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## WHY APOLOGIZE FOR ENTERING BENCH CHAMPIONS IN FIELD TRIALS?

*Guest Editorial by BILL AVERILL*

In reading write-ups of field trials, we have noticed that the titles of bench champions are frequently, if not usually, omitted. This seems to be a shame, because we have been stressing, for years, the fact that our breed is a "dual" dog, that can go in a dog show on Saturday and in a field trial on Sunday and maybe win them both. Dozens of Brittany champions have won field trials and it seems as though they should receive credit for it every time it happens because ours is just about the only breed there is where bench champions regularly compete and regularly win field trials.

The writer, within the past year, has judged field trials for the Michigan Pointer Club and for the English Springer Spaniel Club of Michigan and the enormous difference between the "bench" type dogs and the "field" type dogs was forcibly impressed on him. While we do have field trial winners that wouldn't get very far in a dog show, most of them would make a very creditable showing and our bench winners, when properly trained, do as well as any of the rest of our dogs. Several of our trainers regularly enter part of their training string in dog shows when there is no conflict with field trials and they are regular winners, too. So, entirely unlike the other sporting breeds, we DO have a "dual" dog—so let's let everybody know it.

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## GROWTH OF THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB

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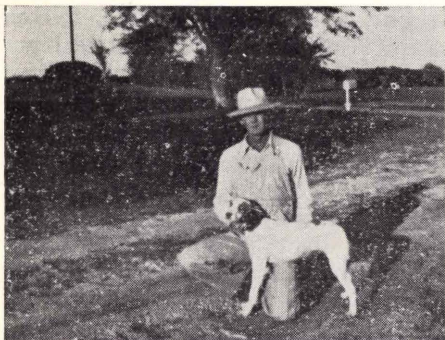
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Members At Large	48	59	80	111	113	98	46	44	41	36
<i>Regionals:</i>										
Michigan	—	—	—	—	—	70	70	88	91	93
Midwest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	29	75
North Jersey	—	—	—	—	—	19	27	39	48	47
California	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	35	36	40
Ohio	—	—	—	—	—	—	33	25	37	37
S. New Eng.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22
Illinois	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	21	21
Hoosier	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	21
C. New Eng.	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	24	27	15
Pac. Northwest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
Pennsylvania	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	13	14	7
Total A.B.C.	48	59	80	111	113	187	236	319	384	429



## MIDWEST CLUB SANCTION TRIAL

By LOUIS F. OLTMAN

The very gratifying entry of 40 Brittanys competed in the two-day sanction trial of the Midwest Brittany Club on Sept. 2-3. Heavy rains both days caused considerable discomfort to both dogs and humans, besides cutting down on entrants and spectators. However, everyone enjoyed themselves and the work of the dogs. The judges for this event were W. W. Hutto and William Madden. The quail for release were furnished by the Kansas State Game Commission. Hot coffee and food served by the Women's Auxiliary of Edgerton helped make the weather less disagreeable.



KEN'S GOLDEN GIRL

There was no question in anyone's mind as to who won the all age. The beautiful field work displayed by Happy Duke Kaer was outstanding in every respect, finding and pointing his birds hard and fast, and holding them without any trouble.

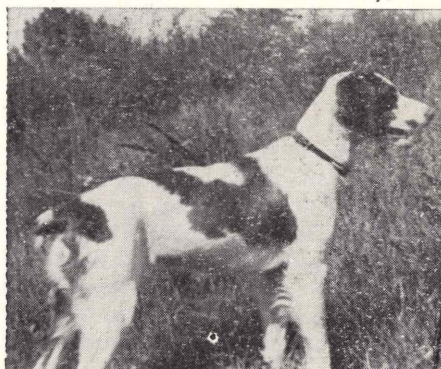
Penelope de Evanston won the derby stake by an outstanding exhibition of wide ranging and complete ground coverage.

### Puppy Stake—11 Entries

1. Ken's Golden Girl, owned by Kenneth Phillips, Edgerton, Kansas.
2. Tot's Helloe Britt, owned by S. D. Campbell, Junction City, Kansas.
3. Timber Magnificent, owned by Clarence Springfield, Wichita, Kansas.
4. Rocky, owned by Clarence Goering, Newton, Kansas.

### Derby Stake—12 Entries

1. Penelope de Evanston, owned by Louis Oltman, North Kansas City, Mo.



PEWELOPE de EVANSTON

2. Roscoe's Dingo de Humboldt, owned by Roscoe Kimerling, Humboldt, Kansas.

3. Solomon Valley Kikki, owned by Ray Olson, Glasco, Kansas.

4. Census Suzanne, owned by Louis Brasel, Kansas City, Mo.

### Open All-Age—17 Entries

1. Happy Duke Kaer, handled by S. D. Campbell, Junction City, Kansas.

2. Kay's Patrice de Coraouaille, owned by Roscoe Kimerling, Humboldt, Kansas.

3. Laura de L'Argoat, owned by S. D. Campbell, Junction City, Kansas.

4. Allamuchy Valley Warpath, owned by H. C. Stavon, Lee's Summit, Mo.



HAPPY DUKE KAER



## P N R C FIELD TRIAL

The Pacific Northwest Regional Club's first sanctioned field trial was held Nov. 10-11, 1951 at Ellensburg Airport, Ellensburg, Washington. The trial, first of the two required to qualify for a licensed trial, was a huge success. Everything was perfect except the weather. The dogs were fast and hard running, the surroundings delightful, and a fine competitive spirit prevailed among the owners and handlers. The rain that fell on Saturday and Sunday did not dampen the enthusiasm of the participants or the gallery. The courses contained natural cover and native pheasants. A large gallery of Brittany fanciers, sportsmen, and visitors gathered at the clubhouse of the Kittitas Field and Stream Club where all the stakes originated. Delicious ham sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee were served to the gallery by the ladies of the club under the direction of Mrs. Louis Tippet for lunch each day of the trial.

The judicial duties were handled by Stanley V. Aeck, Kirkland, Wash., and Dave Gordon, Renton, Wash., for the Puppy and Derby Stakes. Dr. William B. Hare, Portland, Ore., and Frank Huff, Seattle, Wash., for the Open All-Age.

Louis Tippet, chairman, guided the field trial committee with Everett Metzger acting as secretary. The field marshalls were John C. Lyon, Jr., Rene Oliver, and K. C. Matzen.

*Results:*

### PUPPY STAKE

1st—Flink. Owner B. P. Falkenburg; handler, K. C. Matzen. (Jotek III—Suzanne de Carnac).

2nd—Graystone Joe. Owner and handler, Ralph E. Metzger.

### DERBY STAKE

1st. Baldy of Paradise. Owner, Clinton Wright; handler, J. W. Vaughn. (Toby of Paradise — Lady Laconners Sue).

2nd. Judith of Ferncroft. Owner E. B. Code; handler, John Jarvis. (Jacques of Ferncroft—Lady Jenifer).

3rd. Rex Lyon. Owner and handler,

Marjorie Lyon. (Duke of Carnac—Ch. (B) Lady Cub Lyon).

### OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE

1st. Nancy A. of Loufel. Owner and handler, Everett G. Metzger. (Dual Ch. Avano Happy—Jule of Loufel).

2nd. Suzanne de Carnac. Owner and handler K. C. Matzen. (Jafferie de Carnac—Gayfield Margaree).

3rd. Ch. (B) Lady Cub Lyon. Owner and handler, John C. Lyon, Jr. (Duane of Westhaven—Anderson's Sue).

## HOOSIER TRIAL

MRS. BILL KULL

The Hoosier Brittany Club staged another fall trial, the second one in the northern part of Indiana. The trials are starting to cause quite a lot of interest in this part of the state. This trial was held at Niblock Airport on the northeast edge of Elkhart, Ind., northwest of Goshen, Ind.

The running of the puppy stake on Friday afternoon found the weather very good for field trials, not hot and not too cold, just right for scenting conditions. I cannot remember a puppy that did not have bird work. Quail were released for the puppies.

Saturday morning at the start of the derby, the sun was out and the weather also just right for a field trial, scenting conditions were also good, and it looked as if we would have a good week-end for our field trials. However, around

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noon the weather changed quickly with lots of snow and wind. We completed the derby and ran two braces of the all age stake, hoping the weather on Sunday would be much better. But Sunday we found the weather very rough to take, for dogs, handlers, and judges.

The all age and the amateur all age were run under these trying weather conditions. Plenty of bird work was shown by the dogs even though the weather was bad to make it easy for the judges to announce the winners. Quail were released for the puppies, and the amateur all age; pheasants for the derby, and the all age.

Quite a large gallery was present from different parts of the country to take in the trial.

A very nice get-together and dinner was held at the Bungalow Gardens on Saturday evening. The drawing for all the stakes was held at Dr. R. H. Young's residence, Goshen, Ind. After the drawings, refreshments were served.

The four judges which watched the dogs preform did a very good job in picking the winners and they saw to it that the winners and placed dogs had plenty of bounce, class, and bird-finding ability, with manners to be expected.

#### PUPPY STAKE

1st place—Palomar de Boswell, female. Sire, Bourbon II; Dam, Valley Brit Fan. Owner, Dr. Robert E. Boswell, 151 Winding Way, Dayton, Ohio. Handler, Bill Kull.

2nd place—Toffee Idoc Singing Sammy, male. Sire, Ch. Toffe Idoc de Basgard; Dam, Ch. Brithavens Sugar Cookie. Owner, Toffee-Idoc Kennels Reg. Route 2, Lima, Ohio. Handler, Buck Bissell.

3rd place—Juchoirs, Markette, female. Sire, Dual Ch. Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee; Dam, F. T. Ch. Joyeus Jacqueline. Owner, Herbert Farnsworth, Porter Rd., Andover, Mass. Handler, Buck Bissell.

4th place—Meadowink, Hank, male. Dual Ch. Avono Hapte, sire; Dam, Molly. Owner, William P. Yant, Route 1, Murrysville, Pa. Handler, Tom Cox.

#### DERBY STAKE

1st place—Belloaks Ginger, female. Sire, C. Buck of Chippewa; Dam, Ch. Julie of Loufel. Owner, Mrs. James B. Bell, Jr., 177 Queens Lane, Palm Beach, Fla. Handler, Tom Cox.

2nd place—Curt's Fanche Rip, male. Sire, Lloyd's Fanche Spot; Dam, Bill's Birchwood Patches. Owner, R. Curt Davis, Box 281 Monticello, Ind. Handler, Bill Kull.

3rd place—Guy of Pasatrou, male. Sire, Aotrou MacEochaidh; Dam, Peggy of Pasatrou. Owner, Harry G. Crouch, 7434 Kipling Ave., Detroit, Mich. Handler, Lee Holman.

4th place—Helgramite Jacques, male. Sire, Wippy de la Valle Bourrault; Dam, Helgramite Holly d'Acajou. Owner, Andrew J. Foster, Eden Rd., Stamford, Conn. Handler, Tom Cox.

#### OPEN ALL AGE

1st place—Busher de Klemanor, fe-

## COMPLIMENTS OF BRITTANY HOUSE

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male. Sire, Ch. Buck of Chippewa; Dam, Ch. Jule of Loufel. Owner, Walter B. Kleeman, 1905 Crescent Dr., Springfield, Ohio. Handler, Tom Cox.

2nd place—Belloaks Mike, male. Sire, Aotrou's Jacques of Pasatrou; Dam, Sue of Loufel. Owner, James B. Bell, Jr., 177 Queens Lane, Palm Beach, Fla. Handler, Tom Cox.

3rd place—Jeanette's Cookie, female. Sire, Mickey; Dam, Calillac Sue Larue. Owner, Howard Crippen, Dearborn, Mich. Handler, Howard Crippen.

4th place—Calatin MacEochaidh Sam, male. Sire, Calatin MacEochaidh; Dam, Lady Arminta. Owner, Dr. T. J. Talbott, 500 Steiner Bldg., Lima, Ohio. Handler, Buck Bissell.

### AMATEUR ALL AGE

1st place—Rem of Aotrou, male. Sire, Foo MacEochaidh; Dam, Pamalie of Aotrou. Owner, R. H. Young, M.D., Goshen, Ind. Handler, R. H. Young, M.D.

2nd place—Rex of St. Joseph Valley, male. Sire, Ch. Allamuchy Valley Mac; Dam, Amber of Paradise. Owner, Herbert L. Cramer, 1121 E. Wayne. South end, Ind. Handler, Herbert L. Cramer.

3rd place—Jeanette's Cookie, female. Sire, Mickey; Dam, Cadillac Sue Larue. Owner, Howard Crippen, Dearborn, Mich. Handler, Howard Crippen.

4th place—Roger of Edough, male. Sire, Iota MacEochaidh; Dam, Lady Edough. Owner, Robert G. Buick, Mt. Prospect, Ill. Handler, R. Curt Davis.

### BRITTANYS SHINE AT CANADIAN TRIALS

At the Charlottetown Hun Trials on Prince Edward Island this fall, where about half of the dogs entered were pointers and setters, with a couple of German shorthairs, the local and visiting Brittany's and their owners and handlers came off with glory in the winners' circle.

A local Brittany, Abegweit Gale, owned by Richard Found and R. R. Logie of Eilerslie, P. E. I., was a double winner, emerging first in the Derby and

Shooting Dog Stakes. Mr. Found handled.

Busher de Klemanor, owned by W. B. Kleeman was the winner of the all age in which 18 dogs competed. Busher was handled by Tommy Cox, who also piloted Mrs. J. B. Bell's Belloaks Ginger to first in the puppy stake and to second in the derby over 21 dogs; and it was under Tom's whistle that William P. Yant's Bonaire Doc came off with second in the all age.

In the shooting dog stake of 24 dogs, Dr. R. H. Young piloted Rem of Aotrou to second place. Domino de Klemanor, owner-handled by W. B. Kleeman was third.

A life-sized statue of a Hungarian partridge was the first place prize in the all age stake. Mr. Kleeman donated the derby trophy, a silver tray, which went to Mr. Found.

The Charlottetown Kennel Club evidently brought out all the local color at the evening dinner for the field trial guests, with entertainment consisting of

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We think perhaps those swords would be dangerous to have around at some of the trials here . . . judges take note!

Incidentally, the judges at P.E.I. were: Richard Hoyer, Andover, Mass.; Ray Camp, "Woods, Field and Stream" columnist of the New York Times, and Charles Middlemiss, St. Stephens, B. C. Walter Kleeman and Alfred Grey of Moncton, judged the derby. Apparently the decisions pleased—the swords were just used for the dance.

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## PACIFIC NORTHWEST NOTES

By EVERETT G. METZGER

The Pacific Northwest Regional was started by a few Brittany owners at a Bench Show in May 1951. Although we are still in our infancy, the club has begun to show signs of becoming one of the better specialty groups in our area. The membership has more than doubled in the past three months.

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Rene Oliver, president of our club, has announced that he has again asked Mr. Louis Tippet to head the field trial committee. The second of the two sanctioned trials required by the A.K.C. to qualify for a license for point trial is being planned for the late spring.

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The first all-Brittany field trial ever held in the Pacific Northwest was very much of a success. The field trial committee is to be congratulated on its choice of judges. The site and surroundings were perfect. Nov. 10-11, 1951 will be a memorable date for the many who attended.

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Two Brittanies owned by members completed their bench championships this year. Several more have gained points and are nearly finished. Lady Cub Lyon, owned by John C. Lyon, Jr., went Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex at the recent Vancouver, Wash. Show to finish. "Cubby" was handled to her

championship by the professional handler, Gene Hahnen. Everett Metzger's Evergray's Tic-Toc Bobby found the going fairly easy, winning his first points at the age of six months and 12 days and finishing at the age of 10 months. Bobby is now with Bill Kull running in the Eastern field trials.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tippet will take in the trials at Carbondale this year. The Tippets will have two of their dogs running in competition. Stinger du Juchoir will run in the Futurity and Derby Stakes and Ashurst Jerry in the All-Age. Both will be handled by Buck Bissell. Louie has promised to give us a full report of the trial when he returns.

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Champion (B) Evergray's Tic-Toc Bobby will compete in the Derby Stake at Carbondale. We are sorry Bobby isn't eligible for the Futurity.

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The following Brittanies have made points on the bench this year: Jotek III, Rex Lyon, Antoinette de Cornean, Lad-die Boy Dick, White's Spot, Evergray's Tic-Toc Bobby, Lady Cub Lyon, Oliver's Little Irish, and Odegaard's Little Sally.

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The 1952 Show season will start with the Seattle Show on Feb. 2-3. This was a five point show for both sexes last year and should be large this year.

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An observation on our recent field trial is that we did not start a fire, but we did create a lot of smoke.

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## WICHITA KANSAS DOG SHOW

Jeffery MacEochaidh was the best of breed winner at Wichita, under judge Forest N. Hall of Dallas, Texas. He is owned by Roscie E. Kimerling of Humboldt, Kansas. Julie de Patrice, owned by Clarence J. Goering of Newton, Kan., was best of opposite sex. Luke's Freckles Windem, owned by Ray Olson of Glasco, Kan., won the American breed bitch class.

## REPORT OF THE PENNA. REGIONAL CLUB

Trial held Oct. 13 and 14, 1951, on the grounds of the Pittsburgh-Butler Airport, Butler, Pa.

This trial was held over one of the finest trial grounds of the wide Brittany circuit, the Pittsburgh Butler Airport, near Butler, Pa. There was excellent parking facilities just off a little used hard road. For a one-course trial the gal-



ALL AGE WINNERS

lery has a fine view of the action on the breakway, back course and bird field. The area used is roughly situated around the rim of a wide saucer like amphitheatre. The breakway takes off down a slight grade over open ground to a low depression at the eastern end of the airport runway, through a clump of trees covering a small spring run thence westward along the runway to a low bridge, along ridge to another open field and then through an old orchard and over a low roll of ground into the large bird field, bordering the parking space that divides the breakaway from the bird field, enabling the judges and handlers to get the next brace rolling with little or no loss of time.

These grounds were secured through the kindness of Mr. Graham owner of the field and Mr. Shoulter, manager and the co-operation of the farmers who farm the ground not used by the airport.

All stakes were run on ringneck pheasants, however, many contacts were

made on native birds on the back course. To attest to the fine flying birds furnished by the Pennsylvania State Game Commission and Mr. Gene Galloway, there were no casualties.

The weather was perfect both Saturday and Sunday, clear and cool in the morning and warming up slightly by mid-day, with no wind. Warm clothes were necessary at the start of the day but could be dispensed with later on.

The puppy and derby stakes Saturday were ably judged by Earl B. "Bud" Walker, prominent sportsman and Sheriff of Butler Co., and William T. Green of Bridgeville, Pa., a long-time bird dog enthusiast.

The All-Age, Sunday, was judged by Mr. Walker and Mr. Herman Specht, of Aspinwall, Pa., who is no novice in the field trial sport, having handled many winners of his own.

### PUPPIES

First in the puppies was "Holman's Yankee Traveler," who broke away fast and maintained a fast wide pace all the way around and to prove he knew what it was all about pointed and held one point.

Second was "Pierre Magnus," another fast pup that reached out well and also worked a bird. There was little to choose between these two good pups.



PUPPY WINNERS

Third was "Holman's Yankee Clipper" hunted well but was not quite as energetic as the first two—he had a point.

H. H. Green's Gold Flash Vert started



out well, hunted wide and stylish on the back course but on reaching the bird field showed a lack of condition as he just plain ran out of steam.

Other contenders were William P. Yant's Meadowink Jane, handled by Reiley and Meadowink Kate handled by "Billy" Yant, both above handlers were just young boys in their first trial. H. H. Green's Suzana Vert and Gold Flash Vert, handled by the owner, Palomar de Boswell, handler Kull. R. G. Buick's Toots of Edough, handler Holman and Tom S. Stone's "Roger's Applejack" handled by owner.

### PUPPY STAKE

Oct. 13, 1951

Judges, Earl B. Walker and William T. Gibson. 10 Brittanies.

First—"Holman's Yankee Traveler" Tudor du Roc Hellou—Bob's Star, D. F. Olund, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

Second—"Pierre Magnus" Bourbon II—Valley Brit Fan E. H. Phillips, owner; William Kull, handler.

Third—"Holman's Yankee Clipper" Rodger of Edough—Jilo's Flapper Girl. Harry G. Crough, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

### FORWARD



### DERBY WINNERS

#### *Derby*

The derby stake started immediately following the puppy stake and was completed Saturday evening.

First went to R. Curt Davis's "Curt's

Fanche Rip" a nice wide going derby who started fast and wide and kept up the pace, coupled with a good clean point which he held, earned him first place position.

Second was A. R. Stuyvesant's "Uno's Allamuchy Valley Kaer" who broke fast and gave a good account of himself and stylishly pointed his bird in the bird field.

Third was A. R. Stuyvesant's "Allamuchy Valley Rusty" who had good range and class on the back course but failed to produce a bird in the bird field.

### DERBY STAKE

Oct. 13, 1951

Judges Earl B. Walker, William T. Gibson. 13 Brittanies.

First—"Curt's Fanche Rip" Lloyd's Fanche Spot—Bill's Birchwood Patches. R. Curt Davis, owner; Bill Kull, handler.

Second—"Uno's Allamuchy Kaer" Allamuchy Valley Uno—Blossom's of Kaer. A. R. Stuyvesant, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

Third—"Allamuchy Valley Rusty" Allamuchy Valley Uno—Allamuchy Valley Ultra. A. R. Stuyvesant, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

### ALL AGE STAKE

The all age stake got away to a leisurely start on Sunday morning about nine o'clock, with cool weather, clear skies and no wind.

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Judges—Earl B. Walker and Herman Specht. 14 Brittannies.

First—"Tudor's Yankee Boy" Tudor du Roc Hellou—Allamuchy Yankee Girl. Mike Burnham, owner; Bill Kull, handler.



CURT'S FANCHE RIP

Second—"Avono Commache" Avono Hapte—Avono jill of Karomish." Jess G. Wright, owner; Bill Kull, handler.

Third — "'Allamuchy Valley Slim" Hello Hunter—Allamuchy ankee Girl. A. R. Stuyvesant, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

## THE AMAZING GROWTH OF MIDWEST BRITTANY CLUB

On Jan. 20, 1949, 17 owners of Brittany Spaniels met at Kansas to form the Midwest Brittany Club. At the February meeting, eight members and two visitors attended.

From this small start the Midwest Brittany Club has grown to be the second largest in the United States—second only to Michigan.

On January of 1951 the membership list read 33 members. At the last meeting on Nov. 19 at Ottawa, Kansas, the membership had grown to 78. This increase has been made possible through the untiring efforts of officers and members of the club.

The officers for the year 1951 were: Roscoe Kimerling of Humboldt, Kansas, President. W. O. Ackerman of Kansas City, Missouri, was our Vice-President. H. C. Stayton of Lee's Summit, Missouri, was our secretary and treasurer.

The increasing interest shown in these wonderful dogs in the Midwest can be seen by the number of Brittannies entered in field trials. At the 1949 trial there were 28 dogs entered. At the 1950 Regional trial there were 26 dogs. At the 1951 Regional trial at Humboldt, Kansas, Oct. 13 and 14 there were 53 Brittannies entered.

If we continue to grow in 1952 as we have grown in 1951, the Midwest Brittany Club will be the largest of its kind in the United States.

The regular October meeting of the Midwest Brittany Club was held at the Humboldt Park shelter house the night of October 13. New officers for next year were nominated and it was voted to hold our next sanction trial at Troy, Kansas, on March 8th and 9th.

Several new members were voted into the club, bringing our total membership to 78. It was also voted that our meeting place be changed from Kansas City, Kansas to a more centrally located place, which could be more easily attended by more members. The final decision for a new meeting place was at Ottawa, Kansas—where our future meetings will be held.

## Midwest Brittany Club Holds Annual Regional Field Trials

Oct. 13 and 14 the Midwest Brittany Club again held their licensed Regional Field Trial at Humboldt, Kansas on the Dee Mynatt farm. Pen raised quail furnished by the Kansas State Game Commission were planted for all events.



The weatherman co-operated with fair and windy conditions. The trials were very efficiently handled with no time lost between events and braces. Fifty-three dogs being entered in four events gave the gallery of an estimated 700 and 800 persons, a thrilling two days. Of the 53 dogs entered in the four events, 11 were in the Puppy Stake, 14 in the Derby, 10 in the Amateur Handlers, and 18 in the Open All-Age. Judging of the event was done by Mr. T. A. Prier of Butterfield, Missouri, and Mrs. Charles E. Everitt of Girard, Kansas.

The first Puppy race was put down at 7:30 a.m., Oct. 13. Four litter mates bred by C. A. Springfield of Wichita, Kansas won the first four places in the puppy event. So far as we know, this is the first time that four litter mates have won the first four places in any one stake.



#### PUPPY WINNERS

First—Royal Flash Skipper, owned by C. Springfield, Sire, Marquett Allamuchy. Dam, Toni of Paradise.

Second—Happy Go Lucky, owned by R. W. Strait of Wichita.

Third—Duke Antoine de Bourbon, owned by C. Springfield.

Fourth—Timber Magnificent, owned by C. Springfield.

The Derby Stake was completed about 4 p.m. Oct. 13. Some very good bird work was shown by these young dogs. First place was won by Penelope de Evanston, owned and handled by Louis F. Olman, North Kansas City, Mo. She ran a nice race on the back course, flushing a covey of wild quail and having several good finds in the bird field. This was her second first place win in six weeks—having won first in the Derby at the sanction trials at Edgerton, Kansas over Labor Day week-end. Sire of this Derby winner is Johnny's Pal, and

Dam is K-Haven's Daisy Mae.

Second place was won by Dingo de Humboldt, owned and handled by Roscoe E. Kimerling of Humboldt, Kansas.

Third place was won by Yankee's Sandy Girl, owned and handled by Ken Phillips of Edgerton, Kansas.

Fourth place was won by Sammy Kay de Humboldt, owned and handled by Mr. Cruncleton of Wichita, Kansas.

The Amateur Handler's Stake was won by Tex of Richmond, owned and handled by Dr. R. Busteed of Canyon, Tex. Tex, the only liver and white Brittany entered in these trials, showed perfect form in handling his birds. The Sire of this dog is Allamuchy Valley Warrior, and the Dam is Soize Mac Eochaidh.

Second place was won by Jeffrey Mac Eochaidh, owned and handled by Roscoe Kimerling of Humboldt, Kansas.

Third place went to Duke Avoro Hap-py owned and handled by R. C. Mannen of Chanute, Kansas.

Fourth place went to Kay's Patrice de Cornouaille, owned and handled by Roscoe Kimerling of Humboldt, Kansas.

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## ALL BREED TRIALS

Torchy of Lionheart, under his owner, Marion Baker of Woodland, Cal., placed in three of four pointer and setter trials in which he was entered during two months time. The wins were second in two trials of the Stockton Pointing Dog Association and third in the Amateur Field Trial State Pheasant Championship sponsored by the Sacramento Bird Dog Club. Eighteen of the best dogs on the coast, from Oregon, Washington and California competed in the latter stake.

Juchoir's Martin, Jimmy William's classy puppy took first honors in the puppy stake at the Izaak Walton League field trial.

Field Trial Champion Jersey Jeff took the show position in the Shooting Dog Stake held by the Sussex County Sport and Conservation League, Nov. 3, at Bevans, N. J.

## SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND BRITTANY

Enjoying its first point trial on this club did a bang-up job in hosting a fine entry. There is everything to make this site at Helgramite Hollow in New York the ideal in locations for a trial. The terrain, high in the hills, provides for a natural gun dog course par excellence, with its spots of woods and wide, well covered fields and long hedge rows. If there could be any criticism of the course at all it is the restriction of the bird field but from the gallery standpoint, this is well selected, lying beneath a high hill which overlooks it. The attractively furnished cabins on the shores of the lake, summer abode of the Machlett family, offered cool breezes during the sweltering hot hours of Saturday and welcome blazing firesides on a cold, wet Sunday.

Sociability was the keynote and a big barn on the adjacent estate of Dr. Birkenman, finished as a recreation and dining center was the scene of festive gatherings for the bounteous luncheons and field trial dinner.

Hugo Blasberg and Evelyn Monte'

judged the puppy and derby events, with the well-known criterions. Carl W. Shattuck of Mountain Lakes, and Charles Clark II of Florham Park, New Jersey, officiating for the open and amateur all-age stakes.

Pierre Magnus, owned by E. H. Phillips of Dayton, Ohio, and piloted by Bill Kull, poured it on boldly in consistent hunting endeavor and hunted up a pheasant to emerge the winner among 11 promising juveniles. Ashurst Bell, owned by Herbert Farnsworth of Andover, Mass., second, was a hard-going, industrious youngster who impressed by the way she swung out along the hedge rows and completed long casts. Holman's Yankee Traveler, handled by his owner, Lee Holman, accounted for third and Toffe Idoc Singing Sam, a seven-months-old, very attractive-going pup owned by Dr. T. J. Talbot of Lima, Ohio, was fourth. Nicky Bissell, pinch-hitting for Bucky, did a grand job in handling the second and fourth place winners.

An excellent derby stake was topped by Helgramite Jacques, handled by his owner, Andrew Foster, the genial and efficient secretary of the club. Jacques' ground work was somewhat restricted but he went on fire in the bird area where he had four finds. His steadiness and style on his first bird where he insisted on being stanch despite his handler's efforts to send him on, was impressive. So was his strong finish and eagerness to find game.

Evergray's Tic-Toc Bobby, owned by Everett Metzger of Portland, Ore., under the whistle of Bill Kull, annexed second honors. The first part of his race did not impress, showing some tendency to trail, but he soon opened up independently and put on a good, searching effort, rewarded with two finds, stanchly pointed in high style.

Guy of Pasatrou, owned by Harry Crouch of Detroit, handled by Lee Holman bore out in well completed casts along the hedge rows and hunted industriously in a big swing. He had one unproductive point on the back course, and two finds in the bird field which he bounced out and chased happily.

Bing de Poka, owned by L. G. Schultz of South Bend, Indiana, handled by Bill



Kull, gained fourth. Braced with a dog that jumped on him for a fight on the breakway, this youngster had a bad start. His brace mate was picked up after it was seen to be persistent in following up for continuous bouts, and then being levelled off in a fine, big race where he swung out on wide forward casts hunting all the edges and likely spots. He had a good find along the lakeside, well finished and would have placed higher if he had not tired to a walk in the bird field.

In contrast to the previous day when the heat was oppressive in the morning, later changing to freshening breezes, the all-age drew a day of drenching rain. Scenting conditions were anything but ideal and the judges, dogs and handlers took a beating from the elements.

Avono Comanche, owned by J. Wright, and handled by Bill Kull was the winner. He impressed the judges by his good ground coverage and his perseverance and aptitude on pheasants. On the back course he worked a runner through a hollow in skillful fashion and at the edge

of the lake he had a well executed find. Immediately after he began to make game in thick cover along the lakeside. It was quite apparent that he had a runner—which he did and handled superbly, finally pinning it behind the cabin some 80 yards ahead.

Allamuchy Valley Slim, owned by Allan Stuyvesant, and handled by Lee Holman, earned second by his slashing, earnest style of hunting and a good, independent find in open field on the back course and one in the bird field to which he was mannerly.

Third went to Helgramite Howe D'Ajacou, owned and handled by Stevenson, and fourth to Uno's Jet, the property of Olund, handled by Lee Holman.

Only one award was made in the Amateur All-Age, the concluding stake of the meeting. Weather and conditions as they were, this stake was justifiably a mediocre one as to performances of the dogs.

The winner, and only one made in the stake, was Ch. Jersey Jeff. Under his



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owner, Dr. J. A. Weisert of Morris Plain, N. J. Jeff had his finds along the edge of a big back course field. His ability in searching out this area and his good manners to flush and shot, gained him his signal honor.

### North Jersey Picnic

When field trial clubs are in the summer doldrums of inactivity, there's nothing like a picnic and outing to pep everyone up to looking forward to fall events. Many clubs have found that it's an annual "must" . . . something all the members look forward to. Two such picnics have been held on the Alan R. Stuyvesant Deer Park Lake estate this summer, one, that of the Jockey Hollow Club and the other the North Jersey Brittany Club. Each outing featured a field trial on pigeons for the dogs, a trap shooting contest and at the last-named picnic, a clambake.

### OHIO CLUB HAS HISTORY

The Ohio Brittany Club in name only is rather new, having been organized as late as April 3, 1948. But actually, Ohio ranks second to none, and in most cases tops the other sections in making Brittany history in America.

As most of you know, the Brittany was first introduced into Mexico in 1924. Second into New Jersey and Canada in 1933; Massachusetts, New York and South Carolina in 1935 and into Ohio, Michigan and Illinois in about 1936 or 1937. It was Ohio and Michigan, working together, that organized the first actual group sponsorship of the breed in America. As early as 1939, Michigan was holding all-Brittany fun trials with Ohio and Illinois owners playing an important part. May 16, 1943, a few Ohio, Michigan and one Illinois owner met at Detroit and organized the American Brittany Club. They were: Senator Homer Ferguson, Dr. C. H. Keogh, A. H. Ady, Jack Whitworth, H. P. Cline, Dr. D. B. Ruskin, E. W. Averill, Mrs. Kathryn Adams, Thomas Fitzpatrick, W. K. Martin, Dr. Charles Lynch, Don Waller, Ralph Hughes and Robert McCurdy.

The first A.K.C. licensed field trial in America was held in Ohio on November 27, 1943, along with the first Brittany Spaniel Specialty Show. These events later became known as the "National." The following year the second "National" was also held in Ohio, and two years later, the fourth "National" was held in Ohio. Ohio began running A.K.C. licensed field trials two years before any other section, and has run 1 or 2 trials each year since.

As early as 1945, Ohio drew 38 Brittany entries in an all-breed show. Ohio holds the record of having had the largest Brittany entry in a field trial, 98 dogs being entered in its 1950 Spring trial.

The first Brittany magazine originated and was published in Ohio. One or more Ohioans have always been members of the Board of Directors of the Parent Club, with the exception of the first year. All but two of the annual directors meetings were held in Ohio.

The qualifying stake system, Field Trial under American Field rules, that is coming back at the National this year, was first run in Ohio in 1946.

The first Amateur Handlers Stake was run at the Ohio 1948 fall trials and the first Regional Club specialty show was held in Ohio last fall.

### OHIO BRITTANY TRIAL

The Ohio Brittany Field Trial was held Nov. 2, 3, and 4, 1951, with the usual Ohio field trial weather prevailing; cold wind and rain turning to ice and snow.

The trial was held on the grounds of the Findlay Gun Club, one mile west and one mile south of Williamstown, Ohio, with headquarters at the Phoenix Hotel, Findlay.

The grounds were part pasture which had not had stock on it during the summer, and the cover was about eight to 12 inches high. The grounds lay between wooded lots and the bird field was a stubble field which afforded good cover. The break-away was in a woods which was about 150 feet wide. At the end of the woods the dogs entered the pasture and



turned north along the side of a meadow on the east, and a corn field on the north; through an old orchard and along a cornfield and meadow on the west; then to the south end, which was second growth woods, into another cornfield, and to the east into the bird field.

The Puppy Stake was drawn on the trial grounds at noon Friday. One wonders why men, to say nothing of the women, would brave such a cold wind and rain to follow the handlers and dogs on such a day. In spite of the inclement weather, we had a good attendance, with an entry of 68 dogs and 12 puppies.

The trial got under way about 2 p.m. Friday, with the Puppy Stake. It was marvelous to see these babies brave the weather; and it is no wonder that once you see a Brittany work, you have to admit that no other breed shows more stamina and courage.

The drawing for the other stakes was held at the Phoenix Hotel at 8:30 Friday night and was well attended, even though by this time the roads were a solid sheet of ice.

Saturday dawned with a cold west wind and driving snow. The first brace of the Open All-Age, which had 22 entries, was delayed as one of the entries in this brace was not on the grounds. The owner had to drive from Bedford, Ohio, which is 12 miles southeast of Cleveland, and knowing the condition of the roads, this stake was held up about 30 minutes. However, we found a brace mate to take the place of the absent dog and got under way about 8:45. The weather continued cold and a west wind kept the gallery in their cars. We were able to complete the All-Age Stake and run two braces of the Derby, before night overtook us. There were 20 dogs entered in the Derby.

The Ohio Club held a meeting on Saturday evening in Jack Whitworth's room, at which time current business was taken care of and officers were nominated for 1952.

Sunday morning found the temperature hovering around the 16 above mark. Many cars were frozen up, to say nothing of the judges and handlers. We were still getting a cold west wind with snow squalls. However, we got the third brace

of the Derby down about 8:30 and finished the Derby at 12:30. We took time out to get a hot lunch at Williamstown, which was about two miles from the trial grounds.

The Amateur Handlers' Stake had 13 entries. The last brace was run about 5 p.m. and the first place winner was Avono Comanche, handled by Jay Wright, a boy of about 12 years, who did a marvelous job of piloting his dog. He handled him like a veteran and I heard a professional handler say he did as good a job as he could have done himself. Jay, we hope to see you on the job with your dog next year!

The judges were Mr. Harry Thomas of Bowling Green, Ohio. Mr. Thomas is a veteran field trial judge, but this was his first Brittany trial. Mr. Ed. Shockey of Rudolph, Ohio, has judged setters and pointers for many years, but this also was his first Brittany Spaniel trial. Both men were very favorably impressed with the Brittanies and both expressed a hope that they would have an opportunity to see more of the Brittanies in the future. H. E. Reed, of Bedford, Ohio, was put in as an emergency judge when Mr. Roy Thomas of Weston, Ohio, was taken ill and Maxwell Riddle of Ravenna, Ohio, could not appear because of illness in his family.

We take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Ann Carr and Lee Vollrath of Lima; Mrs. Mima Millar of Cleveland; Bob Spangler of Massillon, and all others whose initiative in seeing a job that had to be done and doing it, made for a smooth running trial.

#### WINNERS PUPPY STAKE

First—Meadowink Jerry, owner William P. Yant, handler Tommy Cox.

Second—Whereso' Britt, owner Jim Zanglein, handler Lee Vollrath.

Third — Juchoir's Markette, owner Herb Farnsworth, handler Buck Bissell.

Fourth—Palomar de Boswell, owner Dr. R. E. oswell, handler Bill Kull.

#### OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE

First Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo, owner H. H. Crippen, handler Jane Thompson.

Second—Uno's Jet, owner D. F. Olund, handler Lee Holman.

Third—Calatin MacEochaidh's, owner Dr. T. J. Talbott, handler Buck Bissell.

Fourth Domino de Klemanor, owner Walter Kleeman, handler was owner.

#### OPEN DERBY STAKE

First Belloaks Ginger, owner Mrs. James B. Bell, Jr., handler Tommy Cox.

Second—Baron Multiflex, owner John Bode, handler Jane Thompson.

Third—Curt's Fanche Rip, owner Curt Davis, handler Bill Kull.

Fourth—Evergray's Tic Toc Bobby, owner Everett G. Metzger, handler Bill Kull.

#### AMATEUR HANDLERS' STAKE

First—Avono Comanche, owner Jess G. Wright, handler Jay Wright.

Second—Helgramite Howie D'Acajou, owner W. E. Stevenson; handler, owner.

Third—Jeanett's Cookie, owner H. H. Crippen; handler, owner.

Fourth—Baker's Night Mist, owner Jesse G. Wright; handler, owner.

### MEXICO NOTES

We received several copies of Mexico Canina, a Mexican dog publication. The first one had a good looking Brittany head on the cover and the other had a lengthy article on the Brittany Spaniel with an explanation in English which we thought would interest our readers.

#### Brittany Spaniels

You will notice in our Spanish section a lot of space given to the Brittany Spaniel, and though you may not be able to read Spanish you can see some very familiar names mentioned. The history of this breed is unique, perhaps it is the only breed where a queer trend of expansion took place, and that is why we wanted to perpetuate it in Spanish. The first litter of Brittany Spaniels ever born in the new world were born in Mexico. The pups were the property of the late fancier Mr. Juan Pugibet, owner of "Casa Blanca" kennels. This litter and many more afterwards were exported from Mexico to the United States, and the best

Brittannies in Field and Bench that U. S. started with were all "Casa Blanca" dogs. Many of your present champions carry in their pedigrees "Casa Blanca" bloodlines. As far as we can see this is the only breed that Mexico has supplied the United States with besides being very good dogs.

A great friend of Mexico, Mr. Alan R. Stuyvesant of Allamuchy, N. J. and Brittany breeder, was a good and close friend to Mr. Pugibet. Upon Mr. Pugibet's death the kennels closed down and the breed started weeding out dangerously, almost to the extinction point. Mr. Stuyvesant supported by the Mexican fancier, Mr. Yves Heuze Besnier, have started again, now from the United States to Mexico, the importation of the "Allamuchy" strain of dogs, which have been proven in our fields and shows as top notch dogs. Mr. Stuyvesant is in that way honoring his friend Mr. Pugibet by keeping the breed in front line in Mexico.

### BRITTANY CLUB TRIALS

#### NORTH JERSEY

Held on the well known eastern trial site, the Flatbrook Valley course at Bevans, Sussex County, N. J., the trials of the North Jersey Club made an occasion for chalking up another success in the history of this enterprising group, which boasts Hugo Blasberg as its field trial secretary.

The grounds, which are part of a state-owned tract of some 3000 acres maintained for hunting and fishing, had undergone a face-lifting process early this fall to improve its terrain as a field trial course and the leveling of a steep hillside leading into the bird field, and additional planting were to good purpose. The released pheasants from the state game farm were all strong-flying birds and the weather joined in to make conditions favorable all around.

Serving on the field trial committee were Dr. C. W. Buvinger, past president of the club and now a resident of Sussex County; Harold Frantz, Fred Liggett, Fred Seifert and Dr. J. F. Weisert. William Kynock was field marshal.

The judges were H. E. Walston, re-



placing Lucien Ufford, and C. J. Kylie Myers of Morristown, N. J. for the puppy and derby stakes, and J. V. R. Brown of Rahway, N. J. and H. E. Walston of Middletown, N. Y. for all age.

Bonnaire Doc, owned by William P. Yant of Murraysville, Pa., and handled by Tom Cox, annexed the top honors in the all age event. Put down in the sixth brace on Sunday afternoon, Doc broke away speedily showing purposeful intent to hunt all likely cover. He covered the course in strong searching style all the way. In the bird field his brace mate was first on point and Doc, coming up, backed promptly. No bird was produced and both dogs were sent on. The brace mate did not relocate but swung off in another direction. Doc roaded for some distance on what proved to be the running quarry, finally pinning it accurately in bold style. His manners to the flush and shot were perfect.

Second place was awarded to Meester's Pal, owned by Violet Meester and handled by her dad, Al Meester. Pal turned in a

good industrions stint on the beck course, not as tringly applied as Doc's and had one find in the bird field which he handled without fault.

F. T. Ch. Jersey Jeff, piloted by his owner, Dr. James F. Weisert of Morris Plains, N. J., accounted for third by virtue of a wide, searching race and two finds. On his first bird, he moved in after the flush, stopped at command. On his second bird, his manners were good.

Tudor's Yankee Boy, owned by Mike Burnham of Bogue, Kansas, and handled by Bill Kull, was next in line. His excellent application in a ground heat that was restricted at the start but in high gear when he reached the big fields, and one admirably handled find earned him fourth place.

Honorable mention was given to Uno's Jet for the biggest strongest race of the stake, muffed by a chase with his brace mate when the latter came in on his point. Miss Topsy was also commended by the judges for her strong race and one good

# ALLAMUCHY VALLEY KENNELS

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ALLAMUCHY, NEW JERSEY

find, spoiled by another that ended in a chase.

Juchoir's Martin, a youngster making his first start in trials along with his equally novice owner-handler, James Williams of Lynchburg, Va., made a well



#### PUPPY WINNERS

earned sensation by winning the puppy event. He had a strong, forward ground heat and displayed marked natural hunting ability.

The others had fairly good ground heats and all winners had contacts with game. These were Palomar's Boswell, second, owned by Dr. Robert Boswell, Dayton, Ohio, handled by Bill Kull; Jochoir's Martha, third, litter mate of the winner, owned by Mrs. Bissell, handled by Bucky Bissell and Holman's Yankee Clipper, fourth, owned by Harry Crouch of Detroit, handled by Lee Holman.

In the Derby, top place went to Bing de Poka, owned by L. H. Schultz, South Bend, Ind., handled by Kull. He had an industrious 30 minutes, not as wide as some others but hunting hard every minute. He was rewarded with two finds on which he showed steady manners.

Second went to Lena of Britt, owned by C. J. Tempest, Beaver Dam, Wisc., handled by Holman, for a consistent race and one find, which she pointed flashily and then gave a merry chase.

Third went to Kurts Fanche Rip, owned by Curt Davis, of Monticello, Ind., handled by Bill Kull and fourth to Manhattan du Juchoir, owned by Herbert Farnsworth, Andover, Mass., handled by Buck Bissell. Twelve puppies, 16 derbies and 26 all age competed.

On Sunday, Dec. 2, members of the North Jersey Brittany Club gathered at Cowie's Game Farm in Chester, N. J., to compete for the Thebaud Memorial Trophy.

The cover was perfect, the course, through excellent hunting terrain with plenty of objectives to give dogs every opportunity to show to advantage.

The judging was well handled by James Park of Long Valley and Stewart Quigley of Washington, N. J.

Dr. Weisert assisted by Bill Kynock, handled the running of the trial and Sanford Vreeland, the club president, took charge of the coffee and doughnuts.

F. T. Ch. Jersey Jeff emerged the winner with a nice find on the back course, perfect manners and a prompt retrieve, and a divided find in the bird field.

Meester's Pal had a find in the bird field, good manners and a nice long retrieve, one unproductive probably kept him out of the top spot.

Topsy had one find in the bird field with good manners but refused to retrieve the wounded bird.

Bill's Lady also had one find but her race was a bit restricted.

#### WINNERS

F. T. Ch. Jersey Jeff, Allamuchy Valley Joe, Miss Topsy; Dr. J. F. Weisert Meester's Pal; Allamuchy Valley Joe, Miss Topsy; Al Meester.

Miss Topsy, Mr. Brittany; Brittany Belle, Hugo Blasberg.

Bill's Lady, Allamuchy Valley Joe, Fanny, Bill Kynock.

#### MONCTON TRIALS

At trials staged by the Moncton Brittany, Pointer and Setter Field Trials Association's trials in New Brunswick in October, the three first place dogs were all Brittany Spaniels. This is just another indication of the rapid increase in the popularity of the Brittany as an upland hunting companion.

A local Brittany, Lady Mitz-Mac, owned and handled by Al Gray, with two wins made an exceptionally good showing in the two day annual Maritime Hunt-



ing Dog trials held on the Rampasture coverts.

Not only did the merry little Brittany lead the local entrants but she annexed her final Canadian championship points in this win, her fifth in six trials there. James P. Bell of Palm Beach, Florida, was another double winner with Bellocks Ginger taking the Derby event and Bellocks Punch the puppy stake.

Staged in bright crisp October weather, the various braces drew a large gallery and considerable interest was displayed in the placings.

In this the judges, Lee White of Norwalk, Conn.; Walter Kleeman of Springfield, Ohio; Charles Middlemiss, of St. Stephens, B. C.; Diick Hoyer of Andover, Mass. and J. T. Mayer, Sr., and H. O. Whitman of B. C., had their work cut out. Competition was particularly keen.

With a field of 29 dogs in the four competitions, it provided one of the hunting season's most colorful events. This year the timberdoodles, for which the covert is famous, were not to be found in anywhere like the usual numbers. However, a fair number were located with sufficient grouse to provide good bird work.

## A BIG DIFFERENCE

*EDITOR'S NOTE—The following has been excerpted from Ott Hick's column "Around the Sportsmen's Campfire" in the Moncton, N. B. Transcript.*

There's as much difference between the Island Hun trials and the local show as there is between night and day. Instead of a close working dog, steady to point and shot, a hard worker that finds his birds by close ground work, the Hun trials specify a wide ranging canine with lots of speed and go, a dog that can really travel and at the same time lose little time and effort in beating out the grain stubble, potato and turnip fields that the Huns favor for feeding and resting. With wide expanses of open fields and little brush work, the braces of dogs were set out off in areas where the hunter and gallery sometimes could see what the

trials were doing for a half mile or more. Controlled solely by hand signals and whistle, dogs showed a wealth of training and hard work on the part of handlers — and the way they cut the course was amazing to the uninitiated. However, the most of the animals entered, apart from the Island dogs, were canines that had been trained on quail. This combination was a good one, since a wide ranging dog is something much sought after by these fortunate enough to be able to travel the U. S. hunting circuit.

A good case in point was exemplified by the performance of a locally owned dog in the Island event. Lady Mitz-Mac, a close ranging Brittany owned by Al Gray, the dog that completed its field trial championship by a double win in the Rampasture trials over the week-end, was matched with a big pointer called Green Valley Two-Bits, handled by Cummins. The burst of speed with which Two-Bits opened the brace was startling, just as was the thorough way that it covered the wide expanse of stubble and cultivated land along the course—but so was the way that the dog completed the course. The dog was going just as fast, if not faster, at the end as it was at the start—and there was little territory that it had missed. Mitzie ran a good race, too, but was not in the same class with the pointer. Yet when it came to woodcock and grouse work the keen little Brit was excelled by none of the other dogs and cleared up handily in the local event. Which again proves the truth of the old adage about any cobbler sticking to his own last in order to excel, particularly in his chosen field.

## CALIFORNIA BRITTANY FALL TRIAL 1951

By MARION F. BAKER

Torchy of Lionheart, six-year-old Brittany Spaniel owned and handled by Marion F. Baker of Woodland, California took top honors again in the California State Brittany Field Trial in Woodland, California. His splendid ground-heat and bird work clearly entitled him to first place in Open All Age Stake. This

makes Torchy's third consecutive win in the Open All Age Stake in California, also making him California's first Brittany Field Trial Champion. Torchy has been campaigned successfully in the East in Brittany Trials having chalked up two wins. One in Illinois, and one in Indiana. He has also won six times in high class Pointer and Setter Trials.

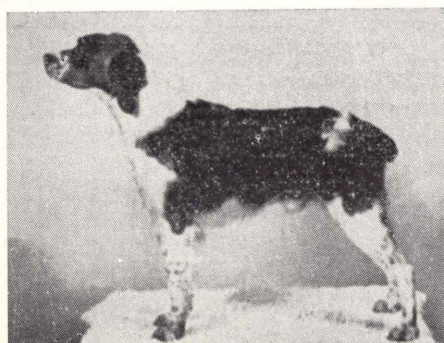
This was the third annual fall trial and scribe was elected field trial secretary, to put the trial on. I was ably assisted by my wife and when help was needed, untiring efforts were made by our Secretary and Treasurer Mr. H. E. Allen and members Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hartman. The field trial grounds were located 12 miles west of Woodland on the James Ranch. The course selected consisted of 320 acres of harvested rice and grain fields. There was an abundance of native pheasants on the course and over 100 domestically raised pheasants liberated by the club under the supervision and inspection of A. P. Stewart, representative of the California Fish and Game Commission. The weather was as usual, ideal California weather, warming in the afternoon to what I would call, shirtsleeve weather. The judicial duties were in very capable hands of Mr. Frank E. King and Mr. M. L. Marker of Woodland, California. Frank E. King is well known in California for owning and campaigning field trial dogs on the coast for over 20 years. M. L. Marker, better known by his many dog associates as "Pete" has also been a very successful handler and trainer of

many field trial winners.

The trial really had enthusiastic support in the names of H. E. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hartman who traveled all the way from Victorville and El Monte, California respectively. These towns being located in Southern California, required a driving time of over 14 hours, also, in attendance was our able President of the Club, W. D. Plummer and his charming wife who also drove from Turlock, California.

The Open All Age Stake was run on Sunday, October 28th with the typical California weather prevailing. The first 30 minute brace was set down at 8 a.m. with Gallinaceous Gal and Reynell's Allamuchy Mike. There was plenty of dew on the ground, and bird scent made the dogs get off to an enthusiastic start, Gal made strong casts and ran a good race coming in contact with a running bird, roaded it for some distance then the bird flew, Gal not stopping for flush but hunted through prevailing 30 minutes. Mike ran a good consistent race, came in contact with one bird, was credited with a stop to flush. Neither dog had any bird work in the bird field.

Second brace: Britt of Blaisy Bas, owned and handled by Dr. J. M. Sullivan and Buena Vista Judy, owned and handled by Thurmond McWhorter Jr. Britt ran his typical good race searching strongly and making strong casts towards the birdy cover. Britt had two finds but the ringnecks refused to hold and temptation on a running bird proved too much



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for Britt so he was credited with two finds and two chases. Judy ran a limited ground race but was searching constantly for game every minute. Judy had two finds and bird work was well accepted to the judges.



ALL AGE WINNERS

Third Brace: Susie, owned and handled by Margaret Byers, and Coeurde Cornouaille, owned and handled by Dr. James E. Stuart. Both dogs were limited in their race but searched for game consistently. Susie had two finds and two chases. Coeurde Cornouaille was credited with a good ground race but failed to contact any game.

Fourth Brace: Torchy of Lionheart, owned and handled by scribe and Tuxedo Pal owned and handled by Charles E. Holman. This pair really cut the course up with Torchy having the edge with stronger cast. Torchy had one excellent well located find on the back course and a stop to flush. In the bird field, Torchy had another stop to flush and a find on a running bird which he had to relocate. His bird manners were beyond reproach. Tuxedo Pal was credited with a good ground race and had two finds in the bird field, but again running birds were too much temptation for the dog and Pal chased.

Fifth Brace: Modesto Happy, owned and handled by Dr. Harry B. Stewart and LeGras' Jo-Ann owned and handled by E. P. Hartman. Modesto Pal had a fair ground race and was credited with two finds and two chases. Jo-Ann had a comparable ground race and in the bird work, was credited with three points, all of which she chased.

Sixth Brace: His Nobs, owned and handled by W. D. Plummer and Oroville's Tippy, owned by A. G. Mercer

who failed to put in an appearance. Buena Vista Judy was selected to brace mate for His Nobs. His Nobs ran a fair ground race but did not show his merryway of going like he did in the Derby. His Nobs was credited with a fair race and one piece of bird work which he chased.

Seventh Brace: Mac's California Rusty, owned and handled by T. McWhorter Sr. and Britt of Modesto, owned and handled by Dr. Harry B. Stewart. Rusty was credited with a good consistent ground race. Had two finds in the bird field, one was handled perfectly and the other bird work was on a running bird, we saw Rusty yield to his temptation and chased. Britt of Modesto ran a limited ground race however, he had five intensified points, broke to shot and chased each bird.

#### WINNERS FOR THE OPEN ALL AGE STAKED

First: Torchy of Lionheart, owned and handled by Marion F. Baker, Woodland, Calif.

Second: Buena Vista Judy, owned and handled by Thurmond McWhorter Jr., Bakersfield, Calif.

Third: Mac's California Rusty, owned and handled by Thurmond McWhorter Sr., Bakersfield, Calif.

Fourth: Reynell's Allamuchy Mike, owned by Reynell N. Dalglish, Van Nuys, Calif., handled by E. M. Flack.

#### DERBY STAKES

In the Derby Stake, there were only four entries with Bing, owned by Alfred Montna and handled by E. M. Flack taking first place. Bing ran a good ground race and showed that he was well advanced for a derby dog. He was credited with one point which was steady to wing and shot. One stop to flush on command and one chase.

Second place went to Antoinette's Sporte' owned by Dr. W. J. Fahden and handled by E. M. Flack. Sporte's manners were not as good as the first place dog but he had a nice ground race and was credited with one point.

Third place was His Nobs, owned and handled by W. D. Plummer. His Nobs ran an outstanding ground race but failed to locate any birds.

Fourth place was Eph Mac Dal owned and handled by E. P. Hartman. Dal ran a fair race but failed to contact any game.

### PUPPY STAKE

In the puppy stake there were only two entries. First place going to Pete, owned and handled by R. Pitman and second place going to Sierra Pattie, owned and handled by E. Ham.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

American Brittany Club

Gentlemen:

As one of the officers of the newly organized Pacific North West Regional I am an enthusiastic reader and booster of your fine magazine.

The Brittany is quite new here in the Northwest, but is gaining a great deal of support as a pheasant dog. We intend to hold our first field trials this Fall.

Enclosed are some pictures I hope you can use.

Sincerely yours,

KENNETH C. MATZEN  
Bothel, Wash.



ANTOINETTE de CORNEAU  
Retrieving Bantam at 5 Months

Mr. Hugo Blasberg  
5 Royal Avenue  
Hawthorne, N. J.  
Dear Mr. Blasberg:

Enclosed you will find a report on our first sanctioned field trial, also a few notes

about the activities of our club and its members.

Our club is still small as far as membership goes, but we are growing very rapidly. We hope that in a few years we will be able to hold field trials that are equal or better than those now being run in the East. Dog fanciers in the Northwest have always been enthusiastic



CH. SUZANNE de CARNAC

field trial fans. As a result the National Retriever Trials will be held in Seattle this year. Eight Spaniel trials were held in our area in the past year with a number of entries that is amazing. I helped stage the first Spaniel trial ever to be held in the Pacific Northwest and our All-Age entry was five Springers and eight Cockers. I attended a recent trial near here that had over 40 dogs in the All-Age Stakes. The growth of the Spaniel trials in the past 15 years has been wonderful. However, I believe we will be able to duplicate their growth in half the time with our Brittanies.

With best wishes, we are,

Yours sincerely,

Pacific Northwest Regional  
of American Brittany Club.

By

EVERETT G. METZGER,  
Secretary.



## MICHIGAN BRITTANY TRIALS

By COY CONWELL

The Michigan Brittany Club has completed a very successful year with a series of four fun trials and then its annual Fall trials held Nov. 9, 10 and 11, on the Pontiac Lake Recreational Area grounds, with 52 entries.

The four fun trials drew a total of 143 entries. They were run in different localities and trophies were given to the dogs accumulating the most points in each event. Points were awarded 10 for a first place win, seven for second, five for third, and three for fourth. Everyone enjoyed these Sunday meets, but the main object was to get more of our members interested in field trials.

The regular point trials run in November found our Michigan weather playing its tricks on us. There was six inches of snow when the puppy stake was started on Friday. The snow had melted on top then froze, causing a crust of ice. At times the dogs were on top of

the ice with two or three legs and the other breaking through making it impossible for these young dogs to really show their best.

This stake was won by Aubine Duche, owned by Ray Fritts of Michigan. Second was Duckerbird Sir Guy de Beauch, owned by Charles A. Frank of Michigan. Both of these puppies had placed high in the four fun trials. Third was Where's O'Brit, owned by Lee Vollrath of Ohio. Fourth place went to Toffee Idoc Singing Sammy, owned by Drs. Talbot's of Ohio.

The Derby Stake started Saturday morning with weather conditions the same as the day before, until early afternoon when the sun broke through and softened the crust, giving the dogs a chance to do some running.

This stake saw some good derby work in the bird field and the ground work was better than one would expect under the conditions.

The winners in this stake were Guy of Pasatrou, owned by Harry G. Crouch of Michigan. Curts Fanche Rip, owned by Curt Davis of Indiana, Helgramite Tosh owned by R. R. Machlett of Conn., and the last placement went to Manhattan Du Juchoir, owned by H. Farnsworth, of Mass.

The Open All-Age Stake started Saturday afternoon with weather conditions improving steadily. This stake, with 20 entries, showed more class dogs, I believe, than ever witnessed in one stake before. I felt that most any dog in this stake could have won without too much criticism and I did not envy the judges which had to pick four winners out of the 20. Jeanett's Cookie was placed first. She is owned by H. H. Crippen of Michigan. Helgramite Howie was second, owned by W. E. Stevinson of Conn. Third was Avono Comanchie, owned by J. G. Wright of Ohio. Allamuchy Valley Slim placed fourth, owned by Alan Stuyvesant of New Jersey.

The Amateur Handlers Stake followed the Open Stake on Sunday. Twelve dogs were entered and again it was hard to pick the winners. This stake again saw the dogs running a class back course and

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finishing with classy bird work in the bird field and it was surprising to see an amateur stake with most of the dogs showing finished manners even those that had never been out to a trainer.

Buttons and Bows, a little bitch owned by George Wilson of Flint, Michigan, running in the last brace was proof of what an amateur can do with his dog. She was never worked by anyone but George yet she took the stake with the best ground race of the trials and one perfect find on the back course and two more in the bird field and was hitting the birds hard and fast. Everyone was well located and her manners were superb.

Until the last brace ran, it was a toss-up between Bill Averill's Diane and Mr. Stevenson's Howie. Both ran well and had been perfect on game. The judges finally came up with the four winners, placing Buttons and Bows, owned by George Wilson, of Michigan, first. Helgramite Howie, owned by W. E. Steven-

son, second. Diane de Beauch third and Ch. Pontac's Dingo fourth.

There was several other dogs that were good enough to win most trials but on this day there were too many dogs that were really high.

Although I was disappointed with our small entry (the smallest ever run in Michigan in my time, at least) I did get a great kick out of the improvement in our dogs. It seemed that the dogs were better trained than ever before.

After it was over I felt despite the small entry I had witnessed the best trial ever ran in Michigan, and the few other regional trials I attended gave me the same feeling. It seemed to me there was more class and more finished work than ever before.

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## E. C. Staunton, New Chairman For The Sixth Futurity

At the Board of directors meeting, held during the week of the National Trials at Carbondale, Ed Staunton was appointed chairman for the Sixth Futurity.

The printed blanks for nomination of bitches in the Sixth Futurity, which were distributed with the National Trials entry forms, had my address, John W. Lee, R. R. 15, Box 418, Indianapolis, Ind. on them. You can scratch this address out and send the litter nomination form, together with first forfeit fee of \$5, direct to E. C. Staunton, 175 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, 4, Illinois. Or, if they are sent to me, I will forward them to Mr. Staunton.

JOHN W. LEE

## ILLINOIS REGIONAL

By L. D. LAFLEUR

The Des Plaines Wildlife Preserve was the scene of the fall trial of the Illinois Regional, Oct. 27 and 28. The grounds are part of the Joliet Arsenal, under lease to the Illinois Dept. of Conservation. We of Illinois are fortunate to have access to such grounds and are thankful to the Department of Conservation and to Clair Milliken, resident manager, for all the cooperation given to the people who follow bird dogs.

The judges were Roy C. Blackwell and Joe Beal, both of Lombard, Ill.

Saturday promised to be a day of rain and cold wind, but rallied to the cause and cleared. The day started with the open derby, the first dog in the first brace being the ultimate winner. Man started fast and proceeded to clear the back course of native birds. Had the vim and vigor of youth, hunted with plenty of snap and at final count had moved seven birds.

The number two spot was filled by Bing de Poka, with a class ground heat and a bird roaded to flush on which he was steady.

Helgramite Jacques back course was laid down in a good pattern, going strong

all the way. Roaded bird, which flushed wild. Had one find in bird field but lacked a lot of style.

Uno's Allamuchy Kaer ran a searching race on back course. Had the misfortune of having bird that would not fly and the temptation was too much.

1.—Manhattan du Juchoir; handled by Buck Bissell.

2.—Bing de Poka; handled by Bill Kull.

3.—Helgramite Jacques, handled by Tom Cox.

4.—Uno's Allamuchy Kaer; handled by Lee Holman.

## AMATEUR—ALL AGE

Seven dogs were on hand to contest the running of the amateur stake. The judges didn't take long at the completion of the stake to name Rex of St. Joseph Valley, handled by his owner, H. Cramer, as the winner. Rex, in his half hour, treated the judges to about everything that you could expect of a dog. One find that brace mate took out and Rex showed perfect manners. Had one stop to flush, one bird in bird field handled with faultless manners, to top a searching back course. Howard Clements of Chicago handled his fine dog Lukes Beau Fort to second with a fine hard back course and a well handled find in the bird field.

Amos of Edough was placed third on his race, his bird work was indefinite.

John Lee brought his bitch Dottie of Leeway from Indianapolis to be placed fourth, her one find was excellent to which she broke shot.

1.—Rex of St. Joseph Valley, handled by H. Cramer.

2.—Luke's Beau Fort, handled by Howard Clements.

3.—Amos of Edough, handled by E. C. Staunton.

4.—Dottie of Leeway, handled by John Lee.

Others—Yankee Jiggs, F. McBride; Britt, J. Scouller; Belloaks Mike, James Bell.

## OPEN PUPPY STAKE

Bill Kull handled Pierre Magnus to the honors with a race full of bounce and a point.

Holman's Yankee Clipper garnered second with the best hunting race.

Third place was taken by Meadowink Jerry. Ran the biggest race, no birds.

Fourth dog Juchoir Markette had no birds to go with a short searching back course.

1.—Pierre Magnus, handled by Bill Kull.

2.—Holman's Yankee Clipper, handled by Lee Holman.

3.—Meadowink Jerry, handled by Tom Cox.

4.—Juchoir's Markette, handled by Buck Bissel.

Others—Palomar de Boswell, Holman's Yankee, Juchoir's Martha, Tuck Lynn, Toffee Idoc Singing Sammy and June of Edough.

Sunday dawned bright and clear. A crisp cool breeze from the north, a blue sky was all you could ask for a field trial. This stake had the Allamuchy Valley Luke cup for the winner. The two previous winners were back to try to have their names again inscribed on the silver trophy. It was not in vain, as the 1949 winner Allamuchy Valley Uno showed that he was not a champion in name only and treated the judges to a class ground heat, with finds on the back course and in the bird field and showing the manners of a true champion. His native bird was hauled with finesse that bespoke brains, pointed at a respectful distance, good location and proper manners when the bird ran toward him and then flushed almost into the dog's face.

A young dog, son of the winner was placed next. Uno's Jet ran his back course as it should be, with a find and a relocation that showed a bird dog under trying conditions, but the dog emerged the winner with the ringneck as he finally pinned the bird and showed excellent manners to wing and shot.

The No. 3 dog was Bing de Poka who also placed in the derby. Bing showed plenty of class and had one find handled in all age style. D. Avono Comanche had a good race, his only trouble was finding too many birds and succumbing to temptation.

1.—Duel Champion Allamuchy Valley Uno, handled by Lee Holman.

2.—Uno's Jet, handled by Lee Holman.

3.—Bing de Poka, handled by Bill Kull.

4. Avono Comanche, handled by Bill Kull.

## FIFTH FUTURITY REPORT

It should be a good Futurity—the Fifth—coming up next Fall, for pups from 59 enrolled litters will be eligible to run.

That number just barely misses the record set for the Fourth Futurity, when total tabulations showed 60 completed enrollments. However, 1951 showed far less failures to whelp, and surrendering of first fees. Don't know whether this is due to better co-operation on the part of the bitches, or just part of the national trend toward economy. At any rate, Futurity enthusiasm is still running strong.

We were a little worried, when a mid-weather check revealed a very small number of nominations. The long, cold winter was partly to blame, and a rush in the late Spring, just before the deadline, made up for the early meager returns. So many of next year's Futurity entrants will be young, but it has been proved time and again that age has nothing, or very little to do with performance in a Futurity Stake.

From now on out, it is up to the breeders to keep close tabs on those young Futurity prospects. When you sell a pup from an enrolled litter, explain all about the Futurity to the new owner, and see to it that he starts in early to get his young hopeful primed for the big event. If you were at Carbondale to witness the running of the Fourth Futurity, tell the new owner all about it; if not, let him read the write-up in your Brittany magazine, or the "American Field."

August 1, 1952 is the deadline date to remember. Entries must be in on or before that date for each individual dog to run in the fall event.

Your chairman wishes to thank all breeders for their fine co-operation in sending fees and blanks in promptly, and we urge you to use the same consideration in sending in your entries for the actual running, prior to August 1, 1952.



# REPORT OF FIFTH ANNUAL BRITTANY SPANIEL FUTURITY

American Brittany Club, Inc.

Total number of bitches nominated .....69  
Failed to whelp ..... 8  
Surrender of first fee ..... 2

Total No. completed nominations .....59

Nominations for the Stake, to be run in the Fall or Winter of 1952 are as follows:

1.—Helgramite Holly d'Acajou to Chippewa Chief, R. R. Machlett, New Canaan, Conn.

2.—Haymaker Molly to Avono Hapte, William P. ant, Murraysville, Pa.

3.—Joyeux Jakequeline to Remarkable de Fonatine Vallee, Dr. T. J. Talbott, Lima, Ohio.

4.—Pamfoo of Leeway to Georges of Leeway, John W. Lee, Indianapolis, Ind.

5.—Riene de Vitesse Trepide to Potic II de Beauch, John G. Mende, Plymouth, Michigan.

6.—Mann's Irish Mamselle to Paw Paw Jacquis, Richard J. Mann, Lima, Ohio.

7.—Diane de Beauch to Unan I de Cornouaille, E. W. Averill, Birmingham, Michigan.

8.—Brithaven's Sugar Cookie to Toffee Idoc de, Toffee Idoc Kennels, Lima, Ohio.

9.—Jilo's Flapper Girl Basgard to Roger of Edough, Lee Holman, Whittington, Illinois.

10.—Bob's Star to Tudor du Roc Hel-lou, Lee Holman, Whittington, Illinois.

11.—Allamuchy Valley Ultra to Allamuchy Valley Slim, Lee Holman, Whittington, Illinois.

12.—Belle of Loufel to Buck of Chippewa, John W. Lee, Indianapolis, Ind.

13.—Betty of Paradise to Col. Kemp of Leeway, James H. Scouller, Pontiac, Illinois.

14.—Queen of Leeway to Dan of Leeway, Luther W. George, Indianapolis, Indiana.

15.—Wanda de l'Argoat to Buccaneer de Klemanor, Walter B. Kleeman, of Springfield, Ohio.

16.—Basbleu's Poco Poco to Hillson's

Duke, G. L. Murphy, Okemos, Michigan.

17.—Jan of Renfreu to Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee, R. H. Bissell, Jr., Keene, N. H.

18.—Vicomtesse d'Acajou to Unan I de Cornouaille, R. R. Machlett, New Canaan, Conn.

19.—Luke's Lou to Tudor's Yankee Boy, Bill Kull, Goshen, Indiana.

20.—Urs de Basse Bretagne to Allamuchy Valley Uno, Charles W. Buvinger, Port Jervis, N. Y.

21.—Schutsie to Lloyd's Job Britt, Elias Ritts, Pittsburgh, Pa.

22.—Jilo's Honey to Chappy of Tess, Dr. E. S. Elliott, Fox Lake, Wisconsin.

23.—Happy Ginger to Allamuchy Valley Warlord, Toffee Idoc Kennels, Lima, Ohio.

24.—Paw Paw's Bea to Allamuchy Valley Warlord, Toffee Idoc Kennels, Lima, Ohio.

25.—Pontac's Trena to Ghost of Edough, Coy N. Cornwell, Pontiac, Michigan.

26.—Kaer Girl Hunter to Rex of St. Joseph Valley, Bill Kull, Goshen, Indiana.

2.—Nanette La Rue to Rex of Loufel, H. D. Rue, Shelbyville, Michigan.

28.—Avono Jerri de Klemanor to Hello Mike, L. D. LaFleur, Roselle, Illinois.

29.—Pamalie of Aotrou to Allamuchy Valley Uno, Harold J. Frantz, Allamuchy, New Jersey.

30.—Sue's Bonnie La Rue to Ghost of Edough, Carloton P. Plyler, Cadillac, Michigan.

31.—Helgramite Holly d'Acajou to Ashurst Jerry—Mrs. R. H. Bissell, Keene, N. H.

32.—Iolet of Edough to Hello Mike, Robert G. Buick, Mt. Prospect, Illinois.

33.—Busher de Klemanor to Fantone de Klemanor, Walter B. Kleeman, of Springfield, Ohio.

34.—Ashurst Bonnie to Nipper, Lee E. Holman, Whittington, Illinois.

35.—La Petite Madame to Duke of Westwood, Walter E. Conklin, Detroit, Michigan.

36.—Rousse de Raou to Pontac's Din-go, G. L. Murphy, Okemos, Michigan.

37.—Jule of Loufel to Enfant du

Juchoir, Lucien H. Ufford, Bellows Falls, Vermont.

38.—Loufel's Allamuchy Vamp to Brit of Bellows Falls, Mrs. L. H. Ufford, Bellows Falls, Vt.

39.—Tana Kay to Tudor's Yankee Boy, Dr. H. C. Keister, Kansas City, Missouri.

40.—Luke's Lena Dejoyde at Allamuchy Valley Slim, W. O. Ackerman, Kansas City, Missouri.

41.—Momentum to Brit of Bellows Falls, Mrs. R. H. Bissell, Keene, N. H.

42.—Tiny Lady to Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor, E. N. Kelly, Kansas City, Kan.

43.—Jeanette's Cookie to Pontac's Ding, H. H. Crippen, Dearborn, Michigan.

44.—Suzanne de MacEochaidh to Nipper, Dr. David R. Scott, Hamilton, Ohio.

45.—Lady Sasan to Jersey Jeff, John W. Allen, Liberty Corner, N. J.

46.—Peggy of Pasatrou to Aotrou MacEodhaidh, Al Ady, Detroit, Michigan.

47.—Helgramite Omeme to Wippy de la Vallee Bourault R. R. Machlett, New Canaan, Conn.

48.—Allamuchy Valley Utility to Allamuchy Valley Uno, Tom S. Stone, of Clearfield, Pa.

49.—Whitey of Paradise to Tennessee Buchaneer, S. Allen Truex, Jackson, Tennessee.

50.—Lexington Blue Lass to Tennessee Buchaneer, S. Allen Truex, Jackson, Tennessee.

51.—Etoile MacEochaidh to Allamuchy Valley Warrior, Mrs. W. D. Tootle, St. Joseph, Mo.

52.—Antwon de Beauch to Pontac's Hero, Carlton P. Plyler, Cadillac, Michigan.

53.—Queen of Oak Leaf to Unan I de Cornouaille, T. W. Cree, Osage Beach, Missouri.

54.—Hillson's Lucky to Pontac's Ding, Jane Thompson, Walled Lake, Michigan.

55.—Soize MacEochaidh to Allamuchy Valley Warrior, R. C. Busteed, Canyon, Texas.

56.—Mitzie of Loufel to Remarkale de Fontaine Vallee, Herbert Farnsworth, Andover, Mass.

57.—Nannette of Oakridge to Luke's Beau Fort, Gene C. Fowler, Remington,

Indiana.

58.—Buck's Allamuchy Julie to Allamuchy Valley Uno, Sandford Vreeland, Hackettstown, N. J.

59.—Baker's Night Mist to Basbleu's Sandy, Tom J. Talbott, Lima, Ohio.

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### PLACED DOGS

#### 1st - Allamuchy Valley Rusty

Owner: Alan R. Stuyvesant

Breeder: Lee E. Holman

Handler: Lee E. Holman

Owners Share \$307.41\*

Breeders Sshare \$153.70

#### 2nd - Helgramite Hector

Owner: Frederick W. Birkman, M.D.

Breeder: R. R. Machlett

Handler: Bill Kull

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Breeders Share \$ 96.07

#### 3rd - Lena of Britt

Owner: C. J. Tempas

Breeder: Lee E. Holman

Handler: Lee E. Holman

Owners Share \$153.70\*

Breeders Share \$ 76.85

#### 4th - Guy of Pasatrou

Owner: Harry G. Crouch

Breeder: A. H. Ady

Handler: Lee E. Holman

Owners Share \$115.28\*

Breeders Share \$ 57.64

\* Entry blank designated winnings to be paid to the handler.



# NATIONAL SPECIALTY SHOW

The American Brittany Club's Ninth Annual National Specialty Show was held at the Field House, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Refuge, Carbondale, Illinois on Monday evening, Nov. 26, with Judge Jack A. Spear of Tipton, Iowa placing the 40 entries.

For those who don't know Jack Spear, he is the owner, breeder and handler of Ch. Tyronne Farm Clancy, 20 times Best in Show, 35 times Best in Group, 49 times Best of Breed, one of the greatest Irish Setters of all time. But the Show Committee did not select him as our judge for this reason alone. The real reason was that, on Clancy's pedigree, it says: "All dogs in the first two generations in this pedigree were field trial performers and top gun dogs." Jack Spear is our kind of guy and he proved it by staying over two extra days at his own expense to watch our field trials before taking off in his plane and flying over the gallery, wagging his wings to say "good-bye."

While 40 entries is very small, it must be remembered that Monday evening is a bad one for drawing entries and Carbondale is a long way from the big bulk of Brittany owners. However, these 40 entries topped for quality any group of Brittanies this reporter ever saw and he has missed only one big Brittany entry in the past 12 years. The eight Specials entries were the toughest group to pick that we ever saw. And we got a real thrill when Mr Spear picked Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor as Best of Breed, because we picked the same dog last year when we had to substitute for Max Riddle. He is just about as good a Brittany as we ever saw, possibly lacking a bit in animation, but physically almost perfect. Tox Cox showed him off to perfection and Walter Kleeman, his owner, was justifiably proud in taking his second consecutive Best of Breed trophy.

Bob Buick's Dual Ch. Patsy of Edough was Best Opposite and Walter Kleeman's Busher de Klemanor was Best of Winners. Ed Staunton's Amos of Edough was

Winner's Male. Both Amos and Busher finished their championships with this win.



**CH. BUCCANEER de KLEMANOR**

## *The Summaries:*

Best of Breed—Ch. Buccaneer de Klemanor, owned by Walter B. Kleeman, handled by Tom Cox. By Ch. Buck of Chippewa—Ch. Jule of Loufel. Breeder: L. H. Ufford.

Best of Opposite Sex—Dual Ch. Patsy of Edough, owned by Robert G. Buick, handled by Lee Holman. By Hello Hunter—Allamuchy Yankee Girl. Breeder: Mike Burnham.

Best of Winners — Busher de Klemanor, owned by Walter B. Kleeman, handled by Tom Cox. By Ch. Buck of Chippewa — Ch. Jule of Loufel. Breeder: L. H. Ufford.

Winner's Male — Amos of Edough, owned by E. C. Staunton, handled by Lee Holman. By Larry's Allamuchy Man—Lass of Casa Blanca. Breeder: R. G. Buick.

Reserve Winner's Male — Helgramite Howie D'Acajou, owned by W. E.



Stevenson, handled by owner. By Chipewa Chief—Lexington Jay Mahogany. Breeder: R. R. Machlett.  
Reserve Winner's Bitch—Laura Mac-

Eochaidh, owned by J. E. Otis, Jr., handled by Bill Kull. By Ratouss de Basse Bretagne — Follette IV de Pradalan. Breeder: Dr. Keogh.

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## FOURTH ANNUAL AMERICAN BRITTANY SPANIEL FUTURITY

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By RUTH LEE

Allamuchy Valley Rusty, owned by Alan Stuyvesant of Allamuchy, New Jersey, with credit for his development and handling accorded Lee Holman of Whittington, Illinois, topped a field of 22 starters in the Fourth Annual Brittany Spaniel Futurity. Rusty had a searching race with two covey finds to win the Stake.

Helgramite Hector, owned by Dr. Birkman of White Plains, New York, and handled by Bill Kull, Goshen, Ind., took second place honors, nailing his position with divided work on two coveys and a good single find.

C. J. Tempas of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, is the owner of the third place dog. Lena of Britt, also developed and handled by Lee Holman. Lena had contact with two coveys, one being a creditable find on which good manners were displayed.

Guy Pasatrou, owned by Harry G. Crouch, Detroit, Michigan, handled by Lee Holman, occupied a solid fourth place position in the winners' column, running as brace mate with Helgramite Hector and sharing in his covey finds.

For three years in a row, Brittany enthusiasts have utilized Crab Orchard to determine who among their young Brittanies could give the best accounting of himself on the native bobwhite, but never before have they been treated to such ideal conditions. Considerable rain had fallen the preceding week, and there were sections of the course where dogs and horses had hard going, but scenting conditions could not have been better. In early morning the sky was typical of November—steel gray, with strata of dark gray clouds along the horizon. As the day progressed the clouds vanished, and con-

stantly increasing sunshine changed the color of the sky from gray to blue. Only occasionally did a faint breeze stir. The sunshine and clearing weather brought out the birds—plenty of them. A total of 17 coveys were raised in five and a half hours of running time in the Futurity—the dogs accounting for 11 of them. It is a pleasure to have birds in abundance, so that every dog has a fair chance, and Crab Orchard has always produced plenty of quail for the three Brittany Futurity events held there. Much of the credit is due the industrious little Brittanies themselves who know that to find the elusive bobwhite they must investigate fence rows and thrash through impenetrable briars. But even Brittany people are not so blinded in their love of the breed, that they overlook the tremendous help given by members of the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club.

In years past Reid Troutman and Ike Brandon, both of Carbondale, have helped marshal at Brittany trials, and thereby having been indoctrinated to the Brittany, graciously agreed to serve this year in judiciary roles. Al Howell and John Hoover officiated as marshals for the Futurity.

Howard Clements, National Brittany Trials Chairman and John Lee, Futurity Chairman, worked with the rest of the committee, Walter Kleeman, Ed Staunton and Coy Conwell in conducting the drawing and supervising the running of the stake.

This year, 39 Brittanies out of 60 litters nominated were eligible to compete in the Fourth Futurity, but on the night of the drawing the field was narrowed down to 22 starters. The purse will amount to well over \$1,000, to be divided



among owners and breeders of the four placed dogs. In addition the "Mitzie Trophy", donated by Jack Mayer of New Brunswick, Canada, is retained for a year by the owner of the winning dog.

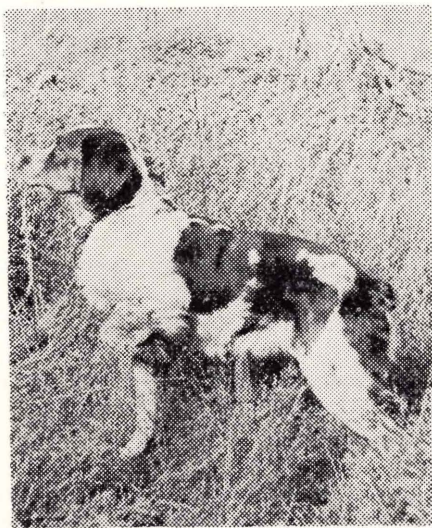
Allamuchy Valley Rusty, winner of the Futurity, is a son of the Dual Ch. Allamuchy Valley Uno ex Blossoms of Kaer. Alan Stuyvesant, Rusty's owner and owner of Allamuchy Valley Uno, is President of the American Brittany Club, and one of the largest importers of Brittanies in this country. He has constantly sought to improve the breed in the United States by importing dogs out of the best blood lines from France. Lee Holman is the breeder of Rusty and has nurtured him from infancy through Puppy and Derby trials on the Brittany circuit, to climax his record with a First in the Futurity.

Helgramite Hector, the second place dog was bred by R. R. Machlett of New Canaan, Conn., and is out of some rather recent French import stock. His sire is Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault and his dam, Helgramite Holly d'Acajou. Mr. Machlett, a comparative newcomer to Brittany circles has done much for the breed, and is largely instrumental in forming the Southern New England Brittany Club.

Lee Holman is also breeder of the winning third place dog, Lena of Britt, while Al Ady of Detroit, Michigan can lay claim to breeding a winner in Guy of Pasatrou. Guy is sired by Mr. Ady's Dual Ch. Aotrou MacEochaidh ex Peggy of Pasatrou.

High in the estimation of the judges ranked Belloaks Ginger, a smooth-running, flashy Brittany, owned by Mrs. James B. Bell of Palm Beach, Florida, and handled by Tom Cox of Carbondale, Illinois. It was obvious that Ginger's ground heat merited another look and at the conclusion of the running, she was called back for a second series to show on birds. Her second running fairly sparkled with class, and had she veered a few yards further to the right and contacted a bevy of quail that flushed wild, the whole complexion of the Futurity might have changed. As it was, she was ordered up, again birdless. There were

no other starters called back for a second series.



ALLAMUCHY VALLEY RUSTY

#### THE RUNNING

*Allamuchy Valley Rusty—Helgramite Hebe*—There was a rip in the air, and frost on the ground as these two broke away. Rusty cut out and hit the woods to right, keeping far ahead. Swinging back he was clearly making game in heavy weeds and established point just as the bevy took off and handler fired. This early find of birds fired Rusty, and he applied himself assiduously, seeking and working out any likely looking cover. Hebe ran a short, undetermined race. Shortly after crossing road, handler called point on Hebe, but couldn't produce. Rusty came into the vicinity, but didn't show any signs of birdiness, so handler ordered Hebe on. Winding up a hillside Rusty became extremely birdy, working clear to the top of the hill to secure location, and then came down on solid point. Handler flushed and fired as large bevy rose.

*Yankee Jiggs—Belloaks Ginger*—As in the former brace, there was a "near" dog and a "fair" dog. Ginger was the one far out, covering territory and casting wide. They took off in dense brush, but through that and into cornfield. Here Ginger cut loose and worked the edge of the corn and then into a dense woods



section, keeping well ahead in heavy cover. Disappeared on a long cast and finally was seen working hard in thicket on side of a hill where quail seemed likely, but they were ordered up with no birds raised.

*Tennessee Laddie—Jinx of Leeway*—From the start, both dogs ran restricted races. They made short casts, but did not appear to reach for birdy objectives. Crossing the road and onto dense cover surrounding a slough, Jinx came on point. Tennessee Laddie moved in and together they took out five or six quail while handlers fired. On to more open country, they failed to reach out. Jinx was credited with an unproductive in lespedeza patch.

*Cactus Pete of Richmond — Lena of Britt*—Cactus Pete was a hard-running liver dog, who seemed to prefer the open country to the heavy covered areas. His brace mate, Lena of Britt, applied herself vigorously, and early in the running bumped three birds out of covey as handler fired. Seconds later, after Lena had been sent on, the remainder of the covey was seen to rise. Her punching race was rewarded at the crest of a hill in dense thicket, with a large covey, well located this time, and a definite point established.

*Ghost of Edough—Tennessee Luke*—The sun had warmed the ground to the point where horses and dogs bogged down badly, as these two were cut loose. Ghost seemed to lack ambition to break away from the muddy horse paths, and even in open territory, the footing underneath was not firm enough for dogs to show. Tennessee Luke reached out a little wider than Ghost, showing more determination. No birds raised.

*Guy of Pasatrou—Helgramite Hector*—This race was the "birdiest" of the running, and both dogs seemed fired with bird fever. About a third of the way through, gallery was held back to left side of a large steam pipeline that cut through swampy area in which dogs were working. Dogs and handlers were working far to the right, when gallery rode up a covey that settled further on the course. As dogs came into the vicinity there was much excitement—quail boiling out in all directions, and handlers

shooting, but there appeared to be no definite bird work. However, it was enough to quicken the tempo and shortly after they were sent on, they shared a divided find. Manners of both dogs were creditable, and a large bevy was raised. Later Hector was credited with a single out of the covey, well handled. Both dogs finished strong.

*Unis of Leeway—Fantastico of Richmond*—Early in the brace a covey was raised in a fence row bordering corn, but neither dog could be credited. Both ran the railroad for a while. Called back, Unis was working a weedy draw and a bevy flushed, but she acted unconcerned. Fantastico gave chase to a rabbit through a cornfield, and just before time was called a third bevy was bumped, both Unis and Fantastico being in the area. At finish, dogs were reluctant to call a halt. About all that could be said was that they rendered a haphazard performance which may have been due to the fact that they both were in season.

*Robert of Leeway—Helgramite Tosh*—Robert hunted hard with drive and determination, casting intelligently to all the likely locations, but no birds were found. Tosh showed inconsistency, stopping several times as though on point, and once was credited with an unproductive.

*Uno's Allamuchy Kaer—Manhattan du Juchoir*—The sun which had been feebly breaking through all morning, broke out in the clear, as this brace got underway. Both dogs ran good heats, Manhattan especially giving a nice performance in a low, swampy woodlot which he covered well, but again the brace was completed with no birds seen.

*Helgramite Jacquis—Nymph de Klemanor*—Helgramite Jacquis ran wide with several far-reaching casts. Nymph failed to show any great range, but she hunted fairly well. Turning up a fence row, Jacquis took off to the left and two quail took off in the general vicinity in which he was working.

*Teddy of Pasatrou—Stinger du Juchoir*—Dogs started out through fairly open country. Teddy headed for the woods and dove into it, losing himself and his handler for considerable time. Stinger mean-



while skirted the woods and territory adjacent, hunting sporadically, until Teddy showed up again on course. From then on to finish of brace, they punched, and concluded the running far better than their start. No birds were seen or raised on the course.

## SECOND SERIES

Belloaks Ginger was called back, and again showed class ground heat, quartering beautifully through thicket and brush deep into woods. Ginger was working the woodlot when a covey flushed wild

just outside the wooded area. Taken on through cornfield and lespedeza pasture she punched hard, doing a nice coverage of fence rows—in fact searching every likely looking spot on the course, but to no avail. Geese overhead began congregating, the air seemed filled with their cries. The honkers were moving out to feed at sundown, but not so the quail. Shadows of the horses were lengthening as second series progressed, and by the time Ginger was ordered up, but less, the sun was a fiery ball in the western sky.

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# NINTH ANNUAL NATIONAL TRIALS

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By RUTH LEE

Brittany enthusiasts from all over the United States gathered together at Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge, Carbondale, Illinois, the week of Nov. 26-Dec. 1st, for the Ninth Annual National Brittany Spaniel Field Trials. There were 71 entries in the four National Stakes, in addition to the 22 Brittannies competing in the Brittany Futurity, held just prior to the National events. Had the weatherman felt like jinxing the works, it would have been difficult to complete the program in the allotted time. But much to everyone's wonder and delight, we were treated to one balmy day after another, as though the calendar were rolling back to beautiful, blue October.

From Portland, Oregon came Mr. and Mrs. Louis Tippet, and the James B. Bells left the sunny clime of Florida to share in the fun. Herb Farnsworth and the Buck Bissells left rocky New England, and the Machletts and Stevensons came from the Nutmeg State. The eastern delegation was joined by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frantz of Allamuchy, New Jersey, and Dr. Yant from Pittsburgh managed to squeeze in a few days. E. N. Kelly, Jess Hayslip, and the Louis Oltmans came in from Kansas, and the Pete Watermans came back from Marshalltown, Iowa, to try again for the Open All-Age trophy which their Butch's Lad won last year. Welcomed back was the long-time Brittany breeder, Dr. R. C.

Busteed from Canyon, Texas, who brought along some "cactus busters" to stack up against the best Brittannies in the nation. †

This is the second year in a row that the American Brittany Club has held its National trials at Carbondale, which is testimony enough for the high regard which we hold for the grounds and members of the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club.

The Brittany is primarily a shooting dog, and devotees of the breed want to keep him so. All Brittany trials are conducted with handlers on foot, and ideally the terrain covered should be similar to that encountered in hunting. Crab Orchard comes about as close to the ideal as one could imagine. There are large cultivated fields fringed with heavy cover in fence rows. There is thick sedge grass in swales thickets and wood lots for cover, and lespedeza patches on hillsides for the quail to feed. And is there quail to be found? Emphatically yes! In four and one-half days of running the Brittany trials, we counted 84 coveys — the largest amount for any one day being 25. Crab Orchard is a hunter's paradise, and since the Brittany Spaniel is fast becoming the ideal gun dog, the two go hand in hand. A good Brittany can do a mighty fine job on these grounds, but he must be willing to take a lot of punishment to hunt out the elusive quail.

He must be of truly "national" caliber.

This peak of perfection was not realized by all of the dogs, but there was fair work throughout, with several bright spots in the performance. No one will ever forget that great dramatic moment when Pontac's Dingo clinched first place in the Open All-Age for his owner Howard Crippen, and his hard-working handler, Jane Thompson, with a performance that rung down the curtain. In fact, there was plenty of suspense all along the line, way down to the last brace run, when Diane de Beauch went a-hunting for her master and came home with a beautiful silver cup in the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake.

Jack Mayer of New Brunswick, Canada, come down to judge the Open All-Age, Puppy and Derby events, with Paul Dawson of Garden City, Michigan. Both men have known Brittannies and followed their development over the past 15 years. Paul Dawson has judged many of the National Brittany events in this country; Jack Mayer's judging has been mainly in

Canada where the Brittany is highly regarded, both as a shooting dog and field trial contender.

Reid Troutman and Ike Brandon of Carbondale who picked the winners of the Fourth American Brittany Spaniel Futurity, returned to their mounts on Saturday morning in the Amateur Shooting dog event.

Hard-working Howard Clements, vice-president of the American Brittany Club in charge of Field Trials, had laid the ground work for these National trials way back last February. Together with Walter Kleeman, secretary of the club, and Coy Cornwell, Ed Staunton, and John Lee of the committee, Howard had covered every angle down to the last detail, and when the unknown element—the weather—showed a bright and beaming countenance, the full five days of trials seemed destined for a happy ending. We really shouldn't crow about our good fortune with the weather, but it so seldom happens at a field trial that even the Brittannies must have been pinching themselves to see if it were really true!

But good weather and an energetic committee, could not have put the trials across, were it not for the splendid help of the local group, Al Howell. Dr. R. A. Scott, Reid Troutman and Ike Brandon, all of Carbondale, and John Hoover of Salem, Illinois. These members of the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club have the know-how of field trials down to a T. John Hoover served as marshal for three consecutive days, winning the high esteem of gallery and handlers alike. His knowledge of the grounds is unsurpassed, and he has a flair for the dramatic touches that add much to the show. And, speaking of show, we should like to commend the "stage-hands"; Lou Mofield, who was in charge of the dog wagon, and hostler Lloyd Futrell who had the horses ready and waiting. Ready and waiting, too, were hot lunches at the Club House every noon, the responsibility of Tom North. There were no lags or confusion; the complicated field trial machinery had been well oiled and operated silently and effectively.

There were two innovations at the Brit-

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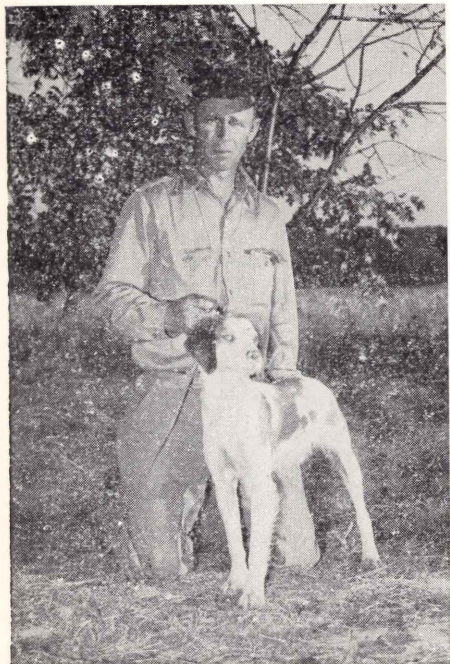
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tany National this year, marking a step forward in the standards set for the National trials, as distinguished from the Regional Brittany events. The time of



HOLMAN'S YANKEE TRAVELER

running braces in the Open All-Age was doubled, from 30 minutes to a full hour, and there was a great deal of speculation as to how well the dogs would hold up. Most of them showed sufficient stamina to keep punching the full 60 minutes. A few bogged down, as was to be expected, but since so many came through with flying colors, and acquitted themselves well, it would seem that the hour heat for the Open All-Age at the Brittany Nationals is here to stay. It should also be pointed out that since handlers were on foot, and a lot of the Crab Orchard territory is tough walking (to put it mildly), the handlers had to have plenty of stamina too. Hats off, then, to Jane Thompson, who handled consecutive braces (two hours steady grind) — not just once, but twice, and the tail end of her second two-hour sprint was when she piloted Dingo through his glorious race!

A new feature this year was the in-

corporation of an Amateur Shooting Dog Stake, along with Puppy, Derby and Open All-Age events. In order to qualify for this event at the National Brittany trials, a dog must first have placed in a Regional Amateur Stake. It is evidence of the great popularity of Amateur Stakes all over the country, that 14 qualified dogs ran in this event. Mr. R. R. Machlett of New Canaan, Conn., has donated a beautiful silver rotating cup for the winner, and it was evident from the keen interest displayed that this event could become the most popular National Stake. It certainly caused a good deal of merriment, for no one has more fun handling a dog than his owner. If dogs could talk, what would they have to say on the sometimes "amateurish" handling? Some of them plainly showed they had a lot of fun, too!

#### NATIONAL PUPPY STAKE

The Brittany National events got underway immediately following the conclusion of the Fourth Futurity, Tuesday, Nov. 27. It was nearly sundown, but sufficient light was left for one brace to run in the Puppy Stake. The remainder had to run on ice-crusting ground the following morning. It was none too pleasant footing, some of them indicated. They ran gingerly over the rough terrain, but soon most of them forgot their discomfort in the love of the hunt.

Altogether eight puppies competed for laurels, bestowed on Meadowink Hank, owned by William P. Yant of Pittsburgh, Pa., and handled by Tom Cox. Hank ran a good searching race, and had contact with birds, nosing out three, and then coming down on a nice point. As handler shot, the remainder of the bevy soared into the air. It was bird work any Derby would be proud to claim.

Holman's Yankee Traveler, owned by D. F. Olund of Skokie, Illinois, and handled by Lee Holman took second. Yankee Traveler hunted well, and kept reaching out further all the time, ending strong. Braced with the first place dog, both Traveler and Hank showed complete independence and purposeful hunting.

Pierre Magnus was perhaps the most



"rugged individualist" of the young Brits. Pierre elected to swing into heavy cover shortly after the breakway, and for a good 10 minutes worked on through heavy bracken, reappearing again at far end of woods in front of handler and judge.

Meadowink Tippy, a brother of Hank, showed he, too, knew where and how to hunt, but Dame Fortune did not sprinkle quail in his path. However, he gave every indication of someday turning the tables on his brother. Next year's Futurity may tell the tale!

#### SUMMARY

Carbondale, Illinois, Nov. 27-28, 1951

#### NATIONAL PUPPY STAKE

Eight Brittanies

Judges:

Paul Dawson and Jack Mayer

1st—Meadowink Hank. By Dual Ch. Avono Hapte-Molly. William P. Yant, owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler.

2nd—Holman's Yankee Traveler. By Tudor du Roc Hellou-Bob Star. D. F. Olund, owner; Lee E. Holman, handler.

3rd—Pierre Magnus. By Bourbon II-Valley Brit Fan. E. E. Phillips, owner; Bill Kull, handler.

4th—Meadowink Tippy. By Dual Ch. Avono Hapte-Molly. William P. Yant, owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler.

#### NATIONAL OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE

Immediately following the conclusion of the Puppy Stake on Wednesday, Nov. 28, the running of the All-Age commenced. It was quite warm for mid-morning; the frost had long since vanished, and the gallery had begun its chant "Oh, what a beautiful morning!" The same refrain was echoed on each succeeding morning, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

In any trial the Open All-Age generally is the top stake, and this was certainly true of the National Brittany Trials. It was tops as far as the number of entries (32 dogs competing); it was tops as far as running time (a full hour instead of the usual 30 minute heats); it was tops in gallery interest; and above all it was tops in performance, for Pontac's Dingo, owned by Howard Crippen of Dearborn, Michigan, and handled by Mrs. Jane

Thompson of Walled Lake, Michigan, laid down a race and handled birds to a perfection seldom seen—it will be remembered for years to come. Dingo was credited with two finds, about midway in his race which he handled perfectly. He ran a consistently wide, searching course, in fact it was on a wide cast toward birdy cover that he had his finds in high sedge grass. All that could be seen of him was the top of his head, but that was held high, in lordly fashion, showing full command of the situation. His manners were beyond reproach. Sent on, he continued to show a lot of drive and determination, and then with just one minute of time remaining, he finished in a burst of glory. Dingo and bracemate were working up through a lespedeza field in full sight of the auto gallery, Dingo quartering nicely, when he slammed into point—body tense with head turned to the left. Handler had a time locating the covey for they were far out, but Dingo never relaxed. Two birds were raised, then the other dog out across and on to raise the remainder of the bevy, stopping at flush. Throughout the entire performance Dingo never batted an eye; it was executed in the high style of a champion.

Second in the laurels, and with a class performance that ranked him top dog until Dingo flashed through in the 11th hour, was Avono Hapte, owned by Dr. William P. Yant, of Pittsburgh, Pa., and handled by Tom Cox. Hapte ran in mid-afternoon on Wednesday, when the mercury was well up in the 60's. His race was searching and consistent. Shortly after coming out of dense thicket where he and bracemate had gone in looking for birds, and were credited with stop to flush, Hapte was found on point in a tangle of honeysuckle vines on ditchbank. Judges and gallery were trying to locate a crossing for the horses, when they spied Hapte, just a few yards away, in a somewhat crouched position, just as he had hit. Handler was summoned and flushed a bevy, Hapte steady to shot and wing. Further on, bracemate had find in the center of cornfield, Hapte honoring. Then Hapte cut through the corn to the far side where heavy briars formed the fence



row, pointed, moved on a step or two for better location, and then styled up in the prettiest point one could ask for. Again his manners were perfect.

Uno's Jet, owned by D. F. Olund of Skokie, Illinois, and handled by Lee Holman, accounted for third place, with a well-sustained ground race, and two finds.



DUAL CH. PONTAC'S DINGO

The first occurred shortly after the break-away, in high sedge. Handler flushed and shot as three or four quail whirled off. Jet, ordered on, seemed reluctant, and then held staunch as the remainder of the bevy took off, and handler fired. Manners good. The second find was on the side of a hill in lespedeza patch. It was a good solid find, with plenty of time for handler to walk up, and flush the birds, Jet holding rigid through wing and shot.

Domino de Klemanor, owned and handled by Walter Kleeman, of Springfield, Ohio, was braced with Uno's Jet, and did an excellent job of hunting, being rewarded with the 4th place trophy. Domino seemed to have an affinity for heavy cover, punching deep into thickets and briars which completely engulfed him, for he is not equipped with the leg length of some Brittanies. Seconds after Uno's Jet had his first find, Domino dove into a thicket and handler called point. He waited while judges could get "on point" too, for it was difficult to see Domino, and then flushed. The birds arched out every which way around Domino who proudly stood firm.

Some mighty nice bird work was also

displayed by Belloaks Mike. The first was a stylish point on bevy under a large spreading oak tree—it would have made a beautiful picture. Later on he displayed as pretty a piece of bird location as was witnessed in the trial. He and brace mate were working up a hillside, fairly low cover, and Mike acted awfully birdy. Almost had the birds a couple of times, he seemed to say, but then would move on, tail whipping merrily. Brace mate came in to see what it was all about, and she, too, sensed birds were in the vicinity, but then she dashed off to brighter prospects. Mike stuck with it, and finally froze hard. Handler went in and flushed thee quail; Mike steady to shot and wing. Were it not for being credited with an unproductive "rabbit" point in briars, Mike's bird work would have pushed him up with the winners.

Allamuchy Valley Uno ran a good searching heat with credit for one covey find, reporter being too far away to determine just what occurred, and later had nice work on a single, perfect manners displayed.

Two of the widest going dogs, Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee and Tex of Richmond treated to class ground heats. Braced together, they put on quite a show as far as covering territory was concerned. Remarkable's range is well known in Brittany circles, but Tex, the liver dog owned by Dr. Busted of Canyon, Texas, and handled by Jess Hayslip, was more than his match. However, they were swinging so wide and fast that they busted out the first covey right on the edge of a wood lot, and later on, when Tex did point, handler could not produce a bird in the near vicinity. A quail way out ahead flushed wild, showing Tex had a far-scented nose. Heading back on open hillside, Tex spotted a briar patch and streaked through it as though it were nothing, showing he could take the tough assignments as well as range in open country.

There were several others with creditable bird work, but their ground heats lacked luster, namely: Bonaire Doc, Allamuchy Valley Slim, Butch's Ace, Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault, Frank's Laddie Boy, and Tudor's Yankee Boy,



## SUMMARY

### Brace By Brace Running of the NATIONAL OPEN ALL-AGE

1—Buckeye de Klemanor. By Buck of Chippewa-Jule of Loufel. Walter B. Klee-man, owner and handler; with Busher de Klemanor. By Buck of Chippewa-Jule of Loufel. Walter B. Klee-man, owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler.

2—Ashurst Jerry. By Avono Happy-Mitzie of Loufel. L. E. Tippet, owner; Buck Bissell, handler, with Allamuchy Valley Uno. By Kaer de Cornouaille-Evette La Rue. Alan R. Stuyvesant, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

3—Allamuchy Valley Slim. By Hello Hunter-Allamuchy Yankee Girl, Alan R. Stuyvesant, owner; Lee Holman, handler, with Belloaks Emil. By Avono Hapte-Sue of Loufel. James B. Bell, Jr., owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler.

4—Helgramite Howie d'Acajou. By Chippewa Chief-Lexington Jay Mahogany. W. E. Stevenson, owner and handler; with Frank's Brittany Bob. By Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel-Gwennec's Freckled Susie. Frank Mowbray, owner; Jane Thompson, handler.

5—Avono Hapte. By Avono Happy-Tess of Chippewa. William P. Yant, owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler; with Lexington Amherst Godefroi. By Lexington Calatin Rexson-Lexington Glad. R. R. Machlett, owner; Frank Weed, handler.

6—Buttons and Bows. By No of Da Vure-Bills Patricia. George W. Wilson,

owner and handler, with Laura Mac-Eochaidh. By Ratousse de Basse Bretagne-Follette IV de Pradalan. J. E. Otis, Jr., owner; Bill Kull, handler.

7—Frank's Laddie Boy. By Frank's Brittany Bob-Jan of Loufel. Frank Mowbray, owner; Jane Thompson, handler, with Tudor's Yankee Boy. By Tudor du Roc Hellou-Allamuchy Yankee Girl. Mike Burnham, owner; Bill Kull, handler.

8—Uno's Jet. By Allamuchy Valley Uno-Allamuchy Valley Ultra. D. F. Olund, owner; Lee Holman, handler; with Domino de Klemanor. By Foo Mac-Eochaidh-Pamalie of Aotrou. Walter B. Klee-man, owner and handler.

9—Bonaire Doc. By Bonaire Bob-Freckles. William P. Yant, owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler; with Patsy of Edough. By Hello Hunter-Allamuchy Yankee Girl. Robert G. Buick, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

10—Jeanette's Cookie. By Mickey-Cadillac Sue La Rue. H. H. Crippen, owner; Jane Thompson, handler; with Belloaks Mike. By Aotrou's Jacques of Pasatrou-Sue of Loufel. James B. Bell, Jr., owner; Thomas W. Cox, handler.

11—Butch's Lad. By Rich's Ace Hi-Susie Q. E. D. Waterman, owner and handler; with Gwennec's Pascey II. By Gwennec de Pascey-Fifi D'Orsay. W. E. Thompson, owner; Jane Thompson, handler.

12—Ronnie de Laurier. By Du Britt of Chippewa-Bertha of Huntmore. W. D.

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Winners I have bred by Ch Yankee Girl; Allamuchy Slim winner of 1949 futurity; dual Ch Patsy of Edough winner of 3rd in futurity. By Rose of Kaer; Ch Allamuchy Yankee Girl; Ch Allamuchy Kaeroline; Ch Allamuchy Chesta; Allamuchy Terry, and a lot of other good ones. Ch Tudor du Roc Hellou a late importation by Mr. Stuyvesant.

**MIKE BURNHAM**

*Bogue, Kansas.*



Laurie, owner; Jane Thompson, handler; with Butch's Ave. By Butch's Lad-Cedar Lake Britsie. E. D. Waterman, owner and handler.

13—Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee. By Avono Jake-Suzanne de Beauch. Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Clough, owner; Buck Bissell, handler; with Tex of Richmond. By Allamuchy Valley Warrior-Soize Mac-Eochaidh. Dr. R. C. Busteed; owner; Jess Hayslip, handler.

14—Holleyhaven Suzette. By Aotrou's Pepin-Holleyhaven Bonnie. Henry A. Holleyoak, owner; Jane Thompson, handler; with Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault. By Uno de Cornouaille-Toche du Roc Hellou. R. R. Machlett, owner; Frank Weed, handler.

15—Avono Comanche. By Avono Hapte-Avono Jill of Karomish. Jess G. Wright, owner; Bill Kull, handler; with Pontac's Dingo. By Basbleu's Sandy of Loufel-Allamuchy Sue. H. H. Crippen, owner; Jane Thompson, handler.

16—Rex of St. Joseph Valley. By Allamuchy Valley Mac-Amber of Paradise. Herbert L. Cramer, owner; Bill Kull, handler; with Luke's Beau Fort. By Allamuchy Valley Luke-Puchyan Peggy. Howard P. Clements, owner and handler.

#### SUMMARY

Carbondale, Illinois, Nov. 28-29, 30th NATIONAL OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE

#### Judges:

Paul Dawson and Jack Mayer

1st—Pontac's Dingo. By Basacu's Sandy of Loufel-Allamuchy Sue. H. H. Crippen, owner; Jane Thompson, handler.

2nd—Avono Hapte. By Dual Ch. Avono Happy-Tess of Chippewa. William P. Yant, owner; Tom Cox, handler.

3rd—Uno's Jet. By Allamuchy Valley Uno-Allamuchy Ultra. D. F. Olund, owner; Lee E. Holman, handler.

4th—Domino de Klemanor. By Foo MacEochaidh-Pamalie of Actrou. Walter B. Kleeman, owner and handler.

#### NATIONAL DERBY STAKE

The running of the All-Age was completed about 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 30,

and immediately thereafter the first Darby brace was put down. The same bright sunny skies were with us, and jackets were abandoned. A great many of the dogs competing in the Derby stake had run on Monday in the Fourth Brittany Futurity. With one exception the dogs in the Futurity money also found a seat in the winners' wagon of the Derby. It was noted that most dogs showed to better advantage in the Derby than in the Futurity. Perhaps this was due to the fact that the grounds were much dryer, and the three days of sunshine had brought out more quail, for it was on this day that a total of 25 coveys were raised.

Guy of Pasatrou, owned by Harry G. Crouch of Detroit, Michigan, and handled by Lee Holman, was top dog, running a good race—searching and consistent—with two covey finds handling them in excellent Derby fashion. He was quartering up a hill side on the first, toward a fence row, winding game as he got near the fence, and barely got through it before he froze on point. Held while handler scrambled through the fence after him and shot, then Guy dashed away happily after the birds as they flushed. His second covey was pinned down in sedge, again he held steady until the birds were flushed.

Allamuchy Valley Rusty, owned by Alan Stuyvesant, and handled by Lee Holman, accounted for two coveys in heavy thickets, to win honors as second place dog. Rusty hit the cover, and showed diligence in hunting.

Helgramite Hector, owned by Dr. Birkman of White Plains, New York, and handled by Bill Kull, was awarded third place with a fair ground heat, and one large bevy find, on which he showed steadiness.

Tennessee Luke, owned and handled by Howard Clements of Chicago, was awarded fourth place having accounted for himself creditably with a good ground heat, and one find on a single which he handled nicely. Luke was braced with the winner, Guy of Pasatrou, and they both showed a lot of dash and fire, when in the matter of a few minutes, they raised so many birds.

Unis of Leeway and Belloaks Ginger, braced together, were the widest ranging Derby dogs of the stake, and could have made it tough for the winners if they had handled a covey of birds they found in a draw, instead of seeing who could take out the most and chase them the farthest.

#### SUMMARY

Carbondale, Illinois, Nov. 30, 1951

#### NATIONAL DERBY STAKE

Judges:

Paul Dawson and Jack Mayer

1st—Guy of Pasatrou. By Aotrou Mac-Eochaidh-Peggy of Pasatrou. Harry C. Crouch, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

2nd—Allamuchy Valley Rusty. By Allamuchy Valley Uno-Allamuchy Valley Ultra. Alan R. Stuyvesant, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

3rd—Helgramite Hector. By Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault-Helgramite Holly d'Acajou. Dr. Frederick W. Birkman, owner; Bill Kull, handler.

4th—Tennessee Luke. By Smoky Valley Happy-Luke's Coquette. Howard P. Clements, owner and handler.

#### NATIONAL AMATEUR ALL-AGE

Last, but not least, in the four and a half days of Brittany trials, came the National Amateur Shooting Dog Stake. As previously stated, all of the 14 dogs competing had qualified by placing in a Regional Brittany Amateur Stake.

Reid Troutman and Ike Brandon, who had judged the Futurity on Tuesday, returned to judge this event, while Dr. R. A. Scott took over as marshal.

The unseasonably fair weather still continued on Saturday, Dec. 1, when the Amateur Stake got underway. Total covey count for this last morning of running was 16; 13 of which were found by the dogs—evidence again, that the Brittany is really in his element when it comes to hunting quail.

They always say a stake isn't won until the last brace of dogs has shown their stuff, and that was certainly true, for it was high noon when Diane de Beauch, owned and handled by E. W. Averill of Birmingham, Michigan, went out in the

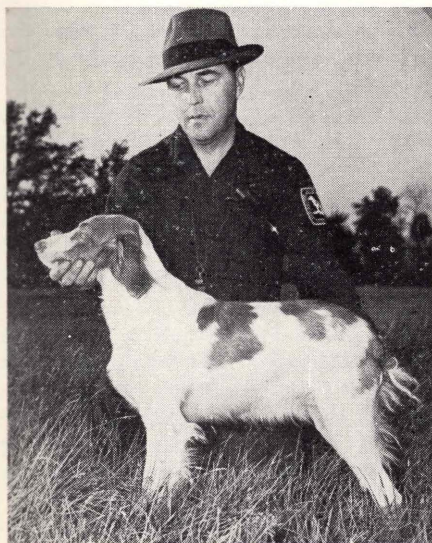
last brace to win the stake. From the word go, Diane showed she was hunting. She deliberately chose to investigate the toughest looking cover she could find, without any urging by her handler. It certainly paid off. She wriggled her way into some dense brush on the sides of a ditch bank. One of the gallery spotted her and called handler's attention. Almost immediately thereafter, Diane froze on point. She was sort of arched or jack-knifed with her nose pointing directly down to the bottom of the ditch, and remained in that awkward position until handler could wriggle his way in and flush the quail. Moving her head to watch as the quail boiled out all around her, she was steady to shot and wing. Sent on, she located a single in the open and styled up beautifully on point. The bird seemed glued to the ground. Handler had to nudge it twice before it would take off, but Diane was staunch as a rock.

Second place honors in the Shooting Dog classic went to Luke's Beau Fort, owned and handled by Howard Clements of Chicago, Illinois. Luke was treated to an early brace in the morning, a veritable bird heaven, for in the first few minutes after leashes were slipped, he had a find. His head was high, and he looked impressively regal as he waited for his master to come in and flush. About five minutes later he had another find. Again his manners were creditable, and he honored nicely on his bracemate's birds. Beau Fort, perhaps, had the going too easy, for he did not show the energy or hit the heavy cover as consistently as Bill Averill's Diane.

Helgramite Chip, owned and handled by W. E. Stevenson of Stamford, Conn., was credited with third place in the winners' column. Chip, a roan dog was braced with another roan dog, Georges of Leeway. These two were treated to the first brace of the morning, just as the sun rose bright and dazzling in the eastern sky. Handlers were quite confused, with the sun in their eyes and the dogs looking so much alike, but despite the con-



fusion on the first covey find, Chip remained steady on point though his brace-mate took off with the birds. On the second covey find, Chip pointed and Georges backed, relocation was required which was admirably executed by Chip.



DIANE de BEAUCH

W. E. Stevenson also piloted Helgramite Howie to fourth place. Shortly after the brace commenced, Howie had a stop to flush on brace-mate's birds. Further on, just as he was about to leap up o hummock at the base of a cedar tree, he pointed and held solid while quail got up, one by one—handler shooting at least six blanks. It looked like a skeet range. Howie's manners were perfect. Again, further down along the railroad tracks. Howie had a second covey find — again flawless. Had he run a wider, more searching ground heat, Howie's work would have been hard to beat.

Wippy de la Vallee Bourrault, owned and handled by R. R. Machlett of New Canaan, Conn., had bird work worthy of mention.

Others competing were Domino de Klemanor, owned and handled by Walter B. Kleeman; Buttons and Bows, owned and handled by George W. Wilson; Dual Ch. Remarkable de Fontaine Vallee, owned and handled by Herbert Farns-

worth; Avono Comanche, owned by Jess G. Wright and handled by Walter Kleeman; Tex of Richmond, owned and handled by Dr. R. C. usteed; Butch's Lad, owned and handled by E. D. Waterman; Ch. Lexington Amherst Godefroi, owned and handled by R. R. Machlett; Jeannette's Cookie, owned and handled by H. H. Crippen; and Field Ch. Georges of Lee-way, owned and handled by John W. Lee.

#### SUMMARY

Carbondale, Illinois, Dec. 1, 1951

#### NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG STAKE

Judges:

Reid Troutman and Ike Brandon

1st—Int. Ch. Diane de Beauch. By Potic de Beauch-Bonne Lassie. Edgar W. Averill, owner and handler.

2nd—Luke's Beau Fort. By Allamuchy Valley Luke-Puchyan Peggy. Howard P. Clements, owner and handler.

3rd—Helgramite Chip. By Chippewa-Lexington Jay Mahogany. W. E. Stevenson, owner and handler.

4th—Helgramite Howie D'Acajou. By Chippewa Chief-Lexington Jay Mahogany. W. E. Stevenson, owner and handler.

#### SIDELINES AT THE NATIONAL

By RUTH LEE

There is always so much going on at a "National" that it is hard to commit even a fraction of it to writing. There are the dogs, of course, and were it not for them, we wouldn't be there. The Brittany is the common denominator that welds this great influx of people from both high and low estate, folks from "down East" and from the far northwest, into a harmonious whole, for a fine spirit of camaraderie prevailed.

This Ninth Annual Brittany Show and Trials was indeed the most truly "national" of any of the Brittany Nationals. It also marked an all-time high for a female following. As Mrs. Stevenson, from Connecticut, pointed out, it was generally the wife who fed the dogs every day of the year, so why not get in on the fun, too?

"First Lady" of the American Brit-



tany Club, Mrs. Kleeman, was in ebullient spirits, until she felt the stern eye of her spouse upon her when she kept bidding higher and higher in the "Calcutta." And making everyone feel quite at home was Betty Staunton, who acted as "Official Hostess from Illinois." Her right-hand assistant on the welcoming job was Lucille LaFleur, who could concentrate her whole attention on the trials, since Laffy was out hunting. Laffy's 4:15 a.m. rising was not appreciated by Howard Clements who got summoned out of bed by mistake at that ungodly hour. "Sorry," said Laffy. "I was looking for Bill Averill."

Several of the Brittany folk, as a matter of fact, worked in some duck, goose and quail hunting along with the trials, and well they might, for the wild goose population around Crab Orchard is unbelievable. It is a thrill to see thousands upon thousands of the honkers feeding in a field. Suddenly there is a low rumble, like trains starting up in Grand Central, and they take off—hundreds at a time swooping over. Often there is so much commotion overhead that it is hard to concentrate on the dogs on the ground. Are the Brits perturbed by the honkers? Some of them undoubtedly are. A few of the All-Age dogs pointed them, and Helgramite Jacquis, a young Derby dog, swooped upon one feeding in a cornfield, and retrieved it proudly to his handler.

Crab Orchard is a wild life refuge, and birds of all kinds are sheltered there. Our Brittany trials used the multiple courses laid out by the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club, and they abound in quail. The birds feed in the cultivated fields (they leave 1-3 of the grain crops), being protected by natural briars and thickets of fence rows. Where there is not enough cover, multiflora rose has been planted. Vast sections have been turned over to plantings of red and Scotch pines, so that in years to come there will be great pine forests. Even now there is a goodly sprinkling of woodlots harboring all manner of game. Deer and foxes were seen several times. And though he didn't seem as prominent as in years past, Brer Rabbit haunts the briar patches — much to the

undoing of Buttons and Bows, as George Wilson laughingly admitted.

For anyone who enjoys hunting, this is a hunter's paradise; just to see this vast expanse of birdy country is worth the long trip to Carbondale. This was the sentiment of Dr. R. C. Busteed from way out in west Texas, one of the Britanny "members at large" who made the National.

Dr. and Mrs. Truex were there from Tennessee and roundly welcomed by everyone except the horse Dr. Truex elected to ride. That ungrateful beast floundered in the mud and tried to dump the good doctor. Buck Bissell received the same treatment, and the two of them were a muddy pair.

The James B. Bells who hail from Florida were other far-off fans. Marcella Bell had a ready answer to the oft-repeated question of the whys and wherefores of her corrugated calves. (Long Johns under knee length socks give a rippling effect). "Left my pants behind," said she. Personally, we think she is promoting a new fad in women's field attire. And Jim, apparently, didn't think Mike and Emil and Ginger should be the only ones of the Belloaks clan with a nose for birds. He pointed a single quail on horseback; the rest of the mount gallery backing beautifully!

Then there is the story of Herb Farnsworth, Andover, Mass., riding down on the train from Chicago with a genial looking fellow who showed up the next morning out at the trials. Dr. William P. Yant was his train companion, and for five monotonous hours they could have been conversing, had the magic word "Brittany" been mentioned.

Ed Staunton had his jaunty red cap blow off and before he could make a retrieve his horse ground it down into the mud. Little brushing off took care of that, just like Howard Crippen's gun that got lost in the excitement when a covey took off in the Amateur Stake. Eagle-eyed Holman spotted it in dense honeysuckle vines.

Howard Clements rendered a melodious Brrrr when Beau Fort refused to budge from pointing meadowlarks. Had



he synchronized it with the flight of the larks, we might have thought it was quail whirring up from covey!

And remember the scarecrows in the wheat fields, presumably placed there to discourage all of the geese from consuming all of the newly planted wheat? Walter Kleeman very graciously handled Avono Comanche for Jess Wright in the Amateur Stake, for his owner couldn't get there. But they should have explained things to Comanche, for Walter had a hard time making the dog understand it was he, Walter, and not that scarecrow, who was handling him!

In fact, looking back, Walter seemed beset with trials and tribulations. The very first night he made a wrong turn going out to the Clubhouse, and got off the side of the road a-straddling a culvert, and mired in mud. It took not one, but two tractors, in tandem, to pull him out. John Lee and Ike Brandon set out as a searching party to find the missing trio for Coy Conwell was with the Kleeman's and he had dogs to show. Bill Averill and Buck Bissell pinched-hit as handlers, but Bill is still wondering if Coy couldn't have shown Hero to better advantage.

Louis Tippet who came all the way from Portland, Oregon, with his friendly wife to see good Brittanies in action, rode horseback for two days lugging fancy camera equipment to take some pictures. On the "Goose courses" he had some fine shots of the honkers, but always the Brittanies were on point too far away, or in high weeds so they couldn't be seen clearly. Always, that is, until Hapte came on point down in the honeysuckle thicket in the ditch where the gallery was attempting to cross. We were all practically on top of the dog, and there was a long wait for handler to come up and flush, and when it was all over, we turned to Louis and said "How was that for a picture?" Wide-eyed and innocent, he sheepishly admitted he was so absorbed with the proceedings, he forgot all about picture-taking.

But when it came to faux pas, the auto gallery pulled the best. It is possible at Crab Orchard to observe a great deal of the trial from automobile, for good gravel

roads traverse the whole area. The marshal would inform the driver of the "Dog Wagon" of the next pick-up point, and with the Dog Wagon in the lead, the auto gallery would follow along behind like a flock of sheep. But at a most crucial point in the trials, the last brace running in the Futurity before Ginger was to be called back for a second series, there was so much yackety yacking in the group that no one noticed the Dog Wagon had moved on. "He went that-away," someone said, and they all took off. "No, that-away," so they'd switch leaders. After a mad dash back to the clubhouse, and a couple of trips back and forth across the lake, they finally spied Tox Cox's wagon and he led them to the appointed place.

There were several innovations in the running of the trials, but perhaps the thing that caused the most merriment was the "Calcutta." Ed Fleiner of the Crab Orchard Field Trial Club, explained how it worked after the annual dinner at the clubhouse Tuesday night. He was auctioneer, and Brittany folk could bid on the dogs to run in the Open All-Age Stake. Those who "bought" dogs that turned out to be winners, were paid off after 30 per cent of the pot was taken out by the American Brittany Club. Looked like a good way to help defray expenses (catalogues were free this year), and so we started. Wow! You should have heard them go! One of the funniest things was Ray Machlett being asleep at the switch when Wippy was sold to Laffy—cheap. Shylock Laffy then turned around and sold half interest back to Machlett, for his original bid. He was pretty proud of that coup, but his spouse did him one better. She bought a quarter interest in Dingo from Red Buick, then sold one-eighth interest to Jane Thompson. With all the shenanigans, Jane saw to it that even her eighth interest paid off royally! And it was amusing to see quiet Red Buick outwitting his "nickel-bidding" Dad. As far as "buying" winners at the Calcutta, he did all right, for he was three-quarter owner of Dingo, and held one-half interest in Uno's Jet, both in the money.



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