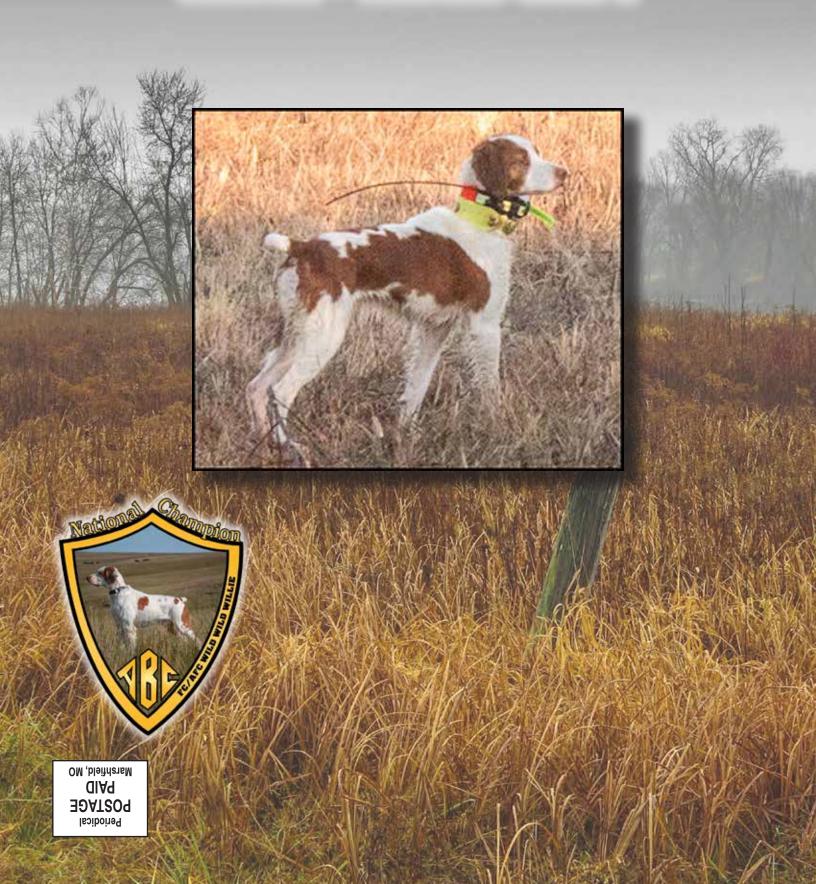
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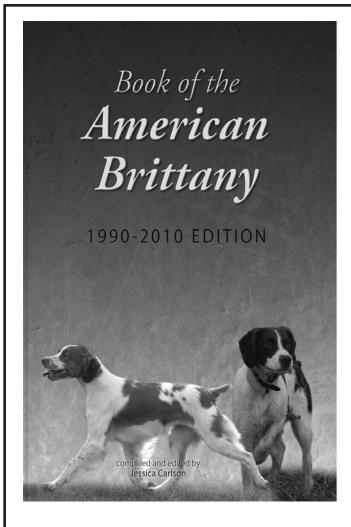
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Young Sportsman Scholarship Award



I am proud to announce Mr. Charles Dreyfus was awarded a 2020 Young Sportsman Scholarship successfully completing the requirements for this award. He was awarded \$500 for his success. The primary goal of the program is to promote and encourage juniors to participate in the sport of American Kennel Club purebred dog events with Brittanys, as well as to become active in the American Brittany Club and regional Brittany Clubs, and to promote a continuing interest and plans for future involvement with the Brittany Breed.

Charles was highly recommended by John Perry and Ann Marie Martucci.

He is currently finishing Liberty High School Jackson, NJ with plans on attending Ocean County College (Then look to transfer for years 3 & 4 to Rowan University). Significant accomplishments in the sport of dogs: 2017 American Brittany Club National Junior Field Handler Multiple placements for puppy, derby and gun dog stakes, NAVHDA Natural Ability Prize 1-112 Handler (max score)

Below is a letter Charles sent expressing his gratitude for receiving this award.

Hello.

I would like to inform you that I have recently received the check for my scholarship in the mail. I would like to sincerely thank you for deciding to reward me with this scholarship. It truly means a lot that you thought of me as a worthy candidate to receive it. The scholarship will certainly go to good use for my education as I plan to put it towards this school year at Ocean County College. I have attached an image of me and my dog (Otis) with the check in my hand, I was lucky and had a club event today so the presidents Ann Marie Martucci and Brent Rupnow of North Jersey and Delyal Brittany clubs were able to join me in the photo. Once again a huge thank you for granting me this scholarship!

Sincerely, Charles Dreyfus

On Sun, Feb 23, 2020 at 8:48 PM Mark D. mark.drevfus@gmail.com> wrote: Please see attached application for the Young Sportsman Scholarship Program on behalf of my son, Charles Dreyfus.

Thank you for your consideration. - Dreyfus family

Mark Dreyfus
mark.drevfus@gmail.com

I would like to thank Robert Wire, chair of the Young Sportsman Scholarship Committee and his members, David Downing, Bryce Novotny, David Frei, Clint Livingston, Doug Tighe, and Robin Tomasi for their work in awarding this award to Charles Dreyfus.

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National Gun Dog Championships

Blue Mountain - J. Perry Mikles WDA - Booneville, AR









National Open Gun Dog Championship

December 4, 2020 to Conclusion - Entry Fee \$200

Judges: Andrew Campbell, Northfield, MA & Adrian Jackson, Boys Ranch, TX

National Amateur Gun Dog Championship

December 10, 2020 to Conclusion - Entry Fee \$200

Judges: Daniel DiMambro, Leroy, MI & Robert Tomczak, Elk Mound, WI

Open to Brittanys Only

- Entries Close: Tuesday, November 10, 7:00 P.M. (CST). Mail entries and checks to the Field Trial Secretary. Include telephone number and email address on your entry form so entries can be acknowledged. Contact the field trial secretary if your entries have not been acknowledged within a reasonable time after they were sent (before the drawing). No entries requiring a signature for delivery will be accepted. No phone entries accepted.
- DNA: All dogs entered in the ABC National Championships must have a DNA profile, either permanent or temporary, on record with the AKC or Field Dog Stud Book. The DNA number must be included on all entry forms. All placed dogs shall be required to have DNA on file with Field Dog Stud Book for those Championship placements to be recorded in the Field Dog stud Book.
- **Drawing:** Wednesday, November 11, at 7pm (CST); 10922 Omaha Drive, Grovespring, MO 65655. Bracing will be available on the ABC Website and Facebook page when ready.

- Horseback handling: Permitted in all stakes.
- Coggins Test: Verification required for all horses.
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- **Retrieval Collars:** Permitted in accordance with approved guidelines.
- Roading of Dogs: Not allowed on the course.
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Qualifications & Info:

www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/NationalGunDogChampionships.htm

For entries, qualifications and additional information: Mike Poehler, Field Trial Secretary

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2020

ABC National Gun Dog Championships Schedule

Blue Mountain WDA 7515 S. State Hwy 217, Booneville, AR 72927

Thu	12/3	ABC Derby Invitational	8:00 am
		Dinner @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
		National Gun Dog Ch Calcutta	7:00 pm
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Fri	12/4	ABC National Gun Dog Championship	8:00 am
		National Gun Dog Party @ Clubhouse	7:00 pm
		Hosted by Mark Claypool & Julie Nelson-Clayp	oool
Sat	12/5	ABC National Gun Dog Ch (cont.)	8:00 am
		Masked Man Award @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
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Sun	12/6	ABC National Gun Dog Ch (cont.)	8:00 am
		Garmin Award @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
Mon	12/7	ABC National Gun Dog Ch (cont.)	8:00 am
		Dinner @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
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Wed	12/9	Dinner @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
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Thu	12/10	ABC National Amateur Gun Dog Championship	8:00 am
		National Amateur Gun Dog Party @ Clubhouse	7:00 pm
		Hosted by Linda McDonald	•
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Fri	12/11	ABC National Amateur Gun Dog Ch (cont.)	8:00 am
		Dinner @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
Sat	12/12	ABC National Amateur Gun Dog Ch (cont.)	8:00 am
		Dinner @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm
Sun	12/13	ABC National Amateur Gun Dog Ch (cont.)	8:00 am
		Dinner @ Clubhouse	6:30 pm

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

- The 2022 American Brittany Futurity shall be open to every Brittany bitch and her progeny whelped during the calendar year of January 1 December 31, 2020, who is owned or leased by a member of The American Brittany Club, and whose litters have been Futurity nominated with The American Brittany Club. Sires do not necessarily have to be owned/leased by an American Brittany Club member. All dams nominated and all sires bred to must be registered with AKC, CKC, or FDSB.
- The nominating breeder needs to be a current full member in Good Standing of
 the ABC when the litter is nominated and the closing dates of the of the Sectional
 Futurities in which puppies from their nominated litter compete. They must sign
 the Litter Nomination form, and any breeder purse checks will be paid to this
 designated nominated breeder. If their membership has lapsed at the time of the
 Sectional Futurity, the purse will revert back to the ABC Futurity Administrative
 Fees
- Nominations of dams must be made within 60 days after a bitch has whelped, and a Nomination Fee of \$40.00 ("First Forfeit") must be paid at this time.
 This payment will entitle each puppy of the nominated litter to be entered in the ABC Futurities (Field and/or Show) after the puppy has been properly registered with AKC or FDSB. Nomination Fees are set by the ABC Board of Directors.
- Late litter nominations will be accepted with the following current fee schedule: In addition to the Nomination Fee of \$40.00, late fees are \$60.00 for 61-90 days, and \$100.00 for 91-180 days. Nominations after 180 days will be accepted at the discretion and decision of the ABC Futurity Committee. The postmark will determine the fee for late nominations. The ABC Board of Directors may impose additional late fees from time to time.
- A Final Forfeit Fee, to be eligible to compete in the Sectional Futurities
 (Western/Central/Eastern), is due by October 1, 2021, and is submitted by
 the owner of the eligible puppy. Futurity Entry Fees will also be paid prior to
 2022 Sectional Futurity events by the owner of the eligible puppy for each
 Sectional Futurity event in which the eligible puppy is entered. Final Forfeit
 Fees as well as Sectional Futurity Entry Fees are set by the ABC Board of
 Directors and subject to change.
- More information on the ABC Futurity and additional copies of this form can be found on the ABC website:

www.theamericanbrittanyclub.org/futurity.htm

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Purina: Notes from the Field

ELP FROM A PROFESSIONAL It's a great option for anyone with limited space and training time.

We've occasionally discussed the ideal of seeding the help of a professional trainer. Maybe you have a great young dog but don't have access to good training areas, birds, boats or other expensive equipment needed to do the job. Maybe your work schedule doesn't allow the time for daily training sessions and repetitive drills.

A professional trainer can be a great option, but you need to do your research. Choosing the correct trainer for the type and level of training you are after is critical. A fancy sign out front does not ensure expertise—accomplishments and reputation do.

Where do you start to look for help? One good place would be the folks you bought your pup from, as they very likely know good trainers or may even take in dogs for training themselves.

Another great way to find good dog people is at dog clubs and events where dogs like yours are tested for their hunting skills. You not only see which dogs/trainers excel; you get a better fix on the standards of performance expected of them. Many hunters are amazed when they see the level a good dog can reach when it is well trained.

When you identify a trainer who interests you, see if you can set up a time to call or visit with them. Find out your options, talk about what they expect of you and what you can expect of them. This is the only way to find someone you like and have confidence in.

If any are short with you or cause you to feel foolish, thank them for their time and move on. Good trainers not only know dogs; they understand and appreciate their clients and are happy to help you with your decision.

Most trainers are also happy to demonstrate other dogs they have in training, give you a quick evaluation of your dog and talk you through how their program works, including costs. For gun dog training and board nowadays, expect \$600 a month and up, and remember most kennels add on for birds, vet fees, etc. So be sure all costs are discussed in detail before signing on.

The next questions are, what age are we talking

about? What's the best time to turn your dog over to a trainer?

When you're considering help with foundation training—heel, sit kennel, come when called—most gun dog trainers like dogs coming in to be at least 5-6 months old, and many like them to be a little older.

Nowadays, the trained retrieve is often started as soon as the pup has its adult teeth, around the fifth month.

Granted, we all know "training" starts as early as two months, but mostly in the form of socialization and exposure to the hunting environment. So we might think getting our pup to a trainer early is an advantage, but what about value?

With younger pups, you can't expect to see measurable progress from week to week. Granted, there is valuable progress, but it's not as evident.

Assuming a good quality dog, correctly socialized and comfortable with his work environment, you're safer using six months as an age when you actually begin pro training. At this point progress is more evident, and you'll have a better sense of value.

When talking with trainers, discuss options. Maybe you start the pup, turn it over to them for the "hard core stuff," then maintain and finish the work yourself. Most trainers would be glad to work with you on a program like this. It makes their job easier and gives you a better working relationship. Next to completely training the dog yourself, this might be your best choice.

At any rate, the best age depends on your ability and desire to train, how far you want the dog to go, and your wallet.

If you have an older dog with a specific problem, call your trainer right away to explain your problem. Most trainers will need time to fit you in.

Don't expect to send old Fido down for a couple of days or a week for a "patch job." Many problems arise from shortcuts in early training; the safest way to correct issues is going back to basics and working through the concepts.

When you do this the problem often disappears but if it does not, the tools are in place to make corrections the dog understands. Don't expect a quick fix; a seemingly simple problem can take months to correct.

Look for a person who is familiar with your breed and the birds you typically hunt. Another possibility is someone in your area who is not a professional but is skilled and might agree to help you with your dog. They may even spend more time with you and your dog than a pro who is working several dogs.

In either case, visit their kennel, see some dogs worked and if you're satisfied, talk business.

Getting your pup ready. The more you do with a young dog, the better prepared it will be. Above all, spend time in the field or on walks; don't let him go sour in the kennel. Often a "kennel shy" dog has developed problems you can never totally overcome.

Other areas of help are in exposing the dog to birds, water and gunfire. (We have covered these topics in past issues of GUN DOG and will do so again.) When you bring a dog to a trainer with this level of exposure, he is ready to go to work with a minimum of preparation. This saves you money.

Being honest with the trainer when discussing problem areas is a big help. We all know the perfect dog doesn't exist. Trainers continually wonder why people bring them "wonder dogs" with nothing wrong. "For brush up," they say, or "Needs work on his retrieving."

This makes the trainer's job more difficult, trying to find out where the big "hole" is in the dog's training. It's better to tell all you know up front—and save the trainer some valuable time—as he will eventually find out anyway.

A good part of the first month involves the trainer and dog getting to know each other. During this time the dog is being evaluated, and most trainers reserve the right to return dogs who are overly aggressive or lack potential.

School Days. Before leaving your dog, be sure you and your trainer understand what you expect. Talk about where you hunt, what you hunt, and how you hunt. They need to know what you expect of them and what you think the dog should be doing on completion of his stay at the training kennel. Explain that you would like some instructions in handling, especially near the end of formal training so there's a smooth transition from the trainer to you.

During the first month of training you're not likely to gain much by coming to see your dog, but into the second month you should expect some progress. When you visit, your dog may not seem to recognize you and might be very attentive to the trainer, but don't let this bother you; it only shows the trainer is doing their job.

While your dog is in training, remember a good trainer is a busy person so don't make a nuisance of yourself. Never simply drop in, but call first to make an appointment. There are other clients to consider as well as the trainer's schedule for the day.

On the other hand, when it comes time to pick up your dog, plan your schedule to spend an afternoon working through drills and scenarios with your trainer at your side. As mentioned earlier, make sure you have a good working knowledge of all commands, cues, etc.

I suggest you ask questions, even make notes and sketches, as there is a bunch to remember. But don't worry, your dog will help you through it all.

Back Home. Make a commitment to maintain the level of training your dog has reached, and even plan to move it along. You must continue reinforcing what he's learned or all can be lost.

Most trainers encourage you to call and are happy to help with suggestions if you have problems.

I'm sure you'll find not only a well-trained dog to be proud of but a lasting friendship with your trainer, as they pride themselves in your success.

Remember, the best hunting times possess a deep understanding and respect for each other, gained in part during time spent training. So try it yourself first, but don't overlook the professional trainer as a very sound option.



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Getting Ready for a Healthy Litter of Puppies

You've bred your bitch, and now begins the wait period for puppies to be born. During this time, your No. 1 priority should be taking care of your brood bitch to be sure she has a clean, comfortable kennel environment and opportunities for moderate exercise. Nutrition is important as well. Here are some tips to help you get ready.

A dam should be offered gradually increasing amounts of food during the nine weeks of gestation. During the first trimester, from 0 to 21 days, she should be fed a normal amount of her regular complete and balanced adult or all life stages dog food. During the second trimester, from 22 to 42 days, the amount of food fed should be doubled. During the third trimester, 43 to 64 days, she should be fed two to three times more than before pregnancy in small feedings throughout the day.

"A caloric-dense diet, such as puppy food or an all life stages food, is recommended for the third trimester," says Melanie A. Barnes, DVM, head veterinarian at the Purina Product Technology Center in St. Joseph, Missouri. "A puppy food also is recommended for the first part of lactation. Regardless of the phase of pregnancy, diets should be adjusted based on maintaining an ideal body condition for the pregnant dam."

Ideal body condition during pregnancy is defined as having an appropriate muscle and fat balance. You should be able to easily feel the bitch's ribs, shoulder blades and hips; however, her growing abdomen means that you cannot see a waist behind the ribs when viewing from the top or an abdominal tuck from the side as when she is not pregnant. Dr. Barnes advised that ideal body condition can vary during pregnancy, thus it is best to consult a veterinarian or veterinary nutritionist about an individual dog.

As fetal development continues, the dam has progressively less abdominal space for comfortable digestive tract expansion and function. Frequent feedings of smaller meals may be helpful. Growing fetuses, fluid and developing placental tissues and mammary glands all contribute a dam's increasing body weight. During the final two weeks of

gestation, food consumption may decrease.

As the dam gets closer to her due date, breeders should pay attention for signs of labor. One indicator a dam is getting close to whelping a litter is a decline in body temperature that occurs about 12 to 24 hours before labor begins. Her rectal temperature may fall from 101.5 degrees Fahrenheit to well under 100 degrees. The first stage of labor, consisting of mild uterine contractions, can last from 6 to 12 hours or longer. The dam may become restless and nervous, even shivering and vomiting. She also may try to dig or rearrange her bedding.

Strong contractions lasting from 10 to 30 minutes result in the birth of the puppy during stage two labor. Straining that continues past 30 minutes could signal trouble and the need to consult a veterinarian immediately, especially if straining persists without the expulsion of a fetus. "It can be normal for dams to rest for several minutes to hours between delivering puppies," says Dr. Barnes.

Expulsion of the placenta takes place in the third, or final stage of labor and delivery, occurring from 5 to 15 minutes after the birth of each puppy. Dams whelping more than one puppy alternate between stages two and three. Until normal whelping is completed, breeders should be certain that the afterbirth has been expelled.

Nine weeks go fast. Before you know it, your dam will deliver her litter and you will have puppies. Taking good care of the bitch helps to ensure all goes well and that both the dam and her puppies are healthy.



Action at AKC

October 2020 by Jeri K. Conklin

Past AKC Results DOCK JUNIOR ADVANCED (JUN 2019)

CH CREDIT'S FLYING ACE CA DJA (D), o Kathy DeLucas, b Jessie Schulz & Kathleen Krzeszewski

DOCK NOVICE (SEP 2019)

DOGWOOD'S THE THREAD THAT BINDS US DN CGC (D, o Rosemary Recard, b Todd Parmenter

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (JAN 2020)

MARTY ROBBINS CGC (D), o Dr. Heaven Le Angel Roberts, b Wade Gaskey

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (FEB 2020)

DOCK JUNIOR (JUL 2020)SOVEREIGN'S MAIN INGREDIENT DJ (B), o Debra Ubl-Mitzel & Dawn Droel & Joe Droel & Steven Mitzel, b Dawn Droel & Joe Droel

AKC RESULTS FOR MAY 2020

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION

FC AFC ATOS DS (D) by Gatsey Du Mas D'Eyraud x Lara Del Cecchetto, o John Hutwagner, b Remo Nicoli

JUNIOR HUNTER

- BANTAM'S BOLD VISION JH (D) by GCH CH Bantam's Spittin' Image JH x Rebelflame Fjeld Swift River, o Diane Hedstrom & J Bruce Hedstrom & Michael Magnuson, b Chris & Karla Fjeld
- BLAZIN' BYE'S WRIGLEY MIRACLE JH (D) by FC AFC Light-Em Up Luke JH x AFC Decan's Blazin' Bye, o Steven Kraft, b Allen Davis
- DANCE THE DUST OFF JH (B) by NAFC GFC GAFC FC AFC Spanish Corral's Sonny Patch x DC AFC Alar's Dirty Dancer, o Samantha James & Daniel Dodson, b Jessica Carlson
- LOCKRIDGE LEHIGH PHOEBE JH (B) by GCHG CH Marsport Hot To Ride Lucky Seven MH x GCH CH Tonan-Rocklan Who's Kiddin' Who SH, o John T Swider, b Terry Hilliard & Debra M Rudert & Andrea Jordan Lane
- MT VIEW'S ALL SORTED OUT JH (B) by CH Mt View's Perfect Storm MH x CH Mt View's Starr Sapphire MH, o Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli & Domenic Serago, b Patricia A Ortelli & Mary A Breininger & Richard Ortelli
- RAMBLIN' GAMBLIN' WILLIE JH (D) by DC NAGDC NGDC AFC High Hopes Dark Nite x Windswept's War Bonnet, o Samantha James, b Daniel Dodson & Samantha James
- RD'S UPLAND RUSTY BULLET JH (D) by Whitecroft's Jayhawk Hunting Buddy x Beeline's Jayhawk Jazz Player, o Rod Dobey, b Jim Johnson
- RFF DOUBLE TROUBLE JH (B) by Ramblin' Gamblin' Willie JH x
 Firestarter's Double Crossed JH, o Samantha James & Daniel Dodson,
 b Samantha James & Daniel Dodson
- RFF WHISKEY SOUR JH (B) by Walker's Prairie Bandit x Tequila Short Shot JH, o Samantha James & Dan Dodson, b Samantha James

SENIOR HUNTER

FAIRLEAH'S MOTORHEAD SH (D) by Ajax Jaros Josey Wales MHA x Fairleah's Fantaisie, o Dave Hlopek & Richard Johnson, b Richard

Johnson & Sharon Johnson

- GCH CH LOCKRIDGE-MAYJAYS FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME SH
 (D) by GCHG CH Marsport Hot To Ride Lucky Seven MH x GCH CH
 Tonan-Rocklan Who's Kiddin' Who SH, o John Swider, b Terry Hilliard &
 Debra M Rudert & Andrea Jordan Lane
- MOUNTAIN VIEW'S LUCKY STAR SH (D) by CH Mt View's Deja Vu x CH Mt View's Snow White MH, o Dr. Janet Lioy, b Mark Giunta & Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli
- MT VIEW'S BACK IN TIME SH (B) by DC AFC Mt's View High Chaparral MH x DC AFC Mt. View's Night At The Copa MH, o Maryann Breininger & Roy Schaeffer & Patricia Oretelli, b Mary A Breininger & Patricia A Ortelli & Domenic Serago
- SMITH'S MOANA DE COPPER SPUR SH (B) by Topperlyn Gallant Bodacious MH x Smith's Deva De Pondside, o Glen Gunderson, b W Edward Smith
- GCH CH TONAN-ROCKLAN WHO'S KIDDIN' WHO SH (B) by CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside JH x GCH CH Sanbar-Rocklan's Tuxedo Junction BN RN JH, o Terry Hilliard & Debra M Rudert & Andrea Jordan Lane, b Margilee Sauer & Nancy Morabito

RALLY NOVICE

TONAN MAGICBRIT HOPE STAND BY ME RN JH TKN (D), o Sarah Jacobs, b Nancy Morabito & Douglas Tighe & Peter Marsh & Anthony Morabito

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MACH KEILI N GINJAC JUST A LITTLE TOO HOT RN MXS MJG OF (B), o Mrs. Janice Elaine Brunner, b Gina Currier & E Susan Drazek & Mr. Steve Stewart

TRICK DOG NOVICE

- BLUE SAPPHIRE'S STARRY KNIGHT CGC TKN (D), o Ms. Susan A Funk, b Patricia Rosado & Elizabeth Cruz
- CEDAR GLEN SINCERELY, ME TKN (D), o Kassandra McCombe & Ryan McCombe, b Marie Starsiak & Halina Bednarz & William Jones
- DOGPATCH MAISIE DAY TKN (B), o Mrs. Susan Sanders, b Kevin Gilmore
- GCH CH GET A BIRD HOPE'S SHOULD'VE BEEN A COWBOY JH TKN
 (D), o Laurie D O'Donnell & Matthew O'Donnell, b Laurie D O'Donnell & Matthew O'Donnell
- GCH CH HOPE'S GET A BIRD LEAP OF FAITH" JH OA AXJ OF TKN"

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- CH ILLUSION N' LABYRINTH TAKE THE MONEY AND RUN JH CGC TKN (B), o Abbie Hanson & Amy Alspaugh Penuel & Charles Hanson, b Abbie Hanson & Karen Hanson & Amy Alspaugh Penuel & Charles Hanson
- LT'S PUMKINSPICE CHAR-LATTE TKN (B), o Jhon & Denise Latulippe, b Darlene A Dow & Edward Kostka Jr.
- MAPLE BROOK'S BURNING EMBER JH AX OAJ OF CGC TKN (B), o Meghan Carr & Timothy Carr, b Mrs. Peggy Aguiar
- MCGAVIN'S BLUE & WHITE DAISY TKN (B), o Rosemary McGavin OMEGA'S FLASH OF FATE AT RED LEDGE CD RA TKN (D), o Ashley Catizone, b Donna A Howe
- PEPPER'S SPRING PEEPER TKN (B), o Jessica M Kriescher, b Colleen

Maxey & Gregory Maxey

GCHB CH POWDER RIVER'S CATCHIN THE HEART OF THE TEAM SH TKN (B), o Glenda J Mazzuca, b Karen Tye & Cheryl Krajcar

ROSE'S SWEET MACKENZIE CGC TKN (B), o William E Wier, b Mackenzie Crowley

TONAN MAGICBRIT HOPE STAND BY ME JH TKN (D), o Sarah Jacobs, b Nancy Morabito & Douglas Tighe & Peter Marsh & Anthony Morabito GCHP CH WINDFALLS I PUT U UNDER MY LUV SPELL BCAT CGC TKN (B), o Jacqui Campbell & Ben Campbell, b Carla L Cavaco

TRICK DOG INTERMEDIATE

JESPER DE L'ESCARBOT CGC TKI (D), o Alyssa Jean Elbert, b John P Mooney & Bruce J Mooney

MAPLE BROOK'S BURNING EMBER JH AX OAJ OF CGC TKI (B), o Meghan Carr & Timothy Carr, b Mrs. Peggy Aguiar

OMEGA'S FLASH OF FATE AT RED LEDGE CD RA TKI (D), o Ashley Catizone, b Donna A Howe

WARBONNET SECRET CODE TKI (D), o Janet Howson, b Todd A Breitenfeldt

CH WILDFIRE'S SGT PEPPER CD BN RE NA NAJ CGC TKI (D), o Peggy Wier, b Margaret Saucerman & Sara Taylor & D L Hayes

TRICK DOG ADVANCED

OMEGA'S FLASH OF FATE AT RED LEDGE CD RA TKA (D), o Ashley Catizone, b Donna A Howe

AKC RESULTS FOR AUGUST 2020

CHAMPION

- CH FYREBYRD SHARP DRESSED MAN (D) by GCHB CH Triumphant's Dark Knight JH x GCH CH Willowick N Zaffres Settin Fire To The Reign, o Margaret Saucerman & Kellie L Miller & Sara Taylor, b Kellie L Miller & Kristyn Stout & Sara Taylor
- CH LABYRINTH DON'T RAIN ON MY PARADE (D) by GCHP CH Labyrinth N Illusion Slippery When Wet JH x GCH CH Labyrinth Cheers To That JH, o Reva Fay Dickson & Karen Hanson, b Reva Fay Dickson & Karen Hanson
- CH QUAIL TRAIL'S WATCH YOURSELF (B) by GCH CH Mich's Mt Wolverine x GCH CH Dream Hi's Wind In The Willows V Quail Hallow, o Chelsea N Rowe & Pam Scholey & Manuel Alejandro QuIntero, b Kristina Rickard & Pam Scholey

GRAND CHAMPION

- GCH CH BIG OAKS BROXDEN BLAME IT ALVIN MY ROOTS (D) by GCH CH Big Oaks Texas Ranger x GCHS CH Big Oaks Delta Sunkist By Credit, o Alex Findlay & Phil Booth & Amy Booth, b Louise M Brown & Phil Booth & Amy Booth
- GCH CH FIRESTARTER'S CHASING THE SUNSET (B) by GCHS DC Sovereign's Chasing Legends x GCH CH Firestarter's Clear Winter Night, o Andi Christensen & Tatum Duvall, b Andi Christensen
- GCH CH HOPE'S HIDDENCREEK VISION (B) by GCHG CH MACH5 PACH2 Brookewood's Just Too Hot UD RAE MXG2 MJC2 MXP6 MXPS MJP8 MJPG PAX2 MXF T2B2 RATO x GCH CH Hope's I Can'T Drive 55, o Mrs. Barbara Ann Brownridge & Douglas Tighe, b Douglas Tighe & E Susan Drazek
- GCH CH LABYRINTH HEAD OVER HEELS NAP NJP (D) by GCHG CH Shelttany's Against All Odds x GCH CH Labyrinth Nmr Champagne Kisses, o Erica J Behnke, b Karen Hanson

GRAND CHAMPION BRONZE

GCHB CH RAO-TONAN JUST BE FRANK (D) by CH Bent Oak's Just Because JH x CH Magicbrit-Tonan Moonlight Sonata, o Becky L Rao & Andrea S Lane, b Nancy Morabito & Becky Rao & Anthony Morabito

FIELD CHAMPION - bred by exhibitor

FC ARROW'S AUTUMN SAGE (B) by DC AFC Beaver's Straight Arrow x Autumn's Silver Sage JH, o Jo Ann Kish, b Jo Ann Kish

FC BRETON'S GOLD RUN RUFFIAN (D) by FC AFC Hi-Scor Jac D Ruffian x DC AFC Chikamin's Tub O'Gold, o Gordon Theilen & Jessica Carlson, b Carolyn Theilen & Gordon Theilen

FIELD CHAMPION

FC COVEYRISE STEADY EDDIE (D) by FC AFC Coveyrise This Budz 4 U x DC Spring Hill's Riqueza Del Prado, o Bruce R Conover & Karen L Conover, b Stephen Tubach & Sandra Sargent

DC J&M RODEO ROMEO (D) by FC Tlm Copilot x DC AFC J&M Jax Sugar Babe, o Joyce Teutsch, b Mary E Crawford & James R Crawford

FC JALOS STILLETTO (B) by NAFC GFC GAFC FC AFC Spanish Corral's Sonny Patch x FC AFC Jalo's Speck Tacular JH, o Ms. Leslie Like, b Jim House

FC AFC KDELS EAGLE'S CHANCE TO SOAR JHA (B) by AFC Kdel's Eagle Flyboy Roy x Chance's Hope, o Kenric J Delong, b Robert Bricker & Diane Ashley

FC AFC LITTLE BIT OF RUST II (B) by Beeline Bullet's Oxidation x Tina-See Sippin Whizki, o Sharon D Williams, b Nolan Huffman

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION - bred by exhibitor

CH AFC BRITWOODS SMOKING GUN (B) by NAFC FC AFC Walker's Gunner x DC Brittwoods Sienna Spice, o Luann Fullwood, b Luann Fullwood

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION

FC AFC BROWN'S SUBLIME INDIANA TEMPLE OF DOOM (B) by DC MB's Make Mine A Double x Brown's Sublime Chase JHA, o Deb Brown & Ross E Brown, b Deb Brown & Ross E Brown

AFC BUCK'S YANKEE BOY (D) by FC AFC Buck's Amigo Red x Marjo's Angelfire, o Mr. Frank A Boccanfuso Jr. & Mrs. Carole L Boccanfuso, b Ann Marie Luisi

AFC FLYING O ROCKET DARCI (B) by Flying O Sparky x Spring Time Rocket Baby, o Arthur L Baer III, b Terry R Ellis

FC AFC SNIKSOH IZZY DOES IT (B) by FC AFC Sniksoh Little Rascal x AFC Decan's Blazin' Bye, o James F Winnen, b Allen Davis

COMPANION DOG

GCH CH DOGWOOD HOLLOW WHITE DOVE CD BN CGC (B), o Marie Starsiak & Geri O Clements, b Geri O Clements & Cheryl Mika & Gary Clements

UTILITY DOG

GCHB CH TRIO'S DREAMS COME TRUE UD RN TKA (B), o Louise Griffin & Jim Griffin, b Karen Livingston & Clint Livingston

OBEDIENCE MASTER 4

FC RUBYRIDGE'S MILLION DOLLAR BABE UDX OM4 NA (B), o Jan Hamner, b Jan Hamner

RALLY NOVICE

AUTUMNGLOW PLAYIN HOOKIE N SKIPPIN STONES RN AX AXJ (D), o Susan Denning, b Maurya Ord & Jessica Ord & Nichole Otterson &

Brian Hultgren

CH ISLANDVIEW HEART OF FIRE RN (B), o Deanna DeBlois, b Deanna DeBlois & Deborah Moon

MAYJAY SWEETIE RN CGC TKN (B), o Wendy Pflugler, b Debra Rudert POWDER RIVER'S DARKSIDE OF THE MOON RN CA (B), o Cheryl Krajcar & Karen Tye, b Cheryl Krajcer & Jean A Hallaron & Jay Hallaron POWDER RIVER'S TRI LOGAN CD RN TKN (D), o Cheryl Krajcar &

Suzanne Karnes, b Cheryl Krajcar

WARBONNET SECRET CODE RN TKA (D), o Janet Howson, b Todd A Breitenfeldt

RALLY INTERMEDIATE

BIG PINES GAME CHANGER BN RI JH (D), o Anne Louise Mayall, b Bradley Hedstrom & Lisa Hedstrom

WESTWIND KIARA'S LITTLE PEARL RI CGC TKA (B), o Stephanie D Call & Judy Curtin, b Judy Curtin & Jack Curtin

NOVICE AGILITY

MT RIDERS GIFTED HONOR NA TKA (B), o Mrs. Melanie Ann Nussbaumer, b Mrs. Beth Ann Harrison

OPEN AGILITY

MT RIDERS ETERNAL JOURNEY OA NAJ ACT1 TKA (B), o Melanie Nussbaumer, b Mrs. Beth Ann Harrison

OPEN AGILITY PREFERRED

FAROUT FIELDS ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND RN OAP OJP NFP ACT2 (B), o Vikki Calvano & Jackie Arnold, b Jackie Arnold

MASTER CENTURY AGILITY 2

GCH CH MACH7 KEILI'S GOLDSTAR KIR ROYALE CDX BN RAE JH MXC2 PDS MJB3 PJS MFS TQX T2B5 CA BCAT RATO CZ8B TKA (B), o E Susan Drazek, b Patricia John & E Susan Drazek

MASTER AGILITY EXCELLENT PREFERRED

CALYPSO GIRL OF LBI MXP MJP OFP CA DCAT CGC (B), o Katelyn Laufenberg, b Ms. Theresa Leone

GROUSETANGLE'S DYNAMO MX MXB MXJ MXP MJP OF T2B (B), o Cynthia Steeves, b Reberta Hamer

NOVICE AGILITY JUMPER

ALAR'S ARCTIC HUNTER NEKA RN NA NAJ (B), o Christine Terzi & Peter Terzi, b Jessica Carlson

MT RIDERS GIFTED HONOR NA NAJ TKA (B), o Mrs. Melanie Ann Nussbaumer, b Mrs. Beth Ann Harrison

EXCELLENT AGILITY JUMPER

MAPLE BROOK'S BURNING EMBER RN JH AX AXJ OF CGC TKI (B), o Meghan Carr & Timothy Carr, b Mrs. Peggy Aguiar

NYM DE L'ESCARBOT JH AX AXJ ACT2 TKN (B), o Tom Cherry, b John P Mooney & Bruce J Mooney

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER 2

GCH CH MACH3 RUSTIN'S FUTURE'S SO BRIGHT MXC MJB2 XF T2B (B), o Ms. Colleen M Driscoll & Aimee Schilling & Terrence M Santelli, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

MASTER BRONZE JUMPER 3

MACH8 GALEJADE DE ACRES VENTEUSES CD MXC2 PAD MJB3 PJD OF T2B2 (B), o Lynn Vanfleet, b Mr. Philip E Rogers & Mrs. Walda E Rogers

MASTER EXCELLENT JUMPER PREFERRED 12

MACH4 PACH3 CREDIT KAZE WITH A PERFECT DIAMOND MXG2
MJB3 MXP10 MXPC MJP12 MJPC PJDP PAX3 MFG TQX T2B5 TKI
(B), o Victoria MacVicar & Robert J Howell & Jessie Schulz, b Robert J
Howell & Victoria MacVicar

AGILITY FAST NOVICE

LOCKRIDGE YULE LUV X-MAS ACRES VIXEN NA NF (B), o Dr. Sheila Kandle, b Terry Hilliard & Debra M Rudert & Andrea Jordan Lane

AGILITY FAST EXCELLENT

DOGWOOD HOLLOW'S APPLE PIE MX MXB MXJ XF (B), o Kim P Tees & James P Tees, b Geri O Clements & Cheryl Mika & Gary Clements MAPLE BROOK'S BURNING EMBER RN JH AX AXJ XF CGC TKI (B), o Meghan Carr & Timothy Carr, b Mrs. Peggy Aguiar

MASTER BRONZE FAST PREFERRED

MACH5 PACH3 MARJO'S DEMON IN THE RUFF MXS2 MJG2 MXP10 MXPC PADP MJP10 MJPC PAX3 MFS TQX MFPB T2B2 T2BP (B), o Janice Brunner, b Marsha Luisi

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION

MACH JUST ANOTHER BRIT IN THE WALL MXB MJS XF (B), o Janice Brunner

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 3

CH MACH3 TOP SHELF'S JOYFUL LEE JH MXC PAD MJB2 PJD MFS TQX T2B3 (B), o Andrea Lee, b Wendy A Archinal & Gail Schmieder & Jennifer Krieger

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 7

GCH CH MACH7 KEILI'S GOLDSTAR KIR ROYALE CDX BN RAE JH MXG2 PDS MJB3 PJS MFS TQX T2B5 CA BCAT RATO CZ8B TKA (B), o E Susan Drazek, b Patricia John & E Susan Drazek

AGILITY COURSE TEST 1

BRADY SUBRAMANIAN ACT1 (D), o Meena Subramanian, b Stephanie Garnet

BCAT

SPARKS FLY ON MADISON AVENUE BCAT (B), o Hannah Tykol

SCENT WORK CONTAINER NOVICE

DOGPATCH MAISIE DAY SCN SBN RATN TKN (B), o Mrs. Susan Sanders, b Kevin Gilmore

HIGHWAY'S LEXI GIRL ACT1 SWN (B), o Kellie Hargreaves, b Mr. Garrett Paul LaRoy

MARSPORT LIFE'S ROUSING JOURNEY WITH EMERSYN SWN (B), o Stacy Sadler, b John W Marsman

SCENT WORK INTERIOR NOVICE

HIGHWAY'S LEXI GIRL ACT1 SWN (B), o Kellie Hargreaves, b Mr. Garrett Paul LaRov

MARSPORT LIFE'S ROUSING JOURNEY WITH EMERSYN SWN (B), o Stacy Sadler, b John W Marsman

SCENT WORK EXTERIOR NOVICE

HIGHWAY'S LEXI GIRL ACT1 SWN (B), o Kellie Hargreaves, b Mr. Garrett Paul LaRoy

MARSPORT LIFE'S ROUSING JOURNEY WITH EMERSYN SWN (B), o

Stacy Sadler, b John W Marsman

SCENT WORK BURIED NOVICE

DOGPATCH MAISIE DAY SCN SBN RATN TKN (B), o Mrs. Susan Sanders, b Kevin Gilmore

HIGHWAY'S LEXI GIRL ACT1 SWN (B), o Kellie Hargreaves, b Mr. Garrett Paul LaRoy

MARSPORT LIFE'S ROUSING JOURNEY WITH EMERSYN SWN (B), o Stacy Sadler, b John W Marsman

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HIGHWAY'S LEXI GIRL ACT1 SWN (B), o Kellie Hargreaves, b Mr. Garrett Paul LaRoy

MARSPORT LIFE'S ROUSING JOURNEY WITH EMERSYN SWN (B), o Stacy Sadler, b John W Marsman

SCENT WORK CONTAINER ADVANCED

BIG JAKE OUTLAW HUNTER SWN SCA SIA SBA (D), o Terry Eblen, b Zachary Kindschuh

BIG JAKE OUTLAW HUNTER SWN SIA (D), o Terry Eblen, b Zachary Kindschuh

SCENT WORK EXTERIOR ADVANCED

LEROUX DE BROUGHTON SWN SCA SIA SEA (D), o Andrea Jean Cuthbert, b Stephen Joseph Broughton

SCENT WORK BURIED ADVANCED

BIG JAKE OUTLAW HUNTER SWN SCA SIA SBA (D), o Terry Eblen, b Zachary Kindschuh

SCENT WORK INTERIOR EXCELLENT

NERO NOTTE DE STONEHILL JAMMER SWA SCE SIE SHDE CGC TKI (D), o Stephanie April Lyons Reed, b Mark Shelton

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

CEDAR GLEN SINCERELY, ME CGC TKN (D), o Kassandra McCombe & Ryan McCombe, b Marie Starsiak & Halina Bednarz & William Jones

DARK NITE ROMENCE BRITT CGC (B), o Mrs. Amy M Vantrepott, b Julie Romence

OAKLEY GUNNER SCOUT CGC (B), o Marla Jo Stucky & Donovan (Butch) Carl Stucky, b Mr. Steve Seibert

SIGBRIT'S SUPER DOOPER COOPER CGC (D), o Mr. Melvin Joseph Radford, b Alexa Patterson & Bobbie L Sigmund

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN URBAN

RALEIGH CGCA CGCU (D), o Melinda Cooper

TRICK DOG NOVICE

ALDER LAST DANCE FINNEGAN CGC TKN (D), o Mrs. Kimberly Jo Hiser, b Dan Riedl & Allison Riedl

ALDER REMINGTON ULTIVA CGC TKN (B), o Tim Bednarz, b Dan Riedl & Allison Riedl

ASH CREEK'S CRASH MY PARTY TKN (D), o Caden Foley

BIG OAKS BROXDEN RED, WHITE AND BLUE NA NAJ NF DJ TKN (D), o Kathy De Lucas, b Louise M Brown & Phil Booth & Amy Booth

LABYRINTH KISS ME IN THE RAIN TKN (B), o Yvonne M shanto &

Nicholas A Shanto, b Reva Fay Dickson & Karen Hanson OBI WAN CGC TKN (D), o Mr. Johnny Martinez & Aziliz Martinez, b Brittany Sweatman

ORANGE CRUSH, GO SNIFF TKN (B), o Andrea Mandour & Firas Mandour

CH POLO'S NORTHERN EXPOSURE OF CAMERON MTN JH TKN (B), o Rebecca A Hofmann & Marc A Hofmann, b Linda C Ouellette

TRICK DOG INTERMEDIATE

BIG OAKS BROXDEN RED, WHITE AND BLUE NA NAJ NF DJ TKI (D), o Kathy De Lucas, b Louise M Brown & Phil Booth & Amy Booth MCGAVIN'S BLUE & WHITE DAISY TKI (B), o Rosemary McGavin ORANGE CRUSH, GO SNIFF TKI (B), o Andrea Mandour & Firas Mandour

CH RED GRANITE'S I AM A ROCK RN JH TKI (D), o Jerome Boettcher & Julie Asmus & Rachelle Boettcher & Lois Boettcher, b Jerome Boettcher & Rachelle Boettcher & Lois Boettcher

CH SHADY BROOK'S A STAR IS BORN CGCA TKI (D), o Dona Marie Campbell, b Joan Bevers

TRICK DOG ADVANCED

BIG OAKS BROXDEN RED, WHITE AND BLUE NA NAJ NF DJ TKA (D), o Kathy De Lucas, b Louise M Brown & Phil Booth & Amy Booth DON'T BLINC TKA (D), o Elizabeth Stiles V.M.D & Alexander Mountain, b Samantha James

GCH DC AFC HAVAPAL'S REV ME UP REPEAT VCD1 BN RE TDX SH OA OAJ OAP OJP NF NFP CGC TKA (D), o Mrs. Julie A Asmus, b Robert Kossel

GCH CHAFC REPEAT'S LITTLE 501 BLUES BN RE SH OA OAJ OAP NJP NF CAA CGC TKA (D), o Julie Ann Asmus, b Todd Parmenter CH SHADY BROOK'S A STAR IS BORN CGCA TKA (D), o Dona Marie Campbell, b Joan Bevers

AKC TEMPERAMENT TEST

RUSTIN'S MOCKINGBIRD SONG OF SCOUT CDX BN RN OA AXJ CGCA ATT (B), o Mr. Edmund J Ronan & Ms. Carol A Ronan, b Aimee Schilling & Colleen Driscoll & Terrence Santelli

DOCK JUNIOR

OBI WAN DJ CGC TKN (D), o Mr. Johnny Martinez & Aziliz Martinez, b Brittany Sweatman

DOCK SENIOR

OBI WAN DS DJ CGC TKN (D), o Mr. Johnny Martinez & Aziliz Martinez, b Brittany Sweatman



Some Thoughts on Judges and Judging

To properly bring this subject into focus, there are many aspects worthy of discussion. I will endeavor to knit these various facets together in this discussion.

Exactly what is a field trial judge, his duties and responsibilities, and the club's responsibilities regarding the judiciary?

Afieldtrialjudge is in a unique area of responsibilities, his opinion is paramount, along with that of his fellow judge, in the determination of the winners of a stake. A judge is not a referee, or an umpire, or a linesman as in tennis. He, and his judicial partner, assume a mantle of complete responsibility as the term judge implies.

In going about his highly responsible job, his demeanor is all important as the example he sets should always be above reproach. At all times he must conduct himself as a gentleman, whether in the field or at social functions which accompany most trials. His behavior is always under scrutiny by each and every contestant. Respect begets respect.

A judge must be in excellent physical condition, be always alert, have keen eyes, and above all an objective mind, capable of analyzing situations as they occur. He must also be diplomatic. Sooner or later the occasion will arise when he and his partner do not agree on the winners, and each must be capable of arbitration and analysis.

During the running, the conduct of the trial is entirely in the hands of the judges, therefore other factors also come into play. Each should set the pace of the event and should be thoroughly versed in what the pace should be. Marshals should confer with judges, unfamiliar with new grounds, so that all dogs are afforded the opportunity to run their courses at proper pace to prevent overlaps. If a judge allows a handler the liberty of setting the pace, the end result will be unequal as each handler differs in pace.

The judges should direct handlers as to their responsibilities to properly show their entries to them, not the judiciary chasing ever forward to glimpse a fleeting spec on every horizon. It is, however, a judicial responsibility to maintain an always forward-of-gallery posture, aloof, but not oblivious to amenities with gallery or club officials during the running. A 100% span of attention is deserved, and should be afforded every brace that runs.

Two judges should discuss, prior to the running,

what they are looking for in a winner, what they judge to be an unproductive, directing scouting activities, etc. They should meet unobtrusively at the end of both morning and evening runs to compare notes and should carry their top dogs in a timely fashion, day to day. Once a dog is dropped from consideration, it should no longer ever enter into decisions again. This only leads to confusion and mistrust between judges. Mutual respect and trust between the judges is a must and in keeping with this each should be able to quickly and concisely describe to the other what each has seen during a separation period when covering bird work, etc., and it should be done as it occurs, not trusted to memory for a later session. Accurate notes by each judge are always a must, and times of occurrence should be jotted down.

A judge should be above average as a horseman, as his responsibility is to be able to get to a find without mishap. Apprehension in the saddle also takes away from the concentration on the dog's performance.

One of the premier rules for a judge is positive judging. He should always accent the positive attributes of the dogs in arriving at a decision; negative judging is merely looking for faults to throw a dog out. All dogs have faults.

Let's discuss an example of positive judging, using an all-age brace to wit.

First and foremost, a dog should run an all-age race to be a contender. Without this, no amount of bird work should be considered. If the race is of all-age scope, did the dog complete his all age casts without excessive scouting, had a lofty gait, moved attractively and had letter perfect bird work twice? Each find was clean and the result of a well-defined forward cast showing hunting desire. The dog had an unproductive where his manners were good, stylish and in a birdy place but none were put to air. At the hour's end, he showed a strong forward cast to finish ahead on the course. This dog had a group of positives and is in contention. His one negative is a lone unproductive.

At this point in the running, after due discussion, both judges agree this is their top dog. Later, another dog runs an equal in scope race, is overhandled, overscouted and many times out of control but he, too, has two cleanly handled finds of equal value with the top dog, but no unproductive. Now, how negative is an unproductive when weighed against the criteria of

an erratic race, over handling and excessive scouting. After discussion, the unproductive is the lesser fault and there being no other dogs close, the winner is the original top dog because of accentuating the positives to eliminate the negative.

This is a formula example for not just an all-age dog, but a shooting dog or a walking stakes trial also, and is a basic for judicial decision. Again, only by timely discussion and comparison of judicial notes can two judges make such decisions. Remember, when judging, you the judges must be satisfied that you have named the best dog you've looked at as the winner. Again I stress, there are no hard fast engraved rules; opinion of the judges is what determines the outcome, and beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

Each new trial is a new contest, and a judge must constantly guard against predilection. Too much exposure to judging is usually the cause of this judicial fault. Remember: Every dog, even the worst outlaw, can have one of those spectacular performances. Never have a bias from a prior trial. Guard against this at all costs.

What each club owes it entrants and judges.

After selecting judges, they should be contacted at the earliest possible times, and once committed should receive details, dates, accommodations, travel schedules, etc., as soon as possible, and the judges' names should always be included in THE AMERICAN FIELD ad. Six months ahead is not too early to get the above done. "Judges to be announced" in a field trial ad usually indicates a lack of organization by the sponsoring the club or a derelict secretary. This should be eliminated.

Clubs should select judges with experience, wherever possible, but at a minimum have an experienced judge with a new man on the scent, who possesses attributes previously discusses. The club secretary should converse with the experienced judge and ask him to counsel with and help begin training the new judge. There is always a shortage of new judicial blood in this game, and the old heads are usually most cooperative in grooming aspiring new judges.

It should always be remembered by judicial aspirants that the social aspects are merely sidelights, the running is always paramount. A thick hide is a looked-for attribute in a judge, as criticism is always a happening; only the winner is happy and sometimes the judges' placement is his wrong dog. In most cases judging is a thankless job. Therefore, a judge must always satisfy himself with his decision.

The club owes its judges decent lodging, nourishing meals, good horses, and should never allow any form of impugning to occur, without a reprisal to the offender. All amateur events have hard fast rules in this regard. Open stakes should take a same stance, if not more forceful.

In recent years, it has become the vogue in most sporting events to question the ref, boo the umpire. John McEnroe of tennis fame cusses linesmen. This has no business in our sport. Remember, your judges are the supreme authority during the running of your particular trial. Mistreatment of these judges should never be tolerated or unpunished. Bearing in mind the above, no judge worth his salt ever takes offense at a properly put inquiry as to dog placements, or why they didn't place; but both judges should be asked in a polite manner, at the same time and this should not be in front of a crowd, but in private.

Once the trial is over, decisions made, placements named and all gone home, it is a judge's responsibility to his fellow judge, to never discuss their decision in other than a mutually agreed on positive manner. One-on-one discussions with a disgruntled handler should always be avoided, as words can be twisted and hard feelings created between judges.

In summary, judges should be ever alert, knowledgeable (not just well read) but of practical working knowledge, bird hunter background, work his own dogs or with his professional handler enough to gain experience. They should be in good health, possess stamina, maintain a high moral stature, and be known for their integrity. They should be average or above horsemen, and in the case of trials of long duration, should be expected to be in shape to make day after day in the saddle. Availability is not the prime consideration, but once committed, a judicial assignment should never be taken lightly. Only a major occurrence should create a cancellation, and once on the job, time should never be of paramount importance. The trial should be run in an orderly and timely fashion by the judges, but a weather delay due to unfair conditions for dogs should be taken into consideration, and time should not prevent a callback, if agreement between judges requires one to determine the best of the lot.

When one accepts the judicial responsibility, one must first, last and always satisfy himself that he and his partner have given every dog their undivided attention and after due process have chosen the best performances which suits their (the judges) criteria to be names winners, runners-up or third.

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FC AFC Palmetto Pointe's Autumn's Blazing Star o: Tom & Tiffany Bass



Hilltop Diamond Tip of Crosscreek

o: Brian Lewis

Adult Field Trial Placements

FC AFC Palmetto Pointe's Autumn's Blazing Star 6 placements; Two 1st, 1 hour 1st; 8 pts o: Tom & Tiffany Bass

AFC Little Bit of Rust II - Two 1st; 7 pts o: Sharon & Stuart Williams

Pursuit's Mistaken ID - 5 plc; One 1st, 6 pts o: Jay & Jean Hallaron

AFC Palmetto Pointe's Starship Trooper - 3 placements o: Tom & Tiffany Bass



New Titles

AFC Little Bit of Rust II
o: Sharon and Stuart Williams

GCHB FarOut Fields Daily Lovin' the Sunrise JHA o: Margaret Rocker

GCHB Horizon-Breezewater's
I'm The Only One
o: Janice Hightower

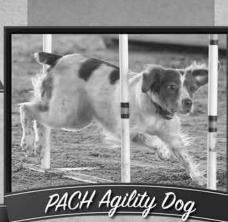
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Sunset's Light At The End Of The Tunnel <u>NA NAJ</u> OAJ <u>NF</u> o: Melissa John

Hilltop Crosscreek Cash JH o: Brian Lewis

Hilltop Criss Crosscreek JH o: Brian Lewis

GCH CH Credit Kaze Bentley's Legacy Goes Platinum o: Victoria MacVicar & Bob Howell



MACH4 PACH2 Credit Kaze With A
Perfect Diamond MXG2 MJB3 MXP5 MXPS
MJP7 MJPS PAX2 MFG TQX T2B5 TKI
o: Victoria MacVicar & Bob Howell

2019 DOG OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Best In Show NOHS, AKC 2019 NOHS Finals BOS o: Janice Hightower



Kinwashkly Instant Rum Pudding o: Stuart & Sharon Williams



GCH MACH Credit Kaze With A Link
Between The Jewels MXG MJG MFS T2B2 TKI

o: Victoria MacVicar & Bob Howell

Piney Run Three Sheets To The Wind - 2 placements o: Tom & Tiffany Bass

> Kinwashkly Ti In the Sky - 1 placement o: Stuart & Sharon Williams

Prime Time Full Throttle - 1 placement o: Kent Cantrell

> Pursuit's Spotlight - 1 placement o: Jay & Jean Hallaron

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New NA, NAJ, OJ
o: Victoria MacVicar & Bob Howell

MACH4 PACH2 Credit Kaze With A Perfect Diamond MXG2 MJB3 MXP5 MXPS MJP7 MJPS PAX2 MFG TQX T2B5 TKI

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CH Credit Kaze With A
Gem On The Wrist
o: Victoria MacVicar & Bob Howell

GCH MACH Credit Kaze With A Link Between The Jewels MXG MJG MFS T2B2 TKI New MJS, MXS, MACH, MXJG, MXG, MJF

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CH FarOut Fields Abbie Road JH o; Lee Mustion & Jackie Arnold

CH Blue Sapphire Kiss Me All Over Kate JH o: Ashton Mustion

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Rhoades' Havoc's Little Sunshine Annabelle - 1 plc, 1 pt o: Cleveland Rhoades

Salem Valley Meadows Kaydee - 5 plc o: Kenny and Lynda Davis

Turning Points One Way or Another - 4 plc o: Meredith and Ryan Kendall

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Pursuit's Broadway Glitz 1st Place ABC Eastern Futurity All Age 0: Jay & Jean Hallaron



GCH Horizon-Breezewater's I'm The Only One

2nd Money Female - ABC Eastern Futurity Show o: Janice Hightower

> Hilltop Jumping Jack - 3 plc o: Brian Lewis

Beeline Oxidized Whiz Kid - 2 plc o: Stuart and Sharon Williams

Salem Valley Meadows Copper - 1 plc o: Kenny and Lynda Davis



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Cultivating Desire in Sporting Dogs

One of the most important traits of a great sporting dog is drive. Call it whatever you choose to call it—drive, determination, desire—it's what turns ordinary dogs into champions.

Halls of fame are filled with memorabilia of high-drive dogs, their owners and handlers. Kennel reputations are built on the strong desire of their dogs. Owners hire trainers to help give their dogs push, focus, and the intensity to achieve.

While it may be simple to detect drive in a dog, it's not so simple to cultivate. Maintaining drive may be even more challenging.

Desire is definitely an inherited characteristic, yet' it's important to understand how proper socialization, training/exercise and nutrition play a part in how it is manifested during work, says Purina director of Sporting Programs Bob West. "In fact, if any of these three primary 'legs'—genetics, training or proper nutrition—are lacking, performance will fall short.

Genetics Behind Drive. Think drive in a dog isn't genetic? Consider 2X NAFC 2X CNAFC-FC Ebonstar Lean Mac ("Maxx"). A strong, stylish black Labrador Retriever, Maxx was truly a "high-drive" dog, says veteran trainer Mike Lardy of Montello, Wis. During his career, Maxx was a finalist 10 straight times in the National Retriever Championship.

Maxx also passed on that same desire to an impressive percentage of his progeny. At the 2003 National Amateur Retriever Championship in McCall, Idaho, Maxx was the sire of 30 of 105 dogs entered. Many more could trace their heritage to Maxx. "He's been the greatest producer in the history of the game," Lardy says.

Another great producer was English Setter 6XCH Grouse Ridge Will. A champion who posted 84 wins and three national championship, Will excelled at locating birds—grouse, quail, woodcock or pheasant. Along with that world-class nose, Will had "tremendous desire," says Dr. Thomas Flanagan of Norwich N.Y., who owned the Hall of Fame setter. "He was just smarter than other dogs, and he was a great physical specimen." Will sired 139 winners who have collectively achieved more than 1,000 field trial wins.

Given those two examples and countless others, it's no wonder the first place experts look for drive is on paper. Pedigree is a starting point, West says. "I look at eh parents and grandparents to see if they have tested well and talk to people who know these dogs to see whether they exhibited high desire along with several other critical characteristics. Once you've identified those characteristics in the parents, with selective breeding and luck you should be able to produce offspring with the potential for impressive drive."

But West cautions that the search doesn't end with a review of family trees. Breeders have too many stories about champions bred to champions that produced puppies—but no champions. That's why after you find pups with good pedigrees, it pays to carefully evaluate the litter.

High-desire dogs often stand out as puppies, says trainer

Sherry Ray Ebert of Mott, N.D. As proof she points to CH Destinare, a Hall of Fame English Setter who in the 1994 field trial season posted a record 4,475 points and won three consecutive major championships. "Destinare exhibited many of the qualities you look for when trying to find the high-drive pick of a litter," she says. "You like to see that little guy who's the first one to come out of the box or the first one to fall down the steps—the one that has the oomph to go out and do things first. Destinare stood out like a sore thumb. He was a very animated as a puppy."

Training a High-Drive Dog. Let's assume you've found a well-bred, animated pup that shows signs of a classic high-drive dog. Before building another trophy case, you should note that your work has just begun. How well you handle the dog's intense desire can determine whether its career is rewarding or frustrating.

"I think the big challenge for training dogs is taking that innate desire and harnessing it so it's at the level the trainer wants," says Purina Nutrition scientist Arleigh Reynolds, D.V.M., Ph.D., DACVN, of Salcha, Alaska, a trainer of sprint sled dogs. "Inappropriate drive can be as much of a problem as not enough drive."

Ebert agrees. "Normally a hard-driving, high-desire dog is on the fence all the time. If he falls off on the right side, he's a champion. If he falls off on the other side, he's zip,"

To run a high-desire dog into a champion, experts recommend a training regime that combines extensive physical and mental condition. A key for Grouse Ridge Will, Flanagan says, was the regular hunting he enjoyed under trainer Harold Ray. "They hunted him very hard and kept him in great shape, and there's no question that brought out his very best," Flanagan says.

"With a high-desire dog you have to keep its brain fit, too," Ebert says. "That's where a lot of people slip. You have to keep them entertained and motivated all the time. Otherwise it's like sitting a genius in the corner and not giving him a pencil to work with."

Often that means treating a high-desire dog differently than you might other dogs in your kennel. Ebert says her former husband, Harold Ray, frequently changed training schedules for Destinare and his sire, The Performer, another high-drive dog. For instance, Destinare's exercise regime was made up of short heats designed to keep him active longer. He also accompanied Sherry and Harold everywhere they went, even to small trials at which he was merely an observer.

And when photo opportunities arose, they made sure to get the camera-friendly Setter out of his box. "He and The Performer were hams," Ebert explains. "Those kind of dogs, they need to know they are doing a good job. They love to get bragged on."

In addition to varying training regimes for high-drive dogs, it is sometimes necessary to develop completely different exercises. "The professional trainers always told me they had to set up tests just for Maxx," says Sherwin Scott of

Scottsdale, Ariz., who owned the much decorated Lab. "If he wasn't challenged, he was instantly bored. They had to set up complicated tests you wouldn't give another dog. It was literally like the dog a crossword puzzle to work out."

Maxx's training also involved a variety of measures to steady him at the line. Owning to his tremendous desire, Scott says, "There was never a single trial that I handled him in where I was petrified that he was going to break because of his enthusiasm and intensity. That was the kind of desire he had. I used to engage in all kinds of shenanigans to outfox him and to prevent him from breaking on me." One technique Scott used was to take walks with Maxx before trials to get him away from the action.

A common misconception about high-drive dogs it that because of their intense desire, they can also take t raining pressure.

Sometimes the exact opposite is true. "A young dog with a lot of drive can go one way or the other," Ebert says "He can go with you and be a really good dog, or he can turn off you because you work too hard to train him. You have to make them handle for you, but you also have to go with them and trust them."

Robert Gillette, D.V.M., director of the Sports Medicine Program as Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine, says, "Some dogs can get so excited, it will actually alter their ability to function. It's important to create a conditioning program that helps a dog to not be impacted by the anticipation."

At the least, a handler should be able to manage and anticipate the increased energy level. "For most detection dogs, they say they cover 125 percent of the room because during the first part of that detection time, a dog has to calm down and get into the process," Gillette says.

Another possible barrier in lardy's experience is entering high-drive dogs in competition too early. "I think you should steady a high-desire dog at an early age and not enter that dog in junior hunter, puppy stakes or derbies until it has perfect habits at the line," Lardy says.

Proper Nutrition. Proper nutrition is another key to help maximize drive. And a tleast one part of an ideal food formula is straightforward. "Any dog that performs in an athletic endeavor to its fullest potential needs a high-protein diet," Reynolds says. He advises that a working dog receive at least 24 percent of its calories from protein, which in most commercial foods generally means 30 percent of the as-fed diet is coming from protein. Reynolds says high-portein diets help a dog metabolize oxygen.

Time of feeding and water can also be important. "In general, feeding once a day as close to 24 hours before a big competition can help improve performance," Reynolds says.

Actually, Reynolds says, it's also a good plan to feed in advance of training. "That gets the dogs used to pulling from reserves in their body rather than just pulling onw hat's in their bloodstream," he explains. "The pool in their bloodstream is relatively small compared to the pool in their reserves."

Feeding in advance also reduces the amount of feces in a dog's bowels, keeps more blood flowing to muscles, and reduces the heat load of the dog, which may contribute to overheating when a dog's body is forced to digest food while also working in the field.

When it comes to proper hydration, owners of high-drive dogs must be aware that some animals with strong desire are so focused on task they don't recognize needs such as water. "I've seen a number of times where I knew a dog needed to be hydrated but the dog didn't know it," West says. "You may have to stop them and water them. They're in a high-drive mode and are so focused on finding game that other things don't enter their consciousness."

Maintaining Drive. Lack of water isn't the only factor that can sap a dog's drive. "When you see loss of drive, in my experience, it's for one of several reasons," Reynolds says. "One is the dog is not being fed properly, that he's undernourished or obese. He may not be conditioned well enough and tiring quickly. Another is that the dog is overtrained or over-stressed and is being asked to perform beyond its mental or physical ability."

Injuries can also drain desire. "I often see muscularskeletal issues that appear as a drop in drive but in reality are undiagnosed injuries," Gillette says. "When you get involved with drive and behavior, you always have to make sure the rest of the body is working. With any performance issue I always start first assessing dogs metabolically and then checking their structure."

When dogs lose their drive near middle age, a veterinarian may want to take radiographs of shoulders, hips, elbows, stifles and the spine. These radiographs should show signs of arthritis, which is common in middle age and impairs the performance of some dogs.

Gillette also advocates having your veterinarian take multiple blood samples to better assess the health, conditioning and overall metabolism of a working dog. Similar blood testing is common with human athletes but is not yet popular in the canine world. "I think it will be a tool we can use," Gillette says. "Without it, there's no way to really understand the metabolic processes going on."

Gillette suggests a veterinarian take three blood samples: one while a dog is resting, one just before working, and one after work is completed. For a Retriever, the working component might consist of taking samples when a dog comes to the line and after it has completed a series of retrieves.

"When working or athletic dogs get to a location or get a certain collar put on, it begins an anticipatory state that can impact its metabolism," Gillette says. "If I'm trying to assess the performance status of a dog, that can tell me a lot of things about the dog."

Gillette also stresses the mental aspect of maintaining a high-drive dog's enthusiasm. Even in dogs with desire, Gillette believes there are reward-based training methods that can help increase drive. "You have to figure out what drives the dog. Once you figure that out, you can do things to enhance the drive," he says.

TRAININ' DOGS

with Rick Smith

Fingerprints

By Rick Smith & Sharon Potter

What Do fingerprints have to do with dog training? Don't worry, this column isn't going to be a forensics lesson or a TV episode of CCSI. Have you ever taken your vehicle in for service, or perhaps loaned it to somebody, and when you get it back, no matter how you adjust everything back to the way you had it set, it still feels just a little bit different? Or maybe you had a teacher in school how made an especially good (or Negative) impression on you that made you change your outlook and adapt a bit. Perhaps a friend did something unexpected and nice for you that brightened your day and put you in a good mood; maybe it was somebody who bullied you and made your life miserable. All of these examples are ways others leave their mark on our lives. We like to call those marks "fingerprints," and we leave fingerprints on our dogs, too. In fact, our dogs are covered with 'em.

Every interaction with our dogs leaves an impression. When it's just us, being consistent and working one-on-one with a dog, we develop patterns and create habits. That's a fancier way to say "training." Those patterns and interactions are also leaving an impression on our dogs...fingerprints, if you will.

When things are going along smoothly, we're building confidence in our dogs. But what about that one time when we were in a hurry, things weren't going right, and we unfairly lost our temper for a moment? That leaves a fingerprint, too. It's not the end of the world, and, dogs being dogs, they forgive easily. But it doesn't mean they forget. That little five-second loss of control will be remembered, especially during the time period just after it happened. Our goal has to be recognizing our error and being extra careful to watch our dogs for any residual effects or negative responses. And of course, the best thing to do is not lose your temper with your dog in the first place.

The other outcome of that scenario would be for us to overcompensate for our loss of control and try to make up for it by petting and giving treats. But dogs don't think that way, and they don't understand human apologies. The best thing you can do is move on as if it didn't happen, making sure you bring your "A" game and stay emotionally level while watching

your dog carefully for any telltale signs of anxiety or fear. Sometimes this will reveal itself in a slight hesitation to respond to a cue or command, while other times is may be a subtle physical sign such as a change



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to a more rapid breathing pattern, or ears folded back rather an alert and forward. Your dog's tails is also a great "tell."

Dogs would make lousy poker players because they give off all sorts of body language signals if we just pay attention. The more you watch, the more you will learn to recognize those slight changes in your dog's attitude and body language.

While we leave our own "fingerprints" all over our dogs, the bigger prints are often left by others. Veterinarians, boarding kennels, trainers, friends and family, children, and even other dogs all leave their mark in one way or another. Hopefully it's all positive, but be aware of changes in your dog's behavior after he's' been around others. For example, you may notice some different behavior in your dog after he has been boarded at a kennel while you were away. Most of the time, those behavioral changes are things that were allowed to slide while he was being boarded. Maybe you insist that your dog wait to go through a doorway, but the kennel staff allows it; or perhaps they encourage the dog to jump on them at playtime. Or the opposite can happen, where you notice fearful behavior after being boarded.

And it's not just boarding kennels; maybe your dog stayed with a friend or family member while you were away, and the same things happened there. You will see those "fingerprints" on your dog's behavior back at home as he tries to see what will and won't be allowed. The good news is that if you've been consistent in your expectations all along, your dog will snap back to his expected behaviors at home quickly.

As pro trainers, we think of what "fingerprints" we're leaving every time we handle a client's dog. We've got to have enough length of consistency in the training that the owners will be able to maintain what we've started.

This also means we need to leave our virtual fingerprints on the dog's owners as well. If you don't spend enough time with the trainer to really learn what the dog has been taught - which takes more than a 15-minute crash course when you pick the dog up – then you'll be erasing those expensive trainer's fingerprints you paid for. Your goal should be to understand what the trainer has done and to replicate their fingerprints by overlaying your own. There will be tiny differences, and yes, your dog will notice. But as long as you maintain the standard that has been set and don't let things slide, you dog will understand and do just fine.

Sometimes fingerprints aren't human-related at all. A dog that is cautious around other dogs may have been attacked or bitten at some point. That's a pretty legitimate fear and a tough one to erase. Marks left by other dogs aren't always physical, like a bite. They are emotional as well and set the tone for how your dog reacts to other dogs for quite some time. Don't force interaction.

This is especially important with puppies, as everything we do with them is a first-time experience for the dog. Making sure those firsts are positive will set the tone for much of how the dog accepts and learns as he grows up. Whether you do it well or poorly, each experience adds another fingerprint. Make them positive. That means taking your time to think through introductions to new things, rather than diving right in to see what happens.

Let's take birds for example. If a puppy has never seen birds before, you won't know what his reaction will be when he first sees one up close and personal. Of course, we all want to assume that our well-bred bird dogs will automatically be excited and want to either point or chase. Regardless of breeding, that's not always the case. If you force the issue with a puppy that's tentative, you're using the bird to make a negative print rather than the positive one you'd hoped for. Most of the time, patience is the best route. Take your time and let the dog get acquainted with the bird on his own terms.

These invisible fingerprints leave indelible impressions. The choice of what kind of prints you want

to leave on your dog is yours. A dog covered in good fingerprints can end up with some of the prints smudged and in need of repair if we don't take our time when training. Do you want sticky, messy, kindergartnerplaying-with-finger-paints prints? Or would you prefer a sharp, clear print that's easily read? Either way, you're leaving fingerprints all over your dog. Make 'em good ones.

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Baked Swiss Pheasant

1 Lb. Boneless Skinless Pheasant **Breast Halves**

1 Large Egg

1 Cup Crushed Butter-Flavored Crackers

3/4 Tsp. Salt

1/2 Lb. Fresh Mushrooms, Sliced

2 Tbsp. Butter, Divided

4 Thin Slices Deli Ham

4 Thin Slices Swiss Cheese

Flatten pheasant to 1/4-in. thickness. In a shallow bowl, lightly beat the egg. Combine cracker crumbs and salt in another shallow bowl. Dip chicken in egg, then roll in crumbs; set aside.

In a large ovenproof skillet, sauté mushrooms in 1 tablespoon butter until golden brown; remove and set aside. In the same skillet, cook pheasant over medium heat in remaining butter for 3-4 minutes on each side or until no longer pink.

Top each pheasant breast half with a ham slice, mushrooms and a cheese slice. Broil 4 - 6 in. from the heat for 1 - 2 minutes or until cheese is melted. Serves 4

Stuffed Quail with Marmalade, Whiskey, and Bacon

1/2 c. marmalade (or grapefruit jam)

1/2 c. plus 2 TBS whiskey, divided 1 tsp fresh thyme leaves salt and pepper

8 quails

10 slices bacon, divided

1/2 small onion, finely minced

1 TBS butter

2 oz. fresh breadcrumbs

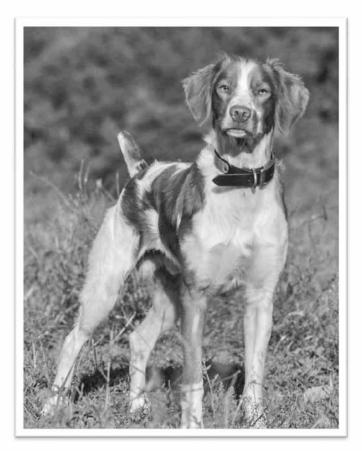
1 TBS finely minced fresh parsley 1 egg, beaten

1 3/4 c. strong-flavored chicken stock

Whisk together the marmalade, 1/2 c. of the whiskey and the thyme, and season with salt and pepper. Spoon the marinade over the quails, cover loosely and let marinate for at least one hour up to overnight (if marinating for more than 1 hour, do so in the fridge). Preheat the oven to 400°F. Take 2 slices of the bacon and finely dice them. Add the bacon, the onion, and the butter to a frying pan and saute over medium heat until bacon is crisp. Add the breadcrumbs and saute until golden. Remove from heat, and stir in the parsley and the beaten egg. Use this stuffing to stuff each quail. Cut the remaining 8 strips of bacon

in half, and lay criscross on top of each bird. Season with pepper. Put the birds in a pot in which they fit snugly, and spoon the marinade over them again. Roast for 25-35 minutes, until quail is cooked through, spooning the juices and marinade over the birds every 10 minutes. If bacon is not crisp but quail is cooked, broil on high for 2-3 minutes to finish. Serve 2 birds per person.

While the quail is roasting, reduce the chicken stock by half over medium heat, or until it is slightly syrupy. Add the remaining 2 TBS of whiskey. Serve gravy with the quail.



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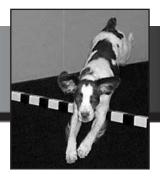
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HOW DO I GET THE TOY BACK?

By Dr. Carla Simon

Toy play helps to engage and motivate dogs, and if your puppy is chewing, providing appropriate toys help prevent chomping people's hands. One of the most common errors is playing "keep away", where the handler tries to grab the toy (or the dog's collar) and the dog runs away. This can quickly become a happy game for the dog, but it's certainly inconvenient for the handler.



Figure 1. To prevent keep away, present another toy and activate it to capture your puppy's interest. (Photos by Adobe Stock.)

Keep away frequently happens because the handler focused on taking the toy away from the dog. Some of the best retrievers don't want to give up the toy. From the dog's point of view, playing with the toy is rewarding, and when you take it away it's punishment. So how do you get the toy back?

Toy switching is a better strategy, and it helps prevent keep away. It changes playing with toys into more interactive, cooperative game you enjoy together. It's not just about the toy, it's about playing an exciting game with you. When you focus on having fun, instead of taking the dog's reward away, it's a win-win situation.

STEPS FOR TOY SWITCHING

- You need at least 2 equal value toys.
- Get your dog to play with the first toy (while the second on is hidden in your pocket). Move the toy *away* from the dog to get them excited enough to chase and grab it.
- Play a while then let the dog have that toy.
- Ignore toy #1 that your dog has in their mouth. Do not approach your dog and try to grab it. Think of the first toy as "dead" (not as fun as what you have to offer via interactive play).
- Pull toy #2 out of your pocket and activate it, by moving it away from your dog, pressing the squeaker, making a strange noise, whatever you need to do to make it more fun and capture your dog's attention.
- Your dog should drop the first toy to come back to you and grab the toy you're playing with. (You can say, "get it", to give the dog permission to grab the toy.)
- When the dog is about to grab a toy, make sure the part you want them to grab is at nose level. If the fuzzy part is on the ground, and the rope handle is at nose level, most dogs will grab the rope. If your dog grabs the rope, lift the toy higher next time.

PRO TIPS

- Introduce toy play in a hallway without any distractions with the doors closed. This cuts down on the options available, making you very attractive.
- You MUST have more than one toy with you. If you don't, you're setting up the keep away game, where your dog rehearses running away from you.
- Your dog will trade the toy they have for an equal or higher value toy. Don't try to trade a great toy for a lousy one. You can experiment to see if your dog will trade a toy for food (shown at the end of the video). But ideally, toy play is about the toy. You don't need to give a food reward when the toy play is fun.
- Never shove toys or food in your dog's face. If somebody tried to shove something in your mouth, you'd back away too.
- Move the toy away from the dog, like an erratic rabbit, to tap into instinctive drive to chase.
- If your dog wanders away, put a long leash on them (10 feet or longer) and let them drag it on the floor. The leash is only there as insurance. If needed, even if you can't go fast enough to touch your dog, you can probably get within 10 feet of your dog and step on the leash, then reel them in to get them back.
- If your dog is on a leash, be careful not to step on the leash by accident and correct your dog.
- When teaching toy switching, focus on making it fun to play with you, not on obedience commands like drop. You want to build the drive first, not kill the fun.
- For puppies, sit on the floor so you can play at their level, moving the toy back and forth on the ground, along a horizontal path. Soft, fuzzy, prey-like tugs or food stuffed tugs are a good introduction.
- At the end of the session, put all the toys away. Tug is supposed to be an interactive game you play together. Don't leave your puppy alone with the toy, or they may eat it. This could cause a dangerous gastrointestinal obstruction requiring veterinary attention, and it's an expensive way to burn through toys.
- To improve your toy play, you need to practice. The video features Rickard, who has practiced for 2 years, and even then, the play is less than 3 minutes. When starting out with a puppy, be happy if your puppy tugs for a 2-10 seconds. Pushing your puppy to make them tug longer kills the fun. Quit when they want more, and play again the next day.
- Once the dog loves toy switching, and you'd bet \$50 your dog will drop the first toy, then you can say, "drop it".

Give toy switching a try and let us know how you make out.

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2004 FC Last Dixie Chick 2003 FC/AFC Baby Jane's BB 2002 FC Coppertop's Alderwitch 2001 FC/AFC Keystone's Part of The Plan 2000 CH Hope's Dandi Don

1999 NGDC/DC/AFC Winchester of Hanging Jaze

1998 FC Sadie Fair Lady 1997 NGDC/FC/AFC JDZ Roc's Ardent Boomer 1996 FC/AFC JDZ Roc's Ardent Boomer 1995 FC Winchester of Hanging Jaze

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

1992 FC/AFC Jade's Dirty Dick 1991 NGDC/FC/AFC Magnum's Masked Man 1990 FC Magnum's Masked Man 1989 FC/AFC Perpetuators Misty Skye 1988 NGDC/FC/AFC Jessen's Lit'l Dab of Dude

1987 FC/AFC Jessen's Lit'l Dab of Dude 1986 DC Bernie V CD

1985 FC/AFC Stedi's Bombin Banjo

1964 CH Chief of Appanoose

1962 CH Juchoir's Tuffy 1961 CH Bonnie Kay's Ricki's Image 1960 CH Bonnie Kay's Ricki's Image

1959 CH Bonnie Kay's Ricki's Image 1958 DC Dingo's Little Mike

1956 CH Avono Corky 1955 CH Tigre Par Le Tigre L'Argoat

1954 CH Do-Car's Flashy Showman

1951 CH Bucaneer de Klemanor 1950 CH Bucaneer de Klemanor 1949 Tudor de Roc Hellou

1957 CH Harvre des Bois Henri

1953 CH Avono Corky 1952 CH Amos of Edough

1948 CH Avono Happy 1947 Retta of Avono

1946 CH Avono Happy

1963 CH Juchoir's Tuffy

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

2009 FC/AFC Peter Gunn 2008 DC/AFC Triumphant's To Hot To Handle, JH 2007 NAGDC/FC/AFC Clyde's DoubleTrouble 2006 FC/AFC High Hope's Fly by Nite 2005 FC Clyde's Double Trouble 2004 NAGDC/DC/AFC Calistar Del Prado

2003 DC/AFC Calistar Del Prado 2002 Little Guy Levi

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2019 GCHS River Run Shake A Tail Feather 2018 GCHP Labyrinth N Illusion Slippery When Wet JH 2017 GCH Dream Hi's Don't Hate The Player Hate The Game 2016 GCH/CH Dogwood Hollow Bengal Zero Zero 2015 GCH/CH Sovereigns Chasing Legends 2014 GCH Dream His Don't Hate The Player Hate The Game

2013 GCH Rainbow Splash's Ruggedly Handsome 2012 CH Rainbow Splash's Ruggedly Handsome 2011 CH Sanbar's Ride The Winds 2010 GCH Willowick Talltean

2009 DC Country Road's Rough Rider 2008 DC/AFC Jayhawker Tequila With A Twist 2007 CH Sanbar's Call When Readi 2006 CH Magic Major Player JH 2005 CH Jordean Your Wildest Dreams

2004 CH Jordean Your Wildest Dreams 2003 CH Sanbar's Curtain Call 2002 CH Jordean A Night To Remember

2001 CH Magic Sir-ly You Jest 2000 CH Magic Sir-ly You Jest 1999 CH Jordean Up All Night

1998 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside 1997 CH Jordean I Kid You Not 1996 CH N-Vee's Touch of Romance 1995 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside 1994 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside

1993 CH Chesabrit's Code of The West

2019 GCHG Hope's Exceeding The Speed Limit UDX OM2 2017 FarOutField's Noble Nellie Rose UDX3 OM4 BN GN GO RAJHA 2016 GCH Hope's Exceeding The Speed Limit, UD

2012 OTCH Lane's End Fortune UDX 9, OGM, AX, AXJ

2011 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UDX 2010 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UD 2009 CH Rao Nothin But Blue Skies

 $2006\ \ CH/OTCH\ Chilcote's\ Credit\ Check,\ UDX,\ AX,\ AXJ,\ JH$

1992 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside

1991 CH Jordean All Kiddin' Aside 1990 CH Chesabrit's Code of The West 1989 CH Hope's Gunsmoke Blue 1988 CH Jen-Mars Carosel Jolly Jester

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

1984 CH Twin Oaks Vantage Point 1983 CH Dee's Picante Pepper of JB 1982 CH Do-Well's JB Jason 1981 CH Do-Well's JB Jason

1980 CH Greenfield Le Duc De Cannelle 1979 FC Hi Ace

1978 CH Jacque's Prince Valiant 1977 CH Romar's Sweet Whiskey Man 1976 CH Jacque's Prince Valiant 1975 CH Greenfield's Mister Mark 1974 DC Suzabob's Hedgerow Happy 1973 CH Credence Skoshi

1972 Mechant of Breton's Lightning 1971 CH Sequani's Dana MacDuff 1970 DC Pacolet Cheyenne Sam 1969 DC Suzabob's Hedgerow Happy 1968 CH Bonnie Kay's Duke of Sequani 1967 Elcon's Shotgun Smoke

1966 CH Sam's Son Buckshot CD

1965 CH Sam's Son Buckshot CD

1945 CH Patrice de Sharvogue 1944 CH Patrice de Sharvogue 1943 Patrice de Sharvogue

NATIONAL OBEDIENCE HIGH IN TRIAL



GCHG Hope's Exceeding The Speed Limit UDX OM2

NATIONAL HIGH IN TRIAL WINNERS

2018 CH RJ'S Sir William The Intrepid Bear 2015 GCH Hope's Exceeding The Speed Limit, CDX 2014 Jayhawkers Lucky Jack UDX5 OM8 2013 Jayhawker's Lucky Jack UDX4 OMG5

2008 OTCH Lane's End Fortune, UDX, AX, AXJ 2007 Lane's End Fortune, UDX, AX, AXJ

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

2003 CH Lafayette Border Baron, UD, JH 2002 CH Chilcote's Credit Check, CD, JH, NA, NAJ 2001 Voyageur's Brtpatch Rifleman, CD, JH, NA 2000 Voyageur's Brtpatch Rifleman, CD, JH

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

1995 Chilcote's Credit Earned, TD 1994 Lafayette Britannia Rose 1993 Little Egypt Catapult Cathy, CDX, SH 1992 Little Egypt Catapult Cathy, CDX, SH

1991 KIX Rebel Riot, UD

1990 CH Lafayette Texas Trooper, UDT 1989 Little Egypt Catapult Cathy

1988 CH Prince Valiant's Spring A'Rival, UDT

1987 Lafayette Texas Trooper 1986 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper, UDT

1985 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper, UDT 1984 CH/OTCH/AFC Lafayette King Trooper 1983 OTCH Lafayette King Trooper

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