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UKC TEAM IN THE FIELD

— An update from Domenick Muoio



Cheers to another great month of field trialing! As I write this, the excitement from the National Championship is still fresh. Congratulations to the winner, Erin's Perfect Storm ("Colt"), a 5-year-old Pointer, and his owner, Brad Woodie; handler, Luke Eisenhart; and breeder, Sean Derrig. Colt made the most of his second National Championship appearance in impressive fashion. I'm fortunate to have witnessed his performance firsthand. I remember thinking as I rode in the opening brace, "Wow, these dogs are setting the bar high for those to follow."

I always cherish the opportunity to ride horseback or on the dog wagon, witnessing incredible performances. The 126th National Championship, however, holds a special place for me. Much like the unforgettable memory of my first trial in Union Springs at the Amateur Free-For-All or being greeted by Ray Joye at my first trial at Hoffman for the Sandhills Celebration, this marks the first time I've seen a National Championship-winning performance live. I have great respect for the history of this sport and often express my admiration for those with deep personal connections to it.

I'm honored to have experienced such performances and to be so warmly welcomed into the world of field trialing. I look forward to seeing you all at future trials. Best of luck and safe travels as we near the end of the Purina Points season.

— *Domenick Muoio*
Field Trial & Hunt Test Program Manager

[A full report and photos of the 126th National Championship will be published in an upcoming issue.]

National Champion



ERIN'S PERFECT STORM

Brad Woodie, Owner | Luke Eisenhart, Handler | Sean Derrig, Breeder
[Photo by Chris Mathan]

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#F1698756 • Sire: Ransom • Dam: Haney's North Star
Steve & Stacey Crow, Owners • Mark McLean, Handler

JOE HURDLE & HIS AWARD

Haney's All In Wins Two Consecutive Years

By Stephen Bell

It is one of the most prestigious all-age awards, desired by the handlers and owners, yet little known or celebrated. Some years in the past, the winner wasn't even reported in print. So, who was Joe Hurdle? And what is his award about?

Simply put, the award celebrates the top qualifying dog for the National Championship. It is a small pin made from silver that Joe Hurdle had collected prior to his death in 1993 and was first awarded the following season in his memory. Hoyle Eaton would remark, "Joe has left a legacy for present-day and future judges— honesty and commitment, love and dedication to the game that kept his heart in the right place."

Joe Hurdle was born February 3, 1918, and attended Southern Mississippi University, graduating in 1940. Joe was a successful farmer by profession, and as a lover of good bird dogs, he was first field trialing in the 1950s. He campaigned a number of winning dogs; his most successful was probably Sundowner, but his most notable (or notorious) was

Misty Morn—a wild derby he handled himself at the National Championship in 1961. She was the youngest dog to ever compete there and returned for three more years of competition.

It was Rube Scott who first invited Joe to judge the National Championship in 1968, and he judged there for 29 renewals, second only to Hobart Ames 30 times as a judge. Joe served on the board of directors and became the president of the National Championship Club in 1984. He designed the list of qualifying trial standards for both the National Championship and the Purina Dog of the Year Award, also serving on the original Purina committee. His intention for a dog of the year to be the National Championship's top qualifier was only realized after his passing, with this award given in his memory.

The winner of the Joe Hurdle Award this year was Haney's All In, and he is the first dog in the history of this award to win in two consecutive years. It is a remarkable feat, considering he has only been in all-age competition for two years. Haney's All In, or

"Ray-Ray," is owned by the brothers Steve and Stacey Croy, Red Hills Kennel of Whigham, Georgia, and is handled by Mark McLean.

In his derby year, Ray-Ray was twice a runner-up champion (at the Continental and Georgia Derby Championships) and won the American Derby Invitational Championship with Ike Todd handling. As a first-year all-age dog with Mark McLean as his handler, he won the Tarheel Open Championship, United States Open Championship, and the National Free-For-All, was a runner-up at the Georgia Quail Championship, and won the Continental All-Age Championship. In his sophomore season this year, he has won the Dixie Open All-Age, the National Pheasant Championship, and the National Free-For-All Championship a second time. A truly remarkable record for a dog who is still a month shy of four years old at the time of this writing. And he has now won the first trial of the next Joe Hurdle Award season, the West Tennessee Open All-Age.

(Note: In the following, the yearly point totals are given but should not be used as a year-to-year comparison as the number of qualifying trials held and the amount of bonus points when given to some trials has varied from year to year.)

1994-95

Brush Country Spectre, PM
Mary Finley, Owner
Ed Husser, Handler
2369 Points

1995-96

Pleasant Run Dot, PF
Albert & Lois Ann Necaize, Owners
Colvin Davis, Handler
2050 Points

1996-97

House's Rain Cloud, PM
Joe Don House, Owner
Mike Matney, Handler
1949 Points

1997-98

Silverwood, PM
Dr. Everett Crouch, Owner
Robin Gates, Handler
2785 Points

1998-99

Miller's White Diamond, PM
Dr. Bryan Givhan, Owner
Mike Johnson, Handler
2170 Points

1999-2000

Silverwood, PM
Dr. Everett Crouch, Owner
Robin Gates, Handler
2199 Points

2000-01

Lehar's Main Tech, PF
Dr. Rick Love & Bill Goolsby, Owners
Billy Wayne Morton, Handler
3190 Points

2001-02

Peacemaker, PM
Jimmy Hinton Sr. & Jimmy Hinton Jr., Owners
Billy Wayne Morton, Handler
2563 Points

2002-03

Future Stock, PM
Gary Keel, Owner
Randy Anderson, Handler
1779 Points

2003-04

Bodacious Boone, PM
Robert Rankin, Dr. B A Gray & Dr. Alex Jacocks, Owners
Allen Vincent, Handler
1770 Points

2004-05

Super Shadow, PM
David & Lisa Reddish & John Neely, Owners
Robin Gates, Handler
2389 Points

2005-06

House's Snake Bite, PM
Tom Faller, Owner
Andy Daugherty, Handler
1850 Points

2006-07

Shell Creek Coin, PM
Robert W. "Bud" Moore, Owner
Steve Hurdle, Handler
3333 Points

2007-08

Funseeker's Rebel, PM
Frank & Mercy Fonseca, Owners
Andy Daugherty, Handler
2588 Points

2008-09

Whippoorwill Wild Agin, PM
Dr. J. D. Huffman & Terry Terlep, Owners
Larry Huffman, Handler
2020 Points

2009-10

Lester's Snowwatch, PM
Gary Lester, Owner & Handler
2740 Points

2010-11

In The Shadow, PM
Carl Bowman, Owner
Robin Gates, Handler
1715 Points

2011-12

Touch's White Out, PM
Keith Wright & Ike Todd, Owners
Ike Todd, Handler
2325 Points

2012-13

Stallion, PM
Drs. Ron & Davey Deal, Owners
Tommy Davis, Handler
2067 Points

2013-14

Touch's Adams County, PM
Ric Peterson, Owner
Randy Anderson, Handler
1945 Points

2014-15

Erin's Wild Justice, PM
Allen Linder, Owner
Luke Eisenhart, Handler
2180 Points

2015-16

Miller's Dialing In, PM
Gary Lester, Owner & Handler
3019 Points

2016-17

Dunn's Tried'N True, PM
Will & Rita Dunn, Owners
Luke Eisenhart, Handler
2935 Points

2017-18

Touch's Mega Mike, PM
Eddie Sholar & Ted Denard, Owners
Mark McLean, Handler
2949 Points

2018-19

Lester's Sunny Hill Jo, PM
David Thompson, Owner
Gary Lester, Handler
1800 Points

2019-20

Valiant, PM
Jay McKenzie, Owner
Randy Anderson, Handler
1996 Points

2020-21

Miller's Speed Dial, PM
Gary Lester, Owner & Handler
2725 Points

2021-22

Touch's Fire Away, PM
Dr. Greg & Carmen Adams, Owners
Randy Anderson, Handler
1525 Points

2022-23

Haney's Storm Warning, PM
Chris Cagle Jr. & Chris Cagle Sr., Owners
Chris Cagle Sr., Handler
1725 Points

2023-24

Haney's All In, PM
Steve & Stacey Croy, Owners
Mark McLean, Handler
2493 Points

2024-25

Haney's All In, PM
Steve & Stacey Croy, Owners
Mark McLean, Handler
1415 Points

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UNITED STATES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Bandit's Hill Avenger Named Champion; Miller's Heat Advisory, Runner-up

By Ruthann Epp | Greensboro, Alabama | December 6, 2024



United States Open Championship (l-r): Ann Forrester, Schley Rutherford, (judge), Champion Bandit's Hill Avenger with Jerry Raynor, Mark McLean, Mike Sweet, Ruthann Epp (judge), Runner-up Champion Miller's Heat Advisory with Korry Rinehart, Gary Lester, Luke Eisenhart, and Judd Carlton.

The 2024 United States Open Champion is Bandit's Hill Avenger, handled by Mark McLean of Doe Run, Georgia, and owned by Ann Forrester of South Fulton, Tennessee. Ann was on a horse watching Avenger's and McLean's performance in the 12th brace. The handsome white Pointer ran a strong forward race. His first find was under the cedars at 20. He then disappeared out the front. He showed up at the end of the wild woods and then traced the edge of new ground before again disappearing to the front. About 5 minutes after pick up was called, the call of point was heard in the distant front. The judges kicked their horses and sped across the creek and over the hill to see the big stylish Pointer male standing at the edge of the tree line in the hayfield. McLean walked in front of his dog, a covey boiled out, and the crack of the gun echoed through the heavy air just before darkness set in.

Miller's Heat Advisory, who always makes a good showing on these grounds, was named United States Runner-up Champion for the second year in a row. The white and orange Pointer was handled by Judd Carlton

of Cairo, Georgia, and owned by John Mathys of Green Bay, Wisconsin. Heat Advisory ran the first afternoon of the trial. He had a strong forward race with a find at 18. He took the entire bottom in New Ground and Gum Springs and finished strong.

This was a top-notch stake. Numerous dogs did great jobs— Erin's Code of Honor had two finds and a big race; Miller's King Poast had three finds and big casts; Touch's Malcom Story was braced with King Poast; he also had three finds and was wide-ranging; Haney's Silver Dollar had five finds and showed well; and Rester's Cajun Spirit had a find and a good race with a super cast.

The judging duties went to Dr. Justin Howard, a busy and outstanding veterinarian and field trialer from Sardis, Alabama, and Ruthann Epp, a long-time field trialer from Marion Junction, Alabama. Unfortunately, Dr. Howard's horse took a wild jump near the end of the first brace that sidelined the judge, so Schley Rutherford, the marshal and president of the club, stepped in to complete the task.

Greensboro, Ala., December 6

Judges: Ruthann Epp and Schley Rutherford
UNITED STATES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

[One-Hour Heats] – 28 Pointers and 3 Setters

Winner-BANDIT'S HILL AVENGER, F1702642, pointer male, by Touch's Smooth Rider-Bandit's Hill Daisy. Ann Forrester, owner; Mark McLean, handler. Runner-Up-MILLER'S HEAT ADVISORY, F1685672, pointer male, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. John Mathys, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.

Open Derby

The winner of the United States Open Derby is Erin's Bold Ruler, a pointer male handled by Luke Eisenhart and owned by Claudia McNamee and William Bruchey. Bold Ruler had an exciting, fast-paced race with three finds at 6, 14, and 29; the final cast and find right at pick-up clinched the win with speed and style. Second place went to Erin's Copper Colt, handled by Judd Carlton and owned by Allen Linder; it was a very close second. Colt made a super cast and had two finds and an unproductive. Third place went to Rester's Cash'n In, handled by Luke Eisenhart and owned by Cecil Rester and Reuben Richardson. He had a pretty race with plenty of run, style, and one find.

Other derbies that did a good job were Erin's Legacy and Erin's Katie Elder; they were braced together, and both had a great race and a strong finish. Erin's War Eagle had a good race, one find, and one unproductive.

Handlers in the two stakes that competed were Judd Carlton, Luke Eisenhart, Mark McLean, and Patrick Siebels from Georgia, Gary Lester from Kentucky, Korry Rinehart from Mississippi, Jerry Raynor from North Carolina, and Tom Shenker from Alabama. Ann Forrester and Mike Sweet represented the owners. The weather was mostly cooperative—some braces had to deal with wind, but temperatures were in the 30s and 40s until the last day, which was in the 60s.

Thanks are in order to Greg Blair and Purina for sponsoring these two stakes

this year and many years prior. Thanks also to the club members and local field trialers who worked together to host a great trial. These grounds are possible thanks to the State of Alabama Forever Wild Program and the State Lands Division.

OPEN DERBY – 17 Pointers and 1 Setter

1st-ERIN'S BOLD RULER, F1706515, pointer male, by Erin's Grey Justice-Erin's Miss Sam Houston. Claudia McNamee & William Bruchey, owners; Luke Eisenhart, handler.

2d-ERIN'S COPPER COLT, F1712950, pointer male, by Erin's Perfect Storm-Erins Redrum Maiden. Allen Linder, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.

3d-RESTER'S CASH'N IN, F1706926, pointer male, by Rester's Johnny Ringo-Rester's Katie Lee. Cecil Rester & Reuben Richardson, owners; Luke Eisenhart, handler.



Open Derby: Erin's Bold Ruler with Mike Sweet, Schley Rutherford (judge), Ruthann Epp (judge), Erin's Copper Colt with Judd Carlton, Gary Lester, and Rester's Cash'n In with Luke Eisenhart.

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REGION 3 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Lester's Storm Chaser Named Champion; Mohawk Mill King Pen, Runner-up

By Paul Gadd | Hoffman, North Carolina | December 12, 2024

Lester's Storm Chaser was named champion at the Robert Gordon Field Trial grounds in Hoffman, North Carolina. This strong-running Pointer was ably handled by owner John Ivester. Lester ran the hour on course #4 and was credited with three upfront finds, of which one was a divided find. He showed to the front with drive, hunt, and manners.

Mohawk Mill King Pen garnered runner-up for owner/handler Gary Winall. King Pen was credited with three finds. This stylish young Pointer showed consistently to the front, displaying good range and style, with consistency for the hour.

Additionally, to be noted and likely discussed were performances by Rocky River Loaded for owner Grayson Francis and Miller's Last Call for Derek Bonner.

The judging assignment was ably judged and viewed by Matt Basilone and Ed McCay. They set a good pace. All participants had equal observation throughout the running. This was a good trial with ample birds and competitive braces.

Many thanks to Purina Pro Plan and Greg Blair for this sponsorship and



Region 3 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship: Lester's Storm Chaser with Bob Young and Mohawk Mill King Pen with Ellen Winall, joined by participants.

support. Additional support and thanks are to Greg Robinson for handling the dog wagon.

In addition, thanks for the lunches, dinners, and socials that were prepared by Mack Hilliard and, as always, the service supported by Gretchen and John Adsit.

(This was the information on the trial provided; the scheduled reporter was unable to attend due to ill health.)

Hoffman, N. C., December 12
Judges: Matt Basilone and Ed McCay
REGION 3 AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP
[One-Hour Heats] – 29 Pointers and 7 Setters
Winner-LESTER'S STORM CHASER, F1697205, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-R W Susie Q. John Ivester Jr., owner and handler.
Runner-Up-MOHAWK MLL KING PEN, F1703198, pointer male, by Mohawk Mill Big Stuff-Mohawk Mill Dolly. Gary S. Winall, owner and handler.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Winter Trial

By Jillian Stuhr | Hardyston, New Jersey | December 15, 2024



Open Shooting Dog winners joined by field trial participants.



Amateur Shooting Dog winners joined by field trial participants.

On December 15, 2024, the Northern New Jersey Field Trial Club held its winter field trial in Hardyston, New Jersey. The forecast called for a blustery winter day where running dogs were essential to keeping warm!

The puppies started things off with enthusiasm. The winners were fun-running, classy navigators of the course.

In the Open Derby, Glassilaun Gladiator glided through the terrain, placing second for owner/handler Jamie Nee. Proving he was set out to do more than just squeak by, "Mouse" dominated the fields with stylish birdwork, earning him the top spot for handler Tim Cavanaugh.

The Open Shooting Dog heated things up with all dogs showing their competitive nature. Sliding into third was Savvy for owner/handler Jason Williams with three well-spaced finds. Showing off her field trial spirit, Courageous Cat and her stylish pointing

style claimed the second spot for owner Ed Marron. Moving and grooving her way to first place was Sprout with seven finds and a forward race for team Indian Creek.

The Amateur Shooting Dog left us all feeling jolly, with handlers having great showings with their dogs. Indian Creek Perfect Storm stole (many of our hearts) along with third place as this 12-and-a-half-year-old Pointer gave it all he had, scoring four beautiful finds for owner/handler John Bleeker. Hurricane Freya swirled around the competition, working in sync with handler Jason Paternostro with her fun, stylish run and several well-handled finds. The shining star of the stake was Ramblin Rivers Autumn Skye, uncovering birds in places no other dog had, making her performance bird abundant and earning her the top spot for owner/handler Jason Williams. Congratulations to all handlers and owners!

Thank you to our judges for bearing the cold weather and our sponsors, Purina, Garmin, OnX Hunt, Gun Dog

Supply, and Mule Gear, for supporting NBHA trials. The day was a fun way to get together and celebrate the holiday season amongst bird dog friends!

Hardyston, N. J., December 15

Judges: Steve Chiofollo and Peter Slattery

NBHA OPEN PUPPY – 6 Pointers and 1 Setter

1st-INDIAN CREEK CROSSFIRE, F1716824, pointer male, by Pure Confidence-Indian Creek Daphne. Jillian Stuhr, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

2d-GLASSILAUN HIROLLINS BULLDOZER, unreg., pointer male, breeding not given. Jamie Nee, owner; Tim Cavanaugh, handler.

3d-HIFIVE'S WINGED RESERVE, F1709067, pointer male, by Little Traverse Django-Hifive's Top Shelf. Ryan Murphy, owner and handler.

NBHA OPEN DERBY – 4 Pointers

1st-HOG HILL FAFO, F1711945, pointer male, by Tattle Tailer-Ms. Antebellum. Tim Cavanaugh, owner and handler.

2d-GLASSILAUN GLADIATOR, unreg., pointer male, by Bittersweet War Cry-Bittersweet Recovery. Jamie Nee, owner and handler.

Judges: Tim Cavanaugh and Brian Wieland

NBHA OPEN SHOOTING DOG – 11 Pointers,

1 Setter, and 1 Vizsla

1st-INDIAN CREEK SPROUT, F1693330, pointer female, by Indian Creek Perfect Storm-Indian Creek Ramona. Jillian Stuhr, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

2d-INDIAN CREEK COURAGEOUS CAT, F1670105, pointer female, by South Bound Strech-Indian Creek Sugar. Ed Marron, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

3d-BURR OAK'S SAVVY, F1698523, Vizsla female, by Bangert's Red Baron-(dam not registered). Jason Williams, owner and handler.

Judges: Brian Wieland and Kerri Wieland

NBHA AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG – 9 Entries

1st-RAMBLIN RIVERS AUTUMN SKYE, F1690827, Vizsla female, by Ramblin Rivers Rolling Stone-Ramblin Rivers Crimson Sky. Jason Williams, owner and handler.

2d-HURRICANE FREYA, F1696741, setter female, by Five B K Country Road Pharoah-Leia. Jason Paternostro, owner and handler.

3d-INDIAN CREEK PERFECT STORM, F1650241, pointer male, by Sugarknoll Snow Warning-Mohawk Mill Lexus. John & Lori Bleeker, owners; John Bleeker, handler.

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WEST KENTUCKY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Outcast Duststorm Wins NBHA Kentucky State Classic

By Mary Sue Schalk | Kevil, Kentucky | December 20, 2024

The National Bird Hunters Association Kentucky State Classic and companion Derby and Puppy stakes were held in Kevil, Kentucky, at the West Kentucky Wildlife Management Area December 20-22, 2024. Hosted by the West Kentucky Field Trial Club, the event had 24 entries in the Classic, 12 in the Open Derby, and 14 in the Open Puppy. Entries were especially appreciated the weekend before Christmas; the field had trainers from Indiana, Ohio, Missouri, New York, Iowa, Georgia, and Kentucky represented.

Jay Lewis of Ashland, Missouri, teamed with Korry Rinehart of Rienzi, Mississippi, to judge all three stakes. Both judges are active members of the horseback field trial community, and their time in the saddle was much appreciated. Lewis serves on the board for the Amateur Derby Invitational, competes, judges, and facilitates field trials on a regular basis. Rinehart not only competes as a pro but has also scouted multiple national champions on the all-age circuit.

The Kentucky State Classic turned loose the first brace on Friday, December 20. Prior to the start of the trial, the grounds received a heavy round of rain, thus making navigating for handlers on foot challenging. Not only for handlers, but the conditions were also tough for all canine competitors.

Rising to the top of 24 entries was Outcast Duststorm, an English Setter female, owned by Jim Kleve of Minnesota and handled by James Kleve. The tri-color female had a strong, forward race on Friday afternoon. "Sassy" pushed to the front throughout her hour, showing to the front at appropriate intervals. At the end of her hour, Kleve called point on a woodline. She stood stoic as her handler flushed in front of her, creating the perfect picture of a classic shooting dog. Her style, class, and forward-hunting ability earned her the top spot for the trial.



NBHA Kentucky State Classic (l-r): Korry Rinehart (judge), James Kleve, Mary Sue Schalk with Outcast Duststorm, Margie Ridings, Sam Ridings with Georgia Born Apache Wind, Jay Lewis (judge), and Mike Fox with Foxy Lady Sadie.

Sam Ridings handled Georgia Born Apache Wind to second place spot. Apache Wind is also owned by Sam and his sister Margie. The Pointer male ran in the final brace on Friday; the second half of his hour proved to be the better show. He was biddable and finished the hour at dusk with a picture-perfect find.

Rounding out the field was owner/handler Mike Fox with the ever-stylish and consistent Foxy Lady Sadie. The Red Setter female worked close for Fox most of her hour producing birds at the 55-minute mark, as she and bracedmate Outcast Siren Song, handled by James Kleve, had a divided find in very thick cover. Guns were fired, and all was in order to conclude the running to the NBHA Kentucky Classic.

Besting a field of 12 derbies was black and white Pointer male Griffs Hackberry's Zach. Owned by Mike Griffin of Oklahoma, this strong, leggy dog is no stranger to the winners' circle. He handled to the front for Justin Crook and showed strong potential in his outgoing race. Hunting into second place was Bryant's Cold Rain, also a Pointer male. Owned by Kenton Bryant of Glasgow, Kentucky, the almost white dog hunted

every inch of cover during his half hour for handler Michael Edwards. Rounding out the field of derbies was Setter Ridge Power Play, an English Setter male owned by Brad Peterson of Cedar Falls, Wisconsin, and handled by James Kleve. The tri-color male is a consistent competitor, digging in and hunting forward during his half hour.

The puppies wrapped up the weekend in the sunshine in Kentucky. Fourteen puppies were drawn for the stake, which ran on Sunday morning. Handler James Kleve returned to the winners' circle with English Setter male Boatright's Renegade. This puppy ran a strong forward race, taking edges with purpose. His enthusiasm on the ground was clear when he jumped in and out of cover seeking game. Second and third place were paired together during the stake, with Hackberrys Zinnia Warrior taking second and White River Cutter taking third. Zinnia is a classy, petite black head Pointer female, easy on the eyes; she handled well for owner/handler Brian Kennedy. Ron Russell owns Cutter, a burly white Pointer male, who covers the ground aggressively and showed consistently to the front for handler



NBHA Open Derby: Korry Rinehart (judge), Justin Crook with Griff's Hackberry's Zach, Jay Lewis (judge), Michael Edwards Jr., Michael Edwards with Bryant's Cold Rain, Anna Katherine Schalk, Mary Sue Schalk with Setter Ridge Power Play, and James Kleve.

Justin Crook.

The National Bird Hunters Kentucky State Classic provided a full weekend of quality birdwork and performances. The West Kentucky Field Trial Club appreciates all those who contributed to the success of the event. Special thanks to the judges, Jay Lewis and Korry Rinehart, dog wagon driver John Clough, Southern Occasion Catering and Matt Schalk for providing meals, James Kleve for help with bird planting and marshaling, and all participants.

The National Bird Hunters also appreciates the sponsorship of Purina Pro Plan, Garmin, Mule Hunting Clothes,



NBHA Open Puppy: James Kleve, Mary Sue Schalk with Boatright's Renegade, Korry Rinehart (judge), Brian Kennedy with Hackberry's Zinnia Warrior, Jay Lewis (judge), and Justin Crook with White River Cutter.

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Kevil, Ky., December 20

Judges: Jay Lewis and Korry Rinehart

NBHA KENTUCKY STATE CLASSIC [One-Hour

Heats] – 16 Pointers, 6 Setters, and 2 Irish Setters

1st-OUTCAST DUSTSTORM, F1701277, setter female, by Woodville's Yukon Cornelius-Outcast Stardust. James W. Kleve, owner; James C. Kleve, handler.

2d-GEORGIA BORN APACHE WIND, F1691160, pointer male, by Hirollins Gone And Doneit-Cock'n'fire Grace. Samuel & Margie Ridings, owners; Sam Ridings, handler.

3d-FOXY LADY SADIE, F1691626, Irish setter female, by Zansett Simply Red-Foxy's Lil Red Missy. Mike Fox, owner and handler.

NBHA OPEN DERBY – 8 Pointers and 4 Setters

1st-GRIFFS HACKBERRY'S ZACK, F1714352, pointer male, by Hackberry's Elhew Chief-Hackberry's Mia Blackhawk. Brian Kennedy, owner; Justin Crook, handler.

2d-BYANT'S COLD RAIN, F1715117, pointer female, by Erin's Perfect Storm-Erin's Lone Star Amy. Kenton Bryant, owner; Michael Edwards, handler.

3d-SETTER RIDGE POWER PLAY, F1704698, setter male, by Cold Creek Hawk-Cold Creek Belle. Brad Peterson, owner; James C. Kleve, handler.

NBHA OPEN PUPPY – 8 Pointers, 5 Setters, and 1 Irish Setter

1st-BOATRRIGHT'S RENEGADE, F1710486, setter male, Boatright's Maverick-Stardust Outcast Coco. Terry W. Boatright, owner; James C. Kleve, handler.

2d-HACKBERRYS ZINNIA WARRIOR, F1709758, pointer female, by Elhew Sinbad-Hackberry's Addie Blackhawk. Brian Kennedy, owner and handler.

3d-WHITE RIVER CUTTER, F1709481, pointer male, by Wiggins Master Ronnie-Wiggins Tried Angel. Ron Russell, owner; Justin Crook, handler.

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AMERICAN RED SETTER BIRD DOG CLUB

Winter Trial

By Al Fazenbaker | Rose Hill, North Carolina | December 28, 2024

The American Red Setter Bird Dog Club was formed in the summer of 2023 by a group of walking field trial enthusiasts interested in promoting walking trials, not only with Red Setters but with all breeds. With an initial trial under our belts in 2023, the club moved forward to sponsor a wild bird trial in upper New York this past fall, which was very successful. This December, we returned to North Carolina to repeat our quail trial, again running at the home of Joe and Brenda Edwards. Thanks to their generosity, we were able to host our third field trial for the club on the Six Runs Farms, near Clinton, North Carolina.



Open Puppy: Andy Weik, Joe Edwards with Come Back Stella, Daniel Bell with Stump Hill Farms Simply Red, Robert Smith with Stump Hill Farms Pete, and Mike Harryman.

The piney woods and open croplands of coastal North Carolina are prime bird dog country, and we were so fortunate to have these fine grounds for our first trial. Home to the iconic Come Back

Setters, Hall of Famer Joe and his lovely wife Brenda have hosted trials for many years, and this year drew a good number of dogs to the running. The grounds at Six Runs are ideally suited for running bird dogs, with a mix of pine woods, croplands, and long strips of lovegrass, ideal for holding birds tight. The Great Coharie Creek runs the boundaries of Six Runs, creating a natural boundary to keep errant dogs from leaving the grounds. This year, the weather started off cool, with rain threatening on Sunday afternoon as the temperatures gradually rose. Fortunately, we were able to complete the last brace of the day as the rain began, perfect timing!



Open Derby (l-r): Andy Weik, Daniel Bell with Stump Hill Farms Ellie, Worth Lewis with Nomad's Scout Sniper, Robert Smith with Brita Loves Happy Berlin, and Mike Harryman.

Our judging staff was well experienced and brought with them many years of working with bird dogs. Thanks to Mike Harryman, Daniel Bell, and Andy Weik, who all gave of their weekend to watch dogs during this trial.

No trial can be conducted successfully without help from willing volunteers and sponsors. A most important function of planting birds was very well accomplished by Karen Vaughn and Milt Schafer, who ensured a plentiful supply of birds in the fields, in the places where birds would be found. Brenda Edwards and Karen Vaughn both worked overtime to keep everyone attending well-fed.

I would be remiss, not to mention some folks who were essential to the success of this trial. Joe and Brenda Edwards offered not only the grounds but also the use of their side-by-side for bird planting and the use of their horses for judging. Mike Harryman graciously provided horses for the fellow judges, and Allen and Deborah Fazenbaker opened their home in Ingold, North Carolina, to host judges for the weekend. Thanks to all!

A special thanks goes out to Purina, a stalwart in the support of our sport. Purina offers a high-quality product backed by research; please consider Purina when feeding your future champion! Our walking events were sanctioned by the U. S. Complete Shooting Dog Association. This organization gives full support to walking field trials and the improvement of walking field trials and bird hunters.

We also want to thank the professional trainers who took the time to attend and enter dogs. This trial would not have been successful without



Open Shooting Dog (l-r): Mike Harryman, Jameson Crandall with Pinekone Rappatamac Hawk, Wendell Evans with Black River Ruby, Sean Melvin with Black River Sue, and Daniel Bell.

the help of Daniel Bell (Kenansville, NC) and Sean Melvin (Garland, NC). Also, a huge thank you to all the participants who traveled from around the region to join us for the weekend!

The Running

The Open Puppy started the day with a nice showing of puppies. Come Back Stella, a quick-moving Red Setter female owned and handled by Joe Edwards, took the blue with a wide and forward race. Close behind were two puppies out of Stump Hill Farms; Daniel Bell handled Stump Hill Farms Simply Red, a Red Setter female, to take the number two spot, and Stump Hill Farms Pete, a Pointer male, captured the remaining place.

Open Derby

Running in the third brace, Stump Hill Farms Ellie, a Red Setter female, gobbled up the terrain for her handler Daniel Bell, always to the front and showing some exceptionally wide casts. She showed class and style on her find. In second place was Nomads Scout Sniper, who showed a purposeful and forward application, with two broke finds for her handler Bell. Brita Loves Happy Berlin, a female GSP, took the number three slot with a moderate forward race and two nicely handled derby finds for her handler, Robert Smith.

Open Shooting Dog

Pinekone Rappatamac Hawk took the blue in the Open Shooting Dog for his handler, Jameson Crandell. This Setter male showed a wide and classy application, with outstanding manners on his birds. In second place was Black River Ruby, a Setter female. Handled by Sean Melvin, Ruby showed her veteran



Amateur Shooting Dog (front): Lee Flanders with Chippokes Fancy Lady, Jimmy Crandall with Jake The Joker, and Jameson Crandall with Chippokes Cracker Jack. (Back): Daniel Bell, Mike Harryman, and Joe Edwards.

experience as she scored two finds and a back to take the red. Ruby's kennelmate, Black River Sue, rounded out the placements with a pleasing forward race and nicely handled birdwork.

Amateur Shooting Dog

Brace 1: Come Back Trump and Black River Sue. The Amateur Shooting Dog was underway on Sunday morning, with Joe Edwards and Wendy Evans handling. Trump was lost to judgment; Sue scored one find, nicely handled, and an unproductive. She showed a moderate and pleasing race and finished to the front.

Brace 2: Pinekone Rappatamac Hawk and Conneaut Creek Scenic River. Crandall and Fazenbaker cut their dogs loose, and both males put on a nice show. Running wide and covering some territory, they traded bird finds throughout the course, each scoring three finds and Hawk scoring one back. Near the finish, Hawk scored a find along a brush line, and River popped out but was on the leash after failing to back. Hawk joined him seconds later after a few too many steps on his bird.

Brace 3: Chippokes Cracker Jack and CC Lenni Lenape. Flanders and Fazenbaker both showed dogs with big runs; Jack scored two finds, and Lenni likewise, with Jack honoring. Lenni took a small step on his find, and Jack showed perfect manners to take third place in the stake.

Brace 4: Jake The Joker and Come Back Lillie Mae. Crandall and Edwards broke away their dogs, and Jake showed a wide and forward race. Lillie Mae likewise was forward, with both dogs scoring multiple finds. Jake finished strong to the front to garner the second-

place spot.

Brace 5: Come Back Bo and Chippokes Fancy Lady. Bo had a short run and was on the leash after failing to back for his handler, Edwards. Fancy Lady showed nicely for Flanders, with four perfectly handled finds and a classic shooting dog performance, to take the blue for the stake.

This concluded our last field trial for the American Red Setter Bird Dog Club in 2024. We hope you will join us for future trials as we continue to showcase dogs on the walking field trial circuit. Visit us on Facebook or our website at <https://www.arsbdc.com/> for info on upcoming events!

Rose Hill, N. C., December 28 – One Course

Judges: Mike Harryman and Andrew Weir
OPEN PUPPY – 1 Pointer, 4 Irish Setters, and 1 German Shorthair

1st-COME BACK STELLA, PLO24-411, Irish setter female, by Come Back Trump-Come Back Little Bit. Joe Edwards, owner and handler.

2d-STUMP HILL FARMS SIMPLY RED, unreg., Irish setter female, breeding not given. Daniel Bell, owner and handler.

3d-STUMP HILL FARMS PETE, unreg., pointer male, breeding not given. Daniel Bell, owner and handler.

OPEN DERBY – 1 Pointer, 1 Setter, 3 Irish Setters, and 2 German Shorthairs

1st-STUMP HILL FARMS ELLIE, F1705403, Irish setter female, by Come Back Billy Boy-Come Back Little Bit. Daniel Bell, owner and handler.

2d-NOMAD'S SCOUT SNIPER, F1710805, setter male, by Cold Creek Hawk-Cold Creek Belle. Worth Lewis, owner; Daniel Bell, handler.

3d-BRITA LOVES HAPPY BERLIN, F1715775, German Shorthair female, by Wilson's River Running Wild-Wilson's Sweet Caroline. Robert Smith, owner and handler.

Judges: Daniel Bell and Mike Harryman

OPEN SHOOTING DOG – 2 Pointers, 3 Setters, 4 Irish Setters, and 1 German Shorthair

1st-PINEKONE RAPPATOMAC HAWK, F1699732, setter male, by Erin's Big Casino-Mohawk Mill Charmer. Jameson Crandall, owner and handler.

2d-BLACK RIVER RUBY, F1663048, setter female, by Rose Hill Bill-Rose Hill Mariah. Wendell Evans Jr., owner; Sean Melvin, handler.

3d-BLACK RIVER SUE, F1681700, setter female, by Joe Is Hot-Rose Hill Sally. Wendell Evans, owner; Sean Melvin, handler.

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG – 2 Pointers, 3 Setters, and 5 Irish Setters

1st-CHIPPOKES FANCY LADY, F1689564, pointer female, by Stoney Run's Buddy-Hirollins Fancy Lady. Lee Flanders, owner and handler.

2d-JAKE THE JOKER, F1693052, pointer male, by Mohawk Mill Legacy's Pride-Mohawk Mill Dolly. Jimmy Crandall, owner and handler.

3d-CHIPPOKES CRACKER JACK, F1691321, setter male, by Skyview New Edition-Grid Iron's Sorrell's Penny. Lee Flanders, owner and handler.

NGSPA OPEN ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

B M B's Freeloader Named Champion

By Keith Richardson | Blue Mountain, Mississippi | January 4, 2025



NGSPA Open All-Age Invitational Championship (l-r): Carson Mitchell, Korry Rinehart, Kyle Graves, Fred Ryan, Jack Griffin, Nick Thompson (judge), Rich Robertson (judge), Hank Lewis with B M B's Freeloader, Brandon Blum, Hunter Jacobs, and Keith Richardson.

The seventh NGSPA Open All-Age Invitational was held on January 4-6, 2025, at Hell Creek WMA, Mississippi. Many respected field trialers consider these grounds to be the best all-age grounds in the country. The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fish, and Parks has been kind enough to slot us into this time slot, which has proven to be very good over the years as far as weather is concerned. We are the only NGSPA event to be held here.

Hell Creek WMA is owned by the state of Mississippi and managed by their Department of Wildlife, Fish and Parks, which is led by Lynn Posey, Executive Director, and under the management of Justin Hughes, NE Regional Biologist. Justin replaced Nathan Blount, and he has been very helpful to work with, not only with our group but also with other field trial groups who use these grounds. The grounds were opened in 1999 and include dog kennels, a horse barn with

38 stalls, outside paddocks, a spacious clubhouse with cooking facilities, and a nice area for trailers and staked-out dogs with some electrical hook-ups. The exceptional grounds accommodate three-hour-long courses. They are multi-use grounds, and we field trialers share them with hunters and others who love the outdoors and appreciate God's creation. The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fish, and Parks has a deep commitment to multi-use recreation, and we are deeply grateful to them.

Although he retired in 2020, Jack Griffin remains the "face of the Hell Creek WMA." Recognizing the need to stay on top of the grounds, Justin Hughes has retained him to keep the grounds in top shape, which benefits the quail, deer, and turkey that call these grounds home, as well as the field trialers who hold Hell Creek in the highest regard. Jack shows up at every event and is always a big help in many ways, but most of all, he ensures that the facilities and grounds are always in top shape. His work on the grounds is essential and includes mowing and weed control, which keeps the forest from encroaching onto the grass bottoms and reducing game habitat. He understands

how fields need to flow for our bird dogs—something most folks cannot grasp. Thanks also to Jeremy Taylor and the Hell Creek Field Trial Clubs, who work during the year to keep the area clean and in good condition.

The grounds are varied and challenging with a number of long bottoms, some piney woods, and smaller tree-lined fields. Despite some heavy rain before we arrived, Hell Creek dropped to a safe level so we could use all three courses. There is plenty of dense cover to hold quail. The grounds demand a powerful all-age dog that stays to the front, carries a line to the end, and seeks timely guidance from its handler. Absences of ten minutes or more are common. The courses flow nicely but penalize dogs that get behind, won't carry a line, are seen too often, or won't respond to their handler.

We were blessed to have Korry Rinehart and Nick Thompson advise us on how to best utilize the grounds to produce three courses, and then they used their knowledge to plant quail in strategic places. All three courses provide their own challenges and opportunities to show and evaluate an all-age dog.

We were honored to have two outstanding judges: Rich Robertson, Jr., and Nick Thompson. Both men know bird dogs, having trained, handled, and scouted them for many years and at many prestigious events. Nick has been scouting our All-Age Invitational since its inception. Both men know the courses well and were helpful to the handlers. Most importantly, both men understand what it takes to be an All-Age Invitational Champion, and they have stellar reputations of personal integrity.

We had a talented crew involved in putting on this quality event. Christy Harris and Tireca (ReRe) Turner teamed up to provide three wonderful meals each day. Many have said that our meals here are the best of any trial in the country. Joe Frauendienst oversaw tons of details both in preparation for the event and throughout it, including dog wagon, purchase and care of our strong flying quail, and many preparation details. Sheri Tangsrud and Dr. Fred Ryan pitched in to help with the

administration responsibilities. We could not have put the event on without the oversight, attention to details, and hard work of our Executive Assistant, Brittiny Haberkorn, and Bobbi Richardson.

The grounds tend to be confusing for new handlers, and it was a tremendous help to have Korry Rinehart serve as lead Marshall with assistance from Hunter. Korry and Nick planted the birds every night, and one morning, after a huge thunderstorm. They know exactly where to plant the birds where they will hold and produce a quality find.

Our incredible sponsors made this trial possible. Greg Blair and Purina support all three of our NGSPA Invitationals, which showcase the excellence of their product, which is currently being fed to all dogs competing in this challenging endurance event. They provided important financial assistance, including 12 bags of product for the Champion handler and 12 bags for auction, and they helped with an original oil painting of the Champion by Leah Brigham (Ross Young has retired), which was gifted to the owner. Garmin provided an Alpha 10 tracking device to the Champion's owner, and SportDOG gave us a tracker for auction, the Tek 1.5. The winning handler also earned a \$5,000 purse.

All attendees received an exceptional package of gifts, including a warm and rugged Carhartt hooded jacket with dog and owner's names and logo, a best-in-class horse blanket by Rambo, a dog vest with logo by Ruff Wear, and other items.

The Guidelines and Philosophy are essentially the same as the NGSPA Shooting Dog Invitationals. We ask the judges to pay close attention to our NGSPA All-Age Standard. The 12 top winning all-age dogs from the past year are invited. There are three continuous days of running. The first two are hour stakes, and the third day is a 90-minute call-back, which tests the endurance and stamina of the top dogs like no other trial in the GSP world.

As with all of our Invitationals, the judges maintain a consistent pace, staying on course and expecting the handler to "show them their dog," understanding that it is the handler's job to show his dog, not the judge's job to follow the handler around. Handlers

were free to leave the "path" and do what they needed to show their dog to the judges. Handlers are expected to quickly gain the front after birdwork.

The Running of the Dogs' Callback Brace

The judges called back two dogs: B M B's Freeloader (Hewey) and High Standing Cuttin Edge (Woody). Both dogs had outstanding runs on Days 1 and 2. If they had callback runs consistent with or better than their first two day's performances, none of the other 10 dogs could touch them; therefore, the judges decided to name two dogs in reserve in case both of them "blew up." It proved unnecessary to run the reserve dogs because the Champion was named.

The Champion

B M B's Freeloader (Hewey), owned by Brandon and Jennifer Blum, handled by Brandon Blum.

Day 1. Hewey had a strong, consistent, forward race with excellent application to the course. He had a nonproductive at 20 and a find at 45. His style and birdwork were flawless. Hewey had a strong finish.

Day 2. Hewey had a run that was very consistent with Day 1. He had a divided find at 11, finds at 45 and 54, and a back at 51. As with the first day, his birdwork was outstanding, and he had a strong finish.

Day 3, 90-Minute Callback. Hewey had finds at 11, 20, 28, 69, and 78, and a nonproductive at 64. All finds were handled very well with style and intensity, and his finds included some impressive limb finds. Hewey was always to the front. After his third find, he had a 20-minute absence but was found on point to the front. He showed no signs of fatigue and no let down in his run or range during the last 30 minutes of the brace, and he presented a strong finish. His range was all-age all the way. His ground application was good as he sought objectives and never broke off of an edge. He took long edges on the far side of the course and disappeared to the front. Hewey was always hunting and had an excellent nose as demonstrated by the number of finds he had, and on nearly everyone he had the bird pinned for a quick flush. He was never seen

running mid-field unless it was on the way to an edge. Overall, Hewey had a stellar all-age performance for all three days and met all the requirements of a true All-Age Invitational Champion.

Champion's Bracemate

High Standing Cuttin Edge (Woody), owned by Anthony and Dayna Rusciano, handled by Dan DiMambro.

Woody's Days 1 and 2 performances were very strong. Before the Call Back whistle was blown, Woody was "right there" with Hewey. The Championship was truly riding on their performances during the callback.

Day 1. Woody had a good forward race, hanging the edges with good application to the course. He had a find at 16 with great style and intensity. He was always to-the-front with all-age range. He closed the hour with a strong finish.

Day 2. Woody had finds at 12, 21, and 54. His back at 34 resulted when he came from behind after an absence. He was otherwise front-running and had a good finish. His birdwork was classy.

Day 3 (90-minute callback). Woody went missing at 5, and the handler called for his tracker at 30.

Blue Mountain, Miss., January 4

Judges: Rich Robertson Jr.

**NGSPA OPEN ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats on Two
Consecutive days; Third day 90-Minute Callback]
– 26 German Shorthairs**

Winner-B M B'S FREELOADER, F1678664, German Shorthair male, by B M B's Free Ride-Hightailing Saddle's Mandolin. Brandon & Jennifer Blum, owners; Brandon Blum, handler.

General Comments by the Judges

The judges liked the grounds because they allowed a true all-age dog to show his moves and power. There were a number of outstanding performances, but some of them couldn't do it twice.

The Invitational requirement of three days of outstanding performances is the true test of a champion. Both judges have attended all seven All-Age Invitationals and had some general observations to share with us. They have observed a number of marked improvements since the first event. The handlers are making the dogs handle vs. chasing them around as was too frequent early on. Most handlers are maintaining a more relaxed pace, trusting their dogs to come around (maybe with the help of a scout). Most handlers are doing a better job handling. For example, they are more likely to stop and point out their dogs at a strategic point or gather them up or heel them through a choke point and wait for the judges to catch up before releasing them. In general, there have been noticeable improvements in handling and training, and the dogs are better prepared.

POWHATAN FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Annual Trial at Slate River Farm

By Dennis Kivikko | Buckingham, Virginia | January 4, 2025

Powhatan Field Trial Club held its annual trial at Kat Shannon's beautiful Slate River farm in Buckingham County, Virginia, on January 4, 2025.

The participants toughed out a cold but beautiful day for a field trial. The help was plentiful as all pitched in where needed, and hopefully, I don't leave anyone out. The judges had drivers on the two side-by-sides provided by the farm and by Steve and Julie Moore. Jenna Johnson, Donna Kivikko, Kristin Murray, and Steve Graham helped with chauffeur duties.

The bird planting was expertly handled by Tyler Wolf, and Kirk Regensburg provided the 4-wheeler for those duties. Darek Kivikko drove the tractor, keeping the gallery wagon in position for spectators. Pat Brooks provided the gallery wagon, and the

farm provided the tractor.

Julie Moore made sure nobody went hungry. She served a southern-style pulled pork BBQ with all the sides, fixings, and desserts. It was incredible. Her husband Steve was a last-minute scratch with pneumonia, and they generously donated lunch donations back to the club.

Judges Steve Graham and Ken DeLong put up Bobby Phillips' front running puppy, Bob's Elhew Pat. Pat showed tremendous potential for all to see.

Bobby Phillips again found the winners' circle with his derby, Bob's Elhew June. Judges Ken DeLong and Trey Rector liked her front-running objective-seeking style to slightly edge out the other strong prospect, Lee Flanders' Kate. Both youngsters showed they have what it takes to move forward in their

careers.

Dennis Kivikko and Trey Rector judged the Shooting Dog. Lee Flanders' fine Setter, Jack, put on a show. Jack's flowing, stylish ground application produced three well-spaced and stylish finds and was credited with one well-mannered and stylish back. Ashby Morgan handled Mohawk Mill Charmer to a close second. Charmer ran a hard-charging forward race with three nice finds. Kirk Regensburg's "Bess" rounded out the three with four finds and withstood pressure from her bracemate early on. She hunted well and stayed to the front.

Buckingham, Va., January 4

Judges: Ken DeLong and Steve Graham

AMATEUR PUPPY – 3 Pointers

1st-BOB'S ELHEW PAT, F1708918, pointer male, by Tenacee Cooper-Bob's Elhew Smokie. Bobby Phillips, owner and handler.

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Judges: Ken DeLong and Trey Rector
AMATEUR DERBY – 4 Entries

1st-BOB'S ELHEW JUNE, F1706401, pointer female, by Triple E Elhew White Lighting-Triple E Go Girl Kate. Bobby Phillips, owner and handler.
2d-KATE, unreg., pointer female, by Miller's Grey Street-Walnut Tree Allie. Lee Flanders, owner and handler.

Judges: Dennis Kivikko and Trey Rector
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG – 10 Pointers,
5 Setters, and 2 Brittany's**

1st-CHIPPOKES CRACKER JACK, F1691321, setter male, by Skyview New Edition-Grid Iron's Sorrell's Penny. Lee Flanders, owner and handler.
2d-MOHAWK MILL CHARMER, F1682716, setter female, by Mohawk Mill Lucky Charm-Fort River Jackie. Gary Winall, owner; Ashby Morgan, handler.
3d-CALICO'S CANDY CRUSH, F1675405, pointer female, by Black River Hawk-Aries. Kirk Regensburg, owner and handler.

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GEORGIA DERBY CLASSIC & OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Moore's Base Hit Wins Derby Classic; Miller's Extreme Heat Named Champion

By Nell Mobley assisted by Mike Jackson | Waynesboro, Georgia | January 10, 2025

The drawing for the above-titled stakes was held on Wednesday, January 8, at the home of Nell Mobley. Sitting at the drawing table were John Ray Kimbrell, Craig Elliott, and Chuck Miller.

Entries were accepted until 7 p.m. They were down again; however, we had a trainer with us for the first time. Scott and Jammey Miller from Beaufort, South Carolina, entered six for the Derby Classic and five for the Shooting Dog stake.

Prior to the scheduled trials, Ryan Meckel, wildlife technician at Di-Lane Plantation, and his staff worked many hours to clear the courses and paths. On September 27, our county was hit hard by Hurricane Helene. Hundreds of trees were uprooted on Di-Lane. FEMA has been in our area for over four months, and clean-up has not yet been completed.

A highlight of the 2025 trials took place at the annual fish fry held on January 10 at the Waynesboro Exchange Club building, with members preparing the meal. The event is sponsored by the first-place Classic winner and Georgia Shooting Dog champion in 2024. Mike Tracy handled the Classic winner for owners Jim and Theresa Moore and Tim Moore. The Open Shooting Dog champion is owned by Debbie Ozner and handled by Shawn Kinkelaar.

"J" Mosher of Jefferson City, Tennessee, and his wife, Susan, have financially supported the Championship for many years. "J" passed away on May 24, 2024. John Ray Kimbrell, stake



Georgia Derby Classic: Moore's Base Hit with Jammie Miller, Miller's Customized with Hailey Moreland, and Cool Hand Luke with Payton Gunby, joined by Nell Mobley, Scott Miller, Joe Bush, Jeff Crouch, George Tracy, Muriel Primm, Tracy Swearingen, Madelyn McClain, Bill Primm, Mike Tracy, Joe Rentz, Tricia Rentz, Mary Kimbrell, and John Ray Kimbrell.

manager, presented Susan with a plaque in memory of "J," renaming the Georgia Open Shooting Dog Championship to the "J" Moser Georgia Shooting Dog Championship. Susan humbly accepted the honor while Joe Bush sang (acapella) "Glory, Glory, Glory, I Lay My Burdens Down," dedicating it to Susan. This received a standing ovation.

Georgia Derby Classic

With eleven entries, the Classic got underway on the morning of January 10 in freezing temperatures. Riding in the saddles to name the top three dogs were John Lee of Statesboro, Georgia, and Mike Jackson of Battleground, Indiana.

Both sportsmen have judged trials in the past for us. They rode and watched each dog to name, in their opinion, the top three.

Moore's Base Hit took first place for

handler Scott Miller and owner Marty Miller. Moore's Base Hit had multiple finds at 9, 21, 25, 31, and 42. Her race was forward and steady. She deserved first place.

Second place went to Millers Customized Upgrade, handled by Mike Tracy for owners Allen Linder and Madison McDonald. Upgrade had two finds at 7 and 45. She had a medium race to the front.

Third place, Cool Hand Luke, had a find at 31 with Mike Tracy navigating her for owners Bob and Linda Bergen. Point was called at 31, all in order. No birds were seen at a point at 33. The first 30 minutes were a big race, with him settling in the second half. A young derby ran a fast, forward race.

Others running in the Classic were Miss Bullette (Tracy), "Jim" (Miller), Thunder Road (Tracy), "Buzz" (Miller), "Boom" (Miller), Deena Jet (Tracy), "G"



Georgia Open Shooting Dog Championship (front): Nell Mobley, Mike Tracy and Hailey Moreland with Miller's Extreme Heat, Silver Wings with Shawn Kinkelaar, and Mary Kimbrell. **(Behind):** Jeff Crouch, George Tracy, Mike Jackson, Susan Moser, Tricia Rentz, Joe Bush (judge), Bill Primm, John Ray Kimbrell, Whitley Stephenson (judge), Muriel Primm, and Tracy Swearingen.

(Miller), and "Stone" (Miller).

Waynesboro, Ga., January 10
Judges: Mike Jackson and John Lee
GEORGIA DERBY CLASSIC [One-Hour Heats]
- 11 Pointers

1st-MOORE'S BASE HIT, F1716833, pointer male, by B K Bonafide Stallion-B K Hirollins Wild. Marty Moore, owner; Scott Miller, handler.

2d-MILLERS CUSTOMIZED UPGRADE, F1708330, pointer male, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Hackberry Hustler. Allen Linder & Madison McDonald, owners; Mike Tracy, handler.

3d-COOL HAND LUKE, F1714223, pointer male, by Southpoint's Speedy G-Lone Tree Last Snow. Robert J. Bergen, owner; Mike Tracy, handler.

Georgia Open Shooting Dog Championship

There were 53 drawn for the Shooting Dog competition. Gary Futch was scheduled to judge the stake with Whitley Stevenson of Smithfield, North Carolina. Gary's wife, Becky, suffered from a horse accident, requiring Gary to drop out. A call to Joe Bush of Sylvester, Georgia, was made, and he gladly agreed to fill in with Whitley. Whitley and Joe watched every dog carefully and named, in their opinion, a champion and runner-up.

Miller's Extreme Heat was named champion. Mike Tracy handled her for owner Joe McHugh. Heat was credited with multiple finds at 18, 23, 36, and 45. Her race was the one to watch. She could be seen out front covering the course with a fast, classy race for the hour.

Runner-up honors went to Silver Wings, which ran in the third brace of the stake. Silver Wings set a standard to beat with two well-spaced finds at 24 and 50 and honored bracemate at 10. Tracy Swearingen guided him with a good forward race and showed in the right spots, requiring limited scouting. Wings is owned by S. Tucker Johnson of Hobe Sound, Florida.

Judges: Joe Bush and Whitley Stephenson
GEORGIA OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP
[One-Hour Heats] - 42 Pointers and 5 Setters
Winner-MILLER'S EXTREME HEAT, F1685698, pointer female, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Joe McHugh, owner; Mike Tracy, handler.
Runner-Up-SILVER WINGS, F1705325, pointer male, by Touch's Red Rider-Southpoint's Dixie Chic. S. Tucker Johnson, owner; Tracy Swearingen, handler.

Some Sidelights

A huge thanks goes to Greg Blair, Field Consultant for Purina Pro Plan. I



Nell Mobley and John Ray Kimbrell present Susan Moser with a plaque in memory of her late husband, "J" Moser, naming the Georgia Open Shooting Dog Championship to the "J" Moser Georgia Shooting Dog Championship.

communicated with him in September to let him know what we want for our upcoming trials. Everything is delivered in a timely manner. Samples of Purina Pro Plan are distributed to the handlers. Food vouchers are given to the winners, along with gifts for the judges. Year after year, Purina hosts the owners'/handlers' dinner. Forty-five attended the dinner of pork chops with all the trimmings.

The Chamber of Commerce pays for advertising in the UKC® Field with funds collected from hotel-motel taxes. The Hampton Inn gives discounted rooms for the judges.

John Ray Kimbrell of Fort Mill, South Carolina, made his first trip to Waynesboro in 1974 to run his shooting dogs in competition. Upon his retirement from running his dogs, he continued year after year to serve as stake manager, and now he handles the dog wagon. Mike Jackson comes from Battleground, Indiana, year after year to marshal and has judged in all the stakes as needed. Jeff Crouch also helps with marshaling.

Ashley Roberts, executive director of the Chamber of Commerce, is on hand to help with lunches. She also presents all the handlers with keepsake gifts.

The oyster roast sponsored by the Chamber was not held this year. With low entry, there were not enough nights to schedule it. They plan to return in 2026.

Chuck Miller has been a regular at the trials for several years. He makes certain that panels are put up to accommodate the horses. He plants the birds every morning at 6. The birds are purchased from HBM Gamebirds, and Pat Johnson bands them each day. Chuck takes care of cleaning the stalls and clubhouse after the trials have ended.

Craig Elliott, the incoming secretary, is on hand almost every day to fill in with whatever he can to assist in making certain that everything runs smoothly. He is on hand to assist with the fish fry and help with the handlers' dinner.

I want to thank all the trainers who came to run their dogs in our trials. Hopefully, anyone who missed it will include our trials on their agenda in 2026.

U. S. COMPLETE FUTURITY & CLASSICS

Hirollins Gone And Doneit Wins Robert E. Lee Shooting Dog Classic

By Verlene Stephenson | Camden, South Carolina | January 13, 2025

The annual U. S. Complete Shooting Dog Association Robert E. Lee Shooting Dog Classic, Futurity, and the Les Hobbs Puppy Classic began on Monday, January 13, at 8:00 a.m. and lasted until Sunday, January 19.

This year's location was the well-known grounds of the Mid-Carolina Field Trial Club in Camden, South Carolina. The Mid-Carolina grounds are in good shape this year due to the efforts of the members of the Mid-Carolina club. The grounds are sandy walking paths, broom straw patches, field and woods edges, much like our NC sandhills areas.

The Camden grounds have hosted field trials since November 5, 1959. In the 1980s, the SC House of Representatives passed a bill declaring the grounds as field trial grounds with the Mid-Carolina club responsible for the upkeep. It is now part of the Kershaw County Parks but still hosts horseback and walking trials, with several clubs using the grounds annually.

During the week, we experienced light rain on Saturday. But the heavier rain on Sunday morning meant a two-hour delay. Conditions were good for a field trial, with temperatures below freezing at night and warming to the 40s and 50s during the day.

The Robert E. Lee Shooting Dog Classic was first run in 2003. The stake honors Robert E. (Bob) Lee for being a founder of our organization. The USCSDA Futurity began in 1996. A 30-minute Puppy Classic has always accompanied the Futurity, but beginning in 2017, it was renamed the Les Hobbs Puppy Classic. Les Hobbs was an avid supporter of the U. S. Complete Shooting Dog Association and a revolving trophy displaying his name goes home with the Puppy Classic winner each year.

We wish to thank our national sponsors Purina and Garmin for their continued support. Purina provided small bags of dog food and hats for participants. Futurity winners received



Robert E. Lee Shooting Dog Classic Winners (l-r): Jameson Crandall (judge), Hirollins Gone and Doneit with Warren Parrott, Mohawk Mill Shake Up with Cliff Monroe, Bryan Rathbone, Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk with Mark Hughes, Chris Catanzarite (judge), and Tony Bingham.

certificates for multiple bags of dog food. Garmin provided a collar for the Futurity winner and a bark collar for second place. Also, our local sponsor, Stinger Supply, provided leashes for the Futurity winners.

This was the second year of holding the event at the Mid-Carolina grounds. Once again, the team of field trial chairmen Cliff Monroe and Tony Bingham attracted a new record of entries for the three stakes. There was a total of 105 entries for this year's running. A new record! Together, they planned for and made sure we had a first-class trial. Also, this year, we had several new participants to U. S. Complete. They all seemed to enjoy their experience, and we hope to see them again next year! Thanks for your support.

Carlos Escalante, owner of last year's Bob Lee Shooting Dog Classic winner, Miller's Hopped Up Version, sponsored Tuesday night's handlers' steak dinner with all the trimmings in the clubhouse. Thank you, Carlos and Chef Cliff.

Robert E. Lee Shooting Dog Classic

The Winners

Thank you to Chris Catanzarite of

Scenery Hill, Pennsylvania, and Jameson Crandall of Kilmarnock, Virginia, for judging this renewal of the Classic.

The winner was Hirollins Gone and Doneit, owned and handled by Warren Parrott. "Gunner" is no stranger to the winners' circle. He ran in the fourth brace on day one. In his hour, he scored seven polished finds. At 6 he was found on point just before the first field with his bracemate, Ralph's Hillbilly (Brian Ralph) backing. Not long after, he was standing again in field No. 2, again with bracemate backing. At 15, Gunner was pointing in the sage grass just before "the hill," and his bracemate was again backing. At 20, he was found standing after the hill, and all was in order. At this time, Gunner was on the course by himself, as his bracemate was picked up for a breach of manners. He was found on point again at 37 in a birdy area just past the road crossing. Gunner had a covey find at 43 and his final find at 47. Gunner hunted forward at an acceptable range for his entire hour, never slowing down or coming from behind. He pointed staunchly with a high head and tail, completely steady on wing and shot for owner/handler Warren Parrott.

The second-place dog, Mohawk Mill Shake Up, ran in the 11th brace during



29th Futurity Winners: Hypointe Monarch Express with Nick Mellon, Daphne Rogers (judge), Backcountry Fearless with Chris Catanzarite, Tenacee Stella with Greg Isenberg, Green Valleys Sunkist Sue with Bryan Rathbone, and Ronnie Rogers (judge).

day two. At 12, Shake was standing in the row of pines between the first and second fields with his bracemate, Ralphy's Chasehill Rip (Brian Ralph) backing. Shake's handler, Tony Bingham, produced a bird, and both dogs were moved on. At 15, after a big move up the woods edge, Shake was standing, and Rip was collared for failing to back. At 24, as we crested the hill, Shake was spotted standing to the left of the course in a birdy area with good cover. The find produced a pair of birds. At 34, Shake was on point adjacent to the fence that blocks the course from Field Trial Road. It was determined that the bird was likely on the other side of the fence, and the handler chose not to call point or flush. The fourth find was at 42 when Shake was found standing in a piney clearing before the end of the course. The fifth find was at 51 just before the finish. By the end of the hour, Shake had scored five finds and had run a forward ground pattern with style.

The third-place dog, Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk, ran in the 17th brace of the stake. Hawk (Bingham) was braced with Saddled Up Sadie (Hughes) just before lunch on the third day of the four-day stake. He had four well-spaced finds during the hour and ran a long-range race. Hawk was handsome on point with a high head and straight 12 o'clock tail. He was found standing at 8 after a fast and forward breakaway. Sadie was backing. Both dogs advanced and ran a huge ground race, being seen

crossing the front occasionally before being found standing just before the road crossing at 32. Again, Hawk had the bird, and Sadie was backing. Both dogs moved on, and Hawk was standing again at 45. At the end of a strong finish, just as time was called, he pointed his fourth bird, and the hour was over.

The judges would like to mention the impressive performances by Tenacee Franklin (Greg Isenberg) and Caird's Lefty (Sam Ridings). These dogs were cause for discussion among the judges and narrowly missed earning a placement. The 54-dog stake had many top-quality bird dogs in it.

**Camden, S. C., January 13 – One Course
Judges: Chris Catanzarite and James Crandall
ROBERT E. LEE SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC**

[One-Hour Heats] – 42 Pointers and 12 Setters
1st-HIROLLINS GONE AND DONEIT, F1679825, pointer male, by Fastforward's B K Gunner-Littlewing B K Tia. Warren Parrott, owner and handler.
2d-MOHAWK MILL SHAKE UP, F1698765, pointer male, by Mohawk Mill Trail Warrior-Legendary. Gary Winall, owner; Tony Bingham, handler.
3d-MOHAWK MILL KNIGHT HAWK, F1685481, pointer male, by Mohawk Mill Pirate's Legacy-Katie Lee's Wild Side. Gary Winall, owner; Tony Bingham, handler.

Futurity

The 29th USCSA Futurity was capably judged this year by Daphne and Ronnie Rogers from New Market, Tennessee.

This year, 27 litters were nominated, with 36 entries from these litters. We are grateful to the breeders who nominated these litters and hope to receive even more great litter nominations next year.

Chris Catanzarite bred a litter (Springflow's Backcountry P x Apple Annie's Sweet Delight) that had six littermates entered. That is a new record.

Eric and Krysta Munden bred a litter (Miller's Heat Seeker x Wildland Warrior) that had four littermates entered.

And Tony Bingham nominated a litter (The Treasure Chest x The Lady Ex) that had three littermates entered.

The Futurity began on Friday, January 17, at 8:00 a.m. We managed to get in eight braces on Friday since we were expecting some rainy weather to come in. Rain did arrive for Saturday's running, making conditions less than favorable. But it wasn't bad enough to delay the action. However, the rain was heavier by Sunday morning, causing a two-hour delay. That gave everyone a chance to gather in the clubhouse to share stories and get to know each other better.

A handlers' dinner was provided Saturday night by Chris Catanzarite, owner of last year's winner, Backcountry Snake Eyes. The grill master was Daryl Grantham, assisted by his wife, Vicky.

After the dinner that evening, there was a surprise presentation. Bobby Phillips wanted to present a revolving trophy that would be given each year to the winner of the Futurity. This trophy was given in honor of Verlene Stephenson, Futurity Secretary since 2012. This was done to recognize her dedication and hard work keeping the Futurity alive and thriving.

All placements received certificates for bags of Purina dog food. First and second placements received Garmin collars. All placements received a leash provided by Stinger Supply in Boydton, Virginia. Handlers received small bags of Purina Pro Plan Sport.

The Winners

Unfortunately, by the end of the running of this stake, judge Ronnie Rogers was not feeling well and left for home before I could get notes from the details of all the braces. After returning home, he spent some time in the hospital. We hope you are fully recovered, Ronnie. I apologize for the lack of information concerning the

winners.

First place honors went to Hypointe Monarch Express, owned and handled by Nick Mellon.

Second place was Backcountry Fearless, owned and handled by Chris Catanzarite. The first and second place dogs are littermates from the Springflow's Backcountry P x Apple Annie's Sweet Delight litter, bred by Chris Catanzarite.

Third place was Tenacee Stella, owned and handled by Greg Isenberg. Stella is out of The Treasure Chest x Twiggy, a litter bred by Cliff Monroe.

Fourth place was Green Valleys Sunkist Sue, owned by Bryan Rathbone and handled by Tony Bingham. Sue is out of the Hirollins Gone and Doneit x Santee River Iced Crush litter. Sue placed last year in the Les Hobbs Puppy Classic. I'm hoping this dog will place next year in the Robert E. Lee Shooting Dog Classic. If so, she will be the first dog to place in all three stakes.

Judges: Daphne Rogers and Ronnie Rogers

29TH U. S. COMPLETE FUTURITY – 36 Entries

1st-HYPOINTE MONARCH EXPRESS, F1704239, pointer female, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Nick Mellon Jr., owner and handler.

2d-BACKCOUNTRY FEARLESS, F1705245, pointer female, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Chris Catanzarite, owner and handler.

3d-TENACEE STELLA, F1717417, pointer female, by The Treasure Chest-Twiggy. Greg Isenberg, owner and handler.

4TH-GREEN VALLEYS SUNKIST SUE, F1708535, pointer female, by Hirollins Gone And Doneit-Santee River Iced Crush. Bryan Rathbone, owner; Tony Bingham, handler.



Les Hobbs Open Puppy Classic Winners: Maggie with Teddy Poston and Harper with Warren Parrott. (Not pictured: Bob's Elhew Coco with Bobby Phillips.

Les Hobbs Puppy Classic

The judges for the Puppy Classic were Cliff Monroe of Mooresboro, North Carolina, and Tony Bingham of Shelby, North Carolina. Cliff and Tony are both qualified, experienced field trialers.

The Puppy Classic began on Sunday, January 19, after a quick lunch. Fifteen entries were competing for the opportunity to take home the Les Hobbs revolving trophy.

Bob's Elhew Coco, owned and handled by Bobby Phillips, received top honors for first place. In second place was Maggie, owned and handled by Warren Parrott. Both dogs ran big and classy. Coco was a little more independent in hunting, separating her from the second-place contender. Third place was Harper, owned and handled by Warren Parrott. Harper was also classy but with a shorter range.

The Les Hobbs Puppy Classic concluded a week of some very good

dogs doing what they love and handlers also doing what they love. There were some great stories swapped and many training tips shared. This is always a fun trial experience; this year didn't disappoint. I'm hoping the new folks participating were convinced to come back next year. A big thank you to all of you who made this week a success!!

Again, we thank our national sponsors, Purina and Garmin.

Judges: Tony Bingham and Cliff Monroe
LES HOBBS OPEN PUPPY CLASSIC – 13 Pointers and 2 Setters

1st-BOB'S ELHEW COCO, F1708921, pointer female, by Tenacee Cooper-Bob's Elhew Smokie. Bobby Phillips, owner and handler.

2d-MAGGIE, unreg., pointer female, breeding not given. Warren Parrott, owner and handler.

3d-HARPER, unreg., pointer female, breeding not given. Warren Parrott, owner and handler.

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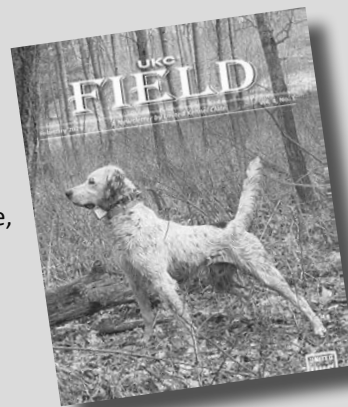


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SOUTHEASTERN OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Silver W Jill Z Named Champion; Miller's Extreme Heat, Runner-up

By Joel Norman | Lake City, Florida | January 15, 2025



Southeastern Open Shooting Dog Championship (l-r): Shawn Kinkelaar, a curious spectator, Don Price, Victoria, Lane and Darcy Hodges (judges), Joel Norman, Kent Cantrell with Silver W Jill Z, Chester Stokes, Hailey Moreland with Miller's Extreme Heat, Rylan King (dog truck driver), Joe McHugh, Leroy Griffis (marshal), Joe Hicks, and Mike Tracy.

Another great Southeastern Open Shooting Dog Championship was recently held at "The Farm" near Lake City, Florida. The trial began on Wednesday, January 15, and concluded on Sunday, January 19, 2025. The trial drew 52 entries. This club is very fortunate to have Mr. Chester Stokes as the host. Mr. "C," as referred to by those who are close to him, enjoys seeing the dogs, the horses, the people, and the BIRDS. He has given up a prime week of hunting in mid-January to help make this trial a success. The Farm consists of nearly 2000 acres of gentle rolling sandhills. The native ground cover consists of wiregrass, runner oaks, wax myrtle, and a few small palmetto patches. Overhead are Longleaf Pines, Slash Pines, and Blackjack Oaks. Large Live Oaks are found scattered about the property. This is the ideal place for a dog and handler to put on a show. The dogs had plenty of opportunities to display their

abilities, as there were well over thirty coveys of birds moved each day. Mr. "C" rode part of the time and followed the rest of the trial in his truck, except for the day he took off to Steinhatchee to take advantage of the Speckled Trout feeding frenzy. All the board members were present during the trial. This board includes six members: Chester Stokes, Don Price, Joe Hicks, Leroy Griffis, Kent Cantrell and Joel Norman.

Others who make this trial run smoothly are Rylan King and Dakota Hall. Rylan, or "Stick" as everyone calls him, mans the dog truck and does a super job with it. Dakota Hall and Leroy Griffis do the marshaling. Joe Hicks is also a valuable asset to this trial and the management of this property. Joe is the son of the late Pete Hicks and knows his way around the bird dog and field trial world. It is in his DNA. We are also grateful for my better half, Tina, who continues to make sure we are fed well!

We were also very fortunate to have two very qualified and attentive judges for this trial, Lane and Darcy Hodges. This couple is very competitive in the amateur field trials running under the One Day Farm banner. They are especially noted for winning the last two National Amateur Free-for-All Championships with their "One Day Queen Bee." They did a super job, and their decisions were well-received.

The Winners

The fifth brace of the trial produced this year's champion. Owner Debbie Ozner was on hand to witness Shawn Kinkelaar piloting Silver W Jill Z. This Pointer put on a show. Jill had divided finds at 7, 28, and 31. She had independent finds at 10, 12, 19, 42, 59, and a back at 34. She ran a strong forward race and had several finds called by the scout.

This year's runner-up champion came from the 24th brace. Owner Joe McHugh was on hand to see Mike Tracy pilot his dog, Miller's Extreme Heat, to runner-up. Heat ran a smooth forward race with finds at 5, 17, 21, 31, 36, 39, 47, and 56.

[Brace-by-brace descriptions of the other contenders may be found at www.americanfield.com under the "Results" tab.]

Lake City, Fla., January 15

**Judges: Darcy Hodges and Lane Hodges
SOUTHEASTERN OPEN SHOOTING DOG
CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats] – 48 Pointers
and 4 Setters**

Winner-SILVER W JILL Z, F1682062, pointer female, by Ransom-Double Wild. Debbie Ozner, owner Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.

Runner-Up-MILLER'S EXTREME HEAT, F1685698, pointer female, by Just Irresistible-Miller's Bring The Heat. Joe McHugh, owner; Mike Tracy, handler.

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WESTARK FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Mohawk Mill Trail Warrior Wins NBHA Arkansas State Open Shooting Dog Classic

By Dustin Huggins | Booneville, Arkansas | January 16, 2025

On January 16-19, Westark Field Trial Club held the Arkansas State Classic on the well-known grounds of the J. Perry Mikles Blue Mountain SUA in Booneville, Arkan. This is a very special year for the Westark Field Trial Club as it marks its 50th Anniversary. Arkansas was coming off a winter storm with 8-10 inches of snow, which is very unusual in the far south. The snow had almost completely melted, making for a challenging, cold, and wet trial.

The event kicked off with the Open Shooting Dog which ran for two days, saw 24 starters, and was judged by Harold Woodward and Steve James. Sitting atop day one with four nice finds and a nice forward running race was Indian Creek Spur. He placed third for handler Garry Malzone.

Day two brought a couple more fantastic runs by Garry Malzone and his classy Pointers. Second place went to Indian Creek Sprout, where he drove forward with four finds with an expertly handled relocation on a walking bird. First place went to Ch. Mohawk Mill Trail Warrior with an exceptional race. He had five masterful finds and ate up the course with class and precision. The final of his five perfect finds produced a covey of 10-12 quail, which sealed the deal.

Next was the Open Derby with 11 starters also judged by Harold Woodward and Steve James. Third place went to the English Setter Boatwright's Audubon Outcast, handled by James Kleve. Second place was awarded to Pointer Haney's Big Country and handler Garry Malzone. First place saw Pointer Hog Hill Fafo take the blue ribbon.

Poncho was also handled by Garry Malzone.

The third stake presided over by Harold Woodward and James was the Open Puppy, which saw 16 starters. Taking the third-place spot was English Setter "Stormy," handled by Justin Crook. The second-place award went to Pointer Indian Creek Stevie Nicks with handler Garry Malzone. Finishing atop this impressive string of puppies was Pointer male Lil Elhew Chief Snakefeather, handled by Mike Taylor.

The conclusion of the event came with the Amateur Shooting Dog presided over by Garry Malzone and Jillian Stuhr. Third place went to English Setter Glover's Flintstone and handler Jack Glover. The second-place spot was awarded to English Setter Sky Hawk's Little Rascal, handled by Rob Warner. Topping out the seven-dog field went to German Shorthaired Pointer Blazin Cora of Dixie, handled by Dustin Huggins.

A big thanks to our judges for their time in the saddle. Thank you to our sponsors: Purina, Garmin, OnX Hunt, Mule Gear, and Gun Dog Supply. Thanks to Steve Morgan and Jerry Oswalt for all their hard work as bird stewards and picking up dogs. Also, thank you, Mrs. Jennifer Taylor, for the fine lunches served on the grounds and an excellent dinner of pulled pork, baked beans, and potato salad served hot at the clubhouse. Finally, a big thank you to the AGFC for allowing us the continual use of the J. Perry Mikles Blue Mountain SUA. Without that access, we wouldn't be able to host these trials!

Congratulations to all owners and handlers!

**Booneville, Ark., January 16 – One Course
Judges: Steve James and Harold Woodward
NBHA ARKANSAS STATE OPEN SHOOTING DOG
CLASSIC [One-Hour Heats] – 17 Pointers,
5 Setters, 1 German Shorthair,
and 1 Gordon Setter**

1st-MOHAWK MILL TRAIL WARRIOR, F1676193, pointer male, by Stoney Run's Buddy-Hirollins Fancy Lady. Jillian Stuhr, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

2d-INDIAN CREEK SPUR, F1695312, pointer male, by Mohawk Mill Legacy's Pride-Mohawk Mill Dolly. Black Meadow Kennels, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

3d-INDIAN CREEK SPROUT, F1693330, pointer female, by Indian Creek Perfect Storm-Indian Creek Ramona. Jillian Stuhr, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

NBHA OPEN DERBY – 8 Pointers and 3 Setters

1st-HOG HILL FAFO, F1711945, pointer male, by Tattle Tailer-Ms. Antebellum. Tim Cavanaugh, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

2d-HANEY'S BIG COUNTRY, F1715342, pointer male, by Haney's Silver Dollar-Wiggins C Trace. Chris Cagle, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

3d-BOATRIGHT'S AUDUBON OUTCAST, F1705038, setter female, by Audubon Americus-Circle B Burning Stardust. Terry Boatright, owner; James Kleve, handler.

NBHA OPEN PUPPY – 11 Pointers and 5 Setters

1st-LIL ELHEW CHIEF SNAKEFEATHER, F1709748, pointer male, by Hackberry's Elhew Chief-Hackberry's Elhew Ashlee. Mike Taylor, owner and handler.

2d-INDIAN CREEK STEVIE NICKS, F1716829, pointer female, by Indian Creek Spur-Indian Creek Mascara. Jillian Stuhr, owner; Garry Malzone, handler.

3d-STORMY, unreg., particulars not given. Justin Crook, owner and handler.

**Judges: Garry Malzone and Jillian Stuhr
NBHA ARKANSAS STATE AMATEUR SHOOTING
DOG CLASSIC [One-Hour Heats] – 1 Pointer,
4 Setters, and 1 German Shorthair**

1st-BLAZEN CORA OF DIXIE, F1717161, German Shorthair female, by Duke Maximum Ridge Runner-Sizzlin Sage. Dustin Huggins, owner and handler.

2d-SKY HAWK'S LITTLE RASCAL, F1670670, setter male, by Hytest Palladin-Sky Hawk's Blues Traveler. Robert R. Warner III, owner and handler.

3d-GLOVER'S FLINTSTONE, F1691597, setter male, by Islander-Kodiak Island Bird Dog. Jack Glover, owner and handler.

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CONTINENTAL DERBY CHAMPIONSHIP

Handler Judd Carlton Sweeps the 2025 Running with Erin's Three Amigos

By Tim Moore with Steve Standley | Greenville, Georgia | January 20, 2025



Continental Derby Championship (front): Judd Carlton with Erin's Three Amigos and Luke Eisenhart with Erin's Legacy. (Back): Chris Cagle, John Mathys, Til Hankley, John Michael McCormick, Woody Watson (judge), Reese Birdeau, Kent Cantrell, Mike Sweet, Bill Bruchey, Gary Lester, Claudia McNamee, John Lee (judge), Tim Moore, Maria Basham, and Randy Floyd.

Erin's Three Amigos, owned by Mike Sweet, John Mathys, and Jerry Moison and handled by Judd Carlton, earned the championship title under the whistle of Judd Carlton. Judd also handled Erin's Legacy to the runner-up title for beaming owner Mike Sweet. Mike was in the field for both performances and as he later said, "It was a dream come true."

The 2025 Continental Derby Championship began on January 20, 2025, amid threatening winter storm weather predictions. The famed grounds, noted for a strong population of wild quail, suffered four named hurricanes in the recent past 18 months. The last one was Helene, in the prior September. In a time when we have become desensitized to the vast damage done by Mother Nature across this country, it was devastating to see for all who know Livingston Place, aka Dixie Plantation.

Some areas are unrecognizable with the loss of trees and the lack of cover caused by the massive cleanup effort. It is amazing that the crew was able to successfully prepare the place for the Continental. It did seem that the birds had been pushed to the extreme edges of the courses and probably on into the

swamps and heavy woods. Birdwork was hard to come by, but there was enough for worthy champions to be named. Numerous scouts who rode the wings witnessed coveys flushing wild some 50 yards ahead of the dogs.

With all of that said, there was a strong and worthy entry of 27 promising competitors.

Livingston Place manager John Michael McCormick should be commended for directing the massive cleanup effort that took place so that this event could happen. He was assisted by employees Ben Melvin, Vince Little, and Reese Brideau. The plantation mainstay, who has the longest history here, is Gloria Hagen. She was born here, and her mother rests in peace here.

Randy Floyd, manager here for some 32 years, has retired but maintains his position as President of the Continental Field Trial Club. In this role, he manages the trial and reports to the Field Trial Board.

All involved in this Championship owe a debt of gratitude to the men who took on this important judging assignment. Dr. Kent Cantrell of Anthony, Florida, and Woody Watson of Leesburg, Georgia rode in challenging weather

conditions without complaint, clear-eyed and focused to select these worthy placements.

The Winners

The championship performance was found in the exciting effort of Erin's Three Amigos with Judd Carlton handling. Owners Mike Sweet and John Mathys were mounted to witness the performance. Missing was the third Amigo co-owner, Jerry Moisson. Three Amigos was braced RW Sweet Crude for owner Roger Watson with Gary Lester handling. As a side note, it was particularly good to see Gary competing again after his prolonged serious health emergency.

The fifth brace began at the water barrel at the end of the Long Field. Things began quickly as Lester called point at 5, but it proved to be Three Amigos who scored a good find. Carlton's charge showed well through the half, with strong casts going past the Flat Pond and southward toward the Moccasin Creek crossing.

Crude had pulled off on the right just past the half but was with us again at the crossing. At 43, Three Amigos styled up, and the birds left on their own. The Pointer stood on and looked good. We crossed the dam at Roger's Pond at 48, made the turn, and when pick-up was called, Judd had to ride for his dog.

This dog was not seen much at times, but as he continued to show out front it was obvious that he kept appearing "out there." This was through his strength and a strong desire to find game. Judd rode confidently through his dog's efforts and garnered this major victory with a most worthy performance.

It was 9:25 in the morning during the second brace as Erin's Legacy (Carlton) began his quest for his place in history. Legacy earned his runner-up championship title after a wonderful performance amid frigid temperatures on his trek toward and past the Y. He was paired with Miller's Triple Crown (Lester), and the pair stood for a well-handled divided find at 10. Scout called

point for Legacy on the right before the Gene Field. Next, flight was called, but when Judd neared his dog, he elected to take him on. We continued, and scout Luke Eisenhart called point at 21 on the left. Judd again called flight, this time confirmed by the judge, and all was good.

We regained the front at 25 near the Turkey Field, and the Carlton entry looked strong on his venture toward the Boy Scout House. He made a showy swing through that area, which held everyone's attention.

Meanwhile, Triple Crown had not maintained contact with Lester, and Gary harnessed him at the road.

Legacy made a strong cast alongside the Long Pond and swapped ends to stand attractively. He looked good, but there was only a small patch of cover, and flushing efforts resulted in an unproductive. He used the country well at the end of the Long Pond and forward until time was called. This was a strong performance with two finds and an unproductive in tough conditions.

The Running

The first brace featured Seranoa's Ramblin' Man (McLean) and Haney's Double Down (Cagle.) Both dogs looked strong and attractive on the ground, but nothing was accomplished during the hour.

The second brace featured the runner-up champion and was described earlier.

At 10:30, on the south end of the Long Pond, Armed (Pendergest) and Rester's Knight Move (Carlton) were released for No. 3. Knight Move maintained the front in high style through the first quarter and established point in the cover near the main road crossing. All was in order. Knight Move's owners, David and Lindley Melnick, were in the dog wagon. This was their first trip to the Continental, and they were able to see their dog on point! Woody Watson, scouting for Armed, called point on the south side of the Double Ponds and suffered an unproductive. Armed continued in an erratic form, and Pendergest lifted him at 54. Knight Move had shown attractively but began to shorten on the ground and he finished without further game contact.

Black Rocks Iceman (McLean) and

Notorious Propane Jane (Mathys) began the afternoon at 2 o'clock. At 50 seconds, Jane had a find while leaving the Dove Field. Black Rocks suffered an unproductive near the hayfield, and the handler took his dog on. Neither dog was getting the job done, but as we continued, Iceman pointed several times but did not seem to have it together and was harnessed at 45. Mathys withdrew Jane near the Long Field to end the fourth brace.

The fifth brace contained the championship performance as previously described.

Nickajack Pale Rider (McLean) and Erin's Bold Ruler (Eisenhart) were in the last brace of the day. Bold Ruler's owners were present. Claudia McNamee was riding, and Dr. Bill Bruchey was in the dog wagon. Pale Rider's owner, David Freiburger, was mounted in the field. He was able to see Pale Rider have a good find at 7 near the powerline. At 12, both dogs were with us going up the edge of Lake Windom. As we turned right away from the lake edge, Pale Rider scored as McLean put a large covey to flight. At the quarter hour, Bold Ruler pointed, and Luke could not raise anything even after a relocation. When Eisenhart reached down to take his dog on, a single flew. This bird was probably a single from McLean's earlier find. We all had hopes for the well-touted Bold Ruler, but it proved not to be his day. On the crest of Hickory Hill Pale Rider suffered an empty stand but redeemed himself at the half with a good connection on a pair of birds. Rider made some good moves after this but was in the harness at 49 with his second unproductive.

The second day of the Derby found Shadow Oak New Edition (Eisenhart) on the ground with Notorious Sweet Ginger (Mathys) with temperatures just above the freezing mark. Just past the Ben's Hog Pond breakaway, Mathys called point for Ginger ahead and to the left of the course. It was a good find. On the way to the front, Ginger had a good find on the "ghost covey" just as we made the right turn toward the road crossing. At 10, New Edition had an empty stand before we got to the road crossing and was on the rope at 21. Ginger had an unproductive before the half 50 yards off the road where the first morning course and the second afternoon course

overlap. She went on to tally a clean find at 47 before Cadillac Pond. She scored again at 52 on the west end of the Cadillac Field in good order. Ginger finished across the forward hayfield.

Rester's Cash'n In (Eisenhart) and Dominators Southern Beau (Daniels) broke away just south of the water barrel at Acorn Hill. Both dogs were a little handy on the way to the Y. The pair stretched out through the forward fields but Cash'n In was in the harness at 23 for infractions on game. Southern Beau finished his brace without any glamor.

We were in the Big Woods with Notorious Dominator's Reserve (Mathys) and Southern Pioneer (Lefty Henry). Pioneer had a good connection at 5 near Boyd Corner. Dominator's Reserve had a classy looking pose at 11, beautiful spot, and he did have birds. Southern Pioneer did have a good find at 5 but went on to be lost with Lefty requesting the retrieval device. Dominator's Reserve did not finish.

The 10th brace started at 1:20 and featured Haney's Top Shelf (McLean) and Dominators Rebel Mark (Daniels.) At 30, Mark's dog had an unproductive as Jamie's dog backed. Jamie threw the towel in at the road crossing below the Boy Scout house. Top Shelf had a small covey pinned near the dirt road crossing just shy of the Long Field. This was a strong find after several absences, and his efforts on the ground during the last quarter were very appealing. He finished at the next water barrel near the main road crossing.

Notorious Southern Son (Mathys) and Haney's Northern Lights (Cagle) were off at 2:29. The pair had ambitious starts through the first quarter hour. The pair stood at 17 just east of the Cadillac Pond and were staunch for the birdwork. The pair moderated in their application as we neared the office. Cagle called point at 39 as Southern Son backed, but no game was produced. At 50, we crossed the dam at Roger's Pond; the pair always seemed to be near each other. Northern Lights stood for his next birds at 54 with style in the Kudzu Hill block. The brace finished without further action.

Erin's War Eagle (Eisenhart), owned by Dr. Bruchey and Claudia McNamee, began the 12th brace as he was braced with Shagtime Bill (Cagle.) Bill is a Setter

male. Cagle called point near Cocklebur Bottom at 4 as War Eagle honored. The stand was empty even after relocation.

The pair went on to show well and to the front on through Ben's Hog Pond. At the next field, Luke flushed a nice covey for War Eagle, the birds some 25 yards out in front of the attractive Pointer; manners were impeccable.

Past the right turn into the scrub oaks Bill nailed a nice covey with all in order. He went on to finish in the big field south of the office.

It was 3 o'clock as Erin's Redemption (Mathys) and Erin's Copper Colt (Carlton) were loosed in No. 13. Just as we made the turn at the water barrel at Boyd Corner, Mathys called point on the

right as Carlton called point on the left. Mathys had a find, and Judd suffered an empty stand. Back at the front by the quarter hour. At 27, between the Double Ponds, Copper Colt stood attractively for a covey.

Copper Colt got to the crossing into the Long Field. He was the first dog that had this course to use this field as it should be used. He took the right edge, hunted ahead halfway down, stopped, made a few steps toward his handler, turned back, and continued on the right edge to the far end of the field. He reached the road crossing at 56 and went on to finish in fine form.

The 14th brace was to be T's Cash-Slinger as a bye-dog, but he was

scratched. This ended the Derby.

All involved in this championship owe a debt of gratitude to the men who took on this important judging assignment. Dr. Kent Cantrell of Anthony, Florida, and Woody Watson of Leesburg, Georgia, rode in challenging weather conditions without complaint, clear-eyed and focused to select these worthy placements.

Greenville, Ga., January 20

**Judges: Dr. Kent Cantrell and Woody Watson
CONTINENTAL DERBY CHAMPIONSHIP**

[One-Hour Heats] – 24 Pointers and 3 Setters

*Winner-ERIN'S THREE AMIGOS, F1714259, pointer male, by Erin's Redrum-Erin's Pearl. Mike Sweet & John Mathys, owners; Judd Carlton, handler.
Runner-Up-ERIN'S LEGACY, F1715866, setter male, by Erin's Hidden Shamrock-Erin's Princess Rene. Mike Sweet, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.*

PINEHURST FIELD TRIAL CLUB

109th Running

By Paul Gadd | Hoffman, North Carolina | January 31, 2025

The 109th running of the Pinehurst Field Trial was held on the Hoffman grounds in NC. The weather was pleasant for the Amateur Derby and Amateur All-Age over the six one-hour courses—competitive performance from each stake with ample birds throughout the running.

We are most appreciative of the support of Purina for their sponsorship. The judging assignment was Larry Cox of North Carolina and Gene Hogge of Virginia. They set a good pace and were attentive to each brace.

It takes support and help to put on a field trial. Thanks are given to all in this endeavor. Randy Bradshaw drove the dog wagon and was always there when called for. Randy and his wife Marsha also provided soup for Friday's lunch. Mack Hilliard also was most supportive and helpful in providing lunches throughout the trial. John and Gretchen Adsit are to be recognized for help in serving meals, cleaning, and preparing from the kitchen as needed. They have always been helpful and supportive for this trial and most trials held throughout the season. All of these supporters made for an enjoyable trial. A Saturday night social hour and meal were provided



Amateur All-Age (l-r): Excalibur River Queen with Rodney Poston, Palmetto's Knight Light with Johnny Atkinson (scout), and Chimney Creek Bud with Sammy Giddens (scout), joined by participants.

for all participants, guests, and local residents.

The Derby stake was highly contested, with all placements being on birds. First place went to Bonner's Lynn Grove, handled by Derek Bonner. Derek and Scott Griffin are the co-owners. Grove ran to the front, hunted with quickness, style, and hunt. She was credited with an up-front find. Second place was garnered by Armed for Jim Pendergest. Armed had a lot of drive and show credited with one find. Both the first and second place were in the same brace and put on a show for their time down. This was an exciting brace and most enjoyable from the gallery observance. Rocky River Reloaded took third place for Grayson Francis. "Hank" also had

a good showing and was pleasant throughout his brace. He was not as strong nor as consistent as those placed, but it had a good, strong run, credited with one find—a good brace, a very good Derby stake.

In the hour-long all-age stake, both first and second place were rewarded to Rodney Postin. His dogs went through the country, hunting to the front. Very little scouting, not taking any easy footing, a good hour with each of his charges having excellent birdwork.

Excalibur River Queen took first place with the two finds, and second place went to Palmetto's Knight Light with one find. Chimney Creek Bud took third place for owner Will Herring. Bud was credited with one fine, all being in order, and ran a very good race to the front and showed well for the hour.

Hoffman, N. C., January 31

**Judges: Gene Hogge and Larry Cox
AMATEUR DERBY – 7 Pointers and 2 Setters**

*1st-BONNER'S LYNN GROVE, F1715537, pointer female, by Miller's King Poast-Bryson's Dialing On Line. Derek Bonner, owner and handler.
2d-ARMED, F1706136, pointer male, by Imagine-Mohawk Mill Dolly. Jim Pendergest, owner and handler.
3d-ROCKY RIVER RELOADED, F1714162, pointer male, by Broken Halo-Morgan's Mountain Maggie. Grayson Francis, owner and handler.*

AMATEUR ALL-AGE [One-Hour Heats]

– 22 Pointers and 2 Setters

1st-EXCALIBUR RIVER QUEEN, F1691691, pointer female, by Bonner's Excalibur-Santee River Iced Crush. Rodney Poston, owner and handler.

2d-PALMETTO'S KNIGHT LIGHT, F1697096, pointer male, by Palmetto's Spy Ranger-Santee River White Light. Rodney Poston, owner and handler.

3d-CHIMNEY CREEK BUD, F1704203, pointer male, by Hirollins Gone And Doneit-Santee River Iced Crush. Will Herring, owner and handler.

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SANDLAPPER FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Spring Trial

By Tim Ruff | McBee, South Carolina | January 31, 2025

The Sandlapper Field Trial Club held its spring trial from January 31-February 2 on the beautiful grounds of Sawtooth Plantation, owned by the Ivester Family. We can't thank John Ivester enough for allowing us to run on what is considered the premier field trial grounds in South Carolina.

Thank you, Purina and Greg Blair, for their continued support and sponsorship.

One of the biggest tasks of hosting a trial is securing good judges. A big thank you goes out to Steve Browder and Daniel Bell for their time in the saddle.

Thanks to Sandlapper club members Bill Britt, Butch Lilly, and Tim Ruff for putting everything together to make this successful.

A big thank you to Harry Cook Jr. and Harry Cook III for providing the meals and Gail Lilly for the delicious desserts.

The trial started with the Open Derby's large entry of 26 dogs. First place went to Zero Tolerance, handled by Scott Miller and owned by Marty Moore. Second place was Honky Tonk Hiroller, handled by Scott Miller and owned by Stan Wint. Third was Marques Trail Boss, handled by Robert (Lefty) Henry and owned by John Ivester.

First place in the Amateur Derby was Zero Tolerance, handled by Paul Kelly and owned by Marty Moore. Second was Hainlines Raw Honey, handled by Katie Courtney and owned by Katie and Trey Courtney.

The Amateur Shooting Dog had a nice entry of 25 Pointers and two Setters.



H. Cooper Black Memorial Amateur Shooting Dog (front, l-r): Tommy Brigman and Kyle Boone with Harbor City Express, Jessie Brown with Barton's Gunfire, Chris Catanzarite with Backcountry Bruiser, and Gary Miller. (Back row, l-r): Tim Ruff, Steve Browder (judge), and Daniel Bell (judge).

First place went to Harbor City Express for the second year in a row for handler and owner Tommy Brigman. Second was Barton's Gunfire, handled by Jesse Brown and owned by Joe Barton. Third was Backcountry Bruiser, owned and handled by Chris Catanzarite.

A big thanks to everyone who



Amateur Derby (kneeling, l-r): Tommy Brigman and Kyle Boone. (Front, l-r): Paul Kelly and Jamie Miller with Zero Tolerance, Katie and Trey Courtney with Hainlines Raw Honey, Mac Stidham, and Bill Britt. (Back row, l-r): Tim Ruff, Roger Dvorak, Steve Browder (judge), Daniel Bell (judge), and Chris Catanzarite.

supported the Sandlapper Field Trial Club.

McBee, S.C., January 31 – One Course

Judges: Daniel Bell and Steve Browder

OPEN DERBY – 21 Pointers and 5 Setters

1st-ZERO TOLERANCE, F1716832, pointer male, by Haney's All In-Haney's Two Dozen Roses. Marty Moore, owner; Scott Miller, handler.

2d-HONKY TONK HIROLLER, F1716875, pointer male, by Hirollins Gone And Doneit-Pine Hollow Kate. Stan Wint, owner; Scott Miller, handler.

3d-MARQUES TRAIL BOSS, F1708162, pointer male, by Lester's Boss Man-Marques Lucky Lady. John Ivester, owner; Robert (Lefty) Henry, handler.

AMATEUR DERBY – 4 Pointers and 1 Setter

1st-ZERO TOLERANCE, F1716832, pointer male, by Haney's All In-Haney's Two Dozen Roses. Marty Moore, owner; Paul Kelly, handler.

2d-HAINLINES RAW HONEY, F1708726, pointer female, by Small's White Charger-Blue Mound's Mainstreet. Katie & Trey Courtney, owners; Katie Courtney, handler.

**H. COOPER BLACK MEMORIAL AMATEUR
SHOOTING DOG [One-Hour Heats] – 25 Pointers
and 2 Setters**

1st-HARBOR CITY EXPRESS, F1695399, pointer male, by Stoney Run's Buddy-Mohawk Mill Zeva. Tom Brigman Jr., owner and handler.

2d-BARTON'S GUNFIRE, F1679589, pointer male, by Jesse's Cold Shoulder-Class Act Kasey. Joe Barton, owner; Jesse Brown, handler.

3d-BACKCOUNTRY BRUISER, F1672645, pointer male, by Erin's War Creek-Backcountry Tornado. Chris Catanzarite, owner and handler.

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NGSPA SAVANNAH RIVER OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Macke's Jax Black Label Named Champion; Two Ponds Blanco Roux, Runner-up

By Diane Coppens and Peter Here | Bronwood, Georgia | February 2, 2025



NGSPA Savannah River Open Shooting Dog Championship (front): April DiMambro with Macke's Jax Black Label. (Back): Bill Haynes (judge), Laron Copeland, Dan DiMambro, Lisa "Hollywood" Pollock (judge), Steven Word, Wyatt Word, and Colt Copeland.

The 2024 Championship was held at "THE" Showtime Plantation in Bronwood, Georgia. These grounds are well-groomed for multiple courses run on wild birds. Showtime Plantation is owned and maintained by Larron and Laura Copeland. Our gallery marshal was Colt Copeland. Peter Coppens was the dog wagon driver this year. There is a nice clubhouse where we serve lunches and suppers.

We want to thank Purina, Karl Gunzer, Greg Blair, and Terry Trzcinski for their support, as well as SportDOG and Jim Moorehouse for the dog collars. Please support the companies that support our trials.

Thank you to Mrs. Peter Here for the

lunches, suppers, and all the paperwork for this championship.

NGSPA Savannah River Open Shooting Dog Championship

By Lisa "Hollywood" Pollock

The NGSPA Savannah River Open Championship started on Sunday, February 2, at 8 a.m. and ended on Monday, February 3. The weather was beautiful, but a little warm in the afternoon for the dogs. Nineteen dogs were brought to the line in this year's Open stake. Thank you to our pros who supported this stake: Joe Orndorff, Dan and April DiMambro, and Jason King. Judges were Ms. Lisa Pollock from Lucas, Iowa, and Mr. Bill Haynes of

South Vienna, Ohio. We appreciate your expertise and time in the saddle.

The 2025 NGSPA Savannah River Open champion is Macke's Jax Black Label ("Jax"), owned by Katelyn and Abe Macke, handled by Dan DiMambro, and scouted by April DiMambro. Jax ran in the 10th brace.

This year's Open runner-up champion is Two Ponds Blanco Roux ("Roux"), owned by Jason Brooks, handled by Dan DiMambro, and scouted by April DiMambro. Roux ran in the 6th brace.

The Running

1—"Raider" (DiMambro) and "Mike" (Orndorff) broke away at 8:05 a.m., heading into the cornfield. Both dogs made big casts on the far west edge. As we crossed the road, Mike was out of pocket but showed by the pond by camp. Raider shortened somewhat in the heavy cover. Mike went missing again before we crossed the road, and the tracker was called for by the Biscuit Barn.

2—"Sonny" (King) and "Layla" (Orndorff) broke away in the piney woods heading east. Layla often disappeared to the front but always showed far to the front after absences. Sonny had a shorter race with an unproductive at 45. The tracker was called for at time for Layla; she was found standing 100 yds ahead.

3—"Tuskie" (Orndorff) and "Rommel" (DiMambro) broke away by the pond on the north side. Both dogs had a strong breakaway. Rommel was spotted on an edge two fields away, heading on

course. Tuskie shortened in the woods and went on point at 13. She was sent on after a relocation; no birds produced. Rommel had a nice covey find at 19 and went missing after he was turned loose.

4—"Rio" (DiMambro) and "Ruger" (King) broke away from camp at 1:30 p.m. Rio showed well on the west edge of the cornfield. Both dogs searched the likely bird locations around the cornfield, but neither was rewarded. Rio was wide to the left around the pond but gathered and sent out again at the road crossing. Both dogs finished to the front, but no birdwork to report.

5—"Huck" (DiMambro) and "Libby" (Orndorff) broke away on Course 2 and were quickly to the front. Point was called for Libby at 20, but it was on deer and armadillo. Both went missing, and trackers were called for at 30.

6—"Roux" (DiMambro) broke away at 2:45 p.m. Roux was snappy to watch and always up front. She pointed at 6, but no birds were located. At 16, while the handler was riding wide right, the gallery spotted Roux standing tall off

to the right. A nice covey lifted as we approached, all in order. At 25, Roux was found standing again, but no birds were located after several relocation attempts. Roux finished the hour and was found standing to the front at time.

7—"Boone" (King) and "Johnny" (Orndorff) began at 8 a.m., but after 20 minutes, the brace was suspended due to fog. After almost an hour and a half delay, we resumed. Boone had a non-productive at 37, and Johnny had one at 48. Boone was picked up before the hour.

8—"Uno" (Orndorff) and "Brutus" (King) spent much of the brace hunting together. Uno went wide and took some time to be gathered. Upon return, she shortened but finished the hour with no birdwork. They shortened at the end of the hour with no birds.

9—"Rumor" (Orndorff) and "Gus" (DiMambro) started with a great race. At 10, they had a divided stop-to-flush at the end of the pond. Rumor's race shortened and did not have any other bird contact. Gus had a very busy hour.

He had a good find at 15, an absence due to deer, and trouble with a few armadillos. He finished the hour with a stop to flush at 59.

10—"Gunner" (King) and "Jax" (DiMambro) used the big cornfield edges in an efficient manner. At 20, point was called for Jax before the road crossing, all in order, and he was sent forward. Both dogs were always strong to the front—very impressive patterns for these two young dogs.

Due to a lack of entries this year, we only ran a Shooting Dog stake. We invite everyone to attend this Wild Bird Championship at Showtime Plantation in February 2026.

Bronwood, Ga., February 2
Judges: Bill Haynes and Lisa Pollock
NGSPA SAVANNAH RIVER SHOOTING DOG
CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats]

– 20 German Shorthairs
Winner-MACKE'S JAX BLACK LABEL, F1708218, German Shorthair male, by Post Rock's Steady Trigger-Post Rock's Whiskey After Midnight. Katelyn Macke, owner; Dan DiMambro, handler.
Runner-Up-TWO PONDS BLANCO ROUX, F1698966, German Shorthair female, by Riden High Rudy-Hi N's Family Ties. Jason Brooks, owner; Dan DiMambro, handler.

42nd U. S. COMPLETE NATIONAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Smoke Rise Jake Named Champion; Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk, Runner-up

By Margaret C. Drew | Hoffman, North Carolina | February 6, 2025

Since 2018, the U. S. Complete Shooting Dog Association has held its National Open Shooting Dog Championship on the prestigious state grounds known as J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Area in Hoffman, North Carolina. These grounds host walking, horseback shooting dog, and all-age trials from October through March. The state provides a dog wagon with 16 vented cages under an elevated people carrier. Although the ride is not necessarily comfortable, it does allow folks to see much of each brace. The dog wagon driver picks up the dogs needed for the three hours and returns them before lunch or after the afternoon braces. Breakaway is at 8 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. daily so that spectators can join the troop. After the first two years of running at Hoffman, the committee decided to start Course

1 below the clubhouse halfway through the horseback Course 1. The afternoon courses begin behind the barn, this year right at the barn instead of the traditional end of the piney woods area. The courses have water and manmade water holes, a few brook crossings, and always water on the dog wagon. There are horse stalls in the barn and outside corals, dog kennels, power for electrical hook-up, and running water in several areas.

Let me share a little history of our well-known field trial area: In early 1968, the Wildlife Commission proposed a ten-year development plan for 950 of these sandhill acres. About 87 acres of these blocks were within the 31-mile planned planted strips. The first trial was held in 1954, which precipitated the completion of plans for a barn and

circular dog kennels in 1955.

By 1970, the NC Wildlife Commission had expressed that the area had developed a favorable environment and wanted to attract more outsiders. They set out to promote the hosting of national and large regional events. In 1971, additional dog kennels were built, and horse corrals and water were made easily available. In 2022, with outside funding, the NC Wildlife staff erected red horse corrals where water is readily available. Additional electrical outlets were also installed.

In the '70s, wild quail had declined, and the field trial association petitioned the NC Wildlife Commission to allow the release of quail in the fall before the field trial season begins. The trial schedule is decided in July at the summer association meeting, with trials



U. S. Complete National Open Shooting Dog Championship (l-r): Mark Hughes with Smoke Rise Jake, Cliff Monroe with Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk, Fred Rose, Mary Walters, Tony Bingham, Ashby Morgan, Maggie Maier, Earl Drew, Bob Young, Barbara Young, Fred Potts, Dave Huffine, Bob Phillips, Daryl Grantham, Lynn Deaton, and Greg Robinson.

held from October through the end of March. As of July 2023, the number of days trials may be held each year is 16. With the cooperation of the NC Wildlife's area staff, the grounds are kept mowed, roads kept passable, and water holes are maintained. The NCFTA is responsible for purchasing and releasing of quail in September. The association purchased a tractor and added a new spreader in 2024 so that the birds could be fed and water would be provided. Since 1981, quail have been released and watched over at the Hoffman Field Trial grounds.

The 1985 plan introduced improved seed crops by the state, with the NCFTA adjusting its feeding program to augment the planted crops. The clearing and maintaining of courses was continued, as were five-year plans for burning. The Redheaded Woodpecker was also part of the 1985 plan to preserve trees where woodpeckers were making their homes. Visitors will see white-painted bans on trees; these are woodpecker protection trees.

In the early 2000s, an additional loop was added to the acres behind the clubhouse. Some folks called it the Dr. Bill Andrews Loop or Naked Creek Loop, Course 6. Early trials were all walking, regardless of the dog's range. As time progressed, horseback was introduced. Today, the grounds attract walking, horseback shooting, and all-age events. Each group is appreciative of the birds and courses good for all bird dogs. During the 2025 championship,

47 coveys were counted, plus probably some others not noted or reported by scouts for the count.

There are six fairly equal courses, all well marked where to begin or end. In 2021, the state put up road signs on main dirt roads to allow folks to get around better. Three courses begin in front of the clubhouse and finish three hours later behind the clubhouse. Three more courses begin behind the barn and traverse in a loop to cross near the clubhouse in about an hour and 45 minutes before setting out on the loop, ending an hour later behind the clubhouse. Each weekend, clubs alternate a.m. and p.m. courses starting place.

No quail hunting has been allowed since the beginning of field trials on these NC State Wildlife grounds. However, this is a large area, and many hunters have not taken the time to read the wildlife handbook, so violations have occurred. The local game wardens cover a large area and have limited success finding those in violation. The NC Wildlife staff has stepped up to assist in solving this problem. Large orange signs with bold lettering are being posted, indicating NO HUNTING. Additional signs concerning vehicle traffic are placed on key access roads. The clubhouse has a posted list of game wardens and wildlife staff to assist trialers in reporting any violations they observe. It is recommended that photographing the license plate is very helpful.

The U. S. Complete Walking Shooting Dog Association was founded in 1981 by Robert Lee, Jack Myrick, and Gerald Shaw. Their combined talents made the organization a success. In 1983, the American Field awarded the group a championship. Since Ted Riley proposed and worked to bring the championship to Hoffman, it has remained and grown each year. Anyone wanting to join us or learn more about the U. S. Complete organization should visit our website for rules and expectations.

The most difficult job in any trial, especially a championship, is serving as a judge. This year, two experienced bird dog people served. Tim McClurg from Ohio also resides in North Carolina for the winter, where he trains and shows his Pointers. Tim had agreed to fill in when the posted judge had suffered a horseback fall resulting in broken ribs. Past U. S. Complete Association president Ashby Morgan from Virginia served as the other judge.

Purina and Garmin are very supportive sponsors for the U. S. Complete National Open Championship. Purina funds are also used to assist with daily hot lunches prepared by John and Gretchen Adsit. The Adsits spend six months in Vermont and six months in North Carolina. They, too, have bird dogs.

The 2025 championship drew 58 dogs this year and 13 derbies. On Friday evening, there was a catered dinner by Fred Rose in honor of last year's winner, Smoke Rise Jake. Tony Bingham is his handler. It is with pleasure that I announce his winning this 42nd running, and we can expect another great dinner in 2026. Thanks, Fred. A Purina-sponsored dinner was held for handlers and community bird dog folks on Saturday evening. As you can see, we do eat well at Hoffman. The birds were plentiful, the company enjoyable, and with bird dog stories long, you need to plan to join the group in February 2026.

The Winners

Six-year-old Pointer Smoke Rise Jake once again bested the field of 58 entries to obtain the title. Owners Fred Rose and Mary were in the gallery to watch. Jake covered every inch of Course 2 with speed and determination. Jake is a large, framed male whose powerful

ground attack is consistent from start to finish. Jake stood proudly and tall for a perfect covey rise at 6. By 16, the course climbs a rather steep hill, crosses an open area, and traverses through a piney woods area. Here, Jake checked with the handler, gulped a little water, and continued around the course with plenty of drive, covering all areas known to harbor birds. The championship's most "picture-perfect find" was caught on video at 47. As the group approached the candy tree area, Jake was found standing to the right of the course. He had to stand for a long time as handler Bingham approached. The heavily loaded wagon held their breath as they watched Jake, with Bob's Elhew Sage, coming out of the field to the left and stopping to back. A wonderful sight! Bingham attempted to flush well into the wooded area. When no birds were found, he was returning to Jake when he stepped in the right spot, and a large covey burst into the air, fluttering skyward and horizontal while both dogs stood staunch and proud. With only three minutes left, Jake reached the knoll to take him down a small hill, handler heavy on the whistles, encouraging him to finish with strength and continued drive. He finished going away.

The runner-up spot went to Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk, PM, owned by Gary and Ellen Winall, under the whistle of Tony Bingham. Coming from the 17th brace, Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk covered a lot of ground in quick time. He and his bracemate were frequently watered to keep them in line with the heat. He seemed to roll forward and on reaching for the elusive quail. Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk was found firmed up at 40, well versed in field trial manners; he stood patiently waiting flush as bracemate backed. Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk's bird contact had charged his spirit as he began casting further and further. When time was called, he was well to the front and required a mounted scout to return him to the truck.

The judges also noted that they had carried Low Country Katie, PF, owned and handled by Steve Ferrell; Saddled Up Sadie, PF, owned by Joe Cammisa with Mark Hughes; Smoke Rise Bull, PM, owned by Fred Rose with Tony Bingham;

and Erin's Battle Cry, PM, owned and handled by Dennis and Hope Beauford.

The Running

Brace 1 gathered behind the barn on Course 4 and awaited a blessing by Greg Robinson. Following a welcome by co-chairman Dave Huffine, the brace was announced and whistled off.

Cow Creek Redbud, PF, with Tony Bingham, was on the line with Can Am Cooper, PM, and Jamie Leitch. Cow Creek Redbud left the line with ample speed, crossed to the right, and marched forward. Once reaching the end of these piney woods, he was out of sight, and despite calls from the handler and a scout sent, the handler took his recovery device at 30 minutes. Can Am Cooper was forward, quartering a little, and then moved on course as expected. By 10 minutes, both handlers had rounded the corner, where Can Am stopped and joined the flush as a covey lifted.

The second brace was on the ground by 8:45, this time Adam Dubriske with a young ESM, Pool Brook Dobby. His Bracemate was Low Country Katie, PF, with owner/handler Steve Ferrell. Dobby toured the course with an animated, snappy gait. Although he hunted in many of the right areas, he was unable to locate quail. Steve Ferrell had a fun hour with Low Country Katie as she searched woods and fields. Following a brief absence, she returned at 20. Katie stood at 24; however, no birds were flown despite a good flushing attempt. This did not distract Katie, and she moved forward smoothly, crossing at a good distance before skirting the wooded edge. She scored a nice find at 32 and a second find at 45.

Following a welcomed coffee break, especially by all riding the wagon feeling a brisk breeze, not to mention those mounted on horse, brace No. 3 was released. Bingham had My Way Little Bud, PM, and Brian Ralph with his PM, Ralphy's Chasehill Rip. Little Bud had tightly laced sneakers and was not seen after the opening two minutes. Chasehill Rip had a good hunting race, remaining strong on the ground for his hour. He stood solid and sharp on a nice covey find at 53. All in order for wing and shot.

Lunch in the clubhouse was ready at noon, with an afternoon breakaway announced for 1:15. The afternoon course starts below the clubhouse where Course 1 crosses Nursery Lane Road. Dave Huffine had his Sweet Grass Skeeter, ESM, as bracemate for Kelly's Rainbow Roy, ESM, with Mark Hughes. This pair of light-colored Setters marched up the slight hill, with Skeeter casting to the left, while Rainbow Roy checked out the waving grasses before being cautioned by his handler and snapping into a forward march. Sweet Grass Skeeter applied himself to the woods, making casts along the field edges. He, unfortunately, had a nonproductive at 12 and again at 50. He and his bracemate were classy running Setters with forward casts, Roy a little more handier than Skeeter's in-and-out sweeping casts.

Brace No. 5 was filled by Frank Joyal and his PF, Once In A Bluemoon, and Mark Hughes, with PF, Saddled Up Sadie. Blue Moon is an orange and white well-structured female and wore a bell. Saddled Up Sadie is a liver and white female with a light body. Both dogs were stylish and determined in their casts. Bluemoon scored a nice find on the far side of the plum thicket at 12. All in order. Handler Joyal kept his dog along the field and wood line where he had found quail. The two handlers got separated during Bluemoon's find; when the dog reached the front, co-handler Hughes offered the dog water. The dog then returned to his handler, Joyal. Bluemoon was affected by the heat and shortened his range, although he never stopped hunting. Saddled Up Sadie ran a classy forward race with a consistent pattern and range. She handled well for Mark, scoring one very large covey at 47. Her last 10 minutes were spent hunting.

The final brace of the day called Neo, a very white ESM owned and handled by David Theroux. His bracemate was Mohawk Mill War Hawk, PM, with Tony Bingham. Neo was never far from his handler as he hunted the course. He was somewhat spiral from the center of course before stretching to the front and returning for a repeat. He found his own much-needed water along the course. He backed his bracemate at 33. Handler Theroux walked up a covey of

birds on his way to stand by his backing dog. Mohawk Mill War Hawk had a long absence early on, and then the scout called point at 33 in the woods. No birds were flown, and the dog did not relocate well. By 50, handler Bingham called for the locating device.

Day two dawned slightly foggy after a brief period of rain the preceding night. The judges called for brace No. 7 to be released after a blessing with Sweet Grass Slim, ESM, with owner and handler Dave Huffine was braced with Millers Dusty Version, PF, owned by Mike Husenits, with Mark Hughes answering the command. This pair were briskly through the piney woods behind the barn and rounded the corner between plumthick brush and a wide, thick, and tall broom straw area. At 5, birds were seen rising above the brush and grass, both dogs in the vicinity. When the handlers arrived, Slim was standing, although ticking, and Millers Dusty Version was accused of not backing as he passed near Slim. Dusty Version was taken to the truck, and Slim continued his hour swinging happily around the course at a good range. Slim stopped at 18, although not showing a positive location as he loosened up. He was tapped on by his handler for a relocation with no success. A second nice find was recorded for Slim at 40. However, with only three minutes left, his hour came to an end when another nonproductive was recorded. A long flushing attempt and relocation ended his hour.

Brace No. 8 found A Distant Spec, PF, owned by Mike Husenits with Mark Hughes, and Smoke Rise Bull, PM, owned by Fred Rose with Tony Bingham. The pair started forward through the cover with Bull on the left and Spec on beating a straight path toward the road crossing. The gallery heard a shot ring out at 3. This shot was taken for Bull by Bingham. Shortly after, well to the front, point was called for Spec, who was found proudly standing among small scrub saplings. Unfortunately, no birds were found at this 5-minute mark. The pair of dogs skirted the field and were down wide mowed paths as they stayed to the front with high scores in style. At 12, Spec stopped, and Bull backed. However, no quail were located, and Spec was returned to the truck. Bull

continued his hunting and was given water several times, with the temps rising as the morning fog had lifted. Bull suffered a nonproductive at 51. While the group enjoyed a break with snacks, coffee, and water, two horses decided that wandering away was better than ground tying. Cliff Monroe quickly mounted his scout horse and galloped after the horses. Cliff returned with one horse and reported that the second had continued rapidly toward the clubhouse. (He was later found beside his trailer.)

Finally, at 10:45, Quickmarksman's Dan, PM, owned by Mike Hester, although with Adam Dubriske today as bracemate for Smoke Rise Doc, PM, another owned by Fred Rose with Tony Bingham, were collared, judges given location devices, and dogs unleashed. When the whistles sounded, the dogs were independent across the grass and up the slight hill in the area. Doc ran at a moderate range while Dan hunted at a distant range. At about 20, both dogs were beyond the area adjacent to Derby Road, and everyone could relax. As the wagon turned, we could see the pair running in tandem past "Jacobs Corner" toward Bear Claw. Something seemed amiss as the pair were tagging along. Doc acted as if Dan were a female ready to be bred. The dogs were separated and watered. Dan was taken to the left and turned free. Doc was also watered and taken to the far right; however, nothing changed with Doc racing to Dan and pinning him on the ground. Doc was leashed, and Dan returned to hunting. Dan continued hunting forward satisfactorily, stopping at 40 and then moving in before the handler arrived, and a covey fluttered skyward out of the plum thick shelter. The next 30 minutes was a ride back to the clubhouse, where hamburger pie was awaiting us. With everyone full, the wagon was loaded, maybe even overloaded, dogs put in dog boxes, and the mounted gallery went down to the breakaway where, by 1:35, we were once again under way in search of quail.

Lincoln County Buddy Boy, PM, owned and trained by Gary Whitworth, was with Tony Bingham paired up with Henry's Suzie Q Dot, ESF, owned and handled by David Theroux. Wasting no time, brace No. 10 saw both dogs rapidly

up the path and out of sight. Dot quickly turned to the left at the top of the hill while Buddy Boy marched straight on. We saw very little of Buddy Boy, catching a brief glimpse at 17 down over the lower right edge. Shortly thereafter, he was checking with the handler more frequently in search of water; however, with temperatures near 70, the handler elected to return him to the wagon. On the other hand, Dot ran a snappy race, increasing her range and determination as her hour progressed. Dot's frequent check-in with the handler allowed her to be watered frequently, plus having some water in this area of the course was helpful. She showed no distraction from the heat; however, she located no birds.

Brace No. 11 had Miller's Hopped Up Version, PF, owned by Carlos Escalante with Mark Hughes and Margie Ridings with their family-owned PM, Georgia Born Windstorm. By this time, the temperatures were well into the low 70s, resulting in hot, dry sand. Windstorm ranged forward up each small hill and cast to the right into the woods. At 20, she emerged from the cover to pass the wagon. She was leashed at 26, with the heat snapping her energy. Miller's Hopped Up Version covered the ground with a brisk gait, although he came in frequently for water. She had a nice find at 33 as we approached the soldier's camp; however, as birds flushed, she turned and marked their flight. This was too much when she gave a few hops as well.

As the wagon passes by the soldier's camp area, many spectators get off and walk a short distance to the clubhouse. Today, many folks chose to walk back and head home early. Brace No. 12 would end the day with Aristotle, ESM, owned by John Fort, with Calvin Curnutte and bracemate The Treasure Chest, PM, owned and handled by Cliff Monroe. Both dogs were quickly forward; however, Treasure Chest continued on independently charged in her hunting tour; consequently, a retrieval device was put into action at 34. Aristotle is a very large white Setter with a strong athletic gait. He ran with an eye-catching, classy style. Despite the high temperatures this afternoon, he maintained a solid power on the ground. He required some scouting and took

some water; however, he maintained a stretching gait unaffected by the heat. He went birdless.

The day got off to a poor start with Smoke Rise Hanna, PF, with Tony Bingham, whose owner, Fred Rose, was present to observe. Jimmy Crandall had his PM, Jake The Joker, as bracemate. The pair were eagerly forward to reach the open area beyond the piney woods area behind the barn. As the two turned right, their paths were obscured by the plum brush. It appeared the pair had gotten into a little foot race as two sets of paw prints were found in the sand road crossing at 16, and no dogs had been seen since the corner. With scouts riding wide in search of their charges, handlers continued calling and walking. At 26, both handlers took their retrieval devices. (The scout reported one dog standing under plumthick and the other dog returning on its own, albeit a little late.)

Brace No. 14 followed with an enthusiastic crowd undampened by the brief race. The gallery had 12 mounted riders and eight riders on top of the dog wagon, all followed by several trucks. Super Storm Cliff, ESM, owned by Mike Rosano, was here to watch Adam Dubriske guide his hunting trip. His bracemate was Double Deuce Zeke, PM, belonging to Doug McMillen and handled by Mark Hughes. Cliff is an orange and white Setter who quartered at a good range and proper speed, his merry tail always visible. At 5, he had a nonproductive, with a lengthy relocation attempt failing before he was tapped on. As he made his way through the thick cover before the brook, he stood and waited for the handler to flush one lone quail as his bracemate had just passed through and had a covey flown by his handler. When Cliff became overly cautious, stopping and starting, self-relocating, he was picked up. Double Deuce Zeke moved with a consistent pattern, showing plenty of motion as he checked out all the appropriate spots to locate quail. He had one nice covey pinned on the hillside adjacent to the brook at 22. He ran a nice race and had that one find, but judges did not like that the handler had taken his dog on at one point where judges thought the dog had been pointing.



A heavily loaded viewing wagon also carrying dogs for the next three braces.

Brace No. 15 was a moving brace, which took us to the clubhouse in time for lunch. Cairds Lefty, PM, owned by the Ridings and handled by Sam Ridings today, was braced with ESM, Emert's Grouse Ringer T, owned and handled by Daryl Grantham. Each of these dogs covered the ground in front of the judges with a pleasing motion at a good hunting range in a windshield-wiper pattern. Lefty has recovered from a serious health issue but showed that he still loves to hunt and be a strong player in the field trial game. Ringer T executes his casts at a wider range, nevertheless moderate in range and fancy moving. Neither dog had any bird contact.

Brace No. 16 started at the bottom of the hill below the clubhouse off Nursery Lane Road. At the sound of the whistle, the pair appeared to have been blasted from a cannon, with both dogs rounding the top of the slight knoll and disappearing out of sight. These two were Pinekone Rappatomac Hawk, ESM, owned and handled by Jimmy Crandall, and Miller's Special Upgrade, PF, owned by Carlos Escalante, with Mark Hughes. Obviously, neither dog completed their hour, although Special Upgrade did have a nonproductive at 30.

At 2:37, brace No. 17 called Sweet Grass Skipper, ESM, owned and handled by Dave Huffine as bracemate for Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk, PM, with Tony Bingham. (Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk is covered under winners). These two dogs covered a lot of ground quickly, with power on the ground as they dug into the cover in search of quail. Both handlers gave water to their dogs at 12 before releasing them to return to their hunting role. At 35, the dogs cast to the lower side of the long field with a slight hill in the middle seeming nothing to the pair, although a warm jaunt to the

handlers. A small covey lifted as Skipper spiritedly raced across the field to join his bracemate, Mohawk Mill Knight Hawk, for a back. Skipper was returned to the truck.

The final brace of this third day before the much-anticipated handlers' dinner set for 6:30 found Backwoods Wild Fire Blaze, PM, owned by Justin Mason, with Mark Hughes as bracemate for Georgia Born Braveheart, PM, owned by Sam and Margie Ridings, with Margie handling. Both dogs went directly to work in a moderate hunting pattern, checking many probable spots; however, not finding anything to point ranged out a little wider. Both dogs showed good style and good range. At 14, both were off to the left, checking a double football field area of deep and high grasses adjacent to two very large, long-leaf pines. Hughes called point as Braveheart was heading in his direction. Braveheart did not back, perhaps distracted by a brave redtail hawk who had been following the trial party. The hawk was seen to have landed in the big pine and then to divebomb to the grounds and snatch a quail before flying to another tree at the forest edge. As the hawk swooped down, a huge covey lifted with Braveheart now collared and Backwoods Wild Fire Blaze still standing. This had been a wildlife adventure, as usually seen on a wildlife discovery program; however, we all got to see it firsthand. AWSUM! Braveheart was returned to the wagon, while Wild Fire Blaze went on hunting with exaggerated speed, although keeping a close proximity to the handler. He scored a second find at 47 with all in order.

As we gathered on Sunday morning, we were all a bit apprehensive as the weatherman was predicting sun, heat, and possible showers, all demons for the field trialer and his dog.

Brace No. 19 started with a small morning gallery to watch Knight's Last Chipster, PM, owned and handled by Dennis Beauford, and bracemate Tenacee Rowdy, PM, with Greg Isenberg. These two dogs darted forward, passing straight into the large area of tall grasses. By 5, the handlers and judges had reached the corner, and judges spotted both dogs standing with only

heads and tails seen. Birds were flushed as a divided find. Everything was in order, so the group moved on. Chipster checked in a few times while moving forward with an animated, albeit spiral, pattern. During these 20 minutes, Rowdy was living up to his name by not checking back in until 18. Unfortunately, the weather affected their performance today, causing inconsistent hunting. Chipster obediently scored a back at 37 and 45; however, he missed the scent of quail approaching the nearly dry water hole, his hour ending early. Rowdy had unproductives at 37 and 45, preventing 60-minute performances.

Joining the bid for a championship was Hirollins All American, ESM, owned and handled by Warren Parrott with PM, Meghan's Special Edition, owned by Meghan and Travis Riggs with Sam Ridings handling.

Brace No. 20 found both dogs quickly into admirable hunting patterns at appropriate ranges. Hirollins All American's speedy forward race began to change, and despite the handler watering several times, he was returned to the wagon at 43. Following an absence, Special Edition was offered water again, although, by 47, he was also returned to the wagon.

Brace No. 21 called another of the Ridings' dogs to the line, this time with Georgia Born Apache Wind, PM, owned and handled by Sam Ridings. Bracemate was Attitude's Night Train, PM, owned and handled by Dennis Beauford. On the ground, these two dogs maintained a good cadence with diversity in the woods and some through the tall waving amber grasses. The course crosses Firetower Road and travels west along Derby Road toward the Jacobs' winter residence before turning right, rounding the traditional bear claw area (now often referenced as Jacob's Corner). With Apache Wind casting well to the front, Night Train had to catch the front after being a little difficult to turn at the bear claw corner. (Thanks to Dave Hughes for driving Derby Road edge to prevent dogs from getting onto the blacktop where traffic can be dangerous). Apache had a nonproductive at 35 with a back at 53. His manners failed a little here, and he was taken to the truck. Night Train

ran a good ground race, some in the woods and some in the grass, although seen from a distance most of the time. With 8 minutes to go, Night Train stood to await the handler to flush his game; however, when quail lifted, he went with the quail as they flushed.

Brace No. 22 called Daryl Grantham to the line with his ESM, Lincoln County Jack, as bracemate for PM Tenacee Franklin with Greg Isenberg. Jack's long stride did not hold up in the heat today despite being given water. Handler elected to pick him up early. Tenacee Franklin had a strong forward race, maintaining a consistent pace in the heat. He, unfortunately, had unproductives at 31 and 51.

Beaver Meadow Bit, PF, owned by Joe Cammisa, with Mark Hughes, comprised brace No. 23 with Roger McPherson's PF, Suemac's Wicked Sister under the whistle of Tony Bingham. These two dogs stretched their legs from the start, Beaver Meadow Bit having possible birdwork at 17; however, nothing was flown, and Bit raced onward, requiring the retrieval device as we approached the soldier's camp. Suemac's Wicked Sister was equally evasive, allowing us to get a glimpse here and there; however, she, too, needed a retrieval device to be returned to the truck.

*Handler Bingham took the tracker and borrowed a horse from owner McPherson. After 45 minutes, he had not returned, and a truck was sent to check on him as he was in the next brace, and the dog was also in the truck. With no success and time ticking on, the judges called the day's running, and the gallery was divided into groups to locate Bingham. EMS was notified that there might be a problem; however, just within the two-hour limit, the handler and dog returned. The swamp had prevented them from a speedy or safe return.

Brace No. 24 was ready at 8 a.m. with Santee River Pawley Girl, PF, owned by Mike McKenny, with Tony Bingham, and Mulberry Fields Molly, SF, owned by Norm Meeder, with Mark Hughes, all eager to get started on Sunday morning. Pawley Girl checked in at 7 and was found standing at 12. The handler failed to produce quail, and she did not

relocate. When tapped on, she was out of sight and seen only after a retrieval device located her at 39. Mulberry Fields Molly is a small, mostly white Setter with lots of punch. She bounces through the cover, whether tall grasses or the 2 feet scrub oaks. She was picked up at 43 after she pointed, stopped, self-relocated, and repeated the process without solidly pointing to indicate game.

Brace No. 25 was a good race for dogs with a gallery watching. Doodle Ridge Elroy, ESM, owned by Bruce Mueller, was under the whistle of Mark Hughes and Erin's Battle Cry, PM, owned by Hope and Dennis Beauford with Tony Bingham. This 9:20 breakaway had two very competitive dogs, with animated and stylish movement at a good range, as they flew through areas where birds should have been waiting. The pair were released beyond a nearly dry water hole and were found standing forward several fields away, both in the amber tall grass for a divided find. Doodle Ridge Elroy is a very white setter who shows his excitement with leaps and bounds, stopping at 26 for another well-located find. Erin's Battle Cry reached out and forward, standing at 26 for a back and then returning to his hunting trip through the scrub oak trees that carpet the ground under the longleaf pines. At 56, while Doodle was being watered, it was noted that Battle Cry was missing. When his hour ended, he still had a few minutes to be located, which he was. The judge recorded that the dog had been found standing well to the front—a covey was with him.

Brace No. 26 found Cliff Monroe with My Way Coal Train, PM, owned by J. D. Waters, as bracemate for West Wind Big Jake, PM, owned by Gerry and Jane Mercatoris with Mark Hughes. Coal Train was briefly with us, although his hour ended when he was returned to the wagon via the use of a retrieval device. Big Jake had a close-ranging, although very animated, race. At 32, he had a stop to flush and a return walk to the dog truck.

Brace No. 27 was another exciting hour filled by Bob's Elhew Sage, PF, owned and handled by Bobby Phillips, and braced with Smoke Rise Jake, PM,

handled by Tony Bingham. (Smoke Rise Jake covered with the winners). Sage is a small-framed female who flies through the cover with purpose and determination, with a gait that catches your eye. She was seen at a distance, making everyone look closely to determine who was who. At 16, the course climbs a rather steep hill, crosses an open area, and then traverses through a piney woods area. At 18, in these piney woods, Jake took some water while Sage made her way forward on the left, deep in the woods. She pointed; however, no birds were flown. With only three minutes left, the dogs reached the knoll to take them down a small hill, their handlers heavy on their whistles, encouraging them to finish with strength and continued drive. Both dogs finished going away with both handlers and judges smiling.

Brace No. 28 called for Mooselook Texas Star, PM, owned by Jack McNulty, was with Adam Dubriske as bracemate with Mohawk Mill Shake Up, PM, owned by Gary and Ellen Winall and handled by Cliff Monroe and Tony Bingham. The air was cooler on this final day; therefore, these dogs were eager to be free of their cages after five days, as evident in their spirited launch off the breakaway. A real nice breakaway that was topped by Mohawk Mill Shake Up pointing at 8, with Mooselook Texas Star backing. All in order for wing and shot allowed both to be taken on. The pair hunted independently, ranging well with animation and ease of handling. Water was given to the pair a couple of times, Moose checking for some at about 50 near the wagon. At 54, Shake Up had a nonproductive after a change of handlers.

The final brace was filled by Blue



Open Derby Classic (l-r): Bobby Phillips with Bob's Elhew June, Ashy Morgan, Roger Nooe, David Huffine with Sweet Grass Slick, Fred Rose, Mark Hughes with Backwoods Dine & Dash, Tony Bingham, and J. D. Waters.

Water Reb, PM, owned by Tom McCluskey, although handled by Daryl Grantham today. His bracemate was Braggabull, PF, with Mark Hughes. Dogs were on the ground and into a hunting mode immediately. Blue Water Reb made game a few times before stopping at 26, where he had an unproductive. He did not complete his hour. Braggabull moved as the veteran she is, although she did not complete her hour with bird contact.

Hoffman, N. C., February 6

Judges: Tim McClurg and Ashby Morgan

U. S. COMPLETE NATIONAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats] - 43 Pointers and 15 Setters

Winner-SMOKE RISE JAKE, F1684876, pointer male, by Stoney Run's Buddy-Smoke Rise Mariah. Fred Rose, owner; Tony Bingham, handler.

Runner-Up-MOHAWK MILL KNIGHT HAWK, F1685481, pointer male, by Mohawk Mill Pirate's Legacy-Katie Lee's Wild Side. Gary Winall, owner; Tony Bingham, handler.

Open Derby Classic

Following five days of every type of weather for the National Championship, we were able to get the Derby Classic

run on Tuesday, February 11. Thirteen dogs were drawn. First place went to veteran trialer Bobby Phillips from Tennessee with his PF, Bob's Elhew June. She had one good find and two other bird contacts. Her race was strong, hunting and forward. Second went to Sweet Grass Slick, ESM owned and handled by Dave Huffine. Slick had a very strong, swinging wide, forward race with no bird contact. Third went to Mark Hughes with Justin Mason's PM, Backwoods Dine & Dash. He covered the ground with a good ground pattern with classy motion while moving. The judges said many birds were seen, although not all pointed.

Judges: Ashby Morgan and J. D. Waters

OPEN DERBY CLASSIC – 8 Pointers and 5 Setters

1st-BOB'B ELHEW JUNE, F1706401, pointer female, by Triple E Elhew White Lighting-Triple E Go Girl Kate. Bobby Philips, owner and handler.

2d-SWEET GRASS SLICK, F1706149, setter male, by Shagtime Max-Shagtime Zee. David Huffine, owner and handler.

3d-BACKWOOD'S DINE & DASH, F1718950, pointer male, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Mark Hughes, owner and handler.

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WEST TENNESSEE FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Haney's All In Wins Open All-Age

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Open All-Age Winners (front, l-r): Jerry Raynor with Haney's All In and owners Steve and Stacey Croy and Mark McLean; Ike Todd with Valor's Lace and Grace and Mark Haynes (judge); and Patrick Siebels with World Class High Def and Jim Lawless (judge), joined by many other happy West Tennessee participants looking on!

The West Tennessee Field Trial Club hosted its Open All-Age and Open Derby stakes February 14-17, 2025, with 30 all-age and 25 derby entries. The warm, family-like atmosphere and hospitality, for which the club is renowned, prevailed throughout, and two nights of wicked rain and wind did not hamper the running staying on schedule.

Haney's All In, owned by Steve and Stacey Croy and handled by Mark McLean, won first place in the Open All-Age stake. The twin brother owners were present to enjoy their Pointer's win. Second place was won by Valor's Lace and Grace, an English Setter owned by Ray Carter and handled by Korry Rinehart. World Class High Def, owned by John Kumpeter and handled by Patrick Siebels, was the third-place Open All-Age winner.

Beeler's Master Design, owned by Gordy Jones from Utah and handled by Ike Todd, was the first-place winner in the Derby stake. Jones was present throughout the running, accompanied by his daughter, Elsie, and her friend, Sophie Robbins. The second-place derby was Miller's Triple Crown, owned by Al Bryson and handled by Korry Rinehart. Third place was won by Seranoa's

Ramblin' Man, owned by Alex and Bryana Rickert and handled by Mark McLean.

Jim Lawless from Sparta, Illinois, and Mark Haynes from Brownsville, Tennessee, judged both stakes. Lawless was accompanied by his wife, Kay Morrison, who celebrated her birthday while in Tennessee. Haynes' wife, Gail, renowned for her culinary skills and wonderful restaurant, joined the evening festivities.

Purina was again the primary sponsor of this long-running event, and their generosity was acknowledged and much appreciated.

The West Tennessee clubhouse is on land owned by Bill Currie and Allen Currie. The brothers are the fifth generation of their family to own the land, which has passed through the Edwards lineage of the paternal grandmother. In addition to the Currie land, several other owners of the adjoining land permit the three one-hour courses used by the club to traverse across their farms. Those owners include Skip Taylor, Mrs. Jan McCloud, Dr. Gene Spiotta Jr., Ed and Alice McClanahan, Gordy Jones, Larry and Janeal Humber, Ike and Marty Todd, and Alex and Bryana Rickert.

Stalwart members of the club were on hand continuously to take care of all the work of hosting the trial and taking care of their guests. They hauled dogs and horses, cooked meals, marshaled on the courses, kept the clubhouse comfortable, and stoked the fire, among many other things. Those members included Bill Currie, Allen Currie, J P Hathcock, Chris Mullin, Crutcher Stoots, Ike and Marty Todd, and Gary Brown. The efforts of the club members were complemented by a low country boil provided by the Croy brothers, shrimp stew prepared by Gene Spiotta III, and breakfast prepared by Marty Todd.

All-Age Winners

Haney's All In won the All-Age stake with his strong 13th brace performance. After being gone a short while on the first hour course, Mark McLean had him in sight and running a true all-age race. He scored his first find at 20, backed his bracemate at 25, and achieved a second find at 43. He ran the course independently with strength and style and ended the hour with a strong finish. Steve and Stacey Croy enjoyed watching and were very pleased with their winner's performance.

Valor's Lace and Grace placed second. She backed her bracemate at 11. Then, at 25, she handled the situation well, which initially appeared to be an unproductive. Yet after Rinehart remounted, she immediately pointed again, and birds were flushed. She then had a find at 33 in pines near Gordy Jones place. Then she finished the hour on the Todds' land, where she ran the large wheat and corn fields fast and well.

Third place was won by High Def. He had a find at 21 and looked good on both the point and flush. He ran well and ended the hour with a strong finish to cinch his placement.

All-Age Running

Haney's Silver Dollar, owned and handled by Chris Cagle, was paired with Touch's Midnight Rider, handled by Mark

McLean and owned by John Milton and Grant McCall. Silver Dollar had birds at 26 near the back of the loop on the first hour course but later slowed and was picked up at 45. Midnight Rider went off course, and McLean asked for his tracker at 37.

Matt Brown was in the gallery during the second brace where Mark McLean handled his Sunset Sam Houston. The second dog in the brace was World Class Migraine, owned by John Kumpeter and handled by Patrick Siebels. Sam Houston had a find at 11 while on the McClanahan land. Both dogs then shared divided finds, at 11 and 18, first directly behind Dr. Spiotta's Fayette County home and again in the area of numerous pines and Johnny houses. At 40, Sam Houston pointed, and McLean flushed, yet a straggler bird had not initially flushed and was knocked, causing Sam Houston to end the effort that had begun extremely well. World Class Migraine continued until 46, where he pointed at the north end of the Todds' cornfield but moved during the flushing effort and was put into a road harness.

Como Rain, owned by Ric Peterson and handled by Brody Byrd, was paired with Haney's Storm Warning, owned by father/son Chris Cagle and Chris Cagle Jr., and handled by the father. Both dogs stood at 18, and birds were flushed, with Como Rain in the superior position. Byrd asked for his tracker at 38 when returning to Blalock Road. Storm Warning continued moving southward, crossed Blalock, and had a nice find south and west of the clubhouse at 46, thus being the only dog to finish the first three braces.

Rock Acre Yellow Hawk, owned by Ric Peterson and handled by Brody Byrd, was loosed with the third-place winner in the fourth brace. He was lost early, and Byrd asked for his tracker.

Mayfield Storm Messenger, owned by Scott Mason and Jake Davis, was handled by Patrick Siebels and competed in the fifth brace. He was paired with the second-place winner. Jake Davis attended the competition. Storm Messenger found birds at 11 in dense vines and again at 23. But when crossing Fayette Corner Road, he failed

to turn into the Humber tract, and Siebels hurried to bring him back safely but did not return to the course.

Superstition's Jake, handled by Brody Byrd for Ric Peterson, and Bonner's Hot Rize, owned by Jannie Chapman and handled by Patrick Siebels, were together in the sixth brace. At the west end of Rickert's first field, Hot Rize pointed, and Jake backed. The stand was initially unproductive. During the relocation effort, a bird flew, and both dogs were ordered up.

Touch's Shadow Rider, handled by Mark McLean for owners Dr. Rueben Richardson and Bruce and Karen Norton, ran in brace seven with Miller's Heat Advisory, owned by John Mathys and handled by Judd Carlton. Shadow Rider pointed on the edge of Tripp Road, and Heat Advisory backed at 8. Birds were easily flushed. Shadow Rider was lost, and McLean asked for his tracker at 46. Heat Advisory finished the hour but found no more birds.

Bandit's Hill Avenger, owned by Ann Forrester and handled by Mark McLean, and Lester's Front Porch, owned by John Kumpeter and handled by Patrick Siebels, left the double bridges for brace No. 7. Front Porch pointed on the Humber land, with Avenger backing, but no birds were moved. Both continued to hunt, and Avenger had a nice find at 57 on the wheat near Coffee Gap Road, and then both dogs returned to finish in the Todds' bottom.

Sandy Hill Ike, owned by Bob Lanier and handled by Jerry Raynor, went next, braced with Woodville's Saddle Tramp, owned and handled by Carl Owens. Ike had an unproductive at 14 and was picked up early. Then Saddle Tramp had a UP at 37 and was picked up early by Owens when they returned to the double bridges about a quarter of a mile east of the clubhouse.

Touch's Breakaway Fred, handled by Mark McLean and owned by Bruce and Karen Norton and Gary and Becky Futch, broke away Sunday morning, paired with Cochise B, owned and handled by Dr. Marion Brown. Breakaway Fred found birds at 6 with Cochise B backing. Fred pointed again at 26, and McLean called flight of birds, which Cochise failed to back and was picked up. Fred then

finished the hour but found no more birds.

Costas, owned and handled by Gordy Jones, and Haney's Easy Money, handled by Mark McLean for Steve and Stacey Croy, went next. Costas found birds at 30 and 48, but Jones picked him up shortly before the end of the hour. Easy Money was lost early, and McLean got his tracker.

Southern Thunder, owned by Chris Campbell, was handled by Judd Carlton, who filled in for Tom Shenker, and Touch's Malcolm Story, owned by Alex and Bryana Rickert and handled by Mark McLean, competed in brace 12. The pair shared a divided find at 5, but both handlers elected to pick up their dogs at 20.

Erin's High Note, owned by Mike Sweet and handled by Judd Carlton, competed in the 13th brace, paired with the first-place winner, Haney's All In. High Note backed his bracemate at 20 and had an independent find at 25. He then hunted for the remainder of the hour but found no more birds.

Woodville's Long Hard Ride, owned by Carl and Ashley Owen, ran alone in the 14th brace, handled by Mark McLean. He had finds at 26 and 41 but was picked up when he reached Coffee Gap Road.

Woodville's Yukon Cornelius and Miller's King Poast ran in the final brace of the stake. Cornelius, owned by Carl and Ashley Owens and handled by Mark McLean, had two finds, the first at 5 and the second at 45. King Poast, owned by Al Bryson and handled by Gary Lester, backed Cornelius at 45. The pair then finished the hour, and the all-age competition was concluded near the end of Sunday afternoon.

Dancyville, Tenn., February 14

Judges: Mark Haynes and Jim Lawless

OPEN ALL-AGE [One-Hour Heats] – 27 Pointers and 3 Setters

1st-HANEY'S ALL IN, F1698756, pointer male, by Ransom-Haney's North Star. Steve & Stacey Croy, owners; Mark McLean, handler.

2d-VALOR'S LACE AND GRACE, F1703474, setter female, by T's Nickleback-T's Hidden Grace. Ray Carter, owner; Korry Rinehart, handler.

3d-WORLD CLASS HIGH DEF, F1705991, pointer male, by Lester's Shockwave-World Class Money Line. John Kumpeter, owner; Patrick Siebels, handler.

Open Derby Winners

Beeler's Master Design ran an extraordinarily strong 30 minutes, with one find to win the Open Derby stake. The strong derby competed in the fourth brace, which used the second half of the second-hour course. The large wheat acreage and adjoining long stretch of bottomland provided an excellent opportunity to impress the judges with his strength and speed. He then had an excellent find at 16, far in front of Todd at the north end of the bottom. At 24, he had an unproductive and then finished on the part of the course that runs southward along Coffee Gap Road.

Miller's Triple Crown won second place. Competing in the fifth brace,



Open Derby Winners (front, l-r): Elsie Jones and Sophie Robbins with Beeler's Master Design, Ike Todd with Miller's Triple Crown, and Jerry Raynor with Seranoa's Ramblin' Man. (Back, l-r): Marty Todd, Carl Owens, Gordy Jones, Jim Lawless (judge), J P Hathcock, Allen Currie, Mark McLean, Chris Mullin, Michelle Mullin, Crutcher Stoots, Julia Currie, Mark Haynes (judge), Ollie Rippoli, Ivy Schulster, Alex Rickert, Stacey Croy, and Bill Currie.

he ran well, had a divided find with his bracemate at 4, and demonstrated excellent manners as he backed his

bracemate at 17.

Seranoa's Ramblin' Man won third. Ramblin' Man ran a very good race and stayed on his edges well. He pointed at 17, and birds were flushed as he hunted the second half of the third-hour course. The three winners and many of the derby entries demonstrated excellent all-age potential.

OPEN DERBY – 21 Pointers and 4 Setters

1st-BEELER'S MASTER DESIGN, F1717898, pointer male, by Haney's Silver Dollar-Bandit's Hill Lady. Gordon Jones, owner; Ike Todd, handler.

2d-MILLER'S TRIPLE CROWN, F1718206, pointer male, by Lester's Front Porch-Bryson's Dialing Jo. Al Bryson, owner; Korry Rinehart, handler.

3d-SERANOA'S RAMBLIN' MAN, F1705774, pointer male, by Touch's Malcolm Story-Seranoa's On Guard Annie. Alex Rickert, owner; Mark McLean, handler.

REGION 15 (AFTCA) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Riverfield M Angels Too Named Champion; Camerot, Runner-up

By Chiharu Niwa | Ibaraki Pref. | February 16, 2025



Winners of the Region 15 Amateur Shooting Dog Championship joined by participants.

The Region 15 Amateur Shooting Dog Championship was held on February 16. We would like to thank many members for their cooperation in organizing this championship and for the cooperation of many people in the field management and the local community.

The drawing was held on January 15 at 4 p.m. at Hotel Glynn Kowala Bando Meeting. There was a greeting from the chairman before the start, and he expressed his gratitude to the members who came that day and cooperated

with us. At this year's annual general meeting, two judges were selected by member recommendation: Hideaki Aoki (Yamanashi) and Norio Yamazaki (Tokyo). The manager explained the course and precautions, and we decided to start as scheduled. The weather at the start time was sunny, with 35% humidity and northerly running wind.

Named champion from the fifth brace was Riverfield M Angels Too. This award-winning Pointer female had good, stable groundwork and solid game contact. She had a strong finish with three finds.

Named runner-up from the second brace was Camerot. He had a meticulous search and completed the brace with stable groundwork and three finds.

Bando Field, Ibaraki, Pref., February 16

Judges: Hideaki Aoki and Norio Yamazaki

REGION 15 AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats] – 10 Pointers

Winner-RIVERFIELD M ANGELS TOO, F1681339, pointer female, by Richfield Charlie-Yu's Wild Rega. Minoru Masuda, owner; Noboru Taguchi, handler.

Runner-Up-CAMEROT, F1698394, pointer male, by East City Yellow Gang-Limestone Elhew A Meg. Tatsuo Ishino, owner and handler.

CARROLL COUNTY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Rebel Gold Wins Lynn Taylor Memorial Open All-Age

By Jim Atchison | Huntingdon, Tennessee | February 22, 2025

The Carroll County Field Trial Club hosted the annual renewal of the Lynn Taylor Memorial Open All-Age and Carroll County Open Derby stakes February 22 -24 on the grounds owned primarily by David Williams and located near Huntingdon, Tennessee. The starting date was delayed one and a half days due to cold weather and snow. Seventeen all-age and 10 derbies entered.

Purina sponsored the annual event, now run for approximately 30 years on Williams' grounds, and their sponsorship was repeatedly acknowledged and much appreciated. Mark Haynes from Brownsville, Tennessee, and Kent Walker from Collierville, Tennessee, judged. Their services were appreciated, and placements unquestioned.

The Carroll County crew rallied in their normal manner and smoothly fulfilled all the duties associated with the successful running. The crew included David Williams, Gary McKibben, Lebob Stanfill, Phillip Barnett, Vince Taylor, Jim Atchison, Michelle Clark, and Scott and Lisa Little.

The Open All-Age stake was won by Rebel Gold, owned and handled by David Williams. Rebel Dreams, also owned by Williams, placed second. Third place was won by Valor's Lace and Grace, an English Setter, owned by Ray Carter from Payson, Utah, and handled by Korry Rinehart from Rienzi, Mississippi.

Rinehart also handled the first place Derby; Miller's Triple Threat, owned by Al Bryson from Huntingburg, Indiana. Intensive Aint She Purty, owned by Steve Auxier from Lincoln, Nebraska, and handled by Larry Huffman, won second, and Dominators Southern Beau, owned by Gene Brown and Jeff Arnold from Tallahassee, Florida, and handled by Jamie Daniels from Dawson, won third.

Open All-Age Winners

Rebel Gold won first place in his late morning effort on the third hour course.



Lynn Taylor Memorial All-Age (l-r): Jamie Daniels, Gary McKibben, Allison Daniels with Rebel Gold, David Williams, Scott Little, Kent Walker (judge), Michelle Clark with Rebel Dreams, Gary Lester with Valor's Lace and Grace, Mark Haynes (judge), and Korry Rinehart.

He managed very well for Williams and had birds three times: at 20, 42, and 59. The 4-year-old Pointer ran well to the front and demonstrated excellent manners and style during each of the flush and shot occurrences.

Rebel Dreams won second as she also produced birds three times during her first afternoon effort on the second hour course. Braced with the third-place winner, her finds were a divided find at 3 with her bracemate and additional finds at 18 and 35.

Valor's Lace and Grace had birds twice. The first find was divided with her bracemate, followed by a second find at 13. The Setter ran an excellent forward race and covered lots of ground to finish the hour at the hill on the Vickers Farm.

Open All-Age Running

Lester's War Bird, owned by Tommy and Bonnie Hamilton and handled by Gary Lester, was braced with Coldwater War Cry, owned by Paul Melton and handled by Weldon Bennett, in the first brace. War Bird pointed, and Lester flushed on relocation at 5. He was later lost, and Lester asked for his tracker at 40. Coldwater War Cry had birds twice, and Bennett flushed easily at 30 and again at 50, and the full hour soon

finished.

After the second and third place dogs finished the second course, Gary McKibben had his Coldwater Paradise, and Joe Don House had his Pleasant Run Sue on the third course. McKibben's dog had birds at 15 but got too close to them and was picked up. House's entry finished the hour and had birds once, at 59.

Miller's King Poast, owned by Al Bryson and handled by Gary Lester, and Rebel Survivor, owned and handled by David Williams, were loosed at 9:00 on Sunday morning for brace four. Both dogs finished the hour in which Williams' dog had an unproductive at 20 and Lester's dog had birds at 28.

Pleasant Run Ruby, owned and handled by Joe Don House, went next, braced with Coldwater Bounty Hunter, owned and handled by Weldon Bennett. Bounty Hunter was picked up at 25. Ruby pointed, and House flushed birds at 50 while hunting the second hour course.

Lester's Shockwave, handled by Gary Lester for Tommy and Bonnie Hamilton, was paired with the first-place winner in brace six. Lester chose to pick him up at 30.

Gary Lester went again in brace seven, handling Lester's Storm Surge, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, while Jamie Daniels had Haney's Last Call, with owner Nick Berrong, in the gallery. Storm Surge had birds at 5 and again at 27 and finished the hour, while Last Call had an unproductive at 25 and, with some absence, finished the hour.

Gal Gadot, owned and handled by Joe and Tessa Hughes, was handled by Joe in brace eight, while David Russell had Haney's Hurricane Seeker, which he and Rachel co-own. Hughes asked for his tracker at 40 to search for Gadot. Hurricane Seeker found no birds and was not seen very much from the gallery.

Coldwater Crackerjack was the lone dog in the final brace, handled by his owner, Gary McKibben. Crackerjack ran a good forward race but found no birds.

Huntingdon, Tenn., February 22

Judges: Mark Haynes and Kent Walker
LYNN TAYLOR MEMORIAL OPEN ALL-AGE

[One-Hour Heats] – 16 Pointers and 1 Setter

1st-REBEL GOLD, F1701829, pointer male, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Rebel Maiden. David Williams, owner and handler.

2d-REBEL DREAMS, F1687736, pointer female, by Dominator's Rebel Heir-Rebel maiden. David Williams, owner and handler.

3d-VALOR'S LACE AND GRACE, F1703474, setter female, by T's Nickleback-T's Hidden Grace. Ray Carter, owner; Korry Rinehart, handler.



Derby (l-r): Mark Haynes (judge), Gary Lester and Anna Katherine Shalk with Miller's Triple Crown, Korry Rinehart, Kent Walker (judge), Nick Thompson with Intensive Aint She Purty, Larry Huffman, Phillip Barnett, Scott Little with Dominators Southern Beau, Mary Sue Shalk, and Jamie Daniels.

Derby Winners

Miller's Triple Crown, owned by Al Bryson and handled by Korry Rinehart, won first place in the Derby stake. He impressed the judges with a good forward race of 30 minutes duration, during which he had an unproductive at 3, located birds at 5, and again at 29 on relocation.

Intensive Aint She Purty, owned by Steve Auxier and handled by Larry Huffman, won second. She scored no finds but ran a very good and forward race.

Dominators Southern Beau, owned by Gene Brown and Jeff Arnold, placed third for handler Jamie Daniels. He ran

a strong race and had one unproductive stand at 22.

OPEN DERBY – 10 Pointers

1st-MILLER'S TRIPLE CROWN, F1718206, pointer male, by Lester's Front Porch-Bryson's Dialing Jo. Al Bryson, owner; Korry Rinehart, handler.

2d-INTENSIVE AINT SHE PURTY, F1711592, pointer female, by Texas Cool-Hey Suga Suga. Steve Auxier, owner; Larry Huffman, handler.

3d-DOMINATORS SOUTHERN BEAU, F1717105, pointer male, by Miller's Blindsider-Hadley's Honky Tonk Song. Gene Brown & Jeff Arnold, owners; Jamie Daniels, handler.

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MAY ISSUE — April 5

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ALABAMA OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP & DERBY CLASSIC

Late Hit Named Champion; Game Surge, Runner-up

By Tessa Hughes | Blue Mountain, Mississippi | February 25, 2025

This year's Alabama Open All-Age Championship and Open Derby Classic were run at the stakes' traditional location on the beautiful Hell Creek Wildlife Management grounds in Blue Mountain, Mississippi, from February 1-4, 2025. The Championship drew 27 dogs—26 Pointers and one Setter. We were grateful for the support of the numerous owners and handlers who traveled from several different states to support our trial. Judges for this year's Championship and Derby were Brian Spear of Lowndesboro, Alabama, and Kent Walker of Collierville, Tennessee. They both gave every dog their full attention and rode tirelessly and with good cheer, despite the unseasonably warm and very muddy conditions. We are grateful to our dog wagon driver, Jack Griffin, and the people who served us hot lunches and dinner every day, Melissa Bain and Carolyn Page. We are especially appreciative of our sponsor, Sportsman's Pride Dog Food, and everything Sportsman's Pride does to make our trial a success.

This year's champion was a dog that has been on a hot streak lately, winning the Hobart Ames Memorial Open All-Age and subsequently the National Open Shooting Dog Championship as well, the beautiful, big running Pointer male, Late Hit, campaigned by Tom Shenker of Hurtsboro, Alabama, and owned by Chris Campbell of Shreveport, Louisiana. Late Hit wowed us all with a strong forward race after drawing the third hour of the grounds. Even though he ran on a hot day, the heat did not stop him from putting down a tremendous ground race. It is worth noting that when Tom was putting Late Hit in the harness at the end of the brace, the dog looked as fresh as he did when turned loose, clearly not at all tired. He scored five tremendous finds in his hour to secure the championship, with



Alabama Open All-Age Championship (l-r): Robert "Lefty" Henry, Randy Anderson, Bridget Ledington, Brad Kennedy, Tom Shenker, Joe Hughes, Brian Spear, Carolyn Page, Kent Walker, Korry Rinehart, Rita Corder, Tessa Hughes, Greg Bain, and Jack Griffin.

one in the Bear Trap field, three coming through the pines toward Hell Creek, and one stunning find on the other side of the grounds heading back toward the clubhouse. He made it all look so easy as he cruised around those huge crop fields on the backside of Hell Creek with style, tremendous stamina, and speed.

The 2025 runner-up champion was Dr. Fred Corder's beautiful Pointer male, Game Surge. Game Surge also pulled the third hour at Hell Creek, and he showed us he was no slouch, either, by also setting a hot pace through the countryside. Game Surge has a remarkable way of pointing that makes him a hard dog to beat. When he points, his head is absolutely vertical, and so is his tail. He does not lose this style until Dr. Corder releases him after the flush and the shot. It makes him a breathtakingly classy dog. Game Surge swept around the fields on both sides of the big third hour course to take the runner-up trophy. Game Surge's first find was in the pines, and his second find was after we crossed the creek and headed back toward the clubhouse, but before we reached the creek again.

Blue Mountain, Miss., February 25
Judges: Brian Spear and Kent Walker
ALABAMA OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats] – 26 Pointers and 1 Setter
Winner-LATE HIT, F1687601, pointer male, by Miller's Blindsider-Abigail Lil. Christopher Campbell, owner; Tom Shenker, handler.
Runner-Up-GAME SURGE, F1700091, pointer male, by Lester's Storm Surge-Game Maggie. Dr. Fred Corder, owner and handler.

Alabama Open Derby Classic

Eighteen dogs—17 Pointers and one setter—competed in the prestigious one-hour Open Derby Classic held following the conclusion of the Alabama Open All-Age Championship. Mayfield Storm Front, a beautiful Pointer handled by Pat Siebels, stepped in to take the first-place trophy, having one very impressive find and a strong, consistent forward race in his hour. Intensive Aint She Purty, a classy Pointer female handled by Larry Huffman, took the second-place honors with one stylish find. Aint She Purty hunted hard and to the front during her brace and showed no flaws. Our third-place dog was Miller's Triple Crown, handled by Korry Rinehart. Triple Crown moved through the countryside with ease and showed a great deal of ambition and drive in his

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Alabama Open Derby (l-r): Pat Siebels, Kent Walker, Piper Huffman, Larry Huffman, Nick Thompson, Korry Rinehart, Kyle Graves, Brian Spear, Brad Kennedy, and Jack Griffin.

one-hour race. Crown had a classy find and very nice manners, too.

OPEN DERBY – 17 Pointers and 1 Setter
 1st-MAYFIELD STORM FRONT, F1718209, pointer male, by Lester's Front Porch-Bryson's Dialing Jo. Scott Mason & Jake Davis, owners; Pat Siebels, handler.
 2d-INTENSIVE AINT SHE PURTY, F1711592, pointer female, by Texas Cool-Hey Suga Suga. Steve Auxier, owner; Larry Huffman, handler.
 3d-MILLER'S TRIPLE CROWN, F1728206, pointer male, by Lester's Front Porch-Bryson's Dialing Jo. Al Bryson, owner; Korry Rinehart, handler.



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Grounds: Eau Claire County Forest, northeast of Augusta, WI. Directions: From Stanley, WI, go south on County H approx. 14 miles to Channey Rd. and go west approx. 2 miles to Eau Claire River. Entry Deadline: Monday, March 31, 7:00 p.m. (CT), by Hunt Secretary and certified Tuesday, April 1, 8:00 a.m. by Roger King.
 (Apr. 3 or 4) OPEN SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour)—Continuous Courses \$65.00
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AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)—Continuous Courses \$90.00
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Judges: OSD—Alex Anderson and Bill Holtan; ASD—Larry Davidson and Chris Bye;
 OD—Brett Edstrom and Scott Anderson.

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April 5, 2025 • USCSDA Points Trial

PA State Game Lands 97

Cove Creek Lane, Bedford, PA

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AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)	\$60.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)	\$50.00
AMATEUR PUPPY (30 Min.)	\$50.00

— Rosettes in all stakes —

Judges: To be announced



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(Sat., 7:00 A.M.) *OPEN PUPPY—Rosettes	\$35.00
*FLORENCE HARWARTH OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes	\$55.00
*PHIL FOGG OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Rosettes.....	\$70.00
(Sun., 7:00 A.M.) AMATEUR PUPPY—Rosettes	\$35.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes	\$50.00
FRANKIE MCLAUGHLIN AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Rosettes ..	\$50.00
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Grounds: Rum River State Forest, 11 miles west of Mora, MN. Contact trial chairman for map pin or directions. Handlers walk in all stakes. Multiple course on wild birds! Drawing: Tuesday, April 8, 8:00 p.m. by Hunt Secretary and certified Wednesday, April 9, 9:00 a.m., by club president Chris Bye, 538 Birch St., River Falls, WI.

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PENNSYLVANIA GROUSE TRIAL CLUB

— NATIONAL GROUSE DERBY CLASSIC —

Starts Saturday, April 5*, 7:30 a.m.

**May start no sooner than Friday, April 4, based on entries*

Grounds: Derby and All-Age will be run on continuous courses in Allegheny National Forest, Marienville, PA. \$4.00 of Derby and All-Age and \$2.00 of Puppy entry fees paid to grounds fund. Drawing: Wednesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m., at the home of treasurer Gerry Mercatoris, 305 North Barnett St., Brookville, PA 15825; Phone: (814) 591-1563. Entries close at time of drawing.

NATIONAL GROUSE DERBY CLASSIC (1 Hour)—50% divided 50-30-20.....\$60.00

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(Sat.) **OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min. or Course) \$50.00**

***OPEN RESTRICTED DERBY (30 Min. or Course) \$50.00**

(Sun.) **OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min. or Course) \$50.00**

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**Entry restricted to dogs without placements*

Judges: To be announced



Entries to: MIKE BAKER • Phone: (262) 994-1734

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AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Awards to placements \$60.00

AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Awards to placements \$45.00

AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.)—Awards to placements \$40.00

Judges: Rotating Panel

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APRIL 12*-13, 2025 • SPRING TRIAL • PHILIPSBURG, PA

— A PURINA COVER DOG & GRAND NATIONAL INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL —

*May start April 11, if entries warrant. Grounds: Black Moshannon State Forest, Philipsburg, PA 16866. All Shooting Dog and Derby stakes run on multiple courses on native grouse and woodcock. Drawing: Wednesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the trial chairman. Entries close at the time of drawing.

(Sat., Apr. 12) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$40.00
 OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—50% payout of entries, 50-30-20 \$50.00
 (Sun., Apr. 13) OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—50% payout of entries, 50-30-20 \$40.00
 *RYAN FRAME PUPPY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—50% payout of entries, 50-30-20... \$30.00

*Winners also get a copy of Ryan Frame's Puppy Books

Judges: ASD—Matt Null and one to be announced; OSD—Greg Fried and Jeff Keller; OD—Bruce Mueller and Jarrod Specht; OP—Joe Szcwczak and Eric Locher.

Entries to: JEFF KELLER, Field Trial Chairman • Sandy Ridge, PA

Phone: (814) 321-1339 • Email: j.keller56@comcast.net

[All entries must be confirmed]

MOOSE RIVER GROUSE CLASSIC

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

APRIL 25-27, 2025 • MOOSE JUNCTION, WI



These premier grounds are on Douglas County Forest lands, in the heart of Northern Wisconsin's top grouse and woodcock cover. We will meet at the corner of WI State Hwy. 35 and Douglas County Road M (Moose Junction) each morning at 7:30 a.m.; breakaway at 8:00 a.m. sharp. Open Shooting Dog Classic will start at 8:00 a.m. on Friday. Lunches will be available each day near the grounds. Entries Close: Tuesday, April 22, 5:00 p.m. Drawing: Tuesday, April 22, 8:00 p.m., by Hunt Secretary and certified Wednesday, April 23, 9:00 a.m. by Club President Greg Johnson. Area Motels: Swanson's—(715) 378-2215 or St. Croix Inn—(715) 378-4444.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)—40%, 60-40; Ribbon to 3rd..... \$75.00
 OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—40%, 50-30-20 \$50.00

— All stakes will be run on multiple courses —

Judges: Classic—Steve Snyder, Ellendale, MN, and Jeff Marek, Bloomer, WI;
 OD—Kyle Peterson, Harris, MN, and Hannah Peterson, Harris, MN.

Email entries to: HELENA LARKIN • Email: AKCdiv@huntsecretary.com

Phone: (936) 852-2080 • All entries must be confirmed before they become official

Entrants participate at their own risk; The landowners, MRGDC, or its officers are not responsible for injury or accidents.

MARITIME BIRD DOG CLUB

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

April 26-27, 2025 • Spring Trial • Starts 8:30 a.m.

Robert Little Property, Mann Rd., Andersonville, NB

Grounds: The Mann Rd. is approximately two miles south of the intersection of Rt. 630 and Rt. 3 (Andersonville Baptist Church). Grounds are one mile in the Mann Rd., or meet at Hoof & Paw Outfitters, 80 Farm Road, McAdam, NB, at 8:00 a.m. This will be a liberated quail trial on a single course. Lunches will be available on-site. Accommodations: Hoof & Paw Outfitters—(506) 784-8076. Drawing: Wednesday, April 23, 8:00 p.m. (local time), at the home of Donald Henderson, Oromocto, NB. Entries close at drawing. Dinner: Saturday evening at Hoof & Paw Outfitters.

(Sat.) OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—Rosettes..... Entry Fee \$30.00 [CDN]
 OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes..... Entry Fee \$55.00 [CDN]
 OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes Entry Fee \$55.00 [CDN]
 (Sun.) *GUN DOG STAKE (30 Min.)—Rosettes Entry Fee \$55.00 [CDN]
 OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes..... Entry Fee \$55.00 [CDN]

*Judgment ceases at flush; Entries to Donald Henderson as per other stakes.

Judges: Dale Hackett, Fredericton, NB, and Dusty Babin, Burtts Corner, NB

Phone, text or email entries to: DONALD HENDERSON

Phone: (506) 476-7751 • Email: donrobhen@live.com

Entries accepted for all 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.



SOUTHERN WISCONSIN FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Member NBHA • Closed barrel guns only!

April 12-13, 2025 • New Glarus, WI

— Wisconsin Dog of the Year Points Trial —

Grounds: Oasis Game Farm, N9074 County Hwy. J., New Glarus, WI 53574.
 Drawing: Wednesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m., at the residence of the chairman.
 Accommodations: Swiss-Aire Motel, 1200 State Road 69, New Glarus, WI 53574; Phone: (608) 527-2138.

*OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$55.00
 *OPEN DERBY (30 Min.) \$55.00

*Purse (must have 10 dogs)

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Trophy \$50.00
 AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Trophy \$50.00

Judges: To be announced



Entries to: MIKE ROPER, 5412 County Rd. A, Brooklyn, WI 53521

Phone: (608) 235-3346 • Email: Miker@wisconsin-built.com

Club not responsible for loss or damages.

NATIONAL BRITTANY OPEN GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP ASSOCIATION

Member AFTCA & AMFTC • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

— On behalf of the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs —

APRIL 25*-27, 2025 • SPRING ALL-BREED TRIAL

*OSD will start Friday, if entries warrant.

— A Purina Points & Invitational Points Trial —

Grounds: Gladwin Field Trial Area, Meredith, MI. Lunches available. \$5.00 of each entry to AMFTC and fence fund. Entries Close & Drawing: Tuesday, April 22, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Kenny DeLong. Lodging: Northwoods Motel, 5800 N. M-30, Gladwin, MI 48624; (989) 426-4021. Restricted Breed Open Shooting Dog open to all FDSB pointing breeds except English Pointers and Setters; all other stakes open to all pointing breeds. Native grouse and woodcock.

(Sat., 7:30 A.M.) OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Multiple courses..... \$60.00
 (Sat., 8:30 A.M.) OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—Single course..... \$50.00

*JACK PLYLER MEMORIAL OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Multiple courses..... \$55.00

*To follow Open Shooting Dog, but no later than Sunday A.M. • Trophy to Winner

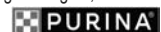
RESTRICTED BREED OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Multiple courses..... \$55.00

Start time to be announced.

OSD, OP & OD: Cash Purse 40%, 50-30-20 after fees, and Rosettes • ROSD: Rosettes

Judges: OSD—Shane Haskin and Joe Wohlfort; OP—David Miotto and Kenny DeLong;

OD—J.P. Jones and Craig Merlington; ROSD—Brent and Denise Peters.



Entries to: KENNY DeLONG, 1450 Shady Ln., Greenville, MI 48838

Phone: (616) 894-7447 • Email: birddawgger@hotmail.com

MORTLACH FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

Garmin Alpha 900 is the only legal model in Canada. Can be borrowed if needed.

APRIL 26-27, 2025

— A Region 14 (AFTCA) Amateur Handler Points Trial —

Grounds: Mortlach Field Trial Club's clubhouse, 4½ miles north of Mortlach, SK. Handlers' horses available; please contact trial chairman. Continuous course on native birds.

Drawing: Friday, April 25, 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; Bring your own lunches; Saturday night BBQ supper at nominal charge. Accommodations: Camping on grounds. Pilgrim Inn (20 miles from grounds in Caronport)—(306) 756-5002 or hotels in Moose Jaw (35 miles from grounds).

AMATEUR ALL-AGE DERBY (30 Min.) \$40.00
 AMATEUR ALL-AGE (30 Min.) \$40.00
 AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$40.00
 AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG DERBY (30 Min.) \$40.00
 OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) \$40.00

— AFTCA Win Certificates to all placements —

Judges: To be announced at draw

Ron Bender & Lou Qualtiere, Field Trial Chairmen

Entries to: BRENDA OCHOSKY, Secretary—Call/Text: (306) 229-6581

Entries will be accepted with the understanding that the Mortlach Field Trial Club and its members, as well as the landowners, are not liable or responsible for personal loss or injury to persons, animals, or equipment. Responsibility in any equine or field trial accidents rests solely with the riders or attendees.



TWELVE O'CLOCK FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Member NBHA & AFTCA
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April 26-27, 2025 • Burlington, WI

Grounds: Dale Creek Gundogs, N 6810 County Road DD, Burlington, WI 53105. County Road DD runs north off Hwy. 11. The kennel is north of Honey Lake and south of Honey Creek (on Hwy. D). **Drawing:** Tuesday, April 22, 7:00 p.m. Please have AFTCA number available when you enter. Entries limited to the first 32 dogs entered, regardless of stake, due to available daylight hours.

(Sat.) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min. or Course).....	\$50.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min. or Course).....	\$50.00
(Sun.) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min. or Course).....	\$50.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min. or Course).....	\$50.00

Judges: To be announced



Entries to: TOM WAITE • Phone: (262) 514-4747 • Leave message
Club and landowner are not responsible for accidents, loss or damages incurred to any person, dog, horse or equipment.

— MIDWEST FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION —

NORTHWEST FIELD ASSOCIATION TRIALS

Member AFTCA & MWFTA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!



MAY 2-4, 2025 • STARTS 8:00 A.M.

Grounds: Sheyenne National Grasslands, Hankinson Unit, Hankinson, ND. From Hankinson, west on ND-11, right on 165th Ave. SE 1.5 miles, left on 91st St. SE 1.2 miles, right 1.6 miles, left on 89 St. SE to camp. Only certified weed-free hay permitted. **Drawing:** Monday, April 28, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the trial chairman.

OPEN ALL-AGE (30 Min.).....	\$55.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.).....	\$55.00
OPEN WALKING SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.).....	\$55.00
OPEN WALKING DERBY (30 Min.).....	\$55.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.).....	\$55.00

Judges: To be announced

Entries to: IAN MAC TAVISH, Chairman
4851 Norcrest Ave. S, Afton, MN 55001

Phone: (651) 302-3797 • Email: ianmactav@gmail.com

The NWFA, its officers, and members are not, in any way, responsible and cannot be held liable for accidents involving anyone participating in the trial.



ARCADIA FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Member AFTCA, USCSDA & ANEFTC • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

MAY 3-4, 2025 • WALKING TRIAL • STARTS 7:00 A.M.

Grounds: Arcadia Management Area, Exeter, RI. Directions: Driving north or south on I-95, to exit 13A, to Rt. 102 South, to Rt. 3 South, to Rt. 165 West, to right on Frosty Hollow Rd. **Drawing:** THURSDAY, MAY 1, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the chairperson. One course on liberated quail. Food and refreshments will be available. Scouting from horseback is permitted. Club reserves the right to run stakes on alternate course if necessary. **Note:** Handicapped handling will be allowed in any Amateur stake per USCSDA guidelines. A current State Handicapped Certificate/Placard must be provided prior to brace.

STAKES AND ORDER OF RUNNING:

(Sat.) OPEN PUPPY (20 Min.)—40% divided 50-30-20 & Rosettes.....	\$40.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—40% divided 50-30-20 & Rosettes.....	\$50.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—40% divided 50-30-20 & Rosettes.....	\$50.00
(Sun.) AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.)—Rosettes.....	\$30.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes.....	\$45.00
AMATEUR GUN DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes.....	\$45.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes.....	\$45.00

Judges: To be announced



Jamie Nee, Janice Gregory, Lanny Dellinger, and Rich Rogers, Co-Chairpersons

Entries to: RICHARD GIULIANO

148 Gibson Hill Rd., Greene, RI 02827 • (401) 225-5281 (Texts preferred)

The Club, solely at its discretion, reserves the right to exclude any individual from participation in this and/or subsequent events for actions and/or conduct deemed prejudicial to the sport of field trialing.

MICHIGAN AMATEUR FIELD TRIAL CLUB

— On behalf of the Association of Michigan Field Trial Clubs —

Member AFTCA & AMFTC • Blank Ammo & Solid Barrel Guns Only!

APRIL 4-6, 2025 • GLADWIN FIELD TRIAL AREA, MEREDITH, MI

Entries Close: Monday, March 31, 9:00 p.m. (EDT).

Drawing: Tuesday, April 1, 7:00 p.m. (EDT), at the home of Director Robert Ellis.
Lunches available on the grounds each day.



17th ANNUAL JUDD KINNE MEMORIAL
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (30 Min.)
Starts Saturday, April 5*, 7:30 a.m. • Entry Fee: \$55.00

*May start Friday, April 4, if entries warrant

Judges: Christie Helms and one to be announced
Multiple Courses • To the winner, a Molly's custom belt buckle, rotating trophy, and rosettes.

CHESTER HALLEY MEMORIAL AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)

Sunday; start time to be announced prior to drawing • Entry Fee: \$55.00

Judges: Marc Dozeman and Travis Whitfield
Multiple Courses • Rosettes to placements

To the winner, rotating trophy and Molly's custom belt buckle (a gift from Michael Halley).

CHUCK PAGANO MEMORIAL AMATEUR PUPPY CLASSIC (25 Min.)

Saturday; start time to be announced prior to drawing • Entry Fee: \$40.00

Judges: To be announced

Single Course • Custom Classic head wear provided by Dun Roven Kennels to all placements.
To the winner, rotating trophy, Molly's custom belt buckle, and rosettes.

MICHIGAN HUNTING DOG (30 Min.) — Judgment ceases at flush

Sunday, 7:30 a.m. • Entry Fee: \$45.00

Judges: Frank Ilijanic and one to be announced

Entries limited to time available • Continuous Course

Rosettes and custom plaques to all placements.

NOTE: Hunting Dog is a non-sanctioned stake open to dogs with no prior field trial shooting dog placements. Beepers are allowed in Hunting Dog. AFTCA membership is NOT required for the Hunting Dog stake. For all AFTCA sanctioned events you must be an individual AFTCA member to enter your dog. Use of retrieval collars are allowed in all stakes under strict compliance of AFTCA guidelines.

Entries to: BOB WHEELLOCK, President

Phone: (231) 970-1571 • Email: bobwheellock@comcast.net

Richard Hollister, Vice-President/Stakes Manager • Eric Naus, Vice-President

Ann Naus, Secretary/Treasurer • Directors: Rob Ellis, Carson Foster, and Marc Dozeman



NORTHEAST OHIO FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Member AFTCA, PAWSA & USCSA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

MAY 17*-18, 2024 • PAWSA & USCSA POINTS • STARTS 7:30 A.M.

*May start Friday, May 16, depending on entries.

Grounds: Pennsylvania Brittany Club, 256 Kerr Road, Polk, PA. All stakes run on single course. Lunch will be provided each day on the grounds. Dinner will be held on Saturday night in Larry Sutter's honor. Entries Close: Tuesday, May 13, NOON (EDT). **Drawing:** Tuesday, May 13, 7:00 p.m. (EDT), at the home of Chris Jaeger. You must be an individual AFTCA member to enter your dog for all AFTCA sanctioned events. Use of tracking collars is allowed in all stakes under strict compliance with AFTCA Guidelines.

(Sat.) *OPEN PUPPY (25 Min.)—40% (less fees), 50-30-20 & Rosettes.....\$45.00
*May start Friday, if time and entries warrant

OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—40% (less fees), 50-30-20 & Rosettes.....\$55.00

OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—40% (less fees), 50-30-20 & Rosettes.....\$50.00

(Sun.) 7th ANNUAL LARRY SUTTER MEMORIAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) ..\$50.00

Rotating Trophy & Custom Bell to Winner • Rosettes & AFTCA Win Certificates

AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Rosettes & AFTCA Win Certificates\$45.00

QUALIFIER—May start after Open Derby, depending on time and entries; Rosettes\$45.00



Entries to: CHRIS JAEGER • Phone or Text: (440) 935-3652

Entries are accepted with the understanding that the Northeast Ohio Field Trial Club, their members, and landowners are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any damages to persons, horses, dogs, or equipment incurred while participating or attending the trial.

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BENEFIT 

Starting after the conclusion of the Region 7 (AFTCA) Amateur Walking Shooting Dog Championship

April 4-6, 2025 • Starts 8:00 a.m.

LBJ Grasslands, CR 2777 & CR 2675, Alvord, TX 76225

Sponsored by Valley View Field Trial Assn., National Bird Hunters Assn. (NBHA) & Members

Registration/Cost: \$65/dog [Venmo payments accepted]
 [All proceeds from the NBHA Gun Dog stake will be donated to the PCQC]

To register, contact: KEN SAUER, NBHA President
 Phone: (281) 960-2508 • Email: kfsauer@sbcglobal.net

**If attending on Friday, April 4, please let us know when registering so you can be accommodated.*

By registering your dog, you will commit to a \$65.00 per dog donation to the PCQC for the NBHA Gun Dog stake. PCQC Membership: To support PCQC research and habitat goals, please consider becoming a member (additional \$45 fee: membership not required but highly suggested). Presentation: A short presentation will be held at 8:00 a.m. by Ken Sauer and professional guests on what to expect in a field trial situation. If you have questions, please submit them prior to the event so we can move through this presentation quickly and thoroughly. Youth handlers are welcome! Birds: We will have birds planted/seeded along a 30-minute course. There will be ample opportunities for your dog to have bird contact. Dogs will be turned loose in pairs (braces). Depending on participation, we can utilize two units at the Grasslands if necessary. Drawing: Tuesday, April 1, 7:00 p.m., at Ken Sauer's home. If your dog(s) are aggressive or a female is in heat, we'll need to know this to draw you appropriately. NBHA Field Trial: After the Championship concludes, we will hold an NBHA-sanctioned field trial to help get your feet really wet and see what field trialing is all about. These events will require an entry fee listed below, and payment will be required if drawn for an event. We will forward you a running order for your approximate time. Ribbons will be awarded for the first three placements in each stake. Youth handlers are welcome!

- AMATEUR GUN DOG—Judgment ceases @ flush [JC@F]\$65.00
- OPEN SHOOTING DOG—Shooting Dog Standards.....\$65.00
- OPEN DERBY\$50.00
- AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG\$65.00
- AMATEUR PUPPY\$45.00

Raffle/Door Prizes: MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN! Numerous NBHA sponsors have stepped up and have donated door prizes and raffle items. Raffle tickets to benefit PCQC may be purchased—\$25 each or six for \$100. All proceeds go to PCQC. A full list of raffle items will be posted on Facebook prior to the trial. Meals: Lunch will be provided daily for a \$10.00 donation per plate at the Valley View Pavilion. Water and Gatorade will be available while supplies last. Accommodations: Hotels/motels in Decatur, TX, or primitive camping at the Valley View campgrounds. There is no electricity or running water at the campgrounds; however, there is a working windmill and cistern/troff that holds water. Toilets at the campgrounds. Campfires are allowed unless a burn ban is in effect. All trash is to be hauled out; there are no dumpster provisions.

Further NBHA and AFTCA rules can be found at www.nbhadowg.org and www.aftca.org
 Is there a membership fee? NBHA, no; AFTCA, yes (\$50/year for placement to be recognized by AFTCA). Must be an AFTCA member for a recognized win certificate.

35th NATIONAL WALKING SHOOTING DOG FUTURITY

Member PAWSDA & USCSDA

Norm Meeder, President | Joe Cammisa, Vice-President

April 12*-13, 2025 • Starts 7:30 a.m.

Warriors Mark Shooting Preserve
 548 Hunt Club Dr., Houtzdale, PA 16651



**May start Friday, April 11, depending on entries.* Open to all pointing breeds born on or after January 1, 2023, the dams of which have been duly nominated and whose litters have been enrolled in the *Field Dog Stud Book*. Each entry must also be registered in the *Field Dog Stud Book*.

Entry Fee: \$90.00 (Payable at time of drawing)

Guaranteed Purse: \$2,500. \$1,500 to the owners of the winners. \$1,000 to breeders of the winners. Plaques to the owners and breeders of placed dogs.

Judges: Andy Bogar and Bob Wheelock

Drawing: Wednesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the secretary. This will be a single course trial, with 30-minute heats, to be run on liberated quail and native upland game birds. Scouting: Handlers should furnish their own scouts, and horseback scouting is permitted.

Entries to: DAVE PARK, Secretary
 174 Balsinger Rd., Uniontown, PA 15401
 Phone: (724) 562-6565 • Email: dparku@aol.com

Companion Stakes • PAWSDA & USCSDA Points Stakes



- *GENE UHLMAN PUPPY CLASSIC.....\$50.00
**Precedes Futurity; Less grounds fees, 50-30-20. If Classic winner is from a 2023 nominated litter, NWSDF entry fee for 2025 is waived.*
- **OPEN SHOOTING DOG\$60.00
***Follows Futurity; Less grounds fees, 50-30-20*

Judges: Puppy Classic—Norm Meeder and Dave Park; OSD—Andy Bogar and Bob Wheelock.

MIDWEST FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION
NORTHEAST KANSAS TRIALS

Member AFTCA, KFTCA & MWFTA • Blank ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

APRIL 4*-6, 2025

(*May start April 3, if entries warrant)

Grounds: Near Onaga, KS, at intersection of Lincoln and Fairview Rds. Located 2 miles south and 2 miles west of intersection of 63 and 16 Hwys. as 16 goes to Holton. Continuous courses on native and liberated quail, pheasant and prairie chicken. Meals: Lunch will be available on the grounds. Drawing: Tuesday, April 1, 8:00 p.m., at the home of Eddie Berendzen—(573) 268-6921.



- *MIDWEST AMATEUR ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour) \$100.00
 POINTS TOWARD NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
 & PURINA AMATEUR ALL-AGE AWARD • MIDWEST DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS
- *DR. BOUCHER AMATEUR DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.) \$ 65.00
 MIDWEST DOG OF THE YEAR & KANSAS DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS
- *NORTHEAST KANSAS AMATEUR ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour)..... \$100.00
 POINTS TOWARD NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
 & PURINA AMATEUR ALL-AGE AWARD
 MIDWEST DOG OF THE YEAR & KANSAS DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS
- *NORTHEAST KANSAS SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)..... \$100.00
 POINTS TOWARD NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP
 MIDWEST DOG OF THE YEAR & KANSAS DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS
- *OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Shooting Dog Standards \$ 65.00
 MIDWEST DOG OF THE YEAR & KANSAS DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS

**Prizes to all placements*

Judges: Kirk Swanson, Scott Henning, Jay Lewis,
 Joe Worsham, and Laura Miller

Entries to: EDDIE BERENDZEN • Phone: (573) 268-6921

GRAND NATIONAL GROUSE FUTURITY

presents the

76TH PUPPY CLASSIC

April 18*, 2025

Panther Forest Wildlife Reserve
 Ellenburg, NY

**Starts at the conclusion of the Grand National Grouse Invitational*



Purse: \$750; \$500 to owners, \$250 to breeders.

Open to puppies from nominated matings with forfeits paid for the 81st Grouse Futurity.

Entry Fee: \$75.00

Judges: Bruce Mueller, PA, and Eric Rizza, MA
 Reporter/Stake Manager: Thor Kain

Drawing: Tuesday, April 15, 7:00 p.m. (EDT),
 at the home of the secretary.

Lunch on course provided by Purina.

Entries to: THOR KAIN, Secy.
 348 Upper Powderly St., Carbondale, PA 18407
 Phone: (570) 892-1043 • Email: TKain63@gmail.com

Grand National Grouse Futurity is not responsible for dogs entered and run. No live ammunition allowed.

WILD BIRD FIELD TRIAL
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC STAKE ONLY
GRAND NATIONAL INVITATIONAL & COVER DOG POINTS TRIAL

APRIL 26th & 27th, 2025, 8AM START TIME
 B R A E V A L Bird Dog Club & FTC of New Britain
 Member AFTCA, ANEFTC, Blank ammo/solid barrels

45 min braces; multiple courses
on managed Grouse & Woodcock habitat
7 Braces Sat., 6 Braces Sun. (maximum of 26 entered dogs)
Entry fee \$85; Entries gift bag: \$100+ in merchandise
\$5000+ in Sponsor donations, awards & giveaways
Everyone Wins!!

Entries Close & Draw: Wednesday, April 23, 6:30 p.m., at the home of Gregor McCluskey.
 Awards/drawings: BRAEVAL Rotating Trophy: \$2500+ in prizes;
 Judges: Pat Cooke, Rochester, NY • Kris Nordby, Danielson, CT
 Trial Reporter: Jamie Welsh

Grounds & Directions: William P. McFadden Trust, 775 Bigelow Rd. Ellenburg, NY.
 Entries to: Gregor McCluskey, Harwinton, CT 06791
 (860) 539-9696 • gregor@braeval.net (Emails preferred)

SPONSORS: Inukshuk Professional Dog Food, Bertucci Ultimate Field Water, Stone Creek, Upland Almanac, MPE, Warner Sporting, The Pepi Family, Müller Braeval, Choate Fabrics.

The club reserves the right to change prizes/awards amounts and date and/or time depending on amount of entries received and weather (snow, ice)

NORTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE BIRD DOG CLUB

Member AFTCA, ANEFTC & USCSDA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

MAY 8-9, 2025 • 36th Renewal • STARTS 7:00 A.M. (EST)
 Grounds: Maine Bird Dog Club courses in the Brownfield Game Management Area, 5 miles south of Fryeburg, ME, on Rt. 5 and 113. Use of retrieval collars provided by handler permitted. Entries Close/ Drawing: Tuesday, May 6, 5:00 p.m. (EST), at home of Stake Manager Tony Bly, Success Loop Rd., Milan, NH—(603) 723-5613.

- (Thurs., 7:00 a.m.) *OPEN PUPPY\$30.00
- *WHITE MOUNTAIN OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)\$50.00
- *GRANITE STATE OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (30 Min.).....\$50.00
- OPEN SHOOTING DOG QUALIFIER (30 Min.).....\$40.00
- *30% (less grounds fees) divided 50-30-20
- (Fri., 7:00 a.m.) NEW HAMPSHIRE AMATEUR PUPPY CLASSIC...\$30.00
- GEORGE JOHNSON AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)\$40.00
- PHILLIPS BROOK AMATEUR
- WALKING SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (30 Min.).....\$40.00
- OPEN DERBY QUALIFIER (30 Min.).....\$40.00
- **AMATEUR GUN DOG.....\$40.00

****Judgment ceases at flush. First time trialers, free.**



Entries to: LLOYD MURRAY JR., Chairman

Phone: (603) 723-4020 • Email: lloydbmurrayjr@gmail.com
 26 Madore Rd., Stark, NH 03582

Email entries must be confirmed and include phone number

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BIG SKY OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

HOSTED BY THE BIG SKY FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Starts Wednesday, April 2, 2025

— Purina Top Shooting Dog Award Points Trial & Amateur Invitational Points Trial —

• **GROUNDS:** Joe King and Sons Ranch, Winnett, MT. *Directions:* Take Hwy. 244 south of Winnett, MT, 9 miles. Turn west (right) onto Yellow Water Rd. (coming from Roundup, north on Hwy. 87 approx. 18 miles, turn east onto Hwy. 244, go 17 miles and turn west (left) onto Yellow Water Rd.). Campsite is approximately 3 miles.

• **ENTRIES CLOSE & DRAWING:** Thursday, March 27, 7:00 p.m. (MDT); Drawing at 7:00 p.m. (MDT), at the Anderson residence, Laurel, MT.

• **COURSES:** Six continuous courses on native Sharptail Grouse, Hungarian Partridge and Pheasant.

• **ACCOMMODATIONS:** Northern Motel, Winnett, MT—(406) 429-7781.

• **JUDGES:** Marcos Puiggari, Missoula, MT, and John Todd, Willow Creek, MT

• **REPORTER:** Keith Anderson, Laurel, MT

• **ORDER OF RUNNING:**

– Big Sky Open Shooting Dog Championship | 60 Min.

**The Championship will be followed by the Region 14 Amateur All-Age Championship (please see separate ad).*

• **ENTRIES TO:**

Keith Anderson — Text: (406) 839-5112

ENTRY FEE \$200 / U.S. FUNDS

Big Sky Open SD Ch. Trophies
to the Winner and Runner-Up
(50% of entries split 70-30)

Championship Winners
receive Purina Dog Food
and SportDOG Collars

• No training on field trial grounds.
• No smoking is allowed on grounds or in camp.

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REGION 14 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

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Hosted by the Big Sky Field Trial Club

Starts at the conclusion of the Big Sky Open Shooting Dog Championship
Joe King & Sons Ranch, Winnett, MT

A PURINA AMATEUR ALL-AGE AWARD & AMATEUR INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL

One-Hour • Entry Fee: \$150.00

Judges: Nick Schade, Salmon, ID, and Ryan Mulcahy, Boise, ID

Reporter: Keith Anderson, Laurel, MT

Directions to Grounds: Take Hwy. 244 south of Winnett, MT, 9 miles. Turn west (right) onto Yellow Water Rd. (coming from Roundup, north on Hwy. 87 approx. 18 miles, turn east onto Hwy. 244, go 17 miles and turn west (left) onto Yellow Water Rd.). Campsite is approx. 3 miles. A multi-course horseback trial on Sharptail Grouse, Hungarian Partridge, and pheasant. No training or smoking on grounds. No food or horse feed provided. Come self-contained. **Entries Close/Drawing:** Thursday, March 27, 7:00 p.m. (MDT); Drawing at 7:00 p.m. (MDT), at the Turley residence, Molt, MT. **Eligibility:** Dogs must have a placement/win certificate in AFTCA Derby or All-Age stake. You must be an individual member of AFTCA to enter your dog. All dogs must be entered with registered name and handler number. **Award:** Permanent award gifted to winner and runner-up (name plaque on Region 14 permanent trophy). **Accommodations:** Northern Motel, Winnett, MT—(406) 429-7781.

Entries to: AUSTIN TURLEY • Text: (406) 860-7161

Broomhill Open All-Age Classic

— A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING STAKE & AMATEUR INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL —

Generously sponsored by NutriSource Pet Foods and SportDOG



To start at the conclusion of the Region 14 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship

Hosted by Big Sky Field Trial Club

Directors: Colvin Davis, Glenn Conover, Alex Rickert, Ben DeJonge, Brad McCardle, and Austin Turley

Entry Fee: \$200.00 plus \$20.00 to NFTCA • **Purse:** 50% of entry fees divided 50-30-20

NutriSource pet food and SportDOG collars to all winners • Painting of the first-place dog by Michelle Turley

Judges: John Todd, Willow Creek, MT, and Keith Anderson, Laurel, MT

— Following the Championship, time permitting —

OPEN ALL-AGE DERBY.....\$40.00
OPEN SHOOTING DOG DERBY.....\$40.00

Entries Close/Drawing: Thursday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.

Entries, by text message only, to: AUSTIN TURLEY, Field Trial Chairman • Phone: (406) 860-7161



ABHA MIDWEST OPEN WALKING SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Boiling Springs Field Trial Club



Starts April 4, 2025 • Camden, SC

CHAMPIONSHIP—Purse: 40% (less \$20/dog) divided 60-40.....\$165.00

OPEN DERBY—Time permitting; Awards, no purse.....\$ 50.00

Judges: Doug Miller, SC, and Bryan Rathbone, NC

Grounds: Club grounds, Camden, SC, located off of Field Trial Road and Greenfield Drive. Negative Coggins papers in hand for all horses. **Drawing:** Tuesday, April 1, 9:00 p.m., at the home of Cliff Monroe.

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

REGION 11 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Bay Area Bird Dog Club and Region 11 Officers | Sponsored by Purina



Commences Saturday, April 12, 2025, 8:00 a.m.

Red Rock Field Trial Grounds, Reno, NV

One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$125.00

Judges: Lori Aukenthaler, Reno, NV, and Chase Cochran, Corvallis, OR

A PURINA AMATEUR ALL-AGE POINTS STAKE AND NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER

Grounds: From Reno, take Hwy. 395 north towards Susanville, and take exit #78 Red Rock Rd. At stop sign turn right and go 7.3 miles to Columbia Hill Rd., turn left; drive 2.2 miles to grounds. **Headquarters:** Western Village Inn & Casino, 815 Nichols Blvd., Sparks, NV—(800) 648-1170. Twenty-five rooms are blocked (use Group Code LBABD25). Make room reservations prior to Wednesday, March 26, 5:00 p.m. **Drawing:** Wednesday, April 9, 6:00 p.m., on the grounds; drawing for the Pacific Coast Derby Championship will follow. Appetizers will be provided by 5:30 p.m. **Eligibility:** Dog must have placed in a recognized Amateur Derby or All-Age stake, or an Open stake where no payout (money) was taken. **Complimentary Lunches:** Provided daily on the grounds by the Bay Area Bird Dog Club and Region 11. Purina Pro Plan Dog Feed to Winners.

Entries to: JARRY WALTON, Field Trial Chairman • Mobile Voicemail/Text: (775) 846-0834

No text or voicemail entries after 5pm Tuesday April 8, 2025. In-person entries taken until time of draw on the grounds.

*****ENTRIES MUST BE CONFIRMED*****

Region 11 Officers, members and landowners are not responsible for accidents, injuries or loss incurred to any person, horse, dog or equipment.

REGION 13 (AFTCA) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Farmer Sportsmen's Field Trial Club

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

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April 11-13, 2025

Ionia Field Trial Grounds, 3156 Harwood Dr., Ionia, MI 48846

Entry Fee: \$130.00 [U.S. Funds] • One-Hour Heats

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

To be run on a continuous course with native birds and liberated quail.

Championship Judges: Shawn Kinkelaar, Effingham, IL, and Billy Stewart, Rankin, IL

OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Time permitting.....\$45.00

Judges: To be announced

Prizes: Champion and Runner-Up will receive a gift. Purina dog food compliments of our sponsor, Purina and Greg Blair. **Drawing:** Tuesday, April 8, 7:30 p.m. (EST), at the home Secretary Bill Branham, 6232 Colf Rd., Carleton, MI 48117. **Eligibility:** Dogs must have an AFTCA win in an Amateur Shooting Dog or Amateur Derby stake. Handlers must have an AFTCA individual membership number. **Accommodations:** Mid-Way Motel, 7076 S. State Rd., Ionia, MI 48846—(616) 527-6570; Amerihost Inn, 423 Brown Blvd., Ionia, MI 48846—(616) 527-2200; Super 8, 7245 S. State Rd., Ionia, MI 48846—(616) 527-2828. RV hookups available with electric \$20/day; without electric \$15/day. Stall and parking lot clean-up of dogs and horses is the responsibility of owners/handlers.

Entries to: BILL BRANHAM, Secretary • Text/Call: (313) 820-2745 • Email: huroncreek1@gmail.com

MICHIGAN OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP CLUB

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

Starts the following day after the conclusion of the Region 13 (AFTCA) Amateur Shooting Dog Championship, or Monday, April 14, 2025, 8:00 a.m.

Ionia Recreational Area, Course One, Ionia, MI

**A PURINA TOP DERBY AWARD, TOP SHOOTING DOG AWARD & HANDLER OF THE YEAR AWARD POINTS TRIAL
MICHIGAN DOG OF THE YEAR POINTS TRIAL**



MICHIGAN OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (45 Min.)

Entry Fee: \$100.00* • Purse: 50% of entries (less fees) divided 60-40

Judges: Joe Guzman, Millersburg, MI, and Dan Battistella, Kemptville, ON

— **Starting at the conclusion of the Derby Classic** —

MICHIGAN OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (One-Hour)

Two Courses • Entry Fee: \$200.00* • Purse: 50% of entries (less fees) divided 60-40

**Includes \$15.00 for grounds and association fees*

Judges: Robert Ecker, Quakake, PA, and Leroy Long, Berkey, OH

Entries Close: Thursday, April 10, 6:00 p.m. (EST). **Drawing:** Thursday, April 10, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the secretary/treasurer, Millersburg, MI. Camping with electric is available on the grounds for \$20/night.

Our sincerest thanks to the AFTCA, Purina, and Greg Blair for their continued support!

Call or send entries to:

JIM CIPPONERI • Home: (248) 437-5927 • Cell: (248) 789-0758 • Email: litigationspecialist@comcast.net

-or- JOE GUZMAN • Cell: (248) 884-5634 • Email: jgpointer@gmail.com

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**MID-ATLANTIC
OPEN SHOOTING DOG
CHAMPIONSHIP**



Hosted by Greensburg Pointer & Setter Club

Starts Monday, April 14, 2025, 8:00 a.m. daily

Warriors Mark Shooting Preserve

548 Hunt Club Dr., Houtzdale, PA 16651

Drawing: Thursday, April 10, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the chairman.

CHAMPIONSHIP—Purse: 50% divided 60-40..... Entry Fee: \$150.00

— **Purse less grounds and association fees** —

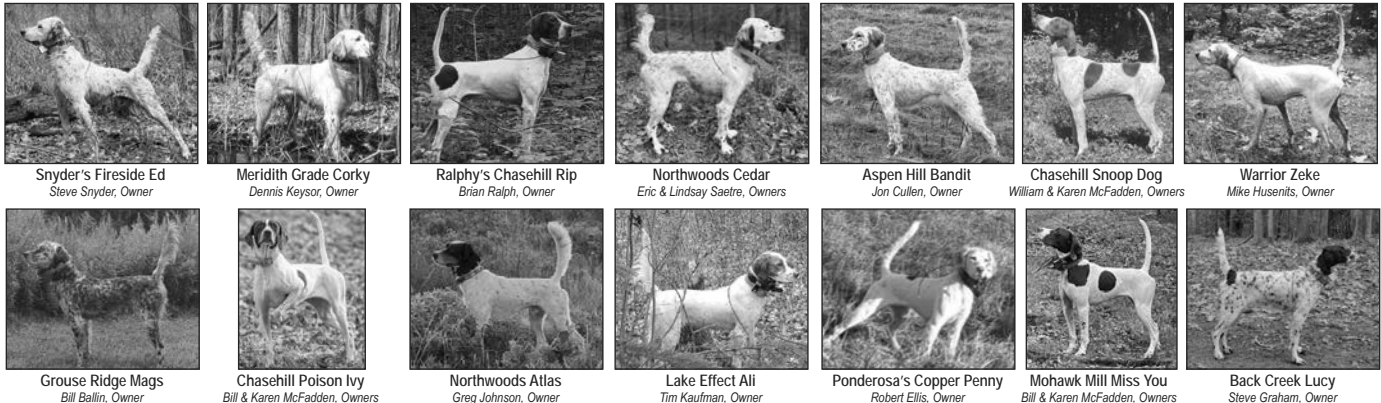
Judges: To be announced • **Reporter:** Mike Husenits, West Lebanon, PA

Entries to: CHRIS CATANZARITE • (724) 884-7244

Entries accepted with the understanding that the clubs, their officers and landowners are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs or equipment.

— 34TH ANNUAL —
**GROUSE & WOODCOCK
 INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Presented by The Grand National Grouse Championship, Inc. / Hosted by the New England Bird Dog Club
 April 15-18, 2025* • Panther Forest Wildlife Reserve LLC, Ellenburg, NY



Judges: Doug McMillen, Reynoldsville, PA, and Mike Flewelling, Holden, ME
 Reporter: Kelly Hays, Columbia, NH • Stake Manager: Adam Dubriske, Troy, NH
 *Running: Held Wednesday and Thursday with callbacks on Friday.
 Drawing: Tuesday, April 15, 6:00 p.m.
 Inquiries to: JOE CAMMISA, Secretary • Phone: (724) 859-3908 • Email: castjb@aol.com

REGION 2 (AFTCA) AMATEUR WALKING SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only! Horseback scouting not permitted.

Starts Thursday, April 17, 2025, 8:00 a.m. daily

Entry Fee: \$125.00 • Houtzdale, PA

Hosted by Beaver Valley Pointer & Setter Club

Member USCSA, AFTCA & PWSDA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

One-Hour, Single Course



Grounds: Warriors Mark Shooting Preserve, 548 Hunt Club Drive, Houtzdale, PA 16651.

Drawing: Monday, April 14, 7:00 p.m., on the grounds.

Judges: To be announced • **Reporter:** Joe Cammisa

Entries to: CHRIS CATANZARITE • Phone: (724) 884-7244

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2025 MIDWEST VIZSLA SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

April 18, 2025 to Conclusion • Open to Vizslas only! • Breakaway: 8:00 a.m.
Bird Dog Ranch, Willow Rd. and 210th St., Thayer, IA 50254

Directions: Take Exit 33 off I-35 onto U.S. 34 toward Creston. Drive approximately 14 miles and turn left onto Willow Ave. Drive two miles and turn right onto 210th St. Drive less than one mile to camp grounds on your right. Approved retrieval collars permitted but not supplied. **Entries Close/Drawing:** Thursday, April 17, 6:00 p.m. (CDT), at Bird Dog Ranch Clubhouse. Completed entries and payment required before drawing; No exceptions! **Bitches in season may not compete.**

CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour).....Entry Fee: \$225.00 (includes \$5 Grounds Fee)
GARY JAGODA DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.).....Entry Fee: \$100.00 (includes \$5 Grounds Fee)

Trophy and Purina Pro Plan to all winners • Garmin Tri-Tronics Training Collar to Championship winner

Judges: Jack Alexander, Brookfield, OH, and Jeff Wallace, Knoxville, IA

Send advance entries to and request further information from:

JUSTIN HESS, 2527 Littlefield Dr., Exira, IA 50076

Phone: (712) 304-5543 • Email: JustinCHess@gmail.com

The National Vizsla Association and the AFTCA, their members, officers or directors shall not be responsible for any loss, accident, injury or damage of any kind.



REGION 9 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP & COMPANION DERBY

Hosted by Boise Valley Pointing Dog Club

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

Starts April 21, 2025, 8:00 a.m. (MST) • Ontario, OR



Grounds: Moores Hollow Rd. (Mile Post 362 off I-84), approximately 15 miles west of Ontario, OR. **Drawing(s): Derby & Shooting Dog—Sunday, April 20, 6:00 p.m.; Championship—Monday, April 21, 7:00 p.m., at Alex Mauck Shop, 5017 Hyline Rd., Ontario, OR.**

*DERBY (30 Min.).....\$ 60.00

*SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Time permitting.....\$ 60.00

*Purse: 50% of entries minus \$10.00 grounds fee and \$3.00 Region 9 fee • Purina Dog Food to Winners

— To follow Region 10 (AFTCA) Amateur Shooting Dog Championship, approximately April 26 —

REGION 9 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP\$175.00

— A Purina Top Amateur All-Age Award Points Trial —

Purina Dog Food and SportDOG Collars to Champion and Runner-up.

Judges: Derby & Shooting Dog—Bill Owen, Santa Barbara, CA, and Alex Mauck, Ontario, OR;

Championship—Sergio Velez, Chilliwack, BC, and Brian Gingrich, Prewitt, NM.

Entries to: JIM LEDINGTON • Cell: (208) 941-0064 • Email: jimledington@yahoo.com

All participants, directly or indirectly, will hold harmless the BVPDC, its members and officers, and the landowner. Any participation is 100% at your own risk.

WESTERN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hosted by Bay Area Bird Dog Club, Inc.

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

Commencing Thursday, April 10, 2025, 8:00 a.m. to Conclusion
Red Rock Field Trial Grounds, Reno, NV



— Sponsored by Purina —

PACIFIC COAST DERBY CHAMPIONSHIP— *In Memory of Mike Geener*..... **Entry Fee: \$175.00**
NFTCA Fee included in entry • **Purse:** 50% of entry fees (*less grounds and NFTCA participation fees) split 70-30, if runner-up named
Qualifying Stake for the 2026 NFTCA National Championship
PURINA POINTS AND PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS
Judges: Aaron Fausett, Sparks, NV, and Jack Cafferty, Boise, ID

**The Region 11 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship will commence after the Pacific Coast Derby Championship, but not before Saturday, April 11, 8:00 a.m.*

WESTERN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP **Entry Fee: \$235.00**
To be run at conclusion of the Region 11 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship

Purse: 50% of entry fees (*less grounds fees) split 70-30, if runner-up named

Qualifying Stake for the National Open Shooting Dog Championship

PURINA TOP SHOOTING DOG AWARD AND PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS TRIAL

NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL

(Need a minimum of 3 professional handlers and 16 dogs to obtain Purina Shooting Dog and Handler Points)

Eligibility: Dog must have placed in a recognized Open Derby or Open Shooting Dog stake.

Judges: Sean Kelly, Loomis, CA, and Marc Cuneo, Sonoma, CA



WESTERN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP— *In honor of W.C. (Duke) Cecil*..... **Entry Fee: \$275.00**
NFTCA Fee included in entry • **Purse:** 50% of entry fees (*less grounds and NFTCA participation fees) split 70-30, if runner-up named
Qualifying Stake for the 2026 National Championship

NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL POINTS, PURINA POINTS AND PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS

Eligibility: Dog must have placed in a recognized Open Derby or Open All-Age stake.

Judges: Mark Haynes, Brownsville, TN, and Keith Anderson, Laurel, MT

CALIFORNIA QUAIL CHAMPIONSHIP **Entry Fee: \$275.00**
NFTCA Fee included in entry • **Purse:** 50% of entry fees (*less grounds and NFTCA participation fees) split 70-30, if runner-up named
Qualifying Stake for the 2026 National Championship

PURINA POINTS AND PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS

Eligibility: Dog must have placed in a recognized Open Derby or Open All-Age stake.

Judges: Mark Haynes, Brownsville, TN, and John Keel, Fresno, CA

***Grounds Fee \$15/dog each stake • NFTCA Participation Fee \$20/dog (National Qualifying Stakes only)**

Perpetual Trophies (will not travel): Pacific Coast Derby Championship Trophy & Plaque;

William W. (Bill) Lewis Silver Trophy—Shooting Dog Championship; W.C. (Duke) Cecil Bronze Statue—All-Age Championship

Field Trial Chairman: Jarry Walton

Drawings: *Pacific Coast Derby Championship*—Wednesday, April 9, 6:00 p.m., on the grounds; *All other Championships*—Saturday, April 12, 6:00 p.m., on the grounds. **Grounds:** From Reno, take Hwy. 395 north towards Susanville, and take exit #78 Red Rock Rd. At stop sign, turn right and go 7.3 miles to Columbia Hill Rd., turn left, drive 2.2 miles to grounds. **Headquarters:** Western Village Inn & Casino, 815 Nichols Blvd., Sparks, NV—(800) 648-1170. Twenty-five rooms are blocked (use Group Code LBABD25). Make room reservations prior to Wednesday, March 26 at 5:00 p.m. **Complimentary Lunches:** Provided daily on the grounds by the Bay Area Bird Dog Club. **BBQ Banquet:** Will be hosted by Purina on the grounds, Wednesday, April 16, 6:00 p.m. The Bay Area Bird Dog Club would like to thank PURINA and SportDOG for sponsoring this event—Purina Pro Plan dog feed to champions and runners-up, and SportDOG training collars to champions.

Entries to: JARRY WALTON • Mobile Voicemail/Text: (775) 846-0834

***** Entries must be confirmed • No text or voicemail entries after 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 8; In-person entries taken until time of draw on the grounds. *****

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REGION 2 (NGSPA) CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 14*-18, 2025

**Starts at the conclusion of the NGSPA National Championships, and concluding no later than April 18.*

Mingo Sportsman's Club, Bloomingdale, OH

— Open to German Shorthaired Pointers Only —



Generously sponsored by Purina

Drawing: To be held on the grounds, the night prior to running.
Retrieval collars will be permitted.

— A PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS TRIAL —

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry Fee: \$190.00 • One-Hour

Prizes: Gift cards to champion and runner-up

Judges: Jim Winnen, Wattsburg, PA, and Mary Sue Schalk, Princeton, KY

OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry Fee: \$205.00 • One-Hour

Purse (12-dog minimum): \$500 to champion; \$250 to runner-up

Judges: Jim Winnen, Wattsburg, PA, and Mary Sue Schalk, Princeton, KY

OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (Time permitting)

Entry Fee: \$205.00 • One-Hour

Purse (24-dog minimum): \$500 to champion; \$250 to runner-up

Judges: Marc McKinley, Conklin, MI, and Vincent Tuttle, Scottsville, KY

OPEN DERBY (Time permitting)

Entry Fee: \$100.00 • 30 Minutes

Judges: Marc McKinley, Conklin, MI, and Vincent Tuttle, Scottsville, KY

Entries to: JENNIFER GOODALL, Field Trial Secretary

4595 Poe Rd., Medina, OH 44256

Phone: (330) 607-1064 • Email: gooje@aol.com

NGSPA OF OHIO CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 21-25, 2025 • Tri-Valley Wildlife Area • Dresden, OH



— A PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS TRIAL —

Entries close: *For mail/email entries*—Thursday, April 17; *In person/by phone*—6:30 p.m. the night before each stake begins. **Drawings:** 7:00 p.m., at the field trial grounds the night before each stake. Entry fees must be paid before dogs enter the starting line of each stake.

DNA must be on file with UKC/American Field.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) • Entry Fee: \$200.00

Purse (20-dog minimum): \$500 to Champion and \$250 to Runner-up

Judges: Al Cropek, Conneautville, PA, and Jimmy Johnson, Ravenna, OH

Stake Manager: Robert Reynolds

OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) • Entry Fee: \$200.00

Purse (14-dog minimum): \$500 to Champion and \$250 to Runner-up

Judges: Al Cropek, Conneautville, PA, and Jimmy Johnson, Ravenna, OH

Stake Manager: Chris Young

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) • Entry Fee: \$175.00

Prizes: SportDOG Collar to Champion; Gift Card to Runner-up.

Judges: Jim Wallace, Prospect, OH, and Matt Rogers, Logan, OH

Stake Manager: Chris Goegan

OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Time Permitting • Entry Fee: \$100.00

Judges: Jim Wallace, Prospect, OH, and Matt Rogers, Logan, OH

Stake Manager: Jennifer Goodall

Robert Reynolds, Field Trial Chairman

Mail completed entry forms with *FDSB* & DNA numbers to:

JENNIFER GOODALL, Field Trial Secretary

4595 Poe Rd., Medina, OH 44256

Phone: (330) 607-1064 • Email: gooje@aol.com

The NGSPA of Ohio and its officers are not responsible for any loss, damage or injury to any participants, animal or equipment.

**Starting Tuesday, April 22, 2025, 8:00 a.m. (MT)
Moores Hollow Rd. (Mile Post 362 off I-84),
approximately 15 miles west of Ontario, OR**



CASCADE OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Cascade Field Trial Club

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

**One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$275.00* • 50% of entries split 70-30, Awards & Plaques
A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER • NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL
A PURINA TOP FIELD TRIAL BIRD DOG AWARD & PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**\$20 National Fee and \$30 grounds fee to be added to entry fee*

Judges: Rich Heaton, Boise, ID, and Bill Owen, Santa Barbara, CA

Immediately following the Cascade Open All-Age Championship

REGION 10 (AFTCA) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Cascade Field Trial Club

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One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$175.00 • Trophies to Champion and Runner-up

Run on wild Huns and Chukar on a continuous course.

Judges: Lori Steinshouer, Richland, OR, and Mike Eades, Seattle, WA

Starting April 28, or immediately following the Region 9 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship

KELLY'S REBEL MAGGIE SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC

Hosted by Nevada Bird Dog Club

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!

One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$250.00* • 50% of entries divided 50-30-20

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

A NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL

**\$30 grounds fee to be added to entry fee*

Judges: Jim Ledington, Homedale, ID, and Brad McCardle, Lewiston, MT

Eligibility: An AFTCA Win Certificate is required.

Grounds: BLM land, located off Interstate 84 mile post 362, approximately 15 miles west of Ontario, OR. **Entries Close (all stakes):** Monday, April 21, 6:00 p.m. **Drawing (all stakes):** Monday, April 21, 7:00 p.m., at Alex Mauck Shop, 5017 Hyline Rd., Ontario, OR. Pizza will be served. Must provide AFTCA number to enter. Entry fees due at drawing (Venmo, check, or cash). **Lodging:** Several motels located in Ontario, OR. RV/Trailer parking at Bean-Maki Oregon Ventures LLC Ranch (Moore's Hollow Rd., west of I-84). Follow signs.

All entries to: ALEX MAUCK, 4980 Hyline Rd., Ontario, OR 97914

Phone: (503) 320-2847 • Email: alex.mauck@gmail.com

All participants, directly or indirectly, will hold harmless the Cascade Field Trial Club, Nevada Bird Dog Club, its members and officers, and the landowners. Any participation is 100% at your own risk.

COLUMBIA RIVER FIELD TRIAL CLUB

Member AFTCA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!



presents the

REGION 10 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE & PACIFIC NORTHWEST OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIPS


Starting April 30, 2025*

(*Or immediately following the Kelly's Rebel Maggie Shooting Dog Classic.

**BLM Land, Moores Hollow Rd. (Mile Post 362 off I-84),
15 miles west of Ontario, OR**

RV/Trailer parking at Bean-Maki Adventuress LLC Ranch (Moores Hollow Rd.).

Grounds fee of \$30 will be added to Open stakes entry fees.

 Please follow the Cascade Field Trial Club's Facebook page for up-to-date information.



REGION 10 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

One-Hour • Entry Fee: \$175.00 (due at drawing)

A PURINA TOP AMATEUR ALL-AGE AWARD POINTS TRIAL

Judges: Sergio Velez, Kamloops, BC, and Brian Gingrich, Prewitt, NM

Eligibility: An AFTCA Win Certificate is required.

FDSB registered name & number and AFTCA Member number required on entry form.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

To follow Region 10 Amateur All-Age Championship

One-Hour • Entry Fee: \$250.00

**A PURINA TOP SHOOTING DOG, HANDLER OF THE YEAR
& AMATEUR INVITATIONAL AWARD POINTS TRIAL**

Judges: Jim Ledington, Homedale, ID, and Bridget Ledington, Homedale, ID

Eligibility: Placement in a recognized Open Shooting Dog or Open Derby stake.

Purse: 50% of entry fees, less fees, divided 70-30

(Region dog fees will be taken prior to split)

FDSB registered name & number required on entry form.



Entries close (both stakes): Monday, April 21, 6:00 p.m. (MT). **Drawing:** Monday, April 21, 7:00 p.m. (MT), at Alex Mauck Shop, 5017 Hyline Rd., Ontario, OR. Pizza will be served.

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April 3 / Onaga, KS
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Region 7 (AFTCA) Amateur

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April 4 / Wellsville, PA
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April 6 / Winnett, MT
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Big Sky Field Trial Club

April 7 / Winnett, MT
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