



American Brittany Club, Inc.

CENTRAL QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: Bernie Crain

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: Missouri

Region: Central

St. of Residence: *Missouri*

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis:

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 46 yrs. With ABC? 46 yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? Yes

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials Shows Rescue

Hunt Tests Futurity Agility Obedience Tracking Breeder

Rally Legislation Other:

Field Trial Judge AKC Am Field Show Judge: Other:

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 51

What titles did these include? NFC, NAFC, DC, CH, FC, AFC, AF Ch, AF RuCh

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer Offices Held: President MO & Neosho Valley

Breeder Referral Event Chairman Event Sec. Event Committee

Which type of events? Field Trials Other? Futurity

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ABC Director Nat. FT Committee

Nat. Specialty Show Committee Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why? **Experience and love of the Brittany.**



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Kevin J. Shuba
7/15/2018

CANDIDATE: Ken Blackman

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: VOLUNTEER
Region: CENTRAL St. of Residence: TENNESSEE
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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis:

TN, AR, NE

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 20 yrs. With ABC? 20 yrs
Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? YES
Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials Shows Rescue
Hunt Tests Futurity Agility Obedience Tracking Breeder
Rally Legislation Other: _____

Field Trial Judge AKC Am Field Show Judge: Other: _____

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 4

What titles did these include? FC/AFC

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer Offices Held:

PRES, VP, SEC/TREAS

Breeder Referral Event Chairman Event Sec. Event Committee

Which type of events? Field Trials Other? _____

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ABC Director Nat. FT Committee

Nat. Specialty Show Committee Other Nat. Committees on which you have served: _____

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why?

1. WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS IN MAKING THE VOLUNTEER BRITTANY CLUB ACTIVE AFTER A NUMBER OF YEAR OF INACTIVITY.
2. I'm firmly committed in keeping the Brittany a dual dog.
3. With the EB (FRENCH BRITTANY) CLUB NOW RECOGNIZED BY THE AKC WE, AS THE ABC, MUST FORM A STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CLUB & DETERMINE HOW TO WORK WITH THEM TO SHARE EVENTS.



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CENTRAL QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: Gerald (Jerry) Giordano

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: Southwest Michigan Brittany Club

Region: **East Central** St. of Residence: **Michigan**

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis: *Michigan, Midwest US, East Coast US*

How many years have you been involved with Brittneys? 21 yrs. With ABC? 20 yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? Yes

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials X Shows X Rescue X

Hunt Tests X Futurity___ Agility___ Obedience___ Tracking ___ Breeder X

Rally___ Legislation___ Other:

Field Trial Judge X AKC___ Am Field___ Show Judge: ___ Other: FCI

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 7

What titles did these include? AKC JH, AKC SH, UKC TAN, UKC Total Dog Award, UKC CH

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer___ Offices Held:

Breeder Referral___ Event Chairman___ Event Sec. ___ Event Committee___

Which type of events? Field Trials - volunteer Other? Hunt test - volunteer

National Club Activities: ABC Officer___ ABC Director___ Nat. FT Committee___

Nat. Specialty Show Committee___ Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why?

I have International experience judging National Show & TAN (Test Aptitude Naturelle) in France (FCI rules/sanctioned events). I have ideas on how the ABC can model the FCI "confirmation to standard" process prior to field events. I am a proponent of the Dual Champion – I believe both show & field champions shall meet the breed standard & not a divergence of show & field lines. I am the President of the Epagneul Breton Club of America. I am a member of the EBCA National Field & Bench Event Committies. I also have administrative, financial, & legal experience as I have ran my own consulting firm with clients in the US & abroad for almost 20 years. I have 2 degrees from Purdue University & was a founding/charter member of the Epsilon Rho Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Order at Purdue & continue to advise undergraduate chapters as an alumnus & served as past President of their housing corporation. Married, 52 years young, 2 grown children, 2 grown stepchildren, & a grandson.



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EAST CENTRAL QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: Jack Alexander

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: Ohio, Niagara, PA, Pa Shooting Dog Club & Tri State Brittany
Region: East Central St. of Residence: **Ohio**

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis:

Ohio, Pa, KY, Ill, MI, Mo, Ne, & IA,

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 31 yrs. With ABC? 23 yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? yes

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials x Shows x Rescue

Hunt Tests x Futurity Agility Obedience Tracking x Breeder x

Rally Legislation Other: NAVHDA

Field Trial Judge X AKC X Am Field Show Judge: Other:

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? numerous

What titles did these include? FC/AFC JH,SH,

Reg4 AAA CH, ABC International OAA CH, ABC Pheasant CH, 2X Victorian CH

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer X Offices Held: VP Ohio Brittany Club , FT
Chairman , Secretary/Treasurer

Breeder Referral Event Chairman X Event Sec. X Event Committee X

Which type of events? Field Trials X Other?

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ABC Director Nat. FT Committee

Nat. Specialty Show Committee Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

Reg4 AAA FT Chairman, ABC International Championship FT Chairman, VP Ohio and Ohio FT Chairman

BOD and why What will be your strongest asset as a member of the?

I have a good longstanding history with the bird dog community. I can provide others with knowledge about the Field trials, Hunting, or training aspect . I wish to maintain the integrity and breed standard while striving to improve our breed , I believe in the Brittany's versatility. I am eager to provide support and assistance to all members, new and old, in hopes to re-establish and rejuvenate the birddog community.

I take pride in my successfully breeding program which produces calm, easily trained, Natural high quality birddogs. I have had birddogs all across the spectrum from house pet /family dog, to back yard hunting and handling off foot and horseback field trail in all stakes and am now attempting to learn/enjoy the showing aspect of the birddog community. I am always seeking to learn new training techniques from others and am willing to help others learn so they can enjoy this sport as much as I have.

I have worked with various groups throughout my life from the US Navy to 4H and many in between. I have also taken leadership Roles which included teaching Hunter safety courses , Snowmobile and ATV Safety Awareness Classes and Licensing, A Drug and Alcohol Counselor, And helped to developed the Mingo Sportsman Club ground into one of the best grounds East of the Mississippi All of this has taught me to look at the whole picture before reacting and how the decision will affect the group or persons involved as a whole not just for my own personal needs ...



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CENTRAL QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: Bruce R. Conover

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: **Northern Virginia Brittany Club**

Region: East Coast

St. of Residence: **Virginia**

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis:

Virginia; North Carolina; New Jersey

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? **36 yrs.** With ABC? **26 yrs.**

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? **Yes**

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials **XX** Shows ___ Rescue ___

Hunt Tests **XX** Futurity **XX** Agility ___ Obedience ___ Tracking ___ Breeder ___

Rally ___ Legislation ___ Other:

Field Trial Judge **XX** AKC **XX** Am Field **XX** Show Judge: ___ Other: ___

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? **13 Titles**

What titles did these include? **Open and Amateur Champions**

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club **Officer XX** Offices Held:

President - Rappahannock BC; Vice President - Northern Virginia BC;

Treasurer - Northern Virginia BC

Breeder Referral ___ Event Chairman **XX** Event Sec. ___ Event Committee ___

Which type of events? Field Trials **XX**; **Eastern Futurity** Other?

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ___ ABC Director ___ Nat. FT Committee ___

Nat. Specialty Show Committee ___ Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

East Coast Field Trial Dates Coordinator

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why?

An objective and impartial commitment to the dual dog and the growth of all Brittany-related ABC activities. Retired with over 43 years of leadership and senior level management experience, my Brittanys and associated activities now occupy a major portion of each and every one of my days. As a Regional Club Officer for most of 26 years I have been associated with the ABC, I have a thorough understanding of the importance of each of the varied interests of club members and the challenges with which they, their disciplines, and their clubs are confronted. I am a tireless worker who approaches obstacles and objectives with an open mind, intent upon achieving what's best for the group regardless of personal interest or affiliation. If elected to the BOD, the membership can expect my honest, selfless, and impartial appraisal of all matters before the Board and a decision which best serves the entire Brittany Community.



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EASTERN REGION QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: DARLENE DOW

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: The Brittany Club of Upper NY, Hudson Valley

Region: **East** St. of Residence: **New York**

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis: *ME, CT, NJ, NY, PA, MI, AR, IA, MA*

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? **20 yrs.** With ABC? **20 yrs**

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? **yes**

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials **XX** Shows **XX** Rescue **XX**

Hunt Tests **XX** Futurity **XX** Agility **XX** Obedience **XX** Tracking ____ Breeder **XX** Rally ____ Legislation **XX**

Other:

Field Trial Judge AKC **yes** Am Field **yes** Show Judge: ____ Other: ____

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? **20 +**

What titles did these include? FC/AFC/CH FDSB CH NGD placement JH CGC

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer **XX** Offices Held: VP, Treasurer, Secretary, FT Secretary

Breeder Referral ____ Event Chairman ____ Event Sec. **XX** Event Committee **XX**

Which type of events? Field Trials, Shows Other: **GDN Secretary & Reporter, ABC Grouse Woodcock CH**

Secretary, Regional Futurity Secretary 2 x

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ____ ABC Director **XX** Nat. FT Committee **XX**

Nat. Specialty Show Committee ____ Other Nat. Committees on which you have served: **Facebook,**

Nomination, Futurity, GDN secretary/reporter, Futurity regional secretary/reporter, ABC

Grouse/Woodcock CH, DNA Committee, Policy Book

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why? **Having extensive and diverse experience is what makes me the ideal candidate for East Region Director. I am willing to hear from ABC members to discuss their concerns. I listened and advocated for moving the dates of the National Specialty show and starting a DNA process. I have been and will continue to be a staunch advocate in my representation of the East Coast members. I hope to continue to serve on the board with a focus of the Brittany as a dual dog.**

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MIDWEST QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: MARY KARBINER

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: LONE STAR (Gtr Milw since 75)
Region: Midwest St. of Residence: **Texas**
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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis:

Texas, Okla, Kansas Nebraska & Arkansas

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 40+ yrs.

With ABC? 40+ yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? YES ___

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials Shows ___ Rescue ___

Hunt Tests ___ Futurity Agility ___ Obedience ___ Tracking ___ Breeder

Rally ___ Legislation ___ Other: ___

Field Trial Judge yes ___ AKC ___ yes ___ Am Field ___ Show Judge: ___ Other: ___

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 3 Dual Champs

What titles did these include? FC AFC CH

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer Offices Held:

Secy/Treasurer, FT Chair

Breeder Referral Event Chairman Event Sec. Event Committee

Which type of events? Field Trials yes ___ Other? Local shows ___

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ___ ABC Director yes ___ Nat. FT Committee ___

Nat. Specialty Show Committee ___ Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

National Committees I have served on: Auction/Fund Raising since inception,

Reporter Nat'l Champs. & US Open, Long Range Planning, Policy Book, Book of 90-2010,s,

Finance Comm. since inception, Nomination, magazine proofing, Statistics Comm. since 2005.

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why?

Dedication and Experience regarding the future of the American Brittany Club



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MIDWEST QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: THOMAS LONGFELLOW

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: Alamo

Region: Midwest

St. of Residence: *Texas*

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis: *Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and Nebraska*

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 44_yrs. With ABC? 42_yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? Yes_X__

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials X____ Shows_X Rescue__

Hunt Tests X_ Futurity_X__ Agility____ Obedience____ Tracking ____ Breeder_X__

Rally____ Legislation__ Other:

Field Trial Judge _X_AKC__ Am Field____ Show Judge: ____ Other: ____

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 16

What titles did these include? 10 Show Champions, 3 Amateur Field Champions, 2 Field Champions and One Very special Dual Champion

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer__X Offices Held: Carter Member of the Waco Brittany Club AKA Bluebonnet Brittany Club President, Secretary/Treasurer

Field Trial Chairman

Breeder Referral____ Event Chairman_X_ Event Sec. _X_ Event Committee__X

Which type of events? Field Trials Other?

National Club Activities: ABC Officer____ ABC Director____ Nat. FT Committee____

Nat. Specialty Show Committee____ Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why? **Years of participation in Breeding, Showing, Field Trialing as well as judging both Field Trials and Hunt Tests has given me a great appreciation of the versatility of the bred. I would hope that I could encourage Show folks to attend Field activities Field Trial people to attend shows. No one side trumps the other. We need to try to breed to the standard while insuring that First we have a bird dog, Second one that meets the standards and Third one that has the heart and desire to trial.. Most importantly, I would encourage all the owners, weather they show, trial, rally or participate in obedience to meet and have fun with other Brittany aficionados.**



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WEST QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: Jacqui Campbell

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: Washington Brittany Club, Oregon Brittany Club, California Brittany Club

Region: **West** St. of Residence: **Washington**

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis: *WA, OR, CA, ID, MT, AR, AK, UT and MA*

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 10 yrs. With ABC? 10 yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? Yes

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials X Shows X Rescue Hunt Tests X

Futurity X Agility Obedience X Tracking Breeder X Rally X Legislation Other:

Field Trial Judge AKC Am Field Show Judge: Other:

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 16

What titles did these include? DC, FC, CH, GCH, GCHB, GCHS, GCHG, BCAT, JH, CGC

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer X Offices Held: 3rd VP of Membership (OBC),

Appointed Director (WBC) Breeder Referral Event Chairman Event Sec. X Event Committee X

Which type of events? Field Trials X Other?

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ABC Director Nat. FT Committee

Nat. Specialty Show Committee X Other Nat. Committees on which you have served:

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why?

My strongest asset will be communication with the membership (current, expired and potential new members) if selected to be a member of the Board of Directors. This past year I have had the privilege of being on the National membership committee and seeing firsthand how providing our membership, especially our recently expired members and taking the time to reach out to potential new members who attend events or reach out for more information about not only ABC but their local regional clubs, has allowed our membership to grow, our members to stay better informed thus making them feel that they have a voice in what is being proposed at the national level for our breed and to have a feeling of being more included in their club(s). If appointed to the BOD, I will continue to provide open communication to ensure openness and inclusion within our membership. By taking the approach of having open communication, I will be able to provide needed information regularly through newsletters/emails and visits when possible to regional clubs as I travel to events that I compete in with my dogs. I also feel that my ability to communicate with the membership will help to ensure that we are all striving for the same end goal of breeding for quality dual champion Brittanys, which is the foundation of what has made our national and regional clubs successful. As someone who competes in all areas of our sport—field, show and performance—I have seen how we all need to come together and have open communication, respect for each other and our different opinions about our areas to ensure our success as a breed for future generations to come without losing our focus by skewing towards one performance area over another.



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WESTERN QUESTIONNAIRE

CANDIDATE: *Jim Hammett*

Regional Club(s) Affiliation: *Oregon, Whid Isle, Inland Empire, and Washington Brittany Clubs*

Region: *Western* St. of Residence: *Oregon*

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I attend Brittany events in the following states on a regular basis: *Oregon, California, Nevada, Washington, Idaho, and Arkansas*

How many years have you been involved with Brittanys? 15 yrs. With ABC? 13 yrs

Will you be willing to attend the ABC BOD meeting in Nov. In Booneville? Yes

Check activities in which you have participated: Field Trials X Shows ___ Rescue ___ Hunt Tests X
Futurity X Agility ___ Obedience ___ Tracking ___ Breeder X Rally ___ Legislation ___ Other:

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Field Trial Judge X AKC X Am Field X Show Judge: ___ Other: ___

How many championship or other titles have your dogs earned? 9

What titles did these include? AFC, FC, All Age Futurity Winner, NW All-Age DOY.

Regional Club Activities (please check) Club Officer X Offices Held: VP, Field Activities

Breeder Referral ___ Event Chairman X Event Sec. X Event Committee X

Which type of events? Field Trials X Other?

National Club Activities: ABC Officer ___ ABC Director ___ Nat. FT Committee X

Nat. Specialty Show Committee ___ Other Nat. Committees on which you have served: New Grounds

What will be your strongest asset as a member of the BOD and why?

I've served on numerous boards and committees in my career and understand the importance of listening and understanding other's perspectives. I also appreciate the need to make decisions and get past debate once perspectives have been heard.

As a retired federal land manager, I've advocated for regional clubs that are using federal land for trials. In the face of increasing restrictions, we've been successful retaining grounds on terms favorable to our clubs. Retaining field trial grounds will continue to be an issue both at the regional and national level. I have learned much in the last 10 years and think I can be an asset with this aspect.

The western region is the largest of the five ABC regions, both in terms of geography and numbers of members. Many of the ABC decisions made at a national level have an impact on our members, whether that is location of national events, or other aspects that are of western concern. One of my primary objectives would be to ensure that the concerns of the west are represented, well-articulated, and understood before any decision is made that affects us. If elected, I will represent the interests of the western region, not my own.

I believe that the Brittany is first and foremost a bird dog. I average over 50 days hunting with my Brittanys each year. I've recognized for a long time that demographic changes do not favor field trialing, yet it is very important for the Brittany breed to figure out ways to continue field events to "keep the hunt in the Brittany."

Finally, I believe strongly in the dual-dog concept of ABC and believe it needs to be enhanced in a positive manner through greater recognition and awards for dogs that excel in both the show ring and the field.