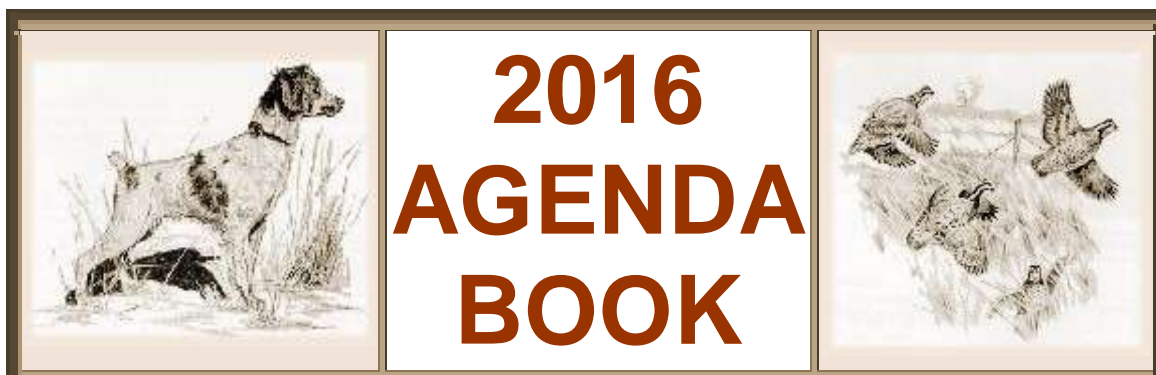




AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB



AGENDA
2016 ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OF
THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB, INC.
NOVEMBER 26, 2016
BOONEVILLE, ARKANSAS

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NR = No Report

2015 ABC BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
THE MEETING PLACE, BOONVILLE, AR
November 22, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Robert Rankin. New Board Directors East Coast Bob Fleury, East Central Ron Gulembo, Midwest Ed Tillson, and West Robin Tomasi, were seated. Other Directors in attendance were East Coast Darlene Dow, Karen Hanson, East Central Kent Patterson, Brian Hendrickson, Central Jim Brigham (on phone connection), Steve Ralph, Tom Jagielski, Midwest Mary Karbinger, Andi Christensen, West John Henderson, Joe Gower.

Motion # 1: MINUTES: Motion by Gower, seconded by Tillson. I move to approve the 2014 minutes as printed. **15 yes votes, Motion Passed.**

President Rankin stated that Jim Brigham was in attendance by telephone.

Motion # 2: DIRECTORS ON PHONE/VIDEO AT ANNUAL MEETING: Motion by Hendrickson, seconded by Ralph: I move to strike the words in the 2014 Motion 32 and in the policy book, "this is extended to Directors in extenuating circumstances" starting January 1, 2016. **13 Yes, 1 (Tomasi) No, 1 (Henderson) Abstained. Motion Passed.**

Motion # 3: NATIONAL SPECIALTY: Motion by Hanson, seconded by Hendrickson: I move to change Policy book, page 39, #7 to, "The National Specialty Show events are to be held during the week prior to the running of the National All Age Championships. **15 Yes, Motion passed.**

Motion # 4: FUND RAISING & GROUNDS DONATIONS: Motion by Ralph, Seconded by Gulembo: I move to strike all references to grounds donations in the policy book. (See pages 47, 4th V.P. Duties Item 20, Page 87, 4th V.P. Duties #18, and page 81 of National Fund Raising guidelines Item # 8.) **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Following the report of the 4th Vice President, the President appointed a Committee to look into grounds that could be considered for moving the Gun Dog Nationals. John Henderson was appointed Chair with Gulembo and Tillson as members. Chair should also add members from other regions to be represented.

Motion # 5: HOE, LIFE MEMBER BIOS: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Jagielski: I move to accept the Executive Secretary's Action Item # I on page 19 of the agenda book. (It reads: Add to the duties of the Hall of Fame Chairs (both dog and people) to furnish the Magazine Chair a biography to be published in the ABC Magazine of those people and dogs elected each year to the ABC Hall of Fame. I would add to the policy book that the ABC Secretary also present a biography to the Magazine Chair for publication of those members elected to Life Membership.) **Motion 15 yes, Motion passed.**

Following discussion of the Executive Secretary's Action Item # 2 concerning revision of the **Membership Data Process**, the President reaffirmed a committee to work on this consisting of the 2nd Vice President, the Executive Secretary, Webmaster (Pay Pal), Membership Data Chair, Membership Promotion Committee Chair, Magazine Committee Chair, Treasurer, Robin Tomasi and Claude Kilpatrick.

Motion # 6: Establish a Yahoo Group List for Posting Announcements: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Jagielski: I move that ABC establish an official ABC Yahoo Group for posting only with no discussion. Signup and change of email addresses would be up to the individual members. Announcements will be posted by the Executive Secretary. **13 yes, 2 (Dow and Tomasi) No, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 7: Voting for Directors' Election: Ralph, Jagielski: I move to adopt the Ex. Secretary's Action Item #4 on page 19 of the Agenda Book. *Members who belong to Regional Clubs in more than one region shall notify the ABC Executive Secretary prior to August 1 each year in which region they wish to cast their ballot. This notice shall be published in the Magazine, on the Website, and Facebook (and ABC Yahoo Group if that proposal is accepted) prior to July 1 each year. If no notice from the member is received, then a ballot will be sent based on the member's state of residence. Members who belong to only one Regional Club will receive a ballot based that Regional Club's Region.* **12 Yes; 2 No (Henderson & Tomasi); 1 Abstained (Hanson).**

The Treasurer, Gerilyn Sennott announced that this will be her final year as Treasurer. She then gave her report.

Motion # 8: Club reimbursements: Motion by Karbiner, seconded by Gulembo: I move that any club reimbursement which is less than \$20 will be carried forward to the next quarter until their check reimbursement exceeds the \$20 limit. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 9: Club reimbursement checks not cashed: Motion by Karbiner, seconded by Gulembo: I move that all club reimbursement checks must be deposited in a timely manner. After one (1) year after issuance date, the check will be voided and no replacement check will be issued. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 10: Transmittal of Agenda Book: Motion by Dow, seconded by Ralph: I move that hence forward that the Agenda Book to Directors and Officers be transmitted electronically unless they requested a print copy. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 11: ABC Foundation: Motion by Tillson, seconded by Patterson: I move that Ron Gulembo be appointed to the ABC Foundation Board of Directors. **15 Yes votes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 12: Dog of the Year Program: Motion by Karbiner, seconded by Tillson: I move to strike the word "national" in front of Dog of the Year in Policy Book. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 13: Ethics Committee Report: Motion by Dow, seconded by Ralph: I move to table the Ethics report and action items until a telephone conference can be set up by the President prior to January 31, 2016. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 14: Finance Committee Report: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Karbiner: I move to accept the Action item # 1, page 39 of the Agenda Book, as written but revised which reads: Add to the duties of all event chairs that funds received for events other than entry fees will be turned over to the treasurer within 30 days of receipt. Entry Fees will be sent to the Treasurer as soon as possible after closing of entries. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.** Judy Graves, Finance Committee Chair, presented her committee's action items and called for the BOD to approve the Internal Audit Committee's report for 2014.

Motion # 15: Finance Committee Internal Audit: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Karbiner. I move to accept the Internal Audit Report of the Finance Committee for 2014. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 16: Finance Committee appointment: Motion by Tillson, seconded by Hendrickson: I move to appoint Mary Karbiner to a full five (5) year term on the Finance Committee. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

The Finance Chair then led the BOD through an item by item discussion of the 2016 Budget.

Motion # 17: AKC Disaster Trailer Donation: Motion by Karbiner, seconded by Fleury. I move to reduce the current proposal for the AKC Disaster Trailer money to zero in the budget. **10 Yes, 5 No (Dow, Hanson, Gulembo, Christensen, Tomasi); Motion Passed.**

Motion # 18: 2016 Budget: Motion by Tillson, seconded by Jagielski: I move to accept the 2016 budget as modified with modifications to be furnished by the ABC Finance Committee Chair to the Executive Secretary. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 19: Futurity Wording: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Karbiner: I move to remove references to the word "National" from the Futurity section of the policy book. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 20: Email Votes: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Hendrickson: I move to formally approve all the email votes since the last BOD meeting. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 21: Derby Invitational: Motion by Tillson, seconded by Patterson: I move to create an American Field Derby Invitational associated with the 2016 Gun Dog and All Age Nationals to be run by the 1st and 4th Vice Presidents with guidelines and format to be determined. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 22: Housekeeping Director Duties: Motion by Dow, seconded by Gulembo: I move under duties of Directors in the policy book to change the wording from Directors should be committed to attend all possible trials..... .to Directors should be committed to attend all possible events. **15 Yes, Motion passed.**

Motion # 23: Change in HBFT requirements: Motion by Hendrickson, seconded by Christensen: I move that ABC change the requirement to run an Open All Age stake in a regional horseback field trial to read that a regional club must run an Open Puppy, Open Derby, and an Open All Age or Open Gun Dog Stake. (Page 23, line #1 of policy book). **8 Yes, 7 No (Fleury, Patterson, Brigham, Ralph, Jagielski, Karbiner, Tillson); Motion Passed.**

Motion # 24: Approval of Minutes: Motion by Dow, seconded by Henderson: I move that minutes will be approved by December 31st. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 25: Email Motion Guidelines: Motion by Ralph, seconded by Patterson: I move that the Guidelines suggested on page 61 of the Agenda Book be published in the policy book with the order changed from a., b., e., to B., A, C presented. Add the following statement before the Email Motion Guidelines in the Policy Book: *It is suggested that the Board of Directors follow the Email Motion Guidelines. The Guidelines will read: A. Issues considered for Email Motions should first be presented to the Board of Directors for discussion and determined if a Motion is necessary. B. Email Motions are for emergency, time sensitive and housekeeping issues only, all other issues should be added to the agenda for the next meeting of the Board of Directors. C. If Email Motion is determined to be necessary, then a Second is required and the President will announce to the directors and executive secretary that the Email Motion discussion & voting process should proceed.* **15 Yes, Motion passed.**

Motion # 26: AKC requested Action on Email Notifications: Motion by Tomasi, seconded by Tillson: I move to approve Tomasi Action Item # 1, page 61 of Agenda Book. This reads: Update policy to incorporate AKC approval of e-mail communication for use by Parent Club Board of Directors and follow procedures to update the bylaws. See AKC memo dated February, 2007. **15 Yes, Motion Passed.**

Motion # 27: AKC Requested Action on Electronic Balloting: Motion by Tomasi, seconded by Tillson. I move to adopt Tomasi's Action Item # 2, page 61 of Agenda Book dealing with electronic balloting. It reads: Update policy & by-laws to incorporate AKC's procedure on Electronic Balloting for AKC Parent Clubs. See AKC Memo dated September, 2013 regarding Electronic Balloting for AKC Parent Clubs.
14 Yes, 1 No (Karbiner), Motion Passed. (See policy page 63/64 of Agenda Book)

Motion # 28: Qualifications: Motion by Tillson, seconded Ralph. I move that ABC accept American Field or AKC DNA for National Events. **12 Yes, 3 No (Hanson, Hendrickson, Tomasi) Motion Passed.**

Executive Session Declared by President Rankin: Executive Session ended at 5:30 PM Votes taken in Executive Session:
No Dogs or People elected to Hall of Fame. Dr. Robert Rankin was elected President. Sandy Malloy elected as Second Vice President

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Trimble, ABC Executive Secretary

2016 REPORT OF THE ABC PRESIDENT

**Robert Rankin, MD
September 5, 2016**

This year has been busy and I want to thank all the VP's and committee for all the work they have done. The Gun Dog ground's committee under Ed Tillson's leadership has done an outstanding job of collecting data from all the regions and putting it into useful form to help make decisions on what to do for the future of the Gundog Nationals. The membership data committee has spent time looking at options for the future. The Non-Field performance Chair and committee looked into an agility trial to be held in conjunction with the NSS and Hank Hartnek has set up a Barn Hunt to be held with the NSS. Dog of the Year awards were handed out at the Summer Specialty Show by Robin Tomasi who is Chair of the Dog of the Year committee. And Derby stakes were added to the NGD and NAA stakes to provide more involvement by participants. All these dog related contests have been added by the BOD to try and include everyone who owns a Brittany to compete at a Club level.

The Finance committee continues their important job of keeping us all aware on where we stand financially and budgeting for the future. We need to maintain a balanced budget and will have more to discuss at our yearly meeting.

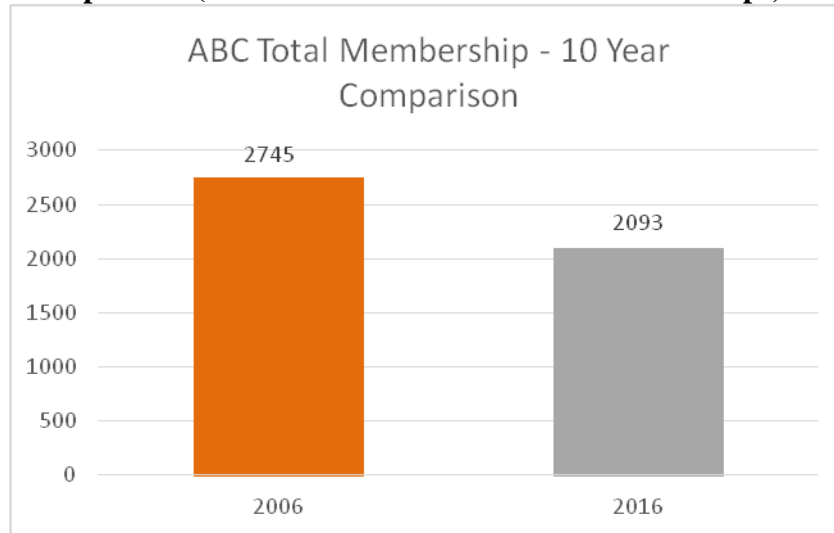
I would also like to mention that I attended the AFTCA meeting in June. Although the Pointer/Setter members all began paying a \$25 yearly dues in order to run in their trials, the Continental Breed clubs continue to become club members with no requirement for individual membership. I'm on the committee to make further recommendations to the AFTCA Trustees. At this time there are approximately 30 Brittany clubs that are members of the AFTCA.

Robert A Rankin, MD, President ABC

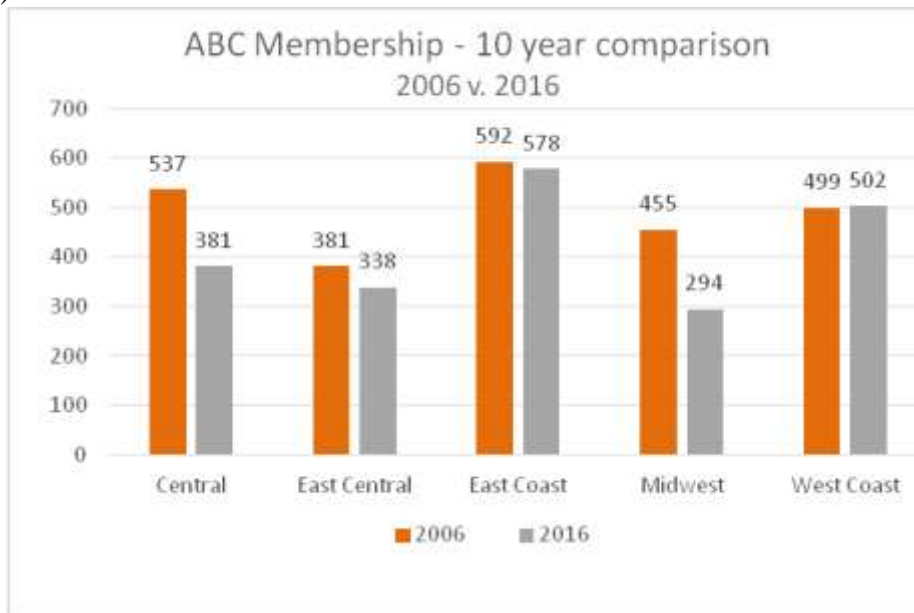
2ND VICE PRESIDENT
END OF YEAR REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 19, 2016
ABC MEMBERSHIP - DEMOGRAPHICS & STATISTICS

In order to make useful recommendations to the Board of Directors, I have compiled statistics of ABC membership data. I started with a 10-year comparison using membership data printed in the October, 2006 magazine, and compared it to membership data as of July, 2016, downloaded and manipulated from the current membership database.

Membership – 10 Year Comparison (Includes Full and Associate Memberships)

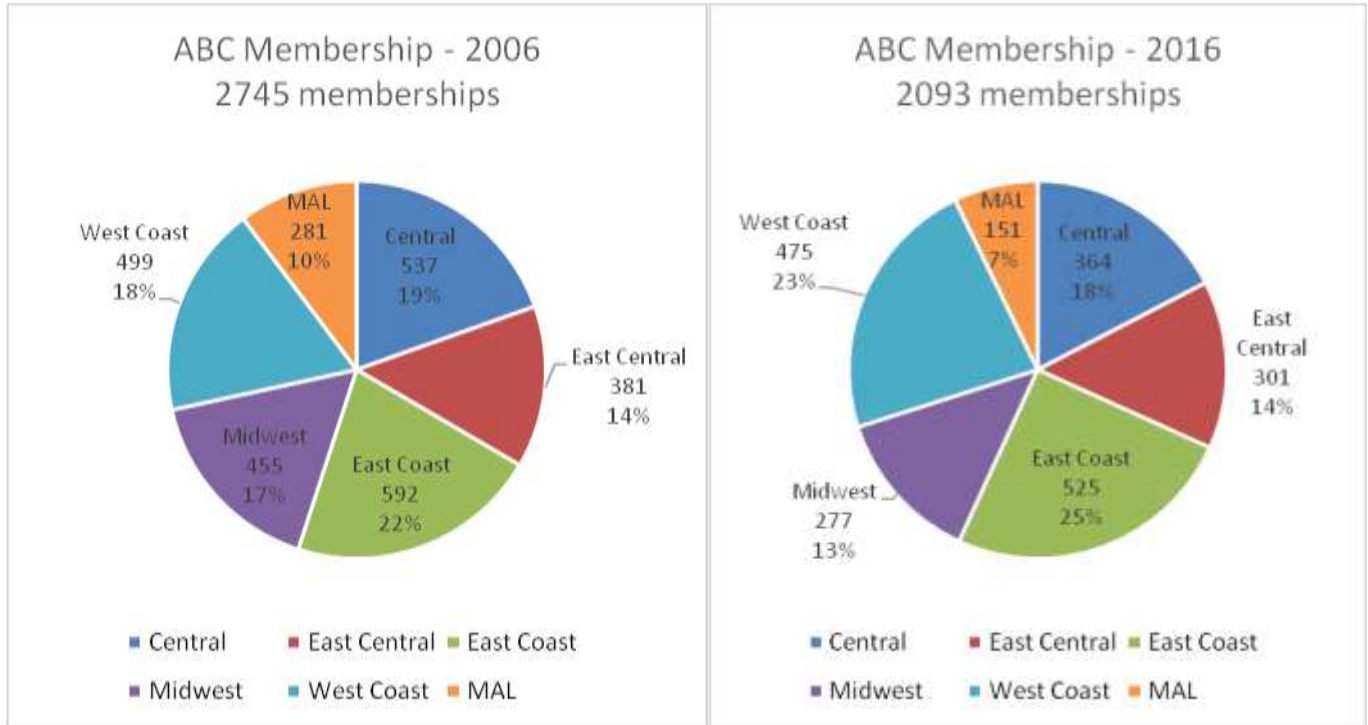


The reduction of memberships from 2745 to 2093 represents a -23.75% decrease. When we compare the membership by region, we can see that the East Coast and West Coast Regions remained fairly stable (East Coast -2%, West Coast +.06%), while other regions experience declining memberships (Central -29%; East Central -11%; Midwest -35%).

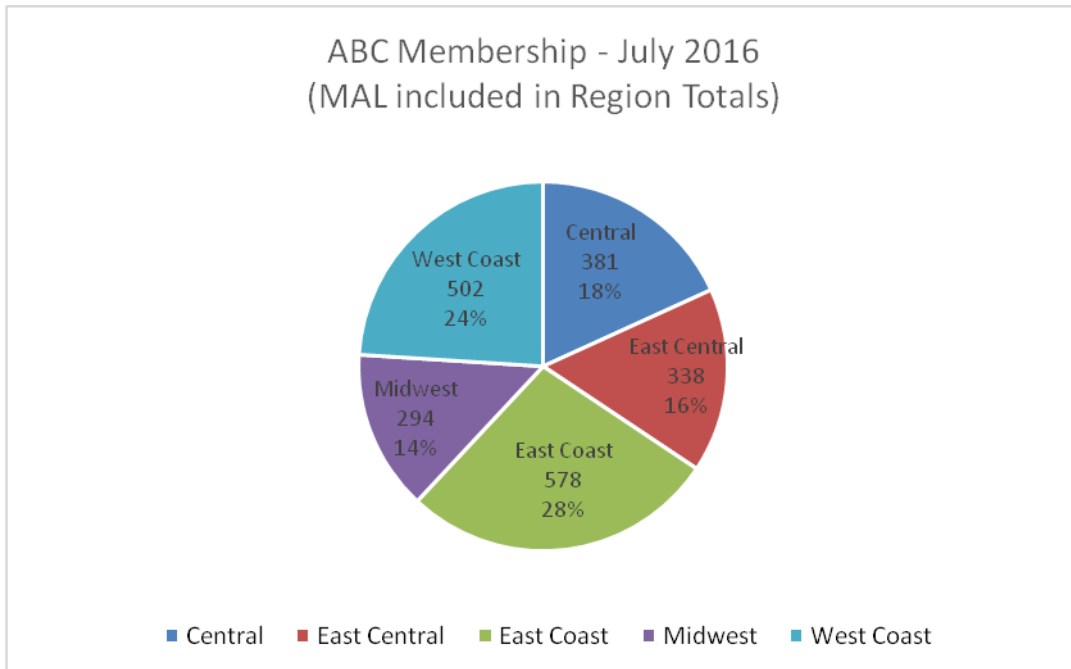


When we evaluate the proportion of the membership of each region as a function of the total membership, we see that the East Coast Region and West Coast Region have grown proportionately, East Central and Central have stayed nearly the same, and the Midwest region has become smaller. Members at Large as a group have dropped as well.

Proportional Membership by Region (Includes Full and Associate Memberships)

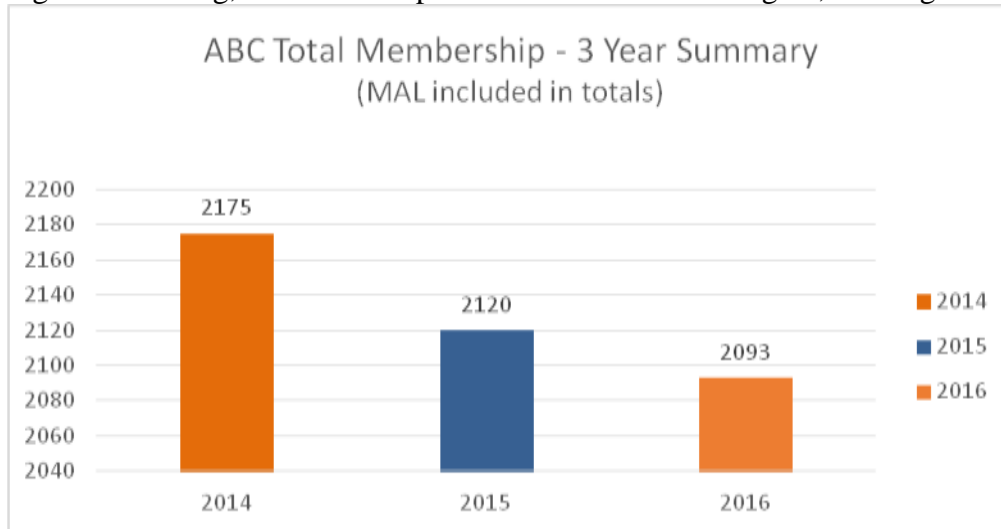


If we add in the Members at Large to each region for 2016 based on where these members live, we produce the following distribution of our current membership:



Total Membership and Membership by Region – Three Year Comparison (Includes Full and Associate Memberships)

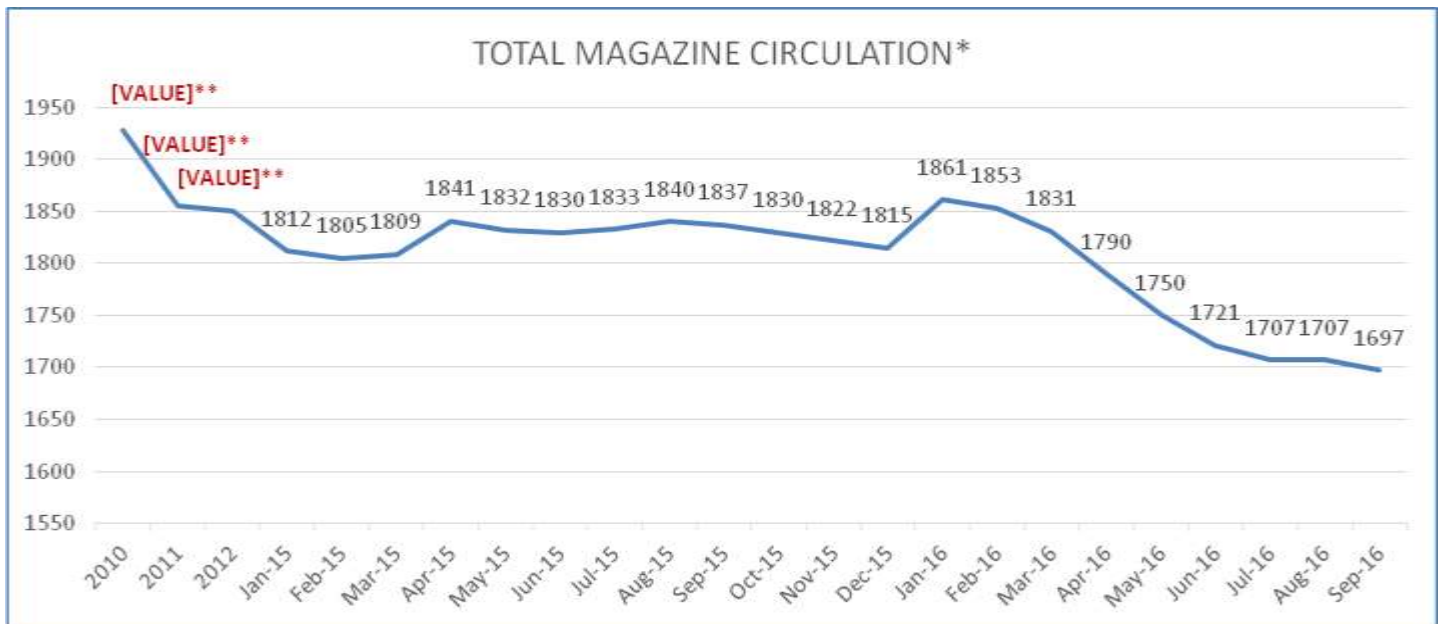
To look more closely at recent membership trends, I compared the membership data from the database from July of 2014, 2015 and 2016. While the total membership numbers are fairly similar, we are seeing a slight decline in total membership of -2% from 2014 to 2015, and -1.2% from 2015 to 2016. When we examine these trends by region, we see all regions declining, with the exception of the West Coast Region, which grew from 2015 to 2016.



Membership Trend by month – 2015 and 2016 to date*:

In the process of evaluating these trends, I compared the magazine circulation by month as a quick way to compare similar data from one month to the next. These numbers don't reflect our true membership total, because this data includes comp/free magazines, duplicate magazines, and does not include our Associate Members. The magazine circulation shows an increase in membership prior to January, 2016, and since then, a pronounced downward trend. This is possibly due to an increase in renewals at the old dues rate of \$30/year until the rate change in January, 2016, and then a decrease in renewals and/or new membership since the increase in dues.

(This chart also includes 3 data points of magazine circulation from 2010, 2011 and 2012 for comparison.)



*source data: ABC Magazine mailing labels (includes complimentary and other free copies.)

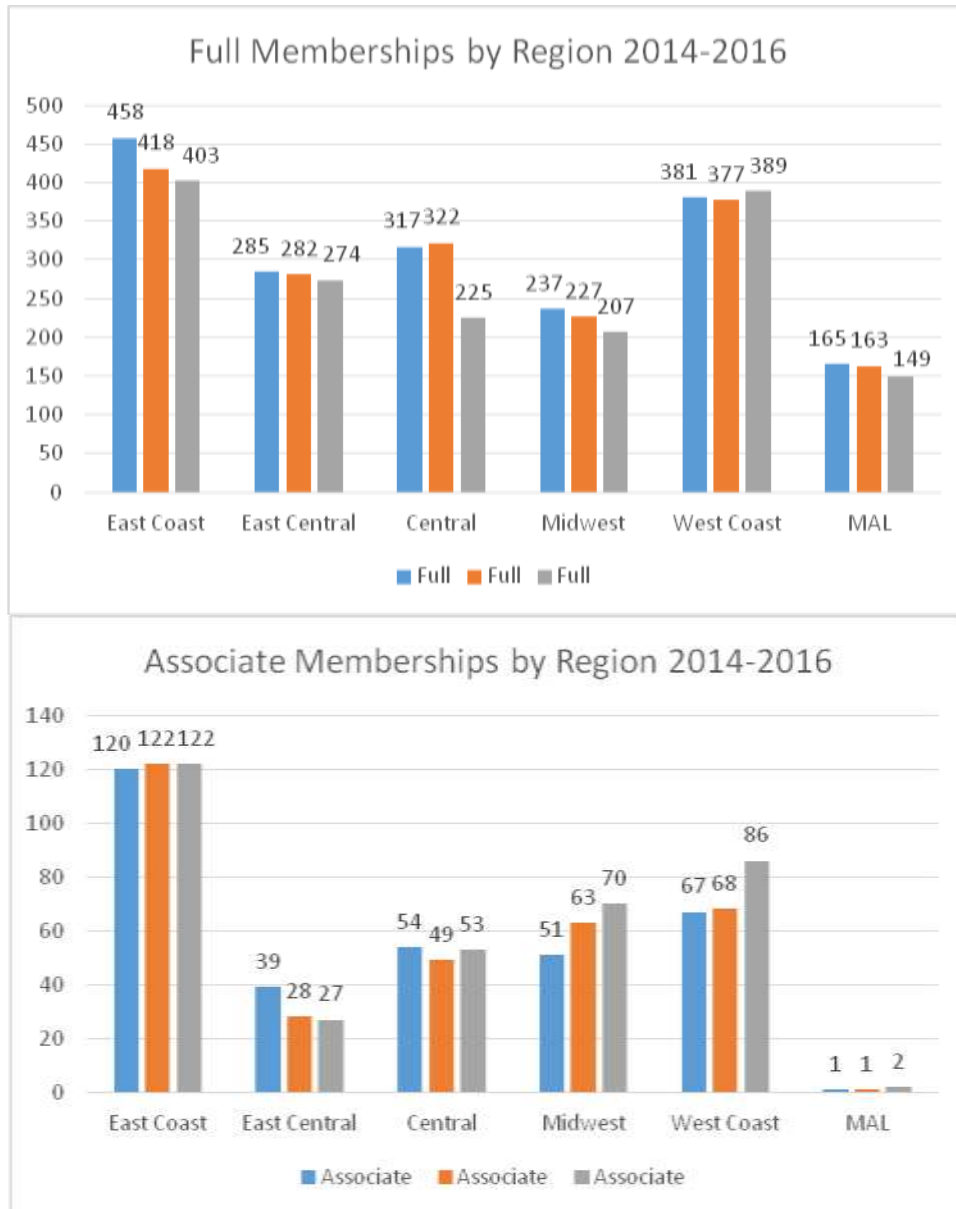
**source: ABC Magazine, October 2010, 2011 & 2012 (STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP AND CIRCULATION: Total Distribution: Total Pd/Requested Circulation + Free Distribution by Mail, carrier or other means. Samples, complimentary, other free copies)

Full versus Associate Memberships 2014-2016

Since the total membership did not seem to be declining as noticeably as the magazine circulation suggests, I looked more closely at the distribution of Full versus Associate Memberships over the past three years. While the data seems fairly stable from 2014 to 2015, we have definitely seen an increase in Associate Memberships and a decrease in Full Memberships from 2015 to 2016. This may be a reflection of members responding to the dues increase, either by changing a household from two Full Members to one Full Member, one Associate Member; or by individuals who had previously been Full Members of more than one club choosing to drop a second Full Membership to an Associate Membership.



The following two graphs show the change in Full & Associate Memberships by Region:



Regional Clubs – Membership by Year (2014-2016)

As a final piece of demographic data, I am including the list of clubs in each region with their membership data from July of 2014, 2015 and 2016. Clubs with fewer than 10 members are highlighted in yellow. I am interested in discussing the issue of small/failing clubs to seek the Board’s opinion about whether ABC should/must intervene in Regional Club affairs if membership falls below a certain number.

Action Items: I propose that the 2nd Vice President maintain a list of Regional Club Officers to be updated annually in January. Addresses for Regional Club Treasurers can be forwarded to the ABC Treasurer for direct receipt of Membership Dues. Clubs with fewer than 10 members will be contacted by the 2nd Vice President to determine whether the current membership feels that the club is sustainable, and to formulate a strategy to increase membership.

Members at Large

		2016			2015			2014		
		Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total
MAL	Members at Large	149	2	151	163	1	164	165	1	166

West Coast

			2016			2015			2014			
			Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	
West Coast	ALO	Aloha	1	0	1	1		1	1	1		1
West Coast	CA	California	81	18	99	80	14	94	67	8		75
West Coast	CCA	Central California	3	0	3	1		1	1			1
West Coast	GEM	Golden Empire	1	0	1				2			2
West Coast	GC	Grand Canyon	4	1	5	7	2	9	8	4		12
West Coast	GPX	Greater Phoenix	13	2	15	9	2	11	6	3		9
West Coast	HDS	High Desert	0	0	0				1			1
West Coast	ID	Idaho	39	8	47	39	8	47	46	8		54
West Coast	IEM	Inland Empire	4	5	9	8	2	10	13	3		16
West Coast	MT	Montana	28	0	28	19		19	27			27
West Coast	NCA	Northern California	71	11	82	72	12	84	70	13		83
West Coast	NNV	Northern Nevada	3	0	3	3		3	2			2
West Coast	OR	Oregon	49	4	53	39	5	44	44	6		50
West Coast	SAH	Sahuaro	9	3	12	16	5	21	17	5		22
West Coast	SDO	San Diego	12	4	16	21	3	24	15			15
West Coast	SIV	Sierra View	0	0	0				1			1
West Coast	SSJ	So. San Joaquin Valley	8	0	8	7		7	8	1		9
West Coast	WFT	Wasatch Front	4	0	4	6	1	7	7	3		10
West Coast	WA	Washington	52	27	79	41	10	51	25	6		31
West Coast	WIL	Whid Isle	7	3	10	8	4	12	20	7		27
			389	86	475	377	68	445	381	67		448

Midwest

			2016			2015			2014			
			Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	
Midwest	ALA	Alamo	16	16	32	16	8	24	13	2		15
Midwest	BLU	Bluebonnet	4	1	5	7	0	7	8			8
Midwest	CNM	Central New Mexico	24	5	29	28	6	34	25	5		30
Midwest	FTW	Fort Worth	10	3	13	8	3	11	13	3		16
Midwest	IND	Indian Nations	11	5	16	14	7	21	18	10		28
Midwest	LST	Lone Star	5	0	5	6		6	2			2
Midwest	MW	Mid-West	6	1	7	6	1	7	5	2		7
Midwest	MV	Mo-Valley	12	4	16	12	3	15	13	3		16
Midwest	NE	Nebraska	13	3	16	13	4	17	17	9		26
Midwest	NVL	Neosho Valley	7	0	7	4		4	9			9
Midwest	NCO	Northern Colorado	5	0	5	3		3	3			3
Midwest	NOK	Northern Oklahoma	6	5	11	7	7	14	2	1		3
Midwest	RNK	Ringneck	1	0	1	2	3	5	2	3		5
Midwest	SKY	Skyline	31	2	33	32	1	33	37			37
Midwest	SNR	Sooner	4	7	11	4	12	16	5	1		6
Midwest	SKS	Southern Kansas	26	5	31	28	4	32	26	5		31
Midwest	SUN	Sun	0	0	0	1		1	0			0
Midwest	TXC	Texas Coastal	20	12	32	28	2	30	30	5		35
Midwest	WTX	West Texas	6	1	7	8	2	10	9	2		11
			207	70	277	227	63	290	237	51		288

Central

			2016			2015			2014		
			Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total
Central	BAD	Badger	19	3	22	20	4	24	21	6	27
Central	CAJ	Cajun Country	8	1	9	11	1	12	13	2	15
Central	CAR	Central Arkansas	3	0	3	3		3	1		1
Central	GMK	Greater Milwaukee	40	7	47	44	11	55	53	15	68
Central	GSL	Greater St. Louis	19	7	26	17	3	20	14	4	18
Central	HEY	Hawkeye	2	1	3	2	1	3	3	2	5
Central	HIL	Heart of Illinois	25	1	26	30	1	31	27	1	28
Central	IL	Illinois	8	6	14	11	10	21	14	5	19
Central	IA	Iowa	25	1	26	24		24	26		26
Central	LAS	Lasalle	76	4	80	64	3	67	57	1	58
Central	MN	Minnesota	32	2	34	37	3	40	21	3	24
Central	MO	Missouri	21	3	24	20	2	22	23	4	27
Central	OZK	Ozark	7	3	10	8	3	11	11	2	13
Central	SIL	Southern Illinois	5	5	10	7	2	9	7	2	9
Central	SCR	St. Croix Valley	16	9	25	20	5	25	21	7	28
Central	VOL	Volunteer	5	0	5	4		4	5		5
			311	53	364	322	49	371	317	54	371

East Central

			2016			2015			2014		
			Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total
East Central	BAM	Bama	9	2	11	8	1	9	10	1	11
East Central	BCK	Buckeye	30	2	32	30	2	32	35	3	38
East Central	GA	Georgia	17	2	19	20	2	22	22	1	23
East Central	GIN	Greater Indianapolis	38	2	40	43	2	45	38	2	40
East Central	KY	Kentucky	8	0	8	5		5	6		6
East Central	MI	Michigan	50	3	53	57	12	69	52	15	67
East Central	MSV	Michigan Saginaw Valley	7	0	7	7		7	10		10
East Central	MC	Music City	5	0	5	13		13	9		9
East Central	NIF	Niagara Frontier	13	9	22	3	1	4	8	3	11
East Central	OH	Ohio	6	0	6	7		7	8		8
East Central	PA	Pennsylvania	73	0	73	64		64	64		64
East Central	WMI	Western Michigan	18	7	25	25	8	33	23	14	37
			274	27	301	282	28	310	285	39	324

East Coast

			2016			2015			2014		
			Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total	Full	Associate	Total
East Coast	ANT	Anthracite	42	1	43	43	4	47	51	6	57
East Coast	CME	Central Maine	28	18	46	31	22	53	30	16	46
East Coast	CNE	Central New England	42	31	73	41	23	64	52	21	73
East Coast	DV	Del-Val	12	7	19	12	9	21	14	10	24
East Coast	ENE	Eastern New England	6	3	9	8	1	9	9	3	12
East Coast	HV	Hudson Valley	26	3	29	27	4	31	30	5	35
East Coast	MD	Maryland	8	0	8	1	9	10	9	2	11
East Coast	MFL	Mid Florida	44	6	50	33	3	36	35	8	43
East Coast	NJ	North Jersey	22	4	26	27	4	31	29	7	36
East Coast	NNE	Northern New England	48	23	71	53	23	76	56	25	81
East Coast	NVA	Northern Virginia	35	6	41	36	4	40	30	2	32
East Coast	SE	Southeastern	15	5	20	20	3	23	15	6	21
East Coast	SNE	Southern New England	35	4	39	37	6	43	42	3	45
East Coast	SUS	Susquehanna	8	0	8	12		12	12		12
East Coast	TAR	Tarheel	9	4	13	12	1	13	14	2	16
East Coast	TDW	Tidewater	13	7	20	11	6	17	18	4	22
East Coast	UNY	Upper New York	10	0	10	14		14	12		12
			403	122	525	418	122	540	458	120	578

MEMBERSHIP DATABASE COMMITTEE

The Membership Database Committee worked throughout the year to consider possible replacement options for the current database program. We started by identifying the Essential Features that a membership database should include as well as identifying additional desirable features that would be useful to the Club. We considered the possibility of a few options – making no changes to the existing database, having Linda Langford upgrade the database in a number of ways, and utilizing an Association Management System (AMS) called ClubExpress (www.clubexpress.com). The Committee viewed a demo of the current database's capabilities given via WebEx by Linda Langford, as well as a demo of ClubExpress and its features.

Since our last discussion, a club member has been identified that may be able to construct another alternative option for ABC. Michael Pinkosky has proposed building a database using software by www.salesforce.com. He proposed developing a test database for the Committee to evaluate, and is currently working on a model.

At this point, the Committee is not in agreement as to how to proceed. Several members of the Committee have decided that the existing database meets the needs of ABC, and would continue to do so. In my opinion, there have been no significant changes made to the database since last year's BOD meeting, and there is currently no plan to upgrade the database now or in the future. I think it is unwise to discontinue efforts to upgrade our database program now. My personal recommendation is that an AMS solution would offer the most options with the least risk to ABC; however, I am open to other solutions.

After the amount time it took to sort through membership data by hand to accumulate membership statistics, as well as the difficulty in communicating with the membership through the Membership Survey, I think we must consider new technology. Furthermore, more than a third of our membership reported that they would like "more communication from ABC" (37.26%), with 43.63% describing our communication as "adequate" and only 19.11% describing it as "good." A database upgrade would enable us to communicate more directly to our entire membership, and in particular, with specific groups of members in order to provide them with the information they are most interested in receiving.

Action Item: I propose that the Membership Database Committee be continued throughout 2017 in order to consider all possible options to upgrade ABC's database and/or technology.

MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Welcome Emails to New Members

Throughout the year I took on the task of sending welcome emails to new members and notifying Regional Clubs of the addition of a new member. I will admit to not having done a good job of keeping up with this task, although it is important. I think it is equally important to contact expiring members in order to urge them to renew before their membership expires. Lapsed memberships create problems of interrupted magazine delivery and inconsistent membership revenue. Not only would multiple reminders prevent members from forgetting to renew, but a link to the online membership portal might make it easier to renew immediately.

Action Item: I would like to have the Data Chairperson notify Regional Clubs of a new member when she sends a welcome email to new members, and have committee member(s) develop an email strategy to notify existing members of their renewal dates by email – until both of these functions can be automated.

Breeder's Directory

Of the 29 AKC Sporting breeds other than the Brittany, nearly every one of their websites has information about where/how to buy a puppy or a Breeder's Directory. 22 clubs had a breeder list accessible from their home page or directly off their webpage. I believe this is a necessary addition to our website as both a service to the general public, and a direct way to attract new members; one breed club website stated that 10% of their website hits went to the Breeder's Directory.

All but 2 of these clubs had a disclaimer of some sort stating that the listing did not constitute an endorsement of the parent club. Many of these clubs required breeders to agree to a Code of Ethics statement in order to be listed. Some were identified as paid listings. In emails to Sharon Wice, ABC's legal advisor, she suggested that it may be least risky from a legal standpoint to treat the Breeder's Directory strictly as an advertisement, similar to the magazine. A Code of Ethics or similar statement could be construed as an endorsement by the parent club. That said, it may be worth considering the risk to require breeders to adhere to a Code of Ethics, particularly regarding health testing/clearances.

Members responding to the Membership Survey were overwhelmingly in favor of a Breeder's Director on the ABC website. As of September 19, 544 members (86.21%) answered that they would support a Breeder's Directory, while 87 members (13.79%) answered "No."

Of members who identified themselves as breeders (respondents that answered "Yes, I consider myself a breeder" and "I breed an occasional litter"), 234 members (84.48%) were in favor of a Breeder's Directory, with 43 respondents (15.52%) not being in favor.

A Breeder's Directory could have a direct link on the website and/or be found in the "Brittany and Puppy Information" section. I would also propose an expansion of this portion of the website, possibly by a committee that would include breeders.

Action Item: I propose the creation of a Breeder's Directory for the ABC website as a paid listing, and an expansion of the "Brittany and Puppy Information" section of the website. I recommend that revenue generated by the Breeder's Directory should go to a special revenue fund to be utilized for a "New Puppy Program" where participating breeders would have the opportunity to offer a low-cost membership to their puppy buyers. The Membership Promotion Committee or small working group should be involved to resolve the details of this program.

ABC Membership Survey

As you are all aware, I sent out a survey to the ABC Membership in September to collect demographic information and seek feedback on a number of issues.

Delivering the survey to our membership was a challenge. Of the 2018 records in the database, we had 247 members with no emails, 282 duplicate emails, and 153 bounced/rejected emails. I also sent the survey out to Regional Club Secretaries by email for members that do not have an email address or preferred to mail in a response. After correcting emails and resending surveys to some members, the survey was delivered electronically to 1512 members.

Despite the technological difficulties, we had a very good response to the survey. As of Monday, September 19, 2016, the survey had 644 responses (some of which were sent by hard copy), for an estimated 42% survey response rate.

I will continue to collect survey responses until October 15, 2016, at which time I will close the survey. Final survey results will be shared and discussed at the BOD meeting in November.

Action Item: Based on survey responses, I propose that the Membership Promotion Committee consider forming a task force to evaluate and address issues identified by survey results.

**3rd VICE PRESIDENT
REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 19, 2016**

Report of the 2015 NSS

We had one of the best turnouts for the NSS in many years. We progressed each year to add something of interest to the club members and they have supported it each year. We had 32 entries in the Match Show, 81 sweeps entries and 168 entries in the breed competition. Our Junior numbers have been low and this year we had 5. Obedience and Rally entries held steady from 2014 at 22 in obedience and 13 rally entries. We showed a profit of about \$5000.00. I call that a success. This is my last year and I want to thank all the officers and BOD members for their backing as well as the ABC members who came out and supported the NSS.

Report of the 2016 Summer Specialty

The 2016 Summer Specialty was hosted by the Northern California Brittany Club and was held at the ever so popular Woofstock shows. Many exhibitors and spectators were dressed in the “hippie”, 60’s dress. There were 25 Sweepstakes entries and 6 Veteran Sweepstakes entries. In regular classes there were 40 class dogs, bitches and 28 Best of Breed entries. The Summer Specialty was won by GCN Dream Hi’s Don’t Hate The Player Hate the Game.

Action Item 1: Summer Specialty

I would like to propose that we do away with the Summer Specialty. Over the years it has been difficult to find clubs to agree to sponsor the Summer Specialty. With membership on the decline and aging of club members, clubs have a hard time finding members to help set up and put on the show and it is a financial burden to the clubs presenting the Summer Specialty.

It has also become more of a Regional specialty Show instead of a National event. The decline in people attending from a distance has dropped due to airline restrictions in the summer and cost of flying a dog as well as the cost of attending if it is out of your area.

If ever the National All Age were to have to move, I would suggest the NSS be in place of the Summer Specialty and move across the country.

Action Item 2: Disciplinary Committee

I would like to see the National Club form a Disciplinary Committee with rules and regulations as well as a Code of Ethics. Now, if someone is declared to not be following the rules, there is nowhere that you can go to look at what the ABC Code of Ethics contains and how to go about disciplining a member, because we do not have such a thing. We need to have all members sign a Code of Ethics as they join the club and the present club members need to sign as well. Right now we have no way to act to discipline a member unless we go to the ABC, which at times is not always appropriate.

Terry Hilliard, 3rd V.P.

Action Items: From Robin Tomasi

Summer Specialty:

Awards of Merit:

Add to policy book: Host clubs are to provide Awards of Merit.

National Specialty Show:

Request a committee be formed to look into the future of the National Specialty show location & dates. Options include moving it to the summer, and replacing the Summer Specialty with the National Specialty, as well moving it or rotating it with the Gun Dog Nationals.

REPORT OF THE 4th VICE PRESIDENT

John Perry
September 20, 2016



AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB

ABC Shooting Dog Derby Invitational

"Showcasing the best derby dogs in the Country"
Ionia State Recreational Area, Ionia, MI—2280 David Highway
*Member AFTCA * Blank Ammo & Manufactured Solid Barrel Guns Only!*



Judges

Diane Vater - Burgettstown, Pennsylvania

Mike Mullineaux - Clayton, Delaware

Sanctioned by the American Field

Field Dog Stud Book Number is required for all entries

Entry fee \$ 150.00

60 Minute Stake

Purse 60% of entries 60 / 40 Plaques and Rosettes to all placing dogs

Stake limited to 12 dogs

Dogs must be whelped on or after January 1, 2015

Qualified period between October 7, 2015 and October 11, 2016.

If qualified, dogs can compete in both Shooting Dog and All Age Derby Invitational.

Automatic Invitation for Champion and Runner-Up in a one hour Derby Championships.

Additional invitees will be chosen utilizing the following calculations from recognized AKC and American Field trials (both Open and Amateur stakes):

<u>1 hour stake</u>	<u>45 minute stake</u>	<u>30/20 minute stake / Gun Dog Futurity</u>
1st - 10 points x dogs run	1st - 8 points x dogs run	1st - 6 points x dogs run
2nd - 8 points x dogs run	2nd - 6 points x dogs run	2nd - 4 points x dogs run
3rd - 6 points x dogs run	3rd - 4 points x dogs run	3rd - 2 points x dogs run
4th from AKC stake 0 points	4th from AKC stake 0 points	4th from AKC stake 0 points

2016 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY/SECRETARY AGENDA REPORT

MARY JO TRIMBLE

September 19, 2016

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2016 has been an extremely busy year. I have been working with “my shadow”, Leslie Andreas, who has been a very observant and competent understudy. I look forward to sharing the work load with Leslie during the coming year as hopefully the BOD will elect her to fill the elected part of one of the positions I now hold, that as Elected Secretary. At the BOD’s discretion, I will continue to serve as Executive Secretary and work with Leslie to develop a plan during the coming year to figure out ways to divide the duties between Secretary and Executive Secretary. One person has held both positions for decades, but it is time to ease the workload as it seems to be constantly increasing and to the point of being totally time consuming for one person.

Several years ago, the BOD put the Executive Secretary in charge of the Membership List and its distribution, and we took the responsibility for maintaining the list from the magazine publisher and turned over keeping track of the data to an ABC Member Linda Langford. She has since been followed by Deb Rudert who holds that position as Membership Data Chair. Last year I asked that we form an Ad Hoc committee composed of people who use the Membership Data and update our program. Both Linda and Deb have stepped up to the plate and worked on our current system to vastly improve the workability of the program Linda had created. We have a new Treasurer and Magazine Chair who also work with the program as well as the Finance Chair who monitors the Pay Pal Accounting, the 2nd Vice President in charge of Membership Promotion and Chair of the Data Committee and Robin Tomasi and Claude Kilpatrick also served on the committee. They are still learning all that goes with their end of dealing with the data. In my opinion further program changes at this time would not be advantageous. Steve Ralph who manages the Pay Pal files, Deb Rudert and myself have worked extensively with the

Membership List Data for the longest period of time. The Committee looked at alternative programs which I feel do not serve our needs and duplicate good programs already in existence. The Chairman never called for a vote of the committee, however, the general discussion and comments do not indicate that moving to purchase another setup would be beneficial. I urge the BOD to allow Linda and Deb to continue their work as they have done during the first 8 months of the year as they have made great progress. At this time, I would be very much opposed to purchasing a commercial program to manage the membership list. Communication between Linda Langford and the Data Chair has been more frequent, and Linda has set the Data Chair up with a new computer which solved many of the problems she had encountered in the past. Thank you Linda and Deb for your excellent cooperation in solving the major problems we had encountered previously.

I have also worked with the Membership Promotion Committee. I feel that the Committee would be better served if they work with the Data Chair and myself to draw up just exactly what the duties of that committee are and these be placed in the Policy Book. The original purpose of that committee was to aid in membership promotion and assume some activities toward that end. It seems that unknown to me until just recently, this committee for the last few years has had extra duties put on the Data Chair rather than the other way around. The Data Chair has enough to do to maintain the constantly changing list. The Committee needs to use the list she produces to glean the information they need to promote membership in the ABC. That was the original intent but has not been done so that it helped relieve the work done by the Data Chair and only increased the demands made on her. Thank you Deb for your efforts. Hopefully, this can be worked out in the near future.

A great deal of my time is spent working with the magazine and the Magazine Committee. I hope all Event Secretaries will please read Ken Windom’s Magazine Committee report for excellent suggestions. I would like to ask Event Secretaries to submit pictures and write-ups in a more timely manner. Most results are within the 10 days, but not the write-ups and pictures. I spend an in-ordinate amount of time trying to track these down, beg and plead, in order to get them to the publisher in a timely manner. We have around 20 Classic/Championships that need to make sure someone is responsible for submitting a write-up and pictures of these Championships and to do so within a timely manner. The American Field will not publish Championship Results without a write-up.

I would also encourage FT Secretaries to make sure you have all the blanks filled correctly on the ABC Field Trial Application and current insurance is on file, and dates approved by the Regional Dates’ Coordinators. I now send the applications you send directly to AKC and do not retype. You are now responsible for correctness. I have had to send as many as 3 revisions to AKC because clubs have submitted incorrect information.

I would also appreciate clubs sending pictures and fees for extra show pictures to send directly to the magazine in order to curb data usage of numerous downloads and uploads to my computer, the FTP site, and then the computer at Marshfield.

This will also eliminate chances for errors. Write-ups are best sent in .doc or .rtf format to prevent having to have them retyped from .pdf files. PLEASE use the ABC Field Trial Reporting form which is accepted by ABC, AKC, AF. AFTCA results must be downloaded to their website by the FT Secretary. The transition from former Committee Chair Bob Fleury to Ken Windom has gone smoothly as Ken has worked on that committee previously and Bob has been good to work with Ken when questions have come up. Thank you to all the proof readers. We have a bunch and we don't catch every mistake, but we certainly try.

I feel that the ABC is at a crossroads like it has never faced before. We have had several key officers and key committee chairs who have resigned due in part to being put under constant pressure which puts everyone on the defensive which is tough for volunteers to deal with. Due to the internet, members no longer raise concerns through their regional directors but through the entire BOD which adds to this negative reaction by the people doing the tasks assigned as people feel groups are "out to get them". I understand a Directors' manual is being prepared and will be submitted to the BOD for review. Defining the roles and/or job description of the BOD and hopefully Officers as well would be a step in the right direction to establish the parameters and chain of command and who does what in this organization, and we all need to learn a few negotiating rules. It would behoove all of us in administrative rolls, from local clubs to the ABC BOD to develop better negotiating skills which resolve conflicts without causing permanent rifts within the organization.

We need to show more respect for one another and end the constant divisions that exist and work as a whole for the betterment of the breed. Stress is taking its toll on all of us and as different ones have said to me, to paraphrase: When it is no longer fun, I no longer wish to participate whether it be on the BOD, as an Officer, as a committee chair, or some even as Members. We need better communication tactics and follow not only the policy book but the unwritten agreed upon policies that have all of us working to promote the Breed and improve the decision making process. Everyone is entitled to their opinion, but they need to respect each other's opinions and accept whatever the majority decide and learn to live with it as I have for the last 20 years.

ACTION ITEMS: 1. By the end of 2017, with the BOD's approval, I will work with the new Elected Secretary to make that position more meaningful and ease the duties of the Executive Secretary. This needs to be done before someone is appointed to take my place. I would ask the BOD's permission to try some things to determine if they are feasible for permanent changes in the policy book as we have done in the past for the Magazine Committee and others.

2. Allow Linda Langford to continue to work with updating the ABC Membership Data program with the Data Chair Deb Rudert as things have been greatly improved due to their ongoing work together during 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Trimble

Secretary/Executive Secretary

2016 AGENDA BOOK COMMITTEE REPORT

Hank Hartnek, Chair.
September 7, 2016

As in prior years, trying to obtain all reports and actions items in time was a challenge.

Reports with action items are noted in **BOLD** in the index. **NR** in the index indicates No Report was submitted in time to be included in the Agenda Book.

This year I've tried to reduce costs by sending the Agenda Book to officers and directors electronically keeping the number of hard copies to a minimum.

I would personally like to thank everyone for their cooperation. It made the job a lot easier.

Respectfully submitted,

Hank Hartnek

Agenda Item: I would like the Board to request Officer and Committee report lengths are kept to a minimum. This year the Hall of Fame (Dog) report was 27 pages for just one dog.

AKC Gazette Report
Submitted by David Webb
September 15, 2016

During this past year there have been four brief articles written and submitted to the AKC Gazette for publication in the Brittany breed column, which appears quarterly each year. These pieces for the Brittany breed column have been based on my 40 some years with Brittanys.

The four pieces were titled – “The Right Stuff” – January issue, “Preparation” – April issue, “All in the Family” – July issue, and “The Expert” – which will be in the October issue, and “The Magic Dancer”, which will appear in October issue of the Gazette. In addition a piece is being written is entitled, “Sunday Morning”, which will appear in January 2017 issue of the Gazette.

These articles have been written with intent to provide the reader with information about our breed. Appreciate the opportunity to write for the AKC Gazette.

2016 AKC Judge's Education Committee Report
September 15, 2016
Diana Kubitz, Chair.

We used our new presentation as the Nationals last year and it has stayed the same with a few minor changes. It has been very well received and we've gotten lots of compliments on the update. My thanks to Jessica Carlson for continuing to be the "go to" person updating our presentation!

A schedule of this year's presentations is attached and as you can see we had another busy year! Judy Tighe and Cindy Miller were the presenters for the judge's education seminar at Eukanuba last December and they had a very large group of judges attend. Since this was only the second time we used the new presentation, we were pleased that all the judges liked the changes that had been made. One of the judges attended the futurities in Florida in January and rode with me on the dog wagon to be mentored for the field. She asked good questions that showed she had been paying attention during the presentation! Many judges who have attended a field event tell me that the standard falls into place and they "get It" when we say that our standard was written so the dog could perform in the field.

I know you must be tired about hearing about our presentation in Metamora in June, but it was again well attended and the Brittanys again were the super stars! Mike Poehler couldn't make it this year so Ron Auten planted birds for all the breeds. Our special treat was Teresa Richmond handling her dog in the field demo and Ron bringing his dog in for the back! Kathryn Lipski did a water retrieve on Sunday with her champion Spencer. Woman handling dogs at this event isn't what was special, woman handling in the event that had actually handled dogs in field trials and knew what they were doing was a wonderful surprise for most!

At the 2015 nationals Amy Rodrigues Booth did another fund raiser that judge's education shared with the show. Her efforts were much appreciated by both the show committee and judge's education. Thank you Amy for your generosity and good work and thanks to the folks who participated!

Thanks to all my presenters this year: Judy Tighe, Cindy Miller, Joe & Dawn Droel Dianne Kroll, Terry Hilliard, and Michelle Millette and to the many people who brought dogs for the hands-on portion of the seminar. We appreciate all your efforts to help us keep the Brittany "forever a dual dog!"

We already have one seminar planned for March 2017 at the Tar Heel Cluster at the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh, NC. Judy Tighe has graciously offered to be the presenter.

At last year's national specialty I had a discussion with the gal from AKC that judged the Top 20 and she told me that in her breed, which I believe was Vizslas, they asked AKC to add as a requirement to approval to judge their breed that they must go to at least one field event. They have a mentoring form that has to be filled out and signed by the person mentoring them just like in the shows. AKC accepted it with no problem. I had wanted to pursue this when I first took over as JEC and I was told by AKC at that time that all the breeds on the Pointing Breed Advisory Committee would have to agree first. Obviously that has changed.

Action Item: Ask AKC to require a show judge to have attended at least one field event (field trial or hunt test) and have been mentored by someone who has a pointing dog breed for at least 12 years. (That would be equivalent of the requirement for a show mentor.) Depending on the area of the country they were in they might attend a different pointing breed, but the idea would still be the same to show them what the dog does and it's athleticism in the field.

Respectfully submitted:

Diana Kubitz

2016 AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB JUDGES ED SEMINARS

<p>January</p> <p>Land O Lakes Kennel Club show Saturday January 9th, 2016 9am- Noon Presenters: Dawn & Joel Droel</p> <p>Saturday, January 16, 2016 8:30 AM Washington State Fair Events Center, Puyallup, WA Sponsored by Rainier Sporting Dog Association Presenter: Dianne Kroll</p>	<p>February</p> <p style="text-align: center;">None</p>	<p>March</p>	<p>April</p>
<p>May</p>	<p>June</p> <p>June – Boy Scout Camp, Metamora, MI – Diana Kubitz – Presentation, breed match, field demos</p> <p>June 10 at 3pm, Woofstock Cluster, Solano County Fairgrounds Vallejo, CA, Michelle Millette Presenter</p>	<p>July</p>	<p>Aug</p> <p>RSDA Brittany Judges Workshop at Washington Specialty Nancy Clendenen & Dianne Kroll</p>
<p>September</p> <p style="text-align: center;">None</p>	<p>October</p> <p>Harvest Specialties Ionia, MI Sunday, Oct Presenter Diana Kubitz</p>	<p>November</p> <p>American Brittany Club seminar November 17th @ 9:00 a.m. State Fair Park – Kay Rodgers Park – Expo center 4400 Midland Boulevard, Fort Smith, AR Presenter/ Contact Person: Diana Kubitz</p>	<p>December</p>

Tar Heel Cluster at the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh, NC on March 22-26, 2017. Judy Tighe Presenter

2016 AKC LEGISLATIVE LIAISON AGENDA REPORT

MARY JO TRIMBLE

September 19, 2016

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- I will not attempt to go into all the legislative issues that AKC has been involved in during 2016. I do encourage our BOD and Members to frequent the Government Relations page at www.akc.org/government-relations/. One of the HSUS initiatives in both cities and states this year is to stop the sale in Pet Stores of any species that does not come from a rescue group. The fear is that some federal and state legislation will identify breeders as “Pet Shops” and thus prevent you from selling puppies in those areas. Some of the information provided on the Government Relations pages is as follows:
 - Tracking and reviewing legislation for potential impact on fanciers and the general dog-owning public.
 - Developing and sending materials and statements of opposition or support as necessary to local, state and federal officials in order to ensure that legislation dealing with dogs is reasonable, enforceable and non-discriminatory.
 - Working directly with clubs, federation members and other allied groups to assist and empower them in developing and implementing strategies to advocate for the rights of responsible dog-owners and breeders, and to train trainers about issues in canine legislation, lobbying and other advocacy techniques.
 - Providing issue-based policy expertise including policy briefs, model legislation/sample laws, and alternate language to policymakers, clubs, federations, and individuals involved in the development of canine policy.
 - The AKC PAC provides support to candidates for federal or state legislative office who support reasonable enforceable laws that protect the health and welfare of dogs and do not restrict the rights of breeders and owners who take their responsibilities seriously.
 - For more information on how the Government Relations Department can help you, email doglaw@akc.org, call 919-816-3720. Click here for a downloadable flyer of services the department offers.

2016 AKC POINTING BREED ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

**RAY TRIMBLE, Liaison
September 15, 2016**

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The AKC Pointing Breed Field Trial Advisory Committee last met in Boise, Idaho, on 11 April 2005. This committee used to meet every 5 years. At this point, we have been told that this is not a required meeting by the AKC, and we have not been advised that any meetings will be held in the near future.

Recent changes in the Field Trial program have been added/changed by the Performance Department and not through any Pointing Breed Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Trimble

2016 AMERICAN FIELD LIAISON AGENDA REPORT

Ray Trimble
September 15, 2016

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The American Brittany Club has been trying to increase the number of regional trials that advertise their events in the American Field in order to make sure that dogs running in the ABC National Championships and Classics are qualified to receive the title of Champion or Runner-Up Champion if they would win one of our national stakes. A derby placement in an American Field sponsored event qualifies a dog for life as does an adult placement. Regional Clubs that are members of the AFTCA will have win certificates issued to their Amateur handled winners which qualify them to receive AFTCA Championship titles.

The ABC Secretary has asked clubs to indicate if their regional trials are also American Field sponsored on the ABC Field Trial application blank. The ABC trial reporting form has a place to check if results are also being sent to the AFTCA as well as the AF and AKC. Not as many clubs are members of AFTCA as are now running their trials under the American Field.

A larger proportion of the events NOT run under the AF are Walking trials which does hurt people trying to get win certificates or placements that would make the dog eligible to receive an AF/AFTCA Gun Dog National Champion Title. They still get the AKC National title but not the American Field or AFTCA ones.

For more information on running trials under both the American Field and AFTCA, contact Mary Jo Trimble, ABC Secretary.

As you may know, the AFTCA which sponsors American Field Amateur Championships has established a new policy as to who may enter an AFTCA "Event" or Championship. We have gotten conflicting reports on how this affects the Continental Breeds from AFTCA Officers and Directors. A Committee of Continental Representatives of which ABC President Rankin is a member, has been appointed to discuss our involvement in these new requirements. For the most part, ABC Clubs who are AFTCA member clubs seem to be in a wait and see what develops before requiring participants in our events pay \$25 to become an AFTCA individual member. The concern is this will greatly impact Amateur entries and significantly hurt our Amateur entries in both regional stakes and championships. We should know more regarding our requirements after the committee meets and AFTCA holds its summer meeting. Stay Tuned.

ABC REGIONAL AKC CLASSICS/ AF CHAMPIONSHIPS;

In addition to the regular ABC Original Classic/Championships, the ABC also sponsors Regional AKC Classic/AF Championships in conjunction with several Championship Associations. Clubs running these events need to follow the guidelines as posted on the ABC Website or contact the ABC Secretary for a copy. Please indicate on the result form that the trial is both an ABC Classic and an American Field Championship. There is a space provided on the ABC/AKC/AFTCA/AF result form. Please use this form to report results. Prior to the event, the current insurance certificate and completed AKC Field Trial application and the \$15 AKC fee should be sent to the ABC Secretary who will sign and send to AKC. Associations will be responsible for any AKC late filing fees as well. Please appoint a reporter to cover the trial and get reports and write-ups in promptly to the American Field and the ABC Secretary for publication. Please try and get photos of the winners as well.

Respectfully submitted, Ray **Trimble**

BREED STANDARDS REPORT

**Judy Tighe, Chair.
September 20, 2016**

There are no issues that have come up in 2016 regarding Breed Standards. We plan on looking at the wording regarding tri colors next year. The Committee has no recommendations at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Tighe, Chairman

2016 ABC CLASSICS COMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

RAY TRIMBLE, CHAIR

September 15, 2016

trimblemaryjorav@gmail.com

The following ABC Original Gamebird/Gun Dog Classic/Championships will have been completed by the time this report is read:

- A. **The 2016 Chukar Classic/Championship** was hosted by the Grand Canyon Brittany Club 19-20 January 2016, at Las Cienegas NCA, Sonoita, AZ.
- B. **The Chicken Classic/Championship** was hosted by the Nebraska Brittany Clubs, 19-23 September 2016, at the Ted Morton Ranch, Bassett, NE.
- C. **The Pheasant Classic/Championship** was hosted by the Greater St. Louis Brittany Club, 24-28 September, at Harm's Cattle Company, Valentine, NE.
- D. **The Gun Dog Classic/Championship** was hosted by the Hawkeye Brittany Club, 11-14 April 2016, at Union County Ranch, Thayer, IA.
- E. **The Grouse/Woodcock Classic/Championship** was hosted by the Upper New York Brittany Club, on 20-21 September at Partridge Run Wildlife Area, Berne, NY.
- F. **The Quail Classic/Championship** was hosted by the Sooner Brittany Club, 29 October – 3 November 2016 at Lake Murray, Ardmore, OK.

Along with our current sponsor, Nestle-Purina, Tri-Tronics continues as a sponsor of these events. Garmin Tri-Tronics is supplying collars for the winners of the ABC Original Game Bird/GD Classic/Championships and monetary support for the painting of the winner of the Tri-Tronics Gun Dog of the Year Award of which the Classics/Championships are a big part of the point total.

The 2017 Classic/Championship program will need host clubs for five (5) Classic/Championship events, namely the Prairie Chicken, Pheasant, Grouse/Woodcock, Gun Dog, and Quail Classic/Championships. Please contact Ray Trimble for information if your club wishes to host a Classic. The Chukar Classic/CH will be hosted 2-3 February 2017 by the California Brittany Club, at Castle Butte Wells, California City, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Trimble

2016 DOG OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

Robin Tomasi, Chair

September 19, 2016

The 2015 Dog of the Year Award banquet was held in conjunction with the 2016 ABC Summer Specialty in Vallejo, CA. The dinner was well attended, and award winners traveled from as far as Florida.

The DOY program has been well received, and we have been asked to expand the program and offer more categories as well as look for more ways to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of Brittanys owned by members of the ABC. In order for the committee to expand the program, we will need funding. The 2015 awards were funded 100% by donations.

Thank you to the Club sponsors of the Dog of the Year program. Your generous support was greatly appreciated.

Whid Isle Brittany Club
Inland Empire Brittany Club
Grand Canyon Brittany Club
Northern California Brittany Club
Washington Brittany Club
San Diego Brittany Club
California Brittany Club

The committee would like to thank the individual donors that helped to make the 2016 event possible: James and Rita Milner Family, Dennis and Kathy Bryant, Nancy Hensley, Davis Animal Products, Paula Perry, Joy Ory, Karen Hanson, Sandy Malloy, and B. General Mike and Julie Lee USAF (ret)

Action item: Budget \$1500 for the ABC DOY program.

2016 ABC Facebook Committee Report

Robin Tomasi, Chair

September 19, 2016

At the time of this report there are 4050 fans of the page. In the past year, we added 800 fans; a 25% increase.

The 55-64 age demographic is the most engaged (those who comment, like, or share content), followed closely by the 45-54 age group.

Thank you to the members of the ABC Facebook Committee for all their hard work in providing a wide range of content for Brittany enthusiasts.

2016 FIELD TRIAL DATES COMMITTEE REPORT

Steve Ralph, CHAIR

August 28, 2016

There were a few changes in Regional Date Coordinators; Beth Wintermute resigned as East Coast Dates Coordinator and recommended Bruce Conover as her replacement and was approved, welcome Bruce and thank you Beth for all your work in the past. Jerry Cape resigned as West Coast Dates Coordinator and recommended Larry Sandusky as his replacement and was approved; welcome Larry and thank you Jerry for all your work in the past.

I want to thank this year's Regional Date Coordinators (Bruce Conover, Wade Haines, Ed Graves, Jim Crawford, and Larry Sandusky) for all their hard work in coordinating their regional dates and resolving conflicts in the best interest for their regional clubs and ABC.

All Spring & Fall dates presented by Regional Date Coordinators were reviewed and approved for this year and the coming year schedule. There were a few regional date conflicts which were resolved by the Regional Date Coordinators.

A remind to clubs to please work with their Regional Date Coordinator concerning field trial date scheduling, since all field trial dates must first be approved by the Regional Date Coordinator before ABC can approve the field trial application.

2016 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Judy Graves, Chair.

August 19, 2016

Members: Judy Graves, Chair; Les Casselberry, East Coast; Kent Patterson, East Central; Bernie Crain, Central; Mary Karbiner, MidWest; Joe Gower, West Coast
Ex-Officio: Robert Rankin, President, Jim Brigham

Having been formed in 2013, this committee continues to carry out its duties as outlined in the Policy Book. The first order of business for the committee is to oversee the audit function. Because of the ABC size and structure, an independent, certified audit would add unnecessary costs to the operating expenses, and provide nothing more than a certification that the financial statements were presented fairly. The committee members participated in an in-depth internal review and reported to the Board of Directors. There were no material items reported. However, the issue of bonding or some sort of crime insurance for officers and committee chairs was discussed & explored. Information gathered was submitted to the Insurance Chair earlier this summer. The committee agreed that a co-signature should be required for large denomination checks. This issue is not addressed in the policy book and an action item is submitted (Action Item #1)

Membership in this committee is on a five year rotating appointment. The East Coast representative, Les Casselberry, will be rotating off at the end of this year. Earlier this year we contacted Monica Rutt to see if she was interested in serving on this committee. She did not reply to our queries. Consequently, the East Coast Director, Bob Fleury, was contacted for any recommendation he might have. He sent us the name of Lucille Sawicki who is an ABC life member from the Southern New England club. Lucille recently "semi" retired from her accounting service and is willing to accept the appointment. (Action Item #2)

The IRS group exemption continues to be in force with 45 clubs included in our umbrella. The ABC's 2015 IRS Form 990T & IRS Form 990 were filed by the Treasurer. Our 2016 CP 119 was filed prior to Sept. 1, 2016 as required by the IRS.

Request for the 2017 Operating budgets along with the Futurity program will be due October 1st to the Finance Committee. National Gun Dog, All Age & Specialty events will be presented to the BOD in March of 2017. The dues increase approved two years ago went into effect in 2016. Hopefully we will be able to submit a balanced budget with this increase. Costs continue to be monitored for any possible savings without sacrificing our program quality. We will continue to strive to establish a general operating fund reserve of at least twice our operating income.

2017 Operating Budget will be presented at the Board of Directors meeting for discussion and approval.

ACTION ITEM #1

We request a motion be made to require all checks written in excess of \$5,000 require a second signature. Policy Book change to be made as follows:

Duties of the Treasurer:

31. Any check exceeding \$5,000 shall require a second signature from the President or Executive Secretary

ACTION ITEM #2

We request a motion be made to appoint Lucille Sawicki to the five year east coast member of the Finance Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Graves, Chair

Related Action Item from Robin Tomasi: BONDING

Discuss and approve the bonding (or crime) insurance in accordance with our Bylaws. Bond is to be set at a minimum of \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars).

2016 FUND RAISING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mary Karbiner, Chair.

August 29, 2016

AGENDA REPORT

2016 NATIONAL FUND RAISING COMM.

	AMERICAN BRITANNY CLUB NATIONAL AUCTION/LAUFLE REPORT											
	ALL AGE			QUINDOG			SPECIALTY SHOW			2015		
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015
Raffle tickets sold	\$3,800.00	\$ 3,694.00	\$ 5,660	\$ 2,920	\$1,574.00	\$ 1,755.00	\$ -	\$ 889	\$ 3,859.50	\$ 7,490.00	\$ 1,330.00	\$ 6,610
Auction Proceeds	2,289.75	\$ 1,722.00	\$ 2,153	\$ 1,850	3,010.50	1,815.00	✓ 897.00	✓ 2,285	n/a	1,781.00	2,383.00	✓ 3,151
Grant Receipts	\$6,169.75	\$ 5,417.00	\$ 7,192.50	\$ 4,770.00	\$5,444.50	\$ 3,570	✓ 887	✓ \$3,215.00	\$ 3,849.50	\$ 9,377	9,615.00	\$ 8,761.00
LESS Expenses	(1,489.08)	\$ (1,763.00)	(1,412)	(1,913)	(652.07)	(1,000)	-	-	(551.85)	(4,224)	(4,577.60)	(2,303)
NET INCOME	\$4,670.67	\$ 3,654.00	\$ 5,780.13	\$ 2,857.00	\$4,811.25	\$ 2,570.00	\$ 897.00	\$3,215.00	\$ 3,307.64	\$ 5,147.00	\$ 5,037.40	\$ 7,460.04
% OF TOTAL ACTIVITY	35.7%	N/A	32.1%	49.3%	37.2%	22.6%	7.6%	23.8%	27.1%	45.3%	43.2%	85.1%
Current Grants Funds transfers out (25%) if event shared profit	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	n/a	\$ 876.91	\$ 1,384.75	\$ 1,271.84	\$ 1,845.61
To operations event support	4,621	\$ 3,654.00	\$ 4,335	\$ 2,143	4,812	\$ 2,570	\$ 897	\$ 3,215	2,631	3,862.25	3,815.55	\$ 5,595
TOTAL	\$13,040.00	\$10,570.00	\$17,704.50	\$17,704.50	\$18,338.00	\$12,403.91	\$11,371.00	\$12,939.84	\$11,371.00	\$11,764.33	\$13,532.04	\$19,468.00
TOTAL	\$518.00	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50	\$734.50
TOTAL	\$10,522.00	\$9,835.50	\$17,030.00	\$17,030.00	\$17,603.50	\$11,669.41	\$10,636.50	\$12,205.34	\$10,636.50	\$11,029.83	\$12,797.54	\$18,733.50

2016 FUTURITY COMMITTEE REPORT

**Judy Robin, Chair.
September 16, 2016**

2014-2016 ABC FUTURITIES STATS

TOTAL LITTERS NOMINATED IN 2014 = 120

TOTAL FINAL FORFEITS PAID IN 2015 = 278

TOTAL DOGS/FINAL FORFEITS = 146

EASTERN REGIONAL FUTURITY HOSTED BY THE MID-FLORIDA BRITTANY CLUB

FIELD FORFEITS PAID = 52

SHOW FORFEITS PAID = 52

ALL AGE ENTRIES = 21

GUN DOG ENTRES = 18

SHOW ENTRIES = 38

TOTAL PURSE PAID OUT TO OWNERS AND BREEDERS = \$4546

EXPENSES = \$3106.27

REVENUE = \$5603.00

PROFIT SPLIT 50/50 BETWEEN THE MID-FLORIDA CLUB AND THE ABC = \$2496.73

CENTRAL REGIONAL FUTURITY HOSTED BY THE SKYLINE BRITTANY CLUB

FIELD FORFEITS PAID= 44

SHOW FORFEITS PAID= 42

ALL AGE ENTRIES = 12

GUN DOG ENTRIES = 16

SHOW ENTRIES = 27

TOTAL PURSE PAID OUT TO OWNERS AND BREEDERS = \$3754.04

EXPENSES = \$4261.35

REVENUE = \$4435.47

PROFIT SPLIT 50/50 BETWEEN THE SKYLINE CLUB AND THE ABC = \$174.12

WESTERN REGIONAL FUTURITY HOSTED BY THE OREGON BRITTANY CLUB

FIELD FORFEITS PAID = 46

SHOW FORFEITS PAID = 42

ALL AGE ENTRIES = 2

GUN DOG ENTRIES = 23

SHOW ENTRIES = 29

TOTAL PURSE PAID OUT TO OWNERS AND BREEDERS = \$3943.04

EXPENSES = \$2719.70

REVENUE = \$3865.00

PROFIT SPLIT BETWEEN THE OREGON CLUB AND THE ABC = \$1145.30

THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB MADE A PROFIT OF \$1908.08 ON THE 2014-2016 ABC FUTURITIES

2016 ABC DOG HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE REPORT

Kent Patterson, Chair.
August 10, 2016

The ABC Dog Hall of Fame committee has completed its process with the following to add to the Board Agenda book for this fall. Many thanks to the committee members for their timely participation.

NOTE! - Attached PDF files should be printed and included in the agenda book for the Board of Directors review prior to voting.

Aug 10, 2016

The ABC Dog Hall of Fame committee reviewed 3 nominations submitted per ABC policy:

Bourbon XIII
Mon Petite Whiz
Buck's Hit the Road Jack

Based on the review criteria and voting process outlined in the policy manual, the following dog received a majority vote through two rounds and is submitted to the Board of Directors as an ABC Dog HOF candidate.

Bourbon XIII

Kent D. Patterson
ABC Dog HOF Chairman

American Brittany Club Dog Hall of Fame

Lack of an election year indicates one of the three selections by the original Hall of Fame Committee in 1965.

- 2013 NFC/NAFC/FC/AFC Just Call Me Roy
- 2012 FC/AFC Poki-Dot
- 2012 NFC/FC/AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow
- 2011 32X NSTRA CH Nolan's Last Bullet
- 2009 NFC/AFC Hi Proof Rum Runner
- 2009 CH Jordan All Kiddin' Aside JH
- 2008 NFC/AFC Diamond Hill Dan
- 2008 FC/AFC Shady's Chik-N-Little
- 2007 NFC/DC/AFC Gambler's Ace In The Hole
- 2007 FC/AFC HI-Scor Jac D Ruffian
- 2006 FC/AFC Ajax VI
- 2006 NFC/DC/AFC Tequila's Joker
- 2005 NFC/AFC Aux Arc's Mark
- 2005 NAFC/FC/AFC Jim De Bob's Sparks A Dan D
- 2005 FC/AFC Jerob's Magic Tradewinds
- 2004 DC/AFC R.C.'s Sundancer
- 2002 FC/NFC Microdot
- 2000 FC/AFC/NFC Beans Blaze
- 2000 FC The Magic Moment
- 1999 DC/AFC/NAC Renegade's Kansas Kid
- 1998 FC/NFC Minnehaha's Tammy
- 1998 DC Royal Britt Starbuck Of Auteh
- 1997 FC/AFC Rimarda's Trademark
- 1997 DC Scipio's Little Chick
- 1994 DC/AFC/NFC Cinnabar's Ami Roc de'Edwards
- 1994 DC/AFC/NFC Marwar's Jac's A Dan D

- 1993 FC/AFC Reed's Bo-Nine Max
- 1992 DC/AFC/NAC Hi-Spirit Buck
- 1990 DC/NFC Tomar's Ban Dee Sam
- 1989 FC/AFC/NAC Gun Runner's Far Out
- 1988 FC Country Cousin Lost River
- 1988 FC/AFC Le Car's White Smoke
- 1987 DC/AFC Hi-Spirit Bazooka's Pistol
- 1987 DC/AFC Jacque of Connie
- 1986 DC/AFC/NFC/NAC Parry's Rustic Prince
- 1986 DC/AFC/NAC Hello Dolly Miss Kaer
- 1986 FC Holiday Britt's Bazooka
- 1984 DC/AFC/NAC Colorado's Jumping Gypsy
- 1984 DC/NFC Colorado's Yankee Timber
- 1984 DC Joell's Copper Jacques
- 1984 FC Kay-Cee Bandit
- 1984 FC/AFC Scipio Spinks
- 1983 DC/AFC/NAC Char-Lee O'Dee
- 1983 CH Copper Jill of Edwards
- 1983 DC/AFC/NAC Gringo de Britt
- 1981 FC/NFC Goldstone's Duke
- 1981 CH/AFC Sequani's Dana MacDuff
- 1981 CH Sommet des Collines CD
- 1980 DC/AFC/NFC Ban-Dee
- 1980 DC/NFC Pacolet Cheyenne Sam
- 1980 DC Tigar's Jocko
- 1977 DC Doctor Joe of Kaymore

- 1975 DC Lund's Trooper
- 1972 DC Way-Kan Jeff
- 1971 FC Way-Kan Jill
- 1970 FC Jeffrey of Argard
- 1968 DC Belkoaks Ibbly
- 1968 DC Pacolet's Sam
- 1967 Allamuchy Valley Warrior
- 1967 Price's Sunflower Gal
- 1966 DC Dingo's Little Mike
- 1966 FC Ferdinand of Leeway
- 1966 DC Holley Haven Duchess
- 1965 DC Allamuchy Valley Uno
- 1965 DC Angelique de Bretagne
- 1965 DC Avono Happy
- 1965 DC Brit of Ballows Falls
- 1965 Fr. CH Gwenneac de l'Argoat
- 1965 DC Helgramite Howle d'Acajou
- 1965 Kaer de Cornouaille
- 1965 DC Pacolet's Cheyenne
- 1965 CH Patrice de Sharvoque
- 1965 DC Patsy Or Edough
- 1965 DC Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee
- 1965 DC Pontac's Dingo
- 1965 DC Tex of Richmond
- 1965 FC Torony of Lionheart
- 1965 DC/NFC Towsey

Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Closing Date for Nominations: April 1st

To be eligible, the dog must be dead. Date of death must be within the past 10 years. Nominees should be animals that knowledgeable breeders would look for in pedigrees when establishing or improving breeding programs. They should epitomize the dual ideal and during their lifetimes have achieved National recognition from Brittany fanciers for their show and trial field and obedience ability through successful competition on a multi-regional or National level and/or that produced a high average of progeny from different dams or sires who were generally acknowledged as being of extra merit.

*Mail to: Mary Jo Tumble, Secretary
10400 Flaming Rd. • Cantonville, IL 62916*

Dog's Name: DC/AFC BOURBON XIII

Owner: Joseph Jung

Breeder: Rough Seickmeyer

Approximate Date of Death: 6/26/2013

His Her Record: ATTACHED

Percentage of times run to first place, if known: _____

Percentage of times won Best of Breed to times entered: _____

PRODUCTION RECORD

Number of litters sired or produced: ATTACHED

Number of field winners: 11

Number of show dogs with points: 3 "

Number of obedience title holders: "

I believe this dog bitch should be in the Hall of Fame because: Competed in an era of great dogs + won the chicken back to back 2 times

Enter special records here: Back to Back CH-Prize Chicken, NAT'L #1 & GD Champions in same year produced.

Use additional sheets if necessary.

Signed: Pam Baird

Club Member in: Br. St. Louis Club



THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Progeny Report DC AFC Bourbon XIII

Name: **DC AFC Bourbon XIII**
AKC #: **SN422528/04**
Birth Date: **02/27/1997**

Breed/Variety: **Brittany**
Sex: **Male**

Name	Reg Number	Date of Birth	Gender
Dam Name: <u>FC Mo Kan Bimbo</u>	SN346888/05	05/27/1996	
<u>NFC DC AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch Of Bourbon</u>	SR082079/02	04/17/2003	Male
<u>NGDC FC AFC Celebrations Two Of Hearts</u>	SR082079/03	04/17/2003	Male
Dam Name: <u>AFC Shale Valley's Mile-A-Minute MH</u>	SN437106/01	04/28/1997	
<u>FC AFC Shale Valley's Myla Tech</u>	SR262125/05	05/19/2005	Male
Dam Name: <u>Renegade's Double Stuff</u>	SN502129/05	12/08/1997	
<u>CH Renegade's Remington JH</u>	SR347594/01	05/13/2006	Male
<u>Renegade Shoshoni Savvi JH</u>	SR347594/04	05/13/2006	Female
Dam Name: <u>Tall Pines Little Libby</u>	SN599924/02	12/12/1998	
<u>DC AFC Bourbon's Straight Up</u>	SR254471/08	04/22/2005	Male
Dam Name: <u>McKayla's Morgan Of Lancer</u>	SN715636/04	02/18/2000	
<u>CH Rock Solid's Wish You Were Here CDX RN NA NAJ</u>	SR347043/01	04/28/2006	Male
<u>Mountaineer Birdfinder Rascal III</u>	SR347043/03	04/28/2006	Male
Dam Name: <u>Little Miss Penny MH</u>	SN819425/01	10/28/2000	
<u>Bourbon's Lucky Penny MH</u>	SR269427/03	06/25/2005	Female
Dam Name: <u>Steel Wheel</u>	SR009802/02	03/31/2002	
<u>FC J And J Brandy Girl</u>	SR526716/01	08/05/2008	Female

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DC AFC Bourbon XIII

AKC Number SN42252804

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) J Jung

42 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2007-01-20	OAA	3	21	Randy Walth	Ken Seivert
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2006-10-18	AAA	1	19	Philip Dangerfield	Randy Meyer
Illinois Brittany Club	2006-10-14	AAA	3	26	David Capstick	Michael Gonski
Music City Brittany Club	2005-11-16	OAA	3	32	Alan Powell	Bill Suiter
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2005-10-19	OAA	1	25	James Doherty	Warren Montgomery
Illinois Brittany Club	2005-10-06	OAA	4	27	Larry Chamberlin	Rick Beall
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2005-09-19	OLAA	1	58	Stan Truksa	George Langabeer
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2005-05-19	ALAA	2	22	Bob Burchett	Rosco Staton
Nebraska Brittany Club	2005-04-15	OLAA	3	33	Rosco Staton	Stan Truksa
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2005-02-24	OLAA	2	23	Tom Jagielski	G.T. Burroughs
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2004-11-29	OLAA	2	46	Bonnie Evans Hidalgo	Bob Bonner
Illinois Brittany Club	2004-10-08	OLAA	1	23	James Chase	Bill L. Zeisset

<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	2004-09-13	OLAA	1	57	<u>Chuck Thielen</u>	<u>George Langabeer</u>
<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2004-03-26	OAA	2	20	<u>James Mills</u>	<u>G T Burroughs</u>
<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2004-02-26	OAA	1	26	<u>Alan Wyatt</u>	<u>Wayne Kinzel</u>
<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	2003-09-06	AGD	1	17	<u>G T Burroughs</u>	<u>Charles Spinelli</u>
<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	2003-09-06	AAA	1	9	<u>Cindy McCann</u>	<u>Robert Powell</u>
<u>Badger Brittany Club</u>	2003-04-18	AAA	3	14	<u>Andrew Lewandowski</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>
<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2003-03-28	AAA	1	13	<u>Stan Williamson</u>	<u>Joseph Kim Maratt</u>
<u>Badger Brittany Club</u>	2002-04-20	AAA	4	20	<u>Brent Lloyd</u>	<u>James Mills</u>
<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2002-03-29	OAA	1	14	<u>Ken Windom</u>	<u>James Brigham</u>
<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2002-03-22	OAA	3	28	<u>Carl Saunders</u>	<u>Michael Gonski</u>
<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2002-02-28	OAA	3	27	<u>Robert Donahue</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>
<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	2002-02-08	AAA	4	13	<u>Ken Schmidt</u>	<u>George Hill</u>
<u>Hoosier Brittany Club</u>	2001-10-27	AAA	3	11	<u>Don Staszewski</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>
<u>Hoosier Brittany Club</u>	2001-10-27	OAA	1	11	<u>Ken Mewbourn</u>	<u>Patrick Koczenasz</u>
<u>Michigan Brittany Club</u>	2001-09-22	AAA	1	16	<u>Kent Merryman</u>	<u>Bill Thomson</u>
<u>Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club</u>	2001-09-14	AAA	3	23	<u>Donna Janulis</u>	<u>Martha Greenlee</u>
<u>Western Michigan Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	2001-09-01	OAA	2	31	<u>Albert Cropek JR</u>	<u>Cindy Cropek</u>
<u>Western Michigan Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	2001-09-01	AAA	3	21	<u>James Baker</u>	<u>Ron Zook</u>
<u>Iowa Brittany Club</u>	2001-04-06	AAA	4	14	<u>Mark Ritter</u>	<u>Tom Wiley</u>
<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2001-03-30	AAA	2	20	<u>Lee Sienkowski</u>	<u>Robert Creaney</u>

<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2001-03-30	OLGD	1	16	<u>Tom Jagielski</u>	<u>Lee Sienkowski</u>
<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2001-03-01	OAA	3	28	<u>Gary E Holland</u>	<u>L A Holland</u>
<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	2001-01-27	OLGD	3	22	<u>Michael Jessen</u>	<u>Al Vanwieren</u>
<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2000-10-13	OAA	3	34	<u>Richard Brewington</u>	<u>Becky Brewington</u>
<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2000-10-07	AAA	3	20	<u>Larry Heskett</u>	<u>Brad Woodruff</u>
<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2000-09-15	OAA	2	9	<u>Judy Graves</u>	<u>Edward Graves</u>
<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	2000-04-08	AAA	3	16	<u>Richard Brewington</u>	<u>Becky Brewington</u>
<u>Iowa Brittany Club</u>	2000-03-31	OGD	4	26	<u>Wesley Felt</u>	<u>Mike Voshell</u>
<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	2000-03-24	OLGD	1	21	<u>Donna Janulis</u>	<u>Wade Haines</u>
<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	2000-03-17	AAA	4	23	<u>Kevin Remmers</u>	<u>James Mills</u>

Offspring in this database

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Breeding of:		DC AFC Bourbon XIII (M) 27 Feb 1997, SN42252804, White & Orange [Breeding] [Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree]
Sire	DC AFC Masked Shoshoni War Chief? JH (M) 06 Apr 1992 SM96624502 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
Dam	FC AFC Candy's Lucky Penny SH (F) 03 May 1990 SF881663 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
Littermates		
Litter 1	Shoshoni Sakajawea Pashico (F) Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	1. Chip's Lover Girl (F) [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 2 17 Apr 2003	FC Mo Kan Bimbo (F) 27 May 1996 SN34688805 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	1. NFC DC AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch Of Bourbon (M) 17 Apr 2003 SR08207902 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 2. NGDC FC AFC Celebration's Two Of Hearts (M) 17 Apr 2003 SR08207903 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 3. Red Ragtop (F) 17 Apr 2003 SR08207901 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 4. Charlotte's Rocket Man (M) 17 Apr 2003 SR08207905 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 3 22 Apr 2005	Tall Pines Little Libby (F) 12 Dec 1998 SN59992402 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	1. DC AFC Bourbon's Straight Up (M) 22 Apr 2005 SR25447108 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 2. Renegade's Bourbon On The Rocs (M) 22 Apr 2005 SR25447102 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 4 19 May 2005	AFC Shale Valley's Mile-A-Minute MH (F) 28 Apr 1997 SN43710601 Liver & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	1. FC AFC Shale Valley's Myla Tech (M) 19 May 2005 SR26212505 Liver & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
		Little Miss Penny (F) 28 Oct 2000 SN81942501 White & Orange

Litter 5 25 Jun 2005	[Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oberon Fairy's King (M) 25 Jun 2005 SR26942708 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 2. Bourbon's Lucky Penny (F) 25 Jun 2005 SR26942703 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 6 12 Aug 2005	Cast A Britt Platinum Mollie (F) 29 Jan 2002 SN90024110 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hi-Scor Dixie Dew (F) 12 Aug 2005 SR28314903 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 2. Godfather's Real Deal (F) 12 Aug 2005 SR28314905 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 7 28 Apr 2006	McKayla's Morgan Of Lancer (F) 18 Feb 2000 SN71563604 Liver & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CH Rock Solid's Wish You Were Here (M) 28 Apr 2006 SR34704301 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 2. Countess Chloe Of Lancer (F) 28 Apr 2006 SR34704304 White & Liver [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 3. Hi-Scor Whiskey Kate (F) 28 Apr 2006 SR34704302 White & Liver [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 8 13 May 2006	Renegade's Double Stuff (F) 08 Dec 1997 SN50212905 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CH Renegade's Remington (M) 13 May 2006 SR34759401 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 2. Renegade's Perfect Ruby (F) 13 May 2006 SR34759405 Orange & White [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree] 3. Renegade Shoshoni Savvi (F) 13 May 2006 SR34759404 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
Litter 9 05 Aug 2008	Steel Wheel (F) 31 Mar 2002 SR00980202 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]	
	Offspring	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FC J And J Brandy Girl (F) 05 Aug 2008 SR52671601 White & Orange [Pedigree] [Dog Details] [Sibling] [Vertical Pedigree] [Reverse Pedigree]
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NFC DC AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch Of Bourbon

AKC Number SR08207902

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Breed Brittany
Owner(s) R Mcgee

82 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
Illinois Brittany Club	2014-02-16	GOLAA	3	17	John Burkhart	Allen Gorrow
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2013-05-15	ALAA	2	16	Wade Haines	Jim Johnson
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2013-02-16	OLAA	1	14	Phil Tiller	Fred Smith
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2013-01-12	AAA	2	16	John Burkhart	Kevin Stonehouse
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-10-15	OLAA	1	56	Stan Williamson	Fred Smith
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2012-05-16	ALAA	4	18	John Potter	Duane Yoder
Ohio Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-03-15	OLAA	1	20	Christopher Rider	Rick Crites
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-03-12	OLGD	3	26	Ron Gulembo	Jesse Chapman IV
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-01-21	AAA	1	13	Hank Jansen	George Hill
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-01-21	OAA	3	28	Phil Tiller	Allan Benson
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2011-10-15	OAA	1	39	Albert Allen	William Burton
Missouri Brittany Club	2011-10-07	AAA	2	21	Howard Burbach	William Burton
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-09-19	OLAA	2	54	Mary Karbiner	Stan Truksa

Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2011-05-18	ALAA	1	20	David Capstick	Tim Self
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-04-04	OAA	2	17	Al Varwieren	Jim Yates
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-03-22	OAA	1	20	William Burton	Skip Womell
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-02-23	AAA	4	20	Buck Barley	R A Rankin
Northern Oklahoma Brittany Club	2011-02-03	AAA	2	18	Gulledge Robbie	Keith Gulledge
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-01-08	AAA	2	20	Dennis Sullivan	Kevin Stonehouse
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-11-29	NFC	1	48	Jim Yates	Bill Stubblefield
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-11-22	NAFC	2	47	Stan Williamson	M Aldrich
Music City Brittany Club	2010-11-10	OAA	1	28	Bill Suiter	Buddy Morrison
Volunteer Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-11-04	AAA	4	15	James Demarco	Blake Kuker
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-10-21	OAA	1	37	Floyd Cagle	Fred Smith
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2010-10-16	OAA	4	46	William Burton	Jerry Lindsey
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-10-11	OLAA	4	58	Albert Allen	Mike Martin
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-09-24	AAA	4	31	Wesley Felt	Jack Murphy
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-04-05	OAA	1	21	Buck Barley	John Holt
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-03-23	AAA	3	18	Stan Williamson	Richard Brewington
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-03-23	OAA	1	33	Peter Wilkin	Mike Martin
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-02-23	AAA	2	22	David Capstick	Tim Self
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-02-23	OAA	3	35	Ken Chenoweth	Jerry Lindsey
Illinois Brittany Club	2010-02-17	OLAA	2	17	Andrew Lewandowski	Allan Benson
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2010-02-13	OLAA	4	17	Stan Williamson	Rhett Burris
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2010-02-04	OAA	1	29	Howard Burbach	Ken Chenoweth
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-01-21	OAA	2	17	Kent Merryman	Allan Benson
Music City Brittany Club	2009-11-04	OAA	2	20	Buck Barley	Barry Miller
Central Arkansas Brittany	2009-10-21	OLAA	1	30	Rodney Albin	Kirk Loftin

Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2009-10-16	OLAA	3	31	Jack Murphy	Jerry Lindsey
Southern Kansas Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-10-12	OLAA	2	35	David Taylor	Garvin Collins
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-10-12	OLAA	1	47	Don Kimble	Fred Smith
Ringneck Brittany Club	2009-09-18	OAA	3	54	Garvin Collins	Gary Cowell
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2009-05-13	ALAA	3	26	John Hall	Duane Yoder
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-03-24	AAA	4	22	Stan Truksa	Jack Murphy
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-03-24	OAA	1	38	Stan Williamson	David Taylor
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-02-24	AAA	1	13	Larry G Meeks	Don Arnold
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-02-24	OAA	1	33	Robert E Youngs	Allan Benson
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2009-02-14	OLAA	2	13	Hank Jansen	George Hill
Bama Brittany Club	2009-02-01	OLAA	1	22	Vic Williams	Scott Ackerman
Central Arkansas Brittany	2009-01-22	AAA	1	20	Rob Martin	Chip Pantall
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-01-10	OAA	2	13	James Chase	Allan Benson
Michigan Brittany Club	2008-04-04	OAA	3	20	Kent Merryman	Jim Cipponeri
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2008-03-31	OAA	3	27	Barry Peterson	John Potter
Western Michigan Brittany Club, Inc.	2008-03-28	OAA	2	29	Sean Morgan	James Baker
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2008-02-26	AAA	1	28	David Capsick	Tim Self
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2008-01-19	AAA	2	21	Dennis Sullivan	Larry Bates
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2007-05-17	ALAA	2	30	Buck Barley	Warren Montgomery
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2007-05-17	OAA	2	29	Tom Halpin	William Branham
Badger Brittany Club	2007-04-21	AAA	1	15	Dan Voss	Becky Voss
Michigan Brittany Club	2007-04-06	OLAA	1	26	Harold Heather	Mike Cook
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2007-04-02	OAA	2	28	James Baker	Will Langley
La Salle Brittany Club	2007-03-30	AAA	2	17	Rob Tomczak	Larry Bates
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2007-02-27	AAA	4	26	David Capstick	Tim Self

Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2007-02-17	OAA	2	32	Stan Williamson	Rhett Buris
Hoosier Brittany Club	2006-10-28	AGD	2	17	Dennis Sullivan	Amy Sullivan
La Salle Brittany Club	2006-10-20	OLGD	1	21	John Wilbanks	Richard Green
Missouri Brittany Club	2006-10-06	AGD	3	21	Ken Windom	Stan Truksa
Ringneck Brittany Club	2006-09-22	OGD	2	23	James Chase	Wade Haines
Badger Brittany Club	2006-04-22	AGD	1	19	Michael Mikoff JR	Carly Thompson-Martin
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2006-04-15	AGD	2	20	James Brigham	Stan Noble
Illinois Brittany Club	2006-02-23	OGD	2	16	David Capstick	Tim Self
Missouri Brittany Club	2005-09-30	OGD	3	41	Marc Rittner	Steve Ralph
Iowa Brittany Club	2004-09-24	OD	3	24	Bob Reynolds	Larry G Meeks
Missouri Valley Brittany Club, Inc.	2004-09-10	OD	1	14	J.C. Woodall	Bill Cockrum
Badger Brittany Club	2004-05-15	OP	1	4	Sam Thompson	Edward Pogsor
Badger Brittany Club	2004-05-15	AWD	4	8	Tom Jagielski	John Hancock
Illinois Brittany Club	2004-05-01	OP	2	8	Phyllis Katzel	Donna Janulis
Badger Brittany Club	2004-04-17	OP	4	10	William Zwettler	Robert Powell
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2004-04-10	OP	2	10	Sean Morgan	James Brigham
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2004-02-26	OP	3	12	Ed Janulis	Donna Janulis
Illinois Brittany Club	2004-02-20	OP	3	12	Alan Wyatt	Burton Wice
La Salle Brittany Club	2003-10-17	AWP	3	8	Kevin Remmers	Michael Mikoff JR

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Sharptail's Time Well Wasted (by *FC Lost Creek Kate*)

FC Touch Of Bourbon Little Chug (by *FC Lost Creek Kate*)

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FC AFC NGDC Celebrations Two Of Hearts

AKC Number SR08207903

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) P Katzel/P Katzel

41 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
La Salle Brittany Club	2013-03-29	AAA	4	9	Rodger Fiorito	Tommy N Thomas
La Salle Brittany Club	2011-10-14	AAA	1	5	Tom Jagielski	Michael Mikoff JR
La Salle Brittany Club	2011-10-14	OLGD	1	8	Paul Howard	Timothy W Cummings
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2011-05-18	ALAA	3	20	David Capatick	Tim Self
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-10-26	OGD	1	54	Jack Murphy	Mark Johnson
Badger Brittany Club	2010-04-16	OGD	4	20	Gil Hopper	Sam Thompson
Badger Brittany Club	2010-04-16	OLGD	1	16	Steve Ralph	Charles Spinelli
La Salle Brittany Club	2010-03-26	OAA	1	14	Ed Janulis	James Brigham
Michigan Brittany Club	2009-09-18	ALGD	4	13	Bill Thomson	Susan DeGraw
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2009-05-13	ALAA	1	26	John Hall	Duane Yoder
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2009-05-13	OAA	1	25	Rob Richter	William Branham
Illinois Brittany Club	2009-04-30	OGD	4	28	Tommy N Thomas	Michael Mikoff JR
Badger Brittany Club	2009-04-17	OAA	2	15	Gil Hopper	Michael Poehler

La Salle Brittany Club	2009-03-27	AAA	1	13	Rodger Fiorito	Robert Gibson
La Salle Brittany Club	2009-01-31	OGD	2	17	Larry Bates	Timothy W Cummings
La Salle Brittany Club	2008-10-17	AAA	3	13	Jerry McGee	Kendall Brown
La Salle Brittany Club	2008-10-17	OAA	1	13	Kendall Brown	Michael Mikoff JR
Michigan Brittany Club	2008-09-20	AAA	4	16	Larry Bates	Michael Poehler
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2008-09-13	AAA	3	18	Albert Cropek JR	Tom Halpin
Michigan Brittany Club	2008-04-04	AAA	4	22	John Hall	Will Langley
La Salle Brittany Club	2008-03-27	AAA	2	14	J Wilbanks	Robert Powell
La Salle Brittany Club	2007-10-19	AAA	3	21	Sean Morgan	Charles Schaefer
Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club	2007-05-17	OAA	1	29	Tom Halpin	William Branham
Michigan Brittany Club	2007-04-06	OAA	4	27	Steve Rollyson	Mike Cook
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2007-04-02	OAA	3	28	James Baker	Will Langley
La Salle Brittany Club	2007-03-30	AAA	1	17	Rob Tomczak	Larry Bates
La Salle Brittany Club	2006-10-20	AAA	1	21	Stan Williamson	Joseph Kim Marlett
Badger Brittany Club	2006-04-22	AAA	1	18	Sam Thompson	Michael Poehler
Badger Brittany Club	2006-04-22	OAA	4	18	Sam Thompson	Michael Mikoff JR
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2006-04-15	AAA	3	14	Stanley Zdanczewicz	Carly Thompson-Martin
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2006-04-15	OAA	3	16	Rob Richter	Stanley Zdanczewicz
Illinois Brittany Club	2006-02-23	AAA	2	26	Brad Woodruff	Alan Benson
Western Michigan Brittany Club, Inc.	2005-04-01	OD	1	29	Charles Aiff	Steve Rollyson
La Salle Brittany Club	2005-03-25	OD	2	12	Judy Graves	Edward Graves
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2005-02-24	OD	1	16	Burton Wice	Amanda Self
Illinois Brittany Club	2005-02-18	OD	3	19	Kent Patterson	Robert Donahue
Hoosier Brittany Club	2004-10-23	OD	2	14	Larry Bates	Patrick Koczenasz
Missouri Brittany Club	2004-10-01	OD	4	24	Rick Keifar	Bill Hancock

Missouri Valley Brittany Club, Inc.	2004-09-10	OD	2	14	J.C. Woodall	Bill Cockrum
Nebraska Brittany Club	2004-09-03	OD	3	23	Paula Abbot	Cynthia Findley
La Salle Brittany Club	2003-10-17	OP	3	6	Tony Ordonez	Harold Heather

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Red Ragtop

AKC Number SR08207901

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) P Baird/K Shipman

14 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
Ozark Brittany Club	2005-03-11	OD	3	17	Brandon Hart	Burton Wice
Illinois Brittany Club	2005-02-18	OD	1	19	Kent Patterson	Robert Donahue
Central Arkansas Brittany	2004-10-30	OD	1	10	Warren Montgomery	Neil Mace
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2004-10-21	OD	3	20	Philip Dangerfield	Rosco Staton
Missouri Brittany Club	2004-10-01	OD	2	24	Rick Kellar	Bill Hancock
Ringneck Brittany Club	2004-09-17	OD	1	28	Wade Haines	Mike Voshell
Nebraska Brittany Club	2004-04-09	OD	2	17	Stan Truksa	Mike Voshell
La Salle Brittany Club	2004-03-26	OD	1	23	Rodger Fiorito	Brad Woodruff
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2004-02-26	OD	2	15	David Capstick	Tim Self
Illinois Brittany Club	2004-02-20	OD	2	15	John Hall	Anthony Vescoso
Mid Florida Brittany Club	2004-01-31	OP	1	12	Albert Allen	Roy Sampley
Music City Brittany Club	2003-11-11	OD	4	9	Jerry McGee	Bill Haynes

Volunteer Brittany Club, Inc.	2003-11-01	OP	2	8	Neil Mace	Marcia Schlesinger
Volunteer Brittany Club, Inc.	2003-11-01	OD	1	8	Chip Pantall	Ken Jordan

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Charlottes Rocketman

AKC Number SR08207905

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) C Schultheis

7 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
Nebraska Brittany Club	2005-04-15	OD	1	23	William Burton	Cynthia Findley
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2004-10-21	OD	4	20	Philip Dangerfield	Rosco Staton
Missouri Valley Brittany Club, Inc.	2004-04-16	OP	1	12	Stan Truksa	Bill Cockrum
Nebraska Brittany Club	2004-04-09	OP	2	13	Rick Kellar	Bruce Heiter
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2004-02-26	OD	1	15	David Capstick	Tim Self
Illinois Brittany Club	2004-02-20	OP	1	12	Alan Wyatt	Burton Wice
Volunteer Brittany Club, Inc.	2003-11-01	OD	3	8	Chip Pantall	Ken Jordan

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DC CH AFC Bourbon's Straight Up

AKC Number SR25447108

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) D Rein

40 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
Anthracite Brittany Club	2013-11-09	AGD	3	14	Paul Snyder	T L Hoverter
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-10-05	OGD	3	13	Stephen Boyer	Art Cohen
Pennsylvania Brittany Club	2012-05-05	AGD	3	13	Louis Palazzolo	Stephen Boyer
Pennsylvania Brittany Club	2012-05-05	OGD	2	19	Stephen Boyer	Dennis McClary
Brittany Club of Upper New York	2012-04-21	AGD	3	18	John Perry	Joanne Perry
North Jersey Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-04-04	ALGD	4	25	Sherry Ebert	David McKay
Maryland Brittany Club	2012-03-16	AGD	4	23	Leslie Casselberry	Jeffrey Currier
Anthracite Brittany Club	2011-11-12	AGD	1	15	Debra Zaktansky	Joseph Sikorski
Maryland Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-10-07	OGD	1	25	Nancy Huyser	Christopher Rider
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-09-30	AGD	4	15	Suzan Lehosky	Ed Lehosky
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-09-30	OLGD	4	12	Frank Morrisey	Thomas Morrisey
Anthracite Brittany Club	2011-05-21	AGD	2	13	John Chokran	Joseph Sikorski
Pennsylvania Brittany Club	2011-05-06	AGD	4	34	Bruce Conover	Tommy N Thomas

Pennsylvania Brittany Club	2011-05-06	OGD	1	37	Kathy Gulembo	Ron Gulembo
Brittany Club of Upper New York	2011-04-16	OGD	1	15	Louis Palazzolo	Robert E Youngs
Brittany Club of Upper New York	2011-04-16	AGD	1	14	Lynda Zartarian	Dennis Harkcom
North Jersey Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-03-30	AGD	3	26	Mike Mullineaux	Tom McKellar
Maryland Brittany Club	2011-03-19	AGD	1	17	John Perry	K Pillion-Schramm
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-03-05	OGD	3	18	Edward Kerr	Jeanne Rozowski
Southern Maryland English Setter Club	2010-11-20	AGD	1	13	Louis Palazzolo	Erica Bandes
Maryland Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-10-09	AGD	3	16	Frank Morrisey	Brian Riggle
Del-Val Brittany Club	2010-09-25	AAA	4	8	Bruce Conover	Luann Fullwood
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2010-05-22	AGD	4	14	Art Cohen	Julie Warshefski
Anthracite Brittany Club	2010-05-15	OLGD	3	19	Darlene Dow	Leslie Casselberry
Brittany Club of Upper New York	2010-04-17	AGD	3	16	James Winnen	Julie Warshefski
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-10-02	AGD	4	17	Steve Lauterbach	Ed Lehosky
Brittany Club of Upper New York	2009-04-18	OGD	4	21	Darlene Dow	Edward Kosika JR
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-03-14	OGD	4	23	Art Cohen	Edward Kerr
Anthracite Brittany Club	2008-11-08	ALGD	1	13	John McMurray	Paul Snyder
Brittany Club of Upper New York	2008-04-19	OGD	2	13	Ronald Harling JR	Edward Sawicki
Maryland Brittany Club	2008-03-15	AGD	3	17	Louis Palazzolo	E Kuhns
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2007-10-05	OLGD	3	26	Louis Palazzolo	Stephen Boyer
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2007-03-09	OD	1	8	Christopher Rider	Julie Warshefski
Anthracite Brittany Club	2006-11-11	AWD	1	6	Jim Zaktansky	John McMurray
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2006-10-07	OD	1	8	Leslie Casselberry	Janet Garrell
Pennsylvania Brittany Club	2006-05-06	OP	3	9	Christopher Rider	Jeanne Rozowski
Maryland Brittany Club	2006-03-18	OP	1	5	Kenneth Fisher	Stephen Tubach
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2006-03-11	OP	1	6	Kenneth Huyser	Robert Samer
Susquehanna Brittany Club, Inc.	2006-03-11	OD	3	8	Steve Lauterbach	Art Cohen
Buckeye Brittany Club	2006-03-04	OP	3	13	Albert Crokek JR	Dennis McClary

Offspring in this database

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Field Trial Placements Database

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FC AFC Shale Valley's Myla Tech

AKC Number SR26212505

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) R Meyer

19 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2011-02-26	AGD	1	8	Rodger Florio	Eugene Salmons
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2010-10-16	AGD	1	8	Mike Boydston	Tommy N. Thomas
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2010-10-09	AGD	1	18	Jeff Hoff	Cady Thompson-Martin
Illinois Brittany Club	2010-04-29	OGD	1	19	Kathy Gulembo	Ron Gulembo
Iowa Brittany Club	2010-03-14	OGD	1	12	Scott Oehl	Kelly Donham
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2009-10-10	AGD	1	14	Andrew Lewandowski	Greg Roe
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2009-10-10	OGD	1	9	Tom Jagielski	Sam Thompson
Iowa Brittany Club	2009-03-15	AGD	1	16	Bruce Heiter	Michael Poehler
Heart of Illinois Brittany Club	2009-03-07	OGD	3	21	Stan Williamson	Richard Green
Gateway GSP Club	2007-12-08	OLGD	3	5	Peter Wilkin	Edward Delker
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2007-11-01	AGD	1	8	Warren Montgomery	J. John
Ozark Brittany Club	2007-03-10	AWD	2	5	David Kessens	Skip Wonnell
Ozark Brittany Club	2007-03-10	OD	1	7	David Kessens	Skip Wonnell

Show Me Vizsla Club	2007-03-03	AWD	3	8	Mike Sodini	Linda Keeton
Show Me Vizsla Club	2007-03-03	OD	2	8	Howard Burbach	Denny Keeton
Heart of Illinois Brittany Club	2006-03-11	AWP	3	8	Scott Oehl	Kendall Brown
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2006-03-04	OP	1	6	Ron Saettele	George Thess
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2006-03-04	OD	4	5	Wayne Kinzel	David Wuori
Show Me Vizsla Club	2006-02-11	OP	3	5	Howard Burbach	John Small

Offspring in this database

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J And J Brandy Girl

AKC Number SR52671801

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Breed Brittany

Owner(s) J Jung

16 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2013-02-16	OGD	1	21	Stan Williamson	David Capstick
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2013-02-16	OAA	2	13	Jerry McGee	Tommy N Thomas
Illinois Brittany Club	2012-11-03	OGD	3	21	Stan Williamson	Joseph Kim Marlatt
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2012-10-20	AAA	3	16	Tommy N Thomas	Amanda Self
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2012-02-18	OGD	2	30	Joseph Kim Marlatt	Jerry Lindsey
Illinois Brittany Club	2011-10-29	OLAA	4	20	Stan Williamson	Rhett Burris
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2011-10-15	AAA	4	13	Tim Self	Burton Wice
Illinois Brittany Club	2010-02-17	OD	2	8	David Capstick	Tim Self
Southern Illinois Brittany Club	2010-02-13	OD	1	11	Jerry McGee	Ray Trimble
Missouri Brittany Club	2009-10-02	OD	3	25	Jeff Hoskins	Bill Haynes
Ringneck Brittany Club	2009-09-18	OD	3	20	Jerry McGee	Wade Haines
Illinois Brittany Club	2009-04-30	OP	1	12	Jerry McGee	Greg Roe
Volunteer Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-03-20	OP	1	4	Neil Mace	Charles Baglan

Volunteer Brittany Club, Inc.	2009-03-20	AWD	1	4	Neil Mace	Charles Baglan
Heart of Illinois Brittany Club	2009-03-07	AWP	1	4	Michael Poehler	Kenneth Heath
Greater St. Louis Brittany Club	2009-02-28	AWP	1	7	Lori Schiller	Guy Rezzardi

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Field Trial Placements Database

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GFC Touch Of Bourbon Little Chug

AKC Number SR60360008

Breed **Brittany**

Owner(s) **T Wonderling/J Wonderling**
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Call Name **Carson**

Sire **[NFC DC AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch Of Bourbon](#)**

Dam **[FC Lost Creek Kate](#)**

28 PLACEMENTS

Club	Date	Stake	Place	Starters	Judges	
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2014-03-17	OLGD	2	28	T Goodyear	Clifford Mesnard II
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2014-03-10	OLGD	1	32	Mark Calder	Christopher Rider
Hawkeye Brittany Club	2013-10-04	OGD	1	39	Terry Gowin	Tom Jagielski
Missouri Valley Brittany Club, Inc.	2013-09-13	OGD	3	47	Bruce Heiter	Mark Keegan
Minnesota Brittany Club	2013-05-17	OLGD	1	25	Bret Lindback	Susan Januschka
St Croix Valley Brittany Club	2013-05-11	OAA	2	20	James Brigham	Cynthia Findley
Hawkeye Brittany Club	2013-04-26	OGD	2	29	Steve Ralph	James Mills
Hawkeye Brittany Club	2013-04-26	OAA	2	29	Richard Brewington	Ken Seivert
Missouri Valley Brittany Club, Inc.	2013-04-19	OGD	3	48	Thomas Lococo	Steve Ralph
Iowa Brittany Club	2013-04-05	OGD	3	33	Ken Seivert	Stan Truksa
La Salle Brittany Club	2013-03-29	OGD	2	29	James Brigham	Robert Powell
La Salle Brittany Club	2013-03-29	OLGD	4	15	Harold Heather	Mark Spurgeon

American Brittany Club, Inc.	2013-03-25	OLGD	2	17	Stan Williamson	Ed Liermann
Heart of Illinois Brittany Club	2013-03-22	OGD	1	20	Dennis Sullivan	Paul Katzel
American Brittany Club, Inc.	2012-04-02	OGD	4	25	Kathy Gulembo	Al Vanwieren
La Salle Brittany Club	2012-03-30	OLGD	2	26	Sean Morgan	Ken Windom
Minnesota Brittany Club	2011-05-14	OD	2	13	Bret Lindback	Bruce Heiter
St Croix Valley Brittany Club	2011-05-06	OD	2	12	William Zwettler	Charles Aspenson
Missouri Valley Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-04-22	OD	1	23	Ken Windom	Jeff Hoskins
Iowa Brittany Club	2011-04-01	OD	1	22	Richard Brewington	Michael Poehler
La Salle Brittany Club	2011-03-25	OD	2	13	Ed Cuddeback	Ed Liermann
Ohio Brittany Club, Inc.	2011-03-19	OD	2	19	Sandra Sargent	Stephen Tubach
Buckeye Brittany Club	2011-03-12	OP	4	9	Richard Pristov	Dennis McClary
Buckeye Brittany Club	2011-03-12	OD	1	9	Brian Hendrickson	Clifford Mesnard II
Music City Brittany Club	2011-03-03	OP	3	15	Vic Williams	Joyce Roberts
Music City Brittany Club	2011-03-03	OD	2	7	David Medford	Linda Langford
Iowa Brittany Club	2010-09-25	OP	3	5	James Mills	Kendall Brown
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club	2010-09-11	OP	4	8	Lawrence Hause	Tony Ordonez

Offspring in this database

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FDSB 1489292 BOURBON
Sire 1368897 MASKED SHOSONI WARCHIEF
Dam 1335439 CANDY'S LUCKY PENNY

CH Breed Code BR BRITTANY
Sex M Color W & o
Override Wins 0

Whelp Date 2/27/1997

Owner Name Joseph Jung
Breeder Name D L Sieckmeyer

City West Frankfort
City Blair

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Plnt	Club/Trial Name	Stake	S Year
Trl	Comments		
3rd	ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2000
3rd	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB	OPEN ALL-AGE	S 2001
2nd	WESTERN MICHIGAN BRITTANY CLUB	OPEN ALL-AGE	F 2001
3rd	WESTERN MICHIGAN BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2001
1st	MICHIGAN BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2001
R-U	FIELD TRIAL CLUBS OF ILLINOIS OPEN ALL-AGE	CLASSIC	S 2002
3rd	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB	OPEN ALL-AGE	S 2002
WR	REGION 5 BRITTANY AMATEUR ALL-AGE ONE-HOUR HEATS	CHAMPIONSHIP	S 2002
3rd	BADGER BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	S 2003
1st	GREATER MILWAUKEE BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG	F 2003
1st	GREATER MILWAUKEE BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2003
1st	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB	OPEN ALL-AGE	S 2004
WR	AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB PRAIRIE CHICKEN ONE-HOUR HEATS	CHAMPIONSHIP	F 2004
1st	ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB JIM HOLMAN OPEN ALL-AGE	CLASSIC	F 2004
R-U	AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB NATIONAL OPEN ONE-HOUR HEATS ALL-AGE	CHAMPIONSHIP	F 2004
2nd	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB ONE-HOUR HEATS	OPEN ALL-AGE	S 2005
R-U	REGION 4 AMATEUR ALL-AGE BRITTANY ONE-HOUR HEATS	CHAMPIONSHIP	S 2005

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CHAMPIONSHIP	S 2005
CHAMPIONSHIP	F 2005
OPEN ALL-AGE	F 2005
AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2006
AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2006

R-U	PRAIRIE STATE BRITTANY OPEN ALL-AGE ONE-HOUR HEATS	CHAMPIONSHIP	S 2005
R	AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB CHICKEN ONE-HOUR HEATS	CHAMPIONSHIP	F 2005
1st	GREATER ST. LOUIS BRITTANY CLUB ONE-HOUR HEATS	OPEN ALL-AGE	F 2005
3rd	ILLINOIS BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2006
1st	GREATER ST. LOUIS BRITTANY CLUB	AMATEUR ALL-AGE	F 2006

22 Wins

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THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Awards Record DC AFC Bourbon XIII

Name: **DC AFC Bourbon XIII**
AKC #: **SN422528/04**
Birth Date: **02/27/1997**

Breed/Variety: **Brittany**
Sex: **Male**

Competition: *Conformation - Awards Processed Through 03/20/2014*

CH Number of Points 15
Number Major Wins 2
Number Major Judges 2
Total Number Judges 10

Event Date	Event Name	Judge	Class	Placement	Points
04/02/1999	<u>Iowa Brittany Club</u>	<u>Lt. Col. Wayne B. Essenden</u>	American Bred	1st	
06/05/1999	<u>Edwardsville Illinois Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	
06/06/1999	<u>Mississippi Valley Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Sam Houston McDonald</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Mr. Sam Houston McDonald</u>	Winners	Winners	
		<u>Mr. Sam Houston McDonald</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	1
06/11/1999	<u>Minnesota Brittany Club</u>	<u>Joseph F. Gregory</u>	Open	3rd	
06/12/1999	<u>Lake Minnetonka Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	
06/13/1999	<u>Lake Minnetonka Kennel Club</u>	<u>Miss Dorothy M. Macdonald</u>	Open	2nd	

	<u>Miss Dorothy M Macdonald</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	
06/18/1999	<u>Little Fort Kennel Club of Waukegan</u>	<u>Mr. Donald M Boozbaum</u>	Open	2nd
06/20/1999	<u>Chain O'Lakes Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Open	1st
	<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Winners	Winners	
	<u>Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	3
06/26/1999	<u>Cedar Rapids Kennel Association, Inc.</u>	<u>Mr. Robert Stein</u>	Open	2nd
07/03/1999	<u>Champaign Illinois Kennel Club</u>	<u>Michael Faulkner</u>	Open	2nd
07/04/1999	<u>Darville Illinois Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mr. Douglas Shipley</u>	Open	1st
	<u>Mr. Douglas Shipley</u>	Winners	Winners	
	<u>Mr. Douglas Shipley</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	3
	<u>Mr. Douglas Shipley</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Breed or Variety	
07/10/1999	<u>Jefferson City Missouri Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Gerald Schwartz</u>	Open	2nd
07/11/1999	<u>Sedalia Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mrs. Keke Kahn</u>	Open	1st
07/17/1999	<u>Duluth Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. W. Everett Dean Jr.</u>	Open	1st
	<u>Mr. W. Everett Dean Jr.</u>	Winners	Winners	
07/18/1999	<u>Duluth Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mrs. Betty Stites</u>	Open	1st
	<u>Mrs. Betty Stites</u>	Winners	Winners	
	<u>Mrs. Betty Stites</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	1
07/24/1999	<u>Kishwaukee Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>D. Roy Holloway</u>	Open	2nd
07/25/1999	<u>La Porte County Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. William P Dwelby</u>	Open	2nd
07/30/1999	<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	<u>Mr. Clinton M Harris</u>	Open	2nd
07/31/1999	<u>Kettle Moraine Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mrs. Judith Goodin</u>	Open	3rd
08/01/1999	<u>Waukesha Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mr. Gerald Schwartz</u>	Open	3rd
08/02/1999	<u>Burlington Wisconsin Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Carl W Amweg</u>	Open	3rd
08/03/1999	<u>Eikhorn Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mrs. Michele L Billings</u>	Open	1st
	<u>Mrs. Michele L Billings</u>	Winners	Winners	1
08/07/1999	<u>Coulee Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mrs. Betty E Sandberg</u>	Open	2nd
	<u>Mrs. Betty E Sandberg</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	

08/08/1999	<u>Coulee Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mr. Norton Moore</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Mr. Norton Moore</u>	Winners	Winners	
08/14/1999	<u>Cudahy Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mrs. Margretta Patterson-Kaufman</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Mrs. Margretta Patterson-Kaufman</u>	Winners	Winners	1
08/15/1999	<u>Greater Racine Kennel Club</u>	<u>Michael Faulkner</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Michael Faulkner</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	
08/21/1999	<u>Burlington Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mrs. Judy A Doniere</u>	Open	2nd	
		<u>Mrs. Judy A Doniere</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	
08/22/1999	<u>Burlington Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Douglas Windsor</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Douglas Windsor</u>	Winners	Winners	
08/28/1999	<u>St. Croix Valley Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Douglas Windsor</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	2
		<u>Mrs. Marian Mason Hodesson</u>	Open	1st	
08/29/1999	<u>St. Croix Valley Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mrs. Marian Mason Hodesson</u>	Winners	Winners	
		<u>Mrs. Marian Mason Hodesson</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	1
08/29/1999	<u>St. Croix Valley Kennel Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Mr. C.P. (Chuck) Herendsen</u>	Open	2nd	
		<u>Mr. C.P. (Chuck) Herendsen</u>	Winners	Reserve Winner	
09/04/1999	<u>Livonia Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mrs. Janet R Wilcox</u>	Open	1st	
		<u>Mrs. Janet R Wilcox</u>	Winners	Winners	
09/05/1999	<u>Livonia Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mrs. Janet R Wilcox</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	1
		<u>Mr. Victor S Bourwell</u>	Open	1st	
09/05/1999	<u>Livonia Kennel Club</u>	<u>Mr. Victor S Bourwell</u>	Winners	Winners	
		<u>Mr. Victor S Bourwell</u>	Best of Breed/Variety	Best of Winners	1

Total Points: 15

Total Number of Awards: 60

		<u>Patrick Koczenasz</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	2
02/08/2002	<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	<u>George L Hill</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	4th	
02/28/2002	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	
03/22/2002	<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Michael Gonski</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	
03/29/2002	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>James Brigham</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	3
04/20/2002	<u>Badger Brittany Club</u>	<u>James Mills</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	4th	
03/28/2003	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>Joseph Kim Markatt</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	1st	3
04/18/2003	<u>Badger Brittany Club</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	
09/06/2003	<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	<u>Robert Powell</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	1st	2
		<u>Charles Spinelli</u>	FT Amateur Gun Dog	1st	3
02/26/2004	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Wayne D Kinzel</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	5
03/26/2004	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>G T Burroughs</u>	FT Open All-Age FT Non-Retrieving	2nd	
09/13/2004	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>George Langabeer</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	1st	5
10/08/2004	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Bill L. Zeisset</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	1st	4
11/29/2004	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Gary Cowell</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	2nd	2
02/24/2005	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>G T Burroughs</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	2nd	
04/15/2005	<u>Nebraska Brittany Club</u>	<u>Stan Truksa</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	3rd	
05/19/2005	<u>Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club</u>	<u>Rosco Staten</u>	FT Amateur Limited All-Age	2nd	2
09/19/2005	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>George Langabeer</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	1st	5
10/06/2005	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Rick Beall</u>	FT Open All-Age	4th	
10/19/2005	<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	<u>Warren Montgomery</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	5
11/16/2005	<u>Music City Brittany Club</u>	<u>Bill Suiter</u>	FT Open All-Age FT Non-Retrieving	3rd	
10/14/2006	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Michael Gonski</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	1
10/18/2006	<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	<u>Randolph Meyer</u>	FT Amateur All-Age FT Non-Retrieving	1st	4
01/20/2007	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Ken Seivert</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	

Total Points: 62

Competition: Field Trial - Awards Processed Through 03/27/2014

FC Number of Points	46	AFC Number of Points	20
Wins	1	Wins	5
Puppy Points		Puppy Points	
Derby Points	2	Derby Points	
Major Wins	8	Major Wins	4
Water Test Qualifies		Water Test Qualifies	
Amateur Points	4	Amateur Points	
Wins National		Wins National	
Retrieving Points		Retrieving Points	

Event Date	Event Name	Judge	Class	Placement	Points
10/10/1998	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Brad Woodruff</u>	FT Open Derby	1st	2
10/29/1998	<u>Central Arkansas Brittany</u>	<u>Richard Wimberly</u>	FT Open Derby	3rd	
03/17/2000	<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>James Mills</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	4th	
03/24/2000	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>Wade Haines</u>	FT Open Limited Gun Dog	1st	4
03/31/2000	<u>Iowa Brittany Club</u>	<u>Mike Voshell</u>	FT Open Gun Dog	4th	
04/08/2000	<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	<u>Becky Brewington</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	
09/15/2000	<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Edward V. Graves</u>	FT Open All-Age	2nd	
10/07/2000	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Brad Woodruff</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	
10/13/2000	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>Becky Brewington</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	
01/27/2001	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Al Vanwieren</u>	FT Open Limited Gun Dog	3rd	
03/01/2001	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Ms. Lou A. Holland</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	
03/30/2001	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>Robert Creaney</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	2nd	2
		<u>Lee Sienkowski</u>	FT Open Limited Gun Dog	1st	3
04/06/2001	<u>Iowa Brittany Club</u>	<u>Tom Wiley</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	4th	
09/01/2001	<u>Western Michigan Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Ron Zook</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	
		<u>Cindy Cropek</u>	FT Open All-Age	2nd	2
09/14/2001	<u>Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club</u>	<u>Martha Greenlee</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	
09/22/2001	<u>Michigan Brittany Club</u>	<u>Bill H. Thomson</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	1st	3
10/27/2001	<u>Hoosier Brittany Club</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	

		<u>Patrick Koczenasz</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	2
02/08/2002	<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	<u>George L Hill</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	4th	
02/28/2002	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	
03/22/2002	<u>Heart of Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Michael Gonski</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	
03/29/2002	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>James Brigham</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	3
04/20/2002	<u>Badger Brittany Club</u>	<u>James Mills</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	4th	
03/28/2003	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>Joseph Kim Markatt</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	1st	3
04/18/2003	<u>Badger Brittany Club</u>	<u>Dennis Sullivan</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	
09/06/2003	<u>Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club</u>	<u>Robert Powell</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	1st	2
		<u>Charles Spinelli</u>	FT Amateur Gun Dog	1st	3
02/26/2004	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Wayne D Kinzel</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	5
03/26/2004	<u>La Salle Brittany Club</u>	<u>G T Burroughs</u>	FT Open All-Age FT Non-Retrieving	2nd	
09/13/2004	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>George Langabeer</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	1st	5
10/08/2004	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Bill L. Zeisset</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	1st	4
11/29/2004	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Gary Cowell</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	2nd	2
02/24/2005	<u>Southern Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>G T Burroughs</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	2nd	
04/15/2005	<u>Nebraska Brittany Club</u>	<u>Stan Truksa</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	3rd	
05/19/2005	<u>Michigan Saginaw Valley Brittany Club</u>	<u>Rosco Staten</u>	FT Amateur Limited All-Age	2nd	2
09/19/2005	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>George Langabeer</u>	FT Open Limited All-Age	1st	5
10/06/2005	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Rick Beall</u>	FT Open All-Age	4th	
10/19/2005	<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	<u>Warren Montgomery</u>	FT Open All-Age	1st	5
11/16/2005	<u>Music City Brittany Club</u>	<u>Bill Suiter</u>	FT Open All-Age FT Non-Retrieving	3rd	
10/14/2006	<u>Illinois Brittany Club</u>	<u>Michael Gonski</u>	FT Amateur All-Age	3rd	1
10/18/2006	<u>Greater St. Louis Brittany Club</u>	<u>Randolph Meyer</u>	FT Amateur All-Age FT Non-Retrieving	1st	4
01/20/2007	<u>American Brittany Club, Inc.</u>	<u>Ken Seivert</u>	FT Open All-Age	3rd	

Total Points: 62

Total Number of Awards: 44

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2016 HEALTH ASPECTS & GENETIC DEFECTS REPORT

Margaret Horstmeyer, Chairman

September 15, 2016

CHF Donor Advised Fund balance is \$ 3,165 thanks to contributions of Purina weight circles by ABC members!
ABC Supported the Epilepsy Initiative for its 2015 contribution to CHF.

Margaret Horstmeyer, DVM

Committee Report – ABC National Gun Dog Championship

CHAIR

Ed Tillson, Albuquerque, NM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Bob Fleury, Stonington, CT – representing the East Coast Region
- Ron Gulembo, Hudsonville, MI – representing the East Central Region
- Tom Jagielski, Deerfield, IL – representing the Central Region
- Terry Gowin, Whitewater, KS – representing the Midwest Region
- Jim Hammett, John Day, OR – representing the West Coast Region
- Bob Rankin, Edmond, OK – ABC President

ADVISORY MEMBER

- John Perry, Claymont, DE

PURPOSE

To examine the current American Brittany Club (ABC) Gun Dog National Championship held yearly in October in Ionia, Michigan, its perceptions (positive and negative) among ABC membership, and to recommend to the Board of Directors any needed changes in the event.

METHODS

Committee members and the Chair communicated by email and telephone over the course of late-spring and summer of 2016 to complete the majority of this work. Individual members were responsible for the distribution of a questionnaire in their respective regions and tabulating responses received. Likewise, committee members gathered data from a variety of sources, and analyzed, presented, and critically reviewed the data via email and telephone. On August 10, 2016, the full committee held a conference call, reviewed the findings and data, and voted on the recommendations herein.

The committee initially identified two areas to examine: 1) ABC members' perceptions – to do this we developed and distributed a questionnaire (Appendix A). Members that own or run gun dogs competing in ABC field trials were targeted for input, but we welcomed responses from any ABC member. 2) Facts and data – next we examined available data associated with the identified perceptions to verify and test their validity.

RESULTS AND COMMITTEE FINDINGS

We received 105 responses to the questionnaire (summarized in Appendix B). While there was significant variability in the responses to the questionnaire based on regions, the two primary areas of concern among those responding were:

1. Geographic location for ABC Gun Dog Nationals
2. Neutrality of the grounds where it is held

Secondary issues were:

1. Time of year for the event
2. Whether or not the National Amateur Championship should remain a walking stake (vs. horseback-handled)
3. Bird planting/quality of birds used
4. Course equitability at Ionia

Committee Finding 1. Ionia is not centrally located. West Coast and Midwest members must travel much longer distances to attend the National Gundog Championship than members from other regions.

Supporting data:

<u>Region</u>	<u>Estimated Central Point of Region</u>	<u>Miles to Ionia</u>
West Coast	Winnemucca, NV	1943
Midwest	Ulyssis, KS	1103
Central	St. Louis, MO	478
East Central	Nashville, TN	579
East Coast	Washington, DC	624

Map of the United States

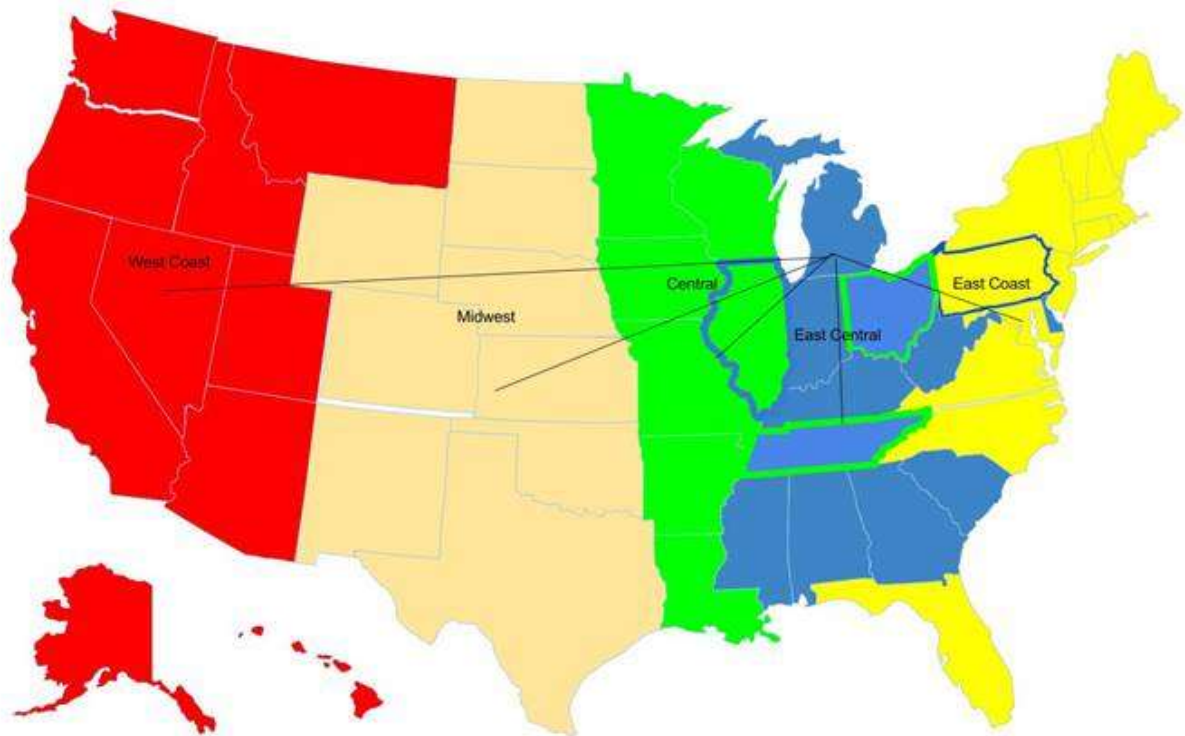
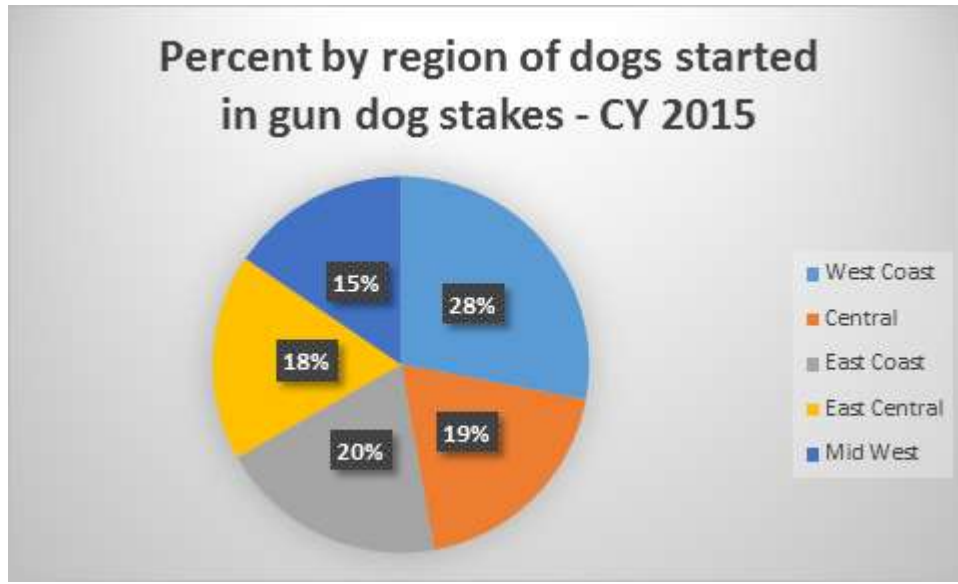


Figure 1:

Source: Mileage was derived from Google Maps from indicated point to Ionia. Mileage is based on least travel time on surface roads, not line of sight. Geographic center for each region was visually estimated.

Committee Finding 2. Gun dogs competing in ABC field trials are spread more or less equally across the United States – there is no evidence that we found that would support a belief that there is a concentration of quantity or quality of gun dogs in any specific geographic region.

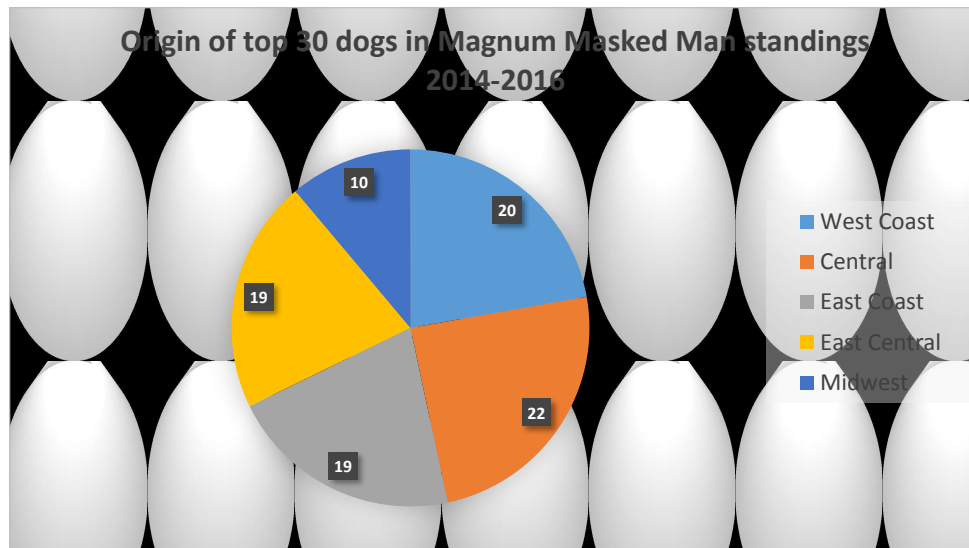
Quantity Supporting/Associated Data - Figure 2:



Source: Data provided by Skip Wonnell, who maintains the fieldtrialdatabase.com website. Gun dog starts includes all AKC licensed trials run by ABC regional clubs (OGD, AGD, OLGD, ALGD, GOLGD, and GALGD). This data included all regional Brittany club gun dog stakes run in 2015 except those run by the parent club (ABC classics and championships) which were considered national rather than regional.

Quality Supporting Data - Figure 3:

Similarly, Magnum Masked Man standings for the last three years indicate that the most competitive gundogs are spread more or less equally among all regions of ABC.



Source: Data from ABC and fieldtrialplacements.com. In some cases a dog will compete in multiple regions. In those cases, the region where the dog ran the most was considered its origin.

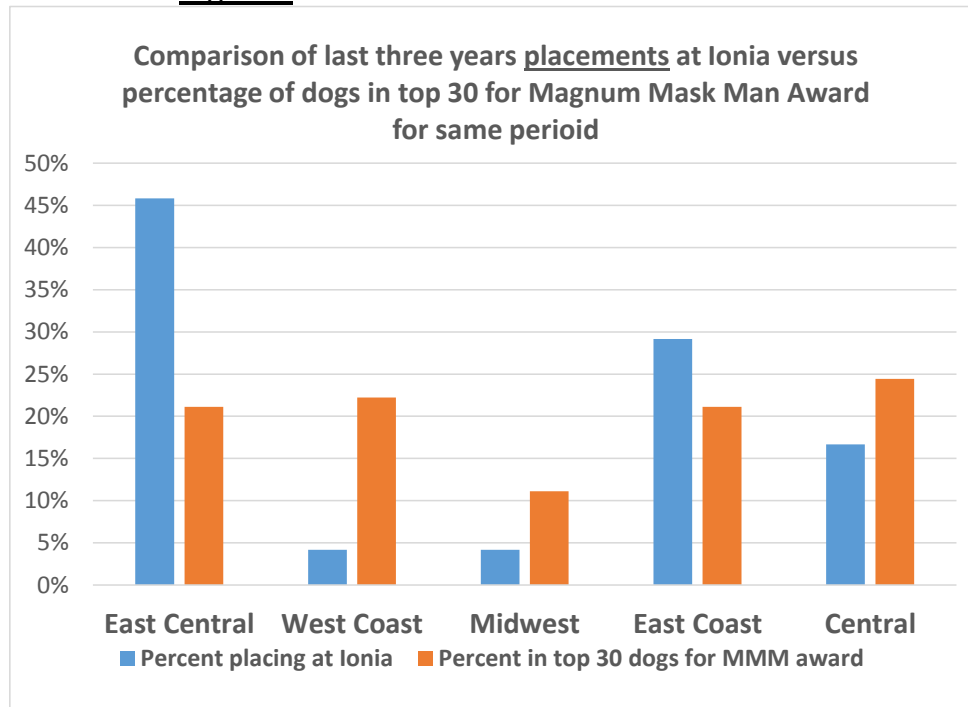
Committee Finding 3. Ionia grounds are not neutral. A significant number of regional Brittany trials and other trials are regularly run on Ionia's grounds.

Supporting/Associated Data:

Three Brittany clubs use Ionia for their regular regional trials: Michigan, Michigan-Saginaw Valley, and Western Michigan. As a result, gun dogs attending these trials become accustomed to and familiar with Ionia’s grounds. Other breed clubs run at Ionia too, and Brittany gun dogs from that area run at some of those trials as well. In 2015, a total of 350 gun dog starts occurred at Brittany club trials at Ionia (data from Skip Wonnell). This amounted to more than 1/3 of all gundog starts in East Central Regional trials last year (2015).

Committee Finding 4. Past placements at Ionia seem to reflect the above findings (findings 1, 2, 3).

Supporting/Associated Data – Figure 4:



Source: ABC website and data from Skip Wonnell. In some cases a dog will run in multiple regions. In those cases, the region where the dog appeared to run the most was considered its origin. (The MMM data on this chart differs slightly from that in Figure 3 because different three-year periods were used for each chart).

RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee, based on the above survey and data, recommends to the American Brittany Club Board of Directors the following:

1. Move the gun dog nationals to a location that is both neutral and more centrally located to all ABC members. The committee has done an initial cursory review of potential grounds and believes that suitable grounds can be found that meet these criteria.
2. Avoid rotating the event each year to keep the National Gun Dog Championship a true national event rather than a series of regional ones.
3. Consider moving the date of the event to the spring, based on location chosen.
4. Continue to run the ABC Gun Dog Nationals at Ionia through autumn 2017, and target calendar year 2018 for the move.

ACTION ITEM: Board to vote on accepting the committee's recommendation to move the National Gun Dog Championships to a neutral and centrally located venue beginning in 2018.

Respectfully submitted by:
Ed Tillson, Committee Chair

2016 MAGAZINE COMMITTEE REPORT

Ken Windom, Chairman

September 18, 2016

The magazine committee continues to work in conjunction with Webster County Publishing, providing advice and handling proofreading duties. This year has seen the transition from Bob Fleury to Ken Windom as committee chair. No major changes in policies or procedures have accompanied this transition, and the goal has been to make this change as seamless as possible.

Many of the same issues as reported last year have carried over to 2016. The magazine is still seeking columnists for the following areas: general and show grooming, show training and handling, veterinary issues, equine, junior handling and hunt test.

Timely submission of fully completed publication material from the people and committees in charge of the events continues to be problematic. Event secretaries are to be reminded that a full report, including photos and captions, needs to be submitted as soon as possible after the completion of the event so as not to delay publication. This is particularly true of ABC classics.

Advertising revenue continues to be a concern. Traditional sources of revenue, such as litter announcements, stud dog services, training facilities, etc., have been undermined due to numerous social media sites that now allow advertising of such items for free.

One goal of the magazine committee has been to increase the diversity of content so as to make it more relevant to ABC members who engage in activities other than traditional show and field events. The column by Carla Simons regarding obedience/agility/rally (OAR) has been particularly popular. However, it was determined that publishing monthly standings of dogs in these areas required multiple pages of the magazine, for which there is no revenue to offset the publication costs, including the cost of obtaining these standings from AKC. Consequently, the monthly standings have been discontinued in the magazine, opting instead to publish an annual or semi-annual tally of these results. It has been suggested that the monthly information be provided through a secure Internet source, such as Facebook.

An issue arose earlier this year in which a photo of the Best in Specialty Show winner was submitted for publication, although there was no write-up for this particular Specialty Show published in the magazine. The Policy Book states that a picture of the BISS winner will be published free of charge, but does not cover the situation in which the club chooses not to submit a report.

I wish to thank each member of the committee, and especially the personnel at Webster County Publishing, for all their efforts this year in working toward to producing a high-quality magazine.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Windom

ACTION ITEM: Ken Windom, Magazine Committee Chair

Discuss the feasibility/desirability of creating a secure members-only Facebook page on which OAR standings, and other comparable information, can be listed and updated each month.

ACTION ITEM: Ken Windom, Magazine Committee Chair

Establish protocol concerning publication of photos for which no report is being published.

2016 Membership Data Chair Agenda Report

Deb Rudert

September 20, 2016

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The year 2016 has been exciting for me. With the addition of the new computer, it has made data entry and Exports fast and easy. Linda Langford has been extremely supportive throughout my time as Data Chair. This year with the new computer, Linda has installed a program as she can remote into the computer and make changes. Before we had to coordinate our schedules which is always fun with two people as busy as we are. Linda has added some cross check programs and kept me up to date on how and when to use them.

Since taking over the data chair position there have been jobs added to my duties. Most recently was the list of new members, with address, phone and email address so that the committee could send out welcome letters, besides the letters I already sent out letting members and new members that I have received their renewal and to new members when there 1st magazine will arrive. The extra work takes quite a bit of time and I hope it will be sent back to Sandy Malloy who sends out the letters. She has now asked to receive a copy of the magazine labels each month from which she can pull the new member information.

At this time, I would urge the Board to not take on the Club Express Membership program. The reason for this is that the program we are using is developing and improvements have been made. There are a few more I would like to see and will work on those with Linda. I was asked to participate in the Club express demo, at that time their program does not allow for Associate members. I think it would be sad to lose those members that like to participate in numerous clubs or Spouses and partners who like to be a part of the regional clubs. In addition, there would still need someone to oversee the project of Membership.

Action Item: 1. To Allow the Data Base Chair to work with Linda to improve the Data base and to add programs to provide new reports as necessary.

2016 NATIONAL (ALL AGE) FIELD TRIAL SECRETARY REPORT
Steve Ralph, Chairman
August 28, 2016

All of the required National All-Age Field Trial Secretary responsibilities have been completed to-date for the upcoming ABC National All-Age Championships. The Ad, Schedule, Judge Bios, Premium, and information has been sent to the American Brittany magazine, ABC website & American Field magazine for publication. The premiums will be distributed to qualified dog owners/handlers as we get closer to the Nationals.

This year a Derby Invitational was added to the National schedule to be run between the two National field events. Since this is the inaugural running of this Invitational Derby stake, there were many questions by the membership. Hopefully all have been answered and now the membership understands the qualifications required for the invitational.

2016 NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Bob Fleury – Chairman

September 8, 2016

The nomination committee completed the duty of acquiring candidates for each of the five ABC regions. It also acquired candidates for the four ABC officer positions that are up for election. Those positions are the 1st, 3rd, 4th and Secretary. The names and positions are listed below. Arrangements have been made to pick up the mailed director ballots at the Post Office in Booneville, Ark on Saturday morning prior to the ABC Board of Directors meeting on Sunday. The ballots will be transferred to the clubhouse at the Field Trial area, opened and tallied so the results will be ready for the Board meeting the next day.

NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR

East Coast – Karen Hanson --- Leslie Hunt
East Central -- Brian Hendrickson --- Jack Alexander
Central -- Steve Ralph --- Jon St. Clair
Midwest -- Andi Christensen -- Kevin Stonehouse
West Coast -- Dan Campbell --- Mary Brown

NOMINEES FOR OFFICERS

1ST VICE PRESIDENT --- Tom Milam
3rd VICE PRESIDENT --- Emme Wollenberg
4th VICE PRESIDENT --- John Perry
SECRETARY --- Leslie Andreas

2016 NON-FIELD PERFORMANCE EVENTS REPORT

Cindy Miller, Chair.

August 3, 2016

Non-Field Performance Events

2016 should be an exciting year for the non-field performance exhibitors. Thanks to Dee and Hank Hartnek, a new event has been added...Barn Hunt. This is being offered Friday November 18 – Sunday November 20 at the Kay Rogers Fairgrounds in Fort Smith. Barn Hunts were created to allow dogs to participate in a fun sport that tests their hunting skills. It's a sport that celebrates the working ability of dogs and the bond and communication between a dog and his owner. This should be an exciting event.

In addition to the Barn Hunt, in 2016 we are also offering Agility! Agility is a sport that involves jumps, weaves, tunnels, seesaw, A-frames, etc. with speed being a factor! Thanks to the hard work and assistance of the Northwest Arkansas Agility Group and the support of President Bob Rankin and 3rd VP Terry Hilliard, the ABC will be having a supported entry Sunday November 20 in Fayetteville.

Report Submitted by Cindy Miller

2016 ABC PURINA PROGRAM AGENDA REPORT

RAY TRIMBLE, PURINA COORDINATOR

September 6, 2016

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1. One thousand five hundred and eighty-three (1583) entries competed in Field and Show Events supported by Nestle-Purina Pet Care over the period of September 2015 through June 2016. This number included both show and field events with 418 show entries and 1165 field entries.
2. The Purina Coordinator at the end of the Spring and Fall session will submit to Purina a summary of events funded and the total amount of monetary funding to be paid in one check to the ABC Treasurer. I will then furnish the treasurer a list of events sponsored by Purina and the treasurer will issue the individual checks to the host clubs.
3. Clubs, whose events are sponsored by Purina, must also furnish the Coordinator a signed copy of the judges' sheets. Ads, entry blanks or premiums, brace sheets, and write-ups should include the Purina Logo or otherwise give credit to them as a sponsor. Some reporters are not aware of this and the field trial committee should make sure they know to do so. We can add a Thank-You to the ABC Magazine reports if a club fails to acknowledge Purina, but we do not see the ones you send to the American Field before they are published.
4. The current card system for applying for support and reporting results will continue. To receive the monetary support, you must return the cards and a copy of the official results to the Coordinator. I must place orders for January deliveries in November. Other events must be sent to Purina 60 days in advance. **Clubs need to return request cards as soon as they are received.**
5. If you have a problem with the delivery of the dog food or the amount received, you must notify the coordinator immediately in order to possibly correct it.
6. In summation, the number of field events showed **an increase of 12.7%** while the number of show entries, showed an **increase of 1%**.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Trimble

2016 STATISTICS REPORT

Mary Karbner, Chair.
August 29, 2016

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
BRITTANY'S Per AKC							
Dual Ch	16	18	14	10	9	8	
Field Ch	64	55	50	56	43	51	GFCH-10
Amt Fld Ch	28	29	32	33	27	29	GAFC-1
CH		57	52	60	71	159	
GCH	163	163	162	156	167	55	
JH	132	108	126	122	113	123	
SH	23	23	28	19	15	16	
MH	20	17	16	16	16	16	
# dogs in comp., not # entered							
at Nat'l Spec Show	134	117	145	158	161?	138	141
Canine Good Citizen Award				72	58?	56	63
CGC Advanced				3	8?	7	9
Barn Hunt							N-9 0-3
RATN - RATO							DJ-1 DN-0
Divining Dog							1
Flyball							0
No Therapy / Search & Rescue							26
Ranking in Popularity w/ AKC				30	27		
BRITTANY Litters # registered w/AKC	1680	1565	1530	1484	1476	1550	
Dogs # registered	4834	n.f.	n.f.	n.f.	n.a.	n.f.	
AKC Ptg. Breed F.T's - # event	446	431	431	416	490?	400	380
Total # dogs entered	32791	not found	32380	31362	28,638	28,462	
# Fld Tri Events	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Clubs- #active.	S-23 F-9	S-22 F-10	S-21 F-6	S-23 F-10	S-18 F-7	S-3 F-8	S-17
by Regional Clubs- East Coast-	S-13 F-9	S-14 F-8	S-18 F-8	S-12 F-9	S-11 F-8	S-3 F-9	S-8
E. Central	S-17 F-8	S-12 F-10	S-17 F-11	S-15 F-8	S-13 F-6	S-3 F-7	S-16
Central-	S-18 F-13	S-18 F-12	S-16 F-13	S-19 F-14	S-19 F-11	S-4 F-11	S-19
Midwest-	S-15 F-13	S-12 F-12	S-13 F-13	S-14 F-12	S-13 F-10	S-2 F-14	S-14
West Coast-	S-23 F-9	S-20 F-7	S-21 F-4	S-18 F-8	S-13 F-5	S-13 F-5	S-17
Total Clubs w/ HR Stk							19 evnts
*spring is longer seas.							CANIC Spring

Original Gambird Classics # starters	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Pr.Chicken	66	54	52	48	47	42	
Chukar	18	26	17	18	24	15	14
Gun Dog	28	26	29	17	23	36	25
Grouse/Wadck	18	canc	16		21	9	
Pheasant	45	45	47		52	48	
Quail	58	57	56		59	68	
National All Age	48	74	69	65	52	61	
Open Start.							
Champ's	47	43	40	43	32	40	
Amateur							
National Gun Dog	54	45	52	50	59	49	
Open Start							
Champ's	38	30	36	36	32	30	
Amateur							
FUTURITY Region & Starters- EAST	A-18 G-16	A-15 G-20	A-11 G-28	A-15 G-26	A-6 G23	A-5 G-14	A-21 G-18
CENTRAL	A-16 G-7	A-21 G-18	A-10 G-16	A-20 G-26	A-13 G-14	A-8 G-9	A-12 G-16
WEST	A-14 G-17	A-9 G-20	A-8 G-15	A-12 G-30	A-6 G-26	A-11 G-17	A-2 G-21
Non Game bird Classics	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Hr Stks - Starters#	Illinois OAA	17	15	28	29	20	21
	AAA	18	20	13	16	15	20
Double Registr'd	Intern'l OAA	33	20	canc	20	22	24
recog. In 2007	AAA	18	10		15	15	20
	O gun	20	20		28	28	20
(*as S.III OAAA)	Mid South OAA	10		*36	14	17	20
	AAA	0	17		0	canc	20
	Mich CH OAA	20	17	24	22	0	0
	O gun w	17	16	15	14	canc	17
	Prairie Sts OAA	35	40	40	28	Golg-13	9
	AAA	22	20	not run	not run	canc	27
	O gun	24	29	not run	not run		22
	South. Op OAA	21	canc	canc	not run	20	13
	AAA	17	canc	canc	not run	26	25
	olgun					16	0
						29	33

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
N.E.Grouse/Wdick		0	14	16	18		
N.E. Open Shootg		st 22	17	13	16		
N.E. Amat Shootg		st 18	17	15	13		
Penn Op	20	st 19	26	25	32	29	29
Tar Heel	29	st 19	30	21	20	canc	
HR STKS BY REGION							
EAST COAST							
Op All Age							
Op gun	2	1	0	1	0	f-0	s-0
Olim gun	2	1	1	2	1	S-1 f-0	s-19
OAA	1	3	3	3	G-3	S-G2 f-0	s-19
OLAA	1	2	1	1	0	f-0	s-19
AAA	0	0	1	1	0	S-G1 f-0	s-0
Alim AA	1	1	1	1	1, G-1	f-0	s-19
O gun	1, olig-2w	2	2	1	1	S-G2 f-0	s-19
Olim gun		1	0	1	1	f-1	s-0
OAA	3	2	2	1	G-1	s-g1,alg1 f-0	s-19
OLAA	2	2	3	1	1	S-2 f-0	s-19
AAA	1	2	2	1	G-2	S-Gal-1 f-1	s-2
O gun	2, owg-1	0	2	0	0	f-0	s-1L
Olim gun		S-1, 1w	1	1	0	S-1 f-0	s-1
OAA	3	1	4	4	1, G-1	S-G1 f-2	s-1
OLAA	3	4	4	5	1, G-3	f-1	s-0
AAA	3	2	1	1	1, G-1	S-G2 f-1	s-2
O gun	0	0	0	0	0	s-1 Gal-1 f-0	s-1 1L
OAA	1	1	1	1	1	f-0	s-0
OLAA	0	0	0	1	1	f-0	s-0
AAA	1	1	0	1	G-1	s-G1 f-0	s-1
ALAA	1	1	1	1	G-1	f-0	s-0
Ogun	0	0	0	0	G-1	f-0	s-0
Olim gun	1	1	1	1	G-1	s-G1 f-0	s-1
TOTAL Hour Stks	33 + 2+ f-7)	32	31	31	24	s-19 f-6	s-19

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2016 U.S. SPORTSMEN'S ALLIANCE LIAISON AGENDA REPORT

MARY JO TRIMBLE

September 19, 2016

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Fortunately, due to the Presidential Election and many state legislative elections, dog legislation has taken a back seat this year. HSUS continues to fund political campaigns though. I stay in contact with the US Sportsmen's Alliance, AKC, National Animal Interest Alliance, and other legislative groups and along with Judy Tighe, our ABC/AKC Delegate last year, do try and notify members when their state has proposed legislation that they need to react to accordingly. We need all of you to stay focused on dog or animal legislation in your state and work to keep laws that don't kill the sport we love with bad laws. Please let me know if you would like for me to alert other members in your state if good or bad legislation is pending.

For those of you unfamiliar with the US Sportsmen's Alliance, I offer the following. They like most of these types of groups serve two purposes. They have a not-for profit 501-C3 arm which promotes hunting, fishing, trapping, for the sportsmen and women as well as their promotion of involving youth in the outdoors. Their other arm represents those same interests on legislative matters mainly on a national level. I often get contact from them asking our opinion on different legislative issues and what can they do to promote or work against some major legislative issues in the various states as I work with a group in Illinois dealing with Outdoor Recreation as well as U.S.S.A.'s contact at the ABC.

From their website: About the Sportsmen's Alliance: The Sportsmen's Alliance protects and defends America's wildlife conservation programs and the pursuits – hunting, fishing and trapping – that generate the money to pay for them. Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation is responsible for public education, legal defense and research. Its mission is accomplished through several distinct programs coordinated to provide the most complete defense capability possible. Stay connected to Sportsmen's Alliance: Online, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

For the past forty years the Sportsmen's Alliance has protected hunters, anglers and trappers from attacks by the anti-hunting movement. Sportsmen have a long tradition of fighting for what they believe in, and so it should come as no surprise that they are politically involved when it comes to protecting our natural resources, access to public land, wildlife management practices and our second amendment rights," said Sportsmen's Alliance President and CEO, Evan Heusinkveld.

I was happy to hear that the President is now Evan Heusinkveld who has worked with me on numerous issues when he was their Vice President who managed state legislative issues and programs.

I encourage all of you to sign up for their newsletter or at least monitor their notices on their website at www.ussportsmen.org for more information.

2016 WEB MASTER REPORT

**Steve Ralph, Web Master
August 28, 2016**

The ABC website continues to be an up to date source for the ABC Calendar of events, News items, National/Futurity/Summer Specialty/Regional Club information, ABC & Regional Club Premiums, ABC Event Results, Downloadable forms, Historical write-ups, and much more.

This year there were several new items added to the ABC website which includes; Brittany & Puppy Info page, Dog of the Year Awards, Versatility Awards, a “Coming Soon” banner to keep members current as to the upcoming ABC events, an option to enable email notification when News items are added, and a digital version of The American Brittany magazine “Past Issues” (2007-2015). We are working to provide “all” of the past issues of the American Brittany magazine digitally on the ABC website in the future.

A request was made as to if we could post the monthly OAR standings on the ABC website. ABC has to pay for this list and it is not allow it to be posted on a public website (allowing the public to view it without having to pay for it).

OLD BUSINESS

Formal Approval of BOD E-Mail and Conference Call Voting

Motion To: Approve 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes as Amended.

Motion By: Steve Ralph, Central Director Seconded By: Ed Tillson, Midwest Director

Motion Made: I move to amend the 2015 ABC BOD meeting minutes as presented by Secretary Mary Jo Trimble on 12-15-2015 to contain the following changes:

1. Motion 23: strike the word "adult"
2. Motion 25: remove redundant "be" to read A. Issues considered for Email Motions should first be presented to the Board of Directors for discussion and determined if a Motion is necessary.
3. Add the following statement before the Email Motion Guidelines in the ABC Policy Book: *It is suggested that the Board of Directors follow the email motion guidelines.*
4. Motion 26: strike the word "voting" and add the word "Notification"

14 Yes Votes; 1 Not Voting (Hendrickson) Motion Passed

ABC Treasurer Election

The ABC Board of Directors met in Executive Session on December 29, 2015, and elected Jim Brigham, ABC Treasurer, to replace Gerilyn Sennott who has resigned, effective January 1, 2016.

Directors on the Executive Session telephone conference meeting constituting a quorum were: Hanson, Fleury, Patterson, Gulembo, Ralph, Jagielski, Karbinger, Christensen, Tillson, Henderson, Gower, Tomasi. Not in attendance: Dow, Hendrickson, Brigham.

Our thanks go to Gerilyn for a job well done, and we welcome Jim in his new position as ABC Treasurer.
Mary Jo Trimble, Executive Secretary

Motion to: Fill ABC Vacant Central Region Seat and Finance Committee Seat.

Motion By: Joe Gower, West Coast Director Seconded By: Bob Fleury, East Coast Director

Motion Made: I move to appoint Bernie Crain to fill the vacant Central region seat on the ABC Finance Committee for the unexpired term. (Expires 12-31-2017). Rationale: The Central region seat became vacant when Jim Brigham was elected as the ABC Treasurer. The ABC Finance Committee reviewed all applicants for this position and recommends that Bernie Crain be appointed to the ABC Finance Committee to fill the vacant Central region seat for the unexpired term.

13 Yes Votes; 1 No Vote (Tomasi); 1 Not Voting (Hanson); Motion Passed

Motion to: Open an ABC Account with the Wells Fargo Bank.

Motion by Bernie Crain, Central Director Seconded By: Steve Ralph, Central Director

Motion Made: I move that Jim Brigham open such accounts with Wells Fargo Bank that enable the club to do business.

15 Yes Votes; Motion Passed

Motion to: Appoint AKC Delegate.

Motion By: Bob Fleury, East Coast Director Seconded By: Helen Riggle, East Central Director

Motion Made: I move to appoint Jane Bjork to the position of ABC Delegate to AKC.

15 Yes Votes; Motion Passed

Motion To: Approve the National Event Budgets.

Motion By: Steve Ralph, Central Director Seconded By: Ron Gulembo, East Central Director

Motion Made: I move that the ABC Board of Directors approve the 2016 National (All Age, Gun Dog, Specialty Show) event budgets (attached) which have been presented to the Board by the Finance Committee and prepared by the 1st VP, 3rd VP, and 4th VP.

11 Yes Votes; 4 Not Voting (Hanson, Dow, Tomasi, West) Motion Passed

Motion To: Raise National All Age Championship Entry Fees.

Motion by: Steve Ralph, Central Director Seconded by: Ron Gulembo, East Central Director

Motion Made: I move that the National All Age Championship entry fees be increased to \$190 and the Entry Fees listed in APPENDIX 1 – 2016 SCHEDULE OF FEES/EXPENSES of the ABC Policy Book changed to the following Entry Fees \$ 175.00 National Gun Dog (Open/Amateur) \$ 190.00 National All Age (Open/Amateur)
Rationale: Due to an increase in grounds fees to be charged by Blue Mountain Conservation Association from \$8 a dog to \$20 a dog, I request the ABC Board increase the National All Age Championship entry fee from the present \$175 to \$190.

15 Yes Votes; Motion Passed

NEW BUSINESS

ABC REGISTRY OF MERIT GUIDELINES

By Karen Hanson

The ABC recognizes outstanding sires and dams whose influence on the breed is seen in a lasting way thru their progeny. A Registry of Merit (ROM) certificate is awarded to those Brittany sires and dams have attained titles in conformation, the field, hunt tests, obedience, agility and rally. The owner of the sire or dam in question is charged with keeping an accurate accounting of their get, and to submit an application to the ROM coordinator. Copies of documentation should be submitted with the application along with a \$10 fee for ABC members, and a \$35 fee for non-ABC members. Checks should be made payable to the American Brittany Club. Duplicate certificates for co-owners are available for \$5 per co-owner.

SIRES: A sire's progeny must earn 35 title points in order to qualify. No fewer than 5 and no more than 12 progeny can be used to make up the points. In order for each progeny to be counted, they must have either been awarded a 3 point or higher title. Only the highest title per category counts. (So a dog with a CH and GCH would receive 5 points for the GCH title, not 9 points for CH + GCH.) Progeny can earn points from titles in each category, i.e. conformation, field, hunt, obedience, agility and rally.

PROPSAL TO INSTITUTE A REGISTRY OF MERIT (ROM) PROGRAM FOR THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB

By Karen Hanson

Many AKC breed clubs have established a Registry of Merit (ROM) as a club title to identify dogs and bitches in their breed who have proven themselves to be outstanding producers of champions and working dogs. Most programs are designed to be self-reporting to a statistician, with the dog's owner responsible for submitting an application and fee. Several clubs differentiate the fee by club membership... i.e., members pay \$10, and non-members pay \$35 to submit a dog, and the funds are designated for a specific purpose, such as a health foundation or dog of the year type programs.

The club maintains a listing of all ROM dogs and owners on their website.

Certificates can be printed for a nominal cost, and this good way to honor dogs and their owners who make a significant contribution to our breed, and at the same time funding other programs.

Most programs have a schedule of points that offspring earn for their sire or dam by attaining titles. The application lists the get, owners, registration number and titles achieved and points.

I have attached a proposed application and guidelines and request that the program be instituted in 2017.

REGISTER OF MERIT POINT SCHEDULE

POINTS	CONFORMATION	FIELD	HUNT	OBED	AGILITY	RALLY
1			JH	BN		RN
2				CD	NA,NAP,NAJ,NJP,NF,NFP	RALLY
3				CDX	OA, OAP,OAJ,OJP,OF, OFP	RE
4	CH		SH	UD	AX,AXP,AXJ,AJP,XF,XFP,T2B,T2BP	RAE
5	GCH			UDX	MX,MXP,MXJ,MJP,MXF,MFO	
6			MH	OTCH	MACH,PACH,FTC,PAX,FTCP	
7		FC OR AFC				
8		FC + AFC				

THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB
Registry of Merit Application For Outstanding Sires & Dams

Sire/Dam (circle one) _____

DOB _____

Registration # _____

Owner(s) _____

Breeder(s) _____

Owner's Address _____

ABC Member Yes or No (circle one)

List each qualifying progeny below and the corresponding sire or dam. Please refer to the schedule of ROM points for each title the progeny have received.

Name _____

Registration # _____

Title/Date: _____ ROM Points _____

Sire/Dam _____

Owner _____

Name _____

Registration # _____

Title/Date: _____ ROM Points _____

Sire/Dam _____

Owner _____

Name _____

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Sire/Dam _____

Owner _____

Junior Achievement Award

By Karen Hanson

The Junior Achievement Award is designed to recognize young people for their varied interests with Brittanys, and to encourage well-rounded participation in all facets of dog ownership. An award will be given each year by the American Brittany Club to the one junior who in the eyes of the American Brittany Club Board of Directors most fulfills its basic premise.

The award will be presented at the American Brittany Club National Specialty. The Junior Achievement Award Chairman will be responsible for publicizing this Award and for soliciting applications. The Chair will review all applications and will send the resumes to the Board Liaison for Board distribution and decision. A plaque will be purchased and engraved with the name of the winner.

Qualifications:

1. The junior must be between 10 and 18 years of age for the year being nominated.
2. The junior or, his/her parents must be a member in good standing of the ABC.
3. Consideration will be given to any dog-related activity with a Brittany, such as, but not limited to:
 1. Any AKC event: conformation, obedience, tracking, agility, field trials or hunting tests.
 2. Any academic endeavor such as term papers on the history of the Brittany or school assembly speech on purebred dog ownership.
 3. Community service, such as nursing home visits, volunteering for rescue, etc...

The junior, or his/her sponsor, must submit to the Junior Achievement Chairman by September 1 a written account of the junior's qualifications and accomplishments for the previous calendar year.

Where applicable, copies of titles, certificates, grades, letters of appreciation, etc., should be submitted with the nomination to verify authenticity.

Emphasis will be on excellence in a broad spectrum of activities.

Except in very unusual circumstances, a junior may win this award only once.

Nominations should be sent to the Junior Achievement Award Chairman.

Welcome To the Board Of Directors

**An Orientation Manual for New Directors
Of The American Brittany Club**

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Introduction

Welcome to the Board of Directors. We appreciate your willingness to serve.

The American Brittany Club fills an important need in our community, and we believe that you will find serving on the Board a rich and rewarding experience.

As a director, you are responsible for overseeing the operation of **The American Brittany Club**. Along with your fellow members of the Board of Directors, you are responsible for maintaining the commitment to our organization's mission, establishing our strategic direction, ensuring our compliance with all applicable legal requirements, and maintaining our organization's financial well-being. This involves a great deal of responsibility. The purpose of this manual is to help you understand your rights and responsibilities as a director so that you can effectively carry out these duties. We encourage you to refer to it whenever you have questions about your Board service.

Before you begin reviewing this manual, you should remember that you are not alone. When exercising your responsibilities, you may draw from the expertise of your fellow directors and management. Also, you may rely on the expertise of individuals retained by **The American Brittany Club** to assist the organization in carrying out its duties. These individuals include the following people:

Legal Counsel:

Sharon Wice

Insurance Broker:

Tom Milam

In addition, there are several resources available to help you carry out your work. These include:

Center for Nonprofit Advancement—The center assists nonprofits by providing them with education and training, networking, advocacy, and buying opportunities, including health and liability insurance.

www.nonprofitadvancement.org

Board Source—Board Source provides resources for nonprofit leaders through assessment tools, membership program, training, an extensive Web site, and workshops. It also provides governance consultants who work directly with nonprofit leaders to design specialized solutions to meet an organization's needs.

www.boardsource.org

Foundation Center—The center maintains the most comprehensive database on U.S. grant makers and their grants; issues a wide variety of print, electronic, and online information resources; conducts and publishes research on trends in foundation growth, giving, and practice; and offers an array of free and affordable educational programs.

www.foundationcenter.org

Thank you again for your willingness to serve our great mission. Welcome aboard!

1. History and Mission

A. Mission Statement: The American Brittany Club is a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization whose mission is to promote cooperation and friendship among the breeders and owners of a Brittany and to encourage the highest standards in breeding, training and showing of Brittanys in the field and in the show ring; to discourage the breed from becoming split into groups of "field dogs" and "bench dogs" and to strive to keep it forever a "dual dog".

As a director, your first job is to serve **The American Brittany Club's** mission and to ensure that activities carried out by the organization help further that mission. When reviewing the organization's budget and future activities, you should evaluate them against the mission statement and determine whether the proposed use of **The American Brittany Club's** assets is consistent with the organization's mission and its tax-exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code.

B. History of the Organization: The Brittany Spaniel Club of North America was formed in 1936 by the original importers of the breed into this country and was later recognized by the AKC as the official representative (parent club) of the breed. The ABC was formed May 16, 1942 in the Lafayette Room of the Fort Shelby Hotel in Detroit, Michigan. There were 17 people present representing Ohio, Illinois and Michigan. Constitution and by-laws were adopted calling for a three man Board of Directors who, in turn, served as officers. Membership in the club grew to 51 by October of 1942. The Board of Directors was increased to 5 the following year. American Field recognized the ABC as the official sponsor of the breed in 1942, but the ABC also held AKC Shows and Trials in 1943. However, the ABC National Trials were run under both AKC and American Field for many years. The Brittany Spaniel Club of North America by 1943 had become inactive and merged with and into the ABC and continued operating under the constitution and by-laws of the ABC as of January 1, 1944. In 1974 the official sponsorship became the most discussed subject by the Board of Directors. The idea of bench and field championships being offered by the same regulatory body had more appeal as being nearer the true aim - promote the dual dog - and since American Field only recognized one champion, the decision was made to go with the AKC. From 1942 through 1963 the constitution and by-laws were amended five times ranging from a 3 man Board of Directors up to a 40 man Board. The ABC was incorporated on November 10, 1959 as a nonprofit corporation in the State of Illinois. A new constitution and by-laws was adopted November 29, 1964 calling for a 15 man Board, 3 from each of the 5 regions which the ABC operated under until the adoption of the present by-laws in November of 1975. Since 1942 the ABC has grown from 17 members to over 3,000 and from 3 to approximately 90 regional clubs with several provisional clubs pending by the end of 1984. During the years from 1984 through 1998 the ABC has remained approximately the same with our current 88 regional clubs and approximately 3,100 members.

C. Programs and Services: The club is composed of many regional or local clubs located from coast to coast. Most hold a licensed AKC trial for championship points in the spring and fall seasons. Many hold a specialty (conformation) show also. The regional clubs hold meetings to discuss mutual problems, fun trials, training sessions, hunting tests and other events of interest to their members.

2. Fiduciary Responsibility of a Member of the Board of Directors

As a director, you have certain legal responsibilities that you must follow. This section is designed to give you some of the information you need to carry out those responsibilities. However, this material can only provide you with general information. It cannot answer every situation that may arise and should not be construed as legal advice. Therefore, if the Board has a specific situation with respect to which it needs guidance, it should consult with **The American Brittany Club's** legal counsel to determine what is appropriate for the organization. In addition, if you have questions about any potential legal liability you may have as a director, you should consult Section 7 of this manual, Risk Management and Directors' and Officers' Insurance.

The Tone at the Top: The "tone at the top" refers to the ethical climate created in an organization by its leadership. Through your leadership on the Board, you can foster a climate whereby the directors, employees, and volunteers act in a manner that upholds the highest ethical standards of **The American Brittany Club** while carrying out their duties. It is important to create this expectation for yourselves and others. If you and your fellow directors appear unconcerned with maintaining high standards, this attitude will be observed by the employees and volunteers, and it will impact their behavior as well. In particular, the Board should make clear that, in making decisions, it is doing what it believes is in the best interests of **The American Brittany Club** to help carry out its mission. It is also the Board's responsibility to ensure that **The American Brittany Club** fully complies with all applicable federal and Illinois laws and regulations. In addition, as a director, you are expected to comply fully with **The American Brittany Club's** Code of Ethics, which includes the Ethics Policy covering gift acceptance (*see Appendix A*) and the Conflict of Interest Policy (*see Appendix B*). You and the other members of the Board are responsible for ensuring that all others comply with these policies as well. In particular, the Board is responsible for implementing **The American Brittany Club's** Whistleblower Policy (*see Appendix C*) and for ensuring that any claims of wrongdoing by a director, officer, employee, or volunteer are fully and fairly investigated, and that there is no retaliation against anyone bringing a claim in good faith.

A. Duty of Care: As a director, you must perform your responsibilities with the same care an ordinarily prudent business person would use in managing his or her own affairs. This means that you should act in good faith, stay informed and active, and exercise independent judgment when making decisions on behalf of **The American Brittany Club**. The Board should delegate day-to-day duties to **The American Brittany Club**'s senior management, subject to the Board's review and oversight. The Board may delegate certain Board functions to committees of the Board. The duties that can be delegated to committees of the Board are typically specified in the organization's by-laws. Also, as a director, you may rely upon:

- Information provided by employees as part of their jobs;
- Professional advice of attorneys, independent public accountants, and other experts in their field; or
- Information provided by a Board committee in the course of its assigned work.

However, you may not delegate your personal responsibilities as a member of the Board to others. At the end of the day, you and your fellow directors bear the responsibility for determining what is best for the organization.

B. Duty of Loyalty: Board members and senior management must always perform their duties in good faith with the best interests of the organization in mind. This means that they must not seek to derive private gain from business transactions that involve the nonprofit corporation or advance their own interests at the expense of the corporation. Acts of self-dealing constitute a breach of fiduciary duty which may result in personal liability to the nonprofit organization. Board members, trustees, and senior management should avoid conflicts of interest and even the appearance of impropriety. Individuals who take advantage of corporate opportunities to make profits for themselves at the expense of the corporation may be liable for the profits they received at the organization's expense. The Board has adopted a Conflict of Interest Policy that applies to all directors and officers of **The American Brittany Club** (*see Appendix B*). As a director, you must familiarize yourself with the Conflict of Interest Policy and ensure that you and your fellow directors comply with it.

C. Duty of Obedience: As a director, you also must act in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, by-laws, and tax-exempt status of **The American Brittany Club**. You should be familiar with the mission of **The American Brittany Club** and act in a manner consistent with such mission. In addition, you must comply with all federal and state laws as they apply to the organization.

D. Confidentiality: You should not disclose information about **The American Brittany Club**'s activities unless the Board decides to make the information public, or unless the information is a matter of public record.

E. Attendance: As a director it is important that you demonstrate your commitment to the organization by regularly attending Board meetings and meetings of the committees to which you have been assigned. This will allow you to stay informed of **The American Brittany Club**'s activities and, in turn, the organization will benefit from the skills you bring to the Board.

There are ways you can attend meetings without being physically present. For example, if not prohibited by the by-laws, you can participate via conference call, provided you can hear all the other participants in the meeting and they can hear you. However, being a member of the Board of Directors is a personal responsibility. You cannot delegate this responsibility to others.

Therefore, you cannot give someone else the authority to attend a Board meeting or vote on your behalf. You cannot vote by proxy.

F. Director's Rights: As a director, you have certain legal rights. These rights are designed to assist you in carrying out your fiduciary duties as a member of the Board. For example, it is important that you stay informed about **The American Brittany Club**'s business affairs. Consequently, as a director, you have a right to have reasonable contact with the organization's officers to discuss the organization's business affairs. You also have the right to inspect the books and records of the organization and to request additional information from management.

At the same time, you should remember that while the Board retains the ultimate responsibility for the operations of **The American Brittany Club**, the officers are responsible for the day-to-day management of the organization. Your duty as a director is to ensure that they exercise their management responsibilities in a manner that best serves the organization. It is not in the organization's best interests if the Board attempts to review and approve day-to-day management decisions, or substitutes its judgment for that of the officers.

Therefore, when you request information from management, it is important that you are reasonable in the frequency and scope of your requests. You want to take care that your requests are suited to what you need to perform your job as a director, and not the day-to-day management of the organization.

Another important way to stay informed about the organization's activities is to review the Board and committee minutes. The Board will be provided with the minutes of the meetings in a timely manner. The Board secretary should prepare the minutes of any Board meeting promptly after the meeting, but at least in time to be approved before the next Board meeting. If, for some reason you do not receive the minutes of a Board or committee meeting, you have the right to ask for a copy of the minutes.

It is also important that directors attend Board and committee meetings. Therefore, you will be given advance notice of each meeting so that you can prepare for the meeting and plan to attend. The amount of advance notice for each type of meeting is specified in the by-laws. If you do not receive the proper amount of advance notice, you can still attend the meeting and participate.

There may be situations where the fact that you did not receive proper advance notice of a meeting may be detrimental to the organization. In such case, you have the right to object to the fact that you did not receive proper notice of the meeting. However, your participation at the meeting must be limited to making your objection. If you participate in the substance of the meeting, you will be considered to have waived your right to make an objection.

Finally, the organization encourages open and informed debate among the Board directors, which helps ensure that the best possible decisions are made. If you disagree with any action the Board proposes to take, you have the right to vote against the action. In addition, you have the right to have the Board secretary record your objection, by name, in the minutes of the meeting. This is important if you believe that the actions of the Board are not only unwise, but improper. In such case, if you object to the actions and have your objection recorded in the minutes, you may escape liability if the action is later challenged.

G. Private Inurement and Private Benefit: The Internal Revenue Code gives tax-free status to charitable organizations because they provide important benefits to the general public. However, the Internal Revenue Code also provides that a tax-exempt organization must be operated for the benefit of the public and not for the benefit of "insiders." This is called the private inurement rule. As a director, you must ensure that insiders do not receive favorable treatment at the expense of **The American Brittany Club**; otherwise **The American Brittany Club** would be at risk of losing its tax-exempt status. Some examples include paying more than fair market value for goods or services provided by an insider, or creating a job for someone just because they are related to an insider.

By insiders, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) refers to anyone with a unique position in **The American Brittany Club** so that he or she can exercise control or influence over the organization and the application of its funds or assets. Insiders would include the following individuals:

- Officers;
- Members of the Board of Directors;
- Appointed Managers of Club Activities and
- Their relatives such as a spouse, parent, siblings and their spouses, children and their spouses, and great grandparents, grandparents, grandchildren, and great grandchildren and their spouses.

It is permissible to give a benefit to any individual, even a director that qualifies under **The American Brittany Club**'s normal charitable guidelines.

In addition, as a director you must make sure that **The American Brittany Club**'s activities further the public good. Therefore, you should make sure that any business transactions entered into by **The American Brittany Club** are in **The American Brittany Club**'s best interests and help it carry out its mission. The assets of **The American Brittany Club** should not be used to serve a private, as opposed to the public, good. This is called the private benefit rule.

H. Board Compensation: As a director, you will not be compensated for your services. Moreover, you cannot claim a deduction for the value of your donated services to **The American Brittany Club**. You may be reimbursed for any reasonable out-of-pocket expenses you incur on behalf of **The American Brittany Club**, in accordance with its expense reimbursement policy. The organization will not reimburse a member of the Board of Directors for the cost of his or her spouse's or other dependent's travel to organization events. If you elect not to be reimbursed for your out-of-pocket expenses, you may be able to deduct them as a charitable contribution to the organization.

In addition to your Board service, from time to time it may be in the best interests of **The American Brittany Club** for you to provide some other goods or services to **The American Brittany Club**, such as legal or accounting work. If you provide goods or services to **The American Brittany Club** in addition to serving on the Board, **The American Brittany Club** is allowed to pay you for your goods or services, provided that:

- The Board approved the transaction before you provided the goods or services in accordance with the Conflict of Interest Policy
- You received only fair market value for your goods or services;
and
- The organization properly documented and reported the transaction.

In the event that you are paid more than fair market value for any goods or services you provide, or the organization fails to properly document or report the transaction, the transaction may be considered an "excess benefit transaction." Under the Internal Revenue Code, you may be subject to penalties if you receive an excess benefit. Therefore, before you enter into any financial transaction with **The American Brittany Club**, you should consult the organization's legal counsel to ensure that all proper procedures are followed.

I. Political Activity and Lobbying

1. Lobbying

As a tax-exempt entity, **The American Brittany Club** may engage in limited lobbying activities. For this purpose, **The American Brittany Club** will be regarded as lobbying if it attempts to influence legislation. Attempting to influence legislation includes contacting or urging the public to contact members or employees of a legislative body for the purpose of supporting or opposing legislation, or advocating for the adoption or rejection of legislation.

Legislation includes actions by Congress, state legislatures, or any other elected body, such as the local city council or school committee, with respect to acts, bills, or resolutions. It applies to such actions as confirming an individual for office, such as a judge or cabinet member. It also applies to ballot initiatives or similar procedures to be voted upon by the public. The definition of legislation does not include actions taken by the courts or government agencies.

As noted above, there are limits on the amount of lobbying in which **The American Brittany Club** may engage. The Internal Revenue Code provides that a Nonprofit is exempt under Section 501(c) (7) cannot expend a "substantial" part of its activities in lobbying. If **The American Brittany Club** engages in what is considered excessive lobbying, the organization will be subject to an excise tax and will be at risk of losing its tax-exempt status. At what point a nonprofit's lobbying is considered "substantial" depends on all the facts and circumstances and is not always clear-cut. Therefore, Congress enacted Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code. By filing an election with the IRS, a nonprofit is allowed to engage in lobbying activities—up to certain dollar limits—without losing its tax-exempt status.

The limits are based on the size of the organization's annual revenue. Churches and private foundations are not eligible to make the election, but other nonprofit organizations that engage in lobbying activities commonly do. As a director, you should ensure that **The American Brittany Club** complies with the rules against excessive lobbying. In addition, certain lobbying activities may require the organization to register as a lobbyist with various federal and local government authorities. If **The American Brittany Club** wishes to engage in any lobbying activity, the Board should work with legal counsel and senior management to ensure that procedures are put in place to comply with these regulations and the IRS limitations on lobbying activities.

2. Rules Prohibiting Political Activities

Under the Internal Revenue Code, nonprofit organizations are strictly prohibited from intervening on behalf of, or in opposition to, candidates for local, state, or national office. If **The American Brittany Club** violates this rule, it is subject to an excise tax on the amount expended on the campaign activity and faces the risk of losing its tax-exempt status. This does not mean that, just because you are a director of **The American Brittany Club**, you cannot be involved in political activity as a private individual. However, you may not use **The American Brittany Club**'s property or other assets, including **The American Brittany Club**'s name, on behalf of or against any candidate for office. You should also make clear that any political statements you make, such as an endorsement of a candidate, are made in your personal capacity and not in your capacity as a director of **The American Brittany Club**, and that the statements should not be made at an event sponsored or hosted by **The American Brittany Club** or in any of its publications. If you are in any doubt as to whether your activities might be considered improper political activities on behalf of **The American Brittany Club**, you should consult with the Board officers and legal counsel before engaging in those activities.

J. Summing Up: While all these responsibilities may seem like a lot to keep straight, you can broadly summarize your fiduciary duties using the following questions:

- Do you put the organization's interests before your own?
- Do you ensure that others do as well?
- Do you regularly attend Board and committee meetings?
- Do you read the information provided to you as a director or otherwise stay informed?
- Do you exercise your independent business judgment as best as you can?
- Do you do your best to make sure that **The American Brittany Club** follows the law, including the special rules applicable to nonprofits?
- Do you rely on the advice of **The American Brittany Club** legal counsel and independent accountants to assist you in your work?

If you follow these steps, you will go a long way towards faithfully carrying out your fiduciary duties as a director and help establish the proper ethical tone for the organization.

Fundraising

A. Fundraising Strategy: These days, it is not enough for **The American Brittany Club** to have a good purpose and programs. There are many nonprofits with important missions to fulfill, and there is a limited amount of money to support all their worthy causes. At the same time, without proper funding, **The American Brittany Club** cannot serve the critical needs of the community it has identified. Therefore, one of the most important roles of the Board is to define and establish a successful fundraising strategy to sustain the organization's goals. The role of the Board in raising revenue is unique, and it is one of the critical differences between nonprofit and for-profit businesses in the ways they are managed.

The Board has a responsibility to attract resources to sustain the organization's programs and fulfill its mission. The Board must select and support senior management, put the budget in place, and oversee and evaluate the organization's fundraising and financial performance.

Even though the Board is ultimately responsible for **The American Brittany Club**'s fundraising strategy, the fundraising activities will not succeed without a close partnership with management. There has to be a close collaboration between the Board and management, as well as clearly defined goals for management to execute. Therefore, it is important for the Board to specify the responsibilities of both management and the Board in the fundraising effort. At the same time, it is important to remember that implementing the fundraising plan is a responsibility shared by the Board and should not be left only to management.

B. Fundraising Practices: The Board should ensure that **The American Brittany Club** follows ethical fundraising practices and that its fundraising efforts are cost-effective. It is the Board's responsibility to ensure that **The American Brittany Club**'s fundraising programs reflect well on the organization and its mission. Therefore, the Board must exercise the following responsibilities:

- 1. Designated Donations:** Frequently, a donor will make a contribution to **The American Brittany Club** and place restrictions on how such funds may be used. For example, the donor may want to fund a specific initiative or activity. Also, as an organization, **The American Brittany Club** may solicit funds with the promise that the donations will be used for a particular purpose. These are called restricted or designated funds. As a member of the Board, it is your responsibility to ensure these funds are used for the purpose the donor specified, and not for other expenses such as overhead or other program activities. You should ask that any financial reports you receive specify whether the income is restricted or unrestricted, so that you can ensure that the donor's wishes are being carried out.
- 2. Gift Acceptance Policy:** From time to time, **The American Brittany Club** may be offered donations that would compromise the organization's ethics, financial circumstances, program focus, or other interests. For example, the source of the funds may be one that is inconsistent with the mission **The American Brittany Club** is trying to serve. Therefore, it is important that the Board has clear standards and procedures for determining when it will not accept a donation. These standards and procedures must be discussed in advance and not after a questionable gift is being offered; otherwise, financial and time pressures on the organization may cause the Board and management to make a wrong decision about whether to accept the gift.
- 3. Fundraising Techniques:** **The American Brittany Club**'s most valuable asset is its good name. One way the organization may forfeit its good name is if it engages in inappropriate fundraising practices. In the past few years, newspapers have published several stories of otherwise legitimate charities that have employed questionable fundraising methods. Therefore, it is important that the Board ensure there is appropriate training and supervision of the people soliciting funds on **The American Brittany Club**'s behalf, that they understand their responsibilities and do not employ techniques that are coercive, intimidating, or intended to harass potential donors.
- 4. Compensation for Fundraisers:** Compensation for fundraising activities should reflect the skill, effort, and time expended by the individual or firm on behalf of **The American Brittany Club**. Basing compensation on a percentage of the money raised can encourage fundraisers to put their own interests ahead of those of **The American Brittany Club** or the donor, and may lead to inappropriate techniques that jeopardize **The American Brittany Club**'s values and reputation as well as the donor's trust in the organization. Many professional fundraising associations prohibit their members from accepting payment for fundraising activities based on a percentage of the amount of charitable income raised or expected to be raised. For these reasons, **The American Brittany Club** does not compensate internal or external fundraisers based on a commission or a percentage of the amount raised.
- 5. Charitable Solicitation Laws:** Most states, including Illinois, regulate the solicitation of contributions by charitable organizations. To solicit funds in the Illinois and various states, a nonprofit must register with the local government. Therefore, unless it qualifies for an exemption, **The American Brittany Club** is required

to register with the Illinois government and with each state where it solicits funds from individuals, foundations, or businesses located in that state. The Board is responsible for ensuring that **The American Brittany Club** complies with the various charitable solicitation laws.

6. Privacy Policy: **The American Brittany Club** respects the privacy of individual donors and, except where disclosure is required by law, does not sell or otherwise make available the names and contact information of its donors without providing them an opportunity at least once a year to opt out of the use of their names.

4. Board's Responsibility for Financial Oversight

Because **The American Brittany Club** is fortunate that so many people support the organization by giving their time and money—often at great sacrifice to themselves—it is important that **The American Brittany Club** exercise good stewardship in managing the donations of its supporters. The senior management of **The American Brittany Club** plays a key role in managing the financial affairs of the organization, but the Board is ultimately responsible for ensuring that its funds are properly utilized. Over the past several years, the IRS has increased its financial oversight of nonprofit organizations. Several states also have started extending these governance principles, previously applicable only to public companies, to cover nonprofit organizations. Moreover, grant makers and other donors expect nonprofit organizations to exercise robust financial oversight. Therefore, the Board should establish clear policies and procedures to protect **The American Brittany Club's** financial assets and ensure that it is following best practices. As a director, you can call on **The American Brittany Club's** resources, including senior management and the independent auditors responsible for conducting the organization's annual audit, to help you perform your duties. In particular, the Board, or a designated committee of the Board, should meet with the auditors before the annual audit and after a draft audit is prepared to discuss the auditors' findings and to determine what steps, if any, the Board should take to improve the financial oversight of the organization. The following is a summary of the key financial responsibilities of the Board:

- A. Policies and Procedures:** While it is management's responsibility to oversee the day-to-day accounting and financial management of **The American Brittany Club**, the Board is responsible for ensuring that proper financial systems and controls are in place. For example, the Board should establish a policy to ensure that at least two unrelated people (either staff members or volunteers) bear the responsibility for receiving, depositing, and spending the organization's funds. The Board is also responsible for reviewing practices and reports to ensure that staff members and volunteers are complying with Board-approved policies.
- B. Budget and Expenses:** The Board is responsible for reviewing and approving **The American Brittany Club's** annual budget. The Board should also receive regular financial reports, either monthly or quarterly. The reports should show budgeted and actual expenditures as well as budgeted and actual revenues. By carefully reviewing the regular financial reports, the Board will be able to determine whether adjustments must be made in spending to accommodate changes in revenues. However, prudent financial oversight requires that the Board look beyond monthly or annual financial reports to consider how **The American Brittany Club's** current financial performance compares with that of previous years, and how its financial future appears. If **The American Brittany Club's** net assets have been declining over a period of years, or if future funding seems likely to decrease significantly, the Board may need to take proper steps to achieve or maintain the financial stability of the organization.
- C. Prudent Investment of Financial Assets:** As a member of the Board, you also have the obligation to establish policies and procedures to ensure that **The American Brittany Club** manages and invests its funds responsibly and in compliance with the legal requirements. The Board is responsible for establishing policies that govern how the funds will be invested, ensuring that donor-restricted funds are used in a manner that complies with the donor's restrictions, and allocating the returns from investments among the various programs.

For example, the Board must decide questions such as:

- Will **The American Brittany Club** maintain an endowment where funds that may be used to serve its purpose may be restricted by the donor?
- How much of an operating reserve should the organization have (i.e., three months of operating expenses)? Under what circumstances can the operating reserve be used? Who makes the decision to use the operating reserve?
- Are there any restrictions in how **The American Brittany Club** will invest its funds? For example, does **The American Brittany Club** wish to invest in property that is not available to all of its members?

As a member of the Board of Directors, you are expected to carry out your responsibility to manage the funds of the organization in good faith, and with the care an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances. This means that you are responsible for overseeing the investment of the funds to ensure that those charged with making the investment decisions, including any committee appointed by the Board, are acting prudently. As a director, you should keep in mind several factors in carrying out these duties, among which are:

- The needs of the organization and the general economic conditions, including the possible effects of inflation and deflation;
- The expected total return for an investment, including appreciation, and how that plays within the overall investment portfolio;
- The need to preserve capital versus the need to generate income;
- The other resources available to **The American Brittany Club**;
- An asset's special value, if any, to the organization; and
- Any expected tax consequences with respect to an investment.

In managing the funds, the Board may incur appropriate costs that are reasonable in relation to the amount of assets being invested and the purposes of **The American Brittany Club**.

By following these steps, you will help ensure that **The American Brittany Club** acts as a good steward of its funds and in a manner that helps the organization carry out its mission.

5. Strategic Planning

Another important task that the Board must undertake is to set the strategic direction of **The American Brittany Club**. The Board has the primary responsibility of carrying out this task, with the help of senior management, to ensure the future sustainability and growth of **The American Brittany Club**. Therefore, it is important that the Board take time every three to five years to develop a long-term plan for the organization. The starting point of any strategic plan is **The American Brittany Club**'s mission statement. Both the Board and senior management must have a good understanding of the organization's mission and **The American Brittany Club**'s current activities serve that mission.

Next, the Board must have a good understanding of the interests and concerns of **The American Brittany Club**'s various stakeholders. What resources exist to meet the needs of the community it intends to serve, and what needs have not been met? The Board should then determine whether the activities the organization engages in, or may want to engage in the future, are:

- Consistent with its mission; and
- Designed to meet its client community's current needs.

Third, the Board should determine whether **The American Brittany Club**'s existing programs are also effective in carrying out its mission. Is the organization meeting the goals it set out to achieve? Are there more effective ways to achieve its mission? Does **The American Brittany Club** have to shift the focus of its mission to meet current or future stakeholder needs?

Finally, the Board should evaluate what resources are available to **The American Brittany Club** that would allow it to undertake the activities the Board has identified to help meet the needs of its stakeholders or expand its services.

Once the Board has evaluated **The American Brittany Club**'s current activities against the mission statement, taken stock of the needs of its stakeholders, and determined what resources are available to assist the organization in carrying out its mission, the Board, working closely with senior management, must develop a strategic plan for **The American Brittany Club**. The plan will then serve as a basis for determining **The American Brittany Club**'s activities and initiatives from year to year. It will help the Board and staff evaluate new opportunities as they arise, to see if they are consistent with the direction the Board and management want to take the organization.

Once the Board has adopted the strategic plan, senior management is responsible for developing an annual work plan that implements the goals in the strategic plan. The Board will then measure the progress toward the strategic plan's goals on an annual basis.

6. Overseeing the Performance and Compensation of Management

The **President** of **The American Brittany Club** is the chief executive of the organization and is appointed and supervised by the Board. The Board also has the authority to replace any paid staff he or she is not meeting the performance standards set by the Board. As part of its responsibilities, the Board should review the performance of paid staff members annually. By giving the **paid staff** feedback at least annually, the Board will assist the **paid staff** in performing to the best of his or her abilities. The Board is also responsible for setting the compensation for the **paid staff**.

A. Prior Approval by Authorized Body: Compensation levels of paid staff are determined by the Board of Directors. To participate in the compensation approval process, a director cannot have a conflict of interest. If you, as a director, have a conflict of interest, you must disclose your conflict to the other members of the Board, and you may not participate in the vote or discussions of management compensation. The following are the principal rules for determining whether a conflict of interest exists, with examples of how those rules would apply:

- A conflict of interest exists if you are participating in or economically benefiting from the compensation arrangement being voted on, or you have a family member benefiting from the compensation arrangement.
- A conflict of interest exists if you are an employee subject to the direction or control of a member of management whose compensation is being voted on.
- A conflict of interest exists if you receive compensation or other payments that must be approved by a member of management whose compensation is being voted on.
- A conflict of interest exists if you have a material financial interest that would be affected by the compensation package being voted on.
- A conflict of interest exists if you vote on a compensation package for a member of management, and that member of management has approved, or will approve, a transaction providing economic benefits to you. Family members include your spouse, parents, siblings and their spouses, children and their spouses, and grandparents, great grandparents, grandchildren, and great grandchildren and their spouses.

B. Use of Appropriate Comparability Data: Prior to voting on paid staff compensation, the Board must determine how the proposed compensation package compares to compensation paid by similar organizations for similar services. Comparability data is appropriate if it provides the Board with sufficient information to determine if the compensation arrangement, in its entirety, is reasonable when compared to what other organizations pay.

The information the Board may use to make the comparability determination includes:

- The actual compensation paid by similarly situated for-profit and nonprofit organizations for comparable positions;
- Whether or not there is a ready supply of people to perform similar services;
- Current compensation surveys compiled by independent firms; and
- Actual written offers from similar institutions competing for the services.

C. Proper Documentation of the Decision-Making Process: The third part of the IRS procedure for setting compensation is to ensure that the Board's decision-making process is properly documented. The documentation may be written or electronic such as written minutes or an e-mail summary of the meeting. The documentation must note:

- The terms of the compensation package and the date it was approved;
- The members of the Board or Board committee who were present when the compensation package was debated, and those who voted on it;
- The comparability data obtained and relied on by the members of the Board and information on how the data was obtained; and
- Any actions taken by a regular member of the authorized body who had a conflict of interest with respect to the transaction (e.g., did the member leave the meeting and refrain from taking part in the decision?).

The documentation must be completed in a timely manner. This means that **The American Brittany Club** must prepare the records before the later of:

- The next meeting of the Board or committee, or
- Sixty days after the final action or actions are taken.

Also, the Board or committee must review the documentation and make any needed corrections to the documentation within a reasonable amount of time. **The American Brittany Club** has to comply with all three steps to establish the rebuttable presumption of reasonableness. **The American Brittany Club** will not enjoy the protections the safe harbor affords if the organization fails to meet any one of these three requirements. Establishing the rebuttable presumption of reasonableness is also considered to be a "best practice" in terms of nonprofit governance. The IRS will ask **The American Brittany Club** to disclose the method it used to set compensation when it completes its IRS Form 990. Also, **The American Brittany Club** must appropriately report the compensation in its tax filings, both on the organization's annual IRS Form 990, and on an IRS Form W-2 issued to the recipient of the compensation (if he or she is an employee) or IRS Form 1099 (if he or she is an independent contractor).

7. Risk Management

A. Liability of the Organization: One of the functions of the Board is to protect the assets of **The American Brittany Club**. This will help ensure that the assets are available to serve the mission of the organization. To do so, the Board should implement an appropriate risk management plan.

There are three basic steps in any risk management plan. They are:

1. Identify the risk;
2. Mitigate the risk; and
3. Insure against the risk

The Board should begin by working with management to identify activities that create risks for the organization. The next step is to see if there are any procedures the organization can take to lessen the risk that a bad event will occur. The final step is to work with **The American Brittany Club**'s insurance broker to see if there is any way the organization can insure against the risk that such bad event occurs.

The following are some examples of how this process works:

- **The American Brittany Club** regularly receives invoices from various people with which it does business. It is the employees' responsibility to pay *The American Brittany Club*'s invoices.

1. Identify the risk.

There is a risk to the organization that an employee could steal **The American Brittany Club**'s funds. The employee could pretend to pay invoices by writing checks to a friend or relative.

2. Mitigate the risk.

The Board and management adopt financial controls which provide that there must be two signatures on all checks above a specified amount, such as \$5000.

3. Insure against the risk.

The American Brittany Club purchases employee dishonesty coverage as an endorsement to its property insurance policy. This insures **The American Brittany Club** against loss, up to a specific dollar amount (for example \$10,000), in case an employee steals funds from the organization.

- **The American Brittany Club** holds the National Championship.

1. Identify the risk.

There is a risk to the organization that a volunteer will fall at the Nationals, injuring him or herself.

2. Mitigate the risk.

The American Brittany Club adopts safety procedures for conducting the Nationals. The organization also asks each volunteer to sign a waiver of liability.

3. Insure against the risk.

The American Brittany Club purchases volunteer accident insurance. This insurance pays a volunteer's uninsured medical expenses, up to a specific dollar limit (for example \$25,000), on a no-fault basis. **The American Brittany Club** also purchases general liability insurance to protect the organization in case it is sued by the injured volunteer for compensation.

B. Liability as a Director: As a director, you may be subject to a lawsuit if someone alleges that you failed to carry out your duties appropriately, or you were guilty of discrimination in connection with someone's employment or the provision of nonprofit services. To protect yourself from liability, you should consider three steps:

1. **Prevention:** Exercise your duties as a director with due care and ensure that **The American Brittany Club** acts in accordance with legal requirements. This is the best way to avoid liability. If you carry out your duties as a director diligently and with due care, you will be much less likely to encounter legal problems.
2. **Indemnification:** One way to protect yourself against liability is to ensure that **The American Brittany Club** will pay any attorney's fees you incur and any legal damages you have to pay in connection with any acts you commit while serving on the Board. This is called "indemnification." Indemnification provisions are found in **The American Brittany Club**'s by-laws.

You should consult with **The American Brittany Club**'s attorney to determine whether you would be covered by **The American Brittany Club**'s indemnification. In general, you will be eligible for indemnification as long as you acted in good faith and in the best interests of the organization.

- 3. Directors' and Officers' Insurance:** Another alternative is for the organization to purchase Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance (D&O insurance). Under most D&O insurance, you will be reimbursed for your legal defense costs if you are sued, and the insurance will pay any settlement for claims covered by the policy, subject to any exclusions in the policy. Some insurance policies stipulate that the insurance company will provide you with a defense if you are sued. This prevents you from having to pay your attorney's fees and wait for reimbursement. **The American Brittany Club maintains D&O insurance with [Insert name of insurance carrier] in the amount of \$_____.** You should consult with our insurance broker if you have any questions about this type of insurance.

8. Board Evaluation

The final task the Board must undertake is to periodically evaluate its own performance. Self-evaluation can be hard. Therefore, the Board should at least use a performance checklist to assist the members (*see Appendix D*). Some of the criteria are objective and easy to evaluate such as attendance at meetings. Other criteria are more subjective. However, it is important for the Board to meet annually to discuss how it can improve its performance. The Board should determine what skills the Board may be lacking, and whether it can recruit a new member with those skills. For example, is there a member of the Board with a background in finance, human resources, or the law? Moreover, each director must be engaged in the work of the Board. If the directors are not fully engaged in the Board's work, the Board should discuss what steps it should take to re-engage its members. Without a fully engaged Board, there is a likelihood that the work will fall on a few individuals. This will not only result in many tasks not being done, but will also put members of the Board who are most engaged at risk of becoming burned out. If efforts to re-engage a director do not work, the Board should be willing to ask the director with poor performance to resign from the Board, or to leave the Board at the end of his or her term. While evaluating the performance of individual members can be hard, it is important to remember that the Board's first duty is to serve the best interests of **The American Brittany Club** and not those of other members of the Board. Building a strong Board makes the Board's workload more manageable and improves the performance of each member of the Board of Directors.

Conclusion

Again, we want to express our appreciation of your willingness to serve as a director of **The American Brittany Club**. There are many exciting challenges ahead, and we are grateful that you have accepted the responsibility of being a member of the Board. As an organization, we are committed to giving you the resources you need to succeed. Also, we realize that as a new member, you have a background that is different from members of the Board who have served longer. Your presence enriches and renews the Board. Much of the information in this manual may seem overwhelming at first, but if you have any questions or if there is anything **The American Brittany Club** can do to assist you in your Board service, please speak to the officers of the Board or senior management.

We serve an important mission, and we believe that you will find serving on the Board a rich and rewarding experience. Thank you for joining us.

Appendix A

American Brittany Club Code of Ethics Adopted November 30, 1996

The following principles are to be used as an educational guide and a tool for Brittany breeders for the purpose to develop more genetic and disease free dogs, while being ethical in all matters with the public and with our peers.

Objective and Purpose: To promote cooperation and friendship among the breeders and owners of Brittany and to encourage higher standards in breeding, training and showing of Brittany in the field and in the show ring; to discourage the breed from becoming split into groups of “field dogs” and “show dogs” and to strive to keep it forever a “dual dog”.

Ethical breeders should:

1. Comply with all ABC and AKC rules and regulations.
2. Maintain a high standard of health, care, and cleanliness for dogs under one's care.
3. Truthfully and realistically represent the Brittany being bred and/or sold in terms of quality, health, and genetic history. Refrain from breeding a bitch or using a stud until they are two (2) years old.
4. Consult with your breeder and with knowledgeable, experienced members of the ABC, regional clubs, or local kennel clubs to broaden your understanding and knowledge of the history of the breed BEFORE breeding your Brittany.
5. Breed only stock which are physically and temperamentally sound and in good health. No dog or bitch should be bred that is known to have serious inheritable defects or genetic diseases, such as: • canine hip/elbow dysplasia, primary epilepsy, a seizure disorder, • eye disorders – retinal atrophy, undescended testicles, •heart defects, extreme shyness, viciousness, other inheritable diseases or defects
6. Not attempt breeding without the ability to distinguish between correct and incorrect physical attributes. This ability requires a careful study of the breed standard, principles of genetics, and a study of both the sire and the dam's pedigrees. Breeders should study and learn the good points within our dogs, looking to both field ability and conformation.
7. Have their breeding stock OFA (Orthopedic Foundation for Animals), GDC (Genetic Disease Control) or PennHip certification numbers for hips on, at least, both the sire and the dam; preferably for three (3) generations on both sides of the pedigree. In addition, other tests (brucellosis, eyes, elbows, and other unspecified tests) should be declared in agreement between owners of the sire and the dam prior to breeding.
8. Refuse to sell to commercial wholesalers, retail brokers, or research laboratories.
9. Have tails docked and dew claws removed soon after birth. Prior to the sale of the puppies, initial shots for known infectious diseases should be given and worming administered. A buyer should be supplied with a four-(4) generation pedigree, registration certificate, information on all veterinary care, and instructions for the care, feeding, and training of the Brittany.

10. Remember your responsibility, as a breeder does not end with the sale of the puppy. A breeder should have contact with the buyer of a pup throughout the life of the dog. This information will enhance breeding knowledge and improve the foundation for a good long-term breeding program. This will also help your regional club to grow with new members and possible participants and workers.

11. Use spay/neuter agreements and/or consider limited registration if it is known or believed to manifest hereditary defects detrimental to the breed. **THE LONG TERM INTEREST OF THE BRITTANY SHOULD BE THE GOAL OF EVERY BREEDER.**

12. Consider DNA finger printing for all dogs in your breeding programs.

Appendix B

American Brittany Club Conflict of Interest Policy

Related Action Item from Robin Tomasi

Motion: Create a Board Manual

A board manual serves two functions. For the new board member, it is an orientation handbook providing useful information. Experienced board members will find the manual handy reference guide and great time saver.

Materials can be added and removed to create an up-to-date reference. The board manual to be organized by the Secretary.

To develop a useful manual:

Suggested Manual Context

The Board

- Current board member contact list
- Board member responsibilities
- Listing of past recent Board members, highlight any willing to serve as mentors
- Committee listings with brief job description, current committee members

Club history

- Articles of Incorporation
- Constitution, Bylaws, and Code of Ethics
- Policy Book

Policies pertaining to the Board

- Insurance policy coverage summary
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Minutes and/or summaries from the last three to five years of board and general meetings

Finance

- Prior-year annual report
- Most recent audit report
- Current annual budget

ABC Agenda Items

By Steve Ralph

1. Policy Book corrections regarding DNA (per the American Field).

a. DUTIES OF THE 3RD VICE PRESIDENT (page 46)

Old:

16. Effective January 1, 2013: All dogs entered in any of the following American Brittany Club Sponsored Events must have a DNA profile, either permanent or temporary, on record with the AKC or American Field. The AKC or American Field DNA number must be included on all entry forms.

- A. All American Brittany Club National Championship field events; NFC, NAFC, NGDC, and NAGDC and
- B. The American Brittany Club National Specialty Show, with the exception of dogs registered with an ILP/PAL number and dogs under the age of 2 years at the start of the event.

New:

16. All dogs entered in the ABC National Specialty Show (with the exception of dogs registered with an ILP/PAL number and dogs under the age of 2 years at the start of the event) 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.

b. AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB NATIONAL GUN DOG CHAMPIONSHIPS (page 91)

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New:

Remove item 11 as it is already listed in the QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL GUN DOG CHAMPIONSHIPS.

c. AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB NATIONAL GUN DOG CHAMPIONSHIPS (page 107)

Old:

7. It is recommended that all sires and dams of nominated litters have DNA profiles on file with the AKC or American Field.

New:

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d. AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL ALL AGE CHAMPIONSHIPS (page 155)

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8. 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 the Field Dog Stud Book for those Championship placements to be recorded in the Field Dog Stud Book.

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ABC Agenda Items

By Helen Riggle

Here are my Agenda Items for the meeting in November

Helen Riggle
East Central Director

BREEDER DIRECTORY/DATABASE

Most other AKC parent clubs have a parent club breeder directory hosted on their official and it is now, more than ever, the wave of the future. AKC itself has a Marketplace where litters of puppies are listed for a fee as well.

It is well past time for the ABC to embrace this concept as more and more shopping is done online.

By requiring breeders wishing to list themselves in the ABC Breeder Directory to be active ABC Members of at least 5 years, having them digitally sign our Breeder Code of Ethics and accessing an annual fee of at least \$100 (which works out to less than \$10/month).

There is a good deal of club revenue to be gained from adding such a Breeder Directory which can then help offset some of the other venues that have shown recent losses.

Putting forth the public image of an ABC Member Breeder referral as an option and hopefully the first step in online shopping, is a good foot forward to adding to the benefits of becoming an active member of ABC.

Its the job of the ABC to help educate would be puppy buyers in all things including but not limited to health testing, pedigree depth, career accomplishments and to help guide these folks into adding a healthy well bred Brittanys into their homes, rather than driving them to the myriad of other options that have cropped up on Facebook and online Gun Dog selling sites. To date, the American Brittanys For Sale Facebook Page has 2,276 active members. If only 10% of that active membership were to sign up to become part of ABC's Breeder Referral/Database page @ \$100/year, that money garnered would cover up to \$22,700 of losses that have been reported to date in other areas of ABC for 2015.

This concept can be tweaked to best reflect the needs/desires of the Membership such as a bi-monthly or bi annual listing service for less \$\$ but more renewal opportunity as well as the requirements to be able to list as a breeder.

This would of course require a dedicated Breeder Database Chairman/Coordinator and require that we have someone willing to do the job. We have had a qualified volunteer step up to offer services for this concept.

ANNUAL ABC BREEDER RECOGNITION

The Dog of The Year Program, which was approved last year, was very well received. The membership is excited to see their names on lists for their accomplishments and it us encouraging folks to get involved, get active and participate in their regional club activities.

I propose that we add a very simple Breeder of the Year program and put it into play for recognition at the Annual Banquet each November.

Categories to be included:

Show Breeder of the Year (based on # of new CHs garnered within the year)

Field Trial Breeder of the Year (based on # FC/AFC titles garnered within the year)

Hunt Test Breeder of the Year (based on # of HT titles garnered within the year)

Performance Breeder of the Year (based on the # of performance titles - any non field or show venue garnered within the year)

Cost involved would be \$150 AKC annual report which is a cost that can be split with the DOY program, cost of recognition Certificate/Plaque or Trophy. Estimated Budget required of less the \$500 could most possibly be a cost that could be sponsored.

AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB GEAR PROGRAM AS MEMBERSHIP OFFERING

To date, each National venue has supplied their own version of wearable memorabilia at their events. The NSS offers Hoodies, Jackets, Sweatshirts, Gun Dog Nationals offers Caps and T shirts as does the All Age Championship.

From 2010 -2015 I was the Futurity Gear Chairman and we offered Windshirts, Hoodies and the Dri-Duck, Pheasant, Quail as well as Plain Caps, all custom embroidered for the participants with their choice of names and the ABC Logo, the host club and year. Overall it was a nice success, not making money but not costing the Club money either. The participants LOVED being able to have customized gear available to them and it is a perk that the Futurity participants wear all year and beyond with pride. I stepped away from the program as chairman in 2015 when the Futurity Committee was having trouble keeping things going forward without it being an internal battlefield.

Having official ABC gear available to the Membership is an excellent way to encourage membership and pride in our Club. I propose that we form an all Inclusive Gear Committee to oversee the unification of the offerings of Gear for all 5 of the National events that ABC hosts annually (GDN, NAA, NSS, FUTURITY and SUMMER Specialty). I think that the official ABC Logo should be required on ALL of the gear offered at these events and that we should bring all of the business under one roof of one embroidery house. The embroidery house should be chosen based on bids garnered by the Committee and the business contract with the chosen embroidery house should be renewed annually.

The Committee should be made up of a chairperson and one member from each event committee so that the choice of gear for each event can be chosen to reflect the style/season/flavor of each event for each year. The gear should be made available via our website/Facebook in a member's only section and offered all year long.

Rationale:

An ABC Gear Program and Committee will unify what is being offered and sold across the board, while still preserving the flavor of each event. It will take the financial strain off of the individual events of having to order "XYZ minimum" amounts for sale at each event, eliminating having overages that need sold after the event is over and allowing the event participants pre order and pay for their gear ahead of time. Offering the gear year round gives the opportunity for larger sales. The ABC logo Digitization is under one roof per year (not 2-3 as has been in the past and better quality control can be monitored.) A 5 member committee plus the Chairman would be able to choose and offer gear that is unique to their individual events, yet still be unified within ABC.

Respectfully Submitted

Helen Riggle -East Central Director

ABC Agenda Items

From Brian Hendrickson

Agenda Items:

1. In light of the \$8000 surplus projected to be in our income budget, the need for increased participation and raising the bar on the overall significance of our national events, I think that the ABC should allocate \$1.00 per recording fee to go toward purse money for the 3 main National events. These 3 events shall be the National Open All Age Championship, The National Open Gun Dog Championship, and National Specialty Show, with a 25% portion held to be split as prize money for two Handler of the Year awards, going to a named handler for both Gun Dog and the All Age venues.

Monies garnered from starter fees generated by the juvenile entry money can be put toward increasing the purses to the top placing futurity dogs in each of the 3 regions. The adult starter fees should be allocated by their respective stakes as well (Gun dog entries get gun dog starter fees, All Age to get the appropriate starter fee as well. The allocated \$1 from the Specialty shows should be put toward the NSS Best Of Breed winner.

Purses may only be paid out to current ABC members in good standing. Only Brittany sponsored trials and placements by dogs with owners that are current ABC memberships to count. Handlers must be current ABC members as well. Amateur handlers only receive points for dogs personally owned.

Other breeds have these purses and Handler of the year awards and have great success with these programs bolstering entries and making their national and top Handlers more prestigious.

2. The ABC to include a required Shooting Dog stake as well as an offered Amateur hour stake, (either Shooting Dog or All Age, depending on host club/venue) for the Chicken, Quail, Pheasant, and Chukar Classics. These stakes would be run concurrently with each corresponding Classic. Many other breeds do this and have very good success. It is well known that many Gun Dogs sit idle for long periods at a time during the Fall when the Pros are entered at the Classics with no place to run their Gun Dogs. This affords the chance for these dogs to compete, the Pros to garner more of a paycheck and the inclusion of the Amateurs in the Classic venues. This ideology also adds four more hour stakes that shall count towards the Tri Tronics Shooting Dog Award, which has few places for dogs to garner hour points. If time is a factor then limit dogs to be run in All Age or the Shooting Dog and no dog may not be entered to run both ways.
3. ALL ABC reimbursed expenses over \$50.00 must be accompanied by a receipt.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Hendrickson

ABC Agenda Items

From Robin Tomasi

Action Item: 3 pt major at Brittany Field trial to finish FC or AFC

Since becoming Director, I have received requests from members to do away with the 3 pt major at a Brittany trial requirement. The recent survey sent out by the 2nd VP provides us with a tool to survey the membership to determine if this is the wish of the majority.

MOTION: Send survey via survey monkey and publish an alert in the magazine notifying members about the survey being sent out along with a hard copy for members without email addresses in magazine to poll current ABC members about removing the 3 pt major requirement. Members must be current full voting members, and only submit survey responses once. All surveys sent in from magazine must be signed or they will not be accepted.