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2022 Purina Top Performance Winner

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John Resa Owner, Midwest Region

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CALENDAR

October 1, 2022, through January 1, 2023
Change of region requests accepted.

October 26-29, 2022
Dog of the Year, Amo, IN

November 1, 2022
Spring 2023 Trial Schedules due in the
National Office.

November 24-25, 2022
National Office closed in observance of
Thanksgiving.

December 1, 2022
Spring trial schedules published online. Entries may
not be accepted with a postmark
prior to this date.

December 23, 2022
National Office will close at noon
for the Holiday

December 26, 2022
National Office will be closed in observance
of the Holiday

January 9, 2023
Deadline for entries into the Quail Forever Trial

January 25, 2023
Last day to submit By-Law changes to the office for
the Spring BOD meeting

February 22-25, 2023
Quail Forever Trial, Seneca, SC

February 24, 2023
Last Day to Submit Rule changes to the office for
the Spring BOD meeting

March 13, 2023
Deadline for entries into the Trial of Champions and
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To enter a national trial, you may submit a hard copy official entry form and payment, OR you may scan and email an official entry form with payment information, OR you may send by facsimile and official entry form with payment information, OR you may enter and pay on-line on the website. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Please note that additional new national trials may be added from time to time and do not yet appear in the current Rule Book. Please contact your National Officer Representative or the National Office staff for additional information regarding such trials. The current list of National Trials is as follows:

QUAIL FOREVER, formerly known as Quail Invitational. This is a revolving trial generally held in February.

TRIAL OF CHAMPIONS. This trial is held in Amo, Indiana, in April.

NATIONAL AMATEUR TRIAL OF CHAMPIONS. This trial is held in Amo, Indiana, in April.

UKC PERFORMANCE TRIAL. This trial is a revolving trial generally held in June.

PURINA ENDURANCE CLASSIC. This is revolving trial generally held in September:

DOG OF THE YEAR. This trial is held in Amo, Indiana, in October.

TOP PERFORMANCE AWARD:

To be eligible:

*Dogs must have at least 20 open points accumulated in weekend trials between June 1 through May 31 of the applicable year. Once a dog is eligible, a schedule of scoring is applied based on the results at regional elimination trials and National Trials

*The Performance Trial will be the beginning national trial each year, even if it ends prior to June 1 in order to keep the number of national trials the same each year.

*The Regional Elimination trial results used in calculating Top Performance Awards is the regularly scheduled regional elimination championship in the qualifying year/season (only one regional can count per year). Regionals scheduled or rescheduled to be held after June 1 will apply to the previous year. Each regional elimination will have a point value of 600 points. The value will drop 25 points per placement until the last dog or points run out (1 – 600, 2 – 575, 3 – 550, etc.). The placement for the regional eliminations is determined by the score of the last round in which the dog ran. In addition, 100 points will be awarded to the Champion, 75 for the second-place dog, 50 for the third and 25 for fourth.

*The National Trials results are calculated as follows: A dog must place in the top 32 dogs to receive a qualifying score from that trial. Each national trial will have a point value of 800 points. The value will drop 25 points per placement throughout the Saturday cut (1 – 800, 2 – 775, 3 – 750, etc.). The placement for the national trial is determined by the score of the last round in which the dog ran. In addition, 100 bonus points will be awarded to the Champion, 75 for second place, 50 for third and 25 for fourth.

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS:

Hall of Fame nominations will be accepted in a rolling calendar throughout the year. Send these nominations to the nation office, or to a national officer no later than March 31 of the year in which a dog is to be considered. Nominations of dogs to the NSTRA Hall of Fame are NOT “carried over” to following years. Plainly stated, a dog that does not get elected to the Hall of Fame in the year nominated must be re-submitted in order to be considered for election. The National Officers, in concert with the Board of Directors, make selections to the Hall of Fame each April.

TRIAL SCHEDULES:

Fall/winter trial schedules are due in the office by May 1. Spring/summer trial schedules are due in the office by Nov. 1. All trials must be published on the website 4 weeks prior to their running.

SANCTION FEES:

Trial sanction fees are required BEFORE a trial packet is mailed and before a trial may be “approved” in the system. Please pay all sanction fees at least 4 weeks prior to your trial date to ensure prompt mailing of the packet and to ensure that the trial may be drawn in a timely manner.

TRIAL REPORTS:

Trial reports and results should be entered into the trial draw system as soon as possible after a trial and no later than 10 days after the trial date. Overall results will not be approved until the reporting is complete. First place points and championships will not be confirmed or awarded until the reporting is complete. (This includes receipt of all registration paperwork for placing dogs.)

HOME REGION:

Members requesting a change of Home Region must do so, in writing, through the National Office between the dates of October 1 and January 1.

*Exception: A member who permanently relocates to within the boundaries of a Region, other than their Home Region, may make written application to the NSTRA office at any time to request a change in their Home Region.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS:

Associate memberships are available to members’ spouses and children 18 years and under, still living at home. There must be at least one regular paid membership in the household to qualify. Associate members have the same rights as regular members with respect to participating in field trials (e.g., owning dogs, handling dogs, judging, bird planting, etc.). Associate member may not vote in any regional or national elections including rule or by-law changes, they cannot hold an office, and they do not receive a magazine.

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Important things to remember

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RULE CHANGES:

Proposed rule changes or new additions shall be submitted sixty (60) days prior to the first day of the Trial of Champions and/or the Dog of the Year trial.

CONSTITUTION/BY-LAW CHANGES:



All proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws shall be submitted to the National Officers at least ninety (90) days prior to the first day of the Trial of Champions and/or the Dog of the Year trial.

REGION HIGH POINT:

Points earned in the qualifying rounds of a Regional Elimination or a Championship trial DO count towards the region's high point competition. Points earned in the finals of above trials DO NOT count towards the region's high point.

OWNERSHIP CHANGE:

Once a dog takes a NSTRA placement, any subsequent ownership changes must be sent to the NSTRA office. Please send a copy of new registration papers with the new owners' names to the office. The date of transfer will be the date shown on the registration papers.

UNREGISTERED DOGS:

As of June 1st a dog cannot run in a NSTRA trial without a system-generated dog profile or record. A trial coordinator cannot create the record. National staff or officers can only create the record once registration papers are received in the NSTRA office. In addition, there remain many "unapproved" dogs in the system. Unapproved dogs shall not be entered to run in trials until proper paperwork is received and appropriate action to create the record is completed. This can either be submitted by the owner or the trial chairman. We will accept copies by fax (317-839-4197), e-mail (office@nstra.org), or a photocopy by regular mail.

NSTRA DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS:

The NSTRA Distinguished Members award honors those extraordinary men and women whose contributions and achievements significantly helped develop, or continued to improve, the National Shoot to Retrieve Field Trial Association, Inc. This award will be presented annually at the Dog of the Year banquet. Nominations may be submitted at any time to the staff at the national office, to a National Officer, or to the current chair of the Distinguished Members Committee. A short description of the individual and their contributions to NSTRA should be sent to the national office. A picture of the individual should be included, if available. Contact the NSTRA office for a list of criteria. The committee will review all Nominations and verify contributions. Decisions will be made not only by the infor-

mation submitted but by any other information collected. The committee will make their decision by the April Board of Directors' meeting. A permanent plaque will be located at the NSTRA office with a smaller plaque awarded to the individual or their family if deceased.

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Letter from the President

As I start this letter my bags are packed as I prepare to travel west for another national trial (weren't we just in Nebraska?) This Iowa boy is looking forward to a wonderful week in Big Sky country with my NSTRA family and followed shortly thereafter a bit of fall casting and blasting in Idaho. By the time you read this, I'll be turning the truck around and heading northeast to Indiana for Dog of the Year 2022!

I am happy to welcome the newest member to our NSTRA Staff, Financial Office Manager Lisa Hall.

MaryAnn Routh, NSTRA Membership Office Manager, continues to find errors when checking trial reports. It is imperative that Trial Chairman review the trial placements and points BEFORE submitting the trial report.

We are still seeing a lot of dogs (that already exist in the NSTRA database system) that do not have registration papers on file. These are unapproved dogs. NSTRA members must be reminded of the new rule effective June 1, 2022: Any dogs for which we do not have registration papers on file are unapproved and are not allowed to run in trials. Trial Chairs need to be aware and check each dog as an entry comes in. Before drawing the trial, check all questionable dog records with the office and help members comply. We also need to remember that under NSTRA rules, NSTRA recognizes and accepts registration paperwork from:

- UKC
- AKC (no PAL/ILP registered dogs)
- FDSB
- CKC (Canadian Kennel Club), and
- VDD registries.

Currently NSTRA does NOT recognize NAVDA registry. Also, when sending dog registrations to the NSTRA office, please identify call names for the record/database.

The National Officers are busy with various projects and gearing up for the 2022 Dog of the Year Trial. Nance Ceccarelli finalized 2022 elections and is finalizing an updated new rule book, judging guidelines, and region/national officer handbooks. John Rawdin is preparing to induct Hall of Fame Dogs, recognize Scholarship winners, and Distinguished members during our annual awards ceremony. Marilyn Cunningham is this year's Trial Chair - -she will ensure that all the "I's" are dotted and "T's" are crossed at our premiere event.

A special Thanks goes out to Julia Herwehe for taking over the financials during NSTRA's time of need. With her experience she has been able to keep the bills paid and work on our books. Great job Julia.

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Bill Sumpter



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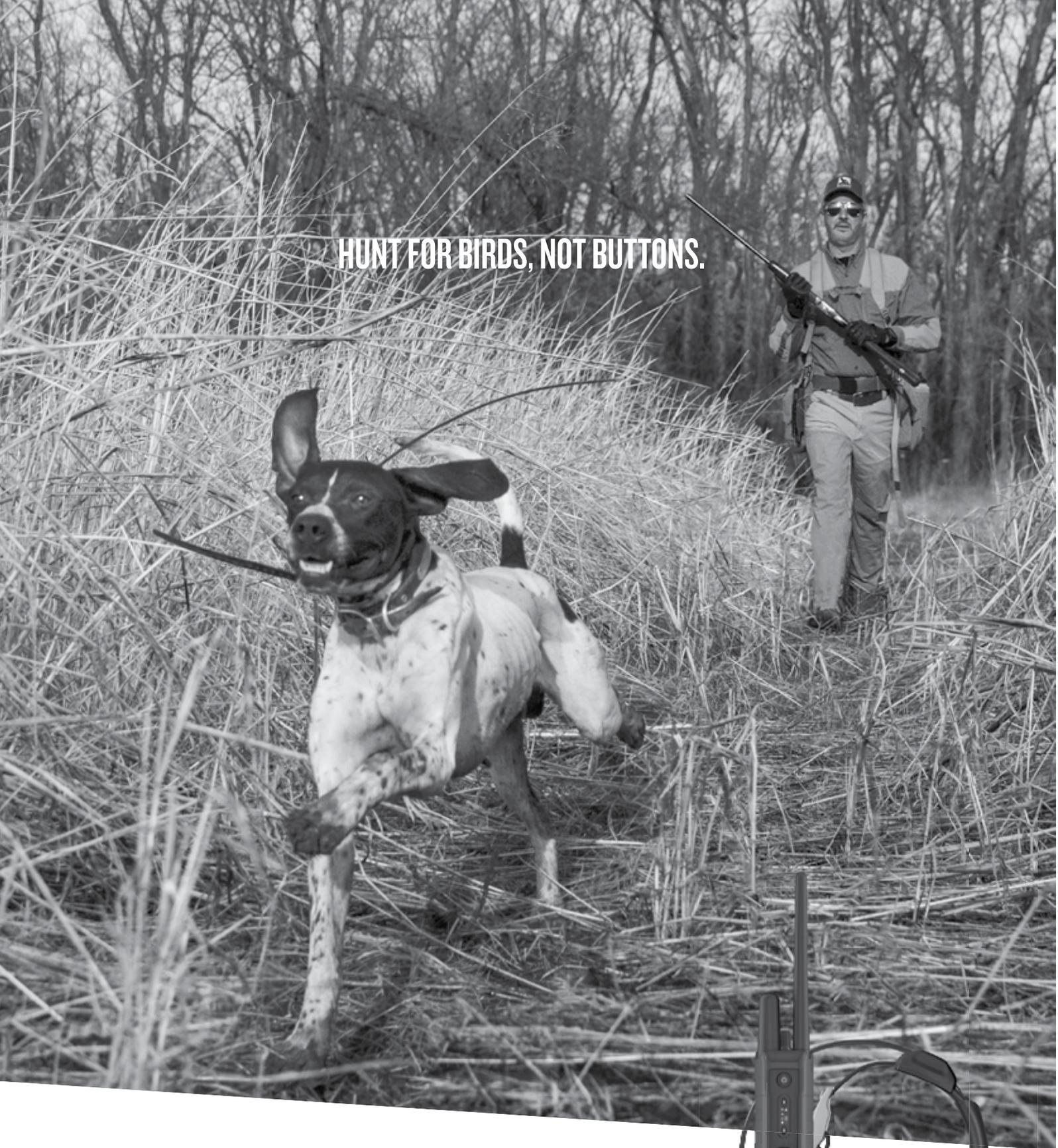


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The money raised by the NSTRA Association goes directly to the St. Louis hospital, and it is used for purchasing shoes for those children who need special shoes after surgeries or therapy. The NSTRA family have raised over \$600,000 which has been donated to the Shriners' Hospital. At the new hospital in St. Louis, an examination room now has a plaque with the NSTRA name on the door in recognition of our donations.

Our thanks to all those who have come to our trials, donated money for raffles, whatever has been done has been an expression of love that the NSTRA members have for children everywhere and we deeply appreciate each of you for your never-ending help.

2022 Purina Top Performance Award Winner

With 40 dogs earning 20 or above weekend points for the Top Performance criteria, it was a fight to the finish with an excessive amount of competitiveness throughout the NSTRA community for this year's award. Along with the 20 weekend points, the criteria calls for a Saturday finish at a National Trial or a placement in your regional elimination trial. Most of the time, it calls for both. The Top Four along with the 5th throughout 10th finishers are listed below.



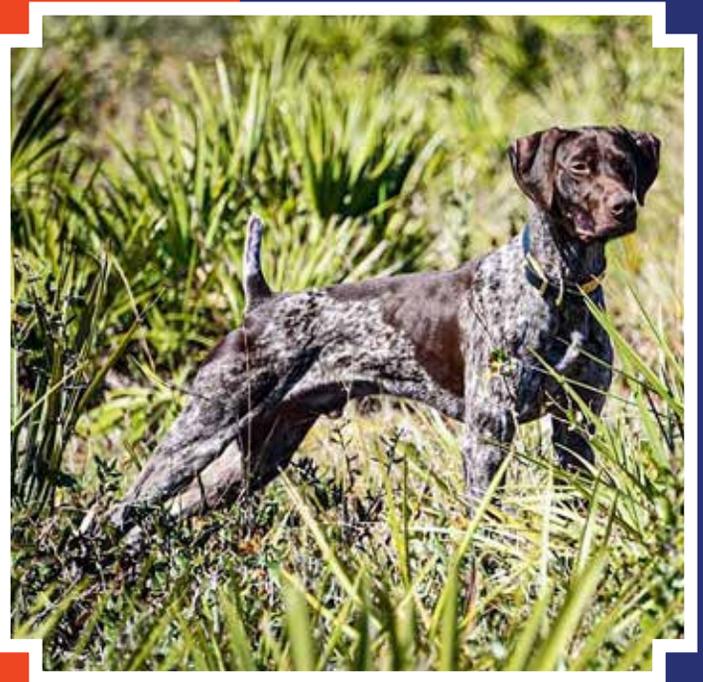
**Champion Resa's Mohawk's Jill is once again the winner of the 2022
Top Performance Award with 2975 points.**



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Jill finished 1st in last year's competition. Jill is a snazzy English Setter female from Mohawk's Crude Dude and Resa's Mazie. She is owned by John Resa, a member of the Mid West Region. Jill totaled 31 weekend points, 1st at the 2021 UKC Performance Classic, 2nd runner-up at the 2021 DOY Trial, 8th at the 2022 TOC and 2nd during the Midwest Regional Elimination Championship. She is no stranger to the winner's circle. Jill resides at the Resa Kennels outside of Shelbyville, Missouri and has many fun times with John and the Grandkids. She actually was picked by John's granddaughter, Kellyn to become John's trial dog. A great pick.

John is happy with the Cunningham Mohawk lineage and also her mother, Mazie, who was an easy going, hard to beat competitor. John feels that one of the main reasons for his success with Mazie and Jill is that they were easy to train and can also wild bird hunt during field trial season with no problems. A dog for all seasons. Congratulations to Jill and John for another spectacular year.



2

The second place winner this year was True Blue's 105 Howitzer, Howi owned by Jamie Laraway from the Michigan Region.

Howie finished with 2500 points finishing 12th at the 2021 UKC Championship, 30th at the 2021 Purina Endurance Classic, 13th at the 2022 Quail Forever, 1st during the 2022 TOC and 5th during the Michigan Regional Elimination. Howie is a German Shorthair from Crosswind Micro Chip and M'Credible Pick of Destiny. Of course we all remember the 2022 TOC when Jamie and Howi became the TOC Champion and Jolene with Kara Laraway (Jamie's wife) became the 2022 TOC Amateur Champion.

Jamie mentioned that Scott Townsend's training was important in Howi's early year and going to Florida was also great training. His weekend points for the Top Performance award were 26 points. What a year for this fine shorthair and great handler, Howi and Jamie.

Per Jamie: Howi's chance at the Purina Top Performance Award began when we won the 2022

Trial of Champions. Before that I knew he would at least be in the running to be included in the Top 10 because we consistently made Saturdays at all the qualifying Nationals but one. My eye really was not on the Top Performance for Howi, but instead for my wife's dog, Jersey. She was going all over the country chasing their 20 points while Howi and I stayed home - not even realizing what was to come! Luckily, when it came down to it we had our 20 points and then some, so there was no need for us to worry in that aspect. When the dust settled from the TOC we knew we had one more chance to earn points... at the Michigan Region Elimination. Howi gave me a great showing and we ended up 5th overall, securing our **Second Place** finish in the Top Performance. Howi is the coolest dog we own, when the pressure is on he shows up and excels, when it is time to settle down and relax, he's the first one under the blanket to sleep. He can process things in his mind that most of our dogs can't. The best part about running Howi is that he and I are a team. Without me he can't accomplish what he has and vice versa - we depend on each other. I am so blessed to be able to have this sort of partnership with a dog. I am looking forward to the future with him because I have a feeling we aren't done yet. Thank you to all my friends and family in NSTRA for making this past trial season so memorable! And thank you especially to Kara, Scott, and Thadd. Without their help and support we wouldn't be here.



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Third place was Goodall's First Bullet "Bug"

a 9 year old Brittany female, owned by Kristy Goodall, MidNorth Bug is from Beeline Bullet's Oxidation and Shelby Girl of Mossy Rock. She finished with 23 regional points and 1875 Performance points. Bug placed 5th at the 2021 Purina Endurance Class, 4th during the 2021 DOY trial, 19th at the 2022 Quail Forever and 22nd during the Mid North Regional Elimination. Congratulations on a super duo on and off the field. Per Kristy: Goodall's First Bullet "Bug" was the dog that Dean Goodall never wanted. When his wife Kristy said – this game is pretty cool – I want my own dog ... Dean told her "you can get any dog you want – except a Brittany". Then if any of you know Kristy, you know you can't tell her she CANT do something.. and she went hunting for a field bred Brittany and found Bug. Bug was Kristy's very first trial dog, and Kristy admits she made every mistake in the book with her as she was figuring out this game. Because of Kristy's lack of knowledge and allowing her to do all the "wrong things" it took Bug until she was almost 8 years old to even champion for the first time.

Bug is one of those dogs a fellow trailer hates to

draw. She has picked up several nicknames over the years, such as “The Baby Faced Assassin, and Bugzilla” and is known for running hard and finding birds. But with that strong drive and great nose, she will sometimes hunt an area of the field you have already covered and refuse to leave it, or get greedy and refuse to back. It’s this drive that at 9 years of age has put her near the top of the heap this past year in NSTRA national trials and earn her weekend points.

Bug has also worn other “hats” in her lifetime, and as hard as she runs, and intense as she is in the field, she is the polar opposite outside of it. The most incredible job she has, is that of a service dog to Kristy and her son Colt. Kristy was born with a handicap of having only one hand, and Bug has been certified as a mobility dog and attends school with her everyday to service her, as well as be there for her Alternative High School students. Along with Bug’s incredibly intuitive nature she has been trained to focus and recognize increased anxiety in Kristy’s son Colt who has Asperger’s – a form of Autism. Bug attended college with Colt and would go to class with him, and when Colt would have an anxiety attack, and would provide compression therapy to help him through it.

Bug’s progeny as well have made a name of their own, and she has produced several NSTRA Champions, and AKC Nosework champions. Her pups, Fly (5x Ch) and Koda (2x Ch) , have both had National Top 4 placements, as well as several others that are running and placing in weekend trials across the country.

As Bug now approaches her 10th birthday... it is time to start slowing down. This past year and this achievement was above and beyond what Dean and Kristy ever dreamed Bug was able to accomplish. She is and forever will be Kristy’s number one “heart” dog... she has touched so many lives and had such an incredible impact in and beyond NSTRA, she is truly a once in a lifetime dog.



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Fourth was True Blue’s Jersey Girl,

Jolene, German Shorthair Pointer female, owned and handled by Kara Laraway, Michigan. Jolene finished with 20 regional points, 3rd at the 2021 UKC Performance Classic, 9th at the 2021 Purina Endurance Classic, and 9th during the 2022 Michigan Regional Elimination totaling 1800 Top Performance Points. Jolene also won the 2022 TOC Amateur Championship in April 2022. A super year for these fine young ladies. Congratulations from all of NSTRA. Per Kara: Jersey Girl, my first “real” NSTRA dog. She has taught me everything I know and of course continues to teach me with her “bag of tricks”. Anyone who knows Jersey knows that she is my princess and no matter how much of a bad girl she is, she still gets to sleep in “her chair” and in the bed.

I remember getting our first 1st place open placement in January of 2019, I felt like we just won a National Championship. I was so proud of Jersey and not long after she had her first Open Championship under her belt.. Fast forward to June 2021, Jersey was now a 3 time Champion and we were headed out to Nebraska for the UKC Performance trial. As always, I was nervous but I had faith in my little dog. After running some tough braces in the 95 degree heat, we ended up placing 2nd runner up and earned our first belt buckle - of

course I was so grateful and proud.

Still high from our placement, Jamie and I had to hang up our shell belts and take the summer off from NSTRA to work on our family's blueberry farm. In turn our bird dogs got put on the couch to enjoy life while we worked hard to get the crop picked. After the last blueberry came off the bush we packed the truck up with some out of shape dogs and headed to the Endurance trial in Montana. Jersey girl amazed me again and we ended up 9th overall. I didn't even realize we would be in contention for the Purina Top Performance Award until I was talking with Todd Hendrix and John Resa at the DOY trial in Amo, IN.

Of course this was in October and they informed me we needed 20 weekend points by May 31st to even qualify..... YIKES! I realized Jersey had zero weekend points and we had to get our butts in gear! Scott Townsend said "oh you got it no problem", I of course had my doubts. I entered us into every trial I could, going all over the country to try and get these 20 weekend points. Luckily, I had a great travel buddy, my Papa Bear, to go with me on these long trips. (Jamie thought I was a little crazy, and someone had to stay home to work) In January of 2022, we were at 19 points and hit a lull in placements. I was preparing myself for the worst in case we didn't get our 20. May came and we were having our last weekend trial in Michigan before the qualifying period ended. The nerves were real then, we need to make this happen..... The last day of the trial Jersey managed to get a **third place** and we got our last point!! It makes it even more special because it was at "Jersey's Place" her namesake field. I am so proud of Jersey and her determination. Having placed 9th in our regional secured our spot in the Purina Top Performance Award. I never would have believed we would not only win a belt buckle in a National trial but also place in the Top 4 of the Top Performance with my first ever "real" NSTRA dog. (I must admit I did run a couple of amateur braces with our first shorthair named Moose, he was quickly retired from NSTRA when he liked taking out the birds instead of pointing them and now happily takes up a spot on our couch). As always, I owe a huge thank you to all of our friends and family that help make us better. Specifically, Jamie, Scott Townsend, and Thadd Townsend; without them I'd be lost in a field somewhere. Thanks to the best parents a girl could ever want, for letting us chase our dog dreams and not firing us for missing too much work! And of course thanks to Red Haw Supply for always

keeping us looking good in the field. I thank God everyday to be blessed enough to live the bird dog life!



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In 5th place for the Top Performance was Tomoka's Smokin Big Red, 7 year

old English Setter male owned by Greg Wood (Kentucky Region) and Jimmy Kirkman. Big Red has accumulated 215 lifetime points of which 127 are 1st place points and is a 11 time NSTRA Champion. His sire was Tomoka's Smokin Mike and dam - Tomoka's Smokin Kate. Big Red earned 24 regional points and a total of 1575 Top Performance points for the award.



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6th place – Crosswind Shiver N Shake “Moose” – 5 year old German Shorthair Pointer owned/handled by Thad Townsend, Michigan Region. Moose is a 3 time NSTRA Champion and the 2021 DOY National Champion. He has 69 total points of which 51 are **first place** points. Moose’s sire is Crosswind Briar Patch and dam – Crosswind Kryptonite. He acquired 26 regional points and a total of 1500 Top Performance points along with winning the High Point Dog Award for the Michigan Region.



7

7th place – Skipper’s Smokin Addie, 3 year old English Setter female is from Tomoka’s Smokin Bomb and Shouse Dogwood Abby. She is owned by Greg Mulberry and handled by Mikeal Mulberry of the Kentucky Region. She finished the Performance Award Season with 21 weekend points and 1450 total points. Addie is a 2x NSTRA Champion with 52 lifetime points of which 37 are **first place** points. Addie was whelped at the Mulberry Farm and trained by Greg. She is not only a nice trial dog, but is a wonderful pet and a part of the Mulberry family.



8

8th place – TC’s Chairman of the Board “Boss” 4 year old German Shorthair male owned and handled by Todd Craven, Ohio Region. Boss finished with 1425 Top Performance points and 29 regional points. He is from TC’s Get Lucky Lou and Ole’s Cuttin Loose Bailey. Boss has accumulated 73 lifetime points of which 40 are **first place** points and is a 4x NSTRA Champion.

Boss was 3rd runner-up at the 2022 TOC and 3rd runner-up during the Ohio Region placing 28th at the 2022 QF championship helping in his quest for the Top Performance Top 10.



9

9th place - Shadow’s Ace is a 7-year-old English Setter male out of Shadow Oak Bo and Milomix Sunny (daughter of Hytest Sky Hawk) from the Illinois Region. Ace is a 6-time champion with 119 total points and 62 1st place points. Ace had a great year of trialing in the 2021-2022 season accumulating 24 weekend points and 1,325 National points to take 9th overall in the Purina Top Performance standings. In this trial season he was 5th in the 2021 UKC Performance Classic, 18th in the Purina Endurance Classic and 15th in the Illinois Region Elimination.

Per Scott: Ace has been the easiest dog to train; he just wants to please, and I would have to say one of the best backing dogs in NSTRA. There are several people that I need to acknowledge that have helped me along the way. My training with Ace took a new level by being able to work dogs with Kevin Sprick. This helped make Ace into the dog he is by putting him on birds several times a week in addition to tapping into the bird dog knowledge of Kevin.

Ace is also an easy dog to run so when I judged, I had Kevin or Mark Kohlberg handle him. Mark has placed him several times, the last was a 1st place which a bottle of Macallan's Scotch was gratefully given as a Thank You. I would not have been able to do what I did if not for my lovely wife Julie who supports me running all over the country, keeps things going at home and loves our dogs as much as me.



10

10th place – Nutt's Rising Sun Murphy

is a 3 year old English Setter Male owned and handled by Bo Nutt of the Arkansas Region. Murphy's sire is Murph's Mohawk Ryder and Glover's Rhonda. He is a 3 time NSTRA champion with 65 lifetime points and 33 **first place** points. Murphy is also an Amateur Champion and had 29 region points with 1050 Top Performance points for the year. Murphy was 11th at the DOY Trial, 23rd at the AR Regional and 15th during the 2022 TOC. He was also the high point dog in Arkansas for the 2nd year.

Per Bo: Murphy is a pleasure to run and gets better every day. What's amazing is that my wife ran him several times this year and put several points on him. I'd like to give a big shout out to Gina for helping me with this achievement.

Honorable Mention 11th thru 20th:

- 11 – Skipper's Smokin Ally – Mikeal Mulberry – 1000 points**
- 12 – Sprick's Billie Girl – Lori Sprick – 975 points**
- 13 – TT's Southern Jane – Charles Hiland – 925 points**
- 14 – Kylie's Flatland Clown Cake – Kevin Sheriff – 750 points**
- 15 – Goodall's Rusty Little Bullet – Dean Goodall – 725 points**
- 16 – Double R King – Herb Ralston – 700 points**
- 17 – Clark's White Shadow – Bobby Clark – 700 points**
- 18 – Sterndog Norton's Salty Jean's Bean – Geoff Sterner – 700 points**
- 19 – Double R Liz – Herb Ralston – 600 points**
- 20 – Tallapossa Whiskey Runner – M. Doug Markham – 550 points**

REGIONAL TRIAL ELIMINATION

Alabama (AL)

Our Alabama Region headed back to Pineywoods Farm in Bronwood, Ga. for our 2022 Regional. We faced obstacles this year including high winds, heavy rains and cases of Covid. The Regional was delayed 1 day because of a weather threat, so we started on Saturday, March 12.

Janice and Harold Hufstetler have always welcomed us there and the accommodations are perfect. We could not have had better judges than Bodie Ray and Keith Koone. A good bird planter keeps your trial going, and Keith Howard is the best.

The pre-trial qualifications Saturday consisted of 15 braces. Taking 1st place was "Kahn"/Ed Ford score 9203, 2nd place "Beamer"/ Ray Harrelson score 873.5, 3rd place "Jessie"/Doug Markham score 825, and 4th place "Liberty"/Chris Haynes score 816.5.

On Sunday, running 8 braces, the six top dogs were "Jessie"/Markham 788, "Jax"/Davidson for AI Black 293, "Bo"/Minton 794.5, "Rock"/Felts 309, "Whiskey"/Markham 464, "Tigger"/Swafford 644.

After taking a short break, "Bo" and "Jessie" and their handlers were ready for the final hour.

I am proud to announce that **"Bo" Wess Bama Shadow Oak is the 2022 Alabama Region Champion.**

1st Runner-up is "Jessie"/Doug Markham, 2nd runner-up "Tigger/ Russell Swafford, and 3rd runner-up "Whiskey"/Doug Markham.

Saturday night after the banquet, our officers were elected and awards given out. Bradley Davidson was unanimously elected President again. He is liked by all and works hard for our league. Doug Markham was elected Vice-President. Members do not know the hours he spends keeping data on our dogs and making improvements in our organization. I was elected Secretary and Treasurer again.

As being Field Marshal keeps me busy, I am thankful to Susan Markham who offered to help keep the scoreboards posted and help me at the end of each day. She, like Doug, contributes good ideas.

We surprised our judges, bird planter, and Harold our host, with a special gift. (They better wear it) Our High Point Dog was "Whiskey" owner Doug Markham. He was presented with a plaque and belt buckle. Brennen Greene was awarded Judge of the Year. Being a young judge he certainly knows his rules. A tie for Rookie of the Year was Tom Strickland and Barry Holdridge. (Not pictured) Also not pictured was Sportsman of the Year AI Black. He puts on trials, helps cook lunches and will do anything we need. Most Improved Dog was awarded to "Zenzi" owner Homer Johnson. Zenzi also was High Point Amateur dog.

Bradley thanked George Gordon for allowing us to use his fields again this year. Thanks Harold and Janice for allowing us to rent your grounds and Janice for preparing our meals. Her family Brian, Angie and April also helped.

I cannot leave out Susan Freeman, Beth Davidson, and Cindy Markham for their desserts this year. Mrs. Lynn Blackburn supplied us with much needed coffee during those cold mornings.

As we continue to grow, we always welcome new members. Our t-shirts this year has the words printed "Comradery and Lasting Friendships". That sums up our Alabama Region.

* Have a safe summer and hope to see you in the fall.*

Dianne Minton

Sec/Treasurer









**Wess Bama Shadow Oak is the
2022 Alabama Region Champion.**

Arizona (AZ)

The 2022 Arizona Regional was held in Ponderosa Pines in Parks Arizona. Nance Ceccarelli and Paul McCawley were kind enough to volunteer to be in the saddle for two days of judging. The region would like to publicly thank them both for performing the judging responsibilities flawlessly. Their trip up to Flagstaff from their home in Southern Arizona had some complications, their truck shut down in Phoenix while towing their fifth wheel trailer with 7 Setters inside. With the outside temperature in excess of 100 degrees the dogs were in definite peril. Nance and Paul found someone kind enough to allow them to plug in the trailer, allowing the AC to run. By the time the Region President Brian and Board Member Johnny Trout Jr. were notified it was already later in the day. Johnny Trout without hesitation volunteered to return to Phoenix to bring Nance, Paul, dogs and trailer to the trial grounds with Brian riding shotgun on the way down the mountain. Those of you that know Johnny, know of his legendary driving skills, you can attest that Brian did not get a minute of relaxation while Johnny was driving down to Phoenix. The trip was uneventful with Brian taking the driving responsibilities of towing up the mountain to Parks. They all arrived at the grounds at approximately 1100 PM, way past Johnny's bed time. Thank you Johnny for stepping up and getting Nance and Paul to the grounds.

The start time of the regional was pushed back to 0800AM in order to let the judges and field marshal get a little extra rest after their arrival back to the grounds at 1100PM. Day one of the regional had 13 braces with 26 dogs making up of: 9 English Pointers, 5 English Setters, 9 German Shorthair Pointers, 3 Brittansys. The weather was fairly warm and humid due to the reoccurring monsoon storms that were a daily occurrence. Day one had the majority of the braces cleaning the field with only a couple of braces leaving birds in the field. Paula Aerts did an outstanding job planting the field, keeping the braces competitive and timely. Thanks Paula for all that you do for the AZ Region. Day ones winners were as follows; CJ Hamilton's stylish young pointer from Saddleback Kennels (Ron Horn), Cactus Patch's Chapo Loco taking 1st , Brian Rebello's 2xChampion Rebel's Blanco Mosier taking 2nd , his littermate 1xChampion, Johnny Trout's 2020 Regional Champ Trout's Rebel Pride taking 3rd and Bill Blose's 1xChampion, 2021 RU Regional Champ Gator's Ace of Spades taking 4th.

Day two for the top 12 by breed were: 7 English Pointers, 1 English Setters, 3 German Shorthair Pointers, 1 Brittany. The weather was slightly hotter than and just as humid as day one, making it slightly more challenging for the dogs to put birds on the card. After the first six braces were tallied the top six dogs in round two too advance were as follows: Brian Rebello's young pointer HiRollins BK Moneyman first, Brian Rebello's 2xChampion Rebel's Blanco Mosier taking second, Gene Kindred's young pointer Canyon View Shot handled by Chad Matthews 3rd, Josh Beachum's young pointer Jam's Slammin Lil Babe 4th, Brad Christensen's young GSP Ponderosa's Louie 5th, 1xChampion, 2020 Regional Champ Trout's Rebel Pride 6th.

The top 6 by breed of round three were: 5 English Pointers, 1 German Shorthair Pointer. Brad Christensen's young GSP Louie was the only GSP left competing, representing Brown Town. Louie had made it to the regional by having enough amateur points to qualify and had been extremely consistent through both days. The Arizona Region has an ongoing competitive rivalry between Team Brown Town and Team WDR White Dogs Rule started by Brian Rebello, both groups enjoy harassing each other especially during podium pics when one group is dominating the other for the day, which unfortunately for Brown Town the final 6 was dominated by Team WDR. The three braces in this round were very competitive with the top three dogs all finding 3 birds and the bottom three finding 2 birds. When the scores were tallied it was determined that the rivalry between Team Brown Town and Team WDR would go to the final. Brad's Louie and Brian's Mosier would be competing in the last hour.

In the final hour brace the sun was out with the temperature and humidity rather high for 7,000 feet of elevation. Both dogs went off the line hard with Mosier putting 5 birds on the cards. Louie unfortunately had his worst brace and went bird less. The conditions and Mosier's experience made it tough for Louie to compete, he surely will be back to compete in many more regionals. Mosier earning the Regional Championship was a title that Brian and his White Dogs have chased for 20+ years. Brian has earned multiple Championship and multiple hi-point awards and has placed 2 thru 6 in the regional several times. This win was special, Mosier is the third generation of this line of pointers that he has been competing with, going back to his first Champion 3xChampion SanTans Elhew Max. Mosier is named after a longtime friend and hunting companion that his since passed Bob Mosier.

Congrats to all the winners: 1st Brian Rebello's 2xChampion, Regional Champion Rebel's Blanco Mosier, 2nd Regional RU Champion Ponderosa's Louie, 3rd Canyon Views Shot, 4th Jam's Slammin Lil Babe, 5th 1xChampion, 2020 Regional Champ Trout's Rebel Pride, 6th HiRollins BK Moneyman.

The Regional banquet followed the trial. Region President Brian Rebello gave recognition to a couple board members. Secretary David Sipe for handling all his duties along with anything else that was sent his way. Treasurer Ginger Rogers, Ginger is the glue that holds the AZ Region together, she routinely calls National, acquires permits, assists with lining up judges and receives all trial entries. During Brian's past Presidencies he has never had a board member that has worked as hard as Ginger. Ginger became ill during day one of the Regional trial and had to be brought to the hospital. Ginger is getting better we all need her back. Get well Ginger!

During the banquet region member Don Kile was given the floor and spoke to the general membership about his organization Southwest Uplands Conservancy and Deming Prime. Don's organization promotes conservation, hunting and field trialing in the Southwest, his group is in the process of building world class trial grounds in the Deming NM area. We would like to thank him for his \$1,000 donation to pay for the regional horses.

The awards presentation followed the banquet. Regional Trial awards were passed out and the High Point Dogs and owners were recognized. The Arizona Region High Point dog was 1xChampion Canyon Views Sidney owned by Shannon Haycraft, handler Chad Matthews (24 Points). High Point 1st Runner Up was Canyon Views Shot owned by Gene Kindred, handler Chad Matthews (15 Points). High Point 2nd Runner Up 6xChampion Carnahan's She's Got the Mojo Jojo owners Debbie & Brian Carnahan (11 Points). High Point 3rd Runner Up was a tie between 2021 Arizona Regional Champion Ima Cactus Peach owners Bill & Juanita Blose and Major Game on Bailey owner Randy Dombrowski (8 Points each). Congratulations to the High Point dogs showing the most consistency throughout the year.



***Arizona Regional Winner was Rebel's
Blanco Mosier
Owner Brian Rebello***



***1st CJ Hamilton's Cactus Patch's
Chapo Loco***

***2nd Brian Rebello's 2xChampion
Rebel's Blanco Mosier***

***3rd Johnny Trout's 1xChampion,
2020 Regional Champ Trout's Rebel
Pride***

***4th Bill Blöse's 1xChampion, 2021
RU Regional Champ Gator's Ace of
Spades***

Arkansas/Louisiana (AR)

Arkansas/Louisiana Region Elimination Championship 2022

In writing this I have been an active member of the Arkansas/Louisiana Region NSTRA since 1998. In all those years I have never witnessed the interest and absolute joy exhibited by both gallery and handlers as in the 2022 Region Elimination finals. First year handler Kalem Dartez with his setter Hyde's Mohawk Dixie shared the final brace with Josh Jackson handling his brother's brittany, J B's Frankthatank. Josh has field trialed for approximately five years and Kalem in his first year handling dogs.

The excitement, sportsmanship and skill of these gentlemen was on display for the full hour. With the call "pick em up" Frank was a bird better than Dixie. However, Frank did not have a back during any brace of the trial. A backing opportunity was set up for Frank under the direction of field marshal Tim String and region president Bo Nutt.

Frank decided that he was more interested in hunting than backing and Dixie was crowned champion which was well received by all.

The new champion, two years old, was very mindful of Kalem while showing sparks of independence at times. She hunted with focus and determination while exhibiting intelligence in dealing with the field and elements. Ground coverage was a plus as she looked in all the right places. Dixie, sired by Murph's Mohawk Rider, comes from a long line of champion NSTRA dogs.

Runner-up honors went to Frank, a beautiful brittany owned by Jeff Jackson. Frank loves to run, cover ground, and is very snappy. He has a definite knack of being in the right place at the right time. Seldom does he outrun his nose and rarely runs a brace where he does not produce a bird.

Third place went to Cloud's Copper Priss Pot, owned by Jeremy Cloud, out of 26X Champion Stephens Bright Copper, himself out of the great Crow's Little Joe.

Beautifully configured, lighting quick and possessing an above average nose Jeremy has definitely found a brag dog.

Franks Happy Sunday, owned by Robert Franks, took fourth place. Sunday is light footed and seems to glide across the field. She is very attentive to Robert's wishes and looks good on point.

We were blessed with two beautiful spring days. Region president Bo Nutt, vice president Jeremy Cloud and Secretary Nancy Barnett had the trial and all events in apple pie order. The region appreciates their hard work and dedication to our region and sport.

Saturday evening was a time of fellowship, awards and a catered supper paid for by the region. Region member Harlan Caviness prepared the best pork chops ever with all the trimmings and dessert for the hungry trialers and their families.

Receiving awards were Gina Nutt, most improved. When Gina sets her mind to do something, whether work or play, watch out. She is a formattable bracemate who should not be taken lightly. Daniel Mann, Sportsman of the year. To say Daniel is a friend to all is an understatement. He is always available to help and never misses a chance to encourage others. And Suzanne Dartez, Newcomer. It has been a pleasure to watch Suzanne grow as a trialer and to become a valued member of NSTRA. She is a wonderful person and a cracker jack trainer.

Receiving silver tray amateur champion awards were: JB's Frankthatank (Jeff Jackson), Prince's Elhew Betty Grace (Chad Prince), Tricky Dick Triplethreat (Timothy String), Nutt's Tricky Ryder's Sissy (Gina and Bo Nutt), Otter Creek Skye Blue (Marye Jane and Terry Brockinton), and Blake's God of Thunder (Blake Mhoon). Open 1X Champion Gist belt buckle went to Prince's Elhew Betty Grace (Chad Prince). There was one induction into the Arkansas/Louisiana Region NSTRA Hall of Fame, Nutt's Rising Sun Murphy owned by Bo and Gina Nutt.

High Point Dog went to Bo Nutt and Gina Nutt and their fine setter Nutt's Rising Sun Murphy. Murphy is a threat to win a trial anytime he is on the ground. His handler, Bo Nutt, is very skilled which makes the two a very formidable team.

Goodbye's were said with handlers and dogs heading home. Thanks to all for a great trial.

Robert Franks



Kalem Dartz and Champion Dixie



Suzanne Dartz, Newcomer of the Year



Daniel Mann, Sportsman of the Year



Gina Nutt, Most Improved



High Point Dog, Nutt's Rising Sun Murphy



Amateur Champion, Tim String



Hall of Fame, Nutt's Rising Sun Murphy



Blake Mhoon, Amateur Champion





Gina Nutt, Amateur Champion



Chad Prince, Amateur Champion and Open Champion



Terry Brockinton, Amateur Champion

Big Sky Region (BSR)

This years Big Sky Regional Elimination on May 21st and 22nd was originally going to be held in Lewistown. We opted to move over to the Great Falls trial grounds with plenty of room and good grassy cover. On Friday May 20th, Central Montana Pointing Dog Club ran a single /double in every thing from rain to snow. Our Big Sky judges are tough and dedicated! John Attard, Mark Donovan, Rick Hughes and Danny Seliger deserve a standing ovation. A big thanks to Jon Edwards for chairing, Dylan Hofer for planting and the GTSDC crew for all the details. Placements were earned by the following on

FIELD A

- 1 OZARKS MONTANA BREEZE-BREEZY
- 2 SILVERBUCKLE NOVA-NOVA
- 3 BADLANDS LOKI LITTLE PANTS- LOKI
- 4 OUTLAW WILLIE LITTLE PANTS- WILLIE

AMATEUR A FIELD

- 1 SILVERBUCKLE NOVA-NOVA
- 2 SILVERBUCKLE KONA- KONA
- 3 SITKA-SITKA

FIELD B

- 1 TROOPER'S EAGLE SCOUT-SCOUT
- 2 ENNIS LAKE LC-LC
- 3 TREASURE STATE SHOT ROCK-ROCK
- 4 STONECOLD TO LAMRON

AMATEUR B FIELD

- 1 POACHER'S RHUBARB PIE-RUBY
- 2 SITKA-SITKA
- 3 SILVERBUCKLE NOVA-NOVA

The next morning was 28 degrees with skim ice in the water buckets, occasional sunshine and **no rain**. We were fortunate to have Bruce and Cindy Lyon as our judges, Doug Cartwright as field marshal who always goes the extra mile and our own superb bird planter Kai Underdahl. We had a 32 dog elimination on Saturday. 16 dogs advanced. Placements for the elimination round were earned by the following

ROUND I

- 1 SILVERBUCKLE CADDIS-CADDIS
- 2 KRISTY'S LITTLE PANTS-CHUB
- 3 BEELINE BULLET'S BOSSMAN-BOSSMAN
- 4 SILVERBUCKLE KONA-KONA

Our judges and handlers then toughed it out in a 3 way tie run off for High Point, Ava handled by Zeke Zaremski, Harry handled by Jon Edwards and Chub handled by John Attard. Savages Black Mamba-Ava prevailed and earned the high point buckle. Awards were given out during our steak bbq and potluck.

Opre's Big Gage-Gage handled by Olivia Opre earned the amateur High Point buckle with 20 amateur points! I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new members this year. David Templeton, Caleb Tkachyk, Justin Kaber, Kerry O'Connell, Drew Rodman, Annette Sauby, Paul Mickelson and Rocky Smith.

Sunday morning arrived with our best weather for the weekend. Scenting continued to be excellent and we battled through to the next round of 6 dogs. Bossman-Nolan Huffman, Junior-Rick Hughes, Loki Darlene Donovan, LC-Anni Shores, Murphy-Rick Hughes and Ruby-Anni Shores. We decided that back to back was the most fair and random way to draw. Junior and Bossman were sent in to the final hour with Loki taking 3rd and LC taking 4th. Doug Cartwright made the adjustments to the field the GTSDC added water buckets while Nolan and Rick rested up. The final count was Bossman 6-6, to Junior 3-3 and a back. Congratulations to Nolan all of our regional winners and all the handlers and dogs that made our regional championship a success. Special thanks to our Judges, Field marshal, Bird planter and scorekeeper. the Big Sky region rocks!



Central Canada (CC)

The regional weekend began with a pre-trial on Saturday, where we saw our best hopes for the region evolve. Some of these dogs stood out for their hard work, enthusiasm and desire to make their handlers happy. From the second brace, Princess Zoey II, handled by Michel Duhamel, showed her talents even though she was only at her first trial in NSTRA. After finding four birds, little Zoey set the bar very high for the next dogs that would follow.

Throughout the day, the dogs tried to surpass Zoey. At the seventh brace, Sport handled by Donald Thom, came close to beating her but did not succeed. Our friend Michel Duhamel waited all day very nervously to see if Princess Zoey would win. At the last brace, two of our best prospects, Duplaton Sweet Pea, handled by Robert Pytel and Royal Oak Roy handled by Salvatore Sicondolfo fought hard to finish 3rd and 2nd respectively. Zoey remained in the lead to win her first trial at the age of 22 months and made her owner the happiest man in the world.

Sunday, the day of the regional, was forecast to be a very hot day around the 100s Fahrenheit. Participants and supporters arrived early to see the first dogs compete. Our Italian friends came in large number to support their favorites. The first brace was fiercely contested between Roy and Sweet Pea, who shared the field, three birds each. In this first round of elimination, Flash Des Belles Plaines, handled by Dominic Werotte made a superb outing by finding 4 of the 5 hidden birds and had a back. This performance earned him **first place** in this first round of elimination.

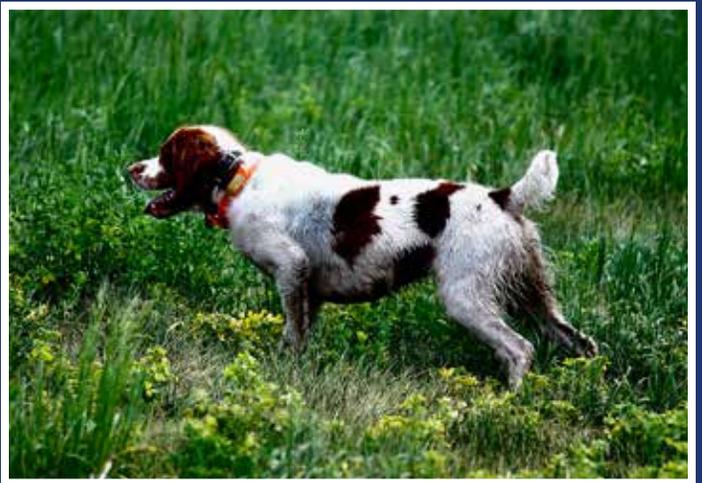
For the second round, 6 dogs qualified, including Flash Des Belles Plaines/Dominic Werotte, Peter Gunn's All-In Jazz/Guy Gelinias, Duplaton Sweet Pea/Martin Gagnon and Robert Pytel, Jodi Vom Cohansey/Huguay Michaudville, Django Des Belles Plaines/Dominic Werotte and finally Watson's All-in Ranger/Guy Gélinais.

In the second round, six of the best dogs in our region gave everything to get to the last round. Finally, Ranger and Guy Gélinais finished first by finding four birds followed by his mother Jazz who finished second also handled by Guy Gélinais.

After a one-hour break, well deserved for the two dogs and their handler who ran under a blazing sun, the final one-hour could take place. All the members took the opportunity to discuss and exchange in the magnificent sugar shack of our host Robert Pytel. Our 2nd Vice-president, Donald Thom, gave a gift to Michelle and Glen Vodden in appreciation for their involvement for many years in the region's activities.

Dominique Boucher, who is also the owner of Jazz, handled her for the final round. The dogs were tied with 3 birds and a back, when the intense heat got the better of 9 years old Jazz. Jazz could not finish in order to avoid a heat stroke.

Ranger finished the round with a Bye-dog and was crowned winner of the NSTRA regional for Central Canada. Congratulations to Guy Gelinias for his victory and to all the finalists and their dogs. Thank you all for your participation and especially your support for the regional, which is the most important event for a region. We'll see you next year, in order to have fun with our dogs.



Eastern Carolina (EC)

It was back last March; I believe it was. We were going to hold a field trial in this quaint, little town. We all arrived in the pitch black of a Saturday morning. Trucks lined the gallery; stakes were set by headlights. The cacophony of dogs barking and scratching against aluminum. They were ready. They are always ready.

The sun peaks out, slowly climbing over the horizon. Doc Ramsey and Sean Greenway are warming up their bikes, donning their best blaze orange. Noah Sherrif was quickly and quietly loading birds as the world woke up around him. The South Carolina Region Judges knew that this weekend would be tough. Regional Elimination Championships always are. Pencils sharpened, radios charge, they waited for Noah to finish his first ride of the weekend.

32 dogs would turn loose. Only 16 could make it past the first round. One bird would have changed the day for many dogs. But isn't that always the case? Round One would see the first glimpse of the dog that could not be beaten and who finished no further down the board than 4th in any round.

Sunday, March 20th would begin much the same as the first day, except the field was tighter. The heat would rise quickly. Scenting would be difficult. The work would need to be perfect, and it was.

Round 3 closed the gap. Kyle Taylor and our 2021 Regional Champion Taylors Foolish Boy would be chasing two in a row. He was joined by Preddy's Lucky Penny, owned by Mike Harris and handled by Glenn Preddy for the final hour.

Both dogs split the field. It would come down to scores and the results 41.5 points apart.

The Eastern Carolina Regional Champion for 2022 would be Preddy's Lucky Penny, owned by Mike Harris and Handled by Glenn Preddy. First Runner up: Taylor's Foolish Boy owned and handled by Kyle Taylor. Second Runner Up: Bill's Wild River Coos, owned and handled by Nick Mitchell. Third Runner up: Lemon's Blaze, owned and handled by Glenn Preddy. Fourth Runner up: Southpoint's Cash, owned and handled by Whitley Stephenson. Fifth runner up: Mitchell's Spring Boomer, owned and handled by Shane Mitchell.

Many thanks to Taylor Farms for hosting all event participants! We enjoyed our annual fish fry, prime rib dinner for the judges, and silent auction! Special shout out to Joelle Preddy for keeping the weekend moving!



Front Row: L to R Mike Harris and Preddy's Lucky Penny, Kyle Taylor and Taylor's Foolish Boy, Nick Mitchell and Bill's Wild River Coos, Glenn Preddy and Lemon's Blaze, Whitley Stephenson and Southpoint's Cash, Shane Mitchell and Mitchell's Spring Boomer.

Back Row: L to R Judge Gary "Doc" Ramsey, Bird Planter Noah Sherrif, Judge Sean Greenway.



ECR champion 2022. Preddy's Lucky Penny ^^^



*2022 Regional Champion Preddy's
Lucky Penny with Handler Glenn Preddy*

Georgia (GA)



Georgia Regional Winner Sturdy Oak Frank owner Keith Howard.

Gulf Coast Texas (GCT)

The Gulf Coast Region held their Regional Elimination Championship at Split Oaks Ranch in Iola, TX on March 26 & 27, 2022. Our trial officials were Judge – Jeremy Cloud (ARKLA), Judge – Scott Townsend (MI), Field Marshall – Dollie Cloud (ARKLA), Bird Planter – Thadd Townsend (MI). We had 24 dogs entered in the trail with 16 moving on to Sunday. The weather was hot with not much breeze. The braces were well run, with most of them splitting the field. After the day we had the top 16 scores posted and the winners for the qualifying round were as follows:

- 1st: Dixie – Maggie Parsley
- 2nd: Rusty – Pete Saineghi & Dale Heaton
- 3rd: Tink – Martin Ueltschey
- 4th: Deuce – Tracy Morrow

Saturday night the region reserved a room at restaurant, and we held our annual banquet where we voted on new officers and region by-laws. After the business part of the banquet, we ate and had a live auction of goods donated by our members. I can't thank you enough for not only donated items but also buying items where we are using the profit to go towards more awards and gifts for next years regional. Speaking of awards, we had a new Open High Point Winner. **Congratulations to Martin Ueltschey and Crosswind's Mad Tinkerer on winning our 2021-2022 Open High Point Award.** Martin received an embroidered jacket and belt buckle. **The 2021-2022 Amateur High Point winner was Nanette Harwell and Prudence De La D'Hannahatchee.** Pru also was the winner of our newest award. We decided to have a Derby Dog of The Year Award. To win the DDOY, you must have the most open points earned in region that trial season and be less than 3 years old at time of those points earned. **Congratulations to Nanette and Pru on winning the Amateur High Point and Derby Dog of The Year Award.** The Gulf Coast Region gained several new members that last couple years that are regular attendees, and we credit that growth to the Open-Amateur Trials and the hospitality that the Gulf Coast Members bring to each trial. We hope to grow more and keep our trials fun and friendly.

Sunday morning, we got started and the 8 braces went quickly with the top 6 advancing as follows:

- Halley – Scott Thomas**
- Wind – Leo Bonser**
- Rusty – Dale Heaton**
- Lulu – Mike Brackin**
- Deuce – Tracy Morrow**
- George – Jim Selby**

After those 3 braces we had our top 2 dogs and rightfully so, they are arguably two of our region's top dogs. The final hour brace would be between Lulu and Mike against Halley and Scott. Two Shorthairs!! The handlers and judges got an hour brake and then we got started. This was a fantastic hour brace with both dogs going back and forth. At the end it was Lulu and Mike winning with a score of 981.75 to Halley and Scott's score of 879. Congratulations to Mike and Lulu on winning the 2022 Regional Elimination Championship. In all 3 of Lulu's runs on Sunday she had at least 5 birds in each one. Mike & Lulu were awarded a Regional Championship Belt Buckle, Traveling Trophy, Garmin Sport Pro Collar, Dakota 283 Water Jug and Purina Dog Food.

Thank you to our trial officials and to our hosts, John & Maggie Parsley. We look forward to another great trial season and growth from our region. As always visit our region website for more information on the region's history and winners. www.gulfcoastnstra.org



Region Top 6



Lulu Region Winner

Illinois (IL)

The weekend of April 9-10 was chosen for the Illinois Region's 2022 Regional Elimination Trial. With Lonnie Jones from the MO-KAN Region planting birds and judges Shane Tointon, Kevin Brienen, Ryan Cronin, and John Holder from the Wisconsin Region, who did an outstanding job throughout the entire region elimination weekend. At the end of the competition the results were as follows:

Region Champion – Double R King owned and handled by Herb Ralston
1st RU – Nikki's Bandit Pete owned and handled by Mark Kohlberg
2nd RU - Double R Liz owned and handled by Herb Ralston
3rd RU – Sprick's Billie Girl owned by Lori Sprick; handled by Kevin Sprick
4th RU – Black Magic Spec owned and handled by Curt Klaustermeier
5th RU – Kunza's Copper Casing owned and handled by JB Kunza

Congratulations to all and many thanks to Ron Becker and Mary Kay Kunza for their work putting on the trial. And finally, our members (and wives) for your role in making it a successful weekend!

Respectfully submitted,
J B Kunza



(left to right) is John Holder, Shane Tointon, Herb Ralston, Mark Kohlberg, Brandon Ralston, Kevin Sprick, Curt Klaustermeier, JB Kunza, Ron Becker, and Lonnie Jones



(left to right) is Herb Ralston with King and Mark Kohlberg with Pete in the blind for the Final Hour



Region Champion King and Herb Ralston, 1st RU is Pete and Mark Kohlberg



King and Herb Ralston

Indiana (IN)

The 2022 Indiana Region Elimination trial was held at Glenn's Valley Conservation Club on May 21 & 22. Fields were in great shape. We had 34 dogs this year and the weather was quite cooperative for late May. Eric Forrester did a great job of charing his first as Region President and a big thank you to him.

Lindsey Riley provided a lunch for us for both days and Ed Jobst smoked some fantastic pork for our dinner/meeting.

It was a very competitive trial with Eli Coke finishing 6th in his first regional with Trigger, Cliff Riley with Luna 5th in his first top 6 finish, JR coke 4th with K-Os, Eric Forrester with his young wirehair, Moxie, finished 3rd. Wayne Fishburn put both Athena and her son, Hades, in the final hour with Hades at under 2 years old becoming the Regional Champion.

Open High Point dog was 5C's Francis, handled by Michael Wayne. She was very hard to beat all year and had to miss the Regional due to heat cycle. Athena/Wayne Fishburn, Cici/Eric Forrester, Sioux/Roger Parient, and Trigger/Eli Coke rounded out the top five.

Amateur High Point was Harlan/Chuck Payton, Moxie/Eric Forrester, Busy/Roger Parient, and Beau/Cliff Riley.

Big thanks to our bird planter Brian Boals, he did a great job planning and is always good for a few laughs and our judges, Rod Howard & Don Stir from the Ohio Region. Thank you also to Sanguine Moon Photography for some beautiful pictures.

Big congrats to all who participated!

Eric Forrester



Ed Coke and Trigger



Wayne Fishburn and Athena



2022 Open High Point: 1st Francis-Emma Coke, 2nd Athena-Angie Fishburn, 3rd Cici-Eric Forrester, 4th Sioux-Roger Parient, 5th Trigger-Emma Coke



Amateur High Point: 1st Harlan-Chuck Payton, 2nd Moxie-Eric Forrester, 3rd Busy-Roger Parient, 4th Beau-Cliff Riley



Region Elimination Final 6: Champion: Hades-Wayne Fishburn, 2nd: Athena-Fishburn, 3rd: Moxie-Eric Forrester, 4th: K-os-JR Coke, 5th: Luna-Cliff Riley (kneeling on the left), 6th: Trigger-Eli Coke (kneeling on the right)



2022 Region Elimination Champion-Hades, Owned by Wayne Fishburn.



Kentucky (KY)



Winner: Tomoka's Smokin Hunter owner Greg Wood



Lone Star Texas (LST)

LST 2022 Regional Elimination Trial

Howdy from the Lonestar state! The 2022 Lonestar Regional Elimination Trial was held March 19 – 20 in Gainesville, TX at the magnificent Euting Family Ranch. Twenty-six dogs qualified for the trial this year including TGR's Impressive Gemstone (Pearl), owned and handled by Michele McDonald returning to defend her title, as well as past champions Sterndog Norton's Salty Jean's Bean (Bean) owned by Geoff Sterner and handled by Barry Godwin, Hefty De Broughton (Hefty) owned by Cathleen Godwin and handled by Barry Godwin, and Heaton's Electric Macy (Macy) owned by Deborah Heaton and handled by Dale Heaton. With a good combination of young and veteran dogs the competition was bound to impress.

Gary (Buzz) Taylor, who would normally be judging, served as the Field Marshall, Dale Heaton was the Trial Chairman and Debi Heaton impeccably and efficiently served as Trial Coordinator. Driving in all the way from Illinois to judge the trial were Ron Becker and Ron Huels who did an incredibly professional job. Additionally, we were blessed to have Gene (Gator) Pritchett fly in from Georgia to act as the Bird Planter and unofficial storyteller/entertainment. The result was a very well-run trial with a good time had by all.

Day 1 – Cut to 16

Field conditions were nearly perfect, and the competition was fierce to start the trial. Macy's Shadow Ziva (Ziva), handled by Dale Heaton, had a stunning run in the opening brace with a score of 967.5 and never looked back. There were multiple impressive runs by the likes of Electric Shadow (Sparky) handled by David Morgan, Clark's White Shadow (Blanco) handled by Robert Clark and Lost Prairies Impressive Rising Sun (Sunny) handled by Thomas Paullus but ultimately, they were not enough to finish in the top three. Up and comer Donnchadh the Bruce (Bru) handled by Patrick Sauer had a successful run against the defending regional champion to finish second. Doc's John Henry Holliday (Henry) handled by David Morgan electrified the crowd to finish third.

Day 1 Final Results:

1 st Place:	Macy's Shadow Ziva (Ziva) o/h Dale Heaton	967.5
2 nd Place:	Donnchadh the Bruce (Bru) o/h Patrick Sauer	853
3 rd Place:	Doc's John Henry Holliday (Henry) o/h David Morgan	847
4 th Place:	Electric Shadow (Sparky) o/h David Morgan	820

Day 2 – Cut to 6

Conditions on day two showed to be more difficult than day one and finding birds would prove to be a greater challenge for the participants. Savvy handling was at a premium and while all the runs were impressive the top six dogs ultimately separated themselves from the pack and moved on to the next elimination rounds. Just missing the cut by six points was Lawlers Bailey (Bailey) owned and handled by Tim Euting.

Top 6 Results:

1 st Place:	Heaton's Microburst Sky (Sky) o/Dale Heaton h/ David Morgan	771.1
2 nd Place:	Lost Prairies Impressive Rising Sun (Sunny) o/h Thomas Paullus	726
3 rd Place:	Rugged Edge's Guns N Roses (Axl) o/h Barry Lawler	724
4 th Place:	Sterndog's Sagebrush Savage (Sage) o/h Tad Brown	688.5
5 th Place:	Lost Prairies Winning Formula (Dani) o/h Rob Martin	638
6 th Place:	TGR's Impressive Gemstone (Pearl) o/h Michele McDonald	632.5

Day 2 - Cut down to the finals

The field was cleaned, everyone wiped their brow, took a deep breath and the three battles were ready to commence. The first brace was even with Tad Brown and Sage eking out a slight advantage over Thomas

Paullus and Sunny 381 to 316. Michele McDonald and defending regional champion Pearl were in perfect form however they were out dueled by David Morgan and Sky 478 to 173.5 leaving the door wide open for the last challengers to both potentially sneak their way into the finals. Barry Lawler and Axl drove all the way from Wisconsin and put on an impressive show however they fell short to Rob Martin and Dani 713.5 to 386 setting up the final battle for champion.

Day 2 Final Hour:

1 st Place:	Lost Prairies Winning Formula (Dani) o/h Rob Martin	713.5
2 nd Place:	Heaton's Microburst Sky (Sky) o/ Dale Heaton h/David Morgan	478

Day 2 – Final Results

The fields were expanded from one to two and under Field Marshall Buzz Taylor's watchful eye the fields were cleaned and prepped for an hour-long duel between two very determined and capable finalists. It was anyone's guess who would triumph between these two veterans and their very experienced dogs and nearly everyone stuck around to watch the showdown. Rob Martin and Dani pulled out to a slight lead before David Morgan and Sky put points on the board mounting a ferocious comeback. However, in the end it was all for naught as Dani hit her stride with a 6/5 back for 1067.5 against Sky's 3/2 for 530.5.

2022 LST Regional Champion: Lost Prairies Winning Formula (Dani) and Rob Martin 1067.5

The Lonestar NSTRA chapter would like to give an extra special thank you to Tim Euting for providing food and beverages and the use of his beautiful property, Gary (Buzz) Taylor for acting as Field Marshall, our President Dale Heaton for making the many preparations for the trial, and the many other volunteers who make organizing and running a trial possible. We would also like to thank our judges and bird planter, Ron Huels, Ron Becker and Gene (Gator) Pritchett for traveling so far and doing a flawless job. We would like to thank our members for their excellent preparation, field work and sportsmanship displayed throughout the trial. And last, but certainly not least we would like to thank our NSTRA sponsors Purina, Garmin, and Dakota283. Without their gracious contributions to our hunting heritage this sport we all love would not be possible.



Runner up Sky on point



Tim Euting and Bailey



L-R: Judges Ron Becker and Ron Huels



L-R: Bird Planter Gene (Gator) Pritchett and Field Marshall Gary (Buzz) Taylor



L-R: The LST Top 6 - Champion Rob Martin with Dani, First Runner Up David (Doc) Morgan with Sky, Barry Lawler with Axl, Tad Brown with Sage, Thomas Paullus with Sunny and Michele McDonald with Pearl



2022 LST Regional Champion Rob Martin and Dani

Michigan (MI)

The Michigan Region Elimination Trial was on May 21 and 22, at Crosswind Kennel in Maybee, Michigan. The fields were beautiful (as always), and the hospitality even better! Thank you so much to Scott, Jill, and Thadd Townsend for welcoming the Michigan Region to your home. We had a wonderful set of officials for this trial; thank you to our judges Cody Echevarria & Chad Norpel from the Mid-North region, our bird handler Dion Bliss and field marshal Mike Elliot - you all did a fantastic job. Thank you to some extra special members for donating items for our fundraising auction and to the “anonymous” member who donated money towards purchasing a Benelli M2 that Mel Albright won in the raffle. Last but not least, THANK YOU to, Thadd Townsend - Michigan Region President, for putting this trial together and making it a special one for our members!

Our Open Top Ten Year End Highpoint came down to the wire between Moose/Thadd Townsend and Howi/Jamie Laraway, Moose and Thadd ended up with the honor. All the Top Ten dogs/handlers received a Carhartt Embroidered Jacket. A BIG thanks to Pat Carlson for always facilitating this, they always turn out perfect and are such a great trophy to wear with pride!

2021 – 2022 OPEN Highpoint Dog: Crosswind Shiver and Shake and Thaddeus Townsend
2021 - 2022 OPEN 1st Runner Up Highpoint Dog:
True Blue's 105 Howitzer and Jamie Laraway

Our 2021-2022 Amateur Top Ten Year End Highpoint was another neck and neck race for the finish! There were so many excellent dogs/handlers in contention, you didn't know who was going to end up with the title. The Top 5 Amateur Highpoint Dogs were awarded with embroidered Carhartt sweatshirts.

2021-2022 AMATEUR Highpoint Dog: Bucktown's Sweet Cheeks & Marty Welsh
2021-2022 AMATEUR 1st Runner Up Highpoint Dog:
HNR's Smokin' Op's & Peg Hathaway

This Region Elimination Trial was as competitive as ever, you did not get an “easy” brace – everyone showed up determined to win, that is what makes our region so great. It is important to mention that 3 of the top 6 dogs are in the first year of their careers! The final hour came around with seasoned, Crosswind Jim & Scott Townsend, and a young dog, Snickers XXVII with handler Mel Albright. It was an exciting brace to watch, and in the end, Jimmy came out on top to win the 2021-2022 Michigan Region Elimination Trial.

Saturday FIRST ROUND Placements – Awarded with placement gun cases donated by Thadd Townsend.

- 1st - True Blue's 105 Howitzer & Jamie Laraway
- 2nd – True Blue's Crosswinded Jolene & Kara Laraway
- 3rd - Crosswind Dirty Girl & Marty Welsh

Top 6 Michigan Region Elimination:

MICHIGAN REGION CHAMPION: Crosswind Jim and Scott Townsend | Final Score: 1382.5

MICHIGAN REGION 1ST RUNNER UP: Snickers XXVII and Mel Albright | Final Score: 384

MICHIGAN REGION 2ND RUNNER UP: True Blue's Crosswinded Jolene and Kara Laraway

MICHIGAN REGION 3RD RUNNER UP: Crosswind Jackson Teller and Andre Smith

MICHIGAN REGION 4TH RUNNER UP: True Blue's 105 Howitzer and Jamie Laraway

MICHIGAN REGION 5TH RUNNER UP: Crosswind Dirty Girl & Marty Welsh

All entrants & officials received in their goody bags: Purina dog food, a MI Region Sweatshirt, a custom dog collar from Dion at Red Haw Supply, and a goody from The Blueberry Store.

Huge thanks to our sponsors of this trial: Purina, Dogs Unlimited, Dakota 283, Garmin, Gun Dog Supply, Bob Bertram, Dunhams, and Tractor Supply.

Thank you to our wonderful Michigan Region Members for always showing up to win and supporting our great region. Good Luck to all in the 2022-2023 season!



Crosswind Jim

Top Performer

Mid North (MN)

32 Dogs traveled to Oakes ND to compete in 2022 Mid North Regional Trial. The Trial was held in the later part of June so everyone could participate in the National trials that were close to us this year.

This season brought much needed rain to the area and the fields held a bit more cover than normal, brought it made for an exciting trial. Our Judge this year were from Michigan, Scott Townsend and Jamie Laraway. It was wonderful having their watchful eyes following our dogs. The top 16 dogs moved into the second round. The top 6 dogs were challenged by both great cover and heat. Our astute judges keeping the dogs in constant view did a great job keeping the handlers and dogs in the Champion caliber as they all are. The top two dogs were separated from the group. Dean Goodall and Cow pie, Russ Nelson and Stella were set for the 1-hour, 10 bird brace.

Dean Goodall and Cowpie came out on top, as the 2022 Mid North Region Champions. Russ Nelson was 1st runner up with Stella, 2nd Runner up was Eldon Miller and Jack, 3rd runner-up Jason Norton and Cinco. High point for Mid north region was Dean Goodall and Fly Amateur High point was Adam Paine and River

Congratulations to all participants!

New officers were Elected, Cody Echevarria Is the New Mid North Region President. For entire list of officers see Mid North regions web page. Lead On and Congratulations!



*Cody Echevarria Region president(Top Left)
Eion Wagner Bird Planter (top right)
(bottom left to right) Russ Nelson and Stella. Dean Goodall and Cowpie*

Mid South (MS)

The Mid-south Region held it's regional elimination trial March 19, 2022 at the Pond Field trial grounds located in West Point, Tennessee which is in Lawrence County. The weather was cool and pleasant for the day.

This season we had 22 dogs qualify to run. Judges for this years trial were J.B. and Mary Kay Kunza from Silex, Missouri . Handling the bird planting duties was Ken McNabb from Bristol, Tennessee and Ed Stackens from Selmer, Tennessee was the field marshal. These guys did an outstanding job running the trial from start to finish and giving every dog and handler an equal opportunity.

A break was taken at noon to enjoy a meal that was prepared by Ms. Clariss Rochelle from Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. It was southern cooking at it's best! Thank you to Jeanette Luna for making the arrangements for this to happen.

There were some real good braces ran through out the day with the field being narrowed down to Chris Miller's Kentucky's Vice Pheasedente (Brodie) and Larry Mize's Blueridge Bubba Gump (Bubba) running in the final hour with Chris Miller's Brodie coming out on top with a strong performance.

Awards were given out following the trial to the runner-up dogs and winner Chris and Brodie. This season's High Point Open dog was Jeff Hubbard's Southern Zips Gigolo and High Point Amateur dog was Monte Luna's River's Edge Regen. Congratulations to all!!

A final word of thanks to ALL that contributed in a POSITIVE way to make our 2021-2022 season a success.





Mid West (MW)

The Mid West Regional was held May 14th & 15th at the Rock Creek Field Trial Association Grounds in Waverly Nebraska. We lucked out with fantastic weather. Forty-two dogs ran in the regional. The judges for the trial were Kevin Sprick, Bob Powers, Brad Goddard, Lori Sprick. The field marshal was Doug Embray, and James (BO) Marcum was the bird planter.

The field was ready with great cover. Each participant received rain pants, and bags of Purina ProPlan. After Saturday's competition, everyone was treated to a fantastic dinner prepared by Kim Lathrop, Aaron Hunt, Natalie Rydl and Shaun Rydl. Kim Lathrop also prepared lunches for the weekend. Everything was delicious.

Awards were given for the region's high point dog John Resa's Jill with 35 points in 2021-2022 and to the region's amateur high point dog Bruce Murphy's Ace with 28 points in 2021-2022.

The region member also had the annual meeting where they selected winners for the following awards:

Judge of the Year – Frank Downs

Sportsman of the year – Rodney Phipps

Eric Carlson Award – Bill Sumpter

The top 4 dogs advancing to Sunday were:

1. Phipps Morning Sunshine – Rodney Phipps (1050.75)
2. Moonshines Magical Mia – Michael Rost (1045.5)
3. Buckville's Smokin Carp – Handled by Bruce Murphy and owned by Jacquelin Schlarbaum (964.2)
4. Sooner Reba - Shaun Rydl (900)

The other dogs advancing are listed below in no particular order:

Phipps Rollin On, Rodney Phipps
Resa's Mohawk Maggie, John Resa
Fort Raz Ma Taz, Bill Sumpter
Wisconsin Badger Wrestling, Jim Haines
Resa's Mohawk's Jill, John Resa
Call Me Mr. Gibbs, Frank Downs, M.D.
Sooner Reba, Shaun Rydl
Copperhead's Shotgun Ryder, David Paitz
Buzzard Roost Blackface, Shaun Rydl
Rising Sun Bucks Ace, Bruce Murphy
Huntsman's Mighty Morgan, Aaron Hunt
Phipps Headliner, Rodney Phipps
Jazzmanian Devil Dot, Michael Rost
Koda Bear Rusty's Bullet, Aaron Hunt
Sage Of The Prairie, Katie Jolliff
Moonshines Imperial Jade, Michael Rost
C And M's Red Label, Bill Sumpter
Lady Skipper, Shaun Rydl
Shiner Creek Hotshot, Eric Bowen
Pulling A Duffy, Robert Dalager

In round 4, the top 6 dogs were:

1. Resa's Mohawk's Jill
2. Moonshines Magical Mia
3. Phipps Morning Sunshine
4. Phipps Headliner
5. Sooner Reba
6. Fort Raz Ma Taz

After a rest, Mia & Jill were off the line for the final. After the hour was up, Mia came out on top with a score of 1199.5 against Jill's score of 884.

Final placements were:

Moonshines Magical Mia- Champion
Resa's Mohawk's Jill- 1st runner-up
Phipps Morning Sunshine- 2nd runner-up
Phipps Headliner- 3rd runner-up

David Paitz and Todd Hendrix gave awards: Purina ProPlan dog food, Garmin Sport Pro collar, Dakota feed & water, and Montana Silversmith belt bucket.

Thanks to everyone that helped make this regional a success!

A very BIG thanks to our sponsors Purina Pro Plan, Garmin, Dakota, Montana Silversmith.



Bill Sumpter and Taz 5th runner up



Bill Sumpter and Taz ready for take off



Eric Carlson Award, Bill Sumpter_Judge of the Year, Frank Downs_Sportsman of the Year, Rodney Phipps



Guy Fisher and Sky with a retrieve



Guy Fisher holding Sky for a back



Jim Haines flushing



Final 6



John Resa Flushing for Jill



John Resa and Jill 1st runner up



John Resa and Jill at the line for the final hour



Kim Lathrop and Dave Lathrop keeping things moving behind the scenes



Mike Rost and Mia on retrieve



Mike Rost and Mia ready to take off for the final hour



Mike Rost_s Mia on point



Rod Phipps Flushing for Heddy



Moonshines Magical Mia-Champion



Rod Phipps and Heddy 3rd runner up



*Rod Phipps handling Sunny 2nd runner up
Owned by Finn Garton*



Rodney Phipps and Heddy on retrieve



Shaun Rydl and Reba 4th runner up



The Final Six handlers in the blind

Missouri/Kansas (MOKAN)

The 2022 Missouri Kansas Regional Trial was held on April 23 and April 24, 2022 in Sterling Kansas on the grounds owned by Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Kopfmann. We wish to thank Kyle and Annie for the use of their grounds.

We also wish to thank the bird planter, Bo Marcum and judges Dave Lathrop and Robert Incontro for their fine work.

A total of twenty-eight dogs competed Saturday. Fourteen dogs and handlers were brought back Sunday morning for seven elimination braces. The final six dogs and their handlers then ran Sunday afternoon.

The top six dogs from round two were: Skipper's Kentucky Bo handled by Mark Gillespie, Moniteaus Ozark Paladin handled by Lonnie Jones, Hop's Ellie get your gun handled by John Hopkins, Wizbang Magic's Lizzy handled by Mike Bromley, Rail's Offlee Amazin Ace handled by Dave Gladow, and Kyle's Prairie Fire Charlie

Hop's Ellie Get Your Gun and Moniteaus Ozark Paladin qualified for the final hour brace. Each dog was credited with 5 birds and 5 retrieves. This final hour brace was one of the most exciting and closest in recent memory.

The final results were as follows:

- 1st Moniteaus Ozark Paladin and Lonnie Jones 983 points
- 2nd Hop's Ellie Get Your Gun and John Hopkins with 921.5 points
- 3rd Skipper's Kentucky Bo and Mark Gillespie 461.5 points
- 4th Rail's Offlee Amazin Ace and Dave Gladow with 461 points

Thanks to everyone who made our Regional a success.



final hour dogs handlers and judges



Final 6



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Northern California/Nevada (NCN)

This years NCN Regional Elimination trial was held at the Green Gulch Ranch in Vinton California, with top honors for the weekend going to Skedaddle Warpaint (Tucker) owned and handled by Deric Fletcher. First Runner up was Crosswind's Conspire to Ignite Sage Mountain (Rocket) owned and handled by Sara Thorne. The second runner up was Lyon's Intrepid Trooper (Trooper) owned and handled by Bruce Lyon and the third runner up was Crosswind Trucking Nevada (Jaeger) owned by Cody Hight, handled by Ritchie Hight. Sincere thank you to Mike Smith and Paul Schneider from the NW Region for doing an excellent job judging the Regional.

Mike Smith



Skedaddle Warpaint (Tucker)

Northern Illinois (NI)

We had to postpone our regional till mid-June due to a shortage of birds, but were fortunate to have mid 80s for temperature for our trial.

When the dust cleared, two familiar faces were pitted against each other in the final hour. Romeo Ramushi and his English Setter, Hondo, and Rodger Robak with his Vizsla, Maci, went back and forth working the heavy cover of our trial grounds.

When time was called, Maci (K-Tia's Prairie Storm) was declared the winner. We would like to thank Jim Kroeschel and Phil Chandler for judging, Zach Norman for bird planting, and Purina and Garmin for their sponsorship.





K-TIA'S PRARIE STORM(Maci)



North West (NW)

The 2022 Northwest Regional was held on May 21 and 22 back at the Burlington Ranch in beautiful Chewelah, WA. The weather was amazing the whole weekend. We thank the Burlington's for being able to accommodate us. We also thank Frank Rowe and Ritchie Hight (Southern Cal) for driving north to Judge for us and Samantha Hight for serving as Field Marshal. And so much can be said about the exceptional work done by our Bird Planters Brodie and Brayden Davis (NW). You will read about their work soon. Also, much thanks to the Stotts clan for organization, equipment and providing meals for the weekend. And thanks to everyone else who pitched in. It really takes a Region to make this event happen.

Due to an extremely last-minute change in field locations on the property we had one of the most unique Bird Planting/Judging scenarios in Northwest trial history. Most of the field we had to use was new alfalfa that the landowner did not want ATV's driving through. That forced the judges to basically drive the grassy perimeter and peninsulas of grass poking into the alfalfa to keep the dogs in sight. They did their duty in getting off their bikes when necessary to watch the dogs and handlers and backed each other up constantly and with the assistance of the Field Marshall to see all the action. It was a very effective use of radios. Not to be outdone, the Bird Planters came up with an effective system to plant about two thirds of the field on foot. They did a fantastic job of spreading the birds around the entire weekend and kept the pace of planting such that no one could discern any time delay from a "normal" trial. Not enough can be written about all their efforts.

For Saturday we had 26 dogs entered. Our handlers with ATV variances were at a disadvantage but one did move a dog on to Sunday. Fourth place was Fritzi (GSP, Dan McMahon). Third was George (EP, Mike Smith) who was running in his retirement trial (George not Mike). Second was the very competitive and stylish relative newcomer Fame (LS, Donaye Smith). Coming in First was Stella (ES, Mike Stotts, Jr.) who was continuing an amazing run over the last 12 months. We took 16 dogs forward to Sunday.

Saturday night we had the Region business meeting where we elected a new President and VP for the next two years (Mike Stotts Jr and Mike Ouchida respectively) and appointed Gary Thompson to serve as Treasurer for the next year. We also handed out our annual awards. Region High Point: Stella (ES, Mike Stotts Jr, 17 Points), Region Amateur High Point: Noonan (Pudelpointer, Daryl Pernat, 20 points) Daryl and all his dogs were first time member this season. Sportsman of the Year: Dennis Ganger.

From the first eight braces on a beautiful Sunday morning, we moved 6 dogs forward to the semi-finals. After running the next 3 braces to determine 4th through 6th place we had in 6th Annie (ES, Cameron Cole). 5th place was Junior (EP, Bryon Davis). Coming in 4th was Haily (ES, Nelson Banuelos). In 3rd place was Purdy (ES, Mike Stotts Jr.) That left George (EP, Mike Smith) and Stella (ES, Mike Stotts Jr) to compete for first and second.

After an hour break of cleaning the field of leftover quail, making sure the handlers and all the trial officials knew the expanded boundaries and no-drive zones, George and Stella set off for the Final Hour. The first find was almost right off the start line, so the gallery had a good view of that action but soon the dogs and handlers separated into different zones of the field. The spectators kept as good a track of the action as they could. In the end it was Stotts Skipping Stella with 5-5 and a back (1064.5) and Attaboy George with 5-4 and a back (962.5). An amazing end of a trial career for George. He gets to just hunt now and hopefully he will see some of his pups do well in NSTRA. And what an exceptional trial year for Stella and Mike Stotts Jr. Champion of the 2021 Purina Endurance Classic, Region High Point and Region Elimination Champion. And in a short time she will see if she can repeat at the 2022 Purina Endurance Classic.



**North West Regional Winner
Stotts Skipping Stella
Owner Mike Stotts Jr**



Ohio (OH)

The Ohio Region held its 41st Regional Elimination trial at Mahoney Farms in Marysville, Ohio. We were fortunate to have experienced judges Greg Cole and JW Collins from the Kentucky region along with Barry Gates and Michael Elliott from the Michigan region and our Kentucky Region Bird Planter, Brian Boals. It was a competitive field of dogs and handlers all weekend. After the first day of competition in the Qualifying rounds, the top twelve dogs from both fields advanced to Sunday.

Placements Saturday A Field:

- 1st Louie - Todd Craven
- 2nd BoBo - Gary Rhein
- 3rd Ruger - Jeff Porco+++

Placements Saturday B Field:

- 1st Sinsy - Tom Rotundo
- 2nd Max - Richard Motz
- 3rd Billy - Gary Rhein (Billy earned 1x Champion)

Saturday evening was our annual awards banquet. We also used this opportunity to hold our raffles to help support the region. Thanks to everyone that contributed; we raised over \$2000!

Following dinner, Region President John Gillespie presented region awards.

- Handler of the Year- Jesse Trimble
- Sportsperson of the Year - Kathy Craven
- Judge of the Year - Dennis Jones
- Most Improved Dog - MC's Charity Man Roscoe

- Open High Point Dog of the Year TC's Chairman of the Board - Todd Craven
- Runner-up Ruck's Brockway Twist- Tom Rotundo
- 2nd Runner-up Porco's Solid Rock Rocky - Jeff Porco
- 3rd Runner-up TC's Miss Big - Todd Craven
- 4th Runner-up Ruger Inferno Sunrise - Jeff Porco

- Amateur High Point Dog of the Year Rhoades Woods Dixie - Tim Rhoades
- Runner-up Wills Mountain Skye - Don Stir
- 2nd Runner-up T's Ikaros Whorfo Bethany - Deb Hronek
- 3rd Runner-up Mulberry's Smokin Riley - Gary Rhein
- 4th Runner-up MC's Charity Man Roscoe - John Gillespie

The Ohio Region established the "Ohio Region NSTRA Hall of Fame" to pay tribute to the exceptional performance of long tenured dogs, and their owners. This year at our awards banquet the following dogs were inducted: Woolum's Have Mercy owned and handled by Randy Woolum, Howard's Ramblin Blue Dakota owned and handled by Rod Howard, Killbuck Elhew Kansas owned and handled by Mike Akey, Mahoney's Sadie Warhoop and Mahoney's Right Tish both owned and handled by Jim Mahoney.

Sunday was an exciting day of trialing with tough competition all day. The final six dogs battling for a chance at region championship:

- Deuce - Scott Joachimi
- Tilly - Gary McIntosh handler John Gillespie
- Billy - Gary Rhein
- Boss - Todd Craven
- Skeeter - Ron Simmons
- Sinsy - Tom Rotundo

The two dogs earning the right to the Final Hour were veteran 10-year-old MC's Waltzing Matilda owned by Gary McIntosh, handled by John Gillespie and Double Nickels, Deuce owned and handled by Scott Joachimi. At the end of the hour Deuce and Scott won the brace 829 to 628! Scott & Deuce were awarded

a trophy, 225lbs. of Purina Pro Plan, a Dakota 283 dog water bowl, Garmin GPS collar, custom belt buckle from Montana Silversmith, and a painting of Deuce from artist Larry Costigan. Congratulations Scott & Deuce on an outstanding showing.



*Ohio Regional Winner Double Nickels
Owner Scott Joachimi*



Rocky Mountain (RM)

The 2021/2022 Rocky Mountain NSTRAR Regional Championship was held on May 14th and 15th at Steel Fork Pheasants North Field, in Rush, Colorado. Roxanne and David Dowers judged for us, and Travis Holmbeck traveled to Colorado from Nebraska to be our bird planter. Kevin Creeden was our field marshal, and Kit Brown kept score and kept everyone in line.

Special thanks to Andy and Bayley Taylor for allowing us to use Steel Fork's fields and for setting those fields up with plenty of water tubs, as well as to Amanda Tangeman for preparing lunches.

On Saturday twenty six dogs and their owners participated in round 1 of our regional, sending fourteen dogs into round 2. We had our annual meeting spread out under tents in camp chairs, where we confirmed that Kit Brown would replace Jim Graver as treasurer and Bayle Taylor was confirmed as a board member, both until May of 2023. Mark Pace and Kevin Creeden were elected to our board for two more years. There was a 4-way tie for High-Point Dog between the following dogs:

- Black Forest Libby - Owned and handled by Chris Cooperrider
- Black Wolf's Honey Bear - Owned by Marie "Kit" Brown and handled by Kevin Creeden/Randy Tangeman
- Steel Fork Baymax - Owned and handled by Andy Taylor
- Windsong SB Purple Sage - Owned and handled by Chuck Pedersen

Results of the Round 1 Regional Qualifying Round were:

- 1st place: George's Tip Top Toby (Toby)/George Brook 843.5
- 2nd place: Windsong SB Purple Sage (Sage)/Chuck Pedersen 780.6
- 3rd place: Black Forest Addie (Addie)/Chris Cooperrider 749
- 4th place: Weathered Stone's Russell (Russell)/Alan Higham 706.5

Sunday started out as a much nicer day, and the competition was fierce.

Round 2 Results

- Weathered Stone's Flint (Flint)/Alan Higham 713
- Black Forest Doc Holiday (Doc)/Mark Pace 647.5 H
- P Duke (Duke)/David Duchesneau 589.5
- Weathered Stone's Russell (Russell)/Alan Higham 502.5
- TC's I'm Frankie Too (Frankie)/Alan Higham 479.5
- CJ's Autumn Duchess of Kallie (Duchess)/CJ Kausel 478

After the third round the following regional placements were determined:

- 3rd place: CJ's Autumn Duchess of Kallie (Duchess)/CJ Kausel
- 4th place: Black Forest Doc Holiday (Doc)/Mark Pace
- 5th place: TC's I'm Frankie Too (Frankie)/Alan Higham
- 6th place: Weathered Stone's Russell (Russell)/Alan Higham

Weathered Stone's Flint (Flint)/Alan Higham and H P Duke (Duke)/David Duchesneau moved onto round 4, making for a very exciting final round. Both dogs and handlers covered the field well, and Frankie/Alan took the championship 801 to 539.



*Weathered Stone's Flint call name Flint Owner
Alan Higham*

Southern California (SC)

By: Mitch Prowse

We would like to begin by saying thank you to some of many of those outside of our region who helped us get to this point. First and foremost is Cindy Hervey. If not for Cindy, there is absolutely no way we would have held all the dbl/dbl trials we had for the last 3-4 years while ramping up our judging bench as she judged 1-2 days. And if not for John Hervey or Dale Ikuta Cindy wouldn't have been able to make it. Several times we wouldn't have had a trial if not for a call to Ginger Rogers who rallied the 4 legged troops to come over from Arizona. Last but not least was Nance Ceccarelli who has always been incredibly knowledgeable and available for all of our needs.

This years weather was fairly cooperative, but more importantly we didn't encounter injuries or snakes. It was very exciting to have 3 handlers who had never made it to the final 6, of which one of them John Goit Jr made it to the final hour with Cody. We were extremely blessed with excellent officials end to end with Brian Rebello and CJ Hamilton from AZ -Judging, Jenny Tomlin and Timm Cleaver Marshalling, and Ron Knesal Bird Planting. This crew did such an amazing job making this trial run smoothly without delays.



Here are our 2022 Regional Winners:

1st – Mitch Prowse (DragonPoint Turbo Charged Rascal)

2nd - John Goit Jr (Moonshines Cody)

3rd – Lisa McNamee (LCM's Kognac)

4th – Sarah Bullock (Windy Sage High Roller)

5th – Jordan Prowse (Jagermisters Athena)

6th – Mitch Prowse (DragonPoint Bad News Viper)



Here are the 2022 High Point Winners

- 1st – Jordan Prowse (Jagermistars Athena)*
- 2nd - Mitch Prowse (DragonPoint Turbo Charged Rascal)*
- 3rd – Kyle Tomlin (LCM's Nala)*



*2022 Regional Winner
DragonPoint Turbo Charged Rascal
Mitch Prowse*

South Carolina Region (SCR)

The 2022 South Carolina Regional was a wonderful weekend for trialing with the perfect weather conditions. The grounds were phenomenal as always we are very lucky to have these tremendous trialing grounds for our growing region. Thank you to the Turner Family for providing them. The grounds would not be groomed to their beauty without the hard work of Billy Moore and Paige Lee and many other of our dedicated members! And the place would be silent without Doc Ramsey.

Noah K Sheriff

FINAL HOUR: MARK CLORE - Gracie
TYLER CLORE- Bristol

Top six: 1st Pl., Gracie Mark Clore
2nd Pl., Bristol Tyler Clore
3rd Pl., Ben Noah Sheriff
4th Pl., Rickey Renegar strike
5th Pl., Rickey Renegar Casey
6th Pl., Zack RB Garrett

Congratulations to Gracie and Mark Clore for winning the SCR regional
and to the others who finished in the top six:

1st Pl., Gracie Mark Clore
2nd Pl., Bristol Tyler Clore
3rd Pl., Ben Noah Sheriff
4th Pl., Rickey Renegar strike
5th Pl., Rickey Renegar Casey
6th Pl., Zack RB Garrett

And a huge thank you To Kyle Taylor and Ted Purdie for judging
And to our outstanding bird handler Nick Mitchell



*South Carolina Regional Winner Sam's Freigheit How Sweet The Sound call name Gracie
Owner Mark Clore*

Utah (UT)



For the Utah region of NSTRA it has been a very successful but challenging season at times for us. We had more trials planned for this season than ever before, and it would be tough to pull off a successful season. We would deal with bird issues where we would have contracted birds die, we would have our biggest trial Best of the West get cancelled due to the Avian Influenza going around. We were presented with challenges all year long. However, we forged ahead and had one of the best seasons our region has ever seen.

It was May 14th, 2022, and it was time to gather for our year end trial where we would crown our new champion for the 21-22' season. The trial would be held at our famous grounds just northeast of the town of Newton, UT. We invited our National Officer Nance Ceccarelli and her husband Paul to come down and judge the trial for us, we cannot express our gratitude enough for their willingness to do so. It was an honor and pleasure to have them come down and join us for a great trial.

As tradition would have it, this trial would prove to be a long, hot, and windy day. This year was no different as the conditions would be changing throughout most of the day, which would make it a challenge for the dogs. This is an invitation only trial which makes a very competitive event with great dogs and handlers showing great dog work and sportsmanship. As the sun began to peak over the mountains to the east of Cache Valley the trial was underway, each handler was hoping to have a good enough run to make it to the next round.

ROUND 1

In the first brace of the first round, we would have Jared Haddock and his 2X NSTRA Champion Brittany Boone have a run finding 4 birds and a final score of 753.5. This would set the bar high for the rest of the field to follow throughout the day. In the second brace of the day, we would have another great run from the defending champion Bret Wonnacott and his setter Snaps. Snaps would find 4 birds throughout the brace that would give him and Bret a final score of 828. The hot streak would continue early on as Cade Allen and his 1X NSTRA Champion Brittany Bo would also find 4 birds in their brace that would end with a great score of 813.5 and be good enough to have them move into the next round. In brace 5 Dennis Haggard and his Drahthaar Yash would show us what a great bird finder Yash can be. They would produce 4 birds and

finish with a score of 768.33 to secure their place in the top 6. Brace 7 would have Lance Hansen and his shorthair Rip put 3 birds on the card that would give them a final score of 636, this would prove enough to have them just make it in the top 6 and move on. Brace 8 we would have longtime player Art Trujillo and his amazing dog Hank have the run of the day in the opening round by finding 4 birds as well as having a back off their bracemate. Their final score was 886.66 to secure **first place** in the opening round.

After round 1 here is your top 6 placements with 1st through 3rd pictured:

- 1st Place – Hank/Art Trujillo
- 2nd Place – Snaps/Bret Wonnacott
- 3rd Place – Bo/Cade Allen
- 4th Place – Yash/Dennis Haggard
- 5th Place – Boone/Jared Haddock
- 6th Place – Rip/Lance Hansen



ROUND 2

After round 1 was complete we took a quick break for lunch and to complete the draw for the Semi-final round. The draw for the next round would be as follows:

- 1-Hank/Art Trujillo
- 1-Boone/Jared Haddock

- 2-Snaps/Bret Wonnacott
- 2-Rip/Lance Hansen

- 3-Yash/Dennis Haggard
- 3-Bo/Cade Allen

After the break we would start the next round with Art and Hank running against Jared and Boone. Both dogs broke away with great desire and stamina that was needed to continue and win this trial. Hank was able to locate 2 birds and have great scores. They would lead to a final score of 476. Boone would locate 1 bird and get a back off Hank that would end their bid with a score of 309.

Next brace would be our defending champion Snaps and Bret trying to repeat as our region champ. They would run against Rip and Lance who were hoping for a great run. Snaps had 2 finds in the brace that would give him a score of 480.5. Rip would also find 2 birds but was also able to have a back off Snaps that would prove to be the difference in the brace. Their final score was 533.

The last brace of the Semi-final round would be longtime buddies Dennis and Cade going head-to-head to see if they could make it into that final round. Bo would have 2 finds and a back off Yash for a final score of 511. Yash would tear up the field and find 4 birds to secure a place in the final with a score of 726.5, congrats Dennis and Yash.

Once the scores were tallied up it was clear that the two top scores by Rip and Lance and Dennis and Yash would prove to be enough to have them move on to the final hour-long championship for crown the regional winner.

Lance or Dennis had never had the opportunity to make it this far before, it was fun to see and watch. The final brace would be a grueling hour in tough conditions. There would be 10 birds placed in the field and whichever dog could come out with the highest score would be declared the winner.

Here are the scores after round 2:

Yash/Dennis Haggard – 726.5
Rip/Lance Hansen – 533
Bo/Cade Allen – 511
Snaps/Bret Wonnacott – 480.5
Hank/Art Trujillo – 476
Boone/Jared Haddock – 309

The final hour was set between Dennis and Yash and Lance and Rip. It would be a tough hour in tough conditions with dogs and handlers that were spent.



The field was set with new boundaries to open it up to around 60-70 acres, this would take every bit of energy both dogs would have to cover the field and find birds. The field was then planted with 10 birds, Dennis and Lance stepped to the line to try one last time to give it everything they had and take home the championship.



Both dogs broke away from the line with renewed energy and vigor to give the best performance they could give. As both dogs covered the field each dog would start off with a find. They would then continue to head

to the far corners of the field where each dog would again produce a bird. As time went on throughout the brace the conditions seemed impossible to overcome and birds were scarce. As time ran out both dogs and handlers made their way back to the gallery not knowing who had put more birds on the card. The judges handed the score cards to the marshal's knowing that it was going to be a very close score. In fact, it was so close that we thought there may be a chance it would end in a tie and there would need to be a sudden death run-off.

As the scores were added up it still was not clear who may be the winner, both handlers shook hands and knew they had given it everything they had. Maureen gathered everyone to make the final announcement of the winner. She would let everyone know that this was the closest score we had ever seen as a region. The winner and runner-up were separated by 2 points which left everyone in shock.

As Maureen made the official announcement to the gallery it was official. Lance Hansen and High West Super Sonic Rip – “Rip” is your 2022 Utah Regional Champions!!

Congrats to Lance and Rip and especially Dennis and Yash for one heck of a final hour.

There were two great accomplishments that came out of that final hour, Rip had won the Regional and Yash had earned enough points to become a NSTRA Champion. Congrats to the both of you for such a great end to our season!



**2022 UTAH REGION CHAMPION
HIGH WEST SUPER SONIC RIP
“RIP”
OWNED AND HANDLED BY: LANCE HANSEN**

Here is your final 6 in order:

- 1st Place – Rip/Lance Hansen
- 1st Runner-up – Yash/Dennis Haggard
- 2nd Runner-up – Bo/Cade Allen
- 3rd Runner-up – Snaps/Bret Wonnacott
- 4th Runner-up – Hank/Art Trujillo
- 5th Runner-up – Boone/Jared Haddock



Thank you to everyone in our region for help making this a season we will never forget. Thanks to all those that judged, chaired a trial, help plant birds, provide lunches and food. This region is what it is because of our members, we have the best little region in the sport, and we are proud of what we have built in Utah. We look forward to the future of this sport in our area and region. Thanks to everyone for your patience as we struggled with bird issues and planning at times, we have learned and grown over this season and the future looks bright! See you all next year!!

Utah Region Presidency & Board

Virginia (VA)

The Virginia Regional Trial was held on April 8th, 9th and 10th on the grounds of Cripple Creek Gun and Bird Dog Club.

The weather was beautiful from start to finish, and memories were made each day. On Friday, the Regional Open began with 32 dogs competing in preparation for Saturday. Friday's Placements were: 1st place - Cripple Creek's Mighty Casey "Case," handled by Jody Bass; 2nd place - Whiskey River's Chocklett Mocha "Coco," handled by Eddie Chocklett; and 3rd place went to Holly Grove's Dilemma "Nelly," handled by Alden Winslow.

Friday night, after the games of the day were over and all the cooking was done, the members got together for our Regional Banquet. Before the food was served, which included beef tenderloins donated by Jimmy Kirkman, and all the sides cooked by a handful of club members, everyone placed their votes for the awards to be given. Those award winners were included: Most Improved Handler - Josh Raynor; Most Improved Dog - On Point Finaddict "Finn," handled by Ryan Kennedy; Handler of the Year - Roger Manus; Dog of the Year - Buzz, handled by Jody Bass; and the Slash Award - Matthew Bass. The highlight of the night was the first two Virginia NSTRA Hall of Fame awards were presented to Fred Giesecker and Randy Fairfield (not pictured). Throughout the banquet, members bid in a silent auction for a framed pheasant, which was donated by Jim Warner. The night ended with the High Points Championship trophy being awarded to Jody Bass and Cripple Creek's In Al's Honor, "Buzz" for the third year in a row.

Saturday morning, the Top 28 dogs of the region stepped up to compete for one of the 16 placements on Sunday. The competition was strong, and the handlers meant business. The placements at the end of the day were as follows: 1st place - Cripple Creek's Mighty Casey "Case," handled by Jody Bass; 2nd place - Berg Brothers Gary, handled by Matthew Bass, and owned by Jim Warner; 3rd place - In Al's Honor "Buzz," handled by Jody Bass.

Sunday started with the top 16 dogs and an exciting completion. After eight intense braces our top six placements went to: 1st place - Cripple Creek's Mighty Casey "Case," handled by Jody Bass; 2nd place Whiskey River's Carolina Dixie Rocket "Dixie," handled by Eddie Chocklett; 3rd place - On Point Finaddict "Finn," handled by Ryan Kennedy; 4th place, Holly Grove's Hurricane Isabel "Izzy," handled by Brent Winslow, 5th place, Berg Brothers Gary, handled by Matthew Bass and owned by Jim Warner; 6th place, In Al's Honor "Buzz," handled by Jody Bass.

After the three braces, we had our top two dogs: Whiskey River's Chocklett Mocha "Coco," handled by Eddie Chocklett, and Cripple Creek's Mighty Casey "Case," handled by Jody Bass. The final hour began with quick work from both competitors on their first birds, with all 10 birds being carded in less than 30 minutes. Both pairs continued to work the field for the remainder of the last 30 minutes. In the end, Case and Jody prevailed with 6-6 and a back, while Eddie and CoCo gave them a run for their money with 4-4. Congratulations to both competitors for a great competition.

A special "Thank You" to our judges, Shane Mitchell and Glenn Blackwell, who provided competitors with amazing judging throughout the weekend, and Nick Mitchell, who managed to bird plant perfectly each day. We appreciate them coming from the Eastern North Carolina Region to help us out.

From dog running to food eating and every minute in between, we had an amazing weekend. Thank you to everyone who helped make the Virginia Regional what it was.



Virginia NSTR Hall of Fame Inductee, Fred Gieseke



Virginia NSTR Hall of Fame Inductee, Randy Fairfield (not pictured)



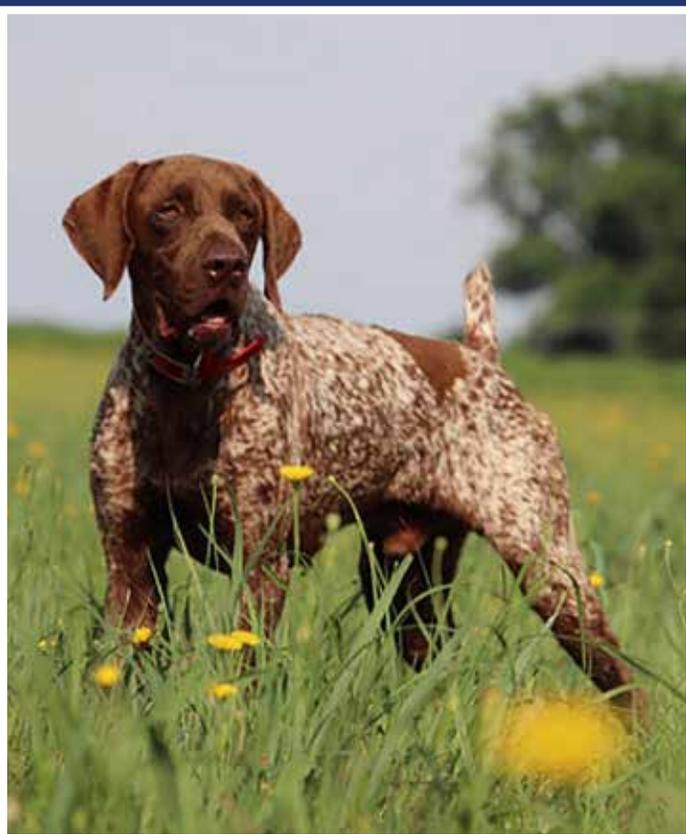
Regional Open's Top 3



Saturday's Top 3



- Sunday's Top 6



REGIONAL CHAMPION Cripple Creek's Mighty Casey "Case"



Handler of the Year, Roger Manus (left), presented by Jody Bass (right)



Slash Award, presented by Jody Bass (left), to Matthew Bass (right)



Dog of the Year Award, presented to Jody Bass for Cripple Creek's In Al's Honor "Buzz"



MOST IMPROVED HAND - Most Improved Handler Award, presented by Jody Bass (left), to Josh Raynor (right)



MOST IMPROVED DOG - Most Improved Dog Award, presented to Ryan Kennedy (right) for On Point's Finaddict "Finn" by Jody Bass (left)



HIGH POINTS - High Points Championship Award, presented by Mark Armand (left), to Jody Bass (right)



Jody Bass with Case

West Texas/Oklahoma (WTO)

The newly combined regions of WTX and Oklahoma, now referred to as WTO, held the first Combined Regional Elimination Championship April 9-10, 2022, at the Teks Kennels grounds in Winters, Texas. The weather was exceptionally warm, dry, and windy resulting in a very low humidity.

Thirty-two dogs were drawn for this inaugural event. Judges Jeremy Cloud, Bo Nutt, and Bird handler Timothy String joined us all the way from Arkansas and were on the field and ready for the trial to begin at 7:30. As always Field Marshall Brenda Barr had the handlers in the blind ready for the competition to begin.

The morning braces and cooler temperatures was a recipe for some nice and plentiful bird work. However, as the day moved along the wind picked up and temperatures eventually rose to the mid 90's making the scenting more difficult.

At the end of the day on Saturday, the top scoring 16 dogs would advance to Sunday morning for the next round of qualification. After all the qualifying runs two dogs remained in the hunt for the Title of Regional Champion. Those dogs were Sir Jethro Blu owned by Gary Morris and handled by Nathan Tekell, and Barr's Mister Orb owned and handled by Wes Barr.

Due to the heat, Wes and Nathan chose to wait most of the full hour before beginning the finals. During the waiting period the fields were cleaned thoroughly, and the judges got to cool off and relax.

The hour final started right between the two fields that had been opened up and cleaned for the final run. After a grueling hour in the West Texas heat Barr's Mister Orb prevailed as Regional Champion.

Champion Barr's Mister Orb owned/Handled by Wes Barr

1st R.U. Sir Jethro Blu owned By Gary Morris and handled by Nathan Tekell

2nd R.U. Whizbang's Black Rose owned/handled by Chad Mantz

3rd R.U. 4-RS Royal Raider owned/handled by Dale Roberts

Saturday evening a banquet was held to recognize Our dogs for the past trial season accomplishments and an auction and fun times to benefit the region.

High Point honors HK's Knockin at the Door owned by Dale Roberts
R.U. High Point 4-RS Royal Raider owned by Dale Roberts

WTO also has as **special Derby Dog award and that went to Rockin G's Rebel owned by John George.** The trial officials did an exceptional and much appreciated job. A great deal of thanks to judges Jeremy Cloud and Bo Nutt, bird handler Timothy String, and Field Marshall Brenda Barr. And above all and BIG thank-you to Teresa and Nathan Tekell for hosting. Their graciousness and work are always above and beyond.



Start of the Final Hour



Orb first find in the hour Jethro backing



WTO High point Knox and RU High Point Raider



WTO High point Knox and RU High Point Raider



Regional Winner Barr's Mister Orb with judges Bo Nutt and Jeremy Cloud. Bird Handler Tim String



Wisconsin (WI)



Wisconsin Winner Cronin's Irish Whiskey call name Jameson Owner Ryan Cronin

1st Runner up - Vladimir - Kevin Brien

2nd Runner up - Finn - Shane Tinton

3rd Runner up - Ruby - Roger Hojnacki

4th Runner up - Buster - Clark Williams

5th Runner up - Jon - John Holder

Field Marshall - Tina Rickert

Bird Planter - Bryan Camper

Judges - Rick Bertinetti & Russ Taylor

IN MEMORIAM

Tommy “Gunner” Barrett

Northern California Nevada Region
August 30, 1952 - July 25, 2022



**As the sun gently rises, we prepare
As the temperature slowly starts to
climb, we prepare
As the frosty mist comes off the
grasses, we prepare
As the song birds start their morning
flight, we prepare
As we watch the morning migration,
we prepare
As I gaze upon the grass covered
slopes, we prepare
As we run our dogs and check the
morning breezes, we prepare
As I slowly sip my morning coffee,
we prepare
As I lace up my boots, we prepare
As we sit patiently awaiting the call,
we prepare
As we head to the line, we prepare.**

Tom was a very important and loved member; folks have really struggled with his loss of life. He prepared himself for his passing, he prepared his family and effects, he prepared for the care of his dogs, and prepared his friends as well as HE could. However, as we all know, preparation gives us a framework for “dealing” but does not necessarily address the depths of loss. We cannot predict how much we will feel this aspect of life. This weekend, many NW and NCN members are remembering Tom during a trial at a new spot in Goldedale Wash.

The Beginning



In the South, not many years ago, before MacDonalds and franchises made everything plain, white bread vanilla throughout the entire country, almost every male child hunted with dad or granddad. In my case, it was big game in Alaska. We shot Ptarmigan, but with a .22 for the camp pot. Some boys grew up chasing rabbits with Beagles, some squirrels with anything that would bark. A few would be lucky enough to hunt Bobwhites over bird dogs. A fortunate few would hunt birds behind well-bred setters and pointers. I know many bird hunters, now. I am always fascinated by their story. How did they come to a life of bird dogs and bird hunting?

In my case, I started bird hunting on Sept. 3, 1990. My wife handed me a little, liver Brittany male. Rocket. At the time, I was hunting deer on a 2000 ac. lease just west of Roberta, GA. That fall, the timber company clearcut the land, leaving the hardwoods in the creek bottoms. All the deer hunters in the lease departed, except for two of us. Essentially, for the next 4-5 years, I had my own 2000 ac. quail plantation. A few years, I had to pay double the membership just to save the lease. Double amounted to \$1400. That was a considerable amount in 1992. Somehow, the money arrived.

Rocket and I learned to bird hunt together. I was an awful shot, and he was certainly no high-bred dog, being bought out of the local paper "Hunting Dog" section. But we managed to bring home birds nearly every hunt. We had the coveys named, and we stopped shooting them when only 8 birds flushed.

I remember huge coveys of 20+ birds. I remember days when my shooting was spectacular. But I remember more days when I stood with two smoking barrels and Rocket looking disgusted. One day, after whiffing 15 birds in the Cemetery Covey, Rocket took off on a search for the downed bird and disappeared. I called him and listened for his bell/beeper. Finally, I spied him trotting down the red clay road halfway back to the truck. I figured it was time to go home anyway. Dogs know many things about you. They love you. But they really don't like working all day for nothing.

I went through several guns in the beginning. I still have them all, but some are worse for the wear. I bought a 12 ga. humpback, Browning, Belgian-made, A-5 in a pawn shop for \$200. It had a Cutts compensator on it, and a little bit of rust. Then, I bought a sweet LeFever 20 ga. from a pawn shop and shot it until a friend gave me some "hot reloads" for the final hour run in the Georgia Region Championships in 2001. The gun basically came apart. Somewhere in there, I fell in love with the perfect gun. In yet another pawn shop, the owner had a little double for sale on consignment. It was \$2500. Since I was at that time without any parental supervision, I visited my bank and took out a signature loan, and drove back to that pawn shop to claim my 1912 A.H.Fox AE grade 20 ga. If a man could love an object, this gun was it for me. She's perfect. Other guns appeared, but the 20 bore seemed to suit me. Now, I tote a bespoke Italian-made 28 ga. I may miss a bird or three, but I feel good doing it.

Two years later, I bought a little Setter female for Rocket. Ruby. She might have been my best bird dog ever, even though I didn't know it at the time. Rocket, Ruby, and I would hunt over 55 days a year on the lease. Then, we would field trial (NSTRA) every trial we could. We did that for many years.

The bird lease was 1 1/2 hours from my house. I would leave in time to get there just before light, and I would leave after dark to go home. I never did spend the night there, and now I wonder why I didn't. The drives down to hunt never seemed long, but the death marches back up, at night, dead tired, were exercises in endurance. One morning, as I was driving through the last small town prior to the lease, before light, I drew the attention of the local constabulary. The blue lights directed me to the side of the road just south of town. I had Ruby, my beautiful, white setter up front with me, and as the officer approached the driver's side window, Ruby started wagging and climbed over my back to get to the officer. I explained I was headed to bird hunt, and I was getting excited, I suppose, and missed the 25-mph speed limit sign. He admonished me to slow my red truck down (as he was scratching Ruby behind the ears) and have a good hunt. I drove off, and I told Ruby I owed her one. After a long, cold, successful day, we headed back home on the reverse course, listening to the local FM radio coverage of the high school girls' basketball game. Approaching the same small town, I chuckled as I remembered our encounter with the police officer that morning. But my reverie was cut short by blue lights in my mirror. "You have got to be kidding me!" I thought. The same officer, in the same spot, same town, approached the driver's side window. "Mr. Schultz! How was the bird hunting?" he asked. "It was pretty good, Officer. You remember Ruby, don't you?" I drove off with a warning ticket in my pocket, forever indebted to my beautiful, white setter. Another time, my son and I hunted all day together and saw plenty of birds. Just after dark we loaded the dogs and headed north for home. It was a cold, early March, and drizzling. A few miles north, I noticed the temperature started dropping. Then, the drizzle turned to snow. By the time we were halfway home, the roads were frozen over, and nine inches of new snow covered everything, with more coming. If you've never experienced a Georgia driver encountering slick, icy, snowy roads, it's a sight to behold. That '89 F-150 2-wheel-drive Ford was perfect but dodging the knuckleheads out for a joyride was a two-man job. I was the driver, and he was my "lookout" man. We made it home in 4 hours.

I had help in those early years. Two friends, Mitch and Paul, older, wiser men with setters and pointers taught me a lot about bird hunting and bird hunting etiquette. Rules to live by included waiting for the man whose dog pointed to shoot first, never touch another man's dog, or call a man's dog without his permission, always praise another man's dog, and the like. Obey the landowner.

Always. Leave gates like you found them. Volunteer to assist, if the landowner needs any help, etc. As we hunted, they passed along all this information, bits at a time. I am eternally grateful to them.

About that time, I took up the habit of recording my hunting days in a logbook. The dogs, what they did, where they did it, with whom, what birds, and what I was thinking and feeling at the time. I have a stack of logbooks now. Some aren't logbooks, but pages torn from notebooks with information about locations, people, motels, terrain, birds, and how to hunt them.

GPS totally changed bird hunting for me. Bells, beepers, and other noisemakers are a thing of the past. Old timers talk about the nostalgia of listening to the bell. I enjoy the quiet, the wind in the pines in Wisconsin, the hawk screech on the prairie, the mighty Snake hissing by the rocks with a covey of Chukar or Valley Quail hunkered down nearby. Besides, my hearing is like an old bird dog's now. GPS lets me enjoy my time while waiting for the little "ding" alerting me to a dog on point. It has revolutionized my bird hunting for the better.

Finally, the lease grew so thick we couldn't bird hunt anymore. So, we took our show on the road. Kansas was our first out-of-state hunt, and it is still my recommended place for beginning traveling bird hunters. Then, all the plains states and the desert Southwest and up into Idaho, finally reaching the Northwoods states. A few more beckon. Maine, I'm headed your way. Someday.

And that is how I got started- with a blue-collar Brittany, a high-bred Setter, and a red 1989 Ford F-150 with a naugahyde bench seat and a 5-on-the-floor manual transmission, a jet engine container box cut down for two bird dogs in the bed, and a gun rack in the back window.

Life was good and only got better.

What's your story?

Randy is a member of the Georgia Region (#8381). This article is an excerpt from his next book. Both his published books, *Endless October* and *Endless October- Season 2*, are available on Amazon in paperback, Kindle, and Audible Book formats. Check out his BLOG: www.abirdhuntersthoughts.com, Podcast: *A Bird Hunter's Thoughts-Turn 'em Loose*, and YouTube Channel: *A Bird Hunter's Thoughts*. Contact: endlessoctoberbook@gmail.com.



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HELLRAISER'S BIG COUNTRY	7/16/2022	German Shorthair	APOSTOLIS, JOHN	COLLINGWOOD, ON
HELLRAISER'S MONEYSHOT (USA)	7/30/2022	German Shorthair	APOSTOLIS, JOHN	COLLINGWOOD, ON
JAM'S SLAMMIN LIL BABE	7/17/2022	English Pointer	MARANGON, ANTHONY	CAVE CREEK, AZ
MAJOR GAME ON BAILEY	7/17/2022	German Shorthair	DOMBROWSKI, RANDY	PHOENIX, AZ
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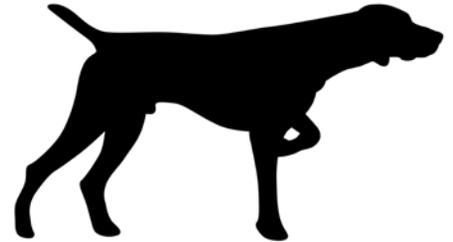
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GINGER'S WILD SUSIE	F	English Setter	GINGER	ROGERS	Open	7/16/2022	AZ
ROXY NICOLAU	F	German Shorthair	EDUARDO	NICOLAU	Amateur	7/17/2022	SO
HENSON'S DESERT DUKE	M	English Pointer	BOB	HENSON	Amateur	7/17/2022	AZ
BIG IRON MONDO MAN	M	Llewelin Setter	JOSHUA	SHANKLAND	Amateur	8/7/2022	OH



NATIONAL SHOOT TO RETRIEVE

Scorecard

Region: AZ

Last Chance - 7/16/2022 Field A

July 16, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges: C J VERMAAK / BRAD CHRISTENSEN

First Place: 0xCH CARNAHAN'S DOUBLE PURDEY ANNIE ROSE ANNIE (SS06241102, GSH/F, by JENNY GIN GIN - FLATLAND'S WILDTHANG TAZ) DEBBIE CARNAHAN, FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH HIROLLINS B K MONEYMAN CASH (1687485, EP/M, by WIGGINS MISS STELLA - FASTFORWARD'S B K GUNNER) BRIAN REBELLO, CHANDLER, AZ

Third Place: 3xCH RAWHIDE PERFECT STORM STORM (SR84402406, GSH/M, by TGR'S IMPRESSIVE JENNY - GRANDSLAM RAMBLIN REX) CLIFTON "MIKE" KITCHENS, SHOW LOW, AZ

Last Chance - 7/16/2022 Field A

July 16, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges: C J VERMAAK / BRAD CHRISTENSEN

First Place: 0xCH HIROLLINS B K MONEYMAN CASH (1687485, EP/M, by WIGGINS MISS STELLA - FASTFORWARD'S B K GUNNER) BRIAN REBELLO, CHANDLER, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH GINGER'S WILD SUSIE SUSIE (1699473, ES/F, by -) GINGER ROGERS, SUN CITY, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH SIPE'S RASCAL GRETA VON KARLEY GRETA (SS11805407, GSH/F, by -) MARY SIPE, TUSCON, AZ

Last Chance - 7/16/2022 Field B

July 16, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges: RON HORN / ANTHONY MARANGON

First Place: 0xCH PONDEROSAS HEIDI HEIDI (SR84562704, GSH/F, by PONDEROSA'S ROSIE - GENERAL FANCY BLUE DAX) BRAD CHRISTENSEN, PRESCOTT, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH JOCAR'S CATALINA KIDD KIDD (SR74913903, BR/M, by - SPANISH CORRAL'S SUNDANCE KID) JOHN RULAND, TUCSON, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH JAM'S SLAMMIN LIL BABE BABE (1669131, EP/F, by DENNIS COPPER'S LITTLE JEWEL - COPPER'S HONKY TONK KOBIE) ANTHONY MARANGON, CAVE CREEK, AZ

Last Chance - 7/16/2022 Field B

July 16, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges: RON HORN / ANTHONY MARANGON

First Place: 3xCH RAWHIDE PERFECT STORM STORM (SR84402406, GSH/M, by TGR'S IMPRESSIVE JENNY - GRANDSLAM RAMBLIN REX) CLIFTON "MIKE" KITCHENS, SHOW LOW, AZ

Second Place: 2xCH REBEL'S BLANCO MOSIER MOSIER (1658378, EP/M, by TROUT'S ELHEW EMMA - PEACHES RIVER DAN) BRIAN REBELLO, CHANDLER, AZ

Last Chance - 7/17/2022 Field A

July 17, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges:BRAD MONELL / MARTIN ELLIOTT

First Place: 0xCH MAJOR GAME ON BAILEY BAILEY (SS08994104, GSH/F, by - LLANOS GAME ON DUDE) RANDY DOMBROWSKI,PHOENIX, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH HIROLLINS B K MONEYMAN CASH (1687485, EP/M, by WIGGINS MISS STELLA - FASTFORWARD'S B K GUNNER) BRIAN REBELLO,CHANDLER, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH GINGER'S WILD SUSIE SUSIE (1699473, ES/F, by -) GINGER ROGERS,SUN CITY, AZ

Last Chance - 7/17/2022 Field A

July 17, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges:BRAD MONELL / MARTIN ELLIOTT

First Place: 0xCH MAJOR GAME ON BAILEY BAILEY (SS08994104, GSH/F, by - LLANOS GAME ON DUDE) RANDY DOMBROWSKI,PHOENIX, AZ

Second Place: 1xCH GATOR'S ACE OF SPADES ACE (SR97083008, GSH/M, by FLATLAND'S IMA SNICKER TOO - FLATLAND'S GEORGIA GATOR) BILL BLOSE,SCOTTSDALE, AZ

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Last Chance - 7/17/2022 Field B

July 17, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges:BRIAN REBELLO / JOSHUA MEACHAM

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Second Place: 0xCH MAUI WAUI VONSCHROEDER MAUI (SR88826005, GSH/F, by FLATLAND'S IMA SNICKER TOO - FLATLAND'S GEORGIA GATOR) JAMES SCHROEDER,PHOENIX, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH GINGER'S TURBO MAX TURBO (1686688, EP/M, by - GINGER'S MAD MAX) GINGER ROGERS,SUN CITY, AZ

Last Chance - 7/17/2022 Field B

July 17, 2022 - FLAGSTAFF, AZ

Judges:BRIAN REBELLO / JOSHUA MEACHAM

First Place: 1xCH PONDEROSA'S VNK SADIE SADIE (SR87326805, GSH/F, by VON KASDORF'S KAN U SPARE A DIME - SLICKS CUTTIN WILD) BRAD CHRISTENSEN,PRESOTT, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH STELLA'S WITBLITZ MIDGE MIDGE (1681430, EP/F, by WIGGINS MISS STELLA - FASTFORWARD'S B K GUNNER) C J VERMAAK,TUCSON, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH JAM'S SLAMMIN LIL BABE BABE (1669131, EP/F, by DENNIS COPPER'S LITTLE JEWEL - COPPER'S HONKY TONK KOBIE) ANTHONY MARANGON,CAVE CREEK, AZ

Day After - 8/7/2022 Field A

August 07, 2022 - PARKS, ARIZONA

Judges:MARTIN ELLIOTT / NANCE CECCARELLI

First Place: 0xCH PONDEROSA'S LOUIE LOUIE (SS08994103, GSH/M, by - LLANOS GAME ON DUDE) BRAD CHRISTENSEN,PRESOTT, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH CROSSROADS HOME GROWN KAL (1683478, EP/M, by -) JOSHUA MEACHAM,CAVE CREEK, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH HENSON'S DESERT LUCY BELLE LUCY (1686455, ES/F, by - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN SPOOK) JIM DAVIES,QUEEN CREEK, AZ

Day After - 8/7/2022 Field B

August 07, 2022 - PARKS, ARIZONA

Judges:RON HORN / RANDY DOMBROWSKI

First Place: 0xCH JAM'S SLAMMIN LIL BABE BABE (1669131, EP/F, by DENNIS COPPER'S LITTLE JEWEL - COPPER'S HONKY TONK KOBIE) ANTHONY MARANGON,CAVE CREEK, AZ

Second Place: 0xCH NN'TARA DE SAINTE KELLER WREN (R275-847, BR/F, by -) MARK JALVING,TUCSON, AZ

Third Place: 0xCH GINGER'S WILD SUSIE SUSIE (1699473, ES/F, by -) GINGER ROGERS,SUN CITY, AZ

Region: CC

Vankleek Hill trial - 7/30/2022 Field A

July 30, 2022 - VANKLEEK HILL, ON

Judges:DOMINIQUE BOUCHER / DOMENICO D'ANGELO

First Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S MONEYSHOT (USA) KOBE (1141846, GSH/M, by OLE'S CUTTIN LOOSE BAILEY - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) JOHN APOSTOLIS,COLLINGWOOD, ON

Second Place: 0xCH DUPLATON SWEET PEA SWEET PEA (1680899, ES/F, by KICKAPOO'S DAKOTA - SMITH'S SHADOW OAK CAFFREY) MARTIN GAGNON,ST-LIN LAURENTIDES, QC

Third Place: 0xCH JODI VOM COHANSEY JODI (239192, DR/F, by -) HUGUAY MICHAUDVILLE,L'ANCIENNE-LORETTE, QC

Vankleek Hill trial - 7/30/2022 Field A

July 30, 2022 - VANKLEEK HILL, ON

Judges:DOMINIQUE BOUCHER / DOMENICO D'ANGELO

First Place: 5xCH WATSON'S ALL-IN RANGER RANGER (EU728079, BR/M, by PETER GUNN'S ALL-IN JAZZ - CLAYTON'S TJ MICRO-TEQUILA WATSON) GUY GELINAS,ST-JULIENNE, QC

Second Place: 0xCH DAISY DUKES KING JULIUS JULIUS (EG748430, BR/M, by DAISY DODGE GIRL DUKE - MCCANDLESS'S DE LA COUR MARVIN) ROBERT PYTEL,BROWNSBURG - CHATHAM, QC

Third Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S MONEYSHOT (USA) KOBE (1141846, GSH/M, by OLE'S CUTTIN LOOSE BAILEY - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) JOHN APOSTOLIS,COLLINGWOOD, ON

Vankleek Hill trial - 7/31/2022 Field A

July 31, 2022 - VANKLEEK HILL, ON

Judges:DOMINIQUE BOUCHER / DOMENICO D'ANGELO

First Place: 0xCH JODI VOM COHANSEY JODI (239192, DR/F, by -) HUGUAY MICHAUDVILLE,L'ANCIENNE-LORETTE, QC

Second Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S BIG COUNTRY JAZZ (EU734197, GSH/F, by BARONBURG'S HELLRAISER -) JOHN APOSTOLIS,COLLINGWOOD, ON

Third Place: 0xCH DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH MARILYN MARILYN (EG748107, BR/F, by DAISY DODGE GIRL DUKE - MCCANDLESS'S DE LA COUR MARVIN) GLENN VODDEN,CARLSBAD SPRINGS, ON

Vankleek Hill trial - 7/31/2022 Field A

July 31, 2022 - VANKLEEK HILL, ON

Judges:DOMINIQUE BOUCHER / DOMENICO D'ANGELO

First Place: 0xCH PETER GUNN'S ALL-IN-NASH NASH (SS23884005, BR/M, by NEVER LOOKING BACK - PETER GUNN) DOMINIQUE BOUCHER,ST-JULIENNE, QC

Second Place: 5xCH WATSON'S ALL-IN RANGER RANGER (EU728079, BR/M, by PETER GUNN'S ALL-IN JAZZ - CLAYTON'S TJ MICRO-TEQUILA WATSON) GUY GELINAS,ST-JULIENNE, QC
Third Place: 0xCH JODI VOM COHANSEY JODI (239192, DR/F, by -) HUGUAY MICHAUDVILLE,L'ANCIENNE-LORETTE, QC

Region: OH

Mahoney Farm's - 7/16/2022 Field A

July 16, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:RICK STANAFORD / SARA MOORE

First Place: 0xCH WILLS MOUNTAIN SKYE SKYE (1687169, ES/F, by SKYVIEW HIGH REGARD -) DONIVAN STIR,ASHVILLE, OH

Second Place: 0xCH RHOADES WOODS DIXIE DIXIE (SS07138701, BR/F, by - RHOADES WOODS LOKI) TIM RHOADES,MONTPELIER, OH

Third Place: 0xCH MCCANDLESS SUPER SMOKE JAKE (SS16747003, BR/M, by - BUSTER'S SUPER SPORT) WM. ASHLEY MCCANDLESS,BERRY, KY

Mahoney Farm's - 7/16/2022 Field A

July 16, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:RICK STANAFORD / SARA MOORE

First Place: 1xCH I'LL BE SEEING YOU NED (1685667, EP/M, by K R'S BIG HOPE - MAHONEY'S MAGIC JAKE) DAVID ABNEY,OXFORD, OH

Second Place: 12xCH RAGIN CAJUN ATHENA ATHENA (R252021, GSH/F, by WILD THING O'RILEY - RAGIN CAJUN ZEUS) ANGIE FISHBURN,Indianapolis, IN Indiana

Third Place: 0xCH WILLS MOUNTAIN SKYE SKYE (1687169, ES/F, by SKYVIEW HIGH REGARD -) DONIVAN STIR,ASHVILLE, OH

Mahoney Farm's - 7/16/2022 Field B

July 16, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / BOB MCCANDLESS

First Place: 0xCH HARPER MY WAY HARPER (SS00873001, LS/F, by BLUE SKYE IVORY - MY WAY BUDDY) LAUREN FOWLER,CABLE, OH

Second Place: 0xCH MCS ELVIS'S LAST HOPE MAVERICK MAVERICK (SS03731204, GSH/M, by MCS HI HOPE MAGGIE - MCS MAD DANCING ELVIS) GARY MCINTOSH,LEWISBURG, OH

Third Place: 0xCH RHOADES WOODS DIXIE DIXIE (SS07138701, BR/F, by - RHOADES WOODS LOKI) TIM RHOADES,MONTPELIER, OH

Mahoney Farm's - 7/16/2022 Field B

July 16, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / BOB MCCANDLESS

First Place: 0xCH HARPER MY WAY HARPER (SS00873001, LS/F, by BLUE SKYE IVORY - MY WAY BUDDY) LAUREN FOWLER,CABLE, OH

Second Place: 1xCH J WELLS' WOLF PLAIN BROOKS RILEY'S CRUE - BEAU BEAU (SS14337406, GSH/M, by -) CLIFFORD RILEY,FISHERS, IN

Third Place: 9xCH RUCK'S BROCKWAY TWIST TWIST (SR91824003, GSH/M, by LAST DANCE LILY (DECEASED) - RUCK'S BROCKWAY MAD DASH) MEGHAN ROTUNDO,OKEANA, OH

July 17, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:JEFF MOORE / BOB MCCANDLESS

First Place: 0xCH NUTTER'S ONE TIME ACE ACE (1687052, ES/M, by NUTTER'S MARVELOUS MACI -) JACK NUTTER,DENNISON, OH

Second Place: 0xCH WILLS MOUNTAIN SKYE SKYE (1687169, ES/F, by SKYVIEW HIGH REGARD -) DONIVAN STIR,ASHVILLE, OH

Third Place: 0xCH RHOADES WOODS DIXIE DIXIE (SS07138701, BR/F, by - RHOADES WOODS LOKI) TIM RHOADES,MONTPELIER, OH

Mahoney Farm's - 7/17/2022 Field A

July 17, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:JEFF MOORE / BOB MCCANDLESS

First Place: 12xCH RAGIN CAJUN ATHENA ATHENA (R252021, GSH/F, by WILD THING O'RILEY - RAGIN CAJUN ZEUS) ANGIE FISHBURN,Indianapolis, IN Indiana

Second Place: 0xCH RAGIN CAJUN HADES HADES (SS23399506, GSH/M, by RAGIN CAJUN ATHENA - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) WAYNE FISHBURN,INDIANAPOLIS, IN

Third Place: 0xCH NUTTER'S ONE TIME ACE ACE (1687052, ES/M, by NUTTER'S MARVELOUS MACI -) JACK NUTTER,DENNISON, OH

Mahoney Farm's - 7/17/2022 Field B

July 17, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / SARA MOORE

First Place: 0xCH MCCANDLESS SUPER SMOKE JAKE (SS16747003, BR/M, by - BUSTER'S SUPER SPORT) WM. ASHLEY MCCANDLESS,BERRY, KY

Second Place: 0xCH WILLS MOUNTAIN SKYE SKYE (1687169, ES/F, by SKYVIEW HIGH REGARD -) DONIVAN STIR,ASHVILLE, OH

Third Place: 0xCH NUTTER'S ONE TIME ACE ACE (1687052, ES/M, by NUTTER'S MARVELOUS MACI -) JACK NUTTER,DENNISON, OH

Mahoney Farm's - 7/17/2022 Field B

July 17, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / SARA MOORE

First Place: 9xCH RUCK'S BROCKWAY TWIST TWIST (SR91824003, GSH/M, by LAST DANCE LILY (DECEASED) - RUCK'S BROCKWAY MAD DASH) MEGHAN ROTUNDO,OKEANA, OH

Second Place: 1xCH J WELLS' WOLF PLAIN BROOKS RILEY'S CRUE - BEAU BEAU (SS14337406, GSH/M, by -) CLIFFORD RILEY,FISHERS, IN

Third Place: 0xCH MCCANDLESS SUPER SMOKE JAKE (SS16747003, BR/M, by - BUSTER'S SUPER SPORT) WM. ASHLEY MCCANDLESS,BERRY, KY

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/6/2022 Field A

August 06, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:DONIVAN STIR / SARA MOORE

First Place: 0xCH RIVERHILL'S SUPER CAJON CHARLIE CHARLIE (SS16747004, BR/M, by - BUSTER'S SUPER SPORT) CLAYTON WOODWORTH,LEBANON, IN

Second Place: 0xCH STOLEN SHADOW SCOUT (1681431, EP/F, by -) NICOLE HUTZELL,SOUTH CHARLESTON, WV

Third Place: 0xCH TC'S BATTLE BUDDY WAR (SS23399502, GSH/M, by - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) TODD CRAVEN,LAPEER, MI

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/6/2022 Field A

August 06, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:DONIVAN STIR / SARA MOORE

First Place: 1xCH PORCO'S SOLID ROCK ROCKY ROCKY (1688318, ES/M, by - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN BIGRED) JEFF PORCO,TWINSBURG, OH

Second Place: 9xCH RUCK'S BROCKWAY TWIST TWIST (SR91824003, GSH/M, by LAST DANCE LILY (DECEASED) - RUCK'S BROCKWAY MAD DASH) MEGHAN ROTUNDO,OKEANA, OH

Third Place: 0xCH KONIGS BROCKWAY BERIT BERIT (SS03063901, GSH/F, by SHOOTING STARR'S TINKER BELL - RUCK'S BROCKWAY MAD DASH) TOM ROTUNDO,OKEANA, OH

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/6/2022 Field B

August 06, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / JEFF MOORE

First Place: 0xCH BUNCHES CREEK LADY MAY LADY MAY (SS13639005, GSH/F, by JOCO'S BEAMING JUNE - SIR REBEL HEN HEN) RANDY JUDD,SHELBY TOWNSHIP, MI

Second Place: 0xCH TC'S BATTLE BUDDY WAR (SS23399502, GSH/M, by - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) TODD CRAVEN,LAPEER, MI

Third Place: 0xCH BG'S RING OF FIRE SMOKEY (SR75328602, GSH/F, by BOSS'S BYE BYE HEART - BLUE BRIAR JOHNNY CASH) MATT SMITH,OLIVET, MI

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/6/2022 Field B

August 06, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / JEFF MOORE

First Place: 4xCH TC'S CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD BOSS (SS02067408, GSH/M, by OLE'S CUTTIN LOOSE BAILEY - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) TODD CRAVEN,LAPEER, MI

Second Place: 2xCH BLUEGRASS BO BO (1664188, EP/M, by BLUEGRASS GINGER - BLUEGRASS STARBUCK) JAYNE ABNEY,OXFORD, OH

Third Place: 0xCH RHOADES WOODS BAILEY BAILEY (SR85144304, BR/F, by DONNA'S LIL DURACELL - RHOADES WOODS LOKI) TIM RHOADES,MONTPELIER, OH

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/7/2022 Field A

August 07, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN / JEFF MOORE

First Place: 0xCH MULBERRY'S SMOKIN RILEY RILEY (1692296, ES/F, by NEXT ON STAGE - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN BOMB) GARY RHEIN,COLUMBUS, MI

Second Place: 0xCH BUNCHES CREEK LADY MAY LADY MAY (SS13639005, GSH/F, by JOCO'S BEAMING JUNE - SIR REBEL HEN HEN) RANDY JUDD,SHELBY TOWNSHIP, MI

Third Place: 0xCH NUTTER'S ONE TIME ACE ACE (1687052, ES/M, by NUTTER'S MARVELOUS MACI -) JACK NUTTER,DENNISON, OH

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/7/2022 Field A

Judges:RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN / JEFF MOORE

Second Place: 0xCH MULBERRY'S SMOKIN RILEY RILEY (1692296, ES/F, by NEXT ON STAGE - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN BOMB) GARY RHEIN,COLUMBUS, MI

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/7/2022 Field B

August 07, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / ZACHERY MOORE

First Place: 0xCH MCCANDLESS SUPER SMOKE JAKE (SS16747003, BR/M, by - BUSTER'S SUPER SPORT) WM. ASHLEY MCCANDLESS,BERRY, KY

Second Place: 0xCH RHOADES WOODS DIXIE DIXIE (SS07138701, BR/F, by - RHOADES WOODS LOKI) TIM RHOADES,MONTPELIER, OH

Third Place: 0xCH MULBERRY'S SMOKIN RILEY RILEY (1692296, ES/F, by NEXT ON STAGE - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN BOMB) GARY RHEIN,COLUMBUS, MI

Mahoney's Magic BBQ - 8/7/2022 Field B

August 07, 2022 - MARYSVILLE, OH

Judges:GREG COLE / ZACHERY MOORE

First Place: 1xCH SLAMMIN POINT BILLY BILLY (1677257, ES/M, by BECKLEY'S LITTLE BIT MOODY - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN BOMB) GARY RHEIN,COLUMBUS, MI

Second Place: 0xCH TC'S REEL EM IN HOOK (SS23399508, GSH/M, by - TC'S GET LUCKY LOU) TODD CRAVEN,LAPEER, MI

Third Place: 6xCH BUTTON'S UP BLAZER (1646928, EP/F, by PHANTOM'S SHARPER IMAGE - CONNOR'S EZ BUTTON) BRIAN BOALS,CORBIN, KY

Region: SO

Ruffwood Game Farm - 7/16/2022 Field A

July 16, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges:LAWRENCE PANETTA / SANDY KLASSEN

First Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S BIG COUNTRY JAZZ (EU734197, GSH/F, by BARONBURG'S HELLRAISER -) JOHN APOSTOLIS,COLLINGWOOD, ON

Second Place: 0xCH CANOEWEATER NEKAS BENTBRIDGE NEKA (R316-117, GSH/F, by -) ALAN GREVE,Coldstream, ON

Third Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S "PAY UP SUCKA" CASH (SS15232909, GSH/M, by OLE'S CUTTIN LOOSE BAILEY - RISING SUN BUCK NAKED) JOHN APOSTOLIS,COLLINGWOOD, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm - 7/17/2022 Field A

July 17, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges:SANDY KLASSEN / JOHN APOSTOLIS

First Place: 0xCH DACOSTA'S BOB'S YOUR UNCLE BOB (1699593, ES/M, by NEXT ON STAGE - TOMOKA'S SMOKIN BOMB) PAUL DA COSTA,LONDON, ON

Second Place: 0xCH WINFINDER MAGGIE MAGGIE (R317-844, GSH/F, by -) EDUARDO NICOLAU,MISSISAUGA, ON

Third Place: 0xCH ROXY NICOLAU ROXY (R318-408, GSH/F, by -) EDUARDO NICOLAU,MISSISAUGA, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm - 7/16/2022 Field B

July 16, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges:LAWRENCE PANETTA / SANDY KLASSEN

First Place: 0xCH JAXUN THE RIPPER RIPPER (1136904, GSH/M, by -) RENATO POLONI,CAMPBELLVILLE, ON

Second Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S STEADY FREDDY FREDDY (1688086, EP/M, by UGLY SUE -) JOHN APOSTOLIS,COLLINGWOOD, ON

Third Place: 0xCH HELLRAISER'S "PAY UP SUCKA" CASH (SS15232909, GSH/M, by OLE'S CUTTIN LOOSE BAILEY - RISING SUN BUCK NAKED) JOHN APOSTOLIS, COLLINGWOOD, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm - 7/17/2022 Field B

July 17, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges: SANDY KLASSEN / JOHN APOSTOLIS

First Place: 0xCH VIZSLAVILLANAYA JEDIWARRIOR RM REMY (DA645108, VIZ/M, by -) MARK CLEM, HAMILTON, ON

Second Place: 0xCH JAXUN THE RIPPER RIPPER (1136904, GSH/M, by -) RENATO POLONI, CAMPBELLVILLE, ON

Third Place: 0xCH ESHODS SLAMMIN STAN STAN (SS14677706, GSH/M, by -) LAWRENCE PANETTA, HARLEY, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm-A - 8/6/2022 Field A

August 06, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges: JOHN APOSTOLIS / GERARD SHEPLEY

First Place: 0xCH CANOEWATER NEKAS BENTBRIDGE NEKA (R316-117, GSH/F, by -) ALAN GREVE, Coldstream, ON

Second Place: 0xCH WINFINDER MAGGIE MAGGIE (R317-844, GSH/F, by -) EDUARDO NICOLAU, MISSISSAUGA, ON

Third Place: 0xCH VIZSLAVILLANAYA JEDIWARRIOR RM REMY (DA645108, VIZ/M, by -) MARK CLEM, HAMILTON, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm-B - 8/6/2022 Field B

August 06, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges: JOHN APOSTOLIS / GERARD SHEPLEY

First Place: 0xCH VIZSLAVILLANAYA JEDIWARRIOR RM REMY (DA645108, VIZ/M, by -) MARK CLEM, HAMILTON, ON

Second Place: 0xCH SHADOWLAND'S CALIFORNIA YOUNG GUN SPIKE (HL4020392, GSH/M, by -) CLAUDIO BOZZO, ANCASTER, ON

Third Place: 0xCH DASHING BONDHU'S LA-REINA REINA (PL019-377, LS/F, by -) RAYMOND BIANCHI, GUELPH, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm - A - 8/7/2022 Field A

August 07, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges: JOHN APOSTOLIS / SANDY KLASSEN

First Place: 0xCH WINFINDER MAGGIE MAGGIE (R317-844, GSH/F, by -) EDUARDO NICOLAU, MISSISSAUGA, ON

Second Place: 0xCH ESHODS SLAMMIN STAN STAN (SS14677706, GSH/M, by -) LAWRENCE PANETTA, HARLEY, ON

Third Place: 0xCH ARCHER SHEPLEY ARCHER (GN3968954, BR/M, by -) SANDY KLASSEN, HARROW, ON

Ruffwood Game Farm - B - 8/7/2022 Field B

August 07, 2022 - Ruffwood Game Farm - Cayuga, Ontario

Judges: SANDY KLASSEN / JOHN APOSTOLIS

First Place: 0xCH CANOEWATER NEKAS BENTBRIDGE NEKA (R316-117, GSH/F, by -) ALAN GREVE, Coldstream, ON

Second Place: 0xCH ARCHER SHEPLEY ARCHER (GN3968954, BR/M, by -) SANDY KLASSEN, HARROW, ON

Third Place: 0xCH DASHING BONDHU'S LA-REINA REINA (PL019-377, LS/F, by -) RAYMOND BIANCHI, GUELPH, ON

Why Is My Dog Limping?

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Like us, dogs limp for a variety of reasons. Unlike us, dogs can't tell us what happened or where it hurts using words, which leaves us struggling to figure out why a dog is limping.

Your most valuable resource for determining why your dog is limping is your veterinarian. Before calling to make an appointment, however, most of us want to know a little bit about the common causes of limping in dogs, what to expect from a veterinary visit, and when a dog limping is a veterinary emergency.

Gradual Onset vs. Sudden Limping in Dogs

There are two types of limps in dogs: gradual onset and sudden onset. Gradual onset limps happen slowly over time. Sudden limps happen quickly, like their name implies, usually after an injury or trauma. Knowing whether or not your dog's limping is sudden or gradual can help your veterinarian narrow down the possible causes of your dog's limping, and can help you determine if your dog's limping is a veterinary emergency.

In general, gradual onset limps in dogs are caused by an underlying, chronic or degenerative condition, such as osteoarthritis or dysplasia. Sudden onset limps, on the other hand, are usually caused by an injury or trauma.

Just because your dog has a gradual limp does not mean you should put off making an appointment. Some causes of gradual limping, such as bone cancer or hip dysplasia, can be treated more effectively if they are caught sooner rather than later.

When to Call the Vet If Your Dog Is Limping

In general, it is usually better to play it safe and call your veterinarian for a dog's limp that lasts more than a few minutes. But as with people, dogs seem to have a knack for getting hurt outside of normal office hours. So how do you know when your dog's limping can wait until the next morning and when you should rush to the emergency vet?

Gradual onset limps or sudden onset limps that don't seem to be bothering your dog too much can usually wait a few hours, and in some cases, may even resolve on their own during the waiting period. In other cases, however, your dog can't wait.

Broken bones or dislocated joints require immediate care, and nerve damage can be a sign of a more serious neurological condition or spinal injury. You need to get your dog into the veterinarian or veterinary emergency room immediately if your dog shows any of the following signs of an emergency:

Dangling limb (dislocation)

Swelling

Hot limb

Obvious break or unnatural angle

Common Causes of Limping in Dogs

Lameness in dogs is a frequent veterinary complaint, and there is a huge range of possible causes, from chronic conditions to trauma. This may seem overwhelming, but these causes can be broken down into a few categories.

Paw Injury

If you've ever stepped on a piece of glass, then you know how it feels to have something sharp lodged in your foot. Foreign bodies, like glass, nails, sticks, thorns, plant matter, or anything else that should not be in your dog's paw, hurt. They make it uncomfortable to walk and can lead to infection. Insect and animal stings or bites can also cause tenderness and limping, as can lacerations, broken toenails, burns, frostbite, and bruising. A sign that your dog may have something stuck in his paw is that he will lick his paw incessantly.

Joint Disease

Some conditions cause gradual wear and tear on joints and the musculoskeletal system. This leads to a dog that's limping. Osteoarthritis, hip dysplasia, elbow dysplasia, patellar luxation, ligament disease, intervertebral disk disease, and

osteochondritis dissecans (OCD) all can cause limping on any of the affected limbs. Infections like Lyme disease can also cause joint pain and limping, which is just one more reason why it is important to have your dog on an effective tick preventative.

If your dog is diagnosed with arthritis or suffers from dysplasia, your vet will most likely recommend a veterinarian-grade joint supplement of glucosamine and chondroitin. Joint supplements are often used as an early intervention and throughout the progression of osteoarthritis because they are safe for long-term use in most patients. While research is still limited, joint supplements can help reduce symptoms of osteoarthritis and hip dysplasia.

Bone Disease

Some diseases affect the bones in your dog's legs and can cause a dog to limp. Younger dogs, especially large-breed puppies, can develop conditions such as hypertrophic osteodystrophy and panosteitis, which make walking painful. Certain cancers, such as osteosarcoma, also affect bones and require prompt diagnosis for the best prognosis.

Injury or Trauma

Injuries and trauma are the most obvious answer to “why is my dog limping?” From car accidents to sports injuries, our dogs are exposed to almost as many types of injuries as we are. Broken bones, fractures, sprains, dislocations, ligament tears, joint trauma, and spinal injuries can all cause moderate to severe limping in dogs, and in some cases the dog may not be able to put weight on the affected leg at all. Proper conditioning can help reduce the risk of some sports injuries, but a limping dog athlete should be given plenty of rest until the cause of the limp is identified and treated.

If your dog becomes acutely lame (especially if he's a puppy), wait for about 15 minutes and try to keep your pup quiet and still. They are like children and will likely yelp and cry for about five minutes. You may find them acting perfectly normal after that time and save yourself a trip to the emergency room.

If, however, they are still lame or non-weight bearing after 15 minutes, you should have them be seen by their veterinarian.

Diagnosing a Limping Dog

Sometimes the cause of your dog's limp is clear, like a broken bone or a piece of glass in a paw pad. Other times, the cause is a little more elusive.

Your veterinarian may have to run some tests to determine why your dog is limping. Radiographs can help identify a broken bone, joint disease, and other skeletal abnormalities. Biopsies and joint fluid collection can help identify cancer and other possible causes, and blood testing for infectious diseases like Lyme or immune-related diseases may also be necessary.

Prior to testing, your veterinarian will perform a physical examination of your dog to test for tenderness, pain, and range of motion in his limbs. You can also do your own examination at home before you call the veterinarian. However, without proper training, testing the range of motion and manipulating your dog's leg is a bad idea and could injure your dog further. You can gently run your hand down your dog's leg and paw to check for swelling, heat, and to determine where your dog is tender. This information can help your veterinarian determine whether or not your dog can wait for an opening or if he needs to come in on an emergency basis.

Treating a Limping Dog

The treatment for your dog's lameness will vary depending on the cause. Your dog's treatment plan could be as simple as a few days of rest, or it could entail surgery, medication, further testing, and a prolonged recovery. While this may sound intimidating, in most cases the sooner you get your dog in to see the veterinarian, the better the prognosis.

While you are waiting for your appointment, try to keep your dog as calm as possible and abstain from exercise or play to avoid making the dog's limp worse, and if necessary, crate your dog in the car to prevent further injury.

For further questions about why your dog is limping, contact your veterinarian and schedule an appointment.

Note: Never give any over-the-counter or prescription human pain medication—including ibuprofen or acetaminophen—to dogs as this can be toxic or fatal. Always consult your veterinarian.

Establishing a Great Female Line

Lois J. Thomasson

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB GAZETTE, July 31, 2015

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When pursuing success in breeding dogs, there is no substitute for hard work, and there is nothing more necessary in that endeavor than establishing a great female line. **“Great bitches come from other great bitches”** was the advice of my mentor, Alma J. Starbuck. And she knew of what she spoke, having produced one famous brood bitch after another that left an enviable record for Ambleside, both in the show ring and whelping box.

Mrs. Florence Nagle, of England, who’s Sulhamstead Irish Wolfhounds held a unique place in the Wolfhound world, had this to say in an article on breeding:

“Having obtained a well-made bitch, absolutely sound, with good powerful hindquarters, whose dam and grand-dam are, if possible, the same, mate her to the best dog you can find who is particularly good in any points in which your bitch is a bit weak. I like to line-breed to any really good hounds, as a violent outcross is not so likely to be satisfactory, as one brings in unknown factors. In my opinion, the bitch is by far the more important, though one does get some outstanding sires that produce good stock from almost any bitch. However, if your bitch comes from a good line of first-class hounds, you cannot go far wrong.”

In the selection of a foundation bitch, it is better to take a companion puppy from an outstanding, established line than a show prospect with a pedigree containing nothing but a mix of unrelated individuals. To do so allows the amateur, with limited resources, to profit from the arduous study and research already done by the breeder of that line, whose intimate knowledge of the ancestors and family characteristics allows him or her to make skilled decisions in the selection of breeding stock. For the novice to be able to build upon such a breeding program leaves little to chance in his first generation.

Dr. Braxton B. Sawyer, in his seminars, always suggested careful selection when choosing a brood bitch, and listed **three points of investigation: the individual herself, her pedigree, and the progeny (this is where the “horizontal pedigree” of siblings, aunts, and uncles gains importance)**. Because the brood bitch’s window of opportunity to demonstrate what her bank of genes will produce is so much more limited by the number of offspring as compared to the stud dog, great care should be taken in her selection.

A great brood bitch becomes the jewel in your crown. She carries your hopes for the future, nourishes and cares for the puppies upon their arrival, and during those early, critical weeks she imprints them for a lifetime as she teaches them how to live in the world they will inhabit. The dam may only contribute one-half of the chromosomes, but her influence is far more reaching when you consider that she helps shape the puppies’ character. This is why it is so critical to breed only from bitches with solid temperaments, as the puppies take their cues from their mother as she interacts with humans.—L.J.T., Fleetwind Irish Wolfhounds.

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Norbert's Girls

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This article was originally published in the Siberian Husky Club of America's Newsletter, Autumn 2015. Norbert Kanzler was a renowned breeder of top winning Siberian Huskies under the Kennel name of Innisfree. This article is reprinted with permission. If the object is to breed better dogs, the same "breeder rules" apply, whether breeding for show or sport.

"I love all my dogs, but my favorites are the girls. They are a mixture of toughness, sweetness, intuition, and wonder. At Innisfree Kennel we have had the privilege and honor of living with so many dogs and watching their gifts and antics. Brood bitches can teach you so much. I have taken many lessons from my girls and used them during my military career.

Innisfree's Rashiri of A'Baska- Siberian Husky- Our original foundation bitch from Hank Buegue, her parents were Siya of A'Baska and Takla Ananen. **When one speaks of foundation bitch it should be literal. They should be the base of your empire. The foundation of your legacy. It means they are the base of your house and it needs to be healthy and sound.** That was Rashiri. Healthy, sound, but not glamorous. Rashiri was a very protective mother. If you were not the one sitting with her as she was whelping then you were not allowed to touch her puppies until 3 weeks old. In order to touch and look at the puppies and check them out if you had not been the one whelping her, you had to let her outside to go to the toilet and then you could check them out. I remember one litter when Kathleen was busy so she had our son John sit with Rashiri during whelping. Thinking nothing about it, when Kathleen went in to take a look at the puppies Rashiri would not allow her to touch any of them. Those were Rashiri's rules and she did not care who you thought you were.

Innisfree Kathleen- Siberian Husky- and her daughter **Cybis** were great ones for having large litters 10 puppies. The vast majority of Siberian litters are between 5-6. 10-12 is very large for us. The canine, Kathleen, was the poster child of efficiency. When it was time to feed and clean her puppies she would evenly divide them into two groups. Pushing one group off to the side she would proceed to thoroughly feed and clean one set.

When finished she would move the first group to the side and bring to her the second set of babies in for their feeding and cleaning. Innisfree Kathleen and her daughter had several large litters and I do not believe she ever lost one.

Neikko-Shiba Inu - one of our foundation Shiba bitches imported from Japan. The only dog I have ever owned that literally spoke my name. She would be in a crate waiting to be fed and yell out "Norbert". I swear to you. Just ask Kathleen, Trish or Missy.

Neikko was just drying up from having had a litter of puppies and they were all gone. We had a single Siberian pup and her mother had no milk. Neikko communicated to me that she would take care of the puppy if we would let her. So I offered her the puppy, she promptly tucked it into her flank and started cleaning it. When I came back to check on it she had already begun to milk up and feed it. Neikko took care of the Siberian puppy until it was bigger than her, and we finally took it away. **Neikko showed a willingness to love and create a safe spot for the vulnerable.**

Innisfree Skrimshaw-Siberian Husky - We had bought Skrimshaw from Peggy Grant/Marlytuk Kennel. We had been looking for some new bloodlines to bring in and had admired Peggy's dogs. Skrimshaw brought in **another line of toughness and strong survivability. Such things that modern dog breeders do not often think of when breeding dogs, but are of the utmost importance to the survival of the species.** Skrimshaw was fascinating because as her pups would start to become about 6 weeks old she would

start to harass and torture them. We would hear puppies screaming and run to look out to see what was wrong. And see Skrimshaw, with a stick in her mouth, swatting her puppies. Or she would have her puppy on its back and poking the babies belly until the puppy would stop crying and go back after her. When the puppy would defend itself, she would stand up and look at it as if to say, "There, that's right, learn to defend yourself." If you never saw it, you will think I am lying. But she was a good mother and raised independent puppies that could take care of themselves.

Innisfree Trelawney-Siberian Husky - tough, great mother, wonderful sled dog with intense work ethic, another one of our special girls. She and her mother Goldilocks and sisters were the best for training new young males in harness. You would hook up a stupid male pup next to them and the girls would be standing and waiting for the go signal. Of course, the young boys were jumping and screaming and crawling all over their partner. All these girls tolerated that behavior for a short time and then would let out a big roar and lay down the law." Stand on your side and stand still." Back to motherhood. When we were having the sunroom built, two of the workers were dog lovers and during lunch break the father, Wayne and his son Todd would share part of their lunch with some of the pregnant mothers. Todd was particularly fond of Trelawney, and would open her gate and pet her. They left on Friday and during the weekend Trelawney had her puppies. When Wayne and Todd came back on Monday Wayne told Todd to leave the bitch alone. But Todd said he and Trelawney were friends and Todd proceeded to open the gate to pet Trelawney and feed her lunch and look at the puppies. As Todd reached in Trelawney reached up and took his hand in her mouth and moved it back away from her pups. Then she stood up, and took her lunch. She made it very clear that there were now new boundaries to be observed.

Escapade-Siberian Husky - one of our favorite house dogs. I still cry about her death from old age as she danced in front of me and dropped dead. Escapade was a house dog/farm dog. you could let her loose and she would stay around. She took wonderful care of her puppies but was very tired of them.

On one day, she took her 3 seven week-old pups and went for a walk in the woods and then abandoned them and came back home. My three children, John, Sheila and Trish had to saddle up the horses and go on a search mission for the babies Fortunately, all were found within a few hours. Escapade had made her point; she was done being a nurse maid.

So you ask? What did these brood bitches teach me that I could use during my military career. That is easy to answer. If you observe what they did and how that applies to working with people. First, when very young and inexperienced, the mothers took care of them and protected them. That is exactly what a good leader does. As they matured, they were given more freedom and responsibilities but still were taught and given boundaries. The older and more mature they became, the more they were left on their own. A good lesson not only for puppies but for people as well. As you saw with Trelawney, young adults had to be given boundaries and guidelines and when they exceeded those boundaries, then they had to be disciplined. they are given a job and they must do it. A good lesson for life. Give guidance when needed but, when doing the job as required leave them alone. With Escapade, a perfect example of when they have matured let them go off on their own. You did your best. Train them and it is up to them to take care of themselves.

The true value of a brood bitch can be measured in the subsequent generations. Start with the best you can find and build from there.

2022 Regional Elimination Winners (Cont'd)



Crosswind Jim
Scott Townsend
Michigan Region



Moniteaus Ozark Paladin
Lonnie Jones
Missouri/Kansas Region



Goodall's Rockin Ann O'War
Dean Goodall
Mid North Region



KentuckyVice Pheasedente
Chris Miller
Mid South Region



Moonshine's Magical Mia
Mike Rost
Mid West Region



Skedaddle Warpaint
Deric Fletcher
Northern California/Nevada Region



K-Tia's Prarie Storm
Rodger Robak
Nornern Illinois Region



Stotts Skipping Stella
Mike Stotts
North West Region



Double Nickels
Scott Joachimi
Ohio Region



Weathered Stone's Flint
Alan Higham
Rocky Mountain Region



Dragonpoint Turbo Charged
Mitch Prowse
Southern California Region



**Sam's Freiheit How Sweet
the Sound**
Mark Clore
South Carolina Region



*Archer Shepley
Sandy Klassen
Southern Ontario Region*



*Cripple Creeks Mighty Casey
Jody Bass
Virginia Region*



*High West Super Sonic Rip
Lance Hansen
Utah Region*



*Cronin's Irish Whiskey
Ryan Cronin
Wisconsin Region*



*Barr's Mister Orb
Wes Barr
West Texas/Oklahoma Region*

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