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— *An update from Domenick Muoio*

The much-anticipated September issue has arrived, and you will find included in this publishing the American Field Hall of Fame voting instructions. As always, each household has two votes for *Person* and *Dog*. Last year, the voting process went very smoothly and was well received, so the process has remained the same. You will find the web address of the online ballot process in this issue (page 33), as well as a QR code. To get to the ballot, you may either type the web address into the browser on a laptop, desktop, or smart device, and it will direct you straight to the ballot. You may also use the camera on your smart device to scan the QR code, which should prompt you to follow the hyperlink on your device to complete the form.

Once you arrive at the form, you will be prompted to confirm your subscription status, and then you will find a list of all nominated parties listed twice each. Since each household is allowed two votes, you may select both instances of one name or select two different names. If the individual or dog you wish to vote for is not listed, there is also a write-in vote option.

In the shadow of the voting process, this issue also includes all the titles of individuals who will be on this year's Election Committee. If you were involved in the change (incoming or outgoing) of any listed titles, please let us know to ensure Election Committee ballots go to the correct individuals in October. Please also let us know if there were any issues with your Election Committee ballot last year (i.e., if it was forwarded to you or if there were any issues in the timeliness of your receiving it).

Good luck to all the nominees!

If you have any questions or need help, the UKC Hunting Ops office is available to you via email at HuntingOps@ukcdogs.com or reach us by phone at (269) 343-9020 [select Option #2 from the phone menu for Hunting Ops to avoid any delays].

— *Domenick Muoio*

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National Champion



MILLER'S BLINDSIDER

Nick Berrong, Owner | Jamie Daniels, Handler | Fran & Jack Miller, Breeders

[Photo by Chris Mathan]

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On The Prairie

Photo taken at the 2019 United States Chicken Championship by Chris Mathan.

THE SEASON IN REVIEW

Another Look at Winners of Major Circuit Stakes for the 2022-2023 Season

MAJOR CIRCUIT ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

ALABAMA OPEN ALL-AGE Blue Mountain, Miss., February 4

Judges: Jon Lam and Joey McAlexander
24 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-TOUCH'S FIRE AWAY, 1679602, pointer male, by House's Ring of Fire-Touch's Maswood Anne. Greg & Carmen Adams, owners; Randy Anderson, handler.

Runner-Up-HANEY'S STORM WARNING, 1691416, pointer male, by Valiant-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, Sr. & Chris Cagle Jr., owners; Chris Cagle Jr., handler.

ALL-AMERICA DERBY Cutler, Ill., March 10

Judges: Justin Hunt and Jason Williams
17 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-GAME SURGE, 1700091, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-Game Maggie. Dr. Fred Corder, owner; Ike Todd, handler.

Runner-Up-NIGHTHAWK'S REBEL, 1701213, pointer male, by Touch's Red Rider-Tee's Funseekin Belle. Rick Leverich & Sheree Lucero, owners; Tracy Swearingen, handler.

ALL-AMERICA QUAIL Cutler, Ill., March 10

Judges: Justin Hunt and Jason Williams
18 Pointers

Winner-PHILLIPS LINEBACKER, 1695679, pointer male, by Phillips Off Line-Phillips Silver Lady. Nathan Phillips & Orrin Ingram, owners; Nathan Phillips, handler.

Runner-Up-MILLER'S KING POAST, 1702090, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-R W Susie Q. Jannie Chapman, owner; Gary Lester, handler.

AMERICAN DERBY INVITATIONAL Grovespring, Mo., March 29

Judges: Ronnie Beane and Kevin Beane
11 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-HANEY'S ALL IN, 1698756, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner; Ike Todd, handler.

CALIFORNIA BIRD DOG

California City, Calif., January 9 — One Course
Judges: Patrick Carson and Todd Yamamoto
5 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-HORIZON'S AMERICUS, 1674850, setter female, by Audubon Americus-Gertrude. Terry Erickson, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-SKYDANCER'S DEAL MAKER, 1692556, setter male, by Skydancer Triple Nickel-Skydancer Pirates Emerald. Tom Griffin, owner and handler.

CALIFORNIA QUAIL

Reno, Nev., April 23

Judges: Jimmy Wallace and Jarry Walton
38 Entries

Winner-TOUCH'S FIRE AWAY, 1679602, pointer male, by House's Ring of Fire-Touch's Maswood Anne. Greg & Carmen Adams, owners; Randy Anderson, handler.

Runner-Up-TOUCH'S COCAINE BLUES, 1697541, pointer male, by House's Ring of Fire-Touch's Lemon Drop. Matt Griffith, owner; Randy Anderson, handler.

CASCADE

Payette, Idaho, April 5

Judges: Tom Griffin and William Owen

14 Pointers, 9 Setters, and 1 German Shorthair
Winner-HIGHGROUND TOBY, 1688620, setter male, by Highground Tonka-Lying Eyes. Lori Steinshouer & Jeff Gilbertson, owners; Lori Steinshouer, handler.

Runner-Up-HIGHGROUND GIDGET, 1687282, setter female, by Highground Tonka-Lying Eyes. Lynn & Teresa Stinson, owners; Lori Steinshouer, handler.

CONTINENTAL DERBY

Greenville, Fla., January 16

Judges: Larry Childers and Mike Jackson
23 Pointers

Winner-NIGHTHAWK'S REBEL, 1701213, pointer male, by Touch's Red Rider-Tee's Funseekin Belle. Rick Leverich & Sheree Lucero, owners; Tracy Swearingen, handler.

Runner-Up-HANEY'S ALL IN, 1698756, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle Sr. & Chris Cagle Jr., owners; Mark McLean, handler.

CONTINENTAL

Greenville, Fla., January 18

Judges: Kirk Law and Kent Patterson
36 Pointers and 6 Setters

Winner-LESTER'S STORM SURGE, 1681624, pointer male, by Ransom-Beane's Line Dancer. Tommy & Bonnie Hamilton, owners; Gary Lester, handler.

Runner-Up-ERIN'S HIGH NOTE, 1696464, pointer male, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Erin's Quickmarksman's Mae. Mike Moses, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.

GEORGIA DERBY

Waynesboro, Ga., January 2

Judges: Horace Early and George Kimbrell
26 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-RESTER'S CAJUN SPIRIT, 1695796, pointer male, by Miller's Blindsider-Rester's Amazing Grace. Allen Linder, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.

Runner-Up-HANEY'S ALL IN, 1698756, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner; Ike Todd, handler.

GEORGIA QUAIL

Waynesboro, Ga., January 2

Judges: Horace Earley and George Kimbrell
34 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-CONFIDENT NATION, 1684546, pointer male, by True Confidence-Southern Songbird. Scott Jordan, owner; Luke Eisenhart, handler.

Runner-Up-MILLER'S BLINDSIDER, 1674983, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Nick Berrong, owner; Jamie Daniels, handler.

INTERNATIONAL PHEASANT

Berea, Ky., October 14

Judges: Ross Leonard and Scott Little
18 Pointers and 1 Irish Setter

Winner-LESTER'S STORM CHASER, 1697205, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-R W Susie Q. Jannie Chapman, owner; Gary Lester, handler.

Runner-Up-GAME HEIR, 1691409, pointer male, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Game Snow. Dr. Fred Corder, owner and handler.

KENTUCKY

Berea, Ky., October 12

Judges: Ronnie Rogers and David Steele
13 Pointers

Winner-PENDY'S GOOD GRACE, 1664858, pointer female, by Reloaded-Dialed In. Matt Pendergest, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-BROKEN HALO, 1675665, pointer male, by Whippoorwill Wild Agin-Docheno Chad Smith's Mae. Phil Stevenson, owner and handler.

MASTERS OPEN QUAIL (Southern Club) Albany, Ga., March 6

Judges: Dr. Fred Corder and Mike Lemons
33 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S BLINDSIDER, 1674983, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Nick Berrong, owner; Jamie Daniels, handler.

Runner-Up-SHADOW'S LORD MAGIC, 1668301, pointer male, by In The Shadow-Hello Kitty. Carl Bowman, owner; Luke Eisenhart, handler.

MISSOURI

Grovespring, Mo., March 20

Judges: Perry Lacy and Gary McKibben
34 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S BLINDSIDER, 1674983, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Nick Berrong, owner; Jamie Daniels, handler.

Runner-Up-MILLER'S HEAT ADVISORY, 1685672, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Terry Graunke, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Grand Junction, Tenn., February 13

**Judges: Jadie Rayfield, Tom Shenker,
and Dr. Stan Wint**
28 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner—MILLER'S BLINDSIDER, 1674983, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Nick Berrong, owner; Jamie Daniels, handler.

NATIONAL CHUKAR

Frenchglen, Ore., October 25

Judges: Eric Mauck and William Owen

9 Pointers and 11 Setters

Winner-MAUCK'S WYEAST OWYHEE JACK, 1676973, setter male, by Tekoa Mountain Patriot-San Jac's Gypsy. Steve B. Croy, owner; Alex Mauck, handler.

Runner-Up-MAUCK'S WYEAST AJAY, 1694269, setter female, by P W Sunrise-Lee Ann's Sassy. Alex Mauck, owner and handler.

NATIONAL DERBY

Greensboro, Ala., January 27 – One Course

Judges: David Russell and Stegan Smith

14 Pointers

Winner-HANEY'S SILVER DOLLAR, 1698758, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner; Ike Todd, handler.

Runner-Up-SOUTHERN THUNDER, 1695471, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-Bryson's Dialing On Line. Chris Campbell, owner; Tom Shenker, handler.

NATIONAL FREE-FOR-ALL

Greensboro, Ala., December 5

Judges: Hamilton Lee and Squire Lee

25 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-TOUCH'S SHADOW RIDER, 1697543, pointer male, by Touch's Smooth Rider-Touch's Gold Dance. Bruce & Karen Norton & Dr. Reuben Richardson, owners; Mark McLean, handler.

NATIONAL PHEASANT

Berea, Ky., October 16

Judges: Mike Jackson and William Smith

15 Pointers and 1 Irish Setter

Winner-LESTER'S SHOCKWAVE, 1681623, pointer male, by Ransom-Beane's Line Dancer. Tommy & Bonnie Hamilton, owners; Gary Lester, handler.

Runner-Up-KNIGHT'S LITTLE JOHN, 1697531, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-Bonner's Platinum Doll. Scott Griffin, owner; Gary Lester, handler.

NORTH CAROLINA QUAIL

Hoffman, N. C., March 19

Judges: Larry Cox and Steve Mills

31 Pointers and 7 Setters

Winner-ERIN'S WILD ATLANTIC WAY, 1684809, setter male, by Erin's Hidden Shamrock-T T's Southern Miss. Sean Derrig, owner; Luke Eisenhart, handler.

Runner-Up-AUCILLA JIM, 1696459, pointer male, by Rebel's Last Straw-Just Irresistible Pearl. Gene & Reed Brown, owners; Mark McLean, handler.

NORTHWEST CHUKAR

Payette, Idaho, October 17

Judges: William Owen and Jeremy Skousen

11 Pointers and 9 Setters

Winner-TOUCH'S AMAZING GREYCE, 1693629, pointer female, by Touch's Grey Street-Intentional. Austin Turley, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-B K DAMASCUS SURESHOT, 1671685, pointer female, by Wiggins Elhew Damascus-Wiggins Miss Tres. Sergio Velez, owner and handler.

OKLAHOMA

Inola, Okla., October 22

Judges: Mike Griffin and Eddie Smith

26 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-LOWRIDER FRANK, 1650933, pointer male, by Miller's Happy Jack-Fairchase Jiggs. Dr. Jim Mills & Steve Lightle, owners; Allen Vincent, handler.

Runner-Up-BONNER'S BULLETPROOF, 1683585, pointer male, by Miller's Speed Dial-Miller's Martha White. Chris Cornman, owner; Randy Anderson, handler.

PACIFIC COAST

Maupin, Ore., March 22

Judges: Mick Cheshire and Dan Hoke

17 Pointers, 4 Setters, and 1 German Shorthair

Winner-BOONEVILLE EXPLORER, 1686784, pointer male, by Gotta Little Project-Brown's Lucky Pearl. Mark Cuneo, owner; Sean Kelly, handler.

Runner-Up-HIGHGROUND GIDGET, 1687282, setter female, by Highground Tonka-Lying Eyes. Lynn Stinson, owner; Lori Steinshouer, handler.

PACIFIC COAST DERBY

Reno, Nev., April 17

Judges: Jim Ledington and Jared Tappero

14 Pointers, 1 Setter, and 1 German Shorthair

Winner-RAMBLIN RIVERS UNPLUGGED, 1698585, pointer female, by Miller's Blindsider-Wells Southern Charm. Bill Stapleton, owner; Brian Gingrich, handler.

Runner-Up-HANEY'S SILVER DOLLAR, 1698758, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner and handler.

QUAIL CHAMPIONSHIP INVITATIONAL

Kevil, Ky., November 27

Judges: David Johnson and Michael Kennedy

10 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-HANEY'S STORM WARNING, 1691416, pointer male, by Valiant-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-WOODVILLE'S YUKON CORNELIUS, 1673091, setter male, by Caladen's Davinci-A Tarheel Miss Bo. Carl Owens, owner; Mark McLean, handler.

SOUTHEASTERN

Sasser, Ga., March 14

Judges: Gary Hill and Charles Morton

31 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S HEAT ADVISORY, 1685672, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Terry Graunke, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.

Runner-Up-TOUCH'S MIDNIGHT RIDER, 1697542, pointer male, by Touch's Smooth Rider-Touch's Gold Dance. John D. Milton Jr., owner; Mark McLean, handler.

SOUTHERN

Holly Springs, Miss., January 23

Judges: Brad Kennedy and Dennis Sneed

43 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-HENDRIX'S TOUCH UP, 1681400, pointer male, by Pleasant Run Bob-House's Wild Bess Again. Burke & Guy Hendrix, owners; Burke Hendrix, handler.

Runner-Up-COLDWATER ODYSSEY, 1669589, pointer male, by Coldwater Warrior-Tibbs Avatar. Debbie & Andy Agnew, owners; Weldon Bennett, handler.

TAR HEEL

Hoffman, N. C., October 21

Judges: Tony Bingham and Tim Ruff

26 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-ERIN'S CODE OF HONOR, 1696057, pointer male, by Erin's Redrum-Erin's Miss Maggie. Allen Linder, owner; Luke Eisenhart, handler.

Runner-Up-ERIN'S WILD ATLANTIC WAY, 1684809, setter male, by Erin's Hidden Shamrock-T T's Southern Miss. Sean Derrig, owner; Luke Eisenhart, handler.

UNITED STATES OPEN

Greensboro, Ala., December 3

Judges: Johnny Atkinson and Ray Joye

26 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-TOUCH'S MALCOLM STORY, 1675103, pointer male, by Touch's Knight Rider-Blackhawk's Sunflower. Alex Rickert, owner; Mark McLean, handler.

Runner-Up-WOODVILLE'S YUKON CORNELIUS, 1673091, setter male, by Caladen's Davinci-A Tarheel Miss Bo. Carl Owens, owner; Mark McLean, handler.

WESTERN (Bay Area Bird Dog Club)

Reno, Nev., April 20

Judges: Chris Perkins and Jimmy Wallace

21 Pointers, 10 Setters, and 3 German Shorthairs

Winner-KELLY'S I B BUTLER, 1675374, pointer male, by Kelly's Rebel Louie-Wells Fargo First Lady. Sean Kelly, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-B M B'S FREE RIDE, 1660979, German Shorthair male, by Kimber Tactical-Time To Pay The Piper. Brandon Blum, owner and handler.

LEADING AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

NATIONAL AMATEUR DERBY

Greenville, Fla., March 5

Judges: Joe Rentz and Trish Rentz

29 Pointers

Winner-HANEY'S ALL IN, 1698756, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-RESTER'S JOHNNY RINGO, 1695797, pointer male, by Miller's Blindsider-Rester's Amazing Grace. Cecil Rester, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR FREE-FOR-ALL

Union Springs, Ala., February 22

Judges: George Kimbrell and Brian Spear

65 Pointers and 8 Setters

Winner-ONE DAY QUEEN BEE, 1684579, pointer female, by Heard Hill's Memory Lane-Dubose's Snow White. Lane Hodges, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-OSCEOLA'S REBEL CHIEF, 1682755, pointer male, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Hilltopper Debutante. Ted Roach, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHUKAR

Reno, Nev., April 15

Judges: Brian Gingrich and Jim Rose

21 Pointers, 6 Setters, and 1 German Shorthair

Winner-ROCKING J'S AMY, 1676205, pointer female, by Smaks Lemon Express-Cache Creek's Most Wanted. Jarry Walton, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-BOONEVILLE EXPLORER, 1686784, pointer male, by Gotta Little Project-Brown's Lucky Pearl. Mark Cuneo, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR PHEASANT

Berea, Ky., November 11

Judges: Scott Kermicle and Chris Sellers

16 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-PENDY'S GOOD GRACE, 1664858, pointer female, by Reloaded-Dialed In. Matt Pendergest, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-ERIN'S SOUTHERN COMFORT, 1693833, pointer male, by Erin's Lone Star Law-Erin's Irresistible Jane. Sean Patrick Derrig & Sean Derrig, owners; Sean Patrick Derrig, handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL

Grand Junction, Tenn., December 5

Judges: Kirk Law and Tom Shenker

12 Pointers

Winner-MISTY MORN MASKED MAN, 1667341, pointer male, by Miller's Dialing In-Mac's Inspiration. Joey McAlexander, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-DIALED IN, 1655274, pointer female, by Miller's Dialing In-Rester's Zumba Girl. Jim Pendergest, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR QUAIL

Greenville, Fla., February 27

Judges: Jarrett Bell and Jeff G. Gibbons

37 Pointers

Winner-ERIN'S CODE OF HONOR, 1696057, pointer male, by Erin's Redrum-Erin's Miss Maggie. Sean Derrig, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-TOUCH'S BLUE KNIGHT, 1680548, pointer male, by Touch's Knight Rider-Touch's Maswood Anne. Woody Watson, owner and handler.

MAJOR CIRCUIT SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

ALABAMA

Union Springs, Ala., November 15

Judges: Harrison Lee and Keith St. John

54 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-MILLER'S EXTREME HEAT, 1685698, pointer female, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Joe McHugh, owner; Mike Tracy, handler.

Runner-Up-CHARITABLE DEED, 1658659, pointer female, by Three Rivers-B W Molly. Keith Finlayson, owner; Tommy Rice, handler.

ARIZONA

California City, Calif., January 11

Judges: Warren Esserman and Greg Knight

7 Pointers, 3 Setters, and 8 German Shorthairs

Winner-AUNT TROJI'S DIRTY NIKE, 1668620, German Shorthair female, by Hardcore High N Tight-Dcr's White Sky. Larry Metter, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-TUCALOTA'S REBEL RUSH, 1662661, pointer male, by White Powder Grip-Rivertons Funseeker Riley. Ed Mayhew, owner and handler.

ARKANSAS

Conway, Ark., December 1

Judges: John Van Horn and Steve Messick

52 Entries

Winner-WIND RIDGE SUGAR PLUM, 1687356, pointer female, by Westfall's Ice Breaker-Gin Creek Garnet. Eugene J. Sprota, Jr., owner; Eddy Taylor, handler.

Runner-Up-UPFRONT'S SOUTHERN STAR, 1662579, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Lance Schulz, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

ATLANTIC COAST

Hoffman, N. C., January 24

Judges: Jeff Haggis and Gene Hogge

35 Pointers and 5 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S HIGH HEAT INDEX, 1685674, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Stanton Harrell & Casey Hollander, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.

Runner-Up-FAITHFUL, 1684597, pointer female, by Waybetter Rocky-Steel City Karen. Susan & Roger Duerksen, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.

BIG SKY CHAMPIONSHIP

Winnett, Mont., April 30

Judges: Darrell Curtis and Alex Rickert

27 Entries

Winner-C K GUY'S LIGHT MY FIRE, 1686285, Vizsla female, by C K Touchdown Guy-Ck Countryside Lizzy's On Fire. Cody Engebretson, owner; Brian Gingrich, handler.

Runner-Up-COSTAS, 1698042, pointer male, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Searchin For A Rainbow. Gordon Jones, owner; Mike Robbins, handler.

EASTERN

South Hill, Va., February 27 – One Course

Judges: Lacey King and Ashby Morgan

14 Pointers and 5 Setters

Winner-HARBOR CITY SURE SHOT, 1668549, pointer female, by R J's Long Shot-Harbor City Sugar. Richard Gillis & Karen M. Lordi, owners; Matt Basilone, handler.

Runner-Up-LIMBSMOKE URBAN LULLABY, 1688113, pointer female, by Urban Fantasy-Diane Lane. Lloyd Miller, owner; Matt Basilone, handler.

EGYPTIAN

Pinckneyville, Ill., April 4

Judges: Kelli Aitken and Jim Lawless

30 Pointers

Winner-WIND RIDGE SUGAR PLUM, 1687356, pointer female, by Westfall's Ice Breaker-Gin Creek Garnet. Eugene J. Sprota Jr., owner; Eddy Taylor, handler.

Runner-Up-GAME SPORT, 1673797, pointer male, by Cole Train-Game Bee. Bart Hicklin, owner; Harold Gearhart, handler.

GARDEN STATE

Lacey Twp, N. J., October 24 – One Course

Judges: John Malone and Jim Thomas

38 Pointers and 5 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S HIGH HEAT INDEX, 1685674, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Casey Hollander & Stanton Harrell, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.

Runner-Up-R Q'S SADDLE, 1680847, pointer male, by Waybetter Rocky-Ladywood's Keepsake. Ted Foust & Muriel Primm, owners; Jeanette Tracy, handler.

GEORGIA

Waynesboro, Ga., January 11

Judges: David Huffine and Whitley Stephenson

42 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-MILLER'S SOUTHERN GOSSIP, 1690150, pointer female, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Erin's Little Rose. Allen Linder, owner; George Tracy, handler.

Runner-Up-I'M SPARTACUS, 1695668, pointer male, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Miller's Special Edition. Jett Ferebee, owner; Doug Ray, handler.

GULF COAST

Union Springs, Ala., November 28

Judges: Will Dunn and Sean Hauser

73 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-REEDY CREEK DIAL TONE, 1673570, pointer male, by Miller's Dialing In-White Diamond Sally. Joe McHugh, owner; Mike Tracy, handler.

Runner-Up-BULLY ROCK, 1674970, pointer male, by Bully Bragg-Bullerina. William & Muriel Primm & Karen & Erwin Saniga, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.

IDAHO

American Falls, Idaho, September 18

Judges: Richard Burgi and Tom Griffin

20 Pointers, 7 Setters, 1 German Shorthair, and 4 Vizslas

Winner-EDGE'S HIDDEN CANYON, 1691532, pointer male, by Edelman-T's Inlieu of Rum. Mike Robbins, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-PERKINS ELHEW RIVER RAIL, 1687352, pointer female, by Elhew Riverman-T Rail. Christopher Perkins, owner and handler.

ILLINOIS

Chandlerville, Ill., February 28

Judges: Eddie Berendzen and Nathan Berendzen

17 Pointers

Winner-TOPP'S FIRST J R, 1672426, pointer male, by Merrihill's Bravo-Aaron's Mae Be Good. Luke & Ria Topp, owners; Harold Gearhart, handler.

Runner-Up-LAWLESS SPECK, 1681205, pointer male, by Touch's Smooth Rider-Three Stripe's Fireball. Jim Lawless, owner and handler.

INTERNATIONAL ENDURANCE

Conway, Ark., November 18

Judges: Jon Davis and Steve Messick

23 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-UPFRONT'S SOUTHERN STAR, 1662579, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Lance Schulz, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

Runner-Up-SILVER W JILL Z, 1682062, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Debbie Ozner, owner and handler.

KENTUCKY

Berea, Ky., November 1

Judges: Matt Pendergest and Bill Vest

6 Pointers, 3 Setters and 3 Irish Setters

Winner-CASEY CREEK CRYSTAL ICE, 1676908, pointer female, by Casey Creek Icy Hot-Charlie's Dream Girl. Buster & Pam Tucker, owners; Buster Tucker, handler.

Runner-Up-BLUE EYE DREAMER, 1674780, pointer female, by Casey Creek Icy Hot-Charlie's Dream Girl. Charles Turner, owner and handler.

MASTERS (Southern Club)

Albany, Ga., March 1

Judges: Derek Bonner and Chris Peek

63 Pointers and 6 Setters

Winner-NONAMI'S JOHNNY COME LATELY, 1694190, pointer male, by Ransom-Pinewood's Jenny Bell. R. E. Turner, owner; Ray Pearce, handler.

Runner-Up-ERIN'S THREE LEAF SHAMROCK, 1669152, setter male, by Erin's Hidden Shamrock-Northwoods Chardonmay. S. Tucker Johnson, owner; Tracy Swearingen, handler.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC

Lacey Township, N. J., October 15 – One Course
Judges: Roger Dvorak and Lane Hodges
43 Pointers and 5 Setters

Winner-HARBOR CITY SURE SHOT, 1668549, pointer female, by R J's Long Shot-Harbor City Sugar. Richard Gillis & Karen M. Lordi, owners; Matt Basilone, handler.
Runner-Up-HILLHAVYN'S WILD CHILD, 1673693, pointer female, by Wild Sky-Hillhavyn's Showgirl. Joe McHugh, owner; Jeanette Tracy, handler.

MIDWEST

Elk City, Kan., March 17
Judges: Dennis Hidalgo and Lynn Oxendine
30 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-THUNDER BOLT'S STORM, 1684304, pointer female, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Lacey Underall. Dr. Tom Jackson, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.
Runner-Up-UPFRONT'S SOUTHERN STAR, 1662579, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Lance Schulz, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

MISSISSIPPI

Holly Springs, Miss., January 13
Judges: Daniel Bolden and Gary McKibben
23 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-UPFRONT'S SOUTHERN STAR, 1662579, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Lance Schulz, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.
Runner-Up-CHELSEA'S MAE WEST, 1686810, pointer female, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Chelsea's Southern Chic. Ron Prewitt & Brad Sadler, owners; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

MISSOURI

Grovespring, Mo., March 9
Judges: Bob Bakus and Danny Draffen
33 Entries

Winner-TOUCH'S BIG WHISKEY, 1669605, pointer male, by House's Ring of Fire-Touch's Whippoorwill Road. Dr. Richard Steckley & John C. Stretz, owners; Chuck Stretz, handler.
Runner-Up-ERIN'S THUNDER BACKUS, 1692320, pointer male, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Erin's Bet On Me. Dr. Tom Jackson & Jerry Moisson, owners; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

NATIONAL CHUKAR

Frenchglen, Ore., October 22
Judges: Jared Tappero and Jarry Walton
9 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-S B ALWAYS DREAMIN, 1679868, pointer female, by Rivertons Funseek'n Scooter-Touch's J Class. William Owen, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-HORIZON'S BEA, 1685955, setter female, by Northwoods Charles-Gertrude. Terry Erickson, owner and handler.

NATIONAL PHEASANT

Bloomington, Ohio, September 24 – One Course
Judges: Sean Hauser and Jadie Rayfield
76 Pointers and 8 Setters

Winner-WAYBETTER ROCKY, 1652783, pointer male, by Brown's Tom Tom-Waybetter Reba. Carl, Joyce & Collin Bishop, Muriel & Bill Primm, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.
Runner-Up-MILLER'S HEAT SEEKER, 1674886, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Dennis Hood, Bill & Muriel Primm, owners; George Tracy, handler.

NATIONAL PRAIRIE CHICKEN

Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., September 26
Judges: Lee Long and Dennis Sneed
24 Entries

Winner-CONFIDENT NATION, 1684546, pointer male, by True Confidence-Southern Songbird. Scott Jordan, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-B G K'S LUKE, 1690405, pointer male, Dunn's Tried'n True-The White Pearl. Jarrett Bell, owner and handler.

NATIONAL SHOOTING DOG

Union Springs, Ala., January 30
Judges: Elton Bray, Jonathan Burch,
and Squire Lee
54 Pointers and 10 Setters

Winner-C S CODE BLUE, 1692316, pointer male, by Sundance Kid-House's Snow White. Tony & Becky Gibson, owners; Steve Hurdle, handler.

NEW ENGLAND

East Windsor, Conn., April 24 – One Course
Judges: Jeff Smith and Jason Smit
50 Pointers and 6 Setters

Winner-ABSOLUTE DOMINATOR, 1686566, pointer male, by Erin's Redrum-Pearl Again. Johnny & Joyce Taylor, owners; Doug Ray, handler.
Runner-Up-MILLER'S SOUTHERN GOSSIP, 1690150, pointer female, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Erin's Little Rose. Allen R. Linder, owner; George Tracy, handler.

NORTH CAROLINA

Hoffman, N. C., December 12
Judges: Grayson Francis and George Kimbrell
33 Pointers and 12 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S HIGH HEAT INDEX, 1685674, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Casey Hollander & Stanton Harrell, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.
Runner-Up-TWO SPOT TOMMY, 1690417, pointer male, by Zip Tye-Cedar Ridge Shopper. Jett Ferebee, owner; Doug Ray, handler.

NORTHEASTERN

East Windsor, Conn., October 10 – One Course
Judges: Tom Stargell and Tom Tracy
40 Pointers and 5 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S HEAT SEEKER, 1674886, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. William & Muriel Primm, Dennis Hood, Fran & Jack Miller, owners; George Tracy, handler.
Runner-Up-ERIN'S BIG CASINO, 1682928, setter male, by Erin's Hidden Shamrock-Three Stripe's Livewire. Paul Berdiner, owner; Mike Tracy, handler.

NORTHWEST CHUKAR

Payette, Idaho, October 11
Judges: Bridget Ledington and Talmage Smedley
20 Entries

Winner-CHARLIE'S ZIP TIE, 1686445, setter male, by Northwoods Charles-Gertrude. William Owen, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-C K POST ROUTE SCOUT, 1663076, Vizsla female, by C K Touchdown Guy-Vanguard's Make Her Mark. Jim Gingrich, owner; Brian Gingrich, handler.

OKLAHOMA

Inola, Okla., January 3
Judges: Bob Barker and Barry Moore
30 Pointers and 2 Setters

Winner-GAME SPORT, 1673797, pointer male, by Cole Train-Game Bee. Bart Hicklin, owner; Harold Gearheart, handler.
Runner-Up-AIM HIGH ELHEW HADLEY, 1683609, pointer female, by Striking Elhew Zorro-Elhew Epitome. Tierra, Scott & Kiowa Hadley, owners.

OREGON

Maupin, Oreg., May 10
Judges: Patrick Clark and Warren Eizman
5 Pointers, 2 Setters, 3 German Shorthairs,
and 7 Vizslas

Winner-LIBERTY'S LADY RISING SUN, 1683734, German Shorthair female, by Tonelli's Sky Of The Rising Sun-Miss Liberty Too. Mark McFarland, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-LEAGUE OF HER OWN, 1683508, pointer female, by Gotta Little Project-Brown's Lucky Pearl. Amanda Schaaf, owner; Todd Schaaf, handler.

OZARK

Conway, Ark., December 1
Judges: Tom Curtsinger and Jim Martin
51 Entries

Winner-CHELSEA'S MAE WEST, 1686810, pointer female, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Chelsea's Southern Chic. Ron Prewitt & Brad Sadler, owners; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.
Runner-Up-LEVI EXPRESS VISA, 1667037, setter male, by Oklahoma Credit Card-Signature Ridge Cody. John Van Horn, owner; Virgil Moore, handler.

PACIFIC COAST

Maupin, Ore., March 18
Judges: Mick Cheshire and Chase Cochran
17 Entries

Winner-LIBERTY'S LADY RISING SUN, 1683734, German Shorthair female, by Tonelli's Sky Of The Rising Sun-Miss Liberty Too. Mark McFarland, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-DUNFUR'S BIG TIMBER, 1689490, German Shorthair male, by Dress Blues-Dunfur's Tule Moon. Mark & Lynn Lund, owners; Dan Hoke, handler.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Alderdale, Wash., October 29
Judges: Brandy Gilmore and Alexander Rickert
8 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-MILLER'S NEWEST VERSION, 1696284, pointer female, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Miller's Special Edition. William Owen, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-MAUCK'S WYEAST OWYHEE DALLEE, 1687695, setter female, by T's Gunslinger-Hidden Jasmine. Alex Mauck, owner and handler.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Patrick, S. C., December 5
Judges: Gary Miller and Dr. Debbie Ozner
52 Pointers and 6 Setters

Winner-BULLY ROCK, 1674970, pointer male, by Bully Bragg-Bullerina. William & Muriel Primm & Ernie & Karen Saniga, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.
Runner-Up-PANTHER CREEK ROSIE, 1691574, pointer female, by Panther Creek Merlin-Pineywood's Belle Aire. Frank Rutland, owner; Tommy Rice, handler.

SOUTHEASTERN

Lake City, Fla., February 22

Judges: Buck Heard and Barry Stumbo

61 Pointers and 7 Setters

Winner-NONAMI'S JOHNNY COME LATELY, 1694190, pointer male, by Ransom-Pinewood's Jenny Bell. R. E. Turner; Ray Pearce, handler.
Runner-Up-ABSOLUTE DOMINATOR, 1686566, pointer male, by Erin's Redrum-Pearl Again. Johnny & Joyce Taylor, owners; Doug Ray, handler.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI

Grovespring, Mo. October 24

Judges: Ken Chenoweth and Burton Wice

38 Pointers, 2 Setters, and 4 Vizslas

Winner-ERIN'S THUNDER BACKUS, 1692320, pointer male, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Erin's Bet On Me. Dr. Tom Jackson & Jerry Moisson, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.
Runner-Up-LAWLESS GEORGIE GIRL, 1676697, pointer female, by Oak Grove Pacemaker-Homestead Georgia. Jim Lawless, owner and handler.

TENNESSEE

Dancyville, Tenn., January 17

Judges: Jon Lam and Keith St. John

24 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-LESTER'S ANOTHER SHOCKWAVE, 1691812, pointer male, by Lester's Shockwave-Miller's Stitch In Time. Dr. Tom Jackson, Jerry Moisson, Lance Schulz, Bjorn Peterson & Todd Mann, owners; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.
Runner-Up-THE BUSINESS MAN, 1689560, pointer male, by Miller Unfinished Business-Tennessee Coldwater Gal. Rick Thone, owner; Eddie Taylor, handler.

TEXAS

Conway, Ark., November 15

Judges: Tony King and Dennis Sneed

31 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-UPFRONT'S McQUADE, 1690419, pointer male, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Upfront's Southern Star. Lance Schulz & Bjorn Peterson, owners; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.
Runner-Up-VALIANT HEIR, 1699602, pointer male, by Valiant-Reed's Winter Spirit. Robby Robinson, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

UNITED STATES INVITATIONAL

Conway, Ark., February 18

Judges: Bob Barker and Steve Messick

11 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-UPFRONT'S SOUTHERN STAR, 1662579, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Lance Schulz, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

WEST COAST

Hornito, Calif., November 18

Judges: Sheldon Twer and Mike Wilkin

4 Pointers, 5 Setters, and 1 Brittany

Winner-SKYDANCER GOLD RUSH, 1670823, setter male, by Skydancer Flash Point-Skydancer Pirates Emerald. Tom Griffin, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-HORIZON'S BEA, 1685955, setter female, by Northwoods Charles-Gertrude. Terry Erickson, owner and handler.

WESTERN

Reno, Nev., April 19

Judges: John Keel and Sean Kelly

17 Entries

Winner-RAMBLIN RIVERS NATURAL, 1688693, pointer male, by Chelsea's Thunder Bolt-Upfront's Southern Star. Bill Stapleton, owner; Brian Gingrich, handler.
Runner-Up-PERKINS SAWYER'S WARRIOR, 169443, pointer male, by Touch's Grey Street-Intentional. Chris Perkins, owner and handler.

GROUSE/WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIPS

GRAND NATIONAL GROUSE

Berlin, N. H., November 1

Judges: Bert Benschhof and Brian Ralph

22 Pointers and 33 Setters

Winner-SPRING BROOK MAXIMUS, 1657296, pointer male, by Chasehill Little Bud-Riley's Rowdy Shadow. Russell Ogilvie, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-DADDY'S LITTLE BOY BUTCH, 1655649, pointer male, by Chasehill Little Bud-Richfield Stella. Paul Scott, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.

GRAND NATIONAL GROUSE & WOODCOCK INVITATIONAL

Phillipsburg, Pa., April 12

Judges: Marc Forman and Dr. Bruce Mueller

6 Pointers and 8 Setters

Winner-CHASEHILL POISON IVY, 1694453, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Lizzy. Allen Raiano, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.
Runner-Up-B K ROLLING DICE, 1685683, pointer female, by Railhew Explorer-Railhew Mrs. Magoo. William Siemer, owner; Bruce Minard, handler.

LAKE STATES GROUSE

Meredith, Mich., October 25

Judges: Doug McMillen and Brent Peters

11 Pointers, 36 Setters, and 1 Irish Setter

Winner-STERLINGWORTH JACK, 1655602, setter male, by Shadow Oak Bo-Hunter Run's Dawn. Jim Millett, owner; R. J. Ecker Jr., handler.
Runner-Up-SHADY HILLS WHISKEY BONFIRE, 1662697, setter male, by Shady Hills Billie Too-Shady Hills Beanie. Shady Hills Kennel, owner; Scott Forman, handler.

MICHIGAN WOODCOCK

Gladwin, Mich., October 11

Judges: Justin McGrail and William Nelson

24 Pointers and 36 Setters

Winner-SNYDER'S FIRESIDE ED, 1672601, setter male, by Ponderosa Mac-Rouge River Bogsucker. Steven Snyder, owner; Tammy Chaffee, handler.
Runner-Up-THORNAPPLE CODY, 1656279, setter male, by Ridge Creek Cody-Fireside Drama Queen. Bob Leet, owner; Bruce Minard, handler.

NEW ENGLAND GROUSE

Berlin, N. H., September 19

Judges: Ed Kostka and Jamie Leitch

8 Pointers and 14 Setters

Winner-NEO, 1689990, setter male, by Sterlingworth Jack-Sandland Miracle Maggie. David Theroux, owner; Adam Dubriske, handler.
Runner-Up-CHASEHILL POISON IVY, 1694453, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Allen Raiano, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.

NEW YORK GROUSE

Oxford, N. Y., September 14

Judges: Michael J. Brown and Bruce Minard

34 Entries

Winner-DUCK HOOK, 1668288, pointer male, by Erin's War Creek-Brave Heart Cassie. Mike Flewelling, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.
Runner-Up-GAME WINNER, 1672473, setter male, by Full Blast-Springfield's Showgirl. Richard Brenneman, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.

NORTH AMERICAN WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP

McAdam, N. B., September 9

Judges: Eric Rizza and Leonard Sinclair

27 Pointers and 5 Setters

Winner-CHASEHILL POISON IVY, 1694453, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Allen Raiano, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.
Runner-Up-WYNOT PETE, 1680454, pointer male, by Wynot Atom-Northwoods Maddie. Steven Forrest, owner and handler.

NORTHEASTERN GROUSE AND WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP

Frankfort, Maine, September 23

Judges: George Hetrick and Bruce Mueller

22 Pointers and 6 Setters

Winner-CHASEHILL HIDDEN JEWEL, 1692727, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Tadaaki Terada, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.
Runner-Up-SPRING BROOK MAXIMUS, 1657296, pointer male, by Chasehill Little Bud-Riley's Rowdy Shadow. Russell Ogilvie, owner and handler.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN COVER DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Meredith, Mich., October 18

Judges: Dave Hawk and Bob Wheelock

26 Pointers and 45 Setters, and 1 Irish Setter

Winner-TRAVEL ALERT, 1665621, setter male, by Moss Meadow Traveler-Wild Katrun. Dr. Harold Holmes, owner and handler.
Runner-Up-BRAGGABULL, 1670091, pointer female, by Bully Bragg-Bullerina. Mark Hughes, owner; Dave Hughes, handler.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND WOODCOCK

Fryeburg, Maine, September 16

Judges: Barry Bassingthwaight and Jamie Nee

9 Pointers and 16 Setters

Winner-BLUE RIBBON'S HARPER BELLA, 1682768, pointer female, by Bud of Piney Woods-Blue Ribbon Bella. Martin Festa, owner; R. J. Ecker, Jr., handler.
Runner-Up-NEO, 1689990, setter male, by Sterlingworth Jack-Sandland Miracle Maggie. David Theroux, owner; Adam Dubriske, handler.

ONTARIO GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Marienville, Pa. April 11

Judges: Eric Munden and Bob Wheelock

16 Pointers and 16 Setters

Winner-FULL BREEZE, 1667989, setter female, by Full Blast-Straight Forward. Richard Brenneman, owner; Dave Hughes, handler.

PENNSYLVANIA GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Marienville, Pa., October 25

Judges: Tim Perschke and Jim Winnen

16 Pointers, 12 Setters, and 2 Irish Setters

Winner-BLAST OFF, 1657342, setter male, by Full Blast-Moss Meadow Rose. Justin Evans, owner; Marc Forman, handler.
Runner-Up-SUEMAC'S SASHAY, 1658242, pointer female, by Chasehill Little Bud-Richfield Stella. Roger, Susie & Daulton McPherson, owners; Mark Hughes, handler.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND WOODCOCK

Exeter, R. I., March 18

Judges: Doug Dix and Kris Nordby

25 Pointers and 10 Setters

Winner-SUNKHAZE VERA MADISON, 1699121, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Mike Flewelling, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-CHASEHILL POISON IVY, 1694453, pointer male, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Allen Raiano, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.

WISCONSIN COVER DOG

Augusta, Wis., October 5

Judges: Ryan Hough and Ben McKean

13 Pointers, 33 Setters, 1 Brittany,

4 Irish Setters and 1 German Shorthair

Winner-MOSS MEADOW SEEKER, 1676726, setter male, by Moss Meadow Rambler-Moss Meadow Maggie. Ken Moss, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-NORTHWOODS ATLAS, 1674557, setter male, by Northwoods Grits-Northwoods Nickel. Greg Johnson, owner and handler.

LEADING GERMAN BREED CHAMPIONSHIPS

NATIONAL GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., April 1

Judges: Randy Anderson and Kent Patterson

36 German Shorthairs

Winner-B M B'S FREE RIDE, 1660979, German Shorthair male, by Kimber Tactical-Time To Pay The Piper. Brandon & Jennifer Blum, owners; Brandon Blum, handler.

Runner-Up-B D K'S TWELFTH MAN, 1661756, German Shorthair male, by Uodibar's Against All Odds-B D K's Sin City Casino. David O'Brien, owner; Keith Gulledege, handler.

NATIONAL GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION NATIONAL OSD CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., April 1

Judges: Jerry Langford and Mick Cheshire

44 German Shorthairs

Winner-ALL N'S JOHNNY B GOOD, 1687178, German Shorthair male, by All N's Wild Card-All N's Double Down. Gale & Cheryl Graves, owners; Joe Orndorff, handler.

Runner-Up-P W INDIAN BROOK HEADS UP, 1661199, German Shorthair female, by No Mars Mack v Hauss-P W Pennies From Heaven. Keith & Bobbi Richardson, owners; Rich Robertson, handler.

NATIONAL GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION NATIONAL AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., April 1

Judges: Ken Chenoweth and James Messer

27 German Shorthairs

Winner-TWIN CREEKS RUNNING ROCKY, 1685652, German Shorthair male, by Twin Creeks Running Ruger-P J Wildfire's Little Lexi. Larry & Kirk Loftin, owners; Kirk Loftin, handler.

Runner-Up-B M B'S FREE RIDE, 1660979, German Shorthair male, by Kimber Tactical-Time To Pay The Piper. Brandon & Jennifer Blum, owners; Brandon Blum, handler.

NATIONAL GERMAN

SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., April 1

Judges: Justin Crook and Chris Meyer

40 German Shorthairs

Winner-B M B'S MADISON AVE, 1670283, German Shorthair female, by Trublu's B D K Ace Inthe Hole-Time To Pay The Piper. Brandon & Jennifer Blum, owners; Brandon Blum, handler.

Runner-Up-CHISHOLM CREEK'S CUT'ER LOOSE, 1683348, German Shorthair female, by Chisholm Creeks Cuttin Loose-Uodibar's Lorrie Darlin. Mark Wasserman, owner and handler.

NATIONAL GERMAN POINTING DOG ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Pinckneyville, Ill., March 18

Judges: Mike Kindler and Aaron McAfee

12 German Shorthairs

Winner-B D K'S DIRTY HARRY, 1675196, German Shorthair male, by Slicks Cuttin Wild-C L K's Point Me The Way. Mark Wasserman, owner; Josh Nieman, handler.

Runner-Up-TWIN CREEKS RUNNING ROCKY, 1685652, German Shorthair male, by Twin Creeks Running Ruger-P J Wildfire's Little Lexi. Kirk & Larry Loftin, owners; Kirk Loftin, handler.

NATIONAL GERMAN POINTING DOG ASSOCIATION NATIONAL AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Pinckneyville, Ill., March 18

Judges: Aaron McAfee and Josh Nieman

14 German Shorthairs

Winner-STONEY HILL'S PINNACLE DEE, 1694168, German Shorthair female, by Simons Gunner-Shadowrocks Mighty Mouse. Kirk Loftin, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-P J WILDFIRE'S LITTLE LEXI, 1663717, German Shorthair female, by P J Wildfire's Little Bud-Lone Creek Sweet Anna. Kirk & Larry Loftin, owners; Kirk Loftin, handler.

LEADING IRISH SETTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

NATIONAL RED SETTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Pinckneyville, Ill., November 9

Judges: Jarrett Bell and Alan Benson

12 Irish Setters

Winner-FIREFLY'S POWER PLAY, 1664073, Irish setter male, by Flintstone-Firefly's Hot Tip. Robbie Nesson & Bonnie Hidalgo, owners; Dennis Hidalgo, handler.

Runner-Up-CEDAR CREEK SIXGUN, 1677430, Irish setter male, by Come Back Magic-Come Back Lady Soul. Ed Liermann, owner and handler.

NATIONAL RED SETTER AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Pinckneyville, Ill., November 9

Judges: Jarrett Bell and Alan Benson

12 Irish Setters

Winner-CEDAR CREEK SIXGUN, 1677430, Irish setter male, by Come Back Magic-Come Back Lady Soul. Ed Liermann, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-DAWSON'S HIGH CHAPARRAL, 1657988, Irish setter male, by Chaperon-Kindle. Dennis & Bonnie Hidalgo, owners; Dennis Hidalgo, handler.

NATIONAL RED SETTER AMATEUR

SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Hoffman, N. C., February 16

Judges: Buck Heard and Gary Miller

16 Irish Setters

Winner-RED BIRD'S THE FIFTH ELEMENT, 1687076, Irish setter male, by Eshod's Barn Burner-Red Bird's River Wild. Kellie Aitken & Kristi Gallino, owners; Kellie Aitken, handler.

Runner-Up-SILVER CREEK WILD AGAIN, 1692221, Irish setter male, by Zansett Ricky O'Ryan-S C Miss Behaving. Tim Hammons, owner and handler.

U. S. COMPLETE SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIPS

U. S. COMPLETE NATIONAL AMATEUR

East Windsor, Conn., March 25

Judges: David McKay and John Stolgitis

8 Pointers and 12 Setters

Winner-LITTLE MISS MARGARET, 1693526, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Tim Cavanaugh, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-SUPER STORM, 1675530, setter male, by Pennstar-Straight Forward. Thor Kain, owner and handler.

U. S. COMPLETE NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Boydton, Va., January 13 – One Course

Judges: George Doyle and Jeff Smith

8 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-DOUBLE DEUCE ZEKE, 1673940, pointer male, by Double Deuce Peter-Funseeker's Holiday. Douglas McMillen Jr., owner and handler.

Runner-Up-CAL PEAK HUNDREDTH MERIDIAN, 1671286, pointer male, by Cover Charge Search Engine-Sandland Dolly P. Sarah Gomes, owner and handler.

U. S. COMPLETE NATIONAL OPEN INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

McBee, S. C., December 12

Judges: Robert Henry and David Huffine

9 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-GLASSILAUN WAR PAINT, 1667331, pointer male, by Sugarknoll War Paint-Neely's Hot Pepper. Jamie Nee, owner; R. J. Ecker, Jr., handler.

Runner-Up-DOUBLE DEUCE SAGE, 1673986, pointer female, by Double Deuce Peter-Funseeker's Holiday. Douglas McMillen Jr., owner; Mark Hughes, handler.

U. S. COMPLETE NATIONAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Hoffman, N. C., February 9

Judges: Sammy Giddens and John McIltrout

47 Pointers and 16 Setters

Winner-GLASSILAUN WAR PAINT, 1667331, pointer male, by Sugarknoll War Paint-Neely's Hot Pepper. Jamie Nee, owner; R. J. Ecker, Jr., handler.

Runner-Up-HIROLLINS GONE AND DONEIT, 1679825, pointer male, by Fastforward's B K Gunner-Littlewing B K Tia. Warren Parrott, owner and handler.

ABHA CHAMPIONSHIPS

ABHA NATIONAL FREE-FOR-ALL

Laverne, Tenn., January 12

Judges: Taylor Henley and Chad Wheeler

26 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-TWIGGY, 1690766, pointer female, by Mohawk Mill Trail Warrior-Sinbad's Little Lady. Cliff Monroe, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-FAITH'S MAXIMUM JUSTICE, 1662076, pointer male, by Nelson's Van Max-Wild Apple Faith. Kenric J. DeLong, owner and handler.

ABHA NORTH COUNTRY

OPEN SHOOTING DOG

Augusta, Wis., October 1

Judges: Scott Foreman and Christy Helmes

11 Pointers, 27 Setters, 1 Brittany,

and 1 German Shorthair

Winner-MOSS MEADOW SEEKER, 1676726, setter male, by Moss Meadow Rambler-Moss Meadow Maggie. Ken Moss, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-ROWLING'S STAR, 1675772, setter female, by Long Gone Studly-Rowling's Nike. Chuck Rowling, owner and handler.

NATIONAL BIRD HUNTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

NBHA NATIONAL OPEN

Dancyville, Tenn., March 1 – One Course

Judges: Chad Chadwell and Zach Parsons

29 Pointers, 12 Setters, and 4 Irish Setters

Winner-INDIAN CREEK BOCEPHUS, 1656742, pointer male, by Brown's Tom Tom-Indian Creek Riptide. Ed Marron, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

Runner-Up-GEORGIA BORN WINDSTORM, 1690185, pointer male, by Knight's White Light-Bone Collector. Margie Ridings, owner and handler.

NBHA NATIONAL BREEDERS'

CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., February 15 – One Course

Judges: Ken Chenoweth and Mark Livingston

36 Entries

Winner-GLOVER'S FLINTSTONE, 1691597, setter male, by Islander-Kodiak Island Bird Dog. Jack Glover, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-GUN'S PISTOL PETE, 1667396, setter male, by Barker's Big Coon-Carpenter's Daisy Duke. Colby Tackett, owner and handler.

NBHA NATIONAL AMATEUR

Berea, Ky., December 9

Judges: Matt Hadley and Sam Ridings

19 Entries

Winner-CHIPPEWA'S DOG OF WAR, 1691401, pointer male, by Miller's Speed Dial-Bonner's Snow Angel. Geoff Johnson, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-TENACEE SHELBY, 1683044, pointer female, by Elhew Money-maker-Cantor's Coco. Greg Isenberg, owner and handler.

NBHA NATIONAL AMATEUR

INVITATIONAL

Grovespring, Mo., December 1

Judges: Justin Crook and Kenny Snow

12 Entries

Winner-CRAIG'S RUNIN ROXIE, 1665573, pointer female, by Mac's Silver Dollar-Hilo Southern Tea. Craig Hiatt, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-DOUBLE D'S RED LANCELOT, 1675802, pointer male, by Double D's Sir Galahad-Parsley's Wild Injustice. Danny Draffen, owner and handler.

NBHA NATIONAL FREE-FOR-ALL

Booneville, Ark., March 10

Judges: Steve Messick and Joyce Taylor

24 Entries

Winner-PURE CONFIDENCE, 1660531, pointer male, by True Confidence-Richfield Rose. Black Meadow Kennels, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

Runner-Up-PIPER, 1687183, German Shorthair female, by W&w Rip N Dig-H&r Miss Rock Star. Weldon Gardner, owner and handler.

LEADING AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

NATIONAL AMATEUR DERBY

CHAMPIONSHIP

Greenville, Fla., March 5

Judges: Joe and Trish Rentz

29 Pointers

Winner-HANEY'S ALL IN, 1698756, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Chris Cagle, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-RESTER'S JOHNNY RINGO, 1695797, pointer male, by Miller's Blindsider-Rester's Amazing Grace. Cecil Rester, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR CHUKAR SHOOTING DOG

Payette, Idaho, October 15

Judges: Mike Matthews and Sergio Velez

20 Entries

Winner-PAINTED OWYHEE BREEZE, 1669636, pointer female, by Utah's Red Rock Express-Little Willow Aaron. Bridget & Jim Ledington, owners; Bridget Ledington, handler.

Runner-Up-S B ALWAYS DREAMIN, 1679868, pointer female, by Rivertons Funseek'n Scooter-Touch's J Class. William Owen, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR PRAIRIE CHICKEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Buena Vista, Wis., September 23

Judges: Jarrett Bell and Larry Smith

21 Pointers, 3 Setters, and 2 Irish Setters

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Runner-Up-LAWLESS GEORGIE GIRL, 1676697, pointer female, by Oak Grove Pacemaker-Homestead Georgia. Jim Lawless, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG DERBY CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., January 18

Judges: Tim Penn and Bob Rankin

23 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-SOUTHERN SHADOWS RICK, 1700851, pointer male, by Lester's Prime Poison Lane-Southern Ritz Lane. Lance Servais, owner; Brian Peterson, handler.

Runner-Up-RED ALERT LANE, 1700854, pointer male, by Lester's Prime Poison Lane-Southern Ritz Lane. Brian Peterson, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR PHEASANT SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Lacey Township, N. J., October 21 – One Course

Judges: Joe Luisi and Ashby Morgan

32 Pointers and 4 Setters

Winner-NAVAJO CODY, 1668520, pointer male, by Great River Ice-Blaze's Isis. Camille Masiello & Saverio Morelli, owners; Joseph E. Lordi, handler.

Runner-Up-MILLER'S UNBRIDELD FOREVER, 1661404, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Great River Kennels & Neil Walker, owners; Brian Sanchez, handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Grovespring, Mo., January 18

Judges: Tim Penn and Bob Rankin

36 Pointers, 1 Setter, and 1 Brittany

Winner-LAWLESS GEORGIE GIRL, 1676697, pointer female, by Oak Grove Pacemaker-Homestead Georgia. Jim Lawless, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-ALLIWOOD'S SHADY SHAY, 1669475, pointer female, by Busterado-Seranao's Union Station. Adam DeLude, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Leslie, Ga., December 9

Judges: Scott Jordan and John Mathys

12 Pointers

Winner-MILLER'S UPGRADED VERSION, 1674987, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Fran & Jack Miller, owners; Fran Miller, handler.

Runner-Up-RENTZ'S HIJACKED, 1696866, pointer male, by Redland's Jacked Up-F F Bit O'Honey. Joe & Tricia Rentz, owners; Joe Rentz, handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Moose Junction, Wis., October 14

Judges: Bill Frahm and Jordan Pharris

2 Pointers, 18 Setters, and 1 Brittany

Winner-NORTH SLOPES ALLIE, 1683547, setter female, by A Keystone Kid-Signature Ridge Cody. James Graddy, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-CODY'S SADIE BELLE, 1660481, setter female, by Ridge Creek Cody-Northwoods Chardonnay. Ryan Bjerke, owner and handler.

NATIONAL AMATEUR WALKING SHOOTING DOG

Covington, Ind., November 11 – One Course

Judges: Mike Jackson and William Smith

20 Pointers, 8 Setters, and 2 Irish Setters

Winner-CRAIG'S RUNIN ROXIE, 1665573, pointer female, by Mac's Silver Dollar-Hilo Southern Tea. Craig Hiatt, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-DAVE'S SHO ME MOTU, 1687047, setter male, by Emert's Sho Me Mo-Emert's Drivin Miss Daisy. David Cates, owner and handler.

UNITED STATES AMATEUR DERBY INVITATIONAL

Dancyville, Tenn., March 24

Judges: Joe Don House and Steve Hurdle

11 Pointers and 1 Setter

Winner-HANEY'S HURRICANE SEEKER, 1698759, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. David Russell, owner and handler.

Runner-Up-REBEL GOLD, 1701829, pointer male, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Rebel Maiden. David Williams, owner and handler.

PLEASE NOTE:

Champion and runner-up titles were withheld in the Minnesota Grouse Dog Championship (October 10, 2022) and the National Red Setter Open Shooting Dog Championship (February 16, 2023). Both reverted to an Open Shooting Dog stake with three placements awarded.

“From the West Coast to the East Coast, Rivertons Funseek’n Scooter has competed and won. His progeny have won every major field trial in the country and multiple Dog of the Year awards. It’s safe to say Scooter has left his mark now and forever in the field trial world.”— Jamie Daniels



6x Ch./4x R-U Ch.
Rivertons Funseek’n Scooter
for Field Trial Hall of Fame



Bridget with Painted Owyhee Toad

Scooter was not only a great champion, field trial dog, and hunting companion but an overall outstanding, lovable dog to be around. My dad and I were blessed to be able to breed Scooter to our female champion, Daisy A Nickel, and that breeding produced two champions—Little Willow Aaron and Painted Nickel Mac. From these two champions, we have also produced a grandson of Scooter, Ch. Painted Owyhee Toad, who qualified and ran at the 2023 National Field Trial Championship, and a granddaughter, Ch. Painted Owyhee Breeze, who has multiple championships. Even today, Scooter’s legacy continues. He is definitely most deserving of the Hall of Fame.

— Bridget Ledington

Scooter had respect as a competitor and also as a breeder. He was a competitor from the West Coast to the Prairies to the Deep South. Not many dogs can make this transition of different terrains. Scooter could figure out different types of wild bird country in a short time and be a competitor. I also used him to guide wild bird hunting. He knew the difference between trialing and foot hunting.

His legacy continues to live on through his progeny; his list of winning dogs continues, and also on down through three generations of his bloodline. Look at what he has passed on in the breed and what he has done for the sport of field trials.

Winning dogs that he has sired: Ch./HOF Just Irresistible, Ch. Dominator’s Rebel Heir, Ch. Funseek’n Hit Man, Ch. Little Willow Aaron, Ch. Painted Nickel Mac, R-U Ch. Just Watch, R-U Ch. Just Unforgettable, R-U Ch. Wait A Minute, R-U Ch. Born On Fourth July.

Scooter, you created a lot of great friendships and memories! Let’s elect Scooter!

— Rich Robertson



Ch. Dominator’s Rebel Heir

“Reb” was always a bird dog. A true all-age competitor, he ran big, was smart around his birds, and sometimes stubborn. Jamie loved him, and Judd raced to keep up with him. I vividly remember a spectacular relocation at the Florida, a point in the mud of a barren soybean field at the National, and many gallantly run races in the heat of the Masters. I had the pleasure of hunting over both him and his sire. Great memories!

— Jim Hamilton

**Scooter was sired by
 2016 Hall of Fame inductee,
 Funseeker’s Rebel**

FIELD TRIAL SEASON NO. 149 COMMENCES

Minimum Requirements for Field Trials

The new field trial season has begun, and with the start of No. 149, it is timely to recall the sporting tradition we share and our obligation to promote and safeguard our time-honored sporting pastime.

Last season's wins are in the books; the victories, achievements, and perhaps the disappointments are a thing of the past.

Much of the game, as in most sporting pastimes, is luck — the luck of the draw, luck of the weather, luck when birds are moving, luck when your dog is “clicking just right.” It's been that way since 1874, when the first recognized trial was held in October near Memphis, Tenn.

Each new field trial season prompts optimism and enthusiasm. It is a new beginning, a fresh start. The advent of the 2023-2024 season provides an opportunity to review some pertinent items related to the field trial sport, among them the “Minimum Requirements,” the basic regulations governing recognized field trials.

Club officers are responsible for ensuring that trials are conducted fairly and in conformity with the Minimum Requirements—their first and foremost duty. A list of these requirements is appended.

When the trial is completed, the results — names of the winning dogs, their owners, and handlers — are to be submitted to the United Kennel Club as soon as possible. Results received well after the trial (60-90 days) cannot be assured that the trial will receive suitable coverage. Trial results received six months after the conclusion of a trial will not be recognized. This is a great disservice to the winning dogs, their owners, and handlers.

- The No. 1 requirement is all-important for the recognition of a club's trial. The “Fixtures” columns carry the roster of upcoming recognized field trials. The name of the sponsoring club, date and place of the trial, and the name of the club official accepting entries must be shown in Fixtures at least 14 days before the date of the trial on the calendar at www.americanfield.com. Fixtures received well in advance will also appear in a print edition of UKC® Field.

All clubs hosting trials where placements may qualify a dog for championship competition are to publicize that trial with a suitable advertisement showing the

date and place of the trial, location, time and date of the drawing, the stakes being sponsored, and the contact person (name, city, and state) who is accepting the entries.

- When owners and/or professional handlers enter dogs in a trial, they should provide full particulars (i.e., registered name and number of the dog, breed and sex, color, name of sire and dam) for their entries on the entry form. Club officials are responsible for forwarding the winners' complete particulars. Owners and handlers can assist them by providing specific information on each of their entries.

- The number of dogs competing in a stake determines how many placements the judges may award. In stakes with three dogs entered and competing, one placement may be awarded; in stakes with four or five dogs entered and competing, the judges may award two placements; and in stakes with six or more dogs, three placements may be awarded. [A fourth-place dog is named in a few select events, the Futurities, for example.]

- For dogs to receive credit for their field trial placements, they must be registered with the *Field Dog Stud Book*.

- All dogs (and all breeds) winning a championship placement (winner or runner-up) shall be required to have DNA on file with the *Field Dog Stud Book*. That requirement was subsequently extended to all dogs winning open stakes, earning points toward the Top All-Age and Shooting Dog of the Year Awards. DNA kits (instruction sheet, swab to collect cell samples, and an application form) are available and will be sent on request.

- Dogs earning Derby placements shall only receive credit for that win when that dog is registered with the *Field Dog Stud Book* at the time the win is awarded. (An application in process with the *Field Dog Stud Book* shall be deemed meeting this requirement.)

- When a club announces its trial in the advertising columns of UKC® Field and on the website calendar, the “order of running” is the prescribed schedule to be followed. Clubs are to adhere to the published “order of running.”

- Following the conclusion of the trial, particulars on the winners (name, number, breed, sex, etc.) should be forwarded to the United Kennel Club as soon as possible within 30 days.

Any violation of the Minimum Requirements will result in the voiding of the trial and the placements awarded.

One last item pertains to the use of colored collars to distinguish two similarly marked or similar-appearing dogs. Custom dictates that the “top” dog shall wear the “red” collar and the “bottom” dog the “lime-colored” collar.

Minimum Requirements for Field Trials for All Pointing Breeds

As adopted by the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America, the United Kennel Club, and the *Field Dog Stud Book*.

Wins will not be recognized and recorded unless the trial and/or each stake in which such win is made conforms to the following conditions:

- 1.) The name of the club, place, trial date, and the secretary's name and contact information must be listed on the calendar at www.americanfield.com at least 14 days before the trials are to be run. Information received well in advance will also appear in a print edition of UKC® Field.

- 2.) Recognized stakes are:

Puppy Stakes: From January 1 to June 30 of each year for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of the year preceding, and from July 1 to December 31 of each year for dogs whelped on or after June 1 of the year preceding.

Derby Stakes: From July 1 to December 31 of each year for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of the year preceding, and from January 1 to June 30 of each year for dogs whelped on or after January 1 of the two years preceding.

All-Age: For dogs of any age. An “open” stake is one in which there are no limitations with respect to either dogs or handlers.

As defined by the By-Laws of the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America, an “amateur” stake is one in which all handlers are amateurs. Winners in Members' and Shooting Dog All-Age Stakes will be recorded, but winners of Children, Ladies' Brace, and other stakes not conforming to the foregoing definitions will not be recognized.

Championships, Winners' Stakes, and Futurities: Wins will be recorded only in such amateur events of this character as are recognized by the Amateur Field Trial

Clubs of America and in such open events as are recognized by the United Kennel Club and the *Field Dog Stud Book*.

3.) The minimum length of heats for all stakes other than Puppy Stakes shall be thirty (30) minutes on the basis of the time that an average brace takes to negotiate the course. In the case of one-course trials, no more than eight (8) minutes of the thirty (30) shall be spent in the birdfield. The minimum length of heats for Puppy Stakes shall be fifteen (15) minutes.

4.) A stake must be drawn no later than the night before the day the stake is advertised to be run.

5.) Dogs shall not be substituted after the draw.

6.) Braces shall be run and handled as drawn unless given prior consent of the judges, which consent must not be given for the purpose of accommodating owners, handlers, or dogs that are not available when reached in the regular order of the draw. In the case of withdrawals, the braced mates of such withdrawn dogs may be run together at the judges' discretion. Bitches which come in season braced with a male are scratched.

7.) No entry shall be accepted after a stake is drawn.

8.) No more than one brace of dogs shall be run on a course or any part of a course at the same time, irrespective of whether the dogs are in the same stake or in different stakes.

9.) Stakes shall be run only on recognized game birds whose flight shall not be impaired by caging, hobbling, wing clipping, brailing, or in any other manner.

10.) Bitches in season shall not be permitted to run in one-course trials. In multiple course trials, they may start only if, in the opinion of the judges, it can be accomplished under conditions which will ensure absolute fairness to other entries. Bitches in multiple course trials must be drawn in season and braced with a female.

Electronic Recovery, Tracking, and Communication Device Rules

The sole purpose of using the retrieval/recovery device in a field trial is to assist the handler in locating a dog that may be lost and which is deemed no longer in judgment. The UKC rules, as adopted by the AFTCA for the use of a dog recovery unit in all recognized stakes, are as follows:

1.) The collar and receiver are to be used as received from the manufacturer, and the collar may not have any capacity to receive any communication or commands from the receiver other than its sole intended purpose to locate the dog. No

modifications are to be made to the collar other than a name identification plate affixed. The collar must have a flat surface against the dog's neck. All components, including the collar, are not to exceed nine (9) ounces.

2.) Neither the handler nor the scout may have a receiver in their possession while their dog is under judgment. All of their receivers are to be given to the judges or a person designated by the host club.

3.) A receiver is any unit capable of receiving any signal from the collar, including but not limited to handheld devices, watches, and smartphones. The receiving unit must not have any capacity to shock, tone, vibrate, or deliver other behavioral commands to the collar. ALL receivers in the gallery, including those in the possession of the host club's designee, are to be turned OFF. (No one in the gallery shall "track" a dog while under judgment).

4.) No outside communication—no one shall communicate in any manner with the handler, scout, judges, or gallery members with any information obtained through the use of a recovery device while dogs are under judgment.

5.) A receiver may only be activated once judgment has concluded. If a dog is gone at time, that dog is still under judgment until such time as the judges indicate otherwise or the handler requests the receiver unit. Once a handler requests the receiver, the dog is no longer in judgment.

6.) If a dog is lost from a previous brace, the handler or designee may use the receiving unit during the succeeding brace solely for the purpose of locating the lost dog. Once the dog is recovered, the receiver is to be turned off.

7.) The use of a recovery device is at the discretion of the host club. It is the handler's responsibility, if they choose to use one, to furnish the device. The running of the stake shall not be held up due to the lack of a recovery device.

8.) While competing, a dog shall wear no more than two (2) collars. If a handler elects to use a recovery unit, the collar shall remain on during the entire time the dog is under judgment. Removal of a recovery collar during the competition will result in the disqualification of that dog.

9.) Companion collar shall be no more than two (2) inches in width and not more than five (5) oz. in weight, used as received from the manufacturer without alteration. The only addition is that of an identification nameplate.

10.) It is the responsibility of the handler to give the judge or club designee the receiver unit in the OFF position. A

violation shall be the disqualification of the offending handler from the stake; the handler's remaining dogs in that stake may be run by a handler of their choosing should they elect to do so, but the violating handler cannot participate in any way in the remainder of that stake and the dog in that brace cannot be considered for placement in that stake.

11.) Any person using a receiver to locate a dog currently under judgment must be reported to the stake manager immediately, and the handler and dog are immediately disqualified from the stake. It is the responsibility of the host club to report in writing all violations of these rules to the UKC no more than seven (7) days from the date of claimed occurrence. Failure to report violations can result in the suspension of the club's ability to host *Field Dog Stud Book*-recognized events.

It cannot be reiterated too often that it is incumbent on club officials to ensure the integrity of the drawing and that they apprise trial participants of the rules governing the use of electronic devices at recognized trials.

Field trial participants are advised to keep these pages for future reference.

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and Essential Data Forms to:
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**Necessary forms may be found at:
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PURINA AWARDS PROGRAM

Awards Committee Meeting Minutes & Standards and Operating Protocol

By Mark Johnson | Summerville, South Carolina | June 22, 2023

The Purina Awards Committee gathered on Friday, June 22, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Summerville, S. C. Committee members present were: Chairman Sean Derrig, Dwight Smith, Tom Griffin, and the writer Mark Johnson. Rick Stallings, Tim Ruff, and Mike Husemits were not able to attend due to health and/or family matters. Also present were Greg Blair representing Nestlé Purina—the sponsor of this extraordinary awards program, and Dominick Muoio, representing the United Kennel Club.

Chairman Derrig called the meeting to order at approximately 2:50 p.m. (EDT), and the writer distributed program material to each attendee. (Those unable to attend were mailed copies of all materials pertaining to this annual meeting). There were limited opening remarks, so the committee dove right into business.

Detailed review and discussion were held covering the 2022-2023 Purina Awards Program winners touching upon the success of each of the winning dogs, handlers, and owners. Mike Luebke and Dinora Wellmann provided the committee with exact point counts for each category tracked. Of note and reflecting accolades to this highly coveted awards program were the very close races for top dog in several categories. It was down to the wire as to who the winner would be. [Winners were announced in the July issue of UKC® Field.]

The committee reviewed prior year meeting minutes without additional discussion.

The committee then spent a good bit of time reviewing the “Standards and Operating Protocol” for this program, published in the July 2022 issue of the UKC® Field. As it pertains to the specific and comprehensive elements of the “Standards,” the committee fully ratified terminology and protocol as published with very limited verbiage amendments. A good level of time was spent discussing the Professional Handlers list, included with the Standards and Operating Protocol. In general, the committee wants to ensure that individuals applying for inclusion on the Professional Handlers list meet the following criteria:

1.) The applicant has handled and competed with their own string of at least three (3) dogs over the prior three (3) years.

2.) That those individuals apply directly to the Awards Committee in writing. Their application should outline specifics confirming compliance with the preceding point. The intent is to ensure that those listed as “professional handlers” are such and compete proactively on the open trial circuit. Consistent with this area of discussion, the following actions were taken:

- One listed handler was removed from the list by request and with the intent to return to amateur status.

- Two applications were approved and will be added to the 2023-2024 list

- Two applications were denied pending meeting above outlined requirements

- And one handler name change will be reflected in the upcoming season’s list.

Each of the above has been or will be advised directly regarding the above; additionally, the 2023-2024 Professional Handlers list will be adjusted accordingly.

The committee again entertained discussion regarding the purported dilemma involving the lack of sufficient professional handlers at several western U. S. trials and championships. While no obvious solution to this situation was fronted, chairman Derrig aptly reiterated that the Purina Awards Program and the obligations of the Awards Committee were to ensure that the program reflected a NATIONAL perspective. The concept of defining and administering a unique “western U. S.” program would not be acceptable; likewise, redefining amateur points calculations and program administration to include amateur wins in open stakes would be inconsistent with the definition and intent of an amateur status/competition as far as the Purina Awards Program is concerned.

Moving on, the committee evaluated nine (9) applications for points consideration, two of which were reinstatement applications. All of these were approved and will be included on the 2023-2024 rosters published in the UKC® Field. The writer has communicated directly with each of these applicants.

Additionally, four (4) trials/championships which had been listed will be removed from the approved rosters due to apparent inactivity and failure to report for two or more years.

This wrapped up the formal agenda items for the committee.

The floor was turned over to guests Muoio and Blair. Domenick Muoio referenced current UKC ad policies and indicated the potential for an Awards Program link on the UKC website. Greg Blair then discussed some of the ingredients of the new and exciting AFTCA-PURINA sponsorship program, along with the program’s operating philosophy and parameters.

The meeting was then adjourned at approximately 5 p.m.

Standards and Operating Protocol

The Purina Awards Program is sponsored by Nestlé Purina PetCare (Purina) and enjoys a long and extensive history of recognizing superior performances, handlers, and bird dogs in the field trial sport. The Top Field Trial Bird Dog Award (all-age) was established in 1963 and was sponsored by Ralston Purina. From the start, the Purina Awards Program was designed to stimulate interest in all field competition and recognize publicly the dog and handler which had excelled in a given field trial season. Over time, the program has evolved and expanded to include the Open Shooting Dog, Open Derby, Open Handler, Amateur Shooting Dog, and Amateur All-Age categories.

The primary role and responsibility of the Awards Committee is to administer the Purina Awards Program. This includes, but is not limited to, determining the manner in which the program shall be conducted, establishing a points system to determine the leading handlers and dogs, selecting trials where such points may be earned, and making determinations regarding other matters that may be related to the proper conduct of the Purina Awards Program.

The Awards Committee also carefully and consistently investigates written complaints—protest and/or negativity/conduct relative to Purina Awards Program events. Misconduct will not be tolerated and will be addressed decisively. When appropriate action is needed, it may include but is not limited to loss of points, loss of eligibility to be named handler/dog of the year, or both. In all cases, when a handler chooses to compete in a trial awarding Purina points, they agree to compete under the oversight of the awards program. The same applies to clubs and championships

that officiate approved Purina Points events.

Application for Recognition in the Program

In general, we are mindful that Purina Points trial status is not a given or automatically granted position. Purina Points trials must, in all cases, be reflective of premier bird dog competition, held on premier venues, showcasing top-notch handler and dog capabilities in a sportsmanlike and publicly appealing package. Purina Points trials and championships must also reflect baseline respect and appreciation for the MAJOR sponsorship contributions Nestlé Purina and the Awards Committee contribute to this significant and unrivaled bird dog awards program. Pertaining to new program applicants, an official application form must be submitted to the Awards Program recording secretary. New applications will be reviewed and acted upon by the full committee at their annual June committee meeting. Completion of an application does not guarantee approval. Typically, a three (3) year probationary time frame precedes approval.

Advertisement Requirements for Recognized Awards Program Events

- The Purina checkerboard logo must appear prominently in all points trial ads.
- United Kennel Club policy regarding the size of ads will prevail.
- Ads must appear in the UKC® Field/American Field website well ahead of the start of the event.
- Judges' full names must appear in the ad. Judges "TBD" is unacceptable and can be cause for a club to lose points status. Likewise, changes in listed judges must be communicated to UKC and the Awards Committee.
- The starting date, venue, and stake particulars must appear in the ad.
- The Awards Committee must be notified of any and all changes to the running of a recognized and advertised Purina Awards trial via written/email notice to the recording secretary.

Standards and Protocol

- To qualify for annual points consideration, recognized Purina Awards Program points events must run a minimum of 16 dogs (derbies excluded). This standard has been in place for several years and reflects the program's intent to attract a broad event base reflective of the stature and prestige associated with the program.

Those approved events that are run but attract less than the 16-dog minimum must nevertheless report the fact that their trial was run, including submission of a running order (Open Shooting Dog stakes only) and the completed Form for Essential Data.

- All points trials must be reported to appropriate parties and the Awards Committee within 45 days of the event's conclusion. Points WILL NOT BE SCORED for clubs that fail to report results within 45 days of event completion. "Reporting" is defined as the submission of Form for Essential Data to the Open and Amateur Shooting Dog points tabulator—Mr. Mike Luebke—at trialpoints@outlook.com, along with a running order (for Open Shooting Dog stakes only) that indicates the dog's *FDSB* name and the handler's full name. Points WILL NOT BE SCORED for Open Shooting Dog stakes that fail to include a complete running order with their Form for Essential Data.

Note: trialpoints@outlook.com is the only acceptable manner to communicate results to Mr. Luebke and becomes the basis for his paper trail supporting his calculations. Open All-Age and Amateur All-Age stakes must be reported to the United Kennel Club in the traditional manner.

- Any change in venue must be approved by the Awards Committee.
- All dogs, handlers, owners, and club officials participating in approved Purina Awards Program field trials must be in GOOD STANDING with the *FDSB*/United Kennel Club. Additionally, clubs/championships that elect to accept entries from persons/dogs not in good standing with the *FDSB*/United Kennel Club effectively relinquish their status as a Purina Points trial.
- All federal, state, and local ordinances apply to points trials.
- Failure to comply with any of the above points will result in a loss of Purina Points for that trial and may include suspension from the Awards Program.

Professional Handler

- Within the context of the Purina Awards Program, a professional handler will be defined as a person or persons who has actively competed in American Field/United Kennel Club-sanctioned bird dog field trials for at least three consecutive seasons, with his own string of dogs numbering not less than three (3).

- The following is a comprehensive listing of currently approved professional handlers:

Anderson, Randy	Kleve, Thomas
Aukenthaler, Lori	Lein, Rod
Azevedo, Scott	Lester, Gary
Basilone, Norm	Loper, Jason
Basilone, Matt	Lord, Dean
Beeler, Scott	Malzone, Garry
Bennett, Weldon	Martino, Michael
Bingham, Tony	Martino, Anthony
Browder, Steve	McLean, Mark
Carlton, Judd	Melvin, Sean
Casey, Pat	Minard, Bruce
Chaffee, Scott	Minard, Neal
Chaffee, Tammy	Moore, Virgil
Cochran, Mat	Nelson, Dave
Crook, Justin	Neria, Andy
Curnutte, Calvin	Newcomb, George
Daniels, Buck	Norman, Joel
Daniels, Jamie	Pearce, Ray
Daugherty, Andy	Ray, Doug
Davis, Tommy	Ray, Harold
Doiron, Paul	Rayl, Fred
Ecker, Robert	Raynor, Jerry
Eisenhart, Luke	Rice, Tommy
Erne, Andy	Robertson, Rich
Erne, Zach	Sampson, Kim
Forsberg, Karl	Schenker, Tom
Forman, Mark	Schillereff, Tim
Forman, Scott	Smith, Roy
Gearhart, Harold	Snow, Kenny
Gellhaus, Travis	Stephenson, Phil
Gingrich, Brian	Stolgitis, John
Gulick, Jeremy	Stretz, Chuck (Tom)
Hailey, Jerry	Swearingen, Tracy
Hansen, Kim	Tande, Jim
Hazlewood, Gordon	Taylor, Eddy
Henry, Lefty (Robert)	Thomas, Junior
Hester, Mike	Todd, Ike
Hilliard, Mack	Tracy, Jeanette
Hoke, Dan	Tracy, Mike
Huffman, Larry	Tracy, George
Hughes, Dave	Twer, Sheldon
Hughes, Mark	Vader, Diane
Hurdle, Steve	Vincent, Allen
Kinkelaar, Shawn	Waite, Tom
Kleve, James	Zink, Drew

- Handlers indicated in the above-referenced list may be purged from subsequent years' listings due to inactivity in Open Shooting Dog Purina Points trials during the preceding year(s). Listed handlers will be expected to keep the Awards Committee aware of changes that would preclude their being listed.

- Consideration for additions to the approved professional handlers' roster can be made in writing and directed to the Awards Committee Secretary or any committee member. Such applications should indicate name/contact particulars

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and kennel name, a summary of prior 36 months of handling dogs professionally, and a listing of Purina Points trials where dogs were handled as a professional. Consideration for additions will be at the committee's summer meeting.

Approved Points Trial Roster

- Annually, the United Kennel Club will publish a roster of approved Purina Points field trials—open, amateur, shooting dog, all-age, and derby.

- It is the responsibility of each club to confirm they have been listed.

Shooting Dog Points Calculation Particulars

- The 16-dog minimum prevails with a minimum of three (3) active professional handlers.

- For stakes with 17-24 dogs entered, there will be a minimum requirement of four (4) active professional handlers for points to be counted.

- For stakes with 25 or more dogs entered, the requirement is five (5) active professional handlers.

- In cases where the threshold number of professional handlers, as described above, is not met, points will be calculated at the level corresponding to the actual number of professional handlers participating. For example, if an Open stake drew 30 dogs, but there were only three professional handlers, points would be calculated at the 16-dog level.

Once again, these criteria are not intended to be burdensome or bureaucratic. Rather, they are specifically intended to reflect the prestige and stature of recognized Purina Points events by creating a more inclusive and broader base of competition in the shooting dog category. Club officials are most certainly encouraged to reach out to area professional handlers encouraging them to join their field trials with the intent to win but also ensuring that maximum points

thresholds are met for points calculation purposes.

- A three (3) dog bye brace limit will be in effect for awards recognition. Points calculations will be reduced accordingly for excesses. For example, if a stake drew 36 dogs, six (6) of which were drawn as bye dogs' points would be scored for a field of 33 dogs only.

- Awarding of Points: One-course trial venue will receive half points, while three (3) courses will receive full points based on the number of dogs entered.

The following pages carry the Purina Points Trials for the 2023-24 field trial season:

- Amateur All-Age (p. 16)
- Top Field Trial Bird Dog (p. 17)
- Top Shooting Dog (p. 18)
- Top Amateur Shooting Dog (p. 19)
- Handler of the Year (p. 20)
- Top Derby (p. 21)

Purina is pleased to announce the 2023-24 PURINA TOP AMATEUR ALL-AGE AWARD

This program is administered by the Purina Awards Committee, and sponsored by Purina. Committee members are: Sean Derrig, Chicago, IL; Tom Griffin, Watsonville, CA; Mark Johnson, Winnebago, IL; Tim Ruff, Irmo, SC; Dwight Smith, Norwood, NC; and Rick Stallings, Mathews, AL.



The winner will be awarded a generous supply of Purina product, and the owner will be the recipient of an original oil painting of his dog as well as a banner recognizing the dog as the season's "Amateur All-Age Award Winner".

The Award is based on accomplishments in amateur all-age trials with heats of one hour or longer. Points will be awarded based on the number of dogs officially drawn. First place will receive 10 points for each dog drawn, second place will receive 5 points and third will receive 3 points. Endurance trial points will be based on the length of the endurance trial.

Those who chose to enter and compete in Purina Awards stakes agree to do so under the policies and rules established by the Purina Awards Committee, United Kennel Club and FDSB standards, and those spelled out in the booklet "Standards to Field Trial Procedure, Judicial Practice, Handler and Bird Dog Performance".

— POINTS TRIALS FOR THE 2023-24 PURINA AMATEUR ALL-AGE AWARD —

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alabama Field Trial Club • Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America Regions:
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,
11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19 • Amateur All-Age Championships • Ames Amateur • Aurora Field Trial Club • Black Belt Amateur Field Trial Club • Cahaba Bend Field Trial Club • Carolina Amateur Field Trial Club • Carolina Lean Breed Club • Carroll County (Tenn.) Field Trial Club • Catawba Classic • Cedar Hill Field Trial Club • Central Carolina Field Trial Club • Central Kentucky Field Trial Club | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Kentucky Quail Club • Clarksville Bird Dog Club • Clarksville Pointer & Setter Club • Coalfield Bird Dog Club • Cockade Field Trial Club • Commonwealth Bird Dog Club • Continental Amateur Club • English Setter Club of America • Esmont-Greenfields Field Trial Club • Flint Hills Amateur All-Age Classic • Georgia Amateur Celebration • Gyp Hills Field Trial Club • Heartland Field Trial Club • High Plains Field Trial Club • Hell Creek Field Trial Club • Hoffman Field Trial Club | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kansas Field Trial Clubs Association • Lee County (Ga.) Field Trial Club • Marshall County (Miss.) Field Trial Club • Memphis Amateur Field Trial Club • Mid South Amateur Association • Midwest Field Trial Association • Mingo Sportsman Field Trial Club • Missouri Amateur All-Age • Montgomery County (Tenn.) Field Trial Club • Muckalee Creek Field Trial Club • National Amateur Chicken Championship • National Amateur Chukar Championship • National Amateur Invitational Championship** • National Amateur Pheasant Championship • National Amateur Quail Championship* • Northeast Kansas Field Trial Club | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Carolina Field Trial Association • Oil Capital Field Trial Association • Oklahoma Amateur Field Trial Assn. • Pinehurst Field Trial Club • Rend Lake Field Trial Club • Richmond County (N.C.) Field Trial Club • Southern Field Trial Club • Southern Pines Amateur All-Age • Sunflower Amateur All-Age Classic • Tulsa County (Okla.) Field Trial Club • Virginia Amateur Field Trial Club • Volunteer State Amateur Field Trial Association • West Kentucky Field Trial Club • West Tennessee Field Trial Club • Wolf River Field Trial Club • Woodlawn Field Trial Club |
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*Winner receives 15 points x number of dogs entered; Runner-Up receives 7.5 points x number of dogs entered.

**Winner receives 10 points x number of dogs entered for first day; 10 points for x number dogs for second day and 10 points x number of dogs called back for third day finals. Runner-Up receives 5 points based on the same formula.

For more information, please contact: SEAN DERRIG—(773) 281-3204 -or- MARK JOHNSON—(630) 699-1439

UKC® Field October Print Deadline: September 5

Purina is pleased to announce the 61st ANNUAL PURINA TOP FIELD TRIAL BIRD DOG AWARD

The Purina Award was initiated in 1963. It was an immediate winner in field trial and bird dog circles, as the sporting dog fraternity recognized the significance and importance of performances in Top Award stakes. The Award quickly became a much sought-after honor and Purina is pleased to play a role in helping to promote better trials, better sportsmanship and better bird dogs through such a medium.

In essence, the program is based on dog performance in carefully selected Open All-Age events. Scoring is determined by the number of dogs officially drawn and final placements in each of the events listed on this page. Points are awarded as follows: 10 points for first for each dog drawn; 5 for second for each dog drawn; and 3 for third for each dog drawn. Bonus points are awarded to winners in certain stakes. All dogs earning Purina Points in a given season must be DNA certified.

The Awards Committee which administers and certifies the Top Field Trial Bird Dog procedures is made up of prominent field trial personalities—Sean Derrig, Chicago, IL; Tom Griffin, Watsonville, CA; Mike Husenits, West Lebanon, PA; Mark Johnson, Winnebago, IL; Tim Ruff, Irmo, SC; Dwight Smith, Norwood, NC; and Rick Stallings, Mathews, AL.



Owner of the dog emerging as the season's Top Field Trial Bird Dog will be awarded an original oil painting of his dog. Handler of the winning dog will receive a cash purse of \$2,500, which will be doubled if the handler is an active Purina Pro Club® member, redeeming within the previous six months.

Those who chose to enter and compete in Purina Awards stakes agree to do so under the policies and rules established by the Awards Committee, United Kennel Club and FDSB standards, and those spelled out in the booklet "Standards to Field Trial Procedure, Judicial Practice, Handler and Bird Dog Performance".

Purina PetCare Company, maker of high-quality dog foods, including Pro Plan® brand Dog and Puppy Food, Purina® Dog Chow brand Dog Food, and Purina® Puppy Chow brand Puppy Food, pays tribute to outstanding bird dog performances each field trial season by means of the Top Field Trial Dog Award, at the same time offering incentive and encouragement to participants

for the betterment of the sport. Participation in this program does not constitute any endorsement of Purina products.

— POINTS TRIALS FOR THE 61st ANNUAL PURINA AWARD —

The Purina Award program for the 2023–24 season consists of the following stakes, each with heats of one hour or longer, and selected by the Award Committee.

Each trial is recognized for its prestige, grounds, organization and geographic location.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alabama Open Championship • Alberta All-Age Classic • All-America Prairie Championship • All-America Quail Championship • American Quail Classic (Clarksville P&S Club) • Benton County Field Trial Club Open All-Age • Black Belt Field Trial Association Open All-Age • Buck-Tuck Open All-Age Classic • Cajun Open All-Age Classic • California Bird Dog Championship • California Chukar Championship • California Open All-Age Championship • California Pheasant Championship • California Quail Championship • Carroll County Open All-Age • Cascade Open Championship • Central Arkansas Association / Southwestern Championship • Central Carolina Open All-Age • Continental All-Age Championship* • Doug Sanderson Memorial Open All-Age (Spring Valley Field Trial Club) • Dixie Field Trial Club Open All-Age • Dr. D.E. Hawthorne Border Classic • Florida (Suwannee River) All-Age Championship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Georgia Quail Championship • Grand National Grouse Championship • Gyp Hills Field Trial Club • Heartland Open All-Age • Hell Creek Open All-Age • Hobart Ames Open All-Age • Inola Open All-Age • International Pheasant Championship • Kentucky Lake Open All-Age • Kentucky Open All-Age Championship • Kentucky Quail Classic • Lee County (Ga.) Open All-Age • Masters Open Quail Championship • Mid-America Open Championship • Mississippi Open Championship • Missouri Open All-Age • Missouri Open Championship • National Championship* • National Chukar Championship • National Free-for-All Championship* • National Pheasant Championship • North Carolina Open All-Age • North Carolina Open Championship • North Dakota Open All-Age Classic • Northern States' U.S. Chicken Championship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northwest Chukar Open All-Age Championship • Oklahoma Cecil Proctor Open All-Age • Oklahoma Open Championship • Pacific Coast Open Championship • Pelican Open All-Age Classic • Prairie Field Trial Club Open All-Age • Quail Championship Invitational* • Region 8 (AFTCA) Open All-Age • Rend Lake Open All-Age (Rend Lake Field Trial Club) • Robin Gates Memorial Classic (Bear Pond Field Trial Club) • Southeastern Open Championship • Southern Field Trial Championship* • Southland Open Championship • Stillwater Open All-Age • Sunflower Open All-Age • Sunshine Open All-Age • Tar Heel Open All-Age Championship • Texas Open Championship • United States Open Championship • Western Open All-Age Championship • West Tennessee Open All-Age |
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* Bonus Points Stake

**For more information, please contact: SEAN DERRIG, Awards Program Chairman—(773) 281-3204
-or- MARK JOHNSON, Awards Program Corresponding Secretary—(630) 699-1439**

PREVIOUS PURINA AWARD WINNERS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • War Storm—1963-64 • Red Water Rex—1964-65; 1968-69 • Safari—1965-66 • Riggins White Knight—1966-67; 1967-68 • Johnny Crockett—1969-70 • Wrapup—1970-71 • The Texas Squire—1971-72 • Miller's Miss Knight—1972-73 • Crossmatch—1973-74 • White Knight's Button—1974-75 • Miller's White Cloud—1975-76 • Buckboard—1976-77 • Rex's Cherokee Jake—1977-78 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allure—1978-79; 1980-81 • Blackbelt—1979-80 • Heritage's Premonition—1981-82 • Whippoorwill's Rebel—1982-83; 1986-87 • Native Tango—1983-84 • Flatwood Hank—1984-85; 1985-86 • Rebel Wrangler—1987-88; 1991-92 • Redemption's Reward—1988-89 • Dunn's Fearless Bud—1989-90 • Quicksilver Pink—1990-91 • Brush Country Spectre—1992-93; 1993-94 • Flatwood Rusty—1994-95 • Miller's Silver Ending—1995-96 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silverwood—1996-97; 2001-02 • Shell Creek Dan—1997-98 • Lehar's Main Tech—1998-99; 1999-00 • Law's High Noon—2000-01 • Texas Trailrider—2002-03 • Quicksilver Gold—2003-04 • Lester's Absolute—2004-05 • Miller's On Line—2005-06 • Funseeker's Rebel—2006-07 • Shell Creek Coin—2007-08 • Lester's Snowwatch—2008-09 • Strut—2009-10 • Touch's White Out—2010-11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connor's E Z Button—2011-12 • Stallion—2012-13 • Touch's Adams County—2013-14 • Miller's Dialing In—2014-15 • Whippoorwill Justified—2015-16 • Touch's Mega Mike—2017-18 • Dunn's Tried 'N True—2016-17; 2018-19 • Valiant—2019-20 • Touch's Malcolm Story—2020-21 • Touch's Fire Away—2021-22 • Miller's Blindsider—2022-23 |
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Purina is pleased to announce the
2023–24 PURINA
TOP SHOOTING DOG AWARD

Purina—dedicated to providing performance breeds with the high-quality nutrition they need—is pleased to sponsor the Top Shooting Dog Award, and equally proud to support the field trial sport and has chosen this competition to emphasize the important benefits of high-quality nutrition for canine athletes.

This Award program is administered by the Awards Committee: Sean Derrig, Chicago, IL; Tom Griffin, Watsonville, CA; Mike Husenits, West Lebanon, PA; Mark Johnson, Winnebago, IL; Tim Ruff, Irmo, SC; W. Dwight Smith, Norwood, NC; and Rick Stallings, Mathews, AL.

The program is designed to elevate the level of competition—to make known to the public those contenders which consistently outperform their competition.

The Purina Top Shooting Dog Award is based on a point system for winning dogs of top-flight open shooting dog stakes. Points will be awarded based on the number of dogs officially drawn. In stakes with three or more one-hour courses, 1st place will receive 10 points for each dog drawn, 2nd place will receive 5 for each dog drawn, and 3rd place will receive 3 points for each dog drawn. In stakes with less than three one-hour courses, 1st place will receive 5 points, 2nd place 3 points, and 3rd place 1 point.



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The United States Shooting Dog Invitational Championship will award 400 bonus points, and the International Endurance Open Shooting Dog Championship will award 100 bonus points. If a points trial is held twice in one season, Purina Top Shooting Dog Award points will be credited for the first event only.

Trials have been carefully selected on longevity of the supporting organization; grounds; heats of one hour or longer; expedient, accurate reporting; prestige; and geographic location. Every field trial shooting dog will have an opportunity to earn points

toward this prestigious shooting dog award.

The Awards Committee reviews the point system and trials each year. Only trials which meet the highest standards are included. Points season ends April 30, 2024.

Those who chose to enter and compete in Purina Awards stakes agree to do so under the policies and rules established by the Awards Committee, United Kennel Club and FDSB standards, and those spelled out in the booklet "Standards to Field Trial Procedure, Judicial Practice, Handler and Bird Dog Performance".

Purina is proud to sponsor both Open and Amateur Top Shooting Dog Awards.

— POINTS TRIALS FOR THE 2023–24 PURINA TOP SHOOTING DOG AWARD —

— "Purina Points" trial must be shown in club's trial ad —

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All-America Open Shooting Dog Championship • Arizona Open Shooting Dog Championship • Arkansas Open Shooting Dog Championship • Atlantic Coast Open Shooting Dog Championship • Bama Quail Club • Big Sky Field Trial Club • Big Sky Open Shooting Dog Championship • Brock & Wells Open Shooting Dog Classic • California Chukar Shooting Dog Classic • California Open Shooting Dog Championship • Can/Am Open Shooting Dog Classic • Colombia County Shooting Dog • Eastern Open Shooting Dog Championship • Egyptian Open Shooting Dog Championship • Farmer Sportsmen's De Luca Classic • Fleetwood Open Shooting Dog Classic • Garden State Open Shooting Dog Championship • Garden State Open Shooting Dog Classic • Georgia Open Shooting Dog Championship • Idaho Open Shooting Dog Championship • Illinois Open Shooting Dog Championship • Indiana Open Shooting Dog Championship • International Endurance Open Shooting Dog Championship* • Jayhawk Open Shooting Dog Championship • Kentucky Open Shooting Dog Championship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keystone Open Shooting Dog Championship • Lesser Sandhills Field Trial Club • Lone Star Open Shooting Dog Classic • M.F. Ferguson Classic • Masters Open Shooting Dog Championship • McMinnville Field Trial Club • Michigan Open Shooting Dog Championship • Mid-Atlantic Shooting Dog • Middle Atlantic Open Shooting Dog Championship • Midwest Open Shooting Dog Championship • Mississippi Open Shooting Dog Championship • Missouri Open Shooting Dog Championship • Montana Open Shooting Dog Championship • National Chukar Open Shooting Dog Championship • National Open Pheasant Shooting Dog Championship • National Prairie Chicken Open Shooting Dog Championship • Nevada Bird Dog Club • New England Open Championship • North Carolina Open Shooting Dog Championship • North Carolina Pointing Dog Association / Carolina Celebration Open Shooting Dog • Northeastern Open Shooting Dog Championship • Northwest Chukar Open Shooting Dog Championship • Oklahoma Open Shooting Dog Classic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oklahoma Open Shooting Dog Championship • Oregon Open Shooting Dog Championship • Ozark Open Shooting Dog Championship • Pacific Coast Open Shooting Dog Championship • Pacific Northwest Open Shooting Dog Championship • Razorback Open Shooting Dog Classic • Russell County (Ala.) Field Trial Club • Shadow Oak Field Trial Club • South Carolina Open Shooting Dog Championship • Southeastern Open Shooting Dog Championship • Southern Comfort Field Trial Club • Southwest Missouri Open Shooting Dog Championship • Sunflower State Open Shooting Dog Championship • Swamp Fox Open Shooting Dog Classic • Tennessee Open Shooting Dog Championship • Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club • Texas Open Shooting Dog Championship • United States Shooting Dog Invitational Championship* • West Coast Open Shooting Dog Championship • Western Open Shooting Dog Championship |
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**Bonus Points Stake*

A dog whose breeding is shown by DNA to be misrepresented shall have points earned toward this Award withheld pending resolution of the matter by the *Field Dog Stud Book*. If such misrepresentation is not settled by April 30, the dog shall forfeit all points.

NOTE: Any points earned after April 30, 2024 will accumulate towards the 2024-2025 season.

For more information, please contact: SEAN DERRIG—(773) 281-3204 -or- MARK JOHNSON—(630) 699-1439

Purina is pleased to announce the
2023–24 PURINA TOP AMATEUR
SHOOTING DOG AWARD

The Amateur Shooting Dog Award program is administered by the Purina Awards Committee and designed to elevate the level of competition—to make known to the public those contenders which consistently outperform their competition.

Likewise, this amateur “owned and handled” award is based on a point system for winning dogs of top-flight amateur shooting dog stakes. Points are awarded based on the number of dogs officially drawn: 1st place will receive 10 points for each dog drawn, 2nd place will receive 5 points and 3rd place will receive 3 points.

The National Amateur Shooting Dog Championship winner will receive 250 bonus points; the runner-up 125 bonus points; the National Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational and National Amateur Free-For-All winner will receive 200 bonus points each. The National Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational runner-up will receive 100



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bonus points. If placements are withheld or voided, no points will be awarded. If a point trial is held twice in one season, Purina Top Amateur Shooting Dog Award points will be credited for the first event only.

Trials have been selected on longevity of the supporting organization; grounds; heats of one hour; expedient, accurate reporting; prestige; and geographic location. The Awards Committee reviews the points system and trials each year. Only amateur trials which meet the highest standards will be included. Points season ends April 30, 2024.

Those who chose to enter and compete in Purina Awards stakes agree to do so under the policies and rules established by the Purina Awards Committee, United Kennel Club and FDSB standards, and those spelled out in the booklet “Standards to Field Trial Procedure, Judicial Practice, Handler and Bird Dog Performance”.

— POINTS TRIALS FOR THE 2023–24 PURINA TOP AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG AWARD —

— “Purina Points” trial must be shown in club’s trial ad —

- Alabama Amateur Shooting Dog
- Association of Virginia Field Trial Clubs / Art Hillhouse Amateur Classic
- Bama Quail Club
- Bulls Bay Amateur Classic
- Cahaba Bend Field Trial Club
- Central Alabama SDA / Jimmy Hinton Memorial Amateur Shooting Dog
- Central Kentucky Field Trial Club
- Chesterfield Field Trial Club
- Clarksville Bird Dog Club
- Clarksville Pointer & Setter Club
- Cross Keys Field Trial Club
- Cumberland Valley Field Trial Club
- De Luca Amateur Shooting Dog Classic
- Dry Pond Field Trial Club
- Elwin G. Smith Shooting Dog Classic
- Esmont-Greenfields Field Trial Club
- Everglades ASD Classic
- Flint River “Pat LaBree Memorial” Field Trial Club
- Broad River Field Trial Club (Amateur Shooting Dog)
- Garden State Amateur Classic
- Georgia Amateur Celebration
- Georgia Assn. of Field Trial Clubs
- Hatchchubbee FTC / John O’Neall Jr. Memorial Amateur Classic
- Hell Creek Jimmy Dale Downs Memorial
- Henry Banks Sr. Memorial Field Trial Club (Amateur Shooting Dog)
- Hoffman Amateur
- Jockey Hollow Amateur Shooting Dog
- McMinnville Field Trial Club
- Memphis Amateur Field Trial Association
- Mid-State Field Trial Club
- Middle Georgia Amateur Shooting Dog
- Mingo Sportsman Classic
- Montgomery County Field Trial Club
- National Amateur Chicken Shooting Dog Championship
- National Amateur Chukar Shooting Dog Championship
- National Amateur Pheasant Shooting Dog Championship
- National Amateur Free-For-All Championship*
- National Amateur Shooting Dog Championship*
- National Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational Championship*
- North Carolina Pointing Dog Association
- Old Hickory Field Trial Club
- Quail Run Amateur Classic
- Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America Regions:
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19
- Amateur Shooting Dog Championships
- Rocky Creek Amateur Shooting Dog
- Round Pond Amateur Shooting Dog Classic
- Russell County (Ala.) Mac McClung Classic
- Sandlapper/H. Cooper Black Field Trial Club
- Shadow Oak Amateur Classic
- South Carolina Amateur Celebration
- South Carolina Amateur Classic
- Southern Comfort Horseback Field Trial Club
- Southern Field Trial Club
- Spruce Brook Bird Dog Club
- Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club
- West Tennessee Field Trial Club
- Woodlawn Field Trial Club

**Bonus Points Stake*

NOTE: Any points earned after April 30, 2024 will accumulate towards the 2024–25 Purina Top Amateur Shooting Dog Award.

A dog whose breeding is shown by DNA to be misrepresented shall have points earned toward this award withheld pending resolution of the matter by the *Field Dog Stud Book*. If such misrepresentation is not settled by April 30, the dog shall forfeit all points.

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Purina is pleased to announce the
36th ANNUAL PURINA
HANDLER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Purina is pleased to announce the 36th All-Age and Shooting Dog Handler of the Year Awards.



The program is designed to honor the top All-Age and Shooting Dog handlers competing in leading trials, Futurities and Derby Championships recognized by The AMERICAN FIELD and promote the highest level of sportsmanship! The award will go to the respective All-Age and Shooting Dog handler who earns the highest number of points in the trials listed below. A cash award of \$2,000 will be given, along with other prizes. The cash award of \$2,000 will be doubled to \$4,000 when the winning handlers have been actively feeding Purina pet food products and are redeeming members of Purina Pro Club for a minimum of six months prior to the Awards presentations.

Members of the Awards Committee are: Sean Derrig, Chicago, IL; Tom Griffin, Watsonville, CA; Mike Husenits, West Lebanon, PA; Mark Johnson, Winnebago, IL; Tim Ruff, Irmo, SC; Dwight Smith, Norwood, NC; and Rick Stallings, Mathews, AL.

The Awards Committee oversees the competition to ensure fairness. Any issues or questions should be submitted to the Committee in writing by the host club within thirty (30) days.

All-Age Handler Award points are awarded as follows: 5 points for first for all dogs drawn; 3 points for second for all dogs drawn; and 2 points for third for all dogs drawn.

A two-tier scoring system is used for the Shooting Dog Handler Award. Points are awarded as follows: For three one-hour continuous course trials—1st place earns 5 points per dogs drawn; 2nd place earns 3 points per dogs drawn and 3rd place earns 2 points per dogs drawn. For single course trials—1st place earns 3 points per dogs drawn; 2nd place earns 2 points per dogs drawn; and 3rd place earns 1 point per dogs drawn.

All points-earning dogs must be DNA certified.

The annual points season ends April 30. Trials that start after April 30, 2024 will be counted towards the 2025 Awards.

Those who chose to enter and compete in Purina Awards stakes agree to do so under the policies and rules established by the Awards Committee, United Kennel Club and FDSB standards, and those spelled out in the booklet "Standards to Field Trial Procedure, Judicial Practice, Handler and Bird Dog Performance".

Invitations to host the Purina Awards programs and banquets are always welcomed and may be presented to the committee.

ALL-AGE POINT TRIALS

- Alabama Open All-Age Championship
- Alabama Prairie Field Trial Club
- Alberta All-Age Classic
- All-America Derby Championship
- All-America Prairie Championship
- All-America Quail Championship
- American Derby Invitational Championship
- Bay Area Bird Dog Club / Western Open All-Age Championship
- Benton County (Miss.) Open All-Age
- Black Belt (Ala.) Open All-Age
- Buck-Tuck Qualifier Open All-Age
- California Bird Dog Championship
- California Chukar Championship
- California Open All-Age Championship
- California Pheasant Championship
- Carroll County Field Trial Club Open All-Age
- Cascade Open All-Age Championship
- Central Arkansas Association / Southwestern Championship
- Central Carolina Field Trial Club Open All-Age
- Clarksville P & S American Quail Classic
- Continental All-Age Championship
- Continental Derby Championship
- Dixie Field Trial Club Open All-Age
- Dr. D.E. Hawthorne Border Classic
- Florida Open All-Age Championship
- Georgia Derby Championship
- Georgia Quail Championship
- Gyp Hills Open All-Age
- Heartland Open All-Age
- Hell Creek Open All-Age
- Hobart Ames Memorial Open All-Age
- Inola Open All-Age
- International Pheasant Championship
- Kentucky Lake Field Trial Club Open All-Age
- Kentucky Open All-Age Championship
- Kentucky Quail Classic
- Lee County (Ga.) Field Trial Association Open All-Age
- Mid-America Open All-Age Championship
- Mid-America Open Derby Classic
- Mississippi Open All-Age Championship
- Missouri Open All-Age
- Missouri Open Championship
- National Championship
- National Chukar Championship

- National Derby Championship
- National Free-For-All Championship
- National Pheasant Championship
- North Carolina Field Trial Association Open All-Age
- North Carolina Open Quail Championship
- North Dakota Open All-Age
- Northern States' U.S. Chicken Championship
- Northwest Chukar Open All-Age Championship
- Oakdale Bird Dog Club / California Open Championship
- Oklahoma Field Trial Association Open All-Age
- Oklahoma Open Championship
- Oklahoma Open Derby Classic
- Pacific Coast Championship
- Pacific Coast Derby Championship
- Pacific Coast Field Trial Club / California Quail Championship
- Pacific Coast Field Trial Club / Jim Ingle Derby Classic
- Pelican Open All-Age Classic
- Prairie (Miss.) Field Trial Club Open All-Age
- Quail Championship Invitational
- Region 8 (AFTCA) Open All-Age
- Rend Lake Field Trial Club Open All-Age
- Robin Gates Memorial Classic (Bear Pond FTC)
- Solatex Cajun Open All-Age Classic
- Southeastern Open All-Age Championship
- Southern Field Trial Championship
- Southern Field Trial Club / Masters Open Quail Championship
- Southland Open All-Age Championship
- Southland Arlin Nolen Open Derby Classic
- Spring Valley Field Trial Club / Doug Sanderson Memorial Open All-Age
- Stillwater Open All-Age
- Sullivan Open All-Age
- Sunflower Open All-Age Classic
- Sunshine (Fla.) Field Trial Club Open All-Age Classic
- Tar Heel Open All-Age Championship
- Texas Open Championship
- Texas Open Derby Classic
- United States Open Championship
- Virginia Open Field Trial Association Open All-Age Classic
- West Tennessee Field Trial Club Open All-Age

SHOOTING DOG POINT TRIALS

- All-America Shooting Dog Championship
- Arizona Shooting Dog Championship
- Arkansas Shooting Dog Championship
- Atlantic Coast Shooting Dog Championship
- Bama Quail Club
- Big Sky Field Trial Club
- Big Sky Shooting Dog Championship
- Brock & Wells Open Shooting Dog Classic
- California Chukar Classic
- California Shooting Dog Championship
- Can/Am Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Columbia County Shooting Dog
- Eastern Shooting Dog Championship
- Egyptian Open Shooting Dog Championship
- English Setter Club of America / Garden State Shooting Dog Championship
- Farmer Sportsmen's De Luca Classic
- Fleetwood Shooting Dog Classic
- Flint Hills Field Trial Club / Jayhawk Shooting Dog Championship
- Garden State Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Georgia Shooting Dog Championship
- Georgia Shooting Dog Classic
- Idaho Shooting Dog Championship
- Illinois Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Indiana Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Indiantown Gap Bird Dog Club / Keystone Shooting Dog Championship
- Indiantown Gap Bird Dog Club / Keystone Shooting Dog Classic
- International Endurance Shooting Dog Championship
- Kentucky Shooting Dog Championship
- Lesser Sandhills Field Trial Club
- Lone Star Shooting Dog Classic
- McMinnville Field Trial Club Open Shooting Dog
- M.F. Ferguson Classic
- Michigan Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Mid-Atlantic Shooting Dog
- Midwest Shooting Dog Championship
- Mississippi Shooting Dog Championship
- Missouri Shooting Dog Championship
- Montana Shooting Dog Championship

- National Chukar Shooting Dog Championship
- National Pheasant Open Shooting Dog Championship
- National Prairie Chicken Shooting Dog Championship
- National Shooting Dog Futurity
- Nevada Bird Dog Club
- New England Championship
- New England Futurity
- North Carolina Pointing Dog Association / Carolina Celebration Open Shooting Dog
- North Carolina Shooting Dog Championship
- Northeastern Shooting Dog Championship
- Northwest Chukar Shooting Dog Championship
- Oklahoma Shooting Dog Championship
- Oklahoma Shooting Dog Classic
- Oregon Shooting Dog Championship
- Ozark Shooting Dog Championship
- Pacific Coast Shooting Dog Championship
- Pacific Northwest Shooting Dog Championship
- Razorback Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Russell County (Ala.) Field Trial Club
- San Joaquin Valley English Setter Club / West Coast Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Shadow Oak Classic
- South Carolina Shooting Dog Championship
- Southeastern Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Southern Comfort Field Trial Club
- Southern Field Trial Club / Masters Shooting Dog Championship
- Southwest Missouri Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Sunflower State Shooting Dog Championship
- Swamp Fox Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Tennessee Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club
- Texas Shooting Dog Championship
- United States Quail Shooting Dog Futurity
- United States Shooting Dog Invitational Championship
- West Coast Shooting Dog Championship
- Western Shooting Dog Championship

For more information, please contact:
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Purina is pleased to announce the
2023-24 PURINA TOP DERBY AWARD

These Awards, like those for the major All-Age and Shooting Dog circuits, will recognize the season's top Derbies, their owners and handlers.



Similar to the other Top Dog Awards programs, these Derby Awards are based on a points system. Dogs winning a placement in 30-minute Derby stakes will receive: 5 points for first; 3 for second; 2 for third; and 1 for fourth, times the number of dogs drawn in the stake; for 45-minute stakes or longer: 6 points for first; 4 for second; 2 for third; and 1 for fourth.

*Bonus points are added for Futurity and All-Age Championship wins (doubled for Championships and most Futurities except the U.S. Quail

Shooting Dog which will receive bonus points of 150, 100, 75 and 50).

Winning Derbies, owners and handlers will be recognized at the Awards banquet. An original oil painting of the winning Derbies will be presented along with a generous supply of Purina product for the winners.

Those who chose to enter and compete in Purina Awards stakes agree to do so under the policies and rules established by the Awards Committee, United Kennel Club and FDSB standards, and those spelled out in the booklet "Standards to Field Trial Procedure, Judicial Practice, Handler and Bird Dog Performance".

OPEN SHOOTING DOG DERBY STAKES

Midwest Region

- All-America Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Egyption Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Kentucky Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Illinois Open Shooting Dog Championship Max Eldred Open Derby
- Indiana Open Shooting Dog
- Michigan Open Derby Classic
- Midwest Shooting Dog Futurity*
- Midwestern States Derby Classic
- National Prairie Chicken Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby

Northeast Region

- Bill McNamee Memorial Open Derby Classic
- Garden State Championship (English Setter Club) Open Derby
- Garden State Classic Open Derby
- Keystone "Yankee" Open Derby Classic
- National Shooting Dog Futurity
- New England Futurity*

Southern Region

- Cedar Valley Classics Ray B. Jeffers Open Derby
- Eastern Open Derby Classic
- Georgia Association Shooting Dog Classics Ray Jeffers Open Derby
- Georgia Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Henry Banks Sr. Memorial Open Shooting Dog Derby
- Middle Georgia Open Shooting Dog Derby
- Russell County (Ala.) Open Derby
- South Carolina Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Swamp Fox Open Shooting Dog Derby Classic
- Tootsie Hurdle Open Derby
- United States Quail Shooting Dog Futurity*

Western Region

- Arkansas Derby Classic

- Can/Am Open Shooting Dog Derby
- Colorado Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Fleetwood Open Shooting Dog Classic Open Derby
- Hidden Valley Club
- Jayhawk Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Lone Star Open Shooting Dog Classic Open Derby
- Missouri Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Oil Capital Amateur All-Age Derby
- Oklahoma Open Derby Classic
- Oklahoma Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Southwest Missouri Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Sunflower State Open Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
- Texas Open Shooting Dog Championship Texas Open Derby

Far West Region

- Arizona Open Shooting Dog Championship Bill West Open Derby Classic
- Montana Shooting Dog Championship Open Derby
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- Alabama Club's Derby
- All-America Derby Championship*
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- "Big" Derby Classic
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- Carroll County (Tenn.) Field Trial Club Derby
- Cecil Proctor Open Derby
- Central Carolina Open Derby

- Continental Derby Championship*
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- Georgia Derby Championship*
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- Hell Creek Open Derby
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- Kansas Prairie Open All-Age Derby
- Kentucky Championship Open Derby
- Kentucky Lake Ricky Chism Memorial Open Derby
- Kentucky Quail Classic Derby
- Larry Brech Open Derby
- Lee County (Ga.) Open All-Age Derby
- Mid-America Championship Open Derby Classic
- Mississippi All-Age Championship Derby
- Missouri Don Fox Memorial Derby
- Missouri Open All-Age Derby
- Muckalee Creek Open Derby
- National Derby Championship*
- North Carolina Open Derby
- Pacific Coast Derby Championship*
- Pelican Open All-Age Classic Derby
- Prairie Field Trial Club Derby
- Region 8 Championship Assn. Open Derby
- Rend Lake Open All-Age Derby
- Rulon Everton Open Derby
- Solatex Evangeline Derby
- Southern Pines Open All-Age Derby
- Southland Arlin Nolen Derby
- Southwestern Championship Open Derby
- Stillwater Open All-Age Derby
- Sullivan County Open All-Age Derby
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ALABAMA YOUTH HANDLER AWARDS

Winners Honored at Annual Meeting

By Darron Hendley | Union Springs, Alabama | June 24, 2023



Reese Green with Missy Lawrence and Dr. Reuben Richardson



Hayes Green with Hunter McDuffie, Laci Brabham Reese Green, and Justin Green.



Sterling Woodruff with Darron Hendley, Woody Woodruff (father), Emily Woodruff (mother), Missy Lawrence, Hunter McDuffie, and extended family.

The Alabama Youth Field Trial Association's Handler of the Year awards were presented at its annual meeting on June 24 at the Union Springs Country Club. A delicious steak dinner expertly prepared by Ban Stewart was enjoyed by all before getting down to business.

The AYFTA had five youth trials this year with 86 total canine entrees. One trial was rained out. Next season, we have seven youth trials scheduled beginning in November through March. This year, the AYFTA had nine different youth handlers earn qualifying points toward Youth Handler of the Year. They came from Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia. At year-end, only two points separated the top two points earners.

This was the first year for a new category of youth handlers for ages 12 and under called the Junior Division. Each youth trial recognizes a top dog handled by a youth handler in the Junior Division. The AYFTA put into competition a new revolving trophy in memory of the late Mrs. Pat O'Neill to be awarded annually to the Top Junior Division Handler. The first name engraved on the trophy is Hayes

Green. Hayes is a fourth-grade native of Union Springs, Ala. He took top dog awards in the Bama Quail, Shenandoah, and Central Alabama trials. In the off-season, Hayes also excels in baseball.

The AYFTA Handler of the Year runner-up is Reese Green. She, too, is from Union Springs. Hayes and Reese happen to be brother and sister! Reese received the Johnny Capps Memorial Trophy for Handler of the Year runner-up and will be awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Hartley Carter Foundation when she furthers her high school education. Reese earned her qualifying points by winning the Central Alabama trial and placing at Conecuh Station, Greenway, and Shenandoah. Reese is also the reigning Dixie Trace Youth Handler of the Year. Reese also makes time for her ninth-grade studies, volleyball, and cheerleading.

The 2022-2023 AYFTA Youth Handler of the Year reigns from Shelbyville, Tenn. This remarkable young man is only a fifth grader yet has raised, trained, and shown his six-year-old horse "Shiny" to not one but two World Grand Championship titles in the Saddle Horse Youth Division. He got into bird dogs on a quail hunt with his

father at Shenandoah Plantation. He never looked back. In just his third season, he won first place in what is believed to be the two biggest youth trials in the country last season, the Greenway and Shenandoah trials.

The AYFTA John William Barnett Memorial Trophy for the Youth Handler of the Year was presented to Sterling Woodruff. Sterling was accompanied by a loving entourage of his proud parents, grandparents, and extended family. Sterling will be back when he furthers his high school education to collect a \$1,000 scholarship from the Hartley Carter Foundation.

The AYFTA wishes to thank everyone who supports this sport. Individuals and businesses from near and far have helped bring special opportunities to youngsters who otherwise would not know what horseback quail hunting is like. In this day in time, it is more important than ever to expose youngsters to nature, the outdoors, and wildlife. If you or your business would like to know more about the goals of the AYFTA or how you can help, please call Darron Hendley at (334) 300-5836.

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FIELD TRIAL CLUBS OF ILLINOIS

Celebrating 60 Years

By Brian Sheehan | Jacksonville, Illinois | July 8, 2023



Lori Rezzardi with Mike Vicari and Heather Pakard



Brad Hargis with Craig Hiatt



Brad Hargis, Reagan Ziegler (junior handler), and Sean Patrick Derrig

The Field Trial Clubs of Illinois (FTCI) celebrated our 60th anniversary on July 8, 2023, at the Dog of the Year (DOTY) awards banquet at Hamilton's in Jacksonville, Ill. This event marked a significant milestone for FTCI, established in 1963 to promote and perpetuate field trialing in Illinois. The club's objectives include fostering high levels of sportsmanship and cooperation among various breeds, trial clubs, and individuals passionate about field trials.

The FTCI has continued to work hard for 60 years, collaborating with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) to develop and maintain seven class 'A' field trial sites across the state. Through joint ventures between the FTCI and the IDNR, barns and buildings have been built at field trial sites across the state. Horse barns were built and donated to the state with FTCI funds at Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area, Pyramid State Park, and Middle Fork State Wildlife Park. The FTCI has assisted member clubs with money to make improvements and renovations to buildings and grounds over the years. The FTCI also provides an option for group liability insurance for member clubs. Partnering with Nestlé Purina, the FTCI sponsors Junior Handler events throughout Illinois and an awards program with participants and winners recognized at the summer DOTY awards banquet. It provides a platform where sportspeople, dog enthusiasts, and hunters can lobby and have a voice in local and state affairs. The FTCI works with Quail and Upland Game Alliance (QUGA) for the improvement of habitat on both private and public grounds.

The FTCI maintains a board position for the Illinois Federation for Outdoor Resources. The FTCI worked diligently with the IDNR to rewrite the rules governing field trials within the State of Illinois and recently worked with the IDNR on a gradual increase in field trial permit fees instead of a significant immediate price increase.

The FTCI DOTY banquet celebrates the accomplishments of dogs from various hunting breeds throughout the season. The banquet catalog lists all dogs placed in trials, recognizes the top point earners throughout the season as a winner or runner-up and recognizes individuals for their dedication and service in improving field trialing. FTCI board member and catalog chair Aaron McAfee again created a beautiful catalog to commemorate the 2022-2023 season. Aaron has also redesigned our FTCI website, which includes up-to-date standings for the Dog of the Year awards as the season progresses. Please visit our new site at www.fieldtrialclubsofillinois.org.

FTCI President Brad Hargis served as the Master of Ceremony, warmly welcoming the guests and setting the stage for the evening's festivities. President Hargis thanked all those currently serving as officers and on the board of directors for their hard work and dedication to the organization. Officers include John Hott, Vice President, and Donna Janulis-Secretary/Treasurer. The Board of Directors includes Mary Jo Trimble, Mark Johnson, Lori Rezzardi, Brian Sheehan, Ed Janulis, Sean Patrick Derrig, Jeff Wagoner, Mike Vicari, and Aaron McAfee. Hargis also thanked associate directors Ed

Liermann, Maeve Derrig, and Matt Collins for participating.

The 2023 Distinguished Senior Award was presented to Don Heisner and his wife, Betty. Don has owned and actively participated in walking and horseback field trials with English setters for many years. Don's setters have won everything from weekend trials to championship titles. One of Don's most notable wins was from his dog Gus, who earned the NBHA National Amateur Invitational Champion title in 2021. Kay and Jim Lawless presented the award, informing the audience that Don grew up in Southern Illinois hunting and was known to hitchhike home from college on weekends to bird hunt. Heisner continues to hunt his setters and has harvested about every game bird species in the United States. The Lawlesses then discussed how Don had assisted multiple clubs with field trials at Pyramid State Park. His contributions extend to site preparation for fall trials, maintenance of the barn, setting up corrals, and caring for the bird pens. Don will eagerly help clubs with trials at Pyramid with any job assigned. Congratulations, Don, on receiving this deserved award.

Former FTCI President Mark Johnson presented Pat Sheehan, former FTCI Vice President and member of the board of directors, with a plaque in thanks for serving the organization for over 30 years. Pat was instrumental in developing the field trial grounds at Jim Edgar Panther Creek and building the horse barn at the site. Pat served as the point person at the site for many years, working with the site management to maintain crossing and advise on mowing and course grooming.



Neveta and Gene Salmons with Joseph Marlatt



Neveta and Gene Salmons with Travis Patterson



Brian Sheehan and Susie DuVall

After a delightful dinner, the DOTY chairs took the stage to present the awards. Neveta and Gene Salmons presented the Brittany Awards, honoring the dogs' achievements from this breed. Lori Rezzardi presented the Continental Breed Awards for DOTY Chair Angie Vicari, recognizing exceptional performances within that category. Brian Sheehan presented the Horseback Pointer and Setter Awards, acknowledging the accomplishments of these remarkable dogs. Finally, Brad Hargis presented the Walking Pointer and Setter Awards, celebrating the excellence displayed by dogs in this category. Sean Patrick Derrig and Brad Hargis presented the Junior Handler Award, recognizing youth and the future of our sport. This year's winner is Madelyn Fiorito. Several of our junior handler participants attended and received gift bags from Nestlé Purina and Terry Trzcinski. The DOTY category winners and runners-up are appended.

Adding to the evening's excitement, Jeff and Kelly Wagoner oversaw the fundraising raffle, which featured prizes suitable for all ages. The Wagoners have chaired the raffle for many years and seem to outdo themselves year after year. The raffle consists of silent auction items, wildlife prints, and general raffle ticket table items. Silent auction examples included 10 bags of Purina Pro Plan (Thank you, Greg Blair and Terry Trzcinski), two used saddles, and a SportDOG training collar. The Wagoners' efforts contributed to the overall enjoyment of the event while supporting FTCI's initiatives. A separate raffle was conducted for a new saddle, with this year's winner being Mike Vicari. Congratulations!

We thank our generous sponsors who supported the Field Trial Clubs of Illinois during our 60th Anniversary celebrations and Dog of the Year Awards Banquet. Your contributions and support are deeply

appreciated, and they have contributed to the success of our event. Thank you to:

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Your support demonstrates your commitment to the field trial community. It helps us further our mission of promoting and perpetuating the sport in Illinois. Thank you again for your generosity and partnership in making our 60th Anniversary celebration a resounding success.

The FTCI's 60th Anniversary celebration and DOTY Awards banquet were a testament to the club's dedication to the sport of field trialing and its commitment to recognizing outstanding achievements. Congratulations to FTCI

on this remarkable milestone, and may the club continue to thrive in promoting the sport for many years to come.

This year's winners and runners-up are:

Horseback Pointer and Setter Breeds

Amateur Derby Winner:

Saginaw TS Rip
(Mark Johnson)

Amateur Shooting Winner:

Ch./R-U Ch. Thumper's Anything But
(Mike & Suanne DuVall)

Open Derby Winner:

Saginaw Luke Skywalker
(Mark Johnson)

Open Derby Runner-up:

Hunt's Full Moon Rising
(Justin D. Hunt, owner /
Shawn Kinkelaar, handler)

Open Shooting Dog Winner:

Ch./R-U Ch. Lawless Speck
(Jim Lawless)

Walking Pointer and Setter Breeds

Amateur Derby Winner:

Elm Hills To The Trigger
(Steve Fuess)

Amateur Derby Runner-up:

No Limits Little Slick
(John Landolina)

Amateur Gun Dog Winner:

No Limits Little Slick
(John Landolina)

Amateur Gun Dog Runner-Up:

Mythical Killagain Flush
(David McCuan)

Amateur Puppy Winner:

Sonic Boom Vom Huber Haus
(Aaron Patterson Jr.)

Amateur Puppy Runner-Up:

Wild Wood Rebel Jake
(Ted Ellis)



Kay Lawless, Betty Heisner, Don Heisner, and FTCI President Brad Hargis



Banquet guests



Jeff and Kelly Wagoner chairing the raffle.

Amateur Shooting Dog Winner:
Ch. Craig's Runin Roxie
(Craig Hiatt)

Amateur Shooting Dog Runner-up:
No Limits Wildfires Wildcard
(John Landolina)

Horseback Brittany

Amateur All-Age Winner:
W W's Miss Corona
(Burton & Sharon Wice)

Amateur All-Age Runner-up:
NAGDC/FC/AFC Hurricane Banjo
(Mary K. Fiorito, Ryn Fiorito
& Todd Parmenter)

Amateur Gun Dog Winner:
Atos
(Jackie Hutwagner)

Open All-Age Winner:
Black Creek Whizki Skip
(John Hall/ Chad Holman)

Open Derby Winner:
Taboo's Mystic Roxy
(Joseph Marlatt)

Open Derby Runner-up:
Spartan King Kid
(Stanley Williamson)

Open Gun Dog Winner:
Ch. Cedar Glenn Disruptin The Peace
(William & Halina Jones)

Open Gun Dog Runner-up:
Romence's Life of Riley
(Julie Romence/Bob Burchett)

Open Puppy Winner:
Circle C's Straight Shooter
(Beau Crawford/Bob Burchett)

Open Puppy Runner-up:
KJ's Eva The Diva
(Kim Thompson)

Walking Brittany

Amateur Walking Gun Dog:
Ch. Cedar Glenn Disruptin The Peace
(William & Halina Jones)

Amateur Walking Puppy Winner (Tie):
Dogwood's Lieutenant Dan
(Todd Parmenter)

RW How Do You Like Me Now
(Rebecca Walters)

Amateur Walking Puppy Runner-up:
Huber's Artemis Sunshine
(Travis Patterson)

Horseback Continental Breeds

Amateur All-Age Winner:
FC/ AFC P J Wildfire's Supernova
(Frank Vicari)

Amateur All-Age Runner-up:
FC/ AFC P J Wildfire's Little Bo
(Frank Vicari)

Amateur Gun Dog Winner:
Wildfire's Snowy Mountain
(Mike Vicari)

Open Puppy Winner:
Wildfire's Night Fighter
(Mike Vicari)

Walking Continental Breeds

Amateur Walking Derby Winner:
No Limits Little Slick
(John Landolina)

Amateur Walking Gun Dog Winner:
No Limits Little Slick
(John Landolina)

Amateur Walking Gun Dog Runner-up:
Mythodical Killagain Flush
(David McCuan)

Junior Handler

Junior Handler Winner:
Madelyn Fiorito

Junior Handler Finalists:
Reagan Ziegler, Elijah Reynolds, Alex
Yeske, Myah Landolina, and Josiah Carr

Distinguished Senior Service Award

Don Heisner

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ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN FIELD TRIAL CLUBS

2023 Dog of the Year Awards Presented

By Denise Peters | Ionia, Michigan | July 15, 2023



Cover Dog Winners (l-r): Ken DeLong with K Del's Eagle Magnum Hotshot; Chuck Langstaff with K Del's Eagle's Chance To Soar; Josie Wasserman, Chris Wasserman with Country Roads Acer; Lucie Wasserman; Richard Hollister with Back Creek Lucy; Brent Peters with Baxter's Doc Holiday; Denise Peters; Harold Holmes with Travel Alert and Dennis Keysor with Meredith Grade Penny.

The 2023 Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs Dog of the Year awards were presented on July 15, 2023, at the Ionia Field Trial Grounds at the well-attended AMFTC annual meeting and steak fry. These awards have been in existence for decades and are run in accordance with the rules of the UKC and AMFTC Constitution. Dogs in the Horseback and Cover Dog categories must run in three trials of member clubs to be eligible for points toward Dog of the Year awards. Dogs in the Walking and Restricted Breed Cover Dog categories must run in two trials of member clubs to be eligible for points toward Dog of the Year awards. Dogs must win a minimum of two placements at member club trials. Following are the dogs rewarded for their accomplishments. Thank you to all the owners, trainers, and handlers who have made it all possible.

Michigan Horseback Shooting Dog of the Year was awarded to Steller Wind, an English pointer female owned by James and Connie Cipponeri and handled by James Cipponeri. Steller Wind took the lead with five placements, including runner-up in the Michigan Shooting Dog Classic.

Michigan Horseback Shooting Dog of the Year runner-up was awarded to Crime Boss, an English setter male, owned by Will Langley and handled by Jim Cipponeri. Crime Boss took four well-deserved placements, all during the fall season.

Michigan Horseback Derby of the Year was awarded to Wicked Pursuit, an English pointer female owned by Sandy Maclean and Kelsy Hajek and handled by Sandy

Maclean. Wicked Pursuit took four first placements as a puppy competing in the derby stakes, all during the fall season. Wicked is homebred and ran against many out-of-state contenders.

Michigan Horseback Derby of the Year runner-up was awarded to Windfall Mackinaw Straights, an English pointer male owned and handled by Joe Guzman. Windfall had a great showing for just being a puppy, running derby stakes. Windfall placed five times to include runner-up at the Michigan Open Derby Classic. A natural bird-finder, we expect to see great things out of Windfall in the future.

No Horseback Puppy awards were given.

Michigan Cover Dog Shooting Dog of the Year was awarded to Travel Alert, an English setter male owned and handled by Harold Holmes. Significantly, this is the fifth time Harold has taken this award with his dogs. "Buster" won with a decisive victory in the Northern Michigan Cover Dog Championship last October over an entry of 72 dogs from across the cover dog world, stretching from Minnesota across the Great Lakes to the East Coast. Buster had a grouse find at one minute into his brace, and another double grouse stand at 55. In between these finds a strong forward race that required very little handling. The finishing touch was that this spring, Buster finished second in the National Brittany Open Grouse Championship Association spring trial with an entry of 52 dogs.

Michigan Cover Dog Shooting Dog of the Year runner-up was awarded to Back Creek Lucy, an English setter female owned by Steve Graham and handled

by Richard Hollister. Lucy was steady through the fall and spring trials, winning or placing in four stakes. Of those wins, she took second place, with 27 entries in the Michigan Amateur Club's Open Shooting Dog stake in September; first place, with 32 entries in the inaugural Theda Langstaff Memorial Open Shooting Dog stake; first in the Beaverton Grouse Dog Club spring Open Shooting Dog stake with 38 entries and first in the National Brittany Open Grouse Championship Association spring trial with an entry of 52 dogs.

Michigan Cover Dog Derby Dog of the Year was awarded to Meredith Grade Penny, an English setter female owned by Dennis Keysor and handled by Scott Chaffee. Penny scored five placements over the 2022-2023 season, consisting of third in the Lake States summer Derby, with eight entries; second in the Lake States fall Derby, with 15 entries; second in the 32-entry Jack Pyler Memorial Derby run by the National Brittany Open Grouse Championship Association; first with 32 entries in the spring Dell Todd Memorial Derby, second in the Lake States Field Trial Club Open Derby and second with 23 entries in the Ruffed Grouse Club's spring Derby.

Michigan Cover Dog Derby Dog of the Year runner-up was awarded to Country Roads Acer ("Maple"), owned and handled by Chris Wasserman. Maple and Chris placed in four stakes in the summer and fall of 2022—first in the MAFTC Open Derby, with 17 entries; first in the National Brittany Open Grouse Championship Association fall stake, with 16 entries; third in the Bill Wendt Memorial Derby, with 27 entries and first in the Beaverton



Horseback Winners (l-r): Jim Cipponeri with Steller Wind, Connie Cipponeri, Will Langley with Crime Boss, and Sandy Maclean with Wicked Pursuit.



Bill Darr, recipient of the 2022-2023 Bill Rogers Memorial Award



Walking Winners (l-r): Rob Ellis with Pine Straw's Cover Queen, Richard Hollister with Dunrovens Midnight Eve, Paula Giulitto with Grouse Ridge Larry, and Ken DeLong with Faith's Maximum Justice.

fall Derby, with 17 entries.

Michigan Cover Dog Puppy of the Year was awarded to Baxter's Doc Holiday ("Doc"), owned by Denise and Brent Peters and handled by Brent Peters. Doc and Brent were consistent throughout the season, placing in five stakes and knocking on the door in the other four. Doc won first in the MAFTC fall stake with four entries; first in the MAFTC spring stake with 16 entries; first in the Kim Kinne Memorial stake with 12 entries; third in the 24-entry Lake States spring stake; and second with 17 entries in the National Brittany Open Grouse Championship Association spring running.

Michigan Cover Dog Puppy of the Year runner-up was awarded to Grouse Hill Princess, owned by John Capocci and handled by Scott Forman and Christy Helmes. Princess won two stakes over the season in Gladwin. Princess also took fourth in the spring at the Grand National Puppy Classic and second in the Venango Puppy Classic. Michigan wins included the Lake States fall Open Puppy with eight entries and the spring Beaverton Michigan Grouse Dog Puppy Classic with 20 entries.

Michigan Walking Shooting Dog of the Year was awarded to Faith's Maximum Justice, an English pointer male owned and handled by Ken DeLong. Justice placed second in the Kalamazoo trial, first at the Grand Valley Open, and second in the Grand Valley Amateur. Justice has been a tough competitor from the beginning.

Michigan Walking Shooting Dog of the Year runner-up was awarded to Grouse Ridge Larry, an English setter male owned by Paula Giulitto and handled by Richard Hollister of Dun Roven Kennels. Larry placed first in Kalamazoo, first in the Wolverine trial, and won this same award last year. Larry competes in walking and cover dog trials and holds his own overall.

Michigan Walking Derby of the Year was awarded to Pine Straw's Cover Queen, an English Setter female owned and handled by Robert Ellis. Cover Queen placed three times, including second in Kalamazoo, second at the Wolverine, and first at Grand Valley. She competes in both walking and cover dog trials and will be showing her stuff soon as an open shooting dog.

Michigan Walking Derby of the Year runner-up was awarded to Hifives Rolling Stone, an English pointer male owned and handled by John Paul Jones. Stone placed twice, including first at Kalamazoo and third at the Wolverine. Stone is a good-going pointer, and we will see him again!

Michigan Walking Puppy Dog of the Year was awarded to Dunrovens Midnight Eve, an English setter female owned by Jessica Hollister and handled by Richard Hollister. Eve took three winds to include first at Kalamazoo, third at the Wolverine, and another first at Grand Valley. We will see Eve moving on to be a contender in her derby season.

No runner-up was awarded.

Michigan Restricted Breed Shooting Cover Dog of the Year award went to K Del's Eagle Magnum Hotshot, a Brittany male owned and handled by Ken DeLong. Shooter won the summer Continental Breed Open Shooting Dog and placed runner-up in the fall Continental Breed Open Grouse Championship.

Michigan Restricted Breed Shooting Cover Dog of the Year runner-up award went to K Del's Eagle's Chance To Soar, a Brittany female owned and handled by Ken DeLong. Chancy placed third in the summer Continental Breed Open Shooting Dog. This stake is newer to our venue, and we hope to see it grow as time goes on.

An award of appreciation was also awarded to David Fletcher for his 17 years of dedicated service to the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs. Dave was recruited for the post of Secretary/Treasurer at a special meeting of the Association and served graciously until his retirement in July of 2022.

The 2022-2023 Bill Rogers Memorial Award was awarded to Bill Darr in recognition of his hard work and dedication to the trials of the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs and for his efforts above and beyond the call of duty.

Thank you to our point keepers Jim Cipponeri, Bob Wheelock, Richard Hollister, and Ken DeLong for supplying the pertinent information for this article and their due diligence throughout the year.

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House's Rain Cloud

Often, great dogs are overlooked for the election to the Hall of Fame. Due to the fact these canine athletes' life spans are short, and year after year, there is an infusion of these field trial performers becoming eligible for the Field Trial Hall of Fame. One of these great dogs is Champion House's Rain Cloud.

House's Rain Cloud (FDSB# 1403920) was a six-time champion and six-time runner-up champion; stud book record 37-74-387. Ch./HOF Miller's Silver Bullett x Judy Lyn sired him. The breeder of record was Buddy Smith (HOF).

House's Rain Cloud's championship wins were: Quail Championship Invitational (3x winner); Missouri Open Championship (winner and 3x R-U); Alabama Open All-Age Championship (winner and R-U); Border International Chicken Championship (winner); National Amateur Derby Championship (R-U); and Region 14 Amateur All-Age Championship (R-U).

There have been 59 champions named at the Quail Championship Invitational through 2022. Of the 56 HOF dogs invited to compete in this prestigious trial, 18 such HOF dogs account for 23 of those championships, and only five have won it twice. House's Rain Cloud is the only three-time champion in his six appearances.

— *Robert Thomas*

Rivertons Funseek'n Scooter

I would like to take this opportunity to endorse two very deserving dogs for the Hall of Fame. First is Rivertons Funseek'n Scooter. He was one of the strongest dogs I have ever seen run and always a threat to win wherever he was run. Secondly, in order only, is True Confidence ("Bob"). He had the remarkable ability to point a bird when others could not. Truly a remarkable bird finder no matter the terrain.

Both dogs have won all over the United States. They have also produced multiple winners that carry on their best traits. These dogs had the ability to make you sit up in the saddle and watch at any given time. It was a real pleasure to compete against and watch them perform.

Please consider Rivertons Funseek'n Scooter and True Confidence when casting your votes for Hall of Fame this year.

— *Judd Carlton*

True Confidence

We saw True Confidence perform several times at the Masters Open Quail and Continental All-Age Championships. He was a consistent, front-running dog that was very pretty on his game. We bred him several times, and it really helped our kennel progress. Every dog by True Confidence we have in our kennel has a super nose, and they're passing that on to the next generation. They're sensible, intelligent bird dogs that break out easy and that want to go with you.

True Confidence's field trial record speaks for itself. The quality of his offspring is outstanding, both as winning field trial contenders and as class quail hunting dogs. A male dog, in particular, should have exceptional win and production records to be honored with Field Trial Hall of Fame recognition. We endorse True Confidence for that rare distinction.

— *Ronnie and Kevin Beane*

Several years ago, I heard about a dog named True Confidence. Asking around about him, he was definitely a dog I wanted to know more about and watch perform. I heard about a litter and picked out a male pup. True Confidence quickly lived up to the talk about him being a special dog.

My dog by him, Ch. Dogwood Bill, today has seven placements, won the 2019 Continental Derby Championship, and was the 2019 Purina Derby of the Year Award winner. Bill has proven to be like his sire Bob; he's a stylish bird finder producing the same, contributing to my kennel.

Please join me in voting for True Confidence for the Hall of Fame. He is a very deserving candidate. He had a long career as a consistent winner all across the country, and he is a proven producer, the two qualities that should be evident to distinguish a dog for Hall of Fame honors.

— *Ben Stringer*

True Confidence's win record speaks for itself. I was fortunate enough to watch "Bob" perform on several occasions. He was a very strong, front-running, level-headed bird dog. I have also been fortunate to work several of his offspring. Like Bob, they were also level-headed and great bird-finders. Each dog was easygoing and very eager to please, just like their sire. True Confidence is definitely deserving of the Hall of Fame.

— *Tracy Swearingen*

Gary Lester

We would like to nominate Gary Lester for the Field Trial Hall of Fame. There are very few people who love the sport more than Gary Lester!

Gary has been a huge contributor to the sport of field trialing. He has won many championships, no doubt! He has also been a mentor to many young trainers like myself, coaching everything from training and handling technique to bloodlines.

Gary's breeding program has been extremely successful and undeniably produces quality field trial dogs.

The program is also producing top-quality hunting dogs for the quail plantations in the south. We feel confident that most plantation kennels contain dogs from Gary's bloodlines.

There is no doubt that Gary Lester has given back to the sport!

For these reasons, we would like to nominate Gary Lester for the Field Trial Hall of Fame!

— *Wyatt and Edward Epp*

I nominate Gary Lester for the Field Trial Hall of Fame. Through the years, Gary has devoted a lot of his time and resources participating in this sport.

Gary was very successful as an amateur. He won the National Championship as an amateur in 2009 with Lester's Snowwatch. Gary went pro in 2015 after winning the National with Dialing In. Since then, he has won the National Championship four more times—twice with Lester's Sunny Hill Jo.

Gary has bred most of his winning dogs. The offspring win in impressive numbers; the breed has been improved by his efforts.

Judging assignments in open and amateur stakes have been numerous. Gary has been very generous with his finances and has supported many efforts and field trials.

Last year, Region 17 of AFTCA needed a speaker for the annual meeting. I called Gary, and without hesitation, he agreed to come to Topeka, Kan. His presentation to the assembled body was well received and appreciated.

He has fulfilled all of the criteria for serious consideration. He has my vote, and I hope you will consider him as well.

— *Joe Worsham*

Richard Robertson Jr.

When you think of the guidelines set to be considered as a candidate for the

Field Trial Hall of Fame, you think of Rich Robertson. His entire life has been dedicated to bird dogs and field trials.

Being a second-generation dog trainer, he grew up in the sport, learning the art of dog training and competing with a pointing dog.

He has competed and won from Canada to the Deep South and everywhere in between!

He has his famed setter Tekoa Mountain Sunrise that is in the Hall of Fame!

Rich has established grounds that people enjoy running and competing on!

As a scout, he has helped as many handlers win as much as he has. His loyalty to his friends and family is the same loyalty he has shown to the sport of bird dog field trials. I've had the privilege of working with Rich. He is a master at what he does and a cornerstone of the West.

A word to describe...mentor. Richard Robertson Jr. exceeds every facet to be elected.

We ask for your support for this deserving candidate.

— *Randy Anderson*

Richie Robertson is one of the few professionals I would endorse for induction to the Bird Dog Hall of Fame.

Although bird dogs were his vocation, field trials as a whole were Richie's passion.

He is always promoting the sport and is willing to help and encourage the beginner or the less accomplished. He is a positive force, constantly trying to make sure everyone had a wonderful experience at the field trial.

Rich has a calm and cool demeanor, rarely getting involved in the drama of perceived inequities or malfeasance. He always looks for the solution rather than dwelling on the problems that seem always to accompany heated competition.

This sport is better off because of Richie Robertson, and he is truly deserving of an induction into the Bird Dog Hall of Fame.

— *Larry A. Garner*

Like many others, I wish to voice my support for Rich to be in the Hall.

I first met Rich in Idaho, surprisingly, at a trial! At the time, I was learning about horseback trials and what these championships take with dog and handler. Some of the best advice I got wasn't from Richie, but the advice was to go watch him! I did and have many times since. It is easy to see how and why he has accomplished so much.

I take great value in having the opportunity to trial with Richie and to call him a friend.

— *Tom Kosmack*

What can I say about Richie Robertson that has not been said before?

I met Richie in 1983; I was a young trainer starting out and did not have a horse to ride and watch the dogs run at an American Field trial. I was introduced to the Robertsons, and Richie asked if I wanted to ride. He gave me a horse that sounded like it had marbles in its nose; he didn't know me, just met.

Richie always gave out that Big Brother vibe, always there to help me and others when needed. We became friends after that and still are to this day.

Richie Robertson is the real deal, a true sportsman, the first to help and congratulate you when you win. Even though he wants to win, he will help you all he can to help you win. There is no one more deserving to be in the Hall of Fame than Richie Robertson. His win record and his talent with dogs should be honored to let future dog trainers know his name. Richie is one of those guys, and thinking about him always brings a smile to your face.

— *R. J. Marquart*

In support of Rich Robertson, I would like to share some of my experiences with Rich. Several people have mentioned his willingness to help others as a factor that should be considered in his nomination. I agree, but some specifics would help show the extent of his help and contribution to our sport.

About two years after getting into American Field trials, it became evident that I desperately needed help, and I began searching for someone able and willing to coach me. For several summers, Rich was my coach for two weeks each summer. We were up at 4 a.m. every day and trained until it was too warm to continue. Not once while I was there did Rich take a day off. I was there for 14 days, and we trained for 14 days. When my horses gave out (the training grounds are a bit rough), Rich let me use some of his. He provided a house for my stay, kennels for my dogs, and pens for my horses. He taught mostly by setting an example, but if I weren't picking up what I ought to, he'd make the lesson very obvious. Rich made me feel that it was very important to him that I be as good as I can be at running dogs in field trials. Helping me may not be enough to put Richie in the Hall of Fame, but the fact that he did this for me and many others ought to be.

— *Bill Owen*

I would like to nominate Rich Robertson Jr. for the Field Trial Hall of Fame. I have known Rich for over 25 years, sometimes as a competitor, sometimes as a part-time client, but always as a friend. And that's because he is naturally a friend to everyone

he meets. Rich's successes in field trials are well documented by others, so I won't go into those details that already qualify him for the HOF but rather discuss his dedication to the people that he helps along the way. Rich's generosity, with his knowledge, time, and efforts, have provided a foundation for almost every amateur in the Western regions and beyond. This sport is ostensibly about the dogs, but it's really about the people and their involvement. Rich extends himself to the amateurs, providing for the very foundation of our sport to make us better handlers and trainers of our own dogs, which makes the sport better. Rich invites and keeps more people participating in our sport, and that's what's needed today. I ask that you support Rich Robertson Jr. for the Field Trial Hall of Fame for his past accomplishments and present actions and for providing for the future of our sport.

— *Michael Wilkin*

Sandy Walker

For a person to be considered for Hall of Fame honors, contributions to the sport are paramount: club official, breeder, owner, handler, correspondent, patron of the sport, and usually a combination of these facets over a large span of time.

Mr. Sandy, by far, surpasses the requirements. He purchased, manicured, and maintained his beautiful Round Pond and Pretty Pond Plantation for the field trial community to use to compete with our dogs. Anyone who has been to a trial at Round Pond knows the hospitality that every person receives is first class. Sandy would greet everyone with a smile and handshake. A trial that truly spoils you—beautiful grounds, an abundance of birds, and every guest fed three meals daily. He wouldn't have it any other way.

Mr. Sandy had a big impact on my life that he probably never knew. By Sandy opening his place to everyone, even us Yankees, it allowed me to meet some of my best friends that I now consider family. Thank you for that, Mr. Sandy.

When it comes time to cast your vote, let's help the Walker family get this very worthy and deserving candidate into the Hall of Fame where he belongs.

— *Brian Sanchez (Great River Kennel)*

David Williams

For over 30 years, David Williams has tirelessly devoted his time, money, and facilities to the betterment of field trials. From the people to the dogs, David has always loved every facet of the game. If you have participated or just shown up in the evenings of the Lynn Taylor All-Age, you'll see what real field trialing is all about. There are few people I know of in

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David Williams for Field Trial Hall of Fame

A Life Lived for the Betterment of Our Sport



A “Giver” in every possible way, David continues to dedicate his life to our great field trial sport.

- Immaculately maintained and groomed his Carroll County grounds for the past 30 years to host and provide facilities for 100s of field trial stakes, including National Qualifiers.
- Shown leadership in field trial clubs and organizations as a member and officer since 1980.
- AFTCA Trustee for Region 6 since 2009, serves as director and was AFTCA President (2017-2019).
- Spearheaded all-important AFTCA Land Contribution Program, benefitting ALL field trialers.
- Successful amateur trainer, handler and breeder of his Rebel line of pointers.
- First to share his time and experience mentoring newcomers to the sport.
- Respected for his integrity and experience; has judged and reported whenever called upon.

Please join us in honoring David’s nearly 50 years of dedication to field trials with your vote!
— Thank you, the Committee to Elect David Williams to the Field Trial Hall of Fame

the sport that have the dedication to the betterment of our sport, like David. From the meticulous grooming of the grounds to serving on field trial committees, David has gone above and beyond what most people would ever think of doing. From first-time field trialers to seasoned pros, I've never seen David not lend a helping hand. Field trials need more people like David Williams. He was my friend before he was my father-in-law, and I'm truly proud and honored to support David Williams for the Field Trial Hall of Fame.

— *Jamie Daniels*

David Williams is a MUST for this year's Field Trial Hall of Fame. I have known David for 30-plus years and collaborated closely with him in the AFTCA for 15 years. His dedication, devotion, and leadership go unnoticed with everything he does for this sport of Field Trial Bird Dogs. David has judged, donated, supported, and

given back, making our sport better today. He unselfishly offers his grounds for 7-8 trials a year. Everything he does for this sport proves he is more than deserving of the Hall of Fame. Please cast your vote for David Williams and let us get him in!

— *Piper Huffman*

My support for David Williams rests not only on what he has done for field trials in the southeastern part of the country but also on what he has done for field trials nationwide. The loss of grounds over the last few decades is, without doubt, the greatest threat to our sport. David has made an extraordinary effort in time and personal finances to make his West Tennessee venue among the premiere grounds in the country, hosting hundreds of stakes over the past 30 years.

David has given his time and expertise to field trial clubs and organizations, in particular to the AFTCA, where he

has been a Region 6 trustee, director, and president for 2017-2019. David spearheaded what, in my opinion, is the most important development protecting field trials during my 23 years in the sport. The AFTCA's Land Contribution Program is a potential tax benefit for private landowners who allow field trials to be hosted on their land. This hugely positive development affects every field trialer in the country.

These important contributions to our sport single David out as exactly the kind of individual the HOF was intended for.

— *Chris Mathan*

We would like you to join us and support David Williams for the Field Trial Hall of Fame. He checks off all the boxes and is well deserving.

— *Gary Winall and Ellen Clements*

HALL OF FAME ELECTION COMMITTEE

Members of the 2023 Committee

When the final vote count has been completed, the names of the leading candidates will be sent to the members of the Election Committee who are entrusted with final selection of two *Dogs* and two *Persons* for Field Trial Hall of Fame honors.

The Election Committee is comprised of prominent field trial personalities—officers of leading field trial clubs/associations, judges of significant stakes, members of the Purina Awards Committee, and a sporting dog publication editor.

The following individuals will serve on the 2023 Field Trial Hall of Fame Election Committee:

- President, Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America
- 1st Vice President, Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America
- President, Alabama Field Trial Association
- President, All-America Field Trial Club
- Chairman, All-America Prairie Championship
- President, Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs
- President, Association of New England Field Trial Clubs
- President, Association of Virginia Field Trial Clubs
- President, Continental Championship
- President, Dixie Trace Field Trial Association
- President, English Setter Club of America
- President, Field Trial Clubs of Illinois
- President, Georgia Field Trial Association
- President, Grand National Grouse Championship
- President, Missouri State Field Trial Association
- President, National Bird Hunters Association
- President, National Field Trial Club
- President, National Field Trial Championship Association
- President, National Open Shooting Dog Championship
- President, New York State Bird Dog Association
- President, North Carolina Field Trial Association
- President, Northern States Field Trial Association
- President, Oklahoma Amateur Field Trial Association
- President, Oklahoma Field Trial Clubs Association
- President, Pheasant Championship Club
- President, Quail Championship Invitational
- President, Southern Champion Field Trial Association
- President, United States Quail Championship
- President, U. S. Shooting Dog Invitational
- President, U. S. Complete Shooting Dog Association
- Judges, All-America Quail Championship
- Judges, Continental Championship
- Judges, Grouse & Woodcock Invitational Championship
- Judges, National Amateur Quail Championship
- Judges, National Championship
- Judges, National Free-for-All Championship
- Judges, National Open Shooting Dog Championship
- Judges, Quail Championship Invitational
- Judges, United States Quail Championship
- Sporting Dog Editor, *Pointing Dog Journal*
- Members, Purina Awards Committee



FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME

**Public Voting
September 1-30, 2023**

Personalities

- Clinton “Joe” Bush
- Gary Lester
- Richard Robertson Jr.
- Sandy Walker
- David Williams

Dogs

- House’s Rain Cloud
- Rivertons Funseek’n Scooter
- True Confidence

Don't see your nominee listed? No worries!
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A voting link is also available at: www.americanfield.com/news

THE NATIONAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

A List of Qualifying Trials

By Heather Klinck, Secretary | Union Springs, Alabama

The 2024 National Open Shooting Dog Championship will begin Monday, February 5, 2024. Per the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors held on January 29, 2023, a placement in one of the following one-hour field trial stakes will qualify a dog to run in the 2024 Championship. This placement must occur within the 24 months prior to the drawing of the 2024 Championship.

Please note: Essential Data Forms MUST be received by the National Open Shooting Dog Secretary prior to the drawing for dogs to be eligible. It is the responsibility of the owners and handlers to ensure this information is received.

- Alabama Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- All-America Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Arizona Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Arkansas Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Atlantic Coast Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Bama Quail Classic
- Bear Pond Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Big Sky Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Brock and Wells Open Shooting Dog Classic (CA)
- California Chukar Open Shooting Dog Classic
- California Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Can/Am Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Carolina Celebration Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Cedar Valley Open Shooting Dog Classic (2023 stake)
- Conecuh Station Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Dixie Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Eastern Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Egyptian Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Farmer Sportsmen's De Luca Classic
- Fleetwood Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Fort Mill Field Trial Club Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Garden State Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Garden State Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Georgia Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Gulf Coast Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Henry Banks Sr. Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Idaho Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Illinois Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Indiana Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Indiantown Gap Keystone Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Inez C. Smith Open Shooting Dog Classic
- International Endurance Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Jayhawk Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Kelly's Rebel Maggie Open Shooting Dog Classic (NV)
- Kentucky Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Keystone Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Leon Shiver Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Lesser Sandhills Field Trial Club / McLean Classic
- Lone Star Open Shooting Dog Classic
- M. F. Ferguson Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Masters Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- McMinnville Field Trial Club Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Michigan Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Middle Atlantic Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Midwest Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Mill Pond Field Trial Club / Jep Wade Open Shooting Dog (GA)
- Mississippi Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Missouri Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Montana Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- National Chukar Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- National Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- National Pheasant Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- National Prairie Chicken Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- New England Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- North Carolina Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Northeastern Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Northwest Chukar Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Oklahoma Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Oklahoma Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Oregon Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Ozark Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Pacific Coast Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Pacific Northwest Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Razorback Open Shooting Dog Classic
- Sharptail Open Shooting Dog Classic
- South Carolina Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Southeastern Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Southern Comfort Field Trial Club
- Southwest Missouri Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Sunflower State Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Swamp Fox Open Shooting Dog Classic (NC)
- Tennessee Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club
- Texas Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- United States Shooting Dog Invitational Chmp.
- West Coast Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- Western Open Shooting Dog Chmp.

Please add **“A Qualifying Trial for the National Open Shooting Dog Championship”** in your advertising.

The Board of Directors will review this list at each annual meeting and may add or delete trials as it sees fit. If you would like to request that a trial be added or removed from the list, please provide particulars, and the request will be reviewed at the next annual meeting. An updated list will be posted annually.

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“A LOST DOG”

A Fictional Story

By Tom Word

It was July 15, 2003, and Billy Culp was fixin' to turn loose for a workout in his first green derby of the season. He was training this year at a new place east of Lignite and south of Route 5. Twenty pointing dog trainers were working within a forty-mile radius of Billy, two hundred or more in the state, some serious pros, some serious amateurs, some just guys with a dog or two and a pickup truck.

Billy was a serious pro. He ran all-age dogs from his home base in Lee County, Georgia, where he had worked ten years after high school on a Yankee quail plantation until he got tired of saddling other men's mounts. An aunt died and left him \$50,000. He invested it in a horse trailer and three-year-old diesel dually and declared himself a pro. He had since been traveling the all-age circuit September through March, training up here July and August, fishing the Gulf April through June. He'd been married, then divorced five years ago, and was striving to stay single and ahead of his creditors.

Billy's deal for training grounds this year had been made with Frank Becken and his neighbors. Frank, great-grandson of homesteaders, owned and farmed four sections, some cultivated, some prairie pasture. It held enough cover and birds—sharp tails, Huns, pheasants—to make for good training. As a bonus, Frank had a vacant old cinder block bungalow with a working well and septic system that Billy and his helper Ronnie Blevins could live in. The bungalow lay east of an acre-plus shelter break, ideal shade for the 50-gallon plastic barrels to house the dogs short-chained to them.

Frank and his wife Becky had a 16-year-old son, Jimmy, who was autistic. He did not speak but was very bright, which he showed in many unexpected ways.

In October of the previous year, a pointer puppy, mostly white with a few orange specks on its ears, had wandered up to the Becken curtilage. It wore no collar, appeared to be about nine months old, and was thin and hungry. They tried to find its owner without success. It and Jimmy were soon inseparable. They named the pup, a male, Smiley, for what it made Jimmy do.

The Beckens had a quarter horse for Jimmy, and he rode it fearlessly. Without invitation, he began to ride with Billy whenever Billy roaded or worked a dog.

He was not intrusive and, by watching Billy and Ronnie, quickly deduced how he could be of help to the training operation. At the end of the third training day, he had Smiley in a roading harness on a rope when Billy picked up the day's last derby to be worked.

By gestures, Jimmy indicated he wanted Billy to work Smiley, so Billy said, “Turn him loose,” which Jimmy did. Smiley struck out for the front, hunting for birds from the first lick. He soon found a young pheasant, which he flash pointed, then flushed and chased gleefully. Billy smiled at Jimmy and gave him a thumbs up, which Jimmy returned.

Billy kept Smiley down a half hour, after which it was apparent the pup, now a derby had field trial potential. Wonder how he is bred, Billy thought. By the end of the week, he thought he knew, on the top side.

By August 1, Smiley was clearly the top derby in the string in training. He continues to mature and improve. His style on point was gorgeous, his gait fluid and light-footed with a cracking high tail, his speed great, but he did not outrun his nose. He always had finding birds on his mind. He revealed no obvious holes.

To have his field trial wins recognized, Smiley would have to be registered in the *Field Dog Stud Book*. Billy had no doubts Smiley would place in trials. Billy had already decided on a litter of pointers he had raised to claim Smiley a member of. He, like many breeders, always increased the number of pups claimed as born in a litter by at least one male and one female in enrolling a litter.

Billy, at lunch break, picked up at the Lignite post office a batch of mail forwarded to him by his mother from his box in Leesburg, including a copy of the American Field. Back in his dually, he opened it and browsed the contents. His eyes fell on a full page of text without photographs or a byline. Its headline contained the initials DNA.

He began to read it. Its message would revolutionize the breeding of bird dogs. No longer could trial dogs be misrepresented as to sire or dam (birth dates, the most often misrepresented fact, still could be, but at increased peril).

Billy wondered, could this lead to the discovery of Smiley's identity? And his next thought, if it does, will Smiley be

claimed away from Jimmy? He would fight like hell against that.

On his drive back to Frank Becken's from the Lignite post office, Billy thought about the DNA announcement in the Field and wondered, if we send Smiley's saliva to the FDSB, can they determine who his sire and dam are, if someone has earlier sent saliva samples to the FDSB to enroll Smiley's litter?

Billy had a contact in the FDSB/American Field office in Chicago. He called her and asked. She did not know but said she would try to find out. Billy thanked her and said he would call back in a few days.

Soon the end of August loomed. Billy called in his entries for the two trials scheduled to start Labor Day at Columbus, including Smiley in the two derby stakes. He pondered registering Smiley from the litter he had raised but decided to wait until after the Columbus trials.

Smiley was the stand-out winner of the first derby stake at Columbus. He scored two finds with acceptable fall derby manners and ran an ideal pattern with speed and hunting application. Jimmy rode in the gallery, accompanied by his parents. The joy on his face when the winners were announced warmed the hearts of all in the gallery; about forty riders, including a half dozen locals, the rest pro handlers and their summer helpers, and owners of other dogs entered the trial or trialing fans who had come to enjoy the show.

Smiley had gone down in the second brace when the second derby stake commenced. At the last minute, Billy decided to have Jimmy road Smiley at the back of the gallery during the first brace, then ride front for Smiley. Ronnie Blevins would scout Smiley. He was scheduled to fly home through the Atlanta airport from Minot the next morning to start his senior high school year in Albany.

Smiley shot to the front when released in the second brace and disappeared. Billy made a guess and motioned Ronnie to search right, then rode forward, hoping to spot Smiley. Both handler and scout were absent when Smiley came back toward the judges dead from the front, and Jimmy, the first to see him, yelled in a loud voice never before heard, “Billy, here is your dog,” then blew three sharp blasts on his pea whistle, a gift to him from Billy just

before the trials began.

Jimmy's mom burst into tears. Tears appeared on his father's cheeks (they had been riding right behind Jimmy). Billy did not hear Jimmy's yell but heard the three whistle blasts and soon rode in from the left front. He saw Jimmy's mom crying and was alarmed, then a judge called him over and explained what had happened.

Smiley won the second derby stake convincingly. Word spread instantly among the fraternity that Field Trials had a new derby rock star. Only slightly slower, word spread of Jimmy's first spoken words at age 16, "Billy, here's your dog."

Something else fateful had happened the evening of the day of Smiley's first field trial win. Billy sent completed forms to register Smiley from the litter he had enrolled earlier to the office of the *FDSB* in Chicago. Only Billy had to sign because he owned both sire and dam. Neither claimed parent had its DNA on file with the *FDSB*.

This action would allow Smiley to get credit, on the books of the *FDSB*, for his two derby wins at Columbus, albeit under false colors. And what would happen when Smiley won or placed in a derby championship? Billy contemplated that briefly, then said, "I'll deal with that when it happens."

Meanwhile, Smiley would be entered in trials as Lignite Smiley, James Becken, owner.

After the Columbus trials, Billy made a proposition to Jimmy's parents at the Becken home place. Let me take Jimmy down the road with me on the circuit as my helper and scout.

Jimmy had not spoken further since his call out to Billy during Smiley's race. Still, Billy was confident Jimmy could do the job, and the obvious joy he got helping work Smiley and the other dogs in the string confirmed that belief.

Jimmy's mom was reluctant at first, but a night alone with his father convinced her it would be best for Jimmy. Like all parents of autistic children, the couple was consumed by worrying about what would happen to Jimmy when they were gone from the earth or unable to care for him physically. While not without risks, Billy's proposition offered a chance for Jimmy to prove he could live independently of them.

Their first trial after Columbus was in Ohio, a pheasant trial with open derby and all-age stakes. Smiley placed first in the derby stake; Jimmy found him pointed twice, and he handled the pheasants with all-age manners. Then they were in Kansas at a wild bird trial on quail with derby and all-age stakes. Smiley placed second in the

derby with a forward, responsive race and two broke finds. Jimmy found him pointed on the second near time.

Jimmy had not spoken again since his call out to Billy when riding front at Columbus. Billy talked to Jimmy on their drive from Kansas to Lee County about his need to call out when he found a dog on point. Jimmy nodded; he understood. This would be very important at the Lee County trial, the first piney woods trial Jimmy would attend.

They arrived at Billy's home, a trailer parked on forty rented acres adjoining Senah Plantation and containing twenty acres of pasture, the rest piney woods. Billy had kennel space for 20 dogs, an open-sided shed providing shade for horses, and dry storage for a few hay bales.

Billy supplemented his income during quail hunting season by taking hunting parties out to hunt over his trial string or providing his string and guiding services to shooting plantations needing extra capacity for shooting guests. In return, several of these allowed Billy to work his string on their hunting lands on non-hunt days and before the season opened and after it closed. Being a local and not a come-here was a distinct advantage to Billy.

For their first week home, Billy worked his string on three plantations. It was Jimmy's first experience in this terrain, but he adapted quickly. Smiley also quickly adapted.

Billy had been calling his contact at the *FDSB* occasionally about its ability to identify parentage from saliva samples when the names of both parents were unknown. He finally got this intelligence: only if the name of one parent whose DNA was in the data bank of the lab used by the *FDSB* could be supplied could (or would) the lab confirm that dog was a parent of the orphan pup whose saliva was submitted blind as to the other parent.

Billy had asked the hypothetical question; suppose I submit a sample and the name of the suspected sire whose DNA is on file with the *FDSB*. Will it advise me if my suspicion is correct? The answer was no. Only if the names of both claimed parents were submitted would the *FDSB* confirm or deny. Billy next asked if, in that case, one parent was correctly identified but the other not, would the *FDSB* tell the submitter which parent was incorrectly identified and which correctly identified by the submitter? Billy could not get an answer to this question from his contact at the *FDSB*. This puzzled him.

The Lee County trial was next on Billy's circuit. It had a rich history, having been sponsored by the Moreland

family and run on their lands for many years, headquartered at George Moreland Jr.'s Coney Lake Plantation just east of Leesburg. The trial was managed by Big George's son, George III, a professional trainer-handler affectionately known as Bubba. It offered open and amateur stakes in the Derby, Shooting Dog, and All-Age categories. Smiley would be entered in the Open Derby and All-Age stakes, his first in an All-Age stake.

He placed second in the Open Derby. Then in the hour All-Age, things got interesting. Shortly after his release, Smiley disappeared. Billy motioned right to signal Jimmy to search for him on that side of the course as he rode on following the course path, hoping Smiley would be found pointing ahead or would come back from the front.

In five minutes, Billy heard Smiley's bracemate's scout calling point and rode toward him to determine if the pointing dog was Smiley's bracemate or Smiley. When Billy approached, the scout said, "I was relaying to you your scout's call of point from in there (he indicated the direction by pointing). So, Jimmy had spoken for the second time in his life!"

Billy located Jimmy, and he was sitting on his horse watching Smiley, pointed in a plum thicket and barely visible. But he had a single and stayed pointing stylishly when Billy flushed it, and the judge said, "saw it."

Billy said, "Good job, Jimmy!" under his breath to the judge as they rode to the front together, "That's the second time Jimmy has ever spoken in his life."

The next day, Smiley was announced the Open All-Age stake winner, making him half-qualified for the National Championship.

Smiley's next trial would be the Continental Derby Championship at Dixie Plantation the third week of January 2004, the only wild-bird Derby Championship and a hugely prestigious stake to win. Smiley and Jimmy were the talk of the field trial fraternity, and news of their win at Lee County spread quickly.

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A long-time subscriber to the American Field Magazine was Harley Snead, a Missouri farmer who had been a quail hunter since boyhood. The reporter of the Lee County trial had included a paragraph on Smiley's mysterious appearance at Frank Becken's farm east of Lignite, North Dakota, in October 2002. The story sent a jolt through Harley.

The October before, he had embraced an adventure. He had loaded his hunting

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Richie and his Father have supplied Field Trial Grounds on their ranch in Idaho for years.

After retiring from competition, Richie manages the ranch which they sold in 2013. In 2017 Richie began running German Shorthairs for the current ranch owners.

Richie has spent his adult life helping his fellow Field Trial handlers. When Richie wasn't handling he could be observed scouting across almost any terrain with a dog.

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bird dogs in plastic airline crates beneath the shell over the bed on his pickup and, with his fellow-farmer hunting partner, driven from Missouri to North Dakota to hunt sharp tails, Huns, and pheasants on publicly available lands. Included among the dogs was a green 9-month-old pup, a gift to him from his brother-in-law, a West Kentucky farmer.

While parked for the night at a motel in Fargo, his dogs had been stolen with their airline crates while he and his hunting partner slept in the motel. They had in the morning come down to let the dogs out to empty check cords to discover the theft. They had reported the theft to Fargo police, then driven home to Missouri, never to see the dogs again. The Field article he read about the Lee County trial, including the photos of Jimmy posing with Smiley for the winners' photo, made him wonder.

Rumors about how the new DNA rules would be interpreted swirled among trialers. Through the rumor mill, Billy learned that if the sire and dam of a dog in competition were dead, their offspring would be exempt from having to prove their parentage by DNA. Billy surreptitiously sold the claimed registered parents of Smiley to a South Texas supplier

of truck dogs to hunting guides. He did not provide registration papers, gave a false name to the buyer, and insisted on payment in cash.

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Lignite Smiley drew the last brace in the Continental Derby Championship. With Jimmy scouting, he ran a near-perfect race and scored three clean finds. Jimmy found him on the third, and Jimmy did not call out to Billy but rode to the course path, caught Billy's eye, then rode back to where he had left Smiley pointed, Billy following. Luckily, Smiley had stayed put (afterward, Billy would explain to Jimmy that this was too risky and again that he needed to call out, which he had done twice).

Riding in the gallery had been Harley Snead. While not a trialer, he had always wanted to attend the Continental trials and see Dixie Plantation. And he wanted to see Lignite Smiley. He had photos of the pup stolen from him at Fargo a year and three months earlier.

After Lignite Smiley was declared Continental Derby Champion, Harley approached Billy and introduced himself, then pulled from his shirt pocket snapshots of a white pointer pup with a few orange spots on its ears. He explained to Billy

and Jimmy the theft of the pup. He did not claim Smiley was that pup, but he saw tears on Jimmy's cheeks as the lad stood silently listening.

Billy said, "How was your pup bred?"

Harley answered, "My sister's husband bred him. He farms in Kentucky. The sire's name was Miller's White Powder. His dam was a Miller-bred hunting dog of my brother-in-law's."

Billy's long-held suspicion was confirmed. Billy waited for Harley to continue and claim ownership of Smiley, but he did not. Instead, he said this:

"My sister and her husband have an autistic son about Jimmy's age. I have seen what Smiley means to Jimmy. Good luck to you and Jimmy with Smiley. I look forward to the day he is named National Champion."

Billy impulsively grabbed Harley and hugged him.

"If you ever want to bird hunt North Dakota again, I am sure Jimmy's parents would like to host you and your brother-in-law and your sister and their son."

"We will for sure take them up on that offer," Farley said.

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— 2023-24 Running Schedule —

All trials held in Hoffman, N. C., except where noted

Oct. 14-15... Duplin County FTC (Warsaw, NC)	Jan. 1-4..... U. S. Shooting Dog Futurity
Oct. 18-20... Tar Heel Open Chmp.	Jan. 5-7..... Pinehurst Amateur
Oct. 21-24... Central Carolina FTC (Open)	Jan. 13-15... Tar Heel Brittany Club
Oct. 25-27... International Pheasant Chmp.	Jan. 18-21... Southeastern Brittany Club
Oct. 28..... Honecker Open Derby	Jan. 25-27... Atlantic Coast Shooting Dog
Oct. 29-31... National Pheasant Chmp.	Feb. 2-4..... NCFTA Amateur
Nov. 3-5..... Central Carolina FTC	Feb. 8-11..... U. S. Complete National
(Amateur/Wilcox Classic)	Feb. 16-18... Carolina Amateur
Dec. 1-4..... GSPC of North Carolina	Feb. 24-27... Open Shooting Dog Handler Inv'l.
Dec. 8-10... Hoffman Amateur	Mar. 1-4..... U. S. Complete Southeast Chmp.
Dec. 15-17... Region 3 All-Age Chmp.	Mar. 7-10..... Southern Pines Celebration
Dec. 18-20... North Carolina	Mar. 15-18... NC Open Derby & All-Age
Shooting Dog Chmp.	Mar. 19-21... NC Quail Chmp.
Dec. 27-30... Swamp Fox Open Shooting Dog	Mar. 23-26... Cedar Valley Classic

— 2022-23 Dog of the Year Awards —

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Amateur All-Age
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Jim Pendergest, Owner/Handler

Amateur Shooting Dog
LUCKY RECHARGE
Earl & Margaret Drew, Owners
Gary Miller, Handler

Open All-Age Derby
SWEET GRASS SKIPPER
David Huffine, Owner
Jerry Raynor, Handler

Open All-Age
ERIN'S CODE OF HONOR
Allen Linder, Owner
Luke Eisenhart, Handler

Open Shooting Dog
MILLER'S HIGH HEAT INDEX
Stanton Harrell & Casey Hollander, Owners
Mike Tracy, Handler

Open Shooting Dog Derby
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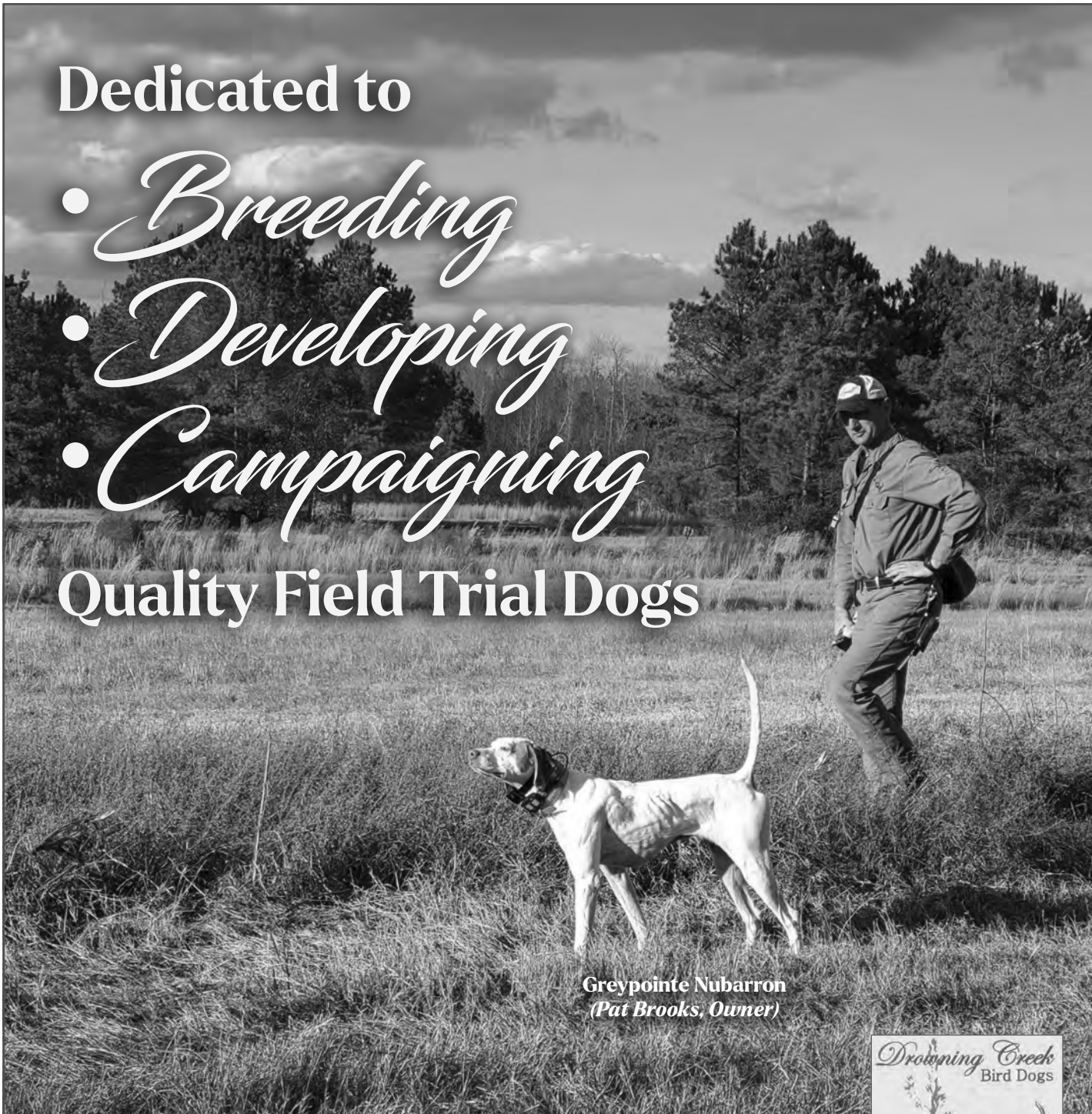
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September 1-3 • Starts 7:30 a.m.
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Grounds: English Setter Club of America, 275 Medford Mt. Holly Rd., Medford, NJ 08055. One course on liberated quail. No food or beverages will be provided. Entries Close: Monday, August 28, 8:00 p.m. Drawing: Wednesday, August 30, 7:00 p.m., at 3806 Moores Ave., Hammonton, NJ. The order of running is subject to the discretion of the field trial committee. Each stake will begin at the completion of previous stake, time permitting.

OPEN ALL-AGE (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20; Rosettes	\$60.00
OPEN RESTRICTED SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20; Rosettes	\$60.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20; Rosettes	\$45.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20; Rosettes	\$60.00
AMATEUR ALL-AGE (30 Min.)—Rosettes	\$45.00
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AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes	\$45.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes	\$45.00
YOUTH STAKE—Rosettes	NO CHARGE

Judges: Brian Sanchez, John Frank, Josh Ruiters, Alene LeVasseur, Tom Tracy, and others to be announced.
A dinner and the dedication of the trial will be held at the club in honor of Joseph A. Lordi on Saturday evening upon completion of the day's running.
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Entries to: BOB BROOKS
Phone: (732) 991-4401 • Email: labordayfieldtrial2023@aol.com

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Starts September 1 • Rochester, PA
— A USCSDA & PWSDA Points Trial —

Grounds: Located at 219 Bonzo Rd., Rochester, PA 15074. Breakfast and lunch will be served.
Drawing: Tuesday, August 29, at the home of trial manager Norm Meeder, 145 Elmbrook Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010. Phone: (412) 671-1043.

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OPEN PUPPY	\$30.00
OPEN DERBY.....	\$40.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG	\$50.00
AMATEUR PUPPY.....	\$20.00
AMATEUR DERBY	\$30.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG	\$35.00

Judges: *Open Walking Stakes*—Eric Rizza, Georgetown, MA, and Tim McClurg, Fowler, OH;
Other stakes—To be announced.
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September 8-10 • Coverdog Trial
Black Moshannon State Forest, Philipsburg, PA



— Coverdog Points Program Sponsored by Purina —

Drawing: Tuesday, September 5, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Rob Boos.
Entries close at the time of drawing.

*OPEN SHOOTING DOG.....	\$60.00
OPEN DERBY.....	\$34.00
OPEN PUPPY	\$25.00

**Will start September 8 depending on entries*

Judges: To be announced

Entries to: ROB BOOS • Phone: (570) 337-4894

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SEPTEMBER 9-10

Grounds: Mortlach Field Trial Club's clubhouse, 4½ miles north of Mortlach, SK. Handler horses available; please contact trial chairman. **NO HAY** available this year. Drawing: Friday, September 8, 7:00 p.m., at the clubhouse. Handlers must have an AFTCA membership to enter dogs. Running of stakes are at the discretion of the field trial chairman. Meals: Bender Breakfast provided on Saturday and Sunday. Lunches will not be provided. Saturday night BBQ supper. Accommodations: Camping on grounds. Pilgrim Inn (20 miles from grounds in Caronport)—(306) 756-5002 or hotels in Moose Jaw (35 miles from grounds).

OPEN ALL-AGE DERBY	\$35.00
OPEN ALL-AGE.....	\$35.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG	\$35.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG DERBY	\$35.00
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Judges: To be announced

Ron Bender, Field Trial Chairman • Lou Qualliere, President
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To comply with the minimum requirements, ads must appear on the website Calendar at least two weeks prior to the start of the event. To be included in a print edition, please see deadlines on page 22.

BIG COUNTRY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

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SEPTEMBER 15-17

Grounds: Randle Ranch, south of Kirkpatrick, AB (51.835139, -111.279093). Multiple course events will start from the southeast corner of Kirkpatrick Lake, located 15 miles east of Spondin, AB. Take RGE Road 10 south off secondary Hwy. 586. The trial will be run on native prairie chicken and Hungarian partridge.
Drawing: Wednesday, September 13, 8:00 p.m., at the residence of Sig Guggenmoos, 10 Milburn Place, Sherwood Park, AB. **Banquet:** Saturday evening, September 16, 6:30 p.m., at the Hemaruka Hall; Cost \$30 per person.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—No purse \$45.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—No purse \$45.00
HAUK MEMORIAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$45.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.) \$45.00

Judges: To be announced

To enter, contact: SIG GUGGENMOOS

10 Milburn Place, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 0T8

Text: (780) 903-6389 • Email: ecosync@interbaun.com



BIG SKY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

September 16-17, 2023 • Starts 8:00 A.M.

Grounds: Table Rock Ranch, 56 S. Barber Rd., Barber, MT. Multiple continuous courses with sharptail grouse, Hungarian partridge and pheasant.
Drawing: Tuesday, September 12, 6:00 p.m. at 774 Melville Rd., Melville, MT.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$45.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.) \$45.00
OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—Time permitting \$35.00
AMATEUR GUN DOG (30 Min.)—Time permitting \$45.00

All stakes are walking and will run under the rules of the U.S. Complete Shooting Dog Association.

Judges: OSD & OD—Alex Rickert, Bozeman, MT, and Marcos Puiggari, Missoula, MT; OP & AGD—Mandy Drysdale, Bozeman, MT, and Brad McCardle, Lewistown, MT.

A short regional meeting and presentation of the 2023 awards will occur at the lunch break on Saturday.



Entries to: DAVID HUFFINE • Cell: (910) 620-2970

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September 16-17, 2023

Ionia State Recreation Area, Ionia, MI (Course #2)

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Drawing: Wednesday, September 13, 8:00 p.m., at the home of Jeff Haggis, 4733 Scotchmere Dr., Glencoe, ON N0L1M0.

*OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$50.00
*OPEN DERBY (30 Min.) \$45.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$45.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.) \$40.00

*Purse: 50% of entry fees divided 50-30-20; \$10/entry deducted from purse.

Rosettes to winners.

Judges: Jim Cipponeri, New Hudson, MI; Bill Branham, Carleton, MI; and others to be announced.

Entries to: JEFF HAGGIS, President/Secretary
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September 15 • Starts 8:00 a.m.

One-Day Walking Trial

Grounds: Tony Bingham Farm, 259 Plainsview Church Rd., Lawndale, NC 28090. **Drawing:** Sunday, September 10, 9:00 p.m., at the home of Cliff Monroe.

OPEN PUPPY—Awards \$30.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG—Awards \$50.00
OPEN DERBY—Awards \$40.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG—Awards \$50.00
AMATEUR DERBY—Awards \$40.00

Judges: Rotating Panel

Entries to: CLIFF MONROE • (704) 692-3580



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Judges: Rotating Panel

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September 16-17 • Starts 7:30 a.m. each day
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Entries Close & Drawing: Wednesday, September 13, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday stakes sponsored by Black Moshannon Trial Club

*AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.) \$30.00
*AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Invitational Points Trial \$30.00

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September 17 • Starts 8:00 a.m.
One-Day Walking Trial



Grounds: Tony Bingham Farm, 259 Plainsview Church Rd.,
Lawndale, NC 28090. Drawing: Sunday, September 10, 9:00 p.m.,
at the home of Cliff Monroe.

OPEN PUPPY—Awards.....	\$30.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG—Awards	\$50.00
OPEN DERBY—Awards	\$40.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG—Awards.....	\$50.00
AMATEUR DERBY—Awards.....	\$40.00

Judges: Rotating Panel

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 • WALKING TRIAL • STARTS 7:00 A.M.

Grounds: Arcadia Management Area, Exeter, RI. Directions: Driving north or south on
I-95, to exit 5A, to Rt. 102 South, to Rt. 3 South, to Rt. 165 West, to right on Frosty Hollow
Rd. Drawing: Thursday, September 21, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the chairperson. Entries
may be limited. Run on liberated quail. Food and refreshments will be available. Club
reserves the right to run Amateur Shooting Dog and Amateur Gun Dog simultaneously
using second course.

STAKES AND ORDER OF RUNNING:

AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.)—Rosettes to Winners.....	\$35.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes to Winners.....	\$45.00
AMATEUR GUN DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes to Winners.....	\$45.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes to Winners.....	\$45.00

Judges: To be announced

Chairpersons: Jamie Nee, Janice Gregory, Lanny Dellinger and Richard Rogers



Entries to: RICHARD GIULIANO, 148 Gibson Hill Rd., Greene, RI 02827
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NORTH MISSOURI FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION, INC.



SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1 • MARTINSTOWN, MO

Grounds: Kevin & Heather Western Farm, Martinstown, MO. From Unionville, go
east on Hwy. 136, approximately 10 miles to Hwy. 149. Go south on Hwy. 149 for
approximately 4 miles. Entrance will be on east side of highway. From Lancaster, go
south on Hwy. 63 for approximately 2 miles and turn west on Hwy. 136. Go approximately 14 miles on
Hwy. 136 until you reach 149 South. Go approximately 4 miles on 149 South and the entrance is on the
east side of the highway. Drawing: Tuesday, September 26, 7:30 p.m., at home of Kevin Western.
Phone: (660) 341-3522. Lodging: Alamo Inn (Unionville, MO)—(660) 947-2608; Square View Inn
(Unionville, MO)—(660) 947-2301; and Hampton Inn (Kirksville, MO)—855-605-0317.

OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—Run at club's discretion	\$40.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)	\$50.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)	\$50.00
AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.)—Run at club's discretion.....	\$40.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.).....	\$50.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.).....	\$50.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Judgment ceases at flush	\$50.00

Judges: To be announced



Entries to: KEVIN WESTERN—(660) 341-3522
-or- TIM PENN—(660) 341-1165 [Edina, MO]

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SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WALKING FIELD TRIAL CLUB

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SEPTEMBER 22-24 • STARTS 8:00 A.M.

Grounds: Robert E. Talbot Conservation Area located near Mt. Vernon, MO, on
Highway 96, 1 mile east of the junction of Highways 96 & 97. North of I-44, East of
I-49. Drawing: Monday, September 18, 8:30 p.m., at the home of Jim Ogle. AFTCA
number required for Amateurs at time of entry.

(Fri., 8:00 A.M.) OPEN SHOOTING DOG	\$45.00
OPEN DERBY.....	\$40.00
OPEN PUPPY	\$35.00
(Sat., 8:00 A.M.) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG—JC@F	\$40.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG	\$45.00
AMATEUR DERBY	\$40.00
AMATEUR PUPPY.....	\$35.00

Judges: Kenny Snow, Andy Neria, James Ogle, Jim Ogle,
and others to be announced.



Entries to: JIM OGLE • Cell: (417) 388-0734

[If no answer, please leave a message and I will return your call]

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BIG SKY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

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SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1, 2023 • BARBER, MT

— An Amateur Invitational Points Trial —



Grounds: Table Rock Ranch, 56 S. Barber Rd., Barber, MT. Multiple
continuous courses with sharptail grouse, Hungarian partridge and pheasant.
Drawing: Tuesday, September 26, 6:00 p.m. at 774 Melville Rd., Melville, MT.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)	\$45.00
OPEN ALL-AGE (30 Min.).....	\$45.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Shooting Dog Standards.....	\$45.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—All-Age Standards	\$45.00

Judges: To be announced

Trial Chairman: Alex Rickert

Entries to: DAVID HUFFINE • Phone: (910) 620-2970

The Big Sky Field Trial Club, its officers, members, landowners are not liable or responsible for any injuries, losses, or damage to persons or
property incurred at the trial. Montana Law: responsibility in any Equine accidents rests solely with the rider. A person is not liable for damages
sustained by another as a result of risks inherent in equine activities when those risks are or should be reasonably obvious, expected, or
necessary to persons engaged in equine activities. Montana Code Anno., s 27-1-725 (1993).

KALAMAZOO SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN FIELD TRIAL CLUB

— On behalf of the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs, Inc. —

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1 • STARTS 7:30 A.M.

Horseback • Course 2 • AMFTC Points Trial

Grounds: Ionia State Recreation Area, Ionia, MI. Entries Close: Wednesday,
September 27, 5:00 p.m. Drawing to follow at the home of the secretary.

OPEN PUPPY	\$40.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG	\$55.00
OPEN DERBY.....	\$50.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG	\$55.00
AMATEUR DERBY	\$50.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG QUALIFIER—Time permitting	\$50.00

Purse: 50%, 50-30-20 after deduction of \$12/entry for Assn. grounds fees.
Rosettes awarded to each placed dog.

Judges: OP—Bill Darr and Mike Czach; OD—Mike Czach and Tom Vanecek;

OSD, ASD & AD—John Hall and Charles Fenech;

OSD Qualifier—John Hall and Mike Czach.

Entries to: TOM WINTERS, Secretary • Phone: (810) 522-8707

Email: KazooSWMiFTC@gmail.com

Kalamazoo Southwest Michigan Field Trial Club, its officers and members will not be held responsible for loss or damage to property or injury at trial.

The 2023 Running of the
**ALL-AMERICA OPEN SHOOTING DOG
CHAMPIONSHIP**

Hosted by All-America Shooting Dog Association & North Dakota Pointing Dog Club



Trial starts Tuesday, September 5, 7:00 A.M. (CST)* • McLaughlin, SD

**But not before 24 hours following the conclusion of the Southwestern Championship*

Directions to Grounds: From McLaughlin, SD, go north on 63 for one mile, turn right on CR 3110/Kenel Rd. for four miles, then a left (at field trial sign) onto a dead end road; parking lot will be at dead end.

Drawing: Saturday, September 2, 5:00 p.m. (CST), at Tommy Rice headquarters.

OPEN DERBY (Thirty-Minute Heats)—Shooting Dog Standards

Entry Fee: \$100.00 + \$20.00 grounds fee • Purse: 60% of entry fees divided 50-30-20

ALL-AMERICA SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (One-Hour Heats)

— **Championship awards points toward the Purina Top Shooting Dog Award & Purina Handler of the Year Award —**

Entry Fee: \$210.00 + \$40.00 grounds fee • Purse: 60% of entry fees divided 65-35

Qualification: A placement in a recognized Open Shooting Dog or Open Derby stake.

Judges: Derby—Lee Phillips, Dixie, GA, and Luke Eisenhart, Leesburg, GA;

Championship—Jamie Daniels, Dawson, GA, and Judd Carlton, Cairo, GA.

Contact: SHAWN KINKELAAR | Phone: (217) 343-0755

8350 53rd Avenue SW, Carson, ND 58529

-or- TOMMY RICE, Chairman | Phone: (229) 221-4437

The All-America Shooting Dog Association, NDPDC and the landowners are not responsible for any accidents with horses, dogs or equipment.

NEW YORK STATE GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP



To be run at Grouse Ridge Kennels, Oxford, NY

Commences September 13, 7:30 a.m. (Depending on entries)

— A PURINA COVERDOG POINTS TRIAL —

Stake run over 6 one-hour courses in grouse and woodcock cover.

Drawing: Sunday, September 10, 7:00 p.m.

Entry Fee: \$150.00 • Purse: 40% (minus \$10 grounds fee/dog) divided 60%-40%

Judges: Pedja Kazic, Greenlawn, NY, and Mike Penn, Columbia, NJ

There is limited space with hook-ups for camping on the grounds.

NO FOOD WILL BE SERVED ON THE GROUNDS.

Entries (by registered names only) to:

BILLY BALLIN • Phone: (607) 316-1917

Entries are accepted with the understanding that the New York Grouse and Woodcock Club, their officers, officials and members are not responsible for any accidents or injuries.



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proudly presents the Thirty-Second Renewal of the

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND OPEN WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP

— Dedicated to Robert Paucek —

Friday, September 15 to Conclusion • Starts 7:30 a.m.

**To be run on Fiddlehead Outdoor Shooting Preserve
and Brownfield Bog Game Management Land, Fryeburg, ME**

Directions: From Fryeburg (Junction of Rt. 5 and Rt. 302), take Rt. 5 North and look for field trial signs on right.

Entry Fee: \$150.00 (U.S. FUNDS)

One-hour heats on multiple courses in natural grouse and woodcock habitat.

Judges: Barry Bassingthwaighe, Gloucester, ON, and Jamie Nee, Buzzards Bay, MA • **Reporter:** Jamie Nee, Buzzards Bay, MA

**A POINTS STAKE FOR THE NATIONAL GROUSE AND WOODCOCK INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP,
THE MIKE SEMINATORE COVER DOG AWARD AND THE WILLIAM HARNDEN FOSTER AWARD.**

Drawing (live on Maine Bird Dog Club Facebook page): Wednesday, September 13, 7:30 p.m., at the home of secretary Deb Kennedy—(603) 795-4633 [no texts]. Entries close at time of drawing. **Purse:** \$1000 guaranteed (\$1500 if 36 or more dogs entered) divided 70-30 to winner and runner-up. Winner's name will be inscribed on Northern New England Woodcock Trophy. Ribbons to winner and runner-up. **Qualification:** Dogs must have an Open Derby, Open All-Age or Open Shooting Dog placement recognized by the *Field Dog Stud Book*. Champion can be named on suitable work on ruffed grouse as well as woodcock. **Accommodations:** Colonial Motor Inn, North Conway, NH—(603) 356-5178; Saco River Motor Lodge, Center Conway, NH—(603) 447-3720. **Companion Stake:** Jean C. Sanderson Memorial Open Derby to be run on wild birds at conclusion of Championship; Entry Fee: \$65.00; A Points Stake for Flanagan Derby Award. Purse: 40% divided 50-30-20; Judges: Deb Sloan, North Monmouth, ME, and Tony Leone, Waltham, MA; Email entries only to Deb Kennedy.

KELLIE SHORT, President, 165 Rankin Rd., Buxton, ME 04093

DEB KENNEDY, Secretary, 50 Rennie Rd., Hanover, NH 03755

Phone: (603) 795-4633 • Email: debkennedy2000@gmail.com



REGION 14 (AFTCA) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only! Canadian law permits use of a Garmin 900 tracker only.



Starts September 17* • Starts 8:00 a.m.

*(*Or at the conclusion of the Big Country stakes)*

Randle Ranch, south of Kirkpatrick Lake, Alberta (51.835139°; -111.279093°)

One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$150.00 [CDN] or \$120.00 [USD]

Permanent Award gifted to Winner and Runner-up

Judges: Sergio Velez, BC, and Mike Jones, AB • **Reporter:** Lou Qualtiere, SK

— A PURINA TOP AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG AWARD & AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL —

Direction to Grounds: Multiple course events will start from the southeast corner of Kirkpatrick Lake located 15 miles east of Spondin, AB. Take RGE Road 10 south off secondary Hwy. 586. The trial will be run on native prairie chicken and Hungarian partridge. **Championship Eligibility:** Dog must have a placement/win certificate in an AFTCA Derby or Shooting Dog stake. You must be an individual member of AFTCA to enter your dog. **Drawing:** Friday, September 15, 7:30 p.m., at the Hemaruka Hall. **Motels:** Coronation Motel—(403) 578-3700 or Raval Paradise Motel (Youngstown)—(587) 576-6835. Camping on the grounds. Bring your own hay. No vehicles on grounds. No smoking allowed on the grounds. **Banquet:** To be held Saturday evening, September 16, 6:00 p.m., at the Hemaruka Hall. Cost \$30 per person.

Entries: to SIG GUGGENMOOS

Email: ecosync@interbaun.com • Text: (780) 903-6389

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NATIONAL AMATEUR GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP



Hosted by Black Moshannon Field Trial Club

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

Starts Thursday, September 21, if entries warrant • Entry Fee: \$150.00

Black Moshannon State Forest, Philipsburg, PA

Judges: Neal Minard, Beulah, MI, and Dave Hawk, Athens, OH

Trial Chair: Jeff Keller, Ridge, PA

Entries Close: Friday, September 15, 6:00 p.m. **Drawing:** Saturday, September 16, 9:00 a.m. (CST), at the office of the secretary. Running order will be posted on aftca.org. Win certificate number to accompany entry. You must be an individual member to enter your dog with the AFTCA.

Championship Qualification: A recognized amateur placement in a Derby, Shooting Dog or All-Age stake.

— Purina will host a dinner (time and location to be announced) —

GARMIN products to the Winner and Runner-Up | *Bruce Fox* sculpted game bird plaques to Winner and Runner-Up

Entries to: PIPER HUFFMAN—(662) 471-1700

[Entries will be taken by phone calls ONLY. All entries will be confirmed. No voicemails, emails or texts accepted.]

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NATIONAL AMATEUR PHEASANT SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

— Hosted by New York State Bird Dog Association —



Starts Thursday, September 21 • Bloomingdale, OH • Entry Fee: \$175.00

NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL & PURINA TOP AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG AWARD POINTS TRIAL

Judges: Aaron McAfee, Clinton, IL, and Leroy Long, Berkey, OH

Trial Chairman: Chris Catanzarite • **Reporter:** Joe Cammisa

Entries Close: Saturday, September 16, 6:00 p.m. (CST). **Drawing:** Sunday, September 17, 9:00 a.m. (CST), at the office of the secretary. Drawing will be posted at aftca.org. Win Certificate and AFTCA Membership numbers to accompany entry. **Qualification:** A dog and handler, in good standing, shall have won a placement, under an amateur handler, in a shooting dog stake or derby stake held by an active member club of the AFTCA in accordance with its regulations and hold a winner's certificate issued by the AFTCA. Handler must be an active member of the AFTCA to enter.

MANUFACTURED SOLID BARREL GUNS WITH BLANK AMMO TO BE USED.

Absolutely no training of dogs, whether entered or not, allowed on grounds during duration of trial.

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Announcing the Thirty-Second Running of the NATIONAL AMATEUR PRAIRIE CHICKEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP



Sponsored by Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America • Hosted by Central States Field Trial Club

POINTS TRIAL FOR NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL & PURINA TOP AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG AWARD

September 21, 2023 • Only approved blank ammo allowed in open barrel guns! • Entry Fee: \$175.00

Directions: Wisconsin Rapids, WI. North on I-51 to Bancroft Exit (WI Hwy. W), west to WI Hwy. F, right to Hwy. WW, right on WW, 1 mile to headquarters. **Training:** Allowed one day prior to start of championship and during on designated training grounds. Contact trial officials for training ground location. **Entries Close:** Sunday, September 17, 6:00 p.m. (CST). Win certificate number must accompany entry. **Drawing:** Monday, September 18, 9:00 a.m. (CST), at the office of the secretary. Running order will be posted on aftca.org website the following morning. You must be an individual member of AFTCA to enter your dog.

Qualification: To be eligible, a dog shall have won a place, under an amateur handler, in a Shooting Dog Stake or Derby Stake held by an active member club of this corporation in accordance with its regulations and hold a win certificate for the placement. No dog or handler not in good standing with the *Field Dog Stud Book* will be declared a winner! **Accommodations:** America's Best Value Inn—(715) 423-8080; Cobblestone Hotel & Suites—(715) 424-3444; Sleep Inn—(715) 424-6800. **Dinner:** PURINA dinner Saturday night following the running.

Judges: Jeff Wallace, Knoxville, IA, and Adam DeLude, Campbellsport, WI • **Reporter:** Frank LaNasa, Isanti, MN

Field Trial Chairmen: Frank LaNasa and Mark Johnson

Field Trial Committee: Dr. George & Ann Ihrke, Ed Liermann, John Mathys, Frank LaNasa, Doug & Judy Reisner, and Mark Johnson

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NATIONAL PRAIRIE CHICKEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Member AFTCA • Dogs must be shot over using .32 or larger blank ammo or other AFTCA approved ammo.

STARTS FOLLOWING
AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP
BUT NOT BEFORE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 8:00 A.M.

Trial Sponsored By



BUENA VISTA GRASSLANDS
WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI

PURINA TOP SHOOTING DOG AWARD & HANDLER OF THE YEAR AWARD POINTS

Hosted by: Central States Field Trial Club

Entry Fee—\$200.00 (plus \$50 per dog grounds fee)

Purse: 50% of entry fees—Divided 70-30 if Runner-Up is named

Qualification: Entrant must have a prior placement in a recognized Open Derby or Open Shooting Dog stake.

Champion and runner-up must point chicken. See trial officials for approved training areas. No horseback training on championship trial grounds.
OPEN DERBY (30 Minutes)—50% divided 50-30-20..... Entry Fee \$100.00 (plus \$25 per dog grounds fee)

Derby to follow Championship. The Derby dog should show the potential of winning this National Championship.

Judges: Scott Little, Woodlawn, TN, and Joe Hughes, Moulton, AL • **Reporter:** Ed Liermann, Palmyra, WI

Entries Close: Tuesday, September 19, 7:00 p.m. **Drawing:** Wednesday, September 20, 5:00 p.m., at 3018 Village Park Dr., Plover, WI 54467.

Trial to be run on six one-hour courses on the Buena Vista Grasslands, with native prairie chicken. **Motel Accommodations:** America's Best Value Inn, Wisconsin Rapids, WI—Phone: (715) 423-8080 or Cobblestone Hotel & Suites, Wisconsin Rapids, WI—Phone: (715) 424-3444.

• GPS Coordinates for Buena Vista Marsh Grounds: N 44.35857, W 89.62679. Trial to be run on continuous courses at Buena Vista Wildlife Area.

• No horseback training on grounds prior to amateur championship. See trial chairman for approved areas during championship running.

• Hay available at the grounds for a nominal fee. No harassment of judges or officials at championship will be tolerated.

• Purina sponsored "Handler Dinner" Wednesday evening, September 27, following the running, on the grounds.

Persons attending these trials do so at their own risk. Neither club, its directors or landowners are responsible for any accident, injury, or loss of any kind incurred to anyone, their horses, dogs or equipment.

Field Trial Committee: Ed Liermann, Frank LaNasa, Rich Boumeester, Diane Holschuh, John Mathys

All entries to: ED LIERMANN, Field Trial Chairman, N2573 Hardscrabble Rd., Palmyra, WI 53156

Cell: (414) 625-0715 • Email: edliermann@gmail.com • Entries close Tuesday, September 19, 7:00 p.m. (CST)



NBHA SHARPTAIL CHAMPIONSHIP

— Eastern Regional —

Hosted by Chippewa Valley Grouse Dog Association

Member NBHA & AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

Friday, September 22 to Conclusion • Starts 7:30 a.m.

Namekagon Barrens Wildlife Area, Danbury, WI • Continuous Courses

Grounds: Located at 33174 Gomulak Fire Ln., Danbury, WI 54830. Only certified, weed-free hay permitted on grounds. All horses must have negative Coggins papers in owners' possession. **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 14, 11:59 p.m. (ET). **Drawing:** Friday, September 15, 11:00 a.m. (ET). **Qualification:** Placement in an FDSB recognized Open Derby or Open Shooting Dog stake.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)—Prizes, Awards & Purse..... Entry Fee: \$150.00

Purse: (40% of entries minus dog taxes and fees, split 60-40)

Bird work on any native upland wild species (not limited to Sharptail) is required to be named champion and/or runner-Up.

OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Awards..... Entry Fee: \$ 50.00

OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—Run at club's discretion Entry Fee: \$ 40.00

Judges: Mary Sue Schalk, Princeton, KY, and Mike Crouse, Dixon, KY

Entry Online: www.huntsecretary.com

Entry by Phone/Email to: HELENA LARKIN • Phone: (936) 852-2080 • Email: AKCdiv@huntsecretary.com

James Kleve, Trial Chairman—Phone: (651) 304-7715

Harassment of judges or club officials will not be tolerated. CVGDA, or members, are not responsible for accidents resulting in property loss or injury of any kind.



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and

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NEW ENGLAND OPEN GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Starts Monday, September 25, 2023, 7:00 a.m. (EST)

Kilkenny Management Area of the White Mountain National Forest off Rt. 110 West of Berlin, NH



Entries Close: Friday, September 22, 6:00 P.M. (EST). **Drawing:** Saturday, September 23, 5:00 p.m. (EST), at the home of Tony Bly, Stake Manager—394 Success Rd., Milan, NH; Phone: (603) 723-5613. All welcome.

Entry Fee: \$150.00 U.S. Funds • **Purse:** 40% of entry fees less grounds fees split 70-30 to champion and runner-up

Judges: Jamie Nee, Buzzards Bay, MA, and John Olfson, West Hartford, CT • **Reporter:** Jim Hathaway, North Falmouth, MA

MIKE SEMINATORE COVER DOG POINTS TRIAL • GROUSE & WOODCOCK INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL • WILLIAM HARNDEN FOSTER COVER DOG AWARD POINTS TRIAL
PHIL FOGG SHOOTING DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS TRIAL • PURINA COVER DOG HANDLER AWARD

The trial will run on multiple courses through native grouse and woodcock cover. Minimum requirements: A placement in a recognized Open Derby or Open Shooting Dog or Open All-Age stake. Handlers must use a .32 caliber blank gun or larger. Tracking units allowed. Grounds provided through a Special Use permit from the USDA Forest Service. Club reserves the right to substitute judges.

BILL KEARNS MEMORIAL OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Starts at conclusion of Championship; Multiple course on wild birds\$60.00

FLANAGAN AWARD POINTS STAKE • TIP TOP MOLLIE OPEN DERBY AWARD POINTS TRIAL • FOSTER DERBY OF THE YEAR

Purse: 40%, 50-30-20 and Florence Harwarth Rotating Derby Trophy to Winner

Judges: Kelly Hays, Bloomfield, VT, and Nick Hamel, Bow, NH

Lunches provided by Gords General Store in West Milan, NH, 10 minutes away.

Stake Manager: Tony Bly, Milan, NH • Phone: (603) 723-5613 • Email: stokelybly@gmail.com

Entries to the Chairman: LLOYD B. MURRAY JR., 26 Madore Rd., Stark, NH 03582

Phone: (603) 636-2959 • Cell: (603) 723-4020 • Email: murraylt@together.net • NO email cancellations!



The Chippewa Valley Grouse Dog Association presents
**THE WISCONSIN COVER DOG
 CHAMPIONSHIP**

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only (.32 cal. or greater, or primer gun)

Starts October 4, 2023 • Augusta, WI



The Wisconsin Cover Dog Championship stake seeks to glorify and recognize the field trial performer that excels on either ruffed grouse and/or woodcock. AFTCA approved retrieval collars permitted. Entrants must hold an Open Derby or Open Shooting Dog placement to enter the Championship.

Entry Deadline: Thursday, September 28, 7:00 p.m. **Drawing:** Friday, September 29, 10:00 a.m.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (Run on One-Hour Courses)..... \$125.00

Judges: Michael Brown (MI) and Chad Wheeler (VA)

Purse: \$1,500. The purse will be divided \$1,000/\$500 if a runner-up is named.

OPEN DERBY (30 Minutes)—At the conclusion of the Championship, and at the judges' discretion..... \$ 40.00

Judges: Ed Graddy (MN) and Kyle Peterson (MN)

Purse: 40% divided 50-30-20

Motels: Countryside—(715) 289-4000 (Cadott, WI); Woodland—(715) 286-2112 (Augusta, WI);

America's Best Inn—(715) 644-3332 (Stanley, WI); AmericInn—(715) 669-5959 (Thorp, WI).

Harassment of judges or club officials will not be tolerated. CVGDA or members, are not responsible for accidents resulting in property loss or injury of any kind.

Entry Online: www.huntsecretary.com

Entry by Phone/Email to: HELENA LARKIN • Phone: (936) 852-2080 • Email: AKCdiv@huntsecretary.com

Trial Chairmen: Mike Luebke—(920) 988-6439; trialpoints@outlook.com / Brad Peterson—(920) 207-1370; brad@onpoint-solutions.com

NATIONAL BRITTANY OPEN GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP ASSOCIATION

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**RESTRICTED BREED OPEN GROUSE
 CHAMPIONSHIP**

— On behalf of the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs, Inc. —



OCTOBER 5-8

Sponsored by Purina • A Coverdog Points Trial

MEREDITH, MI

Grounds: Gladwin Field Trial Area, Meredith, MI. Native Grouse and Woodcock. Rustic camping on the grounds. Motels nearby. Northwoods Motel, 5800 N M-30, Gladwin, MI 48624—(989) 426-4021. No training on any part of the Gladwin Field Trial Area. **Entries Close & Drawing:** Tuesday, October 3, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Kenny DeLong, 1450 Shady Ln., Greenville, MI 48838. Approved retrieval collars allowed but not provided by the club. **NO OPEN BARREL GUNS ALLOWED.**

THEDA LANGSTAFF MEMORIAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—40% of entry fees (less fees) divided 50-30-20; Rosettes; Rotating Trophy to Winner.....\$ 65.00

Starts Friday, October 6, 8:00 A.M. May start Thursday, October 5, if entries warrant. Open to all Pointing breeds.

Judges: Tom Winters and Travis Burnett

RESTRICTED BREED OPEN GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)—Purse: 50% of entry fees divided 70-30, if runner-up named; minimum purse to be \$500.00...\$125.00

Starts Saturday, October 7, 8:00 A.M.

Judges: Doug McMillen and Sarah Gomes

Open to FDSB registered pointing breeds (except English setters and English pointers) with a placement in an Open Derby, Open All-Age, or Open Shooting Dog stake recognized by UKC/American Field. If no satisfactory work on grouse occurs, at the discretion of the judges, wins may be awarded solely on the performance on woodcock. In the event no work suitable to a championship transpires, the stake will revert to an Open Shooting Dog stake, in which three placements will be given, with the purse to be 40% of the entry fees, 50-30-20. Additional running at the judges' discretion. **BELLS ONLY.**

OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—40% of entry fees (less fees) divided 50-30-20; Rosettes.....\$ 50.00

Starts Saturday, October 7, 9:00 A.M. Open to all Pointing breeds.

Judges: Denise Peters and Brent Peters

OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—40% of entry fees (less fees) divided 50-30-20; Rosettes.....\$ 55.00

Starts Sunday, October 8, 8:00 A.M. May start Saturday afternoon, if entries warrant. Multiple courses. Open to all Pointing breeds.

Judges: Rob Ellis and Mike Bando

Entries to: KENNY DeLONG, 1450 Shady Ln., Greenville, MI 48838-9298

Phone: (616) 894-7447 • Email: birddawgger@hotmail.com



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Ruffed Grouse Field Trial Club presents the Thirty-Fourth Annual Running of the

MICHIGAN WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP

— On behalf of the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs, Inc. —



Starts Wednesday, October 11*, 7:30 a.m., at Gladwin Field Trial Area, Gladwin, MI

**May start Tuesday, October 10 if entries warrant*

Entry Fee: \$135.00 • One-Hour Heats over Multiple Courses • A Purina Coverdog Points Trial \$2,000 Guaranteed Purse split 60% to Winner and 40% to Runner-Up, if named • Rotating Trophy to Winner

Judges: Bob Wheelock and Joe Guzman • **Reporters:** RGFTC Members

KIMM KINNE MEMORIAL OPEN PUPPY (20 Minutes)..... Entry Fee: \$40.00

— Single Course • Starts Saturday, October 14, 9:00 a.m. —

Judges: Mike Rosario and Ken Wrigglesworth

BILL WENDT MEMORIAL OPEN DERBY (30 Minutes)..... Entry Fee: \$50.00

— Multiple Courses • Starts Sunday, October 15 • Derby may start no sooner than Saturday at noon, if entries warrant —

Judges: Travis Burnett and Shane Haskins

Entries close: Thursday, October 5, 7:00 p.m. **Drawing:** Friday, October 6, 7:00 p.m., at a location to be announced on the Cover Dog Message Board. **Eligible dogs** must have a placement in an Open Derby or Open Shooting Dog stake. Eligible dogs must be FDSBAUKC registered. Dogs must be shot over with approved guns. No live ammo & manufactured barrel guns only! Retrieval collars will be permitted; Host club will not supply. Retrieval collars shall be used in accordance with AFTCA and UKC rules. **Hotel Accommodations:** In Prudenville, MI. **Dinner:** A chicken dinner at the conclusion of the running on Friday evening. All are welcome.

Entries to: CRAIG MERLINGTON, 20705 Blue Fox Way, Howard City, MI 49329

Phone: (616) 862-2296 • Email: northkentwell@gmail.com • Must receive email confirmation for valid entry

THE MARITIME BIRD DOG CLUB PRESENTS

The 51st Running of the
**NORTH AMERICAN
WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP**

— A Purina Coverdog Points Trial —

The North American Woodcock Championship is forever dedicated to the memory of Jack Mayer Jr., Robert Buzzell and Jack Mayer Sr.

Begins 8:00 A.M. (local time), Friday, September 8, 2023

[Note: The North American Woodcock Futurity will be held prior to the Championship and begin on Thursday, September 7. See details below.]

To be run on wild bird courses near McAdam, NB

Meet at Hoof & Paw Outfitters, 80 Farm Rd., McAdam, NB, each day at 7:30 a.m.

The Championship is sponsored by Inukshuk Professional Dog Food



Judges: Eric Rizza, Everett, MA, and Doug Dix, Whitingham, VT

Reporter: Russell Ogilvie, Jefferson, ME • **Stake Manager:** Robert Little, McAdam, NB

Courses: One-hour heats over multiple courses of natural woodcock and grouse cover. Course order will be announced prior to the draw. Six braces maximum per day. **Guaranteed Purse:** 40% of the entry to winner of Championship. If a runner-up is named, the purse will be split 70%-30%. **Champion's Prizes:** A painting of the champion will be provided by Larry Costigan of Calgary, AB. **Entry Fee:** \$125.00 (U.S. Funds or Canadian Equiv.) **Qualification:** A recognized placement in an Open Derby, Open Shooting Dog or Open All-Age stake. Minimum .32 blank pistol or primer pistol with manufactured barrels only. **Drawing:** Entries to Robert Little (contact info below). A public drawing will be conducted on Wednesday, September 6, 9:00 p.m. (AST), at Hoof & Paw Outfitters, McAdam, NB. Entries close at drawing. **Accommodations:** Hoof & Paw Outfitters, Farm Rd., McAdam, NB—(506) 784-3102; Palfrey Lake Lodge, St. Croix, NB—(207) 796-2592; Winsome Inn, St. Stephen, NB—(506) 466-2130.

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The North American Woodcock Futurity is forever dedicated to the memory of Richard C. Shear.

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Judges: Steve Forrest, Hampden, ME, and Robert Little, McAdam, NB

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Entry Fee: \$60.00 (U.S. Funds or Canadian Equiv.). **Purse:** 50% of entry fees split 60%-40% to owners and breeders. **Courses:** 30-minute heats over multiple courses of natural woodcock and grouse cover. Course order will be announced prior to the draw **Drawing:** Entries to Robert Little (contact info below). A public drawing will be conducted on Wednesday, September 6, 9:00 p.m. (AST), at Hoof & Paw Outfitters, McAdam, NB. Entries close at drawing.

Entries for both stakes to:

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Entries accepted for both stakes with the understanding The Maritime Bird Dog Club, its officers and landowners are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents to anyone attending the trials, their guests, dogs or equipment.

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Beginning Thursday, September 21, 7:30 a.m. • American Falls, ID

IDAHO OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Purse: 50% of entries divided 50-30-20.... Entry Fee: \$125.00

U.S. Amateur All-Age Derby Invitational West Region Super Qualifier

— A PURINA POINTS & NATIONAL DERBY INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL —

Judges: Alex Rickert, Bozeman, MT, and Bill Owen, Santa Barbara, CA

Prizes: If winner is an amateur, 1st place receives a saddle; 2nd and 3rd receive saddlebags by B&B Tack, Albany, GA.

If winner is a non-amateur, purse money is awarded—50% of entries divided 50-30-20.

Drawing: Monday, September 18, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the chairperson.

REGION 9 (AFTCA) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) Entry Fee: \$150.00

(To follow Idaho Derby Classic but will not start before Friday, September 22, 7:30 a.m.)

— A PURINA TOP AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG AWARD & AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL —

Judges: Jason Staley, Murtaugh, ID, and Brad McCardle, Lewistown, MT

Prizes: Framed portrait and SportDOG collar to champion and framed portrait to runner-up champion.

Drawing: Monday, September 18, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the chairperson.

Handlers and owners must be an individual AFTCA member to enter a dog.

IDAHO STATE OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) Entry Fee: \$175.00

(To follow Region 9 Amateur Shooting Dog Championship but will not start before Monday, September 25, 7:30 a.m.)

— A PURINA TOP SHOOTING DOG AWARD, PURINA HANDLER AWARD & AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL —

Prizes: 50% of entries divided 70-30 and SportDOG collar to champion.

Judges: Marty Middleton, Herriman, UT, and Jarry Walton, Reno, NV

Drawing: Saturday, September 23, at the Club dinner event, 7-8:00 p.m.

OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Run at club's discretion..... Entry Fee: \$ 40.00

Grounds and Directions: From I-86, Exit 36, south on Hwy 37, immediately and directly across the highway from Pioneer Equipment, take Ferry Hollow Road. After approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile, Ferry Hollow Road bends sharply 160 degrees back on itself circling the home on the right (do not go straight or take the driveway that is the available 90 degree turn). Stay on Ferry Hollow Road approximately another 4.1 miles to the field trial headquarters area located to the left of the road. Absolutely no smoking, live fire, or other incendiaries allowed on grounds.

Courses: Championship to be contested on six one-hour "continuous at road crossings" courses of CRP grasses with mixed sage patches linked by rolling hills and aspen lined draws, home to native forest grouse, sharptail grouse, Hungarian partridge, and pheasants.

Lodging: Hillview Extended Stay Hotel, 2799 Lakeview Rd., American Falls, ID 83211—(208) 428-4895, and various hotels in Pocatello, ID. Camping is available on the grounds in the stubble field confined within area as marked. Camping also available approximately 15 minutes away (for self shuttle to and from grounds daily) at Power County Fairgrounds with camping, water, and stabling/staking out horses and dogs. Contact Terrell Sorenson—(208) 681-2062. See EIBDC Facebook page for further specifics regarding camping options. Local hay available at Cal Ranch Store, Chubbuck, ID—(208) 233-4288 and Tractor Supply, Pocatello, ID—(208) 478-6445. Certified weed free hay only.

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Drawing: Thursday, September 28, 6:00 p.m., on the grounds. Entries close at 5:00 P.M. There will be a cocktail hour starting at 5:00 P.M. **Horses:** Grounds fees per horse, per day—\$2.50 (pens or stake-outs). **RV/Trailer:** Hook-ups available on grounds for \$7.50 a day. Lunches daily (\$10 per person, per day).

STAKES, RUNNING ORDER & ENTRY FEES:

LARRY BRECH MEMORIAL OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.).....\$ 80.00

AFTCA Amateur Invitational & National Derby Invitational Points Stake

Bruce Fox Plaques and 50% of entry fees divided 50-30-20 (less Region and Grounds Fees)

Judges: Bill Owen, Santa Barbara, CA, and Jim Ledington, Homedale, ID

REGION 9 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (One Hour).....\$150.00

Rotating Region 9 Amateur All-Age Larry McConnell Memorial Trophy

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Judges: Rich Burgi, Sandy, UT, and Sergio Velez, Chilliwack, BC

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Purina Top Shooting Dog Award Points & Purina Handler of the Year Award Points Stake

AFTCA Amateur Invitational Points Stake

50% of entry fees divided 70-30 (less Region and Grounds Fees); Custom colored pencil artwork of dog by artist Jacquine Shippy (Jacq Shippy Upland Art) to winner; Bruce Fox plaques to runner-up; and SportDOG collars to winners.

Judges: Mike Wilkin, Reno, NV, and Lori Steinshouer, Reno, NV

NORTHWEST CHUKAR OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (One Hour)\$250.00

National Championship Qualifying Stake • Purina Points & Purina Handler of the Year Award Points Stake

AFTCA Amateur Invitational Points Stake

50% of entry fees divided 70-30 (less Region, National Championship and Grounds Fees); Custom colored pencil artwork of dog by artist Jacquine Shippy (Jacq Shippy Upland Art) to winner; Bruce Fox plaques to runner-up; and SportDOG collars to winners.

Judges: Jeremy Skousen, Ontario, OR, and Bill Owen, Santa Barbara, CA

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NATIONAL RED SETTER FIELD TRIAL CLUB

October 19-22, 2023

Sportsmen's Club Grounds, Grovespring, MO



Entries Close: Saturday, October 14, 8:00 p.m. (CDT)

Drawing: Sunday, October 15, 5:00 p.m. (CDT), at Milt Schafer's home, Oshkosh, WI.

Breakfast and lunch on grounds. Purina Dinner, Friday, October 20, at the clubhouse.

— STAKES & ORDER OF RUNNING —

Member AFTCA • Only manufactured solid barrel guns of .32 caliber or larger or .209 primers may be used.

All amateur handlers and owners of amateur dogs must be members of AFTCA.

We reserve the right to cancel stakes should unexpected circumstances occur. Entry fees include grounds fees.

Negative Coggins test for horses as well as health certificate on all horses entering the state.

NATIONAL RED SETTER OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)..... Entry Fee: \$125.00

Judged on all-age standards • \$500 Purse to be split 70–30 • Garmin Collar to Winner

Qualification: Open All-Age, Open Shooting Dog, or Open Derby placement in an American Field recognized stake.

RED SETTER OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)..... Entry Fee: \$ 40.00

Awards to 3 placements

RED SETTER OPEN DERBY (30 Min.) Entry Fee: \$ 55.00

Awards to 3 placements

NATIONAL RED SETTER AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) Entry Fee: \$100.00

Judged on all-age standards • Garmin Collar & Plaque to Winner • Plaque to Runner-Up

Qualification: Amateur or Open All-Age, Shooting Dog, or Derby placement

in an American Field recognized stake by an amateur handler.



RED SETTER OPEN WALKING PUPPY (20 Min.)..... Entry Fee: \$ 40.00

Awards to 3 placements

NATIONAL RED SETTER

OPEN WALKING SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)..... Entry Fee: \$ 85.00

Awards to 3 placements

RED SETTER OPEN WALKING DERBY (30 Min.) Entry Fee: \$ 55.00

Awards to 3 placements

Judges (all stakes): Lynn Oxendine, Neosho, MO, and Jay Lewis, Ashland, MO

Email entries to: mschafer@new.rr.com

For info or phone entry, please contact:

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Maritime Bird Dog Club

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All-American Open Shooting Dog Championship

September 5 / McLaughlin, SD
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Nittany Valley Bird Dog Club

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Midwest Vizsla Shooting Dog Championship

September 7 / Thayer, IA
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North American Woodcock Championship & Futurity

September 7 / McAdam, NB
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New York State Grouse Championship

September 13 / Oxford, NY
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NGSPA Hungarian Partridge Championships

September 13 / Cheyenne, WY
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Open Woodcock Championship
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September 16 / Philipsburg, PA
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September 19 / Bloomingdale, OH
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September 21 / Bloomingdale, OH
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National Amateur Prairie Chicken Shooting Dog Championship

September 21 / Wisconsin Rapids, WI
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Region 9 (AFTCA) Amateur Shooting Dog Championship
September 22 / American Falls, ID
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Idaho State Open Shooting Dog Championship
September 22 / American Falls, ID
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Penn Jersey Sportsman's Club
September 23 / Estell Manor, NJ
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National Open Pheasant Shooting Dog Championship
September 24 / Bloomingdale, OH
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National Prairie Chicken Shooting Dog Championship
September 24 / Wisconsin Rapids, WI
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NGSPA Region 8 Championships
September 24 / Cheyenne, WY
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Big Sky Field Trial Club
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September 30 / Ionia, MI
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Michigan Woodcock Championship
October 10 / Gladwin, MI
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October 14 / Warsaw, NC
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Oil Capital Field Trial Association
October 27 / Inola, OK
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October 28 / Brookneal, VA
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Alabama Open Shooting Dog Championship
October 30 / Union Springs, AL
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Grand National Grouse Futurity
November 5 / Gladwin, MI
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Grand National Grouse Championship
November 7 / Gladwin, MI
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November 6 / Union Springs, AL
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November 18 / Scottsville, VA
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Willie "Byrd" Owens Derby Classic
March 7 / Union Springs, AL
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Conecuh Station Amateur Shooting Dog Classic
March 9 / Union Springs, AL
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The Virginia Classics
March 28 / Scottsville, VA
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ABHA TRIALS

Boiling Springs Field Trial Club
September 15 / Lawndale, NC
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September 23 / Berea, KY
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September 16 / Lawndale, NC
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NBHA Sharptail Championship
September 22 / Danbury, WI
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Southwest Missouri Walking Field Trial Club
September 22 / Mt. Vernon, MO
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North Missouri Field Trial Association, Inc.
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Cedar Valley Classic
March 25 / Hoffman, NC
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Beaver Valley Pointer & Setter Club
September 1 / Rochester, PA
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Big Sky Field Trial Club
September 16 / Barber, MT
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Boiling Springs Field Trial Club
September 17 / Lawndale, NC
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Arcadia Field Trial Club
September 24 / Exeter, RI
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January 16 / Jackson Springs, NC
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- CH, 2013 National Open Prairie Chicken Shooting Dog Chmp.
- R-U, 2013 National Amateur Prairie Chicken Shooting Dog Chmp.
- CH, 2014 All-America Open Shooting Dog Chmp.
- R-U, 2014 National Amateur Pheasant Shooting Dog Chmp.

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- R-U 2015 Kentucky Open All-Age Chmp.
- 1st, 2015 Bluegrass Quail Classic
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- R-U, 2016 International Pheasant Chmp.
- R-U, 2017 Georgia Quail Chmp.

- R-U, 2017 Missouri Open Chmp.
- CH, 2017 National Open Pheasant Chmp.
- R-U, 2018 Southwestern Open Chmp.
- CH, 2018 United States Chicken Chmp.
- R-U, 2018 Quail Championship Invitational
- CH, 2019 Southeastern Quail Chmp.
- R-U, 2019 Quail Championship Invitational

With Frank LaNasa handling:

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