (19S) J: Mike Mercanti & George Habecker

- 1 MAGNUM HIGH VELOCITY (D), by High Hopes Tiger Jac x High Hope Dot's Original Spice; o/h Vincent Anderson
- 2 KIP'S BAY DARK N' STORMY (B), by FC Coo's Riglee x Kip Bay Zac-A-Tac'N Ellie; o John & Travis Kipp, h John Kipp
- 3 MORNINGSIDE ALL FIRED UP (B), by Hits All Jack'D Up x Morningside Lady Carrigan; o/h Brent Rupnow
- 4 DIAMOND HILL WORK HARD PLAY HARDER
 (B), by Deuce Is On The Loose x Diamond
 Hill She's Gone; o Paul & Lisa Pollock, h
 Lisa Pollock

EAST CENTRAL

PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania Brittany Club Grounds Polk, PA October 21-23, 2017

Amateur Walking Derby (7S) J: William P. Davis & LeRoy Long

- SPRINGHILL'S HAIL TO PITT ROXEE (B), by CH Sigbrits Rattle My Cage x Spring Hills Salida Del Prado; o/h Ed Kennah
- 2 FAIRLEAH'S NEKODA (D), by Ajax Jaro's Josey Wales x Fairleah's Fantaisie; o Brad & Heather Waddell & Richard & Sharon Johnson, h Richard Johnson
- 3 RED OAKS BRACE FOR IMPACT JH (D), VIZ
- 4 FAIRLEAH'S GAMBIT (D), by Ajax Jaro's Josey Wales x Fairleah's Fantaisie; o/h Richard Johnson

Open Derby (10S)

J: LeRoy Long & Brian D. Riggle

- 1 SPRING HILL'S HAIL TO PITT ROXEE (B), by CH Sigbrit's Rattle My Cage x Spring Hill's Salida del Prado; o/h Ed Kennah
- 2 FAIRLEAH'S NEKODA (D), by Ajax Jaro's Josey Wales x Fairleah's Fantaisie; o Brad & Heather Wooddell & Richard & Sharon Johnson, h Brad Wooddell
- 3 RED OAK BRACE FOR IMPACT JH (D), VIZ
- 4 RED OAK'S SON OF A GUN JH (D), VIZ

Amateur Gun Dog (13S) J: LeRoy Long & Brian D. Riggle

- 1 CH REILLOC BERETTA (D), VIZ
- 2 ALDER GAMBLERS FOLLY (D), by DC High Hopes Big Gamble x Alder GT Lucifer; o/h Dennis Sloan
- 3 CH JACI'S I WANT PROOF (B), by Saradac's Micro Blast x Saradac's Smokin Blanca Tatanka; o Jane Bjork & Arthur Hembrough, h Arthur Hembrough
- 4 COVEYRISE'S TANQUERAY N TONIC JH (B), by DC Country Road's Boilermaker x Vem's Close Call Jasmine SH; o Kenneth & Sandra Mewbourn, h Ed Manifold

Open Gun Dog (20S)

J: Robert M. Winter & R. Allen Fazenbakor

- 1 CH WILD MTN'S SHAKE YA GROOVE THING (B), by DC Wild Mtn's Shake Ya Tailfeather x CH Triumphant's Country Music; o Helen Riggle, h Brian Riggle
- FC/AFC SPRING HILL'S RED HOT PERFORMANCE (D), by Spring Hill's High Performance x CH Spring Hill's Salida del

- Prado; o/h John M. Bell
- 3 LARKE STORMIN TREXETTE (B), ES
- 4 CH WILD MTN'S NO DOUBT (B), by DC
 Triumphant's Absolut' On Ice x Wild Mtn's
 Thunderstruck; o Helen Riggle & F.
 Watters, h Brian Riggle

CENTRAL

HAWKEYE Union County Ranch Thayer, IA

October 6-11, 2017

Open Puppy (14S)

J: Steve Ralph & Kendall Brown

- ROYAL FLUSH FARM'S QUEEN OF HEARTS

 (B), by Fire Starter's Crossed the Line
 x Royal Flush Farm's High Roller; o Rich Guzowski, h Ed Tillson
- 2 TNT'S COUNTRY ROAD RUNNER (D), by Country Road's Firecrackor x TNT's Renegade Gal Pal; o Tommy & Linda Thomas, h Tommy Thomas
- 3 CROSS CREEK BAMA JAMA'S NUMBER 44
 (D), by Hope's Chief of Crosscreek
 x Wild Mtn's Midnight Rendezvous;
 o Marcy Beveridge & Roger Stowel, h
 Scott Johnson
- 4 SARADAC'S DANGEROUS DIAMOND CAPER (B), by Diamond Hill Dangerous Man x Kinwashkly Stolen Diamond; o Darlene Dow & Ed Kosta & Lisa Pollack, h Lisa Pollack

Open Derby (27S)

J: Ken Windom & Tommy Thomas

- WINGFORDS ONCE IN A BLUE MOON (B), by Maxwell's Outer Limits x Chancey's Frozen Asset; o Gaylord & Weston Jowett, h Bob Burchett
- 2 ARROW'S AUTUMN SAGE (B), by Beaver's Straight Arrow x Autumn's Silver Sage; o Jo Ann Kish, h Ed Tilson
- 3 SNIKSOH PATTYANN (B), by Sniksoh Spank's Hank x High Hopes Little Ann; o Nick Blasi, h Bob Burchett
- 4 WILLIE MAKEIT (D), by TLM Copilot x J & M Jax Sugar Babe; o Harlan Gerardy, h Scott Johnson

Amateur Gun Dog (14S)

J: Ken Windom & Matt Harris

1 - AFC DIAMOND HILL WORK HARD PLAY HARDER (B), by Deuce Is On the Loose x Diamond Hill She's Gone; o Paul & Lisa Pollack, h Lisa Pollack

- 2 DC DIAMOND HILL DANGEROUS WEAPON

 (D), by Diamond Hill Dangerous Man x
 TM's Tennessee Twister; o Paul & Lisa
 Pollack, h Lisa Pollack
- 3 GCH DC/GFC WILD MTN'S MIDNIGHT RENDEZVOUS (B), by Triumphant's the Heat Is On x Wild Mtn's Lone Star Rendezvous; o Marcy Beveridge, h Roger Stowell
- 4 GCH DC RICOCHET GUNSMOKES MR.
 DILLON (D), by Ricochet Hemi Baracuda
 x Sunshine on My Shoulders; o Mickey &
 J. Condron, h Tommy Thomas

Open Gun Dog (30S) J: Steve Ralph & Matt Harris

- 1 KJ'S DARLIN DARCY (B), by FC Rocklan's Whizzle Stop x FC Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie; o Ken & Jane Windom, h Ken Windom
- 2 DC/NGDC/GFC HOPE'S CHIEF OF CROSSCREEK (D), by CH Hope's Ranger Rick x Sanbar Crosscreek Play By Play; o Wayne & Barbara Pepin & Polly & Bob West, h Bob Burchett
- 3 DC FIRESTARTER'S ALL IN (D), by Ugh Stumblin' From The Shadow x CH DeCans Bitterroot Bridgette; o Andres Christensen, h Ed Tillson
- 4 CH STARLIGHT'S MERCURY OUT RYDER
 (D), by DC/AFC Timberline Strait To The Point x FC Rubyridge's Million Dollar Babe;
 o Teresa Richmond, h Bob Burchett

Grand Open Limited Gun Dog 1hr(30S) J: Gailen Cooper & Sam Williamson

- FC/AFC ST CLAIR'S PRINCE ROCCO
 VULCANO LEO (D), by SLW Prince Duke Jr
 x Misty Morning XXII; o Jon St. Clair,
 h Scott Johnson
- 2 DC/NGDC/GFC HOPE'S CHIEF OF CROSSCREEK (D), by CH Hopes Ranger Rick x Sanbar Crosscreek Play By Play; o Wayne & Barbarba Pepin & Bob & Polly West, h Bob Burchett
- 3 DC ALMADEN'S UNDER LOCK AND KEY (D), by DC Masked Jack Of Diamonds x DC Aladen's Lone Shadow Dancer; o Emmy & Noah Wollenburg, h Ed Tillson
- 4 GCH DC/GFC/AFC TNT'S RAISE'N A RUCKUS (B), by DC Havapal's Renegade Billy Boy x Bourbon's Lucky Penny MH; o Tommy & Linda Thomas, h Tommy Thomas

Amateur All Age (20S) J: Kendall Brown & Jeff Wallace

 FC ANJ'S OHIO HELLION (D), by Grand Junction Jake x High Hopes Little Ann; o/h Mike Poehler

- 2 GCH DC RICOCHET GUNSMOKES MR.
 DILLON (D), by Ricochet Hemi Baracuda
 x Sunshine on My Shoulders; o Mickey &
 J. Condron, h Tommy Thomas
- 3 FC MCCHESNEY'S I GOT MY MOJO WORKING (D), by Ru-jem's A Touch of Bourbon x Lost Creek Kate; o John Chejne & Connie McCaffrey, h John Cheine
- 4 FC KJ'S IRISH WHIZKY (D), by Rocklan's Whizzle Stop x Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie; o Ken & Jane Windom, h Ken Windom



FC MCCHESNEY'S I GOT MY MOJO WORKING

Open All Age (25S J: Tommy Thomas & Jeff Wallace

1 - A TRACE OF BOURBON WITH DIAMONDS

 (D), by Touch of Bourbon Little Chug
 x Sniksoh Little Diamond; o Rick & Becky
 Hasting, h Scott Johnson



FC ANJ'S OHIO HELLION

- 2 FC ANJ'S OHIO HELLION (D), by Grand Junction Jake x High Hopes Little Ann; o Mike Poehler, h Bob Burchett
- 3 FC KJ'S IRISH WHIZKY (D), by FC Rocklan's Whizzle Stop x FC Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie; o Ken & Jane Windom, h Ken Windom
- 4 DC KINWASHKLY TEMPO (D), by Trademark's Iceman x Kinwashkly French Velour; o Joyce Teutsch & Leslie Andreas, h Ed Tillson

GREATER SAINT LOUIS

Sportsman's Grounds Grovespring, MO October 11-14, 2017

Open Puppy (7S)

J: Burton Wice & Joe Williams

- 1 REDBUD JAKE (D), by FC Jac's Over Aces x Gun Creek Zipper; o/h Stan Williamson
- BLACK CREEK WHIZKI SKIP (D), by Black Creek Blaze x Gun Creek Whizki; o John Hall, h Chad Holman
- 3 TNT'S COUNTRY ROAD RUNNER (D), by Country Road's Firecracker x CH TNT's Renegade Gal Pal; o Tommy & Linda Thomas, h Tommy Thomas
- 4 BAMAJAMA WILLY'S SASSY SADIE (B), by Hope's Chief of Crosscreek x Wild Mtn's Midnight Rendezvous: o/h Mitch Sims

Open Derby (7S)

J: Tommy Thomas & Dave Capstick

- SNIKSOH PATTY ANN (B), by GFC/FC/AFC Sniksoh Spank's Hank x NAGDC/GAFC/FC/ AFC High Hopes Little Ann; o Nick Blasi, h Bob Burchett
- 2 SKF WILLY'S MISS MOLLIE (B), by DC/ AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x SKF Little Miss Beretta; o Mitch Sims, h Bob Burchett
- 3 GETOVERIT (B), by Banjo XVII x Suddenly I See; o Pam Baird, h Chad Holman
- 4 BLACK CREEK WHIZKI SKIP (D), by Black Creek Blaze x Gun Creek Whizki; o John Hall. h Chad Holman

Open Gun Dog (17S)

J: Stan Williamson & Joe William

- 1 TNT'S RAISE 'N A LEPRECHAUN (D), by TNT's Sirius Renegade Buddy Boy x TNT's Raise 'N A Ruckus; o Tommy & Linda Thomas, h Tommy Thomas
- 2 GCHS CH SOVEREIGN'S CHASING LEGENDS (D), by CH Alar's The Rocketeer x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips;
 o Dawn & Joe Droel, h Bob Burchett
- 3 HEHI'S SLIM CHIPLEY (D), by Biebel's Huckleberry Huck x Rebel Jac's Kentucky Flyer; o Matt Healey, h Bob Burchett
- 4 CH CROSSCREEK SANBAR WE JUST COULDN'T SAY NO (D), by DC Sanbar Crosscreek Repete Call x Crosscreek Liberty Bell Holly; o Barbara & Wayne Pepin & Polly & Bob West, h Bob Burchett

Open All Age 1hr(21S)

J: Kendell Schmidt & Joy Lewis

 1 - GFC/GAFC/FC/AFC JJ'S LEVI THE LION HEART (D), by Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x Sandbank Rose; o/h Joe Williams

- 2 CAPTAIN FINN (D), by FC Rocklan's Whizzle Stop x FC Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie; o Brad Gray, h Bob Burchett
- 3 HEHI'S SLIM CHIPLEY (D), by Biebel's Huckleberry Huck x Rebel Jac's Kentucky Flyer; o Matt Healey, h Bob Burchett
- 4 CH STARLIGHT'S MERCURY OUT RYDER
 (D), by Timberline Strait to the Point x
 Rubyridge's Million Dollar Babe; o Teresa
 Richmond, h Bob Burchett

HEART OF ILLINOIS

Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA Chandlerville, IL October 28 -29, 2017

Open Puppy (8)

J: Teresa Richmond & Ray Trimble

- BUCK'S HENRI TIGRE (D), by Gilmore's House Run James x Rincer valley's Jesse; o/h Bradford Bucklin
- 2 FALCON'S BONNIE BROCK KOOZ (B), GS
- 3 WOODSWAY'S FLASHBACK (D), ES
- 4 DOGWOOD'S PEARL OF GREAT WORTH
 (B), by DC Turningpts Landslide x

Dogwood's Ruby-Doo; o/h Todd Parmenter

Open Derby (6S) J: Paul Kuipers & Ray Trimble

- DOGWOOD'S TOP SHELF TEQUILA (B), by Dogwood's Buckmark x Pour Me Another Tequila; o Jacob Parmenter, h Todd Parmenter
- 2 GETOVERIT (B), by Banjo XVII x Suddenly I See; o Pam Baird, h Chad Holman
- 3 BLACK CREEK WHIZKI SKIP (D), by Black Creek Blaze x Gun Creek Whizki Skip; o John Hall, h Chad Holman
- 4 EASTON'S PEACHES NEVENE (B), by AFC Lost Creek Cast A Shadow x Nevene's One Tuff Cookie; Taylor Easton, h Brad Bucklin

Amateur Gun Dog (4S) J: Ed Janulis & Donna Janulis

- 1 CH DOGWOOD'S BENELLI (D), by Dogwood's Buckmark x Dusty Dan; o/h Todd Parmenter
- 2 CH BISCUIT'S ME WEARING THE PANTS (D), by DC/AFC Biscuit's Ecko Of Dreams JH x CH Jagoub's Zydekoko; o Thomas W. Jagielski & D. Connell, h Thomas W. Jagielski
- 3-4 Withheld

Open Gun Dog (8S) J: R Albin & Paul Kuipers

1 - FREE STATE CHANCE (D), by FC Jake Acres In Disguish x FC Material Girl; o Pam S.

- Baird, h Chad Holman
- 2 KOOZ'S CROOKED CREEK OF WHITELAIL MH (D), GS
- 3 SHOT OF WHIZKI (D), by DC Hi Proof Whiski x Alliwannado; o Pam Baird, h Chad Holman
- 4 CH BISCUIT'S BUDDHA BANSHEE (D),
 by DC/AFC Biscuits Ecko of Dreams JH x
 CH Jagoub's Zydekoko; o Thomas W.
 Jagielski & Debra M. Connell, h Tom
 Jagielski

Amateur Limited Gun Dog (5S) J: Ed Janulis & Donna Janulis

- 1 CH BISCUIT'S ME WEARING THE PANTS (
 D), by DC/AFC Biscuit's Ecko Of Dreams
 JH x CH Jagoub's Zydekoko; o/h Thomas
 W. Jagielski
- 2 SILVERTHORN'S SNAPPER JIM (D), WEIM
- 3 CH STARLIGHTS CLOUDED TITAN (D), by NAGDC/DC/AFC Clyde's Double Trouble x CH Starlight's Zeta Tauri; o Teresa Richmond & T. Brauer, h Teresa Richmond
- 4 CH BISCUIT'S BUDDHA BANSHEE (D), by DC/AFC Biscuits Ecko Of Dreams JH x CH Jagoubl's Zydekoko; o Thomas W. Jagielski & D. Connell, h Thomas W. Jagielski



AFC BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP

Amateur All Age (5S) J: Tom Jagielski & Jay Walsh

- 1 Withheld
- 2 SERENDIPITY'S TOP PRIORITY (D), by CH Serendipity's Heart R Wild x GCH/CH Starlights Tawny Tara; o Elaine Kuipers, h Paul Kuipers
- 3 FC WHIZKI'S STING (B), by DC Hi Proof Whizki x FC Sting; o Edward & Judy Graves, h Ed Janulis
- 4 AFC BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP (D), by FC Broadway Joe VI x Brendi Brook's Cowgirl Up; o/h Ray Trimble

Open All Age (14S) J: Tom Jagielski & Jay Walsh

1 - SHOT OF WHISKI (D), by DC Hi Proof

- Whiski x Alliwannado; o Pam Baird, h Chad Holman
- 2 SILVERTHORN'S SNAPPER JIM (D), WEIM
- 3 SERENDIPITY'S TOP PRIORITY (D), by CH Serendipity's Hearts R Wild x GCH/CH Starlights Tawny Tara; o Elaine Kuipers, h Paul Kuipers
- 4 DAN'S MAKER'S MARK (B), by FC Jac's Over Aces x FC Whiski Stint; o Edward & Judy Graves, h Chad Holman

ILLINOIS Pyramid State Park Pickneyville, IL November 2-5, 2017

The Fall Illinois Brittany Club Trial ran without a hitch this year thanks to the hard work of all our volunteers. Dave Capstick picked up the birds, Ray Trimble the Dog Food, Maurine Richter the kitchen, Ed Graves & Don Markiewicz planted birds, Joe Junge ran the dog wagon, Mary Jo Trimble was the road guard, and Judy Graves cooked. Our judges were terrific, always on the line, and very attentive. As usual, we were appreciative of the support of Nestle Purina for their monetary gifts as well as the dog food which powers our dogs. We dodged the bullet when it came to weather this year. The rain always came after the day's running and stopped before we started each morning. This made for some sloppy footing, but not once did we get wet from the sky.

The trial started with our Grand Open Limited All Age hour stake (Jim Holman Classic). With 20 dogs coming to the line, Dale Pool & John Burkhart had a fine entry to look at. Unfortunately, some days the birds were in hiding and at other times they proved too much temptation. Donovan Markiewicz's Cross Creek Argus Early Chirstmas (Gus) came away the winner. Chad Holman guided Gus throughout the course with a minimum amount of handling and excellent bird work. Gus is now a Dual Champion! Chad also ran the 2nd place dog, High Hope's Jac's Original Spice, who had a nice forward race and good birdwork. Veteran Field Trialer Ray Trimble racked up another placement with Brendi Brooks Cowboy Up. Well done, Ray!

Ed Janulis qualified his dog Gun Creek Gangster (Doc) by winning the Amateur All Age. Once again Ray Trimble was in the mix with Jack Alexander and Dale Pool pushing the winners. Stan Williamson also earned Derby Points as his Redbud Jake took top honors in the Open Derby.

The National Vizsla Championship was going on across the road from us and we welcomed the Anderson's who ran their Vizsla in the Open Gun Dog. We also welcomed Jim Winen, former Brittany trainer, who came to visit when not running his string of Vizslas on the Denmark Unit.

As a side note, we now have electric available for overnight campers at the barn, as well as a new refrigerator and stove in the clubhouse. Many thanks to Friends of Pyramid along with Jim & Kay Lawless and Doug & Judy Reisner for making this happen.

Open Derby (4S)

J: Donna Janulis & Ed Janulis

- 1 REDBUD JAKE (D), by FC Jac's Over Aces x Gun Creek Zipster; o/h Stan Williamson
- TOM BRADY (D), by Clack Creek Deacon x Lee's Rescue Belle; o D. Johnson, h JoJo Johnson
- 3 GETOVERIT (B), by Banjo XVII x Suddenly I See; o Pam Baird, h Chad Holman
- 4 Withheld

Open Gun Dog (3S)

J: Stan Williamson & John Burkhart

- 1 FC FREE STATE CHANCE (D), by FC Jake Acres In Disguish x FC Material Girl; o Pam Baird, h Chad Holman
- 2 CH FORTIUS 1988 NIGHTS A BLAZIN (D), VIZ 3 & 4 Withheld

Amateur All Age (13S) J: Dennis Sullivan & John Burkhart

- 1 GUN CREEK GANGSTER (D), by FC
 Odyssey's Ace of Hearts x Dixie Brandon's
 Joy; o Ed & Donna Janulis, h Ed Janulis
- 2 AFC BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP (D), by FC Broadway Joe VI x Brendi Brook's Cowgirl Up; o Ray & Mary Jo Trimble, h Ray Trimble
- FC REMMI (D), by Grizzly Big Sky Noz Peree x Dakota Big Sky Sioux; o Jason McGuirk & Dianna Quinn; h Jack Alexander
- 4 BANJO XVII (D), by FC Gunrunner's Lady's Man x Desert Rose IV; o/h Dale Pool

Open All Age (10S

J: Dennis Sullivan & John Burkhart

- 1 GFC/FC DRIVING MISS DAISY II (B), by County Line Ace's High x Famous Chick; o/h Burton Wice
- 2 CH CROSSCREEK ARGUS EARLY CHRISTMAS JH (D), by Hopes Ranger Rick x Sanbar Crosscreek Early Call; o Donovan Markiewicz, h Chad Holman
- HIGH HOPES JAC'S ORIGINAL SPICE (B), by FC/AFC High Hopes Tiger Jac x High Hopes Dot's Original Spice; o Kathy





Front: Chad Holman with Cross Creek Argus Early Christmas; Donna Janulis with High Hope's Jac's Original Spice and Mary Jo Trimble with Brendi Brooks Cowboy Up.

Back: Roger Ford, Jack Alexander, Charlie Baglan, Dale Pool, Judge, Ed Janulis, John Burkhart, Judge, Ed Graves & Stan Williamson

Gulembo & Cindy Cropek, h Chad Holman

4 - Withheld

Jim Holman Classic Grand Open Limited All Age 1hr (20S) J: Dale Pool & John Burkhart

- 1 CH CROSS CREEK ARGUS EARLY CHRISTMAS (D), by Hope's Ranger Rick x Sandbar Crosscreek Early Call; o Donovan Markiewicz, h Chad Holman
- 2 HIGH HOPES JAC'S ORIGINAL SPICE (B), by FC/AFC High Hopes Tiger Jac x High Hopes Dots Original Spice; o Kathy Gulembo & Cindy Cropek, h Chad Holman
- 3 AFC BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP (D), by FC Broadway Joe VI x Brendi Brooks Cowgirl Up; o Ray & Mary Jo Trimble, h Ray Trimble
- 4 Withheld

3 - TEQUILA SONRISE (D), by NAFC/GFC Spanish Corral's Sonny Patch x CH Shadow's Peppermint Twist; o Jessica Carlson, h Ed Tillson

 JAZZ EM UP ARROW (D), by DC Sanbar's Legendary Evening x CH Sanbar Crosscreek Tell Me A Story; o/h Rick Hastings

Open Derby (24S)

J: Tom Milam & Dr. Robert Rankin

- 1 JWB ARCTIC CAT (B), by Maxwell's Outer Limits x FC Chancey's Frozen Asset; o Jack & Crystal Alexander, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 2 TEJAS ONE AND ONLY (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Esko's Git The Tequila; o Mitsue Nakamura & Don White, h Vic Carrington
- 3 GLADE RUN RUGER (D), BY Glade Run Solo Uno x Glade Run Bonnie; o David Webb, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 4 SHE'S OUTA CONTROL (B), by FC TLM Copilot x FC/AFC Mk's My Lil Ammo; o/h Harlan Gerardy

MIDWEST

INDIAN NATIONS Ardmore, OK October 20-21, 2017

Open Puppy (8S)

J: David Downing & Tom Miliam

- 1 QUANAH (D), by NAFC/GFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet;
 o Robert Rankin & Tom & Linda Milam, h
 Tom Milam
- 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 Rich Guzowski, h Ed Tillson

Open Gun Dog (18S

J: E. J. Hall & Kim Ochoa-Hall

- FC/AFC BEAVER'S STRAIGHT ARROW CUTTER (D), by CH Trugritz Briers Gift x Big Sky Brandy II: o Richard & Amanda Beaver, h Richard Beaver
- 2 FC HIGHPOINT SPIKE'S SOUTHERN REVIVAL (B), by Shasta's Spike From Evil Roy x Southern Breeze; o Ben & C. Kuykendall, h Ben Kuykendall
- 3 TLM PETE NOCONA (D), by Yankee x TLM Hidden Money; o Tom & Linda Milam, h Tom Milam
- 4 CH SHADOW'S TRIBUTE TO TJ (D), by DC Shadow Attack x Sniksoh Tequila Caliente;



HIGHPOINT SPIKE'S SOUTHERN GAL

Amateur All Age (13S) J: David Downing & Vic Carrington

- DC KINWASHKLY TEMPO (D), by FC/AFC
 Trademark's Iceman x Kinwashkly French
 Velour; o Leslie Andreas & Joyce Teutsch,
 h Robert Rankin
- 2 HIGHPOINT SPIKE'S SOUTHERN GAL (B), by FC Highpoint Southern Spike x Flatrock's I'm Watching You Dad; o/h Trey Baer
- 3 FC/AFC SS RIG'S COLORADO GUN RUNNER (D), by FC Eleets Colorado Blue x Gunrunner's Diamond Forever; o Tom & Linda Milam, h Tom Milam
- 4 STRAIGHT ARROW REVELIE'S HEART (B),
 by DC/AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow
 x DeSeeker Lone River Revelie; o Richard
 & Amanda Beaver, h Richard Beaver

Open All Age (21S)

J: Trey Baer & Kim Ochoa Hall

- HIGHPOINT BLAZIN' HIGH NOON (D), by FC/AFC Highpoint Blazin' Lamont x FC Southern Breeze; o/h Ben Kuykendall
- 2 FC/AFC FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED THE LINE (D), by FC Making R-Point x FC Windtuck's Enough Said; o Andrea Christensen & Vicki Rankin, h Ed Tillson
- 3 KASHMIR (D), by Cedar Valley Flyby x Super Natural; o Robert Rankin, h Tom Tracy
- 4 REV'N GUNRUNNER'S TILLY (B), by Felter's Rev'n Lobo x Gunrunner's Diamond Forever; o Weldon & G. Eberhardt, h Tom

Tracy

NORTHERN COLORADO

Rudy Budin Ranch Stoneham, CO October 28-29, 2017

Open Puppy (4S) J: Steve Cheng & John Mehoney

- 1 MILOMIX TAHOSA QUILL (D), GS
- 2 JUST TURN BACK TIME (D), P
- 3-4 Withheld

Open Derby (9S)

J: Andi Christensen & Chris Corliss

- 1 EMMAS RED RAIDER (D), by Hap's Spice Rum Beckham x Ajax Dark Side Mila; o Emma Crowley, h Emma or Rich Crowley
- 2 SOUTHWIND'S TESTING THE LIMITS (D), VIZ
- 3-4 Withheld

Amateur Gun Dog (8S)

J: Marc Devos & Chris Corliss

- GODFATHER'S F.N. ROCKSTAR (D), by BBB's Lucky Strike x Ganster Girl Running Wild Sadie Ann; o/h Ethan W. Hilberg
- 2 GUILTY FILTHY SOUL (D), ES
- 3 NAFC RICECREEK TAHOSA THOR JH (D), GS
- 4 Withheld

Open Gun Dog (11S)

J: Mark Keegen & Corey Ling

- GODFATHER'S F.N. ROCKSTAR (D), by BBB's Lucky Strike x Ganster Girl Running Wild Sadie Ann; o Ethan W. Hilberg, h Steve Chang
- 2 AFC TABLE MOUNTAIN LULU (B), by Foster's Buddy II x Decan's Blazin' Bye; o/h Allen Davis
- GODFATHER'S LUCKY NICKEL (D), by BBB's Lucky Strike x Spanky's Little Rascal My Pick Missy; o/h Steve Chang
- 4 CH DIAMOND C'S BLAST FROM THE PAST GABI (B), VIZ



GFC/FC/AFC SNIKSOH SPANK'S HANK

Open All Age (13S) J: Don Collins & Corey Ling

- 1 INDIAN SUMMER (B), P
- 2 BIG TERROR (D), P
- 3 GFC/FC/AFC SNIKSOH SPANK'S HANK (D), by FC/AFC Sniksoh Little Rascal x Decan's Blazin Bye; o Jeff & Liz Hoskins, h Jeff Hoskins
- 4 FC/AFC DIAMOND C'S RUBY JEWEL (B), VIZ

SOONER

Lake Murray Trail Grounds Ardmore, OK October 22-23, 2017

Open Puppy (8S)

J: Tom Tracy & E. J. Hall

- JAZZ EM UP ARROW (D), by DC Sandbar's Legendary Evening x DC Sandbar Crosscreek Tell M O Story; o/h Rick Hastings
- 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 Rich Guzowski, h Ed Tillson
- 3 TJ'S KICKIN' UP DUST (D), by NFC/DC/ AFC Tequilla's Joker x DC Alar's Dirty Dancer; o Jessica Carlson, h Ed Tillson
- 4 JOSEY'S JAZZ EM UP RASCAL, by DC Turning Points Landslide x Wild Mountain Masterpiece; o/h Rick Hastings

Open Derby (28S)

J: Kim Hall & E. J. Hall

- 1 JWB ARTIC CAT (B), by Maxwell's Outer Limits x Chancy's Frozen Asset; o Jack & Crystal Alexander, h Tom Tracy
- 2 ARROW'S AUTUMN SAGE (B), by Beaver's Straight Arrow x Autumn's Silver Sage JH; o Jo Ann Kish, h Ed Tillson
- 3 TEQUILLA'S HOT TOMALE (B), by FC/ AFC Firestarter's Crossed The Line x Sniksoh Tequilla Callente: o/h Ed Tillson
- 4 QUANAH, by NAFC/GFCFC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?;
 o R. Rankin & Tom Milam, h Tom Milam

Open Gun Dog (11S)

J: T. Tracy & E.J. Hall

- DC ALMADEN'S UNDER LOCK AND KEY
 (D), by DC Masked Jack Of Diamonds x DC
 Alamaden's Lone Shadow Dancer; o
 Emmy & Noah Wellenbedg, h Ed Tillson
- FC HIGHPOINT BLAZIN' MEG (B), by FC/ AFC Highpoint Blazin' Lamont x FC Southern Breeze; o/h Ben Kuykendall
- 3 FC HIGHPOINT SPIKES'S SOUTHERN REVIVAL (B), by Shata's Spike From Evil Roy x Southern Breeze; o/h Ben Kuykendall
- 4 Withheld

Amateur All Age (13S) J: Kim Hall & E. J. Hall

- GFC/FC/AFC KINWASHKLY FAT BASTARD
 (D), by Leah's Running Jayhawk x
 Kinwashkly French Valour; o Bo Ackerman
 & Leslie Andreas, h Tom Milam
- 2 DC KINWASHKLY TEMPO (D), by FC/AFC Trademark Iceman x Can DC Kinwashkly

- French Val; o Leslie Andreas, h Bob Rankin
- 3 FC/AFC FIRESTARTER CROSSED THE LINE
 (D), by FC Makin R-Point x FC Wintuck
 Enuf Said; o A. Christensen & Vickie
 Rankin, h Bob Rankin
- 4 CHIEFS CROSS PLAINS COPPER BREEZE
 (D), by Chiefs Double Guage Nick x
 Nubbins Breeze Of Victory; o/h Craig
 Rucker

Open All Age (24S) J: Joyce Tuetsch & Tom Milam

- DC KINWASHKLY TEMPO (D), by FC/AFC Trademark's Iceman x C DC Kimwashkly French Valour; o Leslie Andreas, h Ed Tillson
- 2 FC JAGOUB'S BUZZ'N BAYOU, by R & G Buzzcut x Jagoub's Jambalaya; o Tom & Debbie Jagielski, h Tom Tracy
- 3 FC/AFC FIRESTARTER'S CROSSED
 THE LINE (D), by FC Making R-Point x FC
 Windtuck's Enough Said; o Vickie Rankin &
 Andi Christensen, h Ed Tillson
- 4 FC RAMMER JAMMER JAX (D), by NAFC/ FC/AFC TLM Frequent Flyer x Flatrock's I'm Watching You Bad; o Arthur Baer, h Trey Baer

TEXAS COASTAL Boyd Ranch Wortham, TX November 3-5, 2017

The weather was unseasonably hot and dry at the Boy Ranch leased by Four Corners Association for field trials. Water tanks were very low and tubs with water were put on the course for the dogs. Rain is sorely needed. Due to a mysterious illness among dogs on some strings, our entry was only 63 dogs.

Pros Ben Kuykendall and Vic Carrington attended as well as our Texas friends with Brittanys and other pointing breeds. We thank them for coming.

The Open Gun Dog major was won by Craig Johnson and his Roxie, her first broke dog major and new club member Erin Sneed's Parker took the Open Puppy. Vic Carrington placed Third and Duke first and second in the Open Derby for their owners Ramon Helton and Dick Mantler. Jim Crawford's Tuck won both the Open and Amateur All Age and Duane Floyd's Doc garnered the Amateur Walking Derby first.

All placements were well received and we sincerely thank our judges E. J. and Kim Hall, Charlie Collier, Tim and Mary Hidalgo and Trey Baer.

We thank club members at our trial.

Steve Hintzel and Robert Power saddled horses, planted birds and went to town to get tanks filled with water. Willo Barfield cooked breakfast every morning and helped with other meals.

Club member Amanda McGavin ran her new pup Glory for the first time in a trial and a new club member Karen Stolar drove up with her new pup to see what trialling is all about.

A huge "Thank You" to all who attended and we hope to see you again in January when we will have three field trials in 10 days: the Fort Worth, Texas Coastal and Alamo Clubs, January 12-21. Make plans now to come.

Open Puppy (7S)

J: J Crawford & Charlie Collier

- 1 PARKER'S RAMPART REBEL (D), by Power's Zero Zinn x Power's Princess Remington; o/h Erin Sneed
- 2 DANDY'S ONE CHANCE (D), by Floyd's Dandy Dee x Gunn Slingin' Annie; o/h Duane Floyd
- 3 DANDY'S LAST CHANCE (B), by Floyd's
 Dandy Dee x Gun Slingin' Annie; o/h Ron Kerr
 4 HINTZEL'S SCOUTS TRILOGY (D), by
 Hintzel's Field Scout x Hickory Hills Love Song;
 o/h Steve Hintzel

Amateur Walking Derby (7S) J: Tim Hidalgo & K Ochoa-Hall

- 1 DANDY'S ONE CHANCE (D), by Floyd's Dandy Dee x Gun Slingin' Annie; o/h Duane Floyd
- 2 SETTER DOWNS ONE MORE SHOT (D), IS
- 3 HINTZEL'S SCOUTS TRILOGY (D), by HIntzel's Field Scout x Hickory Hills Love Song; o/h Steve Hintzel
- 4 DANDY'S LAST CHANCE (B), by Floyd's Dandy Dee x Gunn Slingin' Annie; o/h Ron Kerr

Open Derby (15S)

J: Charlie Collier & K Ochoa-Hall

- TEJAS BLAZING SUN (D), by Rusty's Runaway Buck x Esko's Git the Tequila; o Vic Carrington & Ramon Helton, h Vic Carrington
- 2 DAKOTA SUN'S SEMPER FI (D), by Dakota Sun x Bail Out; o Dick Mantler, h Vic Carrington
- 3 J&M SUGAR'S HIGH FLYER (B), by TLM CoPilot x J&M Jax Sugar Babe; o Jim & Mary Mary Crawford, h Jim Crawford
- JAX BLAZIN BENNY (D), by Rammer Jammer Jax x Highpoint Blazin Meg; o Bobby Ruffin, h Ben Kuykendall

Amateur Gun Dog (9S) J: E. J. Hall & Kim Hall

- 1 SETTER DOWNS HOT STUFF (D), IS
- 2 CH HINTZEL'S SCOUTS RENEGADE RUSTLER (D), by Hintzels' Field Scout x Faison's Mexican Moonshine; o Steve Hintzel & Willo Barfield, h Steve HIntzel
- 3-4 Withheld

Open Gun Dog (13S) J: E. J. Hall & Kim Hall

- 1 CJ'S SPRING CREEK ROXIE (B), by Black Creek Deacon x J&M Jax Sugar Babe; o/h Craig Johnson
- 2 MCMULLEN'S CYRUS JIM (D), ES
- 3 AFC RUBY JUNE (B), ES
- 4 CH HINTZEL'S SCOUTS RENEGADE RUSTLER SH (D), by Hintzel's Field Scout x Faison's Mexican Moonshine; o Steve Hintzel & Willo Barfield, h Steve Hintzel

Amateur All Age (8S) J: Charlie Collier & Steve Hintzel

- J&M TUFF ENUF TUCK (D), by Black Creek Deacon x J&M Jax Sugar Babe; o Jim & Mary Crawford, h Jim Crawford
- 2 MCMULLEN'S CYRUS JIM (D), ES
- 3 FC HIGHPOINT SPIKES SOUTHERN REVIVAL
 (B), by Shasta's Spike From Evil Roy x
 Southern Breeze; o Ben & Carolyn
 Kuykendall, h Craig Rucker
- 4 Withheld



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Open All Age (4S) J: Charlie Collier & Kim Hall

- J & M TUFF ENUF TUCK (D), by Black Creek Deacon x J&M Jax Sugar Babe; o Jim & Mary Crawford, h Jim Crawford
- FC CHECOTE (B), by Dakota Luke x Musketeer Carpel Dier; o Dick & Cindy Mantler, h Vic Carrington
- 3 J&M SHOOT THE BREEZE (B), by Jerob's Tradewind Clipper x J&M Jax Sugar Babe;
 o Jim & Mary Crawford, h Jim Crawford
- 4 Withheld

WEST COAST

CALIFORNIA Spanish Ranch New Cuyama, CA October 27-29, 2017

The California Brittany Club held their fall field trial at the historic Spanish Ranch in New Cuyama, California. Dan and Pam Doiron have once again graciously allowed the club to use their beautiful ranch for our trial. We run a single course up and down Kelly Canyon, through the oak trees and chaparral. The canyon sides range up to give the dogs the opportunity to show themselves on the hills. A road meanders up the canyon, so participants and visitors can ride the dog wagon, ably driven by AJ, Dan Doiron's son, and observe the action. The weather was sunny, dry and unseasonably very warm...even for California!

The ranch has a lovely cabana and kitchen that host the meals and gatherings...luxury for west coast field trials! This year all of the delicious meals were organized by hard working Peggy Doiron. Many club members and friends pitched in to help with food preparations and clean-up.

Judges Bruce Hale, Ed Dixon, Ellis Herz, Claude Kilpatrick, Jan Kilpatrick, Joe Gower and Tom White, spent long hours in the saddle to judge our dogs through the very warm Indian summer days. Club members and friends worked hard to plant quail to add to the wild coveys that live in the canyon.

Paul Doiron chaired another great trial, assisted ably by secretary, Myra-Dawn Ellis. Peggy Doiron was constantly in motion keeping track of all of the details. It was a great trial, with great food and time together with good friends, old and new, and our wonderful Brittanys.

Open Puppy (9S) J: Tom White & Ed Dixon

- GUNNS CALIFORNIA COUNTRY DREAM'N
 (B), by NAGDC/NGDC/FC/AFC Peter Gunn
 x Destiny Willbemyne; o Charles D. Pereira,
 h Paul Doiron
- 2 KINWASHKLY RUSTYRIDGE JUSTIFED
 (B), by DC Kinwashky Dirty Ned Pepper x
 Kinwashkly Single White Female; o Claude
 & Jan Kilpatrick, h Claude Kilpatrick
- 3 BRETON'S BEAR FROM TWISTER MOUNTAIN (D), by DC Breton's Sam I AM x Tequila Twister; o James S. & Mary N. Cullor, h Scott Azevedo

 4 - LEONA VALLEY'S KODIAK BEAR (D), by Leona Valley's Sonny Bear x Leona Valley Annie Get Your Gun; o George Benoit, h Jay Benoit

Open Derby (9S)

J: Tom White & LeRoy Merrell

- 1 DYNAMITEMAKEIT (B), by NAFC/GFC/FC/ AFC Spanish Corrals Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o Peggy Jeanne Doiron, h Paul Doiron
- LOCK AND LOAD RUGER (D), by FC Kiger Hills Louee x Lock and Load Daisy; o Dakota & Brandon Zamudio, h Ed Dixon
- 3 VETELYTARS WIDE RANGE (D), VIZ
- 4 SIMON'S STANDING STONE (D), by GCH/ CH Ory's Marshal Dillon SH
 x CH Crosscreek Millicent of the Mountain;
 o Nancy Hensley, h Scott Azevedo

Amateur Gun Dog (8S)

J: Claude Kilpatrick & Jan Kilpatrick

1 - AUNT TROJI'S DIRTY NIKE (B), GSP

2-4 - Withheld



FC K NINE'S ON THE LOOSE

Open Gun Dog (32S) J: Ellis Herz & Joe Gower

- FC K NINE'S ON THE LOOSE (B), by NAFC/ FC/AFC Maxwell's Blew By You II x K Nine's Guns & Roses; o Linda McDonald & Arlette Hennessey, h Paul Doiron
- 2 PREMIER'S FORCE OF NATURE (D), P
- 3 SWEET PAWNEE'S BULLSEYE (D), GSP
- 4 FC/AFC QUAIL ROCK TOO TOUGH (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Wishful Thinking; o Ellen Weinfurtner, h Paul Doiron

Open All Age (13S) J: Ed Dixon & Bruce Hale

- FC MAXWELL'S PRICKLY PETE (D), by NAFC/FC/AFC Maxwell's Blew By You II x Maxwell's Quick Silver; o/h Phillip Emery
- 2 FC RUSTY RIDGE WHERE U BEEN (B), by NAFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o Jan & Claude

- Kilpatrick, h Paul Doiron
- 3 JT COPPER BUCKAROO JH (D), by FC Kiger Hills Louee x Lock and Load Daisy; o Jeff Minch, h Paul Doiron
- 4 Withheld

SAN DIEGO Claymine Rd. California City, CA November 4-5, 2017

Amateur Walking Puppy (8S) J: W Eizman & Carl Babb

- 1 VETELYTARS WIDE RANGE (D), VIZ
- 2 ORY'S RODEO PRINCESS ROCKS
 CYNISTER, by GCH/DC Ory's Marshall
 Dillon x GCH Copley's Fun N' Games; o
 Ryan & Cathie Magoon, h Ryan Magoon
- 3 MYTHIC'S LINUS (D), VIZ
- 4 CALIAH'S SIERRA OCEANS OF GRACE (B),
 by GCH/CH RJ's Sierra Edition MH x CH
 Caliah Sanbar's Floating River; o Margaret
 & Eric Protherd, h Shellie Systma

Open Puppy (8S) J: Raul Pineda & Greg Knight

- 1 CAMELOT'S & WOLRAM'S ROLLIN' POKER CHIP (D), by CH Camelot's Coppers Rollin' Four Dice JH x GCH/CH Wolram's Diamond Lil JH; o Kurt & Jeri Conklin, h Jeri Conklin
- 2 CALIAH'S SIERRA OCEAN'S OF GRACE (B), by GCH/CH RJ's Sierra Edition MH x CH Caliah Sandbar's Floating River; o Margaret & Eric Prothero & Shellie Sytsma, h Mary Brown
- 3 POSO CREEK'S PHANTOM OF THE FOREST (D), GSP
- 4 LEONA VALLEY'S KODIAK BEAR (D), by Leona Valley's Sonny Bear x Leona Valley's Annie Get Your Gun; o George & Alice Benoit, h George Jay Benoit

Amateur Walking Derby (9S) J: W. Eizman & Carl Babb

- 1 Withheld
- 2 AC TOUCHSTONE'S BLUE BULLET (D), WEIM
- 3 CAMELOT'S & WOLRAM'S ROLLIN' POKER CHIP (D), by CH Camelot's Coppers Rollin' Four Dice JH x GCH/CH Wolram's Diamond Lil JH; o Kurt & Jeri Conklin, h Jeri Conklin
- 4 MYTHIC'S LINUS (D), VIZ

Open Derby (9S) J: Raul Pineda & Greg Knight

ORY'S RODEO PRINCESS ROCKS
 CYNISTER (B), by GCH/DC Ory's Marshall
 Dillon SH x GCH Copley's All Fun N'

- Games; o Ryan & Cathie Magoon, h Ryan Magoon
- 2 MUD BONE MAKING WHOOPEE JH, VIZ
- 3 MYTHIC'S LINUS (D), VIZ
- 4 Withheld

Amateur Gun Dog (18S) J: Jeff Rhine & Warren Eizman

1 - AUNT TROJI'S DIRTY NIKE (B), GSP

- 2 MV'S GRB'S PINEDAS BIRDBUSTN CHULADA (B), GSP
- 4 FC RENEGADE'S PONCHO (D), by Renegade's Bourbon On The Rocks x Renegade's Lily: o/h Louis Schmitz

Open Walking Gun Dog (18S) J: R Pineda & Greg Knight

- 1 PINEDAS BIRDBUSTN RASCOE JH (D), VIZ
- 2 AUNT TROJI'S DIRTY NIKE (B), GSP
- 3 FIRESTORM PACIFIC DUKE MH CGC (D), VIZ 3 SHERLOCK AYERS, by Blue Collar's High Stakes Poker x Missy Ayers; o Lance & Tammy Ayers, h Lance Ayers
 - 4 CEDARIDGE KIP'S CAMELOT SHAY TRE' JH (B), by Cedaridge Tri-tip Kip x FC KWK Windswept Guinevere of Camelot JH; o Jeri Conklin & Nancy Hultquist, h Jeri Conklin

2018 BRINGS SOME CHANGES TO ABC

The year 2018 will bring some changes to a few ABC procedures and addresses that are presently used. The yearly election of directors, officers and the appointment of committees does not usually affect the day to day operation of the club, but this year will be slightly different. The retirement of longtime Executive Secretary, Mary Jo Trimble, will require several changes in some of the procedures and addresses of the club procedures. Because of several extra jobs taken on by Mary Jo over the years, it became necessary to move some of those duties to other officers and committees. Longtime ABC member, Leslie Andreas, has been appointed by the ABC board of directors to fill the executive secretary position. Leslie, for the past year and a half has been shadowing Mary Jo to learn the procedures and duties of the executive position. The Board of Directors is confident that Leslie will do a great job in filling this position. All regional clubs and ABC event managers should be aware that there will be notifications in the next few months explaining the changes to the present procedures.

THANK YOU, MARY JO

The officers, directors and membership of the ABC wish to thank Mary Jo Trimble, "MJ', for her long and dedicated service to the Brittany Breed and the American Brittany Club and we wish her well in her retirement. Mary Jo was the longest continuous serving Executive Secretary of the ABC with twenty years of dedicated service. The Executive Secretary position is the heartbeat of the American Brittany Club as the day to day operation of the club and enforcement of policy is overseen by that position. It is amazing that in the past seventy years, the American Brittany Club has had only five people who have held that job. The first two Executive Secretaries were Nickie Bissell and Joy Watkins. These two ladies were also the editors of the American Brittany Magazine at the same time they held the Executive Secretary position. Joy was followed by Velma Tiedemann who served for several years before retiring because of family sickness. Next, the job was handled by Betty Welles who held the job for only a couple of years. Joy Watkins Searcy replaced Betty for a few years until Mary Jo was appointed and began her long-term service. All these ladies deserve our thanks and appreciation for doing a job that requires an enormous amount of time and dedication.

Bob Fleury

HUNT TESTS

NORTHERN VIRGINIA Dillwyn, VA October 14-15, 2017

October 14, 2017 Junior Hunter (12S) J: R. Hobbs & M. Vollmer MAXWELL "MAX" BLACKMON, o Phyllis Cowley POLO'S SCADLET BEGONIA, o Linda Ouellett

Senior Hunter (4S) J: J. Petroski & M. Siegmund No Qualifiers

Master Hunter (5S) J: T. Thorp & P. Romerio No Qualifiers

October 15, 2017 Junior Hunter (11S) J: J. Petroski & M. Siegmund TATOR'S RED ALERT, o Harriet Condon MAXWELL "MAX" BLACKMON, o Phyllis Cowley

Senior Hunter (3S) J: P. Hudson & M. Vollmer No Brittany Qualifiers

Master Hunter (5S) J: J. Birdsall & P. Hudson No Brittany Qualifiers OZARK Joplin, MO October 28-29, 2017

October 28, 2017
Junior Hunter (9S)
J: Barbara Chapman & Dale Daniels
CIMMARON GOOD TIMES CHARLIE, o Mike &
Jo Krause

Senior Hunter (3S)
J: Barbara Chaman & Dale Daniels
No Qualifiers

Master Hunter (5S) J: Barbara Chapman & Dale Daniels No Brittany Qualifiers

October 29, 2017

Junior Hunter (8S)
J: Barbara Chapman & Stephen & Buford
CIMMARON GOOD TIME CHARLIE, o Mike &
Jon Krause

Senior Hunter (3S)
J: Barbara Chapman & Stephen Buford
No Brittany Qualifiers

Master Hunter (5S) J: Barbara Chapman & Stephen Buford No Brittany Qualifiers SOUTHERN KANSAS Irish Creek Outfitters CSA Yoder, KS October 28-29, 2017

October 28, 2017
Junior Hunter (14S)
J: Torrie Yordy & Thomas R. Wynn
DIAMOND CREEK'S TAKE THE CROWN, o Amy
& David Budke
GRANMAR'S KOULD BE EZEE ABENDROT, o
Carl Danna Karlee Jody Ziese & Howard
RAZORHAWK'S LI'L MILLESCENT, o Mike
Farrell

Senior Hunter (9S) J: Terrie Yordy & Thomas R. Wynn No Brittany Qualifiers

Master Hunter (8S) J: Terrie Yordy & Thomas R. Wynn

October 29, 2017 Junior Hunter (10S) J: Trasa Shinpoch & Matthew L. Harris No Brittany Qualifiers

Senior Hunter (9S) J: Trasa Shinpoch & Matthew L. Harris No Brittany Qualifiers

Master Hunter (5S) J: Trasa Shinpoch & Matthew L. Harris No Brittany Qualifiers

ABC Welcomes New Members

Movember 2017 New Members

Donna Johnson OR

Cathy Foreman TXC

Karen Livingston MAL

Paul Watkins BCK

Bob Parkhurst UNY

Daniel Sena DDS ALA

Omer Burdick MAL

Janice Uline SUS



Britt Lamotte ID

T J Hidalgo MAL

Carol Swinburn MFL

Robert F Shoman GMK

Liz Dell MV

John Mayberry CA

Brian Fredette NNE

Carole Ryder NNE

A SPORTSMAN'S RAMBLINGS

BY MARTY GARRELL

"And what do you do with your horses?" is the standard question posed by friends or casual acquaintances to those who mention horse ownership. Yes, some horses pull carriages, some participate in equestrian events at shows, some compete in dressage, and some race or jump; but the best answer for many horse people is simply "We ride 'em."

Because we compete in the field with pointing dogs, our gaited horses have a primary "job". We ride them in field trials for pointing dogs, traveling many miles through fields and woods, following the dogs, judging the dogs or scouting their whereabouts. But sometimes it's just plain fun to simply ride the horses and not be concerned about the dogs at all—as we found out this summer when we spent three days riding a few of the 130 miles of trails in the Brookfield trail system in the Charles Baker State Forest, located in New York's Madison County.

The weather was nearly perfect, heating up only in the late afternoons. The big forest offered lots of shaded trails, which we rode at a leisurely "walk", perhaps 10-15 miles a day. The scenery was pretty with plenty of wildflowers and almost no biting insects, which may have had something to do with the dry weather or late hatches of flies. Because we rode the Brookfield trail system during weekdays, the trails were surprisingly empty, with a few riders coming through later in the afternoons.

We'd long been aware of trail riders, having come across them in some of the same areas in which we'd run bird dogs, like Southaven Park in Brookhaven. Sometimes the "multiple use" concept at Southaven worked, e.g. when riders paused to let dogs and their handlers get through fields or trails ahead of them. Sometimes confusion reigned, e.g. if riders got between dogs and their handlers, especially if those handlers were on horseback themselves.

At this stage in our outdoor lives with both horses and dogs, we realize there are perhaps more areas with trail riding opportunities than there are for dog field trials.

How does one prepare for trail rides? If you have a long outing planned, you have saddlebags with provisions; of course you dress accordingly, depending on weather. You use sunscreen, insect repellent as needed, and, of course wear a riding helmet. Linda at the Suffolk County Parks Department on Long Island told us she sees more riders after the summer is over when the weather is cooler, and, of course, who wants to ride with foul weather gear on a sour day? It's a good idea to bring halters and ropes to tether the horses if you need to dismount and pause for a while during the ride. Getting back aboard? Don't look for ladders, mounting blocks or step stools along woods trails. A tall horse on flat terrain presents problems, but you learn to adjust stirrups when necessary.

The trail riding experience can vary so much depending on where you go. Brookfield had a nearby guesthouse and stables in Hubbardsville, Endless Trails, owned by O'Mara farms and managed by Meghan Wilcox. We brought our own provisions, stayed at the guesthouse, and kept the horses in a large paddock. We arose at a convenient hour each morning, ate breakfast, saddled up, and rode a halfmile over to the entrance to the trail system; after riding through the early afternoon, we could clean up ourselves and horses, then drive into nearby Hamilton for supper—a perfect end to the day's ride. One nice trail ride makes an outdoors person think about others, too. Besides the local rides in New England, there are a number of interesting rides friends have recommended. An intriguing one is a ride through the battlefields of Gettysburg during which you get a troopers-eye view of that hallowed ground. There are hiking trails in the Catskills and Adirondacks open for horseback riding as well best done, again, in the fall or spring when insects are scarce.

In conclusion, we offer readers the wish from Gene Autry's theme: "Happy Trails to You/ Until We Meet Again!"

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Versatile Brittanys in Action

By Carla Simon



VERSATILITY & AKC ACHIEVER DOG PILOT PROGRAM

From AKC Communicates Newsletter

The American Kennel Club is pleased to announce the launch of its new Achiever Dog certificate program. The AKC Achiever Dog certificate program is designed to recognize those exhibitors and dogs who participate in multiple sports. A dog will receive an AKC Achiever Dog certificate when they have been awarded a placement or earned a qualifying score in three different sports. Dogs can start earning AKC Achiever Dog certificates December 1, 2017.

AKC is launching the Achiever Dog as a pilot program. At the end of one year, all owners who have received a certificate will be surveyed to determine the success of the program. Opportunities for improvement will be identified and could lead to a more refined program which recognizes these versatile dogs.

AKC AGILITY COURSE TEST (ACT)

The Agility Course Test (ACT) is a fun, entry-level event designed to introduce beginning dogs and their handlers to the AKC sport of Agility. Learn more on the AKC YouTube channel: https://youtu.be/HFIgHYdqMuw

POSITIVE IS NOT PERMISSIVE

While pondering what to write about this month, inspiration struck! In fact, three 12-week-old pups inspire me daily. Sometimes they make me proud. Sometimes they make me laugh. And sometimes I think how positive is not permissive.

Have you embraced the idea of positive training, without questioning the limits? It may seem impolite to ask about dealing with rude behaviors. Even if you're a rewards-based trainer, there will be some times when even the cutest puppy will cross the line of intolerable behavior,

when it's ok to say no, and stop the misbehavior as soon as possible.

Punishment Free Zone?

Punishment is essentially an action or object reduces the chance that a behavior will recur in future. It's impossible to avoid altogether. If you don't think you punish your dog, think again. Every time you end a training session and stop the fun, you are punishing your dog by taking away the rewards. The other type of punishment is more obvious, when you add something like jerking the leash.

Punishment ranges from a mild punishment like quietly ignoring your dog, to harsh screaming or corporeal punishment, according to your approach. The art of dog



Photo of Brittany puppy about to nip my hand while teething, © Hunter's Heart Kennels 2017.

training is choosing when you will punish or reward and what that will look like. Thinking about potential scenarios in advance may give you some ideas for options when you are shocked by your pup's misbehavior.

What Inappropriate Behavior?

Experienced dog owners know inappropriate behavior when they see it, (sometimes before it even happens). My examples might not be exactly the same as yours. But here are some things I won't tolerate:

Nipping so hard it hurts (I expect teething puppy to mouth me and objects, as they will largely age out

of it when provided with suitable toys)

- Humping a human's leg (mine or visitors). I do allow humping toys (see photo below).
- Urination or defecation while working
- Jumping up to try to grab the food inside my pocket or hand, on the dinner table or counter
- Masturbation in public (yes, dogs do it too, but it's not conducive to a good performance in dogsports)
- Running up my body to rush at my face while I'm down low at the puppy's level e.g. to grab my hair
- Destroying my belongings or training supplies.

Which behaviors do you allow? I'm sure there are many other relevant examples. Maybe it's more important to you that your dog doesn't jump up on people, since he may hurt young children or knock someone down. Keep those you like and forget the rest.

When to Draw the Line

So when should you say no? When in doubt about whether to allow a behavior, ask yourself if it's something you want your dog to be doing while:

- A. You have guests over for a holiday dinner
- B. You are appearing on TV, or
- C. You're competing in dogsports. If you don't like the behavior, then consider doing something to interrupt, stop or change it.



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

Drawing the line on inappropriate behavior should carefully consider the dog in question. For example, my softest, inexperienced 12-week-old puppy was barking at me today in between nosework searches. I ignored it. I was happy that he was searching in a distracting new training environment, and getting fired up about the work. Because he was too busy sniffing during the searches to bark, I feel the behavior isn't significantly impacting on our work and I want to motivate him without dampening his enthusiasm. But if I was training his experienced, high drive, 12-year-old grandmother, and she chose to bark and spin instead of searching, I would definitely take her by the collar and remove the reinforcement, then restart. That way I am not allowing her to rehearse unwanted behaviors that would hurt our work in future.

SHARE YOUR VERSATILE BRITTANY STORIES

Email webmaster@huntersheart.com your Brittany stories, brags and photos, including dogsports and activities that demonstrate the versatility of our breed. We'd like to share the highlights in an upcoming issue. Carla Simon is a nosework instructor, agility judge, Canine Good Neighbour evaluator and breeder from Calgary, Canada. Her Hunter's Heart Brittanys have achieved Top 5 rankings in agility, obedience and conformation.



REGION 19 AAA BRITTANY CHAMPIONSHIP



Valentine, Nebraska
Kent D. Patterson





L to R: Rob Rohner, Judge; Tom Milam with Glade Run Irish; Steve Ralph; San Williamson with Ru-Jem's "Last" Penny; Dr. Pat McInteer, Judge; Jerry McGee; Kent Patterson with Alar's Dirty Dancer; Bob Rankin; Jim Harms with Sophie

The generosity of Jim and John Harms allowed the reemergence of the Region 19 AAA Britany Championship. Formerly held in Bonesteel, SD and sponsored by the Ringneck Brittany Club, the 2017 running was coordinated by the St. Croix Brittany Club with Steve Ralph at the helm. The American Brittany Club Pheasant Championship has been held on this beautiful Nebraska Sandhills ranch in recent years, pairing an amateur championship attracted a large contingent of owner/amateur handlers. The spacious ranch is a blend of meadows and sandhills providing a challenging and scenic landscape by which to show a dog. The three hour courses covering over 20 miles provided dogs with plenty of country to showcase their talent. Wild birds were pointed, ridden-up, or seen on most every brace.

With a course of this magnitude, having dogs available for successive braces is a challenge. It requires someone who knows the ground, courses, gates, and equipment to safely transport humans and canines. John Harms knows the country and Tehrani Motors of Valentine Nebraska provided two crew cab Polaris UTV's that allowed flawless execution of this important task. The main dog wagon Polaris was equipped with a hard shell enclosure, electric windows, and heat, which, according to those that rode in it, provided a luxurious experience that the rest of us on horses in cold rain were longing to experience. Purina continues to be an excellent partner in support of the American Brittany. Their food and merchandise are always welcome gifts to those that work hard to put competitive dogs on the ground.

This championship could not have been conducted without the significant effort of Tom Tracy, Jr. His hard work in setting up the

three courses, planting birds, and marshalling was a herculean task that allowed amateurs from across the country to enjoy one of the most spectacular venues available to the Brittany community.

Dr. Pat McInteer of Falls City, NE and Rob Rohner of Burchard, NE were in saddle to look over the field of 34 dogs. Both are intimately familiar with the sport and the upland game that inhabit the Sandhills. Pat's Nemaha Kennels has produced a number of highly decorated champions and he was elected to the Field Trial Hall of Fame in 2014. Rob campaigned a large string of field trial Brittanys early in his career winning the ABC National Championship, the US Open, and numerous other championships. His current business, uplanddogworks.com, turns young dogs into accomplished hunting companions to meet the needs of the avid hunter. Both gentlemen set a consistent pace by which handlers could show their dogs.

The champion was found in 8-year-od Glade Run Irish, handled by Tom Milam, scouted by Kent Patterson for owner David Webb of Valencia, PA. Irish is no stranger to the winner's circle. He is the reigning American Brittany Club National Amateur All Age Champion and the 2016 Purina All Age Dog of the Year. Irish is on the string of professional trainer Tom Tracy, Jr. based out of Virginia, NE.

Runner-Up Champion was Ru-Jem's "Last" Penny handled by Steve Ralph, scouted by Stan Williamson for owner Jerry McGee of Steward, IL. Jerry was riding in the Tehrani Motors Polaris UTV to watch his charge. Penny is also consistently near the winner's circle having won the Nebraska Championship in the spring and runner-up in the Prairie State Championship. Third place was Alar's Dirty Dancer handled by Kent Patterson, scouted by Richard Beaver for owner Jessica Carlson Tillson.

Fourth place was Campbell's Razz-Ma-Tazz handled by owner Frank Campbell, scouted by Richard Beaver.

The Running

Things started with a bang... literally... as the sandhills experienced its first major storm event of the fall. Temps were in the mid 40s, angry skies, and wind.

Brace 1: Piney Run Jake – Kent Patterson and Driving Miss Daisy – Burton Wice. Dogs were away west of the main ranch under ominous skies. By the time we reached the north meadow at 15, there was lightning and rain on the nearby hills. When the event intensified to the point where horses were trying to turn around, the judges decided to suspend the running. This brace would drop to the end of the trial for a "do-over".

Brace 2: MK's My Lil Ammo – Harlan Gerardy and Georgia Texas Two Step – Travis Tangen. Once the weather cell that wreaked havoc in the first braced north, we were away with Georgia and BB. Both moved well as we headed west and swung north. They were showy on the east fence at 15. As we hit the far north meadow the standing water and cold temps began to take a toll on Georgia. Travis picked up at the gate as we came out of the hills. BB made game coming out of the north meadow along a fence line with a breach of manners that had her on a rope at 20.

Brace 3: Campbell's Razz-Ma-Tazz – Frank Campbell and Tequila Scorcher – Richard Beaver. Razz and Lincoln were away at the gate in the west meadow and probed the margins of the course as we turned south. In the jug handled loop at 20, Razz made a move deep along the fence and was standing in neck high prairie grass. As Frank was crossing the fence a nice covey of sharptails took flight with all manners in order. By 30, Richard made the decision to pick up. Razz continued the hour with logical cast at moderate range.

Brace 4: Highpoint's Spike Southern Gal – Trey Baer; Redrock's Seismic Sniksoh – David Lincoln. Elle was flashy on the ground making casts that held everyone's attention with her only bird contact a stop to flush, at time. Mickey was a handful on this day and picked up after two non-productives.

Brace 5: Crescent City Girl – Barry Steinmetz and Just Call Me Lucky Ned Pepper – Frank Campbell. The weather was beginning to deteriorate but it didn't seem to slowing Girl down as she was a handful over the early portions of the course. She wasn't pleasing her handler at 34 and was leashed. Ned had a find at 15 and took steps.

Brace 6: Bammer Jammer Jax – Trey Baer and Kashmir – Bob Rankin. At Trout Lake, the bottom fell out followed shortly by lightning. Both dogs had big races but were together a lot with scouts going to multiple fences to get them back. Neither had bird work to their credit.

Brace 7: Hoochie Coochie Man – Kent Patterson and Kinwashkly Fat Bastard – Tom Milam. Weather was still in the area Sunday morning so a decision was made to hold off until noon. Karl and Fatz were at moderate range early. Karl made a big move east down along a lake that took some time to pull him out while Fatz was building in speed and range as the course turned west.

Kent asked for the tracker at 25, Fatz had pheasant encounter then got him a ride on the wagon.

Brace 8: Ru-Jem's Last Penny – Steve Ralph and Carpe Diem – David Lincoln. Penny was the model of consistency as she maintained the front swinging with her handler. Early in the hour, she was stopped and deer were seen leaving the area. She was standing with excellent style at 36 with Trout Lake in the background. Birds went east with all manners in order. She had a non-productive at time in the pheasant meadow. Carp hit the marsh meadow at 15 and a lengthy exercise to pull him out was unsuccessful.

Brace 9: Brendi Brooks Cowboy Up – Ray Trimble and Jagoub's Buzz'n Bayou – Jack Alexander. Trace and Skeeter started in Pheasant meadow. Trace was barely up to speed before one took him out near the windmill. Skeeter continued to move well in the hills headed north. As we came down near Ballard's Marsh, he went into a hillside of sunflowers with pheasants pouring out in pairs to end his hours.

Brace 10: KJ's Irish Whizky – Ken Windom and SS Rig's Colorado Gun Runner – Tom Milam. Mickey and Rigs had their sneakers on early moving through the hills in nice fashion down to the marsh with Rigs pointing where Judge McInteer had seen a bird land. He recovered quickly with a beautiful find near camp as the pheasant shot north. He suffered two non-productives to end his bid. Mickey was wide and flashy the entire hour but had no birds to his credit, he needed one badly.

Brace 11: Arrow's Tequila Rustler – Richard Beaver and Ocaje – Terry Gowin. Ocaje was scratched so Richard and Rusty had course one to themselves until a lone sharptail 10 minutes into the brace got wild. Rusty was curious enough to follow it for just a little too much to end the brace.

Brace 12: JJ's Levi the Lion Heart – Joe Williams and Glade Run Irish – Tom Milam. Irish was sailing far to the front along a western fence line when he froze. Tom pushed a cackling pheasant to the north. Levi went into the northern hills and it took some good scout work to pull him out as the course turned south. Levi was standing at 25 as the course heads into the sandhills, Irish backing in a picturesque scene. Birds had been seen in this area each time through but they couldn't be produced on this occasion. Irish was credited with a stop to flush not 100 yards away from Levi's find after being released. We had both dogs as we came out of the hills with Irish making a big move to the southern end of a meadow that extended into a flashy move up and into the hills. He rolled over the remaining 15 minutes of the brace finishing on a far flung eastern cast.

Brace 13: Kokomo Josey Joe – Kent Patterson and TLM Tejano Bob – Tom Milam. Josey and Bob made a nice big swing in the horseshoe loop with Josey coming out first and hanging on the hillsides. He continued wide, being seen sparingly, as we headed toward Trout Lake. He showed far to the front on the Pheasant Meadow fence and finished on a far western hill with no birds to his credit. Bob was at moderate range through the hills and Tom had seen enough by the 20-minute mark.

Brace 14: Alar's Dirty Dancer – Kent Patterson and JJ's Diablo With Rusty Tears – Joe Williams. Dani and Rusty had their sneakers on as the field trial party rolled through the sandhills toward Ballard Marsh. Dani was seen infrequently but far to the

front then came out of the hills to hear handler near the marsh. She cruised the south hills as the course neared camp and was found standing in a shelter belt at 47. Judge Rohner had seen a pheasant come out, shot fired, all in order. She finished in the south meadow with a stop to flush on a sharptail. Rusty was a handful on this day with a stop to flush early in the hour. She was searching for a line to run and those are hard to come by in the high hills. Joe elected to pick up at 40.

Brace 15: Alleycat's Drought – Stan Williamson and Kinwashkly's Tempo – Bob Rankin. Tempo headed west on a mission... a mission that took him to parts unknown with Bob asking for the tracker early. Drought suffered two early non-productives and was up by 20.

Brace 16: Sniksoh Windtuck Willy – Chuck Schaefer and CVK's Spartan King – Jack Alexander. Willy and Leo started with a bang as both found the north meadow to their liking. Wily styled up nicely at 12 with Chuck flushing single pheasant, all manners in order. Leo had his eye on the lake to the west which is a huge move, if accomplished. On this day, it was his swan song as Jack requested the tracker at 30. Willy was increasing challenging handler and scout as he got interested in all creatures large and small that live in the marsh. He got behind at 25 on his first trip into the reeds and was pulled forward. At 35, he made a second trip that was his undoing.

Brace 17: Firestarter's Crossed the Line – Bob Rankin and McChesney's I Got My Mojo Working – Steve Ralph. Ty and Mojo were loosed near the single tree west of the ranch. Mojo handled kindly across the meadow to he hills as Ty went out the west end of the meadow then turned south. When Bob turned the tracker on, he was 1.4 miles away. Mojo continued a pleasing

forward patter with no bird work to his credit.

Brace 18: Sparky's Prairie Wind Gypsy – Steve Ralph. Gypsy was in heat and run alone. She was forward but at moderate range over her time down. She suffered two non-productives in Pheasant Meadow.

Brace 19: Piney Run Jake – Kent Patterson and Driving Miss Daisy II – Stan Williamson. Jake and Daisy were away from the windmill at the base of the sandhills that lead back to Ballard's Marsh. Jake had two finds on sharptails in the hills at 12 and 21 with excellent style. Daisy topped a hill and pheasants got up. She stopped but then moved on to end her bid. Jake continued through the meadows leading back to camp where a second non-productive at 57 ended the championship.

Region 19 AAA Brittany Championship Grand Amateur Limited All Age 1hr(34S) J: Dr. Pat McInteer & Rob Rohner

- NAFC/GAFC/FC/AFC GLADE RUN IRISH (D), by Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feather Cocobean; o David Webb, h Tom Milam
- 2 GFC/GAFC/FC/AFC RU-JEM'S "LAST" PENNY (B), by Trademarks ATM x Red Bud Zipper; o Ruth & Jerry McGee, h Steve Ralph
- 3 DC ALAR'S DIRTY DANCER (B), by Lost Creek Timber Ridge x Alar's Sky Dancer; o Jessica Carlson, h Kent Patterson
- 4 FC CAMPBELL'S RAZZ-MA-TAZZ (D), by Terra's Cabo Wabo x Breton's Truckee River Gold; o/h Frank Campbell



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ABR'S HEZA BUSTIN' LOOSE OA OAJ OF RATO (D), o Lisa Brower

OPEN BARN HUNT (July 2016)

CH RAO'S KNOW WHEN TO HOLD 'EM ACT2 RATO CGC (B) by CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside JH x GCH CH Lyric's I Am...I Said, o Lisa Brower, b Elaine Rhodes & Becky Rao

OPEN BARN HUNT (November 2016)

FAIRCHILD PUZZLE SADIE RN CAX RATO (B) by Dexter Bo Maverick Archer x Saddie B Kayla Archer, o Tammy Lynn Lorch, b Jennifer Archer

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (May 2017)

DOGWOOD HOLLOW SUNSHINE FROM ABOVE CGC (B) by CH Dogwood Hollow Legends of the Fall x CH Dogwood Hollow A Little Bit of Heaven, o Karen Loring & Kathryn Durno, b Timothy Durno & Kathryn Durno & Geri Clements & Cheryl Mika

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (June 2017)

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

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (July 2017)

MIDAS TRU LOVE'S KISS CGC (B) by Rebel's Hightail Lukedogg x Midas Klick Tat's Hot Ta Molly, o Mr. Mark E Ingalls & Mrs. Susan M Ingalls, b Dale Shores & Rosalie Shores

ADVANCED CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (August 2017)

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

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (September 2017)

OPPS ON A DOUBLE TEQUILA NIGHT NAP NJP CGC (B) by Sovereign's Git-R-Done x Ged's Alar Lady Liberty, o Katy Gill & Jason Gill, b Ryan Geddie & Jessica Carlson

CH TRIUMPHANT'S FLYING CIRCUS RN 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

DOCK SENIOR (September 2017)

CH RUSTIN'S CEO AX MXJ OF DS (D) by GCH CH MACH7 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 Kristin L Kamholz D.V.M., b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

AKC Results for October 2017 DUAL CHAMPION

DC STARLIGHT'S MERCURY OUT RYDER (D) by DC AFC Timberline Strait To The Point JH x FC Ruby Ridge's Million Dollar Babe UD, o Teresa Richmond, b Jan Hamner

CHAMPION - bred by exhibitor

CH LABY RINTH A KISS'LL COST YA (B) by GCHG CH Shelttany's Against All Odds x CH Laby rinth Nmr Champagne Kisses, o/b Karen Hanson CH MAPLE BROOK'S HIDDEN TREASURE JH CGC (B) by DC AFC Ginjac's Heatin It Up x GCHB CH Triumphant's Absolute Evel JH CGC, o/b Mrs. Peggy Aguiar

CH WHY NOT THE ARSONIST (D) by GCH DC NAGDC AFC Triumphant's To

Hot To Handle JH x CH Why Not Two In The Bush, o Emilie Peterson, b Emilie Peterson & Ms. Dianne Kroll

CH WIND MTN'S WARRIOR PRINCESS (B) by DC Wind Mtn's Ironman x CH Wind Mtns Bombshell, o/b Connie Strom

CHAMPION

CH GRANMARS BIG GIRLS NEED BIG DIAMONDS (B) by GCHS CH Marsport Hot To Ride Lucky Seven MH x CH Granmars Diamonds Paid In Full, o Tim Foley, b Janet Rivers & Tim Foley

CH JZ'S LITTLE MOOSE ON THE LOOSE (D) by DC AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x Warbonnet's Little Ida JH, o James O'Connor & Alexandra O'Connor, b Mr. James C O'Connor & Todd A Breitenfeldt & Alexandra K O'Connor & Sari Breitenfeldt

CH MOONBABE GRAB THE TIGER BY THE TAIL NA NAJ (D) by CH Moonbabe Never Say Always JH x Moonbabe Holiday Vacation JH, o Barbara Dunn, b Dimi Morse

CH WAYPOINT DEACON OF THE HUNT JH (D) by Waypoint Chancey Diamond Riker x GCH CH Ammo's Arms Deal, o Thom Christnagel, b Joyce Roberts & Vic Williams

GRAND CHAMPION

GCH CH CARRAE'S GIVE IT ALL YOU GOT (D) by GCHP CH Dream Hi's Don'T Hate The Player Hate The Game x GCH CH Rockwell's Zoey JH, o Carlie Lassle & Rhonda Lassle. b Carlie Lassle

GCH CH CLASSIC'S CAN DO HI DILEMMA (B) by GCHB CH Premier's The Chosen One Of Dream Hi x GCH CH Classics Can Do Lady Isabelle RATO, o/b Mary Wolnewitz

GCH CH LABYRINTH CHEERS TO THAT JH (B) by GCHG CH Shelttany's Against All Odds x GCH CH Labyrinth Nmr Ready For Confetti, o Reva Fay Dickson & Karen Hanson, b Karen Hanson

GCH CH MARSPORT SAUCY NOSE ROUSER (D) by GCHS CH Marsport Hot To Ride Lucky Seven MH x CH Marsport Tribute To Trouble JH, o Roger Lautt, b John W Marsman

GCH CH MY TREY'S MARCO POLO STKS (D) by GCH CH My Triple Credit Stks JH CA x GCH CH My Dual Lanes Let Freedom Ring Stks, o/b Thomas Schrank & Sandra Schrank

GRAND CHAMPION BRONZE

GCHB CH TRIO'S EVERLASTING DREAM RN TKI (B) by GCHS CH Sunquest Star Vue's Special Edition x GCHB CH Rainbow's Bippity Boppity Boo, o Louise Griffin & Jim Griffin & Sam Griffin, b Karen Livingston & Clint Livingston

FIELD CHAMPION - bred by exhibitor

FC FREE STATE CHANCE (D) by FC Jake Acres In Disguish x FC Material Girl, o/b Pam S Baird

FC KJ'S DARLIN' DARCY (B) by FC Rocklan's Whizzle Stop x FC Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie, o/b Kenneth E Windom & Jane Windom

FIELD CHAMPION

FC SHAILORVILLE' S TUCKER (D) by Birch Hill's Hobo x Centerville's Whim, o Tom Maule, b David Marshall

DC STARLIGHT'S MERCURY OUT RYDER (D) by DC AFC Timberline Strait To The Point JH x FC Ruby Ridge's Million Dollar Babe UD, o Teresa Richmond, b Jan Hamner

GRAND FIELD CHAMPION

GFC FC AFC ST.CLAIR'S PRINCE ROCCO VULCANO LEO (D) by SLW Prince Duke Jr x Misty Morning XXIII, o Jon E St. Clair, b Steven Wedel & Kyle Wedel

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION

FC AFC PALMETTO POINTE'S AUTUMN'S BLAZING STAR (B) by Special Duty x Windancer Kansas Star, o Tiffany and Tom Bass, b Rev. C L Thomas GCH DC AFC RICOCHET GUNSMOKES MR. DILLON (D) by DC Ricochet Hemi Baracuda JH x Sunshine On My Shoulders, o Mickey Condron & Judy Condron, b Carole J Krohn & Robert C Krohn

NATIONAL GUN DOG CHAMPION

NGDC GFC FC AFC MAGNUM HIGH VELOCITY (D) by FC AFC High Hopes Tiger Jac x High Hopes Dots Original Spice, o Vincent Bruce Anderson, b Cynthia Cropek

NATIONAL AMATEUR GUN DOG CHAMPION

DC NAGDC NGDC AFC HIGH HOPES DARK NITE (D) by NFC DC AFC Gamblers Ace In The Hole x NAGDC FC AFC High Hopes Fly By Nite, o/b Cynthia Cropek & Albert L Cropek Jr.

COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT

GCH CH BROOKEWOOD KROWN ROYAL CDX BN GN RE OA NAJ CGC (D) by CH Brookewood's Power Play THD x GCH CH Brookewood N Ginjac Steaming Hot, o/b Ms. Cynthia A Miller & Karen E Brown & Russell Walborn

OBEDIENCE MASTER 1

GCHS CH HOPE'S EXCEEDING THE SPEED LIMIT UD 0M1 (D) by GCH CH Tonan-Hope's R U Kiddin' Me x CH Triumphant's More Than A Memory, o Nancy Hewitt & Douglas Tighe, b Douglas Tighe & Kim A Tighe

RALLY NOVICE

KEILI N GINJAC JUST A LITTLE TOO HOT RN AX AXJ OF (B) by GCHG CH MACH3 Brookewood's Just Too Hot UD RAE MXB2 MJB2 MXF T2B2 x CH Ginjac The Magic Touch, o Mrs. Janice Elaine Brunner, b Gina Currier & E Susan Drazek & Mr. Steve Stewart

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

RALLY ADVANCED

CH KIANA BIRTHDAY SURPRISE RA CGC (D) by CH Dogwood Hollow Ring Of Fire x CH Kiana Precious Moment, o Ms. Lynn Sachie Hirashima, b Diane Kimura Sugiyama & Sandy Sugiyama

RALLY ADVANCED EXCELLENT

CH TRIUMPHANT HOPTICAL ILLUSION CDX RAE MX MXJ MJB OF T2B CGC TKI (B) by CH Triumphant's Back For More x CH Triumphant's Absolute 24. K.T., o Lynn Marie Carlo, b Kristyn McCartney & Linda R McCartney-Roy

JUNIOR HUNTER

BLAZING BULLET FOR MY VALENTINE JH (D) by Ken's Disengaged Bullet JH x Ken's Ittabena Stray Bullet, o Sabrina Lynn Miller & Joshua Paul Miller, b Mr. Kenneth Floyd Plummer

CIMMARON GOOD TIME CHARLIE TD JH (D) by FC Shady Way's Red Tail Hawk x CH Cimmaron's Sweet Stolichnaya, o Mike Krause & Jon Krause, b Amy Heleniak & Christine Ward-Weber

COVEYRISE'S TANQUERAY N TONIC JH (B) by DC Country Road's Boilermaker x Vem's Close Call Jasmine SH, o Kenneth Mewbourn & Sandra Mewbourn, b Sheila Becker & Brent Becker

CH DIAMOND CREEK'S TAKE THE CROWN JH (B) by CH Chisholm Trail's Take A Chance x GCH CH Diamond Creek's Sugar Rush RN JH CGC, o/b Amy Budke & David Budke

FAROUT FIELDS TIKI'S CHORUS OF THE NIGHT JH (B) by GCH CH Farout Fields Let Me At'Em JH x Moonbabe Nike JH, o Ashton Mustion & Jackie Arnold & Lee Mustion, b Jackie Arnold

FOREST LANE MEGAN DE CASWELL JH (B) by Iggins Des Marais Du Piat x Forrest Lane Chloe De Plum Creek, o Jack OBrien, b Sandra O'Brien CH HILL'S A TOUCH OF CLASS JH (B) by GCH CH Hill's Mid-Night Express x Hill's Catch'N The Wind JH, o/b Paul E Hill & Dawn Hill KING FARMS SHERMAN OCONNOR HART JH (D) by Puttin The Hammer Down SH x King Farms Penny, o Anthony Hart & Maribeth Hart, b Eldred King

MILLETTE'S AMERICAN PATRIOT JH (D) by CH Mich Mt. Tri The Magnificent One The Mick x CH Millette's Benelli, o Michelle Millette & Michelle Chaney, b Michelle Millette

MT VIEW'S PERFECT LANDING JH (D) by GCH CH Mt View's Shamus Mclaine MHA x DC AFC Mt. View's Night At The Copa MH, o Domenic Serago, b Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli & Domenic Serago

MT VIEW'S SPECIAL EDITION JH (B) by GCH CH Mt View's Shamus McIaine MHA x DC AFC Mt. View's Night At The Copa MH, o Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli, b Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli & Domenic Serago

CH RIVER RUN SHAKE A TAIL FEATHER JH (B) by GCHS CH Marsport Hot To Ride Lucky Seven MH x GCH CH Kinwashkly Do U Believen Magic SH, o Gail Easter & Joel Dannewitz, b Gail Easter & Terry Courtright

SIGBRIT'S HISPEED GEAR SET JH (D) by CH Sigbrit's Catchers In The Rye JH x CH Sigbrit's Chocolate Kiss JH, o David Wolfe, b Bobbie L Sigmund TURNING POINTS LADY OF VICTORY JH (B) by DC Turningpts Landslide DJ x GCH CH Wild Mountain Masterpiece JH, o/b Julie Nelson

WAYPOINT PRECIOUS PEACHES JH (B) by Waypoint Chancey Diamond Riker x GCH CH Ammo's Arms Deal, o Paul Adamson & Paulette Adamson, b Jovce Roberts & Vic Williams

GCH CH WILD MOUNTAIN MASTERPIECE JH (B) by GCHS CH Wild Mtn's When You Are Hot You'Re Hot! x CH Dirty Bird's Millette Masquerade, o Julie Nelson, b Nan G Crites & Rick D Crites

WINDTUCK'S JUMPING CHOLLA JH (B) by Hideaway's Souvenir of Southpark x Windtuck's Blazing Dynasty, o Lori Hugh, b Leslee J Masolotte & James P Masolotte

SENIOR HUNTER

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

CH GERSTDALE'S SCOUT FOR THE KICK BACK RANCH SH (B) by CH Copley's Gunnery Sergeant JH x GCH CH Gerstdale's Take The Money N'Run JH, o Wayne Ricciardi, b Debbie Inferrera

HOLDEN GUNNY DE SAINTE KELLER SH (D) by Ely Du Talon De Goudron x Kellers Quail Ridge Bella, o Cynthia D Trowbridge, b Paula Mason GCH CH KINWASHKLY DO U BELIEVEN MAGIC SH (B) by DC Kinwashkly Roscius Zoomer x CH Kinwashkly Katydid Magic JH, o Terry Courtright & Gail Easter, b Leslie A Andreas

GCH CH MILLETTE'S TY IS THE TARGET SH CGC (D) by GCH CH Millette's On Target x CH Mich's Mt Millette Drama Queen, o Donald Pfister Jr. & Annette M Pfister, b Michelle Millette & Michelle Chaney

MT VIEW'S SPECIAL EDITION SH (B) by GCH CH Mt View's Shamus Mclaine MHA x DC AFC Mt. View's Night At The Copa MH, o Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli, b Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli & Domenic Serago

GCHB CH POWDER RIVER'S CATCHIN THE HEART OF THE TEAM SH (B) by DC Powder River's Nobody But Me x CH Powder River's So U Think U Can Hunt BN RE, o Glenda J Mazzuca, b Karen Tye & Cheryl Krajcar

MASTER HUNTER

MT VIEW'S PRINCESS ABIGAIL MH (B) by GCH CH Sigbrit's Rattle My Cage JH x GCH CH Mt View's Royal Standard MH, o Edward R Dillon Jr., b Mary A Breininger & Roy Schaeffer & Patricia A Ortelli & David Hendricks PBF'S RUN-N UNDER THE RADAR MAG-E MH (B) by DC Country Road's Boilermaker x CH Country Road's Gold Dust JH, o John Heim, b Mary E Garr

T & J'S OKLAHOMA'S GINGER MH (B) by Remington's Rustic Cody Britt SH x Susanna Dels Oklahoma Britt SH, o Mr. Thomas Fiumarello, b Eric Affuso GCH CH WOLRAM'S OAKLEAF TIMBER MH (D) by DC AFC Superglide Sportster MH x CH Wolram's Turquoise Ridge Joule JH, o/b Suzanne Marlow

NOVICE AGILITY

CREDIT KAZE'S CHALLENGE OF NUPTSE NA NAJ NF (D) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x MACH4 Credit Kaze With A Perfect Diamond MXB2 MJC2 MFG TQX T2B4, o Helen Connell & Hiram Connell, b Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz

GINJAC'S STEVIE NIX NA NAJ (B) by CH Sovereign's Cut To The Chase x GCH CH Goldstar N Ginjac's Avalanche, o Gayle Lape, b Gina Currier & Elizabeth Shellehamer

LYRIC DE L'ESCARBOT JH NA NAJ (B) by Jarred Du Comte De Batz Castelmore x Hazel De L' Escarbot, o Marcia Whitmore, b John P Mooney & Bruce J Mooney

OPEN AGILITY

ISKA DE RCK OA (D), o Andrea J Cuthbert

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

RUSTIN'S MOCKINGBIRD SONG OF SCOUT CD BN OA OAJ CGC (B) by GCH CH MACH7 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 Mr. Edmund J Ronan & Ms. Carol A Ronan, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

AGILITY EXCELLENT

J&A'S TENZING TO THE SUMMIT AX NAJ (D) by J&A's Apple Jack Of Acton JH x Kj's Ramblin' Molly Rose, o Helen A Connell & Hiram Connell, b Ann H Short & John Short Sr.

MASTER BRONZE AGILITY

JASPER MCGAVIN RN MX MXB MXJ MJB MFB T2B2 (D) by Pat Da's Last Bullett Max x Pat Da's Carolina Daisy, o April McGavin, b Patricia F Clary CH TOP SHELF'S JOYFUL LEE JH MX MXB MXJ MJB MXF (B) by CH Jordean Up All Night x GCHG CH Millette's Sweet Memories CD BN RN JH AX AXJ NAP NJP NF OFP, o Andrea Lee, b Wendy A Archinal & Gail Schmieder & Jennifer Krieger

MASTER BRONZE AGILITY PREFERRED

MISS MILEY RAE SMITH AX AXJ MXP2 MXPB MJP3 MJPB OF XFP T2BP (B), o Rebecca Smith & Jim Smith

NOVICE AGILITY JUMPER

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

OPEN AGILITY JUMPER

GCH CH HOPE'S GET A BIRD LEAP OF "FAITH" JH NA OAJ NF (B) by CH Castle One In A Millennium JH x CH Triumphant's More Than A Memory, o Laurie D O'Donnell & Matthew O'Donnell, b Douglas Tighe & Kim A Tighe

MASTER GOLD JUMPER

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

MASTER CENTURY JUMPER 2

MACH3 CREDIT KAZE WITH A PERFECT DIAMOND MXB2 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 MJP6 MJPS PAX MFB TQX MFP T2B2 T2BP, o Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MASTER SILVER JUMPER 3

GCH CH MACH7 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 MJP6 MJPS PAX MFB TQX MFP T2B2 T2BP, o Terrence Santelli & Aimee Schilling, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 3

MISS MILEY RAE SMITH AX AXJ MXP2 MJP3 MJPB OF XFP T2BP (B), o Rebecca Smith & Jim Smith

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 7

MACH12 PACH2 SHILOH OF AGOURA MXB4 MJS4 MXP6 MXPS MJP7 MJPS PAX2 (B) by CH AFC Loki's Blizzard Of Mischief x CH Shiloh's Tru Believer JH, o Leslie Wilk, b Linda McDonald & Pennie Peterson & Lynda Evans

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER PREFERRED

JJ'S ZEVA MX MXJ MXP2 MXPB MJP2 MJPB NF (B) by Brody's Roger Dodger x Smith's Daisy, o Sandy Crighton & Jeff Crighton, b Ernest Rider & Carol Rider

AGILITY FAST NOVICE

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

AGILITY FAST OPEN

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

KEILI N GINJAC JUST A LITTLE TOO HOT AX AXJ OF (B) by GCHG CH MACH3 Brookewood's Just Too Hot UD RAE MXB2 MJB2 MXF T2B2 x CH Ginjac The Magic Touch, o Mrs. Janice Elaine Brunner, b Gina Currier & E Susan Drazek & Mr. Steve Stewart

AGILITY FAST EXCELLENT

SASSY SADIE OF BRITTHAVEN AX MXJ MJB XF CGC (B) by CH Britt Haven's Little Tough Guy JH x Britt Haven's Garnet Tiara, o Linda Baranowski, b Emile J Berlet M.D.

AGILITY MASTER FAST EXCELLENT PREFERRED

CH MACH4 PACH CHILCOTE KAZE JEWEL ON FIRE MXS2 MJC2 MXP4 MXPB MJP6 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 AGILITY CHAMPION 4

MACH4 CREDIT KAZE WITH A PERFECT DIAMOND MXB2 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 MJP6 MJPS PAX MFB TQX MFP T2B2 T2BP, o Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz, b Robert J Howell & Victoria Howell

TIME 2 BEAT

CREDIT CHILCOTE'S WITH SONIC GENIUS AX AXJ XF T2B (D) by GCH CH Chilcote's Credit Genius x GCH CH Credit's Tarnished Copper Penny, o Maribeth Helgesen, b Jessie Schulz & Kathleen Krzeszewski

BCAT

GCHG CH WINDFALLS I PUT U UNDER MY LUV SPELL BCAT (B) by GCH CH Kiana's Windfall All Fired Up x Windfall's In D'Nic Of Time, o Jacqui Campbell & Ben Campbell, b Carla L Cavaco

DCAT

CREDIT'S MINI THE MOOCH DCAT (D) by GCH CH Credit Kaze I Appreciate That x GCH CH Credit's Tarnished Copper Penny, o Jean Bobis, b Kathleen Krzeszewski & Jessie Schulz & Christine Harrison

COURSING ABILITY

BROOKEWOOD'S JUST GIVE ME A CHANCE 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 Ms. Cynthia A Miller & Karen E Brown & Russell Walborn

SIGBRIT'S SUGAR AND SPICE JH CA (B) by CH Sigbrit's Catchers In The Rye JH x CH Sigbrit's Chocolate Kiss JH, o Alexa Patterson & Bobbie L Sigmund, b Bobbie L Sigmund

SCENT WORK CONTAINER NOVICE

CLOVER BOTTOM FEATHER DUSTER RN MH NJP SCN (B) by CH Triumphant Heat O'The Moment JH x CH Saradac's Ruffle My Feathers CD JH, o Larry Mauro & Shirley Mauro, b Clyde Kinneer & Judy L Kinneer

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

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

CHILE CON QUESO CGC (D) by Zak's Single Shot N' A Chaser x Dixie's Blaze'N Star Maddie, o Dr. Scott Calabrese Barton & Dr. Angela Calabrese Barton, b Richard Ostrowski & Roxan Ostrowski

STONY CREEK'S SECOND CHANCE TO SHINE CGC (D) by DC AFC Ajax Frequent Flyer x Cookie XXX, o Gayle Guardado, b Connie Porter & Dave Porter

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

WESTWIND'S GUN RUNNER'S HOPE CGC (D) by GCH CH Meadowview's Bounty Hunter SH x CH Copley's Miss Congeniality CD BN RN, o Judy Curtin & Jack Curtin, b Judy Curtin & Roby n Foust & Mitch Foust & Jack Curtin

ADVANCED CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

MARLA RUBY STERLING CGCA (B) by Mogens x Freya, o Mrs. Mary A Sterling, b Ms. Juli A Laursen

THUNDER POINT'S HRH LILLY CGCA CGCU (B) by CH Shelttany's Millennium Thunder x Thunder Point's Absolute Dream, o Sue Anreukiel, b Anthony Degregorio & Lonnie Degregorio

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN URBAN

THUNDER POINT'S HRH LILLY CGCU (B) by CH Shelttany's Millennium Thunder x Thunder Point's Absolute Dream, o Sue Anreukiel, b Anthony Degregorio & Lonnie Degregorio

TRICK DOG NOVICE

EXEBRIT'S HOT SHOT BN RN OAP NJP ACT2 CGC TKN (D) by CH Exebrit's Feather River Fred BN x GCH CH Sunquest's Little Colorado JH, o Cynthia M Wilson, b Susan Kerns & Laura Altshuler & Natalie Simpson

HURRICANE'S WIND POPPY CGC TKN (B) by Ajax Jaros Josey Wales MH ${\bf x}$ Hurricane Melodrama, o Mercedes True, b Kelly Woerfel

STARLIGHT'S CLIMBING THE HIERARCHY RN CGC TKN (D) by FC Wild Mtn Head Em Up - Move Em Out x GCH CH Starlight's Abracadabra, o Mrs. Jennifer M Hooten-Meyer, b Phyllis Katzel & Teresa Richmond & Paul Katzel

VICTORY'S PRECIOUS PROMISE OA NAJ NF CGC TKN (B) by Thunderwing Woodrow x Thunder Wing Hannah, o Mr. Michael Dennis Spryn & Mrs. Roberta Jean Spryn, b James M Schreiber

TRICK DOG INTERMEDIATE

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

BEST IN SHOW/RESERVE BEST IN SHOW AND GROUP PLACEMENTS

GCHB CH BIG OAKS GIVE EM THE TOUR (D), E Alsabrook/L Brown

- 1 Hot Springs National Park Kennel Club, Dr. A D DiNardo
- 3 Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. S Greendale-Paveza
- 3 Saline County Kennel Club of Arkansas, Mrs. A D Hearn

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

- 2 Elmira Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. J Webb
- 4 Hanover Kennel Club, Mrs. S S Hedgepath
- 2 Hanover Kennel Club, Ms. C S Brown

- 3 Douglasville Kennel Club of Georgia, Mr. E Blake
- 1 Atlanta Kennel Club, Inc., R H Slay
- 4 Newnan Kennel Club, Mr. J Richardson
- 4 Kennel Club of Anne Arundel, D Kepley
- 2 Annapolis Kennel Club, Mr. R Gschwender
- 3 Carroll Kennel Club, Mr. R W Powell

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

4 - Greater Murfreesboro Kennel Club, Inc., Dr. S Keating

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

- 1 Bonanza Kennel Club of Carson City, Ms. L Robey
- 2 Cornhusker Kennel Club of Lincoln, Nebraska, Inc., Mr. J E Noe RBIS/1 Cornhusker Kennel Club of Lincoln, Nebraska, Inc., Mr. J E Frederiksen
- 2 Black Mountain Kennel Club of Nevada, Mrs. E E Berg FYREBYRD 'N RODEO'S HAIL MARY (B), K Richardson/R Wagner
- 3 Mesilla Valley Kennel Club, Inc., Mr. L W Bayne

CH HI-BRITT'S RJ'S BAILEY'S N CREAM (D), K Kanemoto/D Hisanaga

- 4 Windward Hawaiian Dog Fanciers Association, Ms. N Abela GCHG CH LABYRINTH N ILLUSION SLIPPERY WHEN WET JH (D), K HANSON
- 4 Clermont County Kennel Club, Inc., Mr. B Meyer
- 4 Clermont County Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. W G Willhauck

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

- 3 Greater Humble Area Kennel Club. P V Trotter
- 2 Greater Humble Area Kennel Club, Ms. D P Miller
- 4 Tyler Texas Kennel Club, Mr. A Berrios
- 2 Stephenville Kennel Club of Texas, Ms. J M Buehler
- 4 Stephenville Kennel Club of Texas, A D Hussin
- 3 Bell County Kennel Club, Mrs. P D Smith
- 4 Travis County Kennel Club, Mrs. B H Humer

GCHG CH ORY'S CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (B), J Ory/T Ory

3 - Grand Valley Kennel Club, Mrs. J L Stacy

OWNER-HANDLED SERIES GROUP WINNERS

GCHB CH BLUE SAPPHIRE'S THE HEAT IS ON (D), P Rosado/E Cruz RBOH/OHG1 - Brandon Florida Kennel Club, Mr. D Bolus

CH COPLEY'S LOADED SINGLE BARREL JH (D), S Millspaugh

OHG2 - Idaho Capital City Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. P Nykiel

GCHB CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW RISE AND SHINE CA (D), A Geary/C Mika/R Leale

OHG3 - Monroe Kennel Club, D Ericsson

OHG3 - Fulton County Ohio Kennel Club, Mrs. D L Davis

RBOH/OHG1 -Clermont County Kennel Club, Inc., Mr. B Meyer

OHG1 - Newnan Kennel Club. Mr. J Richardson

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

BOH/OHG1 - Greater Murfreesboro Kennel Club, Inc., Ms. J N Paulk MY TREY'S PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL STKS (D) T Schrank/S Schrank

OHG3 - Stephenville Kennel Club of Texas, Ms. J M Buehler

OHG4 - Stephenville Kennel Club of Texas, A D Hussin

OHG4 - Cen-Tex Kennel Club, Inc., Mrs. M Y Pipes

BEST JUNIOR HANDLER

MARY CLAIRE CTIBOR

Douglasville Kennel Club of Georgia

RESERVE BEST JUNIOR HANDLER

ALYEACE GEARY

Mad River Valley Kennel Club, Inc.

PAIGE GIEBEL

Augusta Kennel Club, Inc.

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Hanover Kennel Club

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The Bells of Autumn

PART FIVE

Bonnie in Michigan

The trip to Michigan from California was enjoyable if not somewhat unusual. Rather than drive both cars, we had a tow bar made and pulled the Toyota Celica behind my classic, (a 1964 Mercury Park Lane Convertible). The people rode in the front vehicle, while Bonnie and Sunnie rode in the Toyota. For the entire trip, Bonnie occupied the driver's seat while Sunnie rode in the passenger's seat. You should have seen the looks they would get from passing motorist! Almost everyone did a "double take" when they say what appeared to be a dog driving a car. All those with cameras had to take a picture. It was an especially shocking site at dusk and dawn when you could hardly see the tow bar. For some reason, Bonnie always sat behind the steering wheel, chain of command?

Our first stop was at a rest stop near Tioga pass CA. The ground was covered with about eight inches of snow, and it was the first snow Sunnie had ever seen. Bonnie had to show her the proper way to enjoy snow with a great amount of running and prancing and of course the obligatory shoving of her nose in the snow so she could run around with a little pile of snow on her snout.

We spent a few days at my Mom's house in St. Joseph, MO (for what was to be the last time). It was a nice break from the grueling drive and Bonnie had a field day, being the center of attention as usual. My mother kept saying, "I think Bonnie likes me!" Les remarked that it might have something to do with the fact that mom gave Bonnie a piece of pork roast every time she went by the refrigerator.

Finally, we arrived to spend our first night in our new house. You could hardly have a bigger change of scenery than to move from central California to the great northern woods of Michigan. We lived directly across the street from Lake Huron, and the Oscoda National Forest bordered our back yard. We spent the first night sleeping on army cots by the fireplace and it was wonderful. Bonnie loved the fire and Sunnie slept so close to it we were afraid she would burn herself. Her fur got so hot you could not hold your hand on it! Bonnie had a wonderful time exploring her new environment. As always, she was up for a new adventure. The first thing I discovered was that the fence was too short to keep the dogs in. Between the house and the garage, the previous owners had constructed a latticework type fence by weaving 2x6 inch lumber between posts. Lumber was very cheap in Michigan, especially "wet lumber". The fence was four feet high and was not even a challenge to Bonnie. I spent an entire weekend raising the height of the fence to six feet. I figured there was no way that little dog could get over a six-foot fence. By six o'clock on Sunday night, Les and I were exhausted. A twelve-foot piece of wet lumber weighs a lot, and we had sure used a bunch of them. It was now time for the big test. We put Bonnie and Sunnie in the back yard and I went back in the woods to call them. Nothing happened except they ran around in circles. I then had the brainstorm to go get my shotgun and walk back into the woods. If anything would entice them to try to get over the fence, that would! I didn't even make it to the garage! Both dogs "climbed" the fence and leapt to the ground. You should have seen the look on Les' face. This fence continued to be an ongoing project the entire time we were in Michigan. Modifications included a twelve inch board across the top, forming a lip (to keep them from climbing over), cement blocks around the base (to keep them from digging under),

cement blocks buried deep into the ground (to keep them from digging further under), and a variety of other sure fire fixes. Suffice it to say Bonnie was always smarter than the fence and I never did get it perfected.

You may recall that Les was not exactly thrilled to be moving from her beloved California to what she called the great frozen wasteland. I convinced her by telling her it would be a great career move for me and that Oscoda was the "Banana Belt" of Michigan. I gave her some mumbo jumbo about the proximity to Lake Huron affecting the weather (it did, it's called Lake Effect snow). One morning when I was slightly hung over, Les woke me up at first light, saying, "Come here! Come here! You've got to see this." She finally cajoled me into getting out of bed and stumbling into the front room. You could only see out the top six inches of the windows because the blizzard of the night before had piled snow over the rest and there was about two feet of snow on the ground. I looked out at the frozen, barren sight and she said, "You see any damn bananas growing out there?" Les did a lot more research before we made any more moves; somehow I think my creditability took a little hit over the Michigan move.

Our first hunting in Michigan was for ruffled grouse. In my opinion these are the most difficult game birds to hunt. They are called "thunder chickens" for a reason. You only find them in the heaviest cover and you hear a heck of a lot more of them than you see. It's not uncommon (when the leaves are still on the trees) to hear ten birds flush for every one you see. Bonnie and Sunnie were excellent grouse hunters! The best tribute I can pay to them is the fact that, on many occasions, we would hunt all day in the thickest cover of the North woods and I would never have to call a dog! This is very difficult hunting indeed! I finally settled on a sawed off, just barely legal, old Stevens automatic 12 gauge. It was one ear splitting sun of a gun, but it threw a very big pattern very quickly, which is exactly what you need for "thunder chickens" I believe these are by far the best tasting of all game birds and I guarantee you that you will always expend more calories hunting these birds than you consume from the birds you get.

This book would not be complete without mention of one of my most enthusiastic hunting buddies. We will call him Doofus (appropriately). Doofus was the Chief B-52 Gunner at Wurtsmith AFB, MI. At the same time I was the Chief KC-135 Boomer. There is always a friendly rivalry between these two enlisted aircrew positions, but we had wonderful times together and he loved hunting with Bonnie. What follows are a few of my remembrances of some of those hunts.

One day while we were out in the boondocks we came upon two enormous piles of salmon that someone had illegally poached. They had just filleted the beautiful fish and left the two pickup truck size mounds of fish remains in the woods. As we approached the piles, Bonnie was already "chowing down" on the enormous and very odiferous remains. In any event, the piles seemed to be moving. It was a fairly hot day and the piles were absolutely covered with maggots. I remarked, "looks like a Gunner's convention." Doofus did not talk to me for the rest of the day, but he sure out shot me.

On another occasion I took Doofus on his first bow hunt for deer. It was opening day and he was really excited! When I met him at the truck just prior to dark, he was jumping around hollering, "I got one, I got one, I got one"! I asked him where it was and he replied, "It couldn't have gone far because I shot him right through the heart!" I asked if he found

his arrow, and he showed it to me. My immediate response was: "It's a good thing you shot this deer, Doofus, because it was going to die anyway!" He asked, "How can you tell that just by looking at the arrow?" My response: "Look at the arrow—obviously his heart was full of shit." Obviously, the deer was gut shot and we had a long night of tracking in front of us. I went home and got Bonnie and a Coleman lantern. Away we went, Bonnie's bell ringing cheerfully in the dark. After an hour or so our shins were bruised and bleeding from crashing into all the downed jack pines that were hidden by the ferns. Suddenly Bonnie's bell stopped. I shined the light in her direction and she was pointing the deer! I told Doofus to put another arrow in the deer. "You want me to shoot the deer?" "Shoot the deer, Doofus!" "Do you want me to shoot the deer?" "SHOOT THE DAMN DEER!" The deer ran off. I was not happy; Bonnie was in hot pursuit. After a very intense counseling session on his obligation to put an arrow in the deer as soon as the opportunity arose, we started after the sound of the bell. A half hour and a lot more bruised shins later the bell again stopped. Bonnie again had the deer pointed. This time Doofus quickly dispatched the deer with a well-placed arrow and that was that-well, almost. We both considered ourselves expert woodsmen due to all the survival schools the Air Force had sent us to and we were in severe disagreement as to the direction of the truck. Pulling a deer over the top of thousands of down (and hidden) jack pines is not a fun thing to do in the dark. I was sure the truck was north while he was sure it was south. After the deer was field dressed (he still owes me for field dressing his deer for him) we finally decided to try my way for fifteen minutes, if that didn't work we would try his. Doofus would stay with the deer and blow his trusty survival whistle every minute while I searched for the truck. Suddenly I noticed that I couldn't hear Bonnie's bell any more. I called her and the bell rang twice and then stopped. She had gone about 50 yards to the east and was sitting under the truck. Once again she had proven which of the three of us was the smartest! I've heard it said by several of my hunting buddies that the reason she never let me out of her sight, no matter how tired she was, was that her human wasn't bright enough to take care of himself and needed constant monitoring.

The word soon got out amongst the Michigan Bow hunters of Bonnie's ability to track wounded deer. I came to dread those late night calls, but they were always exciting, even if I had to lose a lot of sleep. The amazing thing was the fact that she somehow knew that she was not normally supposed to pursue deer. We could go pheasant hunting the very next day after one of our nights spent tracking, a whitetail could take off directly in front of her, and she would ignore him. Somehow she knew she was normally supposed to be bird hunting and that tracking a wounded deer was an exception to the normal.

One day Les and I were coming home from an auction when we came upon a very sad sight. A doe had been killed on the highway and her fawn was standing in the middle of the road, too terrified to move. Normally the rule is: leave a fawn alone; its mother is probably close by and she will take care of it. In this case, however, there was no way the baby deer was going to live much longer. It was getting dark and it was sure to be hit by a car, it was just a matter of time. I picked the tiny, spotted, little deer up and took it back to our Toyota. The little thing couldn't have weighed more than thirty pounds, and it was all legs. Things were fine for a while, and then something startled the deer. That was the strongest thirty pounds I've ever tried to hang on to! With one slash of its front leg the front hoof demolished the formerly padded dash. The dash was cracked from one side of the car to the other! Believe me, that gave me a new respect for the power of a deer. You would not believe how careful I am when approaching a downed deer. It occurred

to me that if a thirty-pound fawn can demolish a dash with its hoof, a two hundred pound buck could probably put an end to my existence (or at least make me talk funny) with a shot to the forehead.

We took the fawn home and put it in the back yard. After a while, we let Bonnie go in the yard just to see what would happen. She was all over the fawn, sniffing it like she would another dog. I really believe she was trying to "mother" the little guy. After a while, the fawn became less afraid of her, and they actually developed a relationship. We fed the little guy for a while, first from a device they use for feeding motherless calves, then with food by hand. He liked apples a lot. After about three weeks, I felt like he could make it on his own. I took him way back in the woods and turned him loose. Unfortunately he followed me back to the house. We lived right on the highway, so that would never do. I got my shotgun and took it back in the woods with me. This time when I got to the place I wanted to release him, I fired a couple of shots in the air. That did it! I never saw the little guy again. Many a time when Bonnie and I were back there grouse hunting and I saw the "flag" of a white tail deer, I would wonder if that were he. I never deer hunted in that area again.

During the time we lived in Michigan, they had put and take pheasant hunting at Gladwin, Michigan. This was a lot of fun and not too expensive. Unfortunately the petty bureaucrats got involved and ruined the program, and it's gone now. In the early fall it was really exciting! The dogs would be invisible under a three-foot high canopy of ferns. It must have been beautiful to them because on a sunny day they were running in a very bright green-lighted world. This was when I started putting bells on the dogs. There was also the bonus of an occasional grouse or woodcock. The first time I went to Gladwin, I went by myself (except for Bonnie and Sunnie, of course). Things were going great! I had one woodcock and one grouse, courtesy of Bonnie. Then Bonnie locked on point. A big, fat, pen raised rooster took off and I shot him. The limit was two and it was a long drive so we kept hunting. It was really too hot to hunt by 11 AM, but I was determined to fill my tag. Suddenly I could no longer hear Sunnie's bell. I could see Bonnie working well ahead of me. I remembered hearing Sunnie off to my right so I headed over in that general direction. Sure enough, the pretty little Brit had a perfect point, front leg raised and staunch as a statue. The second I stepped in front of her the rooster flushed. I shot him and Sunnie brought him to me. Then a curious thing happened. I experienced something that involved sadness, melancholy, and almost anger. You see, this was the first pheasant I ever got without Bonnie's help. Maybe these feelings were not logical but they were sure real.

One crisp fall day, Les agreed to go with us on our weekend pheasant hunt. She hadn't been pheasant hunting since our California days, so I was pretty excited to have her join us. The morning went well and I got my limit early. The only distraction for an otherwise perfect day was some hunter calling a dog named "Charlie". It never ceases to amaze me how hunters will ignore their dogs all year long and then expect them to perform perfectly. This guy was hollering for Charlie every ten minutes from the time we got there till the time we left. Whenever Charlie came back to him, the guy would cuss at him and hit him because we would hear Charlie "YIP" and, no wonder, the dog quit coming back. It finally got to be funny—every time the guy would holler for Charlie, Les and I would just look at each other and giggle. You've got to be at least as smart as the dog! Anyway, both points were beautiful with one dog backing the other. It just seemed like too perfect a day to go home so soon, so I asked Les if she would like to go to town and get a license so she could hunt some. After a

while, she agreed and off we went. By the time we got back, all the pheasants seemed to be gone. We walked for two hours without seeing a bird. Suddenly, Bonnie locked on point. Les approached her slowly, gun at the ready. As soon as she stepped in front of Bonnie, the dog would break point, run about ten feet, and lock on again. Obviously the bird was running. I had watched Bonnie do this on a number of occasions when a bird was running, but it usually lasted for a few seconds. This time it went on and on, lasting at least twenty minutes and covering several hundred yards. Finally, Bonnie locked on beside a road, the rooster had run as far as he could and held tight. The bird flushed and Les shot it. She looked at me and said, "That damned dog is trying to give me a heart attack." That was a wonderful memory and one that I'll always treasure.

That incident seemed to peak Les' interest and sure enough, she agreed to go the following weekend. One week can make a heck of a difference in the weather in Michigan. It had rained all week and gotten really cold. For some reason, Les insisted on wearing tennis shoes instead of boots on our hunt. This proved to be a big mistake, and the cause of no small amount of marital strife. We had walked all the way to the southern edge of the hunting area when we were faced with a dilemma. The area I wanted to hunt was only about three hundred yards ahead of us on the east/west road, but the road was eighteen inches deep in water, with a nice ice covering. The brush was far too thick to go through on the north side, so we were faced with a five minute walk on the ice covered road, or a half hour loop around to get to the area I wanted to hunt. Les absolutely did not want to walk on the ice. She was sure she would go through it and get her feet wet. Finally, I cajoled her into following me. Things went well until we were about halfway across (in the deepest part, of course). I heard the unmistakable sound of ice giving way to formerly dry feet. I knew immediately that Les now had two very cold and wet feet. The next thing I heard was the loudest sound in the world—the click of Les' safety! That really made the hair on the back of my neck stand up! Fortunately for me, a rooster took off for no apparent reason. He may have saved my life. Les shot him before he went ten feet—pheasant confetti! Les was pissed for days. It turned out to be a very long time before I could convince her to go hunting again.

It was the last day of the season and bitterly cold. The actual temperature was ten degrees or so but there was a twenty-knot wind for added pleasure. They had not stocked any pheasants for several weeks so the pickings were very thin. In fact, I never heard anyone shoot all day. After about six hours of hunting, we were the only ones still hunting. Bonnie found a scent! There was fresh snow on the ground, so I could see that it was a hen. That was ok, because you were allowed to shoot hens. We started at the extreme southwest part of the area and ended up on the eastern edge of the property. That is a distance of about two miles. The hen was the supreme "runner" of all pheasants, but Bonnie and Sunnie were hot on the trail, working very methodically. There were so many false points, that I almost wore my safety out. About thirty minutes into this chase, I took a heck of a fall that knocked the wind out of me. It was so cold that a piece of wood actually broke off of my stock. Bonnie ran over to look at me while I tried to get my breath back. As soon as I stood up, she was back on the hunt. We were finally at the extreme eastern edge of the property when both dogs locked on point from opposite directions. They were in the thickest cover possible for mid winter. My heart was pounding both from the chase, and from the knowledge that I was about to have a difficult shot at what was surely to be the last pheasant of the year. As soon as I stepped in front of Bonnie, the hen was off like a shot; I had only one slim opportunity, to shoot very quickly through a small clearing

in the brush. That wind-aided hen was really "cooking"! Fortunately the shot and the hen arrived at the same place at the same time. Bonnie brought it to me amid great tail wagging. There are few things as satisfying as a successful hunt under very adverse conditions! This had been one of our best ever!

Opening day of archery deer season arrived and I was really excited. I had built a tree stand about half a mile behind my house and I was sure I was going to get a shot at a nice deer. This year was going to be different! I'd done a lot of studying and had washed my hunting clothes in a product that was supposed to remove all human scent; I had good camouflage clothing on, I had camo on my face, I also had a little scent pad on my boot with "special" scent that supposedly blocked out my scent and attracted the deer. Added to all this was the fact that I was some fifteen feet in the air! There was no way any living creature could suspect my presence! Well, not exactly. I walked back to the stand about 2 PM. I wanted to get there in plenty of time to be there and all settled in for "prime time" which was from 5 to 6:30 PM. By about 5 PM, the dogs had all of my being in the woods without them that they could stand. They climbed my allegedly "dog proof" fence and it was "off to the races". I watched them running at ³/₄ speed trailing my exact route (which was three hours old). They arrived at my tree, stood up on their hind legs, and looked right at me as if to say, "What are you doing sitting in a tree, stupid?" So much for all my scent hiding stuff. I just got down and walked back home, with the knowledge that I was going endure considerable harassment from Les.

One cold January day, Les and I decided to take the kids back to the little lake behind our house. There was no snow on the ground (amazing in itself) and the little lake had frozen with a perfectly flat, glass-like appearance. By this time my son, Jason, was six. And I thought it would be great fun for him to be pulled on one of those little plastic sled by the dogs. I hooked a "Y" leash to the sled and both dogs and told him to get in. Les had some consternation about this but I assured her it would be fine. The lake was frozen with at least a foot of ice, what could go wrong? Jason got in and I took off running to give the dogs the idea. This was great fun! The dogs were off and running and Jason was laughing and having a great time. They covered the entire area of the lake in no time and he was loving it. Then it happened! The dogs were running directly towards Les and me when they decided to make a hard right turn. While their claws allowed them to do that, the laws of physics did not allow Jason to stay behind them. He came flying by us; face down, skidding across the ice at about twenty miles an hour. When he shot passed us, he let out a large "WAAAAAAAA". Les was not impressed with this adventure. It was to be our last dog sled event.

Something was wrong with Bonnie. She was just not herself. When I came home from work, she could just barely manage to drag herself to the door to meet me, and then go lay down. She wasn't even interested in her food. Les took her to a wonderful Vet in Tawas named Tim. He ran some tests and kept her overnight. The next day Les called me at work to break the bad news to me. Bonnie had a very serious infection; the odds were not in her favor. Tim would have to keep her, administer massive antibiotics and hope for the best. I spent a sleepless night worrying about her and feeling helpless. The next morning Les agreed to go visit her and see how she was doing. About two in the afternoon, I got a call from Les; she was in the alert facility parking lot and wanted me to come out. It was a very long walk because I just knew she was going to tell me Bonnie hadn't made it. When I got to the car and got in she had a little package of some kind wrapped in her coat. She said, "Look what I found! I wonder how that got here?" It was a small Brittany puppy. I immediately assumed the worst.

"Is Bonnie dead?" Les responded, "No, but it doesn't look good. She is dehydrated and getting worse; if the drugs don't start taking effect soon, we are going to lose her. Tim doesn't think she is going to make it." I left work and went to visit her. She could hardly move. It was all I could do to make the drive home. I just knew that would be the last time I saw her alive. The next day was a Saturday, so I was home. The phone rang early—it was Tim. To my great joy, he had good news! The old girl had pulled through and she was going to make it! Few things have ever made me as happy. One of the most wonderful acts of kindness any wife ever did for a husband was the little Brit puppy Les bought for me when she thought Bonnie was dying. Unfortunately, he was a moron that couldn't be housebroken or trained to hunt. Buddy didn't last long in a household that had the likes of Bonnie and Sunnie.

One week Doofus and I decided we would make the next Saturday an "all day" hunt. The plan was to get up very early, go to Gladwin and chase the elusive pheasant, then drive all the way back to a place called Tuttle Marsh near Oscoda, and hunt grouse and woodcock. Doofus was late. Bonnie and I wait for no man when it comes to bird hunting. He was later to remark, "I was just ten minutes late, and all I could see was your taillights going down the road!"

The next weekend we tried it again. This time Doofus was on time (and always was after that). We arrived just before legal shooting hours and had a great morning. As soon as we got out of the truck, Sunnie got "birdy" and a fat, pen raised rooster took off down the road. He looked like a max gross weight B-52 that had lost water injection on take-off. He could only get about three feet off the ground and attain about thirty miles an hour. He was prevented from turning left or right due to all the trees and vegetation on both sides of the road. Sunnie was the fastest Brittany I ever saw. She would run circles in our back yard at maximum speed and make turns just to rip the grass out. Unfortunately for the rooster, her max airspeed was about thirty-five miles an hour and she was in hot pursuit. After about a hundred yards she reached up from directly beneath said rooster and pulled him out of the air. Our first bird of the day did not require a shot. It was a little warm, but the rest of the day went well and we had our limit by about eleven o'clock. We were on the way back to the truck when Bonnie went on point right by the road. A rooster took off and landed on a bare branch, about thirty yards above her head. About this time an old gentleman came down the road in his rusted out pickup. (Almost all old vehicles are rusted out in northern Michigan. It's not uncommon for someone to be driving down the road in a uni-body vehicle and have the damn thing fold in half—that must make steering really difficult.) The old guy asked how we were doing and Doofus told him we already had our limit, then asked if he would like to shoot the rooster Bonnie had pointed in the tree? His response was, "Damn right!" He got out of the rusty truck and retrieved his equally ancient and rusty shotgun. I asked him if he wanted me to throw a rock at the rooster in order to flush it and give it a sporting chance? His reply: "HELL NO, I MIGHT MISS IT—BANG!" So much for sportsmanship from the old "Gander". We stopped at a little restaurant for lunch on our way to our second hunt of the day. When we returned, Sunnie looked like she was pregnant with a litter of about twenty. My hunting buddy had been in a hurry when he left home that morning and had brought an enormous Tupperware container full of about five pounds of homemade tollhouse cookies. They were all gone, not even a crumb was left! Boy, was his wife mad. The dogs had a great nap on the way to Tuttle Marsh and were ready to go by the time we got there. It was very difficult hunting, slogging through the mud and downed trees but we did manage to get a few grouse and woodcock. It's hard to be

quick enough for a grouse flush on the same day you have been hunting fat, pen raised pheasants, but we managed to do all right. Just at twilight, we came out on a road at the east end of Tuttle Marsh. We could see the truck off in the distance. After about fifteen minutes, Doofus remarked, "I think someone is moving the truck! We keep walking toward it, but it's not getting any closer." He was right, it sure appeared a lot closer than it was. It was almost like that dream everyone seems to have when you can't seem to make any progress. I asked Doofus if he was all right and he said his heels were bleeding. I thought that odd since his boots were well broken in and asked him about it. He replied, "I think it's from my ass dragging on them for the last two hours". We all slept well that night.

One rainy, dreary day, I decided to leave work early and try to find a grouse or two. Hunting in the thick woods of Michigan under rainy conditions is tough, especially if you wear glasses, because you have to stop and clean the water off of them every five minutes. It also makes it awfully slick and it's easy to bust your butt slipping on downed trees you have to climb over. It is great for the dogs, though! They stay nice and cool and can run at top speed the entire time. For some reason, I seem to have my most memorable hunts during the worst weather conditions. This particular hunt went well. I bagged a couple of woodcock and one grouse, and suddenly both Bonnie and Sunnie went on point on a little hill overlooking a giant downed tree. When I got to the top of the hill and peered down on the log, there was a family of raccoons standing there; two adults and six kits. The mother looked at us, gathered her brood and casually walked off. She seemed somehow to know that they had nothing to fear from us.

One of my most fond memories of Michigan was when my Mom and Dad came to visit us. Unfortunately, it was to be their last trip. Leslie rented a little cabin for them, located on the shores of Lake Huron, only about twenty feet from the water and they loved it. Bonnie loved visiting them there too; she would run out into the icy water and splash about having a great time. On one of these trips, my Mom noticed something swimming out in the water and told Bonnie to "go get it". Bonnie was off like a shot and a hell of a struggle ensued. The creature was a large salmon, about fifteen pounds or so. He was not in good shape, obviously in the fatal process of spawning, but he still had a lot of fight in him. After about ten minutes Bonnie got a good grip on the now well-bitten fish and drug him to shore. My Mom asked me if they were still edible during the spawning process. I told her I didn't know, but it didn't seem to deter the bears much on the nature films I'd watched. She had a plan: she would cook some of it up and feed it to my dad; if he didn't get sick, we would all try it. It was wonderful!

I now had a terrible dilemma! I had orders in hand to relocate to Fairchild Air force base in Seattle, WA. This was a dream assignment in a wonderful area for an outdoor type like me to live. We had already put the house on the market and received brochures from realtors when the call came from SAC Headquarters. There was a Chief Master Sergeant position open at SAC; I was sure to make Chief if I did a good job... would I like to cancel my Fairchild assignment and come to Omaha? I knew that the weather was not the best in Nebraska, but the pheasant hunting was excellent. I also wanted the job, but I knew Les was not going to fall for the Banana Belt crap again. After a tough couple of days, we decided on Nebraska. It's a decision we have never regretted. Off to Nebraska!

2017 ABC PRAIRIE CHICKEN CLASSIC/CHAMPIONSHIP

Ted Morton Ranch Bassett, Nebraska September 18-22, 2017 Reported by Ken Windom







Carla & Raus Tracy, Tom Tracy with 1st place Roustabout's Eustace, Judge Stan Williamson, Burton Wice with 2nd place Driving Miss Daisey II, Stan Truksa, T. Milam with 3rd place Glade Run Irish, Judge Ken Windom (hidden), Harlan Gerardy with 4th place McChesney's I Got My Mojo Working, Scott Johnson.

The 2017 renewal of the American Brittany Club's Prairie Chicken Classic/Championship, hosted by the Nebraska Brittany Club, commenced September 18 on the grounds of the Ted Morton Cattle Ranch and surrounding properties. Fifty dogs vied for the title of Champion of this prestigious event. Professional and amateur handlers alike, from Texas to Tennessee to Idaho, amassed for the only remaining wild-bird championship sponsored by the American Brittany Club. This year's winner was Roustabout's Eustace, a 5 year old orange roan male, owned by Dave Capstick of Missouri and handled by Tommy Tracy, Jr. from Nebraska. "Tee", as he is called, ran in the third brace of the first day and put down a solid, wide-ranging all age run with 2 well-spaced finds several hundred vards away from his handler. He was also credited with one stop-to-flush. which he handled with immaculate manners. Runner-up went to Driving Miss Daisy II, a 5 year old white and orange female, owned by Burton Wice of Missouri and also handled by Tommy Tracy, Jr. Daisy ran in the last brace of the stake and had a pleasing forward race, taking many edges at good range. She had one find, two backs, and one stop-to-flush during her hour, and looked very stylish on them all. Pressing these two dogs was Glade Run Irish, an 8 year old white and orange male, owned by David Webb of Pennsylvania. Irish was also handled by Tommy Tracy, Jr. Irish a strong, forward race, with two stylish finds. Fourth place went to McChesney's I Got My Mojo Working, 7 year old orange and white male, owned by John Cheine and Connie McCaffrey of Minnesota and handled by Scott Johnson of Kansas. Mojo had a big first half, although not always forward, and scored two mannerly finds during his hour.

The Ted Morton Ranch lies in the northeastern portion of the Nebraska Sand Hills, a geological terrane comprising an ancient dune field that formed from wind-blown sediment released from the continental-scale ice sheets that one covered much of North America. As the climate warmed, grasses and other vegetation gained a foothold, forming the vast prairies of North America. These grasses and other plants stabilized the sand dunes,

forming what is now the Sand Hills. Native birds, especially grouse, adapted to the resultant prairies. Among the several species of grouse inhabiting these grasslands is the Greater Prairie Chicken (Tympanuchus cupido). Modern agricultural practices have modified or destroyed much of the natural habitat for this species, greatly restricting its current range. Only parts of Kansas, Nebraska, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and isolated regions of Missouri, lowa, and Illinois maintain habitat suitable for this species. Most of these states no longer allow hunting of this once popular game bird. The nature of the Sand Hills is not conducive to the planting of row-crops, however, thus maintaining a habitat for these grassland-loving birds.

The American Brittany Club began holding a field trial dedicated specifically to the Greater Prairie Chicken in 1964, under the guidance of Rand Constale, aka "Mr. Chicken". The initial running was held in Wisconsin, hosted by the Badger Brittany Club. It continued at this venue for a decade, then began alternating between Wisconsin and the Nebraska Sand Hills, with members of the Mo Valley club organizing the event. Since 2001, it has been run exclusively in Nebraska, with the Nebraska Brittany Club taking over as the host club in 2011.

Putting on an event of this magnitude requires months of preparation beforehand and a lot of work during and after the actual trial. Stan and Claudia Truksa of Firth, Nebraska, have been the go-to couple for several years that keep this championship alive. In addition to taking entries and handling the drawing, Claudia maintains contact with the landowners and others in the nearby town of Bassett, NE to make sure everything is in place. She also drives the dog wagon, ably assisted by Linda Milam, Jerry McGee, Mary Karbiner, and Ted Morton and his tractor. Stan Truksa acts as the marshal, keeping everyone on course and making sure the gates are opened for the handlers, judges, and gallery. He and Jerry McGee laid out the 6 one-hour courses utilized in this championship. Adjudicating this

year's trial were two well-known Midwest Brittany people, Stan Williamson, currently from Missouri, and Ken Windom, from Iowa.

Field events of this magnitude would not be possible without the generous support of our corporate sponsors, Purina and Garmin. These fine companies have long been advocates for horse-handled field trials, among their many other sponsorships, and we greatly appreciate all they do for dog-related field sports in general and the American Brittany Club in particular. We also want to thank the landowners who allowed us to utilize their properties for this event: Ted Morton, Curtis Luther, Wade Dearmont, and Butch Fischer. Jeana Harmon, at the Corral Bar in Basset, provided refreshments for the morning breaks and prepared a delicious steak dinner on Tuesday night. Scott's Place provided lunches for the judges as well as provisions such as ice and fuel. Thanks also to Chris Raymond of Plains Equipment in Ainsworth, NE for providing the John Deere Gator used as the dog wagon.

THE RUNNING:

Monday, September 18.

Breakaway at 8:00 AM. Temperature 55 degrees F, high cirrus clouds in an otherwise blue sky, light and variable winds.

Brace 1: RU-JEM'S "LAST" PENNY (Penny) - Tracy and KINWASHKLY TEMPO (Tempo) - Tillson. Both dogs were away to the south at good range, with Tempo the wider of the two. Unfortunately, he was too wide and Ed called for the Garmin at 37. Gallery rode up a covey at 22. Penny continued on making several nice moves. She was credited with a stop-to-flush on a chicken at 37 but had no further bird contact. She shortened up somewhat toward the end of her hour.

Brace 2: MK'S MY LIL AMMO (BB) – Johnson and ROUSTABOUT COUNTYLINE (Nade) – Truksa. BB made a hard right at breakaway and had to be gathered up. Nade couldn't quite get it going today and was picked up at 17 in the Big Bale Field. BB continued on, her run increasing as she went. She made several big casts, especially along the edges provided by fence lines and windbreaks, but was not rewarded with bird contact during her hour, although the gallery did spot chickens rising in the distance on several occasions.

Brace 3: ROUSTABOUT'S EUSTACE (Tee) – Tracy, and HIGH HOPES JAC'S ORIGINAL SPICE (Spice) – Holman. Tee was seen stopped at 8. Spice circled the standing dog and was leashed for failure to back. Tee then moved on and no flushing attempt was made. He continued forward, increasing his range as the hour progressed. He was seen pointing at 28 several hundred yards away in a meadow. A pair of birds rose as handler rode up. Tommy had to cross a fence to get to a dog. A shot was fired, and a third chicken lifted. Dog was collared and brought out over the fence and released, when another chicken lifted in front of him at 31; he was credited with a stop-to-flush. Scout called point at 38, with birds produced and all in order. Handler called point at 53, but was unable to produce a bird. Tee finished his hour to the front.

Temperature at the beginning of the afternoon running was in the low sixties. Wind had picked up to around 10-15 mph. The sky was cloudless.

Brace 4: KASHMIR (Kash) – Tracy, and SHADY'S DESERT KNIGHT (Knight) – Johnson. The first brace of the afternoon broke away north of camp. Knight was not himself today and handler picked up at the water tank at 7. Kash was somewhat inconsistent today, but did make several strong moves. His final cast took was a good half-mile away, but unfortunately he was not rewarded with bird contact during his hour.

Brace 5: SHADY WAY'S JOKER'S HILL COUNTRY EXPRESS (Stan) – Tracy, and BLACK CREEK BLAZE (Blaze) – Holman Stan broke away hard to the right and had to be gathered up, then made another hard right as we crossed the road, after which he was put on a rope and taken to

the dog wagon. Mr. Holman called point for Blaze at 16, but pushed up a jackrabbit while riding to the dog. The chase was on, and Blaze was not returned to judgment during the allotted time.

Brace 6: SNIKSOH WINDTUCK WILLY (Willy) – Tillson, and THE CRASH SCENE (Crash) – Tracy. Willy pointed at 2 but only a tweety bird was seen in the area so was taken on. He seemed distracted today and was somewhat erratic in his run. He disappeared at 39 and was not returned to judgment. Crash made several nice moves early, but was not his usual self and handler elected to pick up at 26.

Day 2: 59 degrees with high, thin clouds, a gentle southerly breeze, and dew on the grass.

Brace 7: SPARKY'S PRAIRIE WIND GYPSY (Gypsy) – Johnson, and WHIZKI'S STING (Holly) – Holman. Holly was seen under a bird at 14 and was put on a rope. Gypsy seemed distracted today and was picked up by handler at 15 after pointing a meadowlark.

Brace 8: JJ'S LEVI THE LIONHEART (Levi) – Williams, and PINEY RUN JAKE (Jake) – Patterson. The dogs were loosed into the meadow near the Morton Ranch House. Jake was making some good moves, but suffered non-productives at 17 and 22, ending his bid. Levi also made a number of strong moves. He was credited with a stop-to-flush at 20, and again at 36, but suffered a style faux pas on the latter one and was leashed.

Brace 9: ACE'S ONE EYED JACK (Jack) – Holman, and TLM TEJANO BOB (Bob) – Milam. Bob had difficulty getting lined out today and handler elected to pick up at 24. Jack scored a nice find at 22 in the hills near the Big Bale Field, but was seen under a bird at 35, ending his hour early.

Temperatures had only warmed up to the low 60s as we began the afternoon braces, and the wind had picked up somewhat.

Brace 10: HIGH POINT SPIKE'S SOUTHERN GIRL (Ellie) – Kuykendall, and GLADE RUN SOLO UNO (Solo) – Tracy. Ellie really punched a hole in the wind today, running a big, searching pattern, but was not rewarded with bird contact during her hour. Solo had trouble finding the front and was leashed at 22.

Brace 11: CVK'S SPARTAN KING (Leo) – Tracy, and SNIKSOH LITTLE DIAMOND (Kate) – Johnson. Kate was credited with a stop-to-flush at 7, but was seen under a bird at 11 and was up. Leo had a find at 11 and a stop-to-flush at 20. His run was big, but erratic. He pointed again at time, but was asked to relocate when handler was unable to produce a bird on the initial flushing attempt. Unfortunately, Leo bumped the bird during his relocation effort.

Brace 12: GLADE RUN IRISH (Irish) – Tracy, and MCCHESNEY'S I GOT MY MOJO WORKING (Mojo) – Johnson. This was a fun brace to watch as both dogs made huge opening casts. Irish continued running hard and to the front. He scored two finds at 20 and 53 with all in order for both. Mojo had problems staying to the front, but did make several nice moves. Unfortunately, the extra effort in getting back to the front took its toll in the second half of his hour and he slowed perceptibly. He pointed a nice covey of chickens at 40 and a single a 48, also with all in order.

Wednesday morning, day 3: 50 degrees, high, thin clouds on the horizon, and a light breeze.

Brace 13: KOKOMO JOSEY JOE (Joe) – Tillson, and JJ'S DIABLO WITH RUSTY TEARS (Rusty) – Williams. Both dogs started running big and wide and were out of pocket for several minutes after entering the meadows near the Morton Ranch House. Both were returned to judgment and continued their big ground game. Joe was seen rimming a large field, then disappeared in heavy cover, presumably continuing onward but hidden

by the vegetation. When he did not return within the allotted time, handler asked for the tracking device. It was later learned that he was buried on point near the area he had been last seen by handler and judge. Meanwhile, Rusty was trying her handler's patience, but he did get her around. She was credited with one stop-to-flush and one non-productive during her hour.

Brace 14: JAC'S RAY OF SUNSHINE II (Ray) – Holman, and SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID (Sonny) – Gower. Both dogs made big opening casts, but Ray was seen under birds at 6 and was up. Sonny continued alone, continuing to impress with his ground game, especially one move along the tops of the old dunes. Unfortunately, he suffered a non-productive at 12 and again at 27 to end his hour early.

Brace 15: JAGOUB'S BUZZIN BAYOU (Skeeter) – Tracy, and TOUCH OF BOURBON LITTLE CHUG (Carson) – Johnson. Skeeter made strong moves early. He was credited with a stop-to-flush at 11, but was under birds at 25 and was leashed. Carson put down a very good, forward run, but was not rewarded with bird contact.

Weather conditions for the afternoon braces were warmer than in the morning, a cloudless sky, and a nice breeze from the WNW.

Brace 16: CRESCENT CITY GIRL (Nola) – Tillson, and GEORGIAS TEXAS TWO STEP (Georgia) – Tracy. Nola was not pleasing her handler today and was picked up at 21. Georgia continued on alone, making big forward and lateral moves. She appeared to be making game on two occasions, but did not establish point either time, ending her hour birdless.

Brace 17: KINWASHKLY FAT BASTARD (Fatz) — Tracy, and HIGHPOINT BLAZIN HIGH NOON (Cooper) — Kuykendall. Both dogs were away to the front, with Cooper making a huge opening cast. Fatz pointed a chicken at 8 but suffered a lapse of manners and was up. Meanwhile, Cooper was making another huge cast and handler rode out to bring him back onto course when the dog went on point several hundred yards away. Handler called point and went toward the dog, stating that a bird had left. Unfortunately, neither judge saw the bird so were unable to credit the dog with a find. He continued his powerful forward run, and pointed again at 34 but no bird was produced. He appeared to be making game as time expired and handler was given the option of allowing him to work the bird or to pick him up. Handler elected to pick up, and a chicken lifted in the area as he was gathering up the dog.

Brace 18: GUN CREEK GANGSTER (Doc) – Holman, and ROUSTABOUT'S WHITE KNIGHT (Lance) – Tracy. Both dogs were lateral from the breakaway, seemingly entranced with something in the hay meadow. The weather continued to warm up as the afternoon progressed, and this extra exertion took its toll on the dogs. Although the dogs were watered in one of the many windmill-fed tanks on the ranch, Tommy was not pleased with Lance's performance and picked up at 25. Doc continued on, but at a reduced range compared to the first half-hour. He did score a nice find at 39, and this revived him somewhat, but he never regained the speed and range he demonstrated earlier.

Thursday morning, Day 4:

Brace 19: ARROW'S TEQUILA RUSTLER (Rusty) – Beaver, and SPANISH CORRAL'S SONNY PATCH (Patch) – Gower. Both dogs ran good races with Patch being the wider of the two. Handlers rode up a covey of chickens, but neither dog had bird contact.

Brace 20: SS RIG'S COLORADO GUN RUNNER (Rigs) – Milam, and FIRESTARTER CROSSED THE LINE (Ty) – Tillson. Rigs made a nice cast early, but was out of pocket in the area of Bo's Honey Hole before being returned by scout. He then proceeded to circle the motte of trees, to the chagrin of his handler, and was leashed at 48. Meanwhile, Ty was putting

on a performance on the ground. He made a true prairie all age cast into the hills and continued with what was arguably the best overall run of the stake. Unfortunately, he was not rewarded with a bird for his efforts.

Brace 21: REVIN GUNRUNNERS TILLY (Tilly) – Tracy, and CROSSCREEK ARGUS' EARLY CHRISTMAS (Gus) – Holman. Both dogs were generally forward at moderate range. Tilly had a find at 29, with Gun backing. All was in order, but Tommy elected to pick up Tilly at this point. Gus continued on alone but had no further bird contact during the second half of his hour.

Afternoon conditions were considerably warmer, with cloudless sky and a southerly wind about 15 mph.

Brace 22: BRENDI BROOKS COWBOY UP (Tuff) – Tracy, and TEQUILA SCORCHER (Lincoln) – Tillson. Both dogs were away and running hard. They were seen together at least ¼ mile ahead of the handlers, but on the other side of the fence. By the time handlers reached the gate, both dogs had circled back, making a huge cast to come back around to the front. This extra effort took too much energy on a hot, windy day and both handlers elected to pick up at the windmill at 33.

Brace 23: STONEY HILL'S PRINCESS FIONA (Fiona) – Johnson, and ROUSTABOUT'S ALL IN (AI) – Tracy. Both dogs were putting down a good race when Fiona got too close to a small covey of chickens. The flying birds were too much of a temptation for AI and both dogs were up at 14.

Brace 24: TLM TALL TALE (Sam) – Tracy, and RAMMER JAMMER JAX (Jax) – Kuykendall. Sam was big, but had directional problems today and Tommy elected to pick up at 29. Jax continued on alone, but the heat and wind took its toll and handler picked up at 50.

Friday morning was significantly warmer than previous days, with temperatures in the mid-70s and a strong wind from the south.

Brace 25: DRIVING MISS DAISY II (Daisy) – Tracy, and MK'S MAGNIFICANT BANDITO (Chico) – Johnson. The final brace left camp at 8:00 with both dogs running hard. They were wide right when Daisy scored a find past the windmill at 12 with all in order. Chico pointed at 18 in meadow south of Morton Ranch House with Daisy backing, but no bird was produced. The dogs were watered and both made good moves, Chico along the right side of the field and Daisy to the left along the fence. Chico pointed again at 34. One judge saw a chicken lift past the standing dog and fly behind a hay bale, but miscommunication between handler and judge caused handler to attempt a flush without success, then ask his dog to relocate. The relocation was unsuccessful, but no non-productive was declared since a bird was seen, but no credit was given for a find either. Daisy continued her forward race, and was credited with a stop-to-flush at 53, exhibiting good manners at the flight of the birds. She finished her hour strong. Chico had no further bird contact.

2017 ABC Chicken Classic/Championship Grand Champion Limited All Age 1hr(50S) J: Stanlev Williamson & Ken Windom

- 1 ROUSTABOUT'S EUSTACE (D), by FC Roustabout's Kid Parker x Super Natural; o Dave Capstick & Tim Self, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 2 DRIVING MISS DAISY II (B), by Countyline Ace's High x Famous Chick; o Burton Wice, h Tom Tracy, Jr.
- 3 GLADE RUN IRISH (D), by Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feathers Coco Bean: o David Webb. h Tom Tracv. Jr.
- 4 FC MCCHESNEY'S I GOT MY MOJO WORKING (D), by NFC/DC/ AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch of Bourbon x FC Lost Creek Kate; o John Chejne & Connie McCaffrey, h Scott Johnson

The Brittany Bites By Sheila Cordner Recipe Collection



Here are our monthly recipes tried by you, our Brittany enthusiasts.

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

Meat Pie

Submitted by Bob Fleury Member of SNEBC

1 lb ground beef 1 lb ground pork 1 medium onion, chopped 1 ½ lbs of potato Salt & pepper Allspice Pastry for double crust pie Evaporated milk

Preheat oven to 375°.

Cook the meat and onion in a pan and add the S&P and allspice to taste. If you get a lot of grease when cooking the meat mixture you can drain some off. Cook the potatoes and then blend the meat and potatoes together. When ready, put the mixture in the pie crust. Top with remaining crust. Seal and flute the edges. Make slits on the top and brush with evaporated milk. Put in the oven for about 30-35 minutes or until

crust turns golden brown. Serves

6-8



Parmesan Pheasant Breasts With Ham

4 pheasant breasts
Black pepper
4-6 fresh sage leaves, finely
chopped
3 ½ oz grated parmesan
8 slices prosciutto
Good olive oil
Carefully score the underside of
each pheasant breast in a crisscross fashion with a small, sharp
knife. Lay the breasts side by side
on a large chopping board. Season
each with pepper.

Combine the chopped sage and parmesan and sprinkle evenly over the pheasant. Lay two slices of prosciutto on each breast, overlapping them slightly, and drizzle with good olive oil. Now, cover the breasts and board with a layer of cling film, take a frying pan and whack them until they're about 1cm thick.

Heat a non-stick frying pan on a medium heat, then carefully transfer the breasts to it, putting them in ham-side down. Drizzle a little more olive oil over the top. Cook for 2-3 minutes on each side, giving an extra 30 seconds to ensure the ham is crispy. Serves 4



Pheasant Breast With Tortellini Cream Sauce

3 cups pheasant breast, skin removed – cut into 1 – 2 inch pieces
Salt and pepper
2 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 – 3 or more cloves garlic, minced
¼ cup dry white wine
4 cups cooked tortellini pasta
2 – 3 tablespoons fresh basil leaves, minced
2/3 cup heavy (whipping) cream

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¹/₃ cup shredded parmesan cheese
¹/₄ cup blue cheese crumbles
¹ cup tomato – seeded and diced

Season pheasant with salt and pepper. Heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add pheasant and lightly brown, but do not cook meat completely. Stir in lemon juice and garlic. Cook 1 minute. Add white wine and cook for 1 – 2 minutes more. Remove pheasant pieces and keep warm. Add tortellini, basil, heavy cream and cheeses. Stir in and cook until sauce is creamy and pasta is warmed throughout. Return pheasant to pan. Spoon onto plates and top with tomato.



TRAININ'DOGS

with Rick Smith

When the Perfect Dog Isn't

You were on the waiting list for over a year to get this special puppy. You've researched, talked to breeders and their buyers, and followed up on every reference before settling on this particular litter and plunking down a good-sized chunk of cash to reserve your pup. Both sire and dam are accomplished, titled dogs and are amazing in the field; the pedigree behind both is solid and full of winners; and the health testing is all good news as far as any potential issues with both parents. Every "i" has been dotted and every "t" has been crossed. With the new puppy vet check and follow-ups, the deworming and vaccines and puppy classes and all the other little details that go into that first year added to the purchase price, which wasn't exactly small, you've spent what seems like a small fortune to get to this stage.

Serious training has begun in earnest. And not only do the wheels fall off, it seems there aren't even any wheels at all. What do you do? Your prized, high-dollar puppy that was supposed to be a superstar bird dog isn't turning out the way you'd expected. But he's just a pup; it's unfair to have college football-level expectations of a second grader just playing two-hand touch with his friends in the backyard. Sometimes there are solutions to the problems, maturity being one of them.

But once in a great while, there's not. Good breeders do their best to produce great pups that will grow up and become the brag dogs we'd all love to own. Unfortunately, breeding dogs is not an exact science. Even breeding a big-time champion to another big-time champion can result in a dud. It's all a roll of the genetic dice.

What flaws are going to make us give up and pull the plug on training that supposed-to-be incredible puppy? There really aren't that many, but we'll touch on the few that are just plain non-starters. Keep in mind that we should relate the severity of a problem with the ultimate and end purpose of the dog. For example, what may be completely unacceptable for a field trial dog may be okay for someone who hunts a few weekends a year. It all depends on your needs and what you're willing to accept.

First and foremost for us, soundness issues that are causing lameness are cause for quitting on a dog. These are most often structural, meaning related to the dog's conformation. The number one problem would be hip dysplasia, meaning the dog's hip joint is malformed and weak. A dog that needs to run hard and hunt hard needs a god set of wheels, and trying to run with a flat tire – or two if both hips are bad – just isn't going to suit the needs of

By Rick Smith & Sharon Potter

a hunter, and it's not going to be good or healthy for the dog, either. Even if both parents have hips that are graded Excellent by OFA (Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, the organization that maintain these health records), there is still a three-percent chance



Rick Smith has spent a lifetime breeding, training, and handling National Championship bird dogs. His highly popular training seminars teach the "Silent Command System" to dog owners worldwide. During hunting season, Rick can be found on the Mariposa Ranch in south Texas.

Sharon Potter has a strong background in animal behavior, and has been training both horses and dogs for many years, with several National titles to her credit. She is an avid hunter and archer, and in her spare time is working on the first of a series of books on bird dog training with Rick Smith.

of them producing a dysplastic puppy. As the grades go down, the risks go up.

So what do you do if your expensive, once-in-a-lifetime puppy has bad hips? Good breeders will give you a written guarantee and will either refund your money or replace a dog they've bred if it has bad hips. There are a few dogs with bad hips that never show any sign of lameness and work hard all the way into their elder years. The average hunter isn't going to have their dog's hips x-rayed unless he's planning to breed, so there are dogs with bad hips that are undiagnosed because they've not shown any signs of pain or lameness. Regardless, a dog with lameness due to bad hips is a definite no for us, as are any other structural issues that affect a dog's ability to hunt hard.



The next thing that would make us give up on a dog is lack of drive and birdiness. That means not much desire to find and chase game. Dogs that lack drive usually lack ambition even when there aren't any birds or other game around, and they couldn't find or be interested in a bird if it was in their feed pan. Keep in mind that when we talk about lack of drive and desire, we mean the dog shows no interest even after having plenty of exposure to the field and to birds over a lengthy period of time. It's not fair to claim a pup lacks birdiness or drive if it hasn't had enough opportunities to get the ball rolling in the right direction.

Also, drive and desire are not about pointing. Don't be in a big hurry to call a pup a washout just because all it wants to do is chase. Rick once had a wonderfully bred Brittany in training. The pedigree said she would be great, but the dog showed zero desire to point. She was all about run and chase for almost all of her first two years. The drive was there, but many trainers would have washed her out of their program because she just wanted to chase birds rather than point them.

Rick wasn't worried because the drive and desire for birds was there in spades, and he knew the rest would come if he just gave her time to develop. When she turned two, the light bulb finally came on. Today, that dog that many would have passed on is in the Bird Dog Hall of Fame, the only three-time winner of the US National Open Brittany Championship, FC Jacolet's Wandering Star.

A really big "quit" for us is the dog that is both sensitive and soft. They are two different things, but linked together they can be a deal-breaker. Sensitive means how the dog reacts to cues and commands and can make training easier, because the dog requires less pressure to respond to what we ask. Soft means the dog lacks courage and may be

Combine a very soft dog with extreme sensitivity to training pressure, and you've got a dog that's not going to hunt. If a dog's innate instincts can't overcome the slightest bit of training pressure, you're not going to have a bird dog. It's not at all uncommon to see an overly soft and sensitive dog become gun-shy, but an extremely soft and sensitive dog is predisposed to it, and it doesn't take much to

nervous or timid

push them over that edge.

A dog that is aggressive toward other dogs or people and wants to bite or has already bitten is not going to be around long with us, assuming human error isn't the cause. If the pup has been properly socialized and trained, yet still wants to pick fights with other dogs or act growly around people, it's a risk we are unwilling to have around.

There are causes that can be fixed, and one thing to be checked is the dog's thyroid levels, as an out-of-whack thyroid can trigger this kind of behavior. Once physical or human-induced causes are ruled out, a biting or aggressive dog needs to be put down. There is no dog's life worth more than a human.

These are the main things that will make us give up on a dog, no matter how well-bred or high dollar it is. In any case, before pulling the plug be sure you've given the dog every chance you possibly can to succeed and do well. Make sure it's really the dog, not lack of training or opportunity.

Giving up on a dog isn't something to be done lightly or easily, but sometimes the stars just don't align and you're left with no other option. The right dog is out there somewhere just waiting for you, and what may be the wrong dog for you just might turn out to be the right dog for someone else with different needs or expectations. A dog that won't make a hunting dog may be perfectly happy to lie on the couch and be somebody else's family pet. Let go, move on, and find the perfect hunting companion for you.

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2017 ABC BOARD OF DIRECTORS' **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**



- Appoint a new Membership Database Committee to evaluate database options. Tabled 2nd Vice President's item to seek legal opinion on an online breeders' list.
- High in Trial Agility Winner to be added on the Cover of the magazine.

Appointed a committee to study future Derby Invitationals.

Motion to go into Executive Session.

MJ Trimble may continue serving on Notification List as Legislative Liaison for posting announcements.

Elected Secretary will be in charge of Championship Pin program.

Any dog born after January 1, 2018 will have to have DNA on file with AKC to start in the National Championships.

Revised #8 Duties of the Treasurer regarding any person or outside organization collecting funds in the name of the ABC. Action Item # 1, page 25 of the Agenda Book.

Revised Bad Check Policy as spelled out on page 25-26 of Agenda Book with rewording of parts C & D with D to read All rights to participate in any activities of the parent club shall be forfeited unless released from that responsibility by the BOD and/or until the fee is made good.

Action Item #3, page 26 Agenda Book, to put to the membership as a by-law change to be mailed with ballots next year to change the Article VIII, Section 1: Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of the Club shall be September 1 to August 31.

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 BOD. Applies to lst, 3rd, and 4th Vice Presidents.

Removed some non-current statements from the policy book regarding Treasurer's duties. Action Item# 5, Agenda Book page 26.

Appointed Joe Gower and Bernie Crain to 5 year terms on the Finance Committee.

Approved the 2018 Budget as written by the Finance Committee.

No advance notice was received from an absent director so no teleconference equipment was

available to provide access to Directors' meeting. Access to meeting by teleconference was denied. Voted to get a cost estimate on a Certified Outside Audit and await new Treasurer's decision before taking any action.

Defeated a motion to provide an independent third party to provide teller duties for all ABC Elections. Voted to go forward holding the National Gun Dog Stakes at Booneville but no sooner than 2019. ABC BOD will hold a Semi-Annual teleconference meeting with an Agenda published 30 days ahead of time.

Motion to change qualifications to include non-Brittany trials, all AKC pointing breed trials, following same qualifying numbers currently used in Brittany trials was defeated.

Motion to change the current National Amateur Gun Dog Championship to a horseback stake in 2018 was defeated.

Approved all email motions passed during the year. Moved to contact AKC and ask permission to run both a National Amateur and Open Walking Gun Dog Championship In addition to the Horseback National Gun Dog Stakes.

The BOD elected the following Officers: Jeri Conklin 2nd Vice President; Keith Wolnewitz as Treasurer; Leslie Andreas as Executive Secretary: Brooke Burlingame as Elected Secretary. No nominees for President as yet.

No people elected to the Hall of Fame. NAGDC/FC/ AFC High Hopes Fly by Nite (Zoey) and DC/AFC/ NBOB Tequila With a Twist were elected to the Dog Hall of Fame.

Directors elected by the membership:

- East Coast: Bob Fleury
- East Central: Ron Gulembo
- Central: Ed Janulis Midwest: Ed Tillson
- West: Robin Tomasi
- President Rankin presented Retiring Executive Secretary Mary Jo Trimble with a gift and Thank you for her 20 years serving in that capacity.



REQUEST FOR PARENT APPROVAL

For ABC office use only

AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB FIELD TRIAL PERMISSION FORM

The

NAME OF CLUB:					
Requests parent club permission for their field trial to be held on:					
Date:					
Horseback Trial:	Walking Tria	l:			
Location:					
This trial will also be sanctioned by the American Field: YES: NO:			NO:		
Name of Hour Stake if a Championship or Classic:					
STAKES THAT MUST BE RUN:					

** HORSEBACK TRIALS REQUIRE: OP, OD, OAA or OGD

*** WALKING TRIALS REQUIRE: OP, OD, OGD.

 $Puppy,\,Derby,\,All\,\,Age\,\,Stakes\,\,MUST\,\,BE\,\,NON-SHOOTING.\,\,\,No\,\,Limit\,\,on\,\,other\,\,stakes.$

May be opened to all AKC Reg. Pointing Breeds at Club's Option

	Britt Only	All Breed	H <i>orselack</i> Stake	Walking Stake	1 hour Stake	Grand Stake
*** **Open Puppy						N/A
*** **Open Derby						N/A
**Open All-Age						N/A
*** ** Open Gun Dog						N/A
Amateur All Age						N/A
Amateur Gun Dog						N/A
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Amateur Limited All Age						
Open Limited Gun Dog						
Amateur Limited Gun Dog						
Walking Amateur Puppy			N/A			N/A
Walking Amateur Derby			N/A			N/A

The above club agrees to run this trial under the American Kennel Club rules and regulations and under all the provisions of the American Brittany Club. <u>In order for parent approval to be granted:</u>

PLEASE SEND ABC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY & AKC A COPY OF PREMIUM LIST AT TIME OF

Name: Office or FT Position:
Street: Phone:
City,State,Zip: Fax:
E-mail: Or signature:

E-mail completed form to ABC Executive Secretary: exec.secretary@TheAmericanBrittanyClub.org or Mail to: American Brittany Club

Leslie Andreas, Executive Secretary

Box 1653, Maple Creek, Saskatchewan S0N 1N0

(Phone) 306-662-2536

AFTER THE TRIAL, PLEASE USE THE ABC/AKC/AF/AFTCA REPORT FORM TO REPORT RESULTS, WHICH CAN BE DOWNLOADED AT: http://clubs.akc.org/brit/forms/FieldTrialReportForm.doc

SEND ABC \$2 PER STARTER FEES & RESULTS, WHICH MUST BE POSTMARKED WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER LAST DAY OF TRIAL TO AVOID FINE.

SEND AKC \$3.50 PER ENTRY FEES & RESULTS, WHICH MUST REACH AKC WITHIN 7 DAYS TO AVOID FINE.

⁽¹⁾ **This form** must be completed, and returned to ABC Executive Secretary. (2) Your **fees and result forms and/or late fees** must have been submitted for last trial or show. (3) A current copy of club **insurance binder sheet** must be on file in the ABC Executive Secretary's Office.

Applying & Reporting Results for Field Trial, Hunt Test & Specialty Show

Questions should be directed to the ABC Executive Secretary exec.secretary@TheAmericanBrittanyClub.org

FIELD TRIAL (Regional)

(All forms available at the ABC Website: www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/forms)

- 1. Send a completed "ABC Field Trial Application" form to ABC Executive Secretary. Dates must be on your ABC Regional Date Coordinator's schedule before ABC can grant approval. Any changes must be approved by the ABC Regional Dates Coordinator and sent to the ABC Executive Secretary. Event will not be approved by ABC Executive Secretary unless current insurance binder is on file with the ABC Executive Secretary. AKC will not approve your event until they receive ABC approval.
- 2. After ABC Field Trial Application is approved, send a completed "AKC Field Trial Application" form along with the \$35 application fee to AKC 90 days before event to avoid fines (if you do not have judges, send the initial application for field trial stating Judges TBA).
- 3. After AKC sends you "Event" & "Judges' panel" approval then you can send out premiums. (Premium sample available on the ABC website www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/ClubPremiums/)
- 4. Send Premium to AKC at time of distribution to avoid a fine. Send Premium to ABC Executive Secretary exec.secretary@TheAmericanBrittanyClub.org at the time of distribution. Send Premium to ABC Webmaster webmaster@TheAmericanBrittanyClub.org to post on ABC Website.

After the event

- 1. Use "Field Trial Report Form (AKC/AF/ABC)" www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/forms/FieldTrialReportForm.pdf to report your results. This form has been approved by all parties you may need to report to. Fill in the form once and make copies for others. Please use white paper (not blue) as the blue does not scan or reproduce.
- 2. Results & fees MUST reach AKC WITHIN seven (7) days to avoid fines. Results & fees must be postmarked to ABC Statistician within ten (10) days to avoid fines. No fees charged for non-regular stakes such as Hunting Dog.
- 3. Send AKC results along with \$3.50 per entry in each stake & AKC Secretary page.
- 4. Send ABC Statistician results along with \$2.00 per starter in each stake (regardless of breed) & AKC Secretary page.
- 5. If American Field sanctioned, send American Field the results.
- 6. If AFTCA sanctioned, send AFTCA the results.

HUNT TEST

At this time, ABC approval is not necessary for hosting Hunt Tests. Send a completed "Hunt Test Application" directly to AKC. Send Premium to ABC Webmaster webmaster@TheAmericanBrittanyClub.org to post on ABC Website.

After the event

- 1. Results & fees MUST reach AKC WITHIN seven (7) days to avoid fines. Results & fees must be postmarked to ABC Statistician within ten (10) days to avoid fines.
- 2. Send AKC results along with \$3.50 per entry in each stake & AKC Secretary page.
- 3. Send ABC Statistician results along with \$2.00 per starter in each stake (regardless of breed) & AKC Secretary page if you want the results published in the American Brittany magazine.

SPECIALTY SHOW

At AKC's request, ABC grants Blanket Approval for all ABC Regional Specialty Shows unless the Club is in arrears for fees or fines for other events. Send "Show Application" directly to AKC. Send Premium to ABC Webmaster webmaster@TheAmericanBrittanyClub.org to post on ABC Website.

After the event

- 1. Results & fees MUST reach AKC WITHIN seven (7) days to avoid fines. Results & fees must be postmarked to ABC Statistician within ten (10) days to avoid fines. No fees charged for Sweeps as they do not carry AKC Championship points.
- 2. Send AKC results along with \$3.50 per entry in each class.
- 3. **For independent Specialty**, Send ABC Statistician results (marked catalog or typed results) along with \$2.00 per starter in each class.
- 4. **For Specialty in conjunction with All Breed Show**, Send ABC Statistician results (show superintendant on-line results or marked catalog page) along with \$2.00 per starter in each class <u>if you want the results published in the American Brittany magazine.</u>

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A Little Competition

A Novella and Twenty-Two Short Stories

By Tom Word

Helpin' Each Other

John Fain sat his horse atop a pine-treed knoll and gazed across a forty-acre lake. A dozen mallards swam slowly at its center. The horse lifted its head, signaling its sight of motion. Across the lake, another horse and rider emerged into a clearing. Ahead of the other rider

loped a pointer. John reached into this saddlebag for binoculars. With them he saw that a rope connected the pointer's collar to the hand of the other rider, John's scout.

For a minute,
Johnsatcontemplating the betrayal.

"I'll be c u r s e d," he muttered.
Then, he returned the binoculars to the saddlebag, neck-reined his mount back toward the course path and touched spur to flank.

Back in front of the judges again, John rode beside the other handler in the brace and sang to his dog as if he expected it to pop out of the cover ahead. It was a charade, for he knew his dog would soon be declared out of judgment, gone too long.

The rider John had watched from the hilltop was Cal Perkins, like John a professional bird-dog handler. The two men, both age thirty-five, were sons of pro handlers who had also campaigned on the all-age circuit from August to April year after year, driving with dogs and horses week by week to trial grounds from the Canadian prairies down through the Midwest, then on to the Deep South, on to Tennessee, Kentucky and New Jersey, then finally home to Albany, Georgia, for a three-month respite before hauling north again July 1 to begin summer training on the northern prairies.

Their fathers had been fierce rivals but friends as well, fellow toilers at a craft pursued not for the promise

of riches, but for the satisfaction of a rare art performed in ritual contests under rules unchanged in a hundred years. The sons had been friends since childhood, when as toddlers, they had met on summer Sundays beside a lake where their fathers came to fish and picnic with their families, driving there from training camps a hundred miles apart on the Saskatchewan prairie. The sons

had been star athletes at Albany High, Cal quarterback and John wide

John catcher. In their senior year, they'd fallen in love with the same cheerleader,

receiver, Cal pitcher and

a pretty
brunette who
had also been
a champion
barrel racer.
Cal had won
her heart, and
they had eloped the
week of graduation.
Each son had apprenticed

under his father, then taken

over the father's string of dogs upon his retirement six years ago.

Only one thing distinguished the fathers' annual pursuit of the dog handler's Holy grail-the National Bird Dog Championship-from the quests of the sons. The fathers had each traveled with a personal scout, an African-American employee-helper, before the sons had assumed that role in apprenticeship. The sons instead scouted for one another in a now nearly universal buddy system, known in the trade as "helpin' each other." The reason for the change was economic. The expenses of campaigning-the costs of rigs, fuel, motel rooms, meals, training leases, dog and horse feed-had soared, but training prices and purses had not. Only by cutting personnel from two to one could a handler make the numbers work, and even then only with a good measure of luck, luck usually the product of hard work, dedication, and skill, plus the support of die-hard owners.

The teams of handlers paired up in the buddy system changed often, and for many reasons, usually known only

to the pair themselves. The system's inevitable tensions were obvious, the temptation severe to slack off in the scouting when one's own dogs were in contention for the same purse. The teamings usually began with enthusiasm, the partners sworn to do their best for one another no matter what. They often ended in disillusionment, as one or both grew suspicious-rightly or wrongly-that the other was slacking off. John Fain had now more than suspicion of Cal Perkins.

Strangely, John's chief emotion was not anger; it was more akin to relief. He would not reveal his knowledge of Cal's deceit, not to Cal or to anyone else. He would not dissolve the scouting partnership, nor would he seek revenge in the trials ahead.

Ten minutes after John's pointer was counted out, Cal rode in from the rear with the dog at heel.

"Where'd you find him?" John asked his partner.

"Over by the lake. He was on point, but time had already run out."

You're a good liar, John thought.

They dismounted and poured water on the pointer from plastic detergent bottles they carried snapped on their saddles, rubbed the water over the dog's chest and back to cool it. Then John led the dog to the dog trailer. It hopped into an empty corner compartment, and John latched the door behind it. Ben Washington, Sr., driver of the dog truck, wiped his face with a red bandana. His denim shirt was soaked through with sweat.

"Hot, ain't it, Ben?" John said.

"Sho is," Ben replied with a wry grin that revealed a gold tooth, as he swiped the bandana again across his ebony forehead, temples, and neck.

When the Derby Championship ended at dusk the following day, Cal's pointer Sandblaster got the title. Twice John had found him on point and called Cal to flush and shoot. The account in the Field would comment on John's superb job of scouting. John grinned at the double irony when he read the report a month later.

Through the final three months of the season, John and Cal each won a few placements. Sandblaster got Derby of the Year, and Barshoe Brilliant, in John's string, was second in the derby standings. Brilliant was the dog Cal had on his rope across the lake at Dixie Plantation that fateful day in January. Had Brilliant won at Dixie, the standings of the two derbies would have been reversed. But John was not angry as he studied the points count in the end-of-season report in the Field-far from it. In the months since the fateful heat at Dixie, he had been carefully observing his partner's conduct, on and off the fields of battle.

When the Garden State Trial ended the first week in April, John shook Cal's hand and looked him in the eyes.

"Have a safe drive home, Cal."

As John turned to walk to his rig, Cal asked, "Want to partner again next season, I hope?"

John stopped, and slowly pivoted.

"No, Cal, I have other plans."

"Oh... Who you going to partner with?" Cal asked, surprise obvious in his voice.

"You'll see," John said, and grinned.

"Tell me who, John," Cal said, irritation now in his voice.

John smiled and fired his Dodge diesel, left Cal standing in the dust of the parking lot. Cal watched John's rig sway through the potholes out to the highway, heard the clatter of the diesel as it built rpms toward Georgia.

Cal arrived at his home in Albany three days later at dusk. His wife's little Honda was not parked in front of the bungalow. The flowers were wilted from lack of watering, the lawn's grass overgrown.

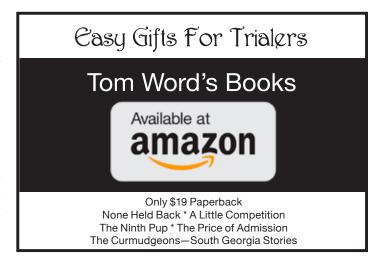
He entered through the back door. On the kitchen table lay an envelope, labeled "Cal" in his wife's neat hand. He opened it to the greatest shock of his life.

Dear Cal,

I have left you. I have proof of your infidelity-you should have used a phone card from pay phones and not your cell phone.

I want nothing from you, except that when I see you at field trials you not speak to me. You'll see me a lot, because I'll be scouting for John Fain.

Anne



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UPCOMING REGIONAL FIELD TRIAL SCHEDULE

Upcoming Regional Field Trial Schedule
(w) - indicates Walking trial
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includes Hour Gun Dog stake, ** - includes Hour All-Age stake

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Field Trial Dates Committee							
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Date	East Coast	East Central	Central	Midwest	West Coast		
Jan 6-7	Sahuaro						
Jan 9-14	Western Brittany Open All-Age Ch - Greater Phoenix (Las Cienegas Resource Area, Sonita, AZ)						
Jan 13-14	Tarheel(12-15)				Gr. Phoenix(9-14)		
Jan 17-19	Region 2 Brittany Champagne Memorial Shooting Dog Ch/Cl - Southeastern(Robert Gordon FTA, Hoffman, NC)						
Jan 20-25	ABC Illinois Brittany C	CI/Ch (OAA, AAA, OD)) (Pyramid State Par	k, Pinckneyville, IL)			
Jan 20-21	Southeastern			Alamo(19)	Grand Canyon(19)		
Jan 25-29	Region 8 AAA Ch (Du	ıb Emde Challenge) ·	- Northern Oklahoma	(Lake Murray FTA, Are	dmore, OK)		
Jan 24-29	Southern Open Brittar	ny OAA Ch & Region	III AAA Ch - Georgia	a (DiLane Plantation, W	/aynesboro, GA)		
Jan 27-28		Georgia(24-29)*/**		Cen. New Mexico(26) No. Oklahoma(25-29)	California(29)		
Jan 30-31	ABC Futurity (Western Region) - Host club: California Show: January 30 Strata Center, California City, CA Field: January 31 Camp H, Castle Butte Wells, California City, CA						
Jan 31-Feb 3	ABC Southern Open I	Brittany Shooting Do	g Cl/Ch - Georgia (Sh	nowtime Plantation, Bro	onwood, GA)		
Feb 1-8	Texas Open Brittany	Ch & Derby Cl - Lone	e Star (Lake Murray F	TA, Ardmore, OK)			
Feb 3-4		Bama	Gr. St. Louis(31-9)*/**	Lone Star(1-8)	San Diego		
Feb 10-11	No. Virginia(9)		Cent. Arkansas(10-13)	Bluebonnet(9-14)** Neosho Valley(12)			
Feb 13-15	ABC Tarheel Gun Do	g CI/Ch (Dick Cross \	WMA, South Hill, VA)				
Feb 14-16	ABC Mid-South Brittany Cl/Ch - Illinois (Pyramid State Park, Pinckneyville, IL)						
Feb 17-18	Tarheel(16) Illinois(14-20) W. Texas(15-18)						
Feb 19-20	Lee Holman CI - Illinois (Pyramid State Park, Pinckneyville, IL)						
Feb 23-2	ABC Prairie State CI/Ch (GOLAA, GALAA, GOLGD, OD) (Sportsman's Assoc. Grounds, Grovespring, MO)						
Feb 24-25	Tidewater(21-25)* Mid-Florida(w)(23)			Indian Nations(23)			
Mar 1-4	Region 7 Texas AAA Ch - Sooner (Lake Murray FTA, Ardmore, OK)						
Mar 3-4	Music City Gr. St. Louis(w) Sooner(1-4) N. California(2)						
Mar 5-11	US Open Brittany Ch & Victoire Nationale Derby Ch (Lake Murray FTA, Ardmore, OK)						
Mar 10-11	North Jersey(9)	Buckeye	Heart of Illinois(w)	Skyline(9-12)	Sierra View		
	AKC Listing of Field Trial, Hunt Test & Conformation events Jan 20 Michigan Brittany Club Specialty with Oakland County Kennel Club Show (Novi, MI)						

Other Web Site Listings:

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

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www.naiaonline.org • www.naiatrust.org

NATIONAL BRITTANY RESCUE • http://nbran.org

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DC/AFC Microchips of Nutmeg FC/AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow 2000 FC Diamond Hill Dan

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1998 DC/AFC Gambler's Ace In The Hole 1997 FC Tequila's Joker 1996 FC Rebel Jac's Hammering Hank 1995 Rambling Rose VIII

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1978 DC/AFC Perry's Rustic Prince

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1958 FC Hellou's Yankee Timber

Britt of Bellows Falls Tess of Chippewa 1943 Aotrou Mac Eodaidh

1956 FC Ferdinand of Leeway

1955 Holley Haven Dan 1954 DC Holley Haven Duchess 1953 FC Belloak's Ginger

1952 Domino de Klemanor 1951 Int. CH Diane de Beauch UD

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1972 FC Corado's Jumping Gypsy
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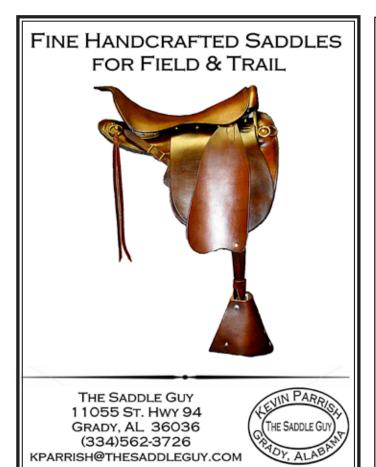
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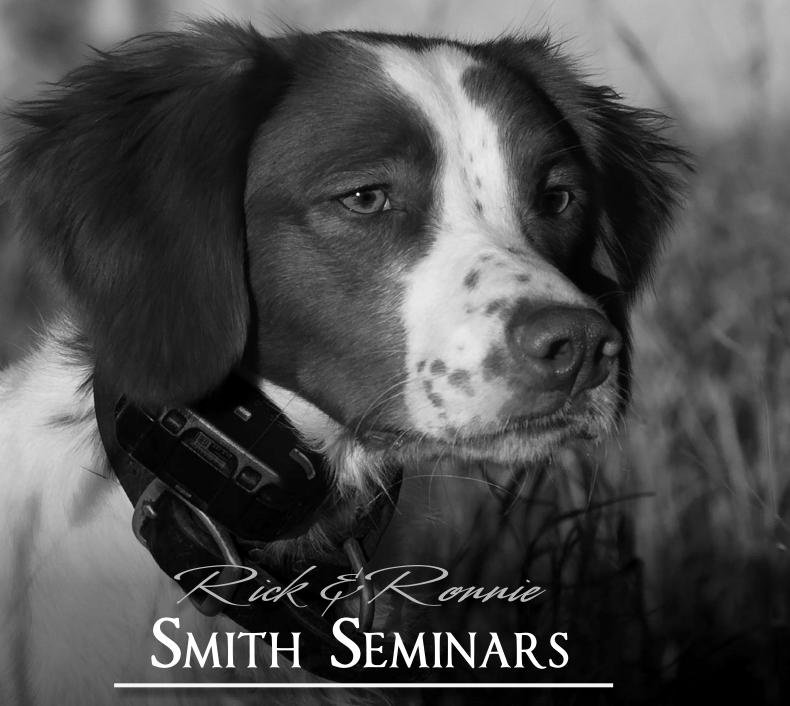
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