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Date	West Coast	Midwest	Central	East Central	East Coast
Jan. 24-26	1966 QUAIL CLASSIC (Hudson Valley host club)				
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Jan. 29-30					Southeastern
Feb. 12-13	Central Calif.		Volunteer		
Feb. 19-20	California				
Feb. 26-27	San Joaquin (sanc.)	Stillwater	Illinois		
Mar. 5-6	No. Calif.	Sooner	Grt. St. Louis	Kentucky	
Mar. 12-13	G. Empire	Mo. Valley		Buckeye	Maryland
Mar. 19-20	Oregon	So. Kansas	Missouri	Penna.	
Mar. 26-27	Washington		LaSalle	Ohio	Susquehanna
Apr. 2-3	Idaho (sanc.)	Skyline		Hoosier	N. Jersey
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**NATIONAL CHAMPION
Rendezvous Skipper**

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COVER PICTURE

Eleven year old Priscilla Edwards putting Lady's hair up in curlers in preparation for the big day at the Quail Classic at Pinehurst, North Carolina, January 25th.



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The New Year is with us. The Nationals are over. May we hope that Peace and Joy will reign over all the world in the coming year, in the entire world as well as in our little Brittany world.

May we quote from a letter written directly after the closing of the 1965 Nationals. ". . . added up to making this truly the best Nationals ever. There will always be problems, but if just a few things get ironed out each year, progress is being made. Deer hazers this year, I'd say, were a real plus on the ledger. Attendance certainly showed the A.B.C. is a thriving organization and healthy youngsters always cry lustily."

Yes, healthy youngsters do cry lustily. Well reared youngsters do not pout and sulk and go off to play with their own toys by themselves if they are unhappy with their playmates.

We are a young and healthy organization. Though we have reached manhood in years we still are suffering much from growing pains. Until we reach maturity and until an equitable method of carrying on our affairs is finally reached there will be disagreements and differences in opinion.

Perhaps the way things are being done is not the very best way. Perhaps you have ideas that are better. But because your ideas are not accepted there is no need to sulk and become angry. Instead, work constructively to convince more people of the benefits of your ideas.

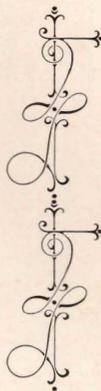
Think not of yourself, but consider the welfare of the Brittany Spaniel. The good of the breed should come before the good of the individual club member.

The Civil War proved that secession is not the answer. The Republicans still tolerate a Democratic President. No one is ever completely happy with an administration.

May this New Year prove the turning point where all Brittany owners will work together to make a better Brittany, a better club, and a more harmonious feeling among the members from all parts of the country.

A

New Year's Message



AND ALSO A

Presidential Message

Mr. E. C. Kruger, president of the American Brittany Club for 1964 and 1965 wishes to thank all the officers and directors, the committee chairmen and members of all committees, and the entire membership for their fine cooperation during his term of office. He hopes that the same cooperation will be given to the new President, Mr. William Brown.

THE *National Championship*

A rendezvous with destiny . . . that was the destiny of Rendezvous in the 1965 Nationals. Not only the champion for 1965 but also the second and third place winners in the Championship and the Amateur winner bore the Rendezvous prefix. The title went to a medium sized orange and white Brittany named Rendezvous Skipper. Skip ran a race that would have made any owner of a Brittany shooting dog proud. He was the epitome of shooting dogs . . . handling easily, hunting in the right places with class and punch and, to put the frosting on the cake, was lost for a goodly period and found tight on a covey. The new champion is owned and was handled by

L. D. LaFleur of Bloomingdale, Illinois. He is one of the 3 shooting dogs that the owner hunts extensively. Skipper was developed by Lee Holman and finished under his handling.

Skip ran with Fld. Ch. Way Kan Jill, the fourth place dog, in the second brace of the stake. The two dogs raced neck and neck at the breakaway till they reached the far corner of the multiflora hedge. They then broke off and each took his swing into the open field independently. Skip was not as wide as Jill in the first fifteen minutes but both ran well and worked independently at sufficient range. LaFleur handled quietly, always seeming confident that the



National Championship Winners — l. to r. Rendezvous Skipper, Rendezvous Huck, Rendezvous Gus and Way Kan Jill with Judges Coon and Barto.

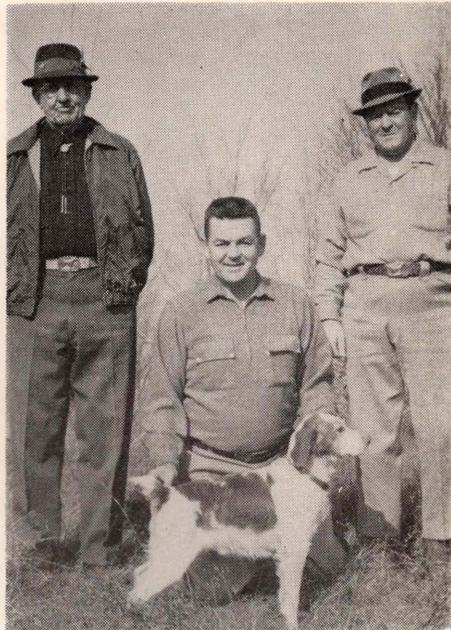
dog would come on. They reached a heavy weed field which they combed with no results. The railroad tracks were crossed, and Skip took in the briary triangular corner which was known to hold birds. Birds were observed in the air and Skip was found standing in the vicinity, hidden in the heavy cover. There could be no definition of this piece of work. The covey pitched into the woods and along the edge in the direction of the course. Skip nailed one of the singles; he was tight, stylish, and had good location; his body was twisted where he had frozen with nose turned to the birds. His manners were excellent.

Jill had gone on to take in a weed patch on the right. She was spotted through the open woods on point. Handler and judges had to round the point of the woods before they could cut in to her. She had another covey, a large one, in front of her stand. Both dogs moved on as the course crossed a bridge and paralleled the road. Jill began to tire and her casts went wide to the sides, bringing her in from behind at times. Her last litter of pups had been weaned only two weeks previously and many expected her to fold at any time. She made a wide cast into the corn at the three quarter mark, and as she swung out in front again it was obvious that she was now running on guts alone. She was driving hard and still casting wide, though you knew she was tired, tired, tired. It was an exhibition of the great heart that this dog has.

The course swung to the right into open fields again and Jill rolled out wide to the left. Skip had taken the edge to the right and disappeared. As Skip did not show Jill was taken on around the open fields and continued in wide sweeps until pickup.

Skip had gone up the right edge and the deer hazer checked to see if he had gone on deer, but no trace of the dog could be found. The cover was checked further and further from the spot he had last been seen, until finally LaFleur reached almost back to the gallery and found the dog standing in a deep corner by the tracks on point. He was prodigious distance from where he was last seen, and though probably on point for

a long time, he still was tight and intense. Birds were flushed and time was called.



**The new Champion
Rendezvous Skipper**

with owner-handler L. D. LaFleur

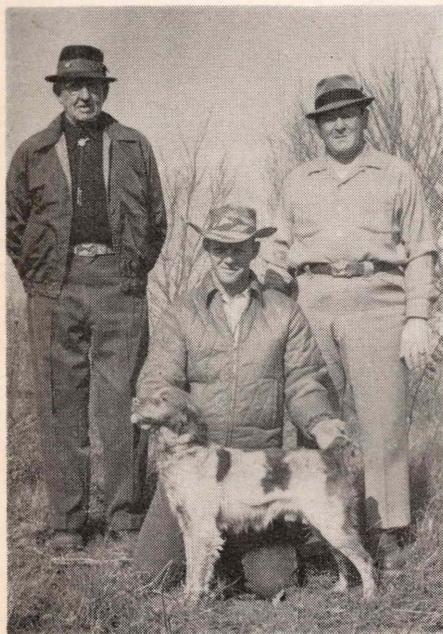
The first morning also produced another winner, Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Huck, who ran in the last brace before lunch. His course was an open one with wide, short cropped fields, bordered by oak woods for the first half. Here Huck took the edges in eye catching casts ending by cutting into the woods and working the timber. He would be gone until you began to worry that he might be gone on deer, and then he would show again. The course made a turn by the pond.

Judge Ray Barto cut towards the pond to water his horse. The horse decided that Barto should also be watered, laid down, and dumped him into the drink. The other dog and handler went on as Jimmy Holman stood at the timber edge calling Huck. The marshal checked for deer as this place was particularly heavy with them. Barto finally remounted, though very wet, and joined Jimmy. The dog was found on the op-

posite of the woods pointing a covey. He might be criticized for being a bit loose but he had been standing for some time. Huck was brought on and the course crossed near the club house into more deer haven. Huck made two major casts and time was called as he was working far out in weed field.

Huck is owned by a former Illinoisan now residing in California, Gerald Robinson, and is a development of the Holmans. He finished his field championship recently. He was handled by the younger Holman here.

The first brace of the last morning of the running produced the third place winner, Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Gus. Gus is well known to most for his record breaking puppy and derby wins. Gus is



Rendezvous Huck
with handler Jim Holman

also owned by LaFleur. This is the second time that LaFleur has scored a double at the Nationals as previously he placed Skipper and Tearaway Brocho in the Amateur one year. Gus was handled by Lee Holman. The morning was cold and frosty as Gus broke away. He impressed with his superb style. He runs

with high head, and a powerful stride. An extreme shortness of tail keeps that appendage from working merrily. His brace mate was turned off deer but Gus was working the other side of the course. He went through much known deer country but apparently made no contacts. The course twists and turns around the lake edge and has much timber on it. It is a difficult one to manage with a hard going dog. Lee worked hard and brought the dog along well. All at once Gus was spied standing on the opposite side of a gully in the woods. Lee worked through to the dog with Judge Barto not far behind though the trip left Barto bleeding from the branches. All could see Gus as he stood with high head as handler approached, flushed the birds, and fired. Gus was brought on as the course twisted and turned through corn and through weed fields. There was no open country to show his range and heels. Gus cut into timber and voices in the gallery called that the dog was on point. By the time the judge could cut back to look, the birds had left. They were seen though the dog's work could not have been observed officially. Gus was still plugging and working at the end. He put on an excellent exhibition of a good hunting dog, with style and stamina.

There were many others that did an excellent job. The galleryites all had their favorites and many names were mentioned as possible winners. The judges would have been justified in placing any of about twelve dogs. Dogs were dropped for very minor errors because of the high quality of the stake.

One of the most favored was Holliday Doc. He is a darkly marked liver, white and heavily ticked dog who ran in the last brace one afternoon. No criticism should be made of Judge Coon's eyesight as he spotted the dog at 55 minutes, in near darkness, stacked up on a covey in the cornfield. A less sharp eye would have passed the dog up completely. It was a beautiful find on probably a large covey, but it was so dark that only the birds that pitched up against the sky could be seen. Doc ran wide, hit the places that quail should have been, refused deer, was lost several times but always showed ahead. Probably a lack

of flash because of his color and way of moving counted against him. He runs well and hard with wide casts but tends to carry his head a bit low. This is how tough the competition was in this stake.

Another favorite was Fld. Ch. Beau-gard's Billy Boy, handled by Lee Holman. Billy did a good ground covering job. He was gone for extended periods and took much handling to be sure he did not disappear in the woods. At the half way mark he was lost for some time but finally located on point. He had been passed by three or four times by searchers as he stood almost hidden in the grass. A white patch on his shoulder was all that could be seen. He was crouched low in the heavy weeds but standing when found. It was an excellent find. He disappeared on deer at time but was returned before being declared out of judgment.

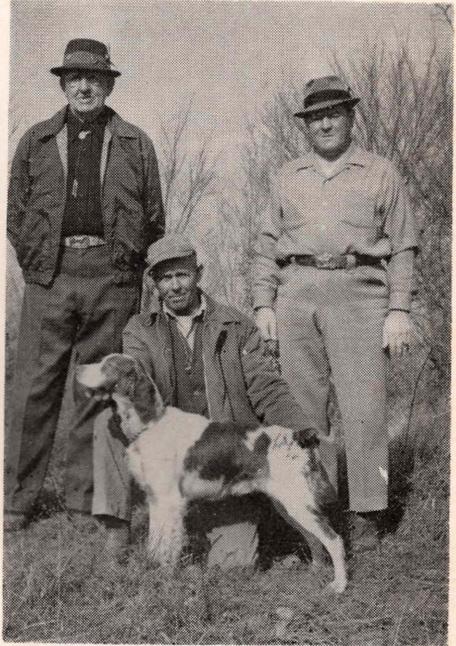
Bill's bracemate probably made the biggest bird score as he had 5 finds. Fld. Ch. Holliday Britt's Bazooka is capable of a better race than he ran this day. One would certainly enjoy a day's hunt with this dog. Three of his finds were top drawer as he has style to burn, points so there is no doubt of what he is doing, but he got a bit eager on a single and had a stop to flush on it. Even with this minor bobble he was a top contender.

Le Bonabe had his supporters. This is a dog who is a stylist supreme. He works and points with head very high and his tail action is excellent. It is doubted that one could breed a Brittany with any more class than this one showed. His nose is also the best. He worked well, though could have reached more at times. He winded a covey, threw his head even higher and roaded in to point. The handler covered a good deal of ground but could not produce. When sent on the dog drew up closer and pin-pointed the birds at about twice the normal distance you would expect a dog to point them. Another point was called where the handler spent some time looking, and gallery claimed a single went but the judge did not see it.

Evergray's Tic Toc Tommy II was another clean dog with a terrific race. Many felt that he was gone too long at times. He hit deer on his first cast and

was hazed back. On a cast to the left point was called by the deer hazer but dog was moving when observed. He hit a covey hard with fine character but the birds lifted soon after.

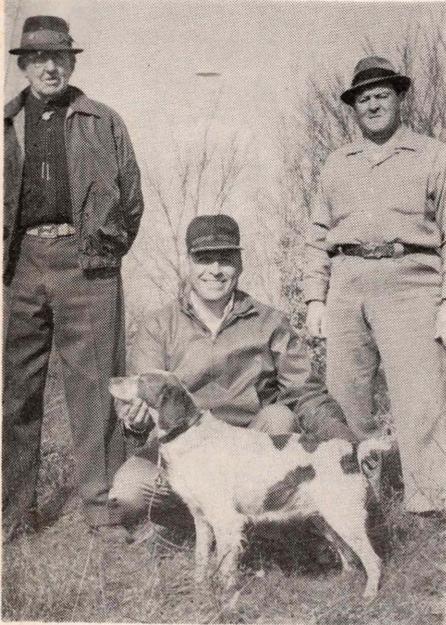
Juchoir's Shady Scamp was also spanking clean. Her race was that of a good gun dog but she had one cast that made you sit up in the saddle. Her birds were handled with high headed intensity and excellent manners.



Rendezvous Gus
with Lee Holman and judges

Miller's Desert Dust had many supporters. Dusty always hunts his quail right, hitting the edges and running so that you cannot take your eyes from him. This was a brace where you lost count of the birds. Dusty pointed them, and pointed them. He also honored his bracemate's stand, one of the few that had that opportunity. He came over a rise and a covey lifted wild in front of him which he probably did not see. He was stopped on command. He went on to point where the covey lifted and could not be moved on. Without this he could well have gotten his third championship placement.

Tearaway Broccho had many admirers as he handled a difficult course and ran with the best of them. He went birdless and would have been a logical call back if such had been needed.



Way Kan Jill
with handler Delmar Smith

Tigar's Jocko and Way Kan Jeff went well and were friendly on their birdwork. On the first find both dogs disappeared shoulder to shoulder in the edge and were found pointing close inside still so close together that it must be called a divided find. A second time Jeff was a might ahead so Johnson took credit, but this proved an unproductive. Jocko began to favor a recently torn tendon along towards the end. Jeff continued to impress by boring in deep.

Bretagne's White Ranger was lost near the breakaway but found by Judge Coon deeply buried in brush. This was an excellent find. He next hit hedge row where birds had been and insisted on trying to find them. He had one more excellent find before he could be brought on. If the first part of his race had been more forward he could have repeated last year's placement or bettered it.

Gladwin Smokey was another one that ran and hunted well. He was involved with a wild flushing covey without fault on his part. If he had contacted birds the picture could have been different. Kidd Kiki was another birdless one that had a gallant try and showed those championship qualities. Truly impressive was one of the biggest running Britts that we have seen in a long time, Loufel's Chippewa Kaer, who ran much too big for this country and was lost. We would like to see him on an open course.

There is no doubt that this was a quality stake. Any of the aforementioned dogs would have been worthy of a placement. There were possibly one or two dogs who ran in the championship that were of inferior quality but all in all it was one of the most even stakes in quality that has been held here at Carbondale. One could watch the dogs and have pride in the Brittany breed.

We might mention others who had high spots. Happy Alpine Teg dug into the brush to find a covey. Fredan's Buddy ran a good hunting dog race with an excellent voluntary back. Woody's Pontiac Dingo was hunting all the way. Rusty de Morningside is a flashy liver and white. Epper of Siouxland had a nice point near the start but birds left prematurely. Sewall's Rex always lays down a good race. Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke heard the confusion and turned to see his brace mate on point. His voluntary back was sensational in style. Worrellwind's Bucky Beaver is a going youngster who is going to make a big impression in the coming years. Molko's Mike de Jacques is a fine New England type grouse dog. Champaign Tony Boy had two finds. Kay Cee Bandit was handicapped by a bad leg and had to be picked up. Bo-Min's Genger of Rue-Mont had 3 finds, one out on a limb that was very nice. Pinoak Guy had his running shoes on and barely got around. Pel Mel Patricia had one covey nicely handled that Guy backed on. This drew applause from the gallery. Pierre le Chasseur ran lame from a broken toe nail and was lost on deer. A.J.'s Hilltop Pierre had a plentitude of birds, one covey was handled in an outstanding manner. Lady's Hasty Nell started with a bang but hit her covey too soon, on the first

cast. Roux Rebel was hunting all the way. Tex of Kent showed flashes of greatness. Gary's Beau Kiki did not have one of his usual good days. Shenango Valley Dingo ran so big that not much was seen of him. Towsey's Bub had one find that was a corker. LaMonte's Rebel was sure on his point on the railroad tracks but nothing could be raised. He was joined in this divided unproductive by a just-as-certain Pacolet Sam. Something surely must have been there but could not be flushed. Kaymore's Chipper ran well. Rusty of Highbrow did not run the race he did last year but he was trying all the time. Rusty of Beelflower put down a presentable ground heat but no birds could be found. The only covey in the brace of the two Rustys flushed under the judge's horse. A.J.'s Hilltop Petite Babette finished out the stake as a bye dog and treated the gallery to one of the prettiest finds of the stake, right out in the open in low grass.

This report would not be complete without a mention of the judges, grounds, and general conditions. Ray Barto of Illinois was teamed with Chet Coon of California. Both men are familiar with these grounds and with quail. They worked hard and long to be sure every dog had a fair break and to see that each dog was observed at all times.

The weather was cold, but clear . . . fine dog running weather. The grounds were not at their best. There was too much corn in which a dog would be lost, and of course the perennial problem of too many deer. There were plenty of birds but a dog had to know the right places to go to dig them out. Some of the courses had sections open enough to show a dog but a good part of the country was quite tight this year and caused many a handler anxious moments.

In some cases the deer hazer was an excellent idea. Several dogs that in other years would have been lost were quickly turned and brought back, when they took deer across the fields. Others were brought back out of the timber. There were the unfortunate few who hit deer in the deep woods and could not be located quickly enough. Bob Runion served as marshal and chief deer hazer

and must be complimented for his hard riding and excellent work.

National Championship—48 Entries

Judges: Chet Coon, Ray Barto.

- 1st—Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Skipper, by Fld. Ch. Teka of Siouland ex Siouland Babe. Owner and handler, L. D. LaFleur.
- 2nd—Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Huck, by Fld. Ch. Holley Haven Lucky ex Ferd's Sunflower Babe. Owner, Gerald Robinson; handler, Jim Holman.
- 3rd—Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Gus, by Casa Blanca Mike ex Ferd's Sunflower Babe. Owner, L. D. LaFleur; handler, Lee Holman.
- 4th—Fld. Ch. Way Kan Jill, by Fld. Ch. Ferdinand of Leeway ex Price's Sunflower Gal. Owner, R. B. Leverich; handler, Delmar Smith.

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Training

by Hal Hunter

Dear Mr. Hunter:

I have been advised to use an electric collar to train my dog. He is almost two years old and I hunted with him this fall but he breaks point and also chases for a long way when I miss a bird. I want to steady him on point and my friend tells me that this electric collar is the latest thing and is the easiest and only way to train a dog.

Yours,
Hotshot

Dear Hotshot:

The electric collar is an excellent device when used on the right dog at the right time but it is also the worst thing that you can use if you do not know what you are doing.

The collar which the dog wears is fairly heavy leather and has a device fastened to it which contains the shocking mechanism. The collar is laced with rubber coated wire which serves as an antenna. The collar has two blunted prongs on the inside that deliver the shock. They are roughly equivalent to the two prongs on any electrical device that you plug in the wall. The shock is somewhat like that you might receive if you put your finger in a light socket.

The collar is activated by a small metal box with an antenna that you carry. This box has a button that you push when you wish to shock the dog. The amount of shock is governed by the length of time that you keep your finger on the button. The distance that you may reach out to the dog depends on the model that is used. Some are guaranteed for $\frac{1}{4}$ mile and others for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile or further. The terrain also helps or hinders, as you can reach further when there are no brush or hillocks between you and the dog. By pointing the antenna towards the dog you can sometimes reach further.

I do not believe that this is anything for the amateur to fool with. It delivers

quite a jolt to a dog, and by improper use can hinder a dog's training and even spoil him completely.

It should not be used to train a dog. Train him first. Be sure that he knows what is expected of him. Then if he persists in disobeying you the collar is the last resort. If he is nervous and high strung he will not tolerate this method of training. The first time you try the collar watch closely. If he panics and runs for home, or seems to be highly upset try another method, not this. The first time you correct him with the collar make it a light jab on the button. Most dogs will yipe or jump up in the air or both. If you get no such reaction you may have to hold the button down a little longer.

I do not recommend that this be used to staunch a dog up on point. It is such a severe measure that you take a good chance of making a blinker out of the dog. When you have your dog so that he will handle his birds if he is close in, and when he knows what manners he should have, the time is ripe to use the collar if he persists on busting his birds when he is out a ways. The disadvantage of regular ways of training here is that you do not catch the dog till sometime after he has completed his chasing and sometime after the act has been committed. With the collar you can catch him as soon as he does wrong and he associates the punishment with the act.

The collar is also excellent if the dog persists in self hunting or will not handle. But again let me caution you that you must be sure that the dog understands what the command that you are giving means. The collar is also excellent to correct a dog from running rabbits or other game that you do not desire him to hunt. A few sharp jabs on the button soon gets the message across that this game is not for him.

Sincerely,
Hal Hunter

Annual Meeting

NOVEMBER 28, 1965

The meeting was called to order by President Kruger at the Masonic Hall in Cartersville, Ill. at 8:30 on Sunday, November 28, 1965. There were 78 members present.

Dr. White introduced the judges. All members present were asked to sign a Roll Call list. L. D. LaFleur moved, seconded by J. J. Schuckert that the minutes of the 1964 minutes be approved as published in the February 1965 American Brittany. Carried.

Proposal for honorary membership of W. E. Stevenson (deceased) was read. Moved by Henry Holleyoak, seconded by J. J. Schuckert that W. E. Stevenson be elected as an honorary member. Carried unanimously.

Proposal for honorary membership of Robert Buick was read. Moved by Lucille LaFleur, seconded by Dave Olund that Robert Buick be elected as an honorary member. Carried unanimously.

One of the pillars of the American Brittany Club, an honorary member, Howard Clements, was introduced and asked for a few words. He spoke on the all age versus the gundog Brittany in field trials.

Dr. White gave a very brief report on the National trial.

Jack Russell's report had been published in the magazine.

Paul Bone reported on the show:

The Show Committee consisted of John G. Lee, Henry Holleyoak, Ruth Hussin, John Munson, Robert Wagner, Blanche M. Bales, Lem Stolz and myself. Mrs. Ellyn Lee took care of securing trophies. Mrs. Louis Frank served as Ring Steward.

Royce T. Curto was Show Secretary. Mr. Curto found, only a few days before the show that he would not be able to attend. Mr. Curto had everything done except the final work. Mr. Holleyoak brought all of Mr. Curto's material to me, and we carried on from there. Mr. Curto had all of his reports accurately summarized.

Ellyn Lee could not come, because of her husband's sudden illness, but again because she had all trophies purchased and ready, the trophies arrived and were presented at the show.

The cooperation of the Superintendent and the Board of Education in making our facilities available at no charge is appreciated.

There were 66 dogs entered.

Mr. Walter J. Schneider of Wapakoneta, Ohio was the judge.

Several sincere and helpful people have made some suggestions to improve our future shows, as there is always room for improvement. These suggestions and comments have been carefully noted, so that next year's show committee may be able to provide a bigger and better Specialty, with fewer imperfections. Special thanks should be given to these people, as this is your show, and your criticisms, suggestions and comments, sincerely presented, can be of great help.

We were pleased to have Mr. John Brownell of the American Kennel Club visit our show. A conference was held with Mr. Brownell, and his reactions to our show were gratifying.

Again, I wish to thank all of those mentioned above, and all who helped in any way with the show.

PAUL L. BONE, Show Chairman

Hazel Bone reported that the treasury was at about the same level as last year at this time and that a complete financial report would be published after the close of the year.

Nicky Bissell reported that there were 1371 full members for 1965 compared to 1263 during the preceding year. In addition there were 90 who were associate members and 10 living honorary ones.

There were 8 ballots sent to the Board during 1965. The ballot to authorize payment to members of a committee to investigate sites for the Nationals to cover their expenses passed with 10 yes votes.

The ballot to accept the Lone Star club as a regional passed with 13 affirmative votes and two abstentions. Idaho club accepted with 10 yes votes. Southern San Joaquin was accepted with 13 yes and one no vote. West Texas was accepted with 11 votes. Edisto was accepted with 10 yes and 2 no votes.

This completed the reports of the officers. Moved by R. Bolton and seconded by several that the officers' reports be accepted. Carried.

Dr. J. J. Schuckert, the AKC delegate, reported that nothing had come up in 1965 that required him to consult with AKC, but that Dr. Fred White had had considerable contact with them regarding the new field rules.

The bench and field futurity committee had no report.

The Classics committee reported the Hudson Valley Brittany Club opened the 1965 Classic series. They hosted the Quail Classic, Jan. 25-28 at Pinehurst, N. C. It drew 29 entries and was won by Le Bonabe.

The Pheasant Classic was held on March 10-11 at Gray Lodge Waterfowl Management Area. The Golden Empire Brittany Club was the host and it drew 20 entries. Juchoir's Chocolate Candy was the Pheasant Classic winner.

The Prairie Chicken Classic was hosted by the Badger Brittany Club. It was held on Sept. 15-17 at the Buena Vista Prairie Chicken Management Area and drew 26 entries. First place was withheld.

Unfortunately the Grouse Classic was not held in 1965.

The 1966 Classic schedule starts with Hudson Valley Brittany Club hosting the Quail Classic on Jan. 25-28 at Pinehurst, N. C. The Oregon Brittany Club will host the Pheasant Classic at E. E. Wilason Game Management Area on March 16-18. At this time, no Clubs have applied to host either the 1966 Grouse or Prairie Chicken Classics. Clubs desiring to host a Classic can obtain the necessary information from the Classic Committee Chairman.

A note on applying to host a Classic. The Classic rules require that a potential host apply at least one year in

advance of the Classic. The Classic Committee has been following the practice of voting on Classic applications no earlier than one year in advance. Occasionally, host applications are not submitted one year in advance. If the application is not **excessively late**, the practice has been to vote only on the available application. Consequently, to insure that all applications are acted upon, get them in on time.

"The Classics shall be Field Trials of National stature and prestige, ranking just under the Annual National ABC Trials." from Rules and Criteria for ABC National Classics.

WILLIAM CARTMELL,
Chairman ABC Classic Committee

William Brown, regional field trial committee, reported that the regions were changed this year in order to make it easier to assign trial dates. He urged permanent dates for all clubs. The balance of his report had been published in the magazine.

L. D. LaFleur, Nationals Coordinator, reported that it had been a rewarding year for so many had participated. He found that his duties as a coordinator were to give his problems to everyone else. He spoke of new proposed futurity ideas in which all secretarial work will be done by the Executive Secretary and a Chairman will be appointed to carry each futurity through to its completion.

Paul Bone read the trophy committee report for Ellyn Lee which had been published in the magazine. The donors to the fund were listed in the catalog.

Henry Holleyoak reported for the bench standards committee that the tricolor ballot was 546 yes and 227 no on having tricolors seriously faulted. The vote was 516 yes and 265 no on changing the wording of the part on measuring from "the highest point in the withers" to "the highest point at the shoulders."

Mr. McHugh rose to say that the membership had been misinformed by the magazine and asked that the ballot be thrown out. No action was taken.

Jack Russell reported for the magazine committee, that they had been in close contact with the Editor during the year and asked that the Editor add to

this report. Nicky Bissell reported that there will be a larger magazine next year and that the compulsory ad for field trials will no longer be necessary.

Grievance Committee, Dr. S. A. Truex reported that their report was so brief that hardly anyone could find it in the magazine. He also spoke on sending pictures to Tex Fawcett at Purina so that we might have a Brittany on their calendar for 1967. The deadline is June 1st.

John Lee reported that the Legal Committee had no problems.

The Nominating Committee reported that the new directors who will be serving a 3 year term commencing Jan. 1st are Dr. Walker Heap, (East Coast); Howard H. Crippen Sr., (East Central); Harold Adams, (Central); Vernon Hager, (Midwest); and John Munson, (West Coast). There was a 58% return on the ballots.

Motion by R. Runion, second by J. Cornell that the committee reports be accepted. Carried.

Dr. Fred White presented Hall of Fame certificates to Howard Crippen for Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo, to Dave Olund for Dual Ch. Uno's Jet, and to Dorothy Morehouse for Dual Ch. Tex of Richmond. Certificates will be mailed to other recipients.

Report of the President. Mr. Kruger reported that he had enjoyed his past two years as president. He thanked the officers and committees who had made his job easier. He felt that through the efforts of all we had accomplished quite a little bit. He hoped that the new president, who would be elected Tuesday, would receive the same support that he had gotten. There had been a few bumps but so few that the good things had outweighed them. He thanked all for the opportunity he had had to serve.

Mr. Kruger asked if any member had anything they wished the Board to consider. Henry Holleyoak requested that the time of the National Show, the day and hour, be considered. It was requested that the mode of handling at the Nationals and the Classics be considered.

Dr. J. J. Schuckert asked that a poll of the members present be made on the change of locale of the Nationals. Several members asked questions about the grounds at Ardmore and Paducah. Dr. Schuckert rephrased his question to ask the members if they were satisfied with *the present grounds*. After some discussion, Dr. Schuckert withdrew his request for a poll of the members.

Marvin Nelson asked when the committee would report. Dr. White reported that a committee of J. B. Bell, Dr. Schuckert, Bill Brown, and himself had been appointed this year to look into the situation, that the committee had not yet met and would rather not report until they had time to talk over the situation. He then called on each of the members present. Dr. Schuckert reported that Paducah was lovely, had adequate facilities, had birds and some deer. Ardmore was the same but more open. He had not evaluated the different places as yet. Bill Brown said that Schuckert had covered the matter well and that he felt the trial should be run first for the dogs and secondly for the convenience of the people. He liked Ardmore as it was more open but they might have a deer problem. The accommodations were excellent and the birds pretty good. He felt that a convenient place to show our dog best is the major consideration.

Dr. White agreed that each place had its advantages and disadvantages. The committee would evaluate these and make a recommendation to the Board. We should not move unless we can improve our circumstances. Some discussion was carried on about the size of the Paducah area.

Dr. White spoke on the rare opportunity we had had to work with a man of Mr. Kruger's caliber and the members present gave him a rising vote of appreciation.

Mr. Gombert moved that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

NICKY BISSELL,
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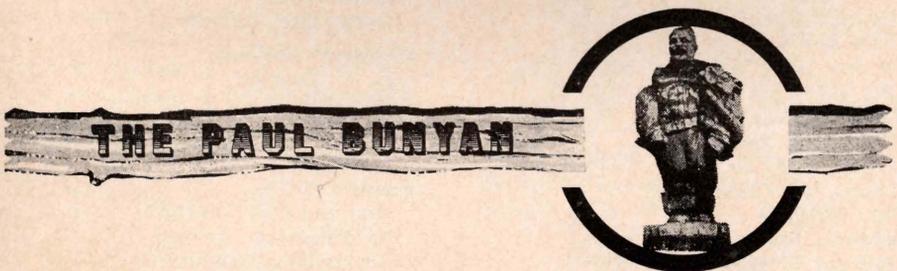
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ON THE NATIONALS

The report of the Futurity will be ready for next month's magazine. The winners were Juchoir's Trooper Jill, owned by Ted Hames of Washington and bred by Arthur Hewitt of California—first place and best Dual Futurity. Second was Hi Dolly Haven, owned by J. and G. Cohen and bred by C. Fahrenbruck all of Michigan. Third place was Bazooka's Brandy, owned by Al Pillow and handled by Delmar Smith, of Oklahoma, and bred by R. Leverich of Texas. Fourth place was also a Smith dog, Gai Bois Puck, owned by C. Rolfe of Louisiana and bred by Don Norris of Oklahoma.

Fom the breeders' viewpoint . . . Two of the Championship dogs were out of the same dam, a daughter of Ferdinand of Leeway. Ferdy was the sire of the fourth place dog, and this fourth place dog was full sister to the above mentioned dam. As if this were not enough of keeping it in the same family the Futurity second place was sired by a Holley Haven dog as was the Championship second place dog. The Futurity third place winner was out of the bitch who was fourth in the championship.

LaFleur bought Skipper soon after he won a puppy stake in South Dakota. The dog belonged to a farmer who was not much interested in campaigning a dog. LaFleur tried him out, found he ran and hunted well as he had run loose as a puppy, was hard to catch as he had only hunting on his mind. He was trained by Lee Holman and has been with his owner for the past several years. He has knocked at the door in the Nationals more than once and finally this was his year. He is the first dog to win both the Championship and the National Amateur stake.

Rendezvous Huck was bred by LaFleur and sold to Gerald Robinson as a small puppy. He has been in the hands of the Holmans for his entire training and campaigning.

On Rendezvous Gus the breeder is listed as Warren Reitzel. Actually LaFleur

was the instigator of this breeding and the ownership of Sunflower Babe changed hands only to expedite the breeding. Gus was LaFleur's pick of the litter.

Jill is from the Way Kan kennels of Gerald Price and was campaigned by him before being purchased by the Leveriches. She has won the U. S. Open Brittany Championship as well as her AKC championship. Several of her pups have made outstanding records.

There was no Dual award this year. Tiger's Jocko was the only bench champion who placed in the field but he was not entered in the show due to losing hair as a reaction from a penicillin shot. He was the winner of the Dual award last year.

The Championship was plagued by lameness this year. Several of the outstanding competitors were suffering from sprains, recent breaks, etc. Jocko was recovering from a seriously pulled tendon. Kay Cee Bandit had a sprain in the rear. Pierre le Chasseur broke a toenail that had to be removed way up in the toe. Lamonte's Rebel also was suffering from a pulled rear muscle.

LaFleur's lament . . . All these twenty years he has had Britts he has tried to find that top dog and now he suddenly finds himself with 3 at the same time. Skip, Gus, and Broccho, all 3 field champions and all Nationals winners.



Sooner

FALL TRIAL

The golden fields of Ardmore, the brass of the American Brittany Club, little bronze Bob Whites, and silver skies combined to make the Sooner fall trial one of the biggest and best. A total of 84 dogs made a hard two days running on multiple courses. The judges, Bill Brown, Fred White, John Schuckert and Harold Reed comprised a committee from the national organization who were looking the grounds over as a prospective site for the National trials. Also present were several of the Board and the President.

The Open All-Age turned out to be a big disappointment. Birds were there as they were walked up and ridden up and flushed wild ahead of the dogs, but none of the outstanding dogs were able to pin any of the elusive quail. Several dogs had outstanding races and were called back; Bazooka's Brandy and Pacolet's Bluegrass Anne were followed by Destry and Kay Cee Bandit in that order. The final announcement was no surprise. First place was withheld. Second went to Kruger's Captain Thrap who had a covey find though it took him several stabs to pin the birds. Third went to Bonine's Towsey Sandy who had a good single find but muffed his chance on a covey and was charged with a questionable stop to flush. Fourth went to Bretagne's White Ranger.

The Puppy Stake though small in number was big in quality. First place went to one who has won before this season, Pride's Towsey Britt. Trak, in the string of Herman Bonine, was second, while Goober Dust de Morningside and Astro's Ripvarigin accounted for third and fourth.

The Amateur and the Derby were run simultaneously on Sunday. The weather was still cloudy and birds were hard to find in the derby, but the amateur dogs, running over the same courses found birds galore.

First place amateur dog was Rusty de Morningside who ran with speed and

style, and handled with ease. His birdwork was superb as he had two finds and a voluntary back. Roux Rebel also ran an even and well balanced race, and held his birds while his bracemate broke by him. Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke stood still while his bracemate flushed his birds. Queen Liz of Axtell was busy all the time. She also had two finds and the birds flushed on the first before the handler arrived but her manners were AOK.



Kruger's Captain Thrap
Second in the Open All-Age

The derby was won by Juchoir's Trooper Jill, who flushed a covey and then managed to point one of the singles from that covey. Her bracemate was also involved and accounted for fourth place. Goetta of Richmond was busy all the way. She had a called point but birds left before much could be observed. Bobby's Snoopy did a superb job on his birds. With a little more run he could have tied the stake right up. The class dog of the stake was Holliday Buck. Here was a powerful liver and white dog who did everything a derby should do in the way of ground coverage but could not come up with birdwork and had to go unplaced.

Puppy Stake—5 Entries

Judges: Bill Brown, Harold Reed.

- 1st—Pride's Towsey Britt, by Sunny Britt's Pride—Towsey Bub's Queen. Owner, Lambert McClure; handler, Richard Graves.
- 2nd—Trak, by Fld. Ch. Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke—Jacquie. Owners, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Comstock; handler, Herman Bonine.
- 3rd—Goober Dust de Morningside, by Fld. Ch. Rusty de Morningside—Mac's Tamara Ann. Owner, R. W. McCullough; handler, Lyle Johnson.
- 4th—Astro's Ripvarign, by Packy of Richmond—Carla of Richmond. Owner and handler, Lawrence Durbin.



Fld. Ch. Bretagne's White Ranger
Fourth in the Open All-Age

Derby Stake—26 Entries

- Judges: Fred Z. White, J. J. Schuckert.
- 1st—Juchoir's Trooper Jill, by Dual Ch. Lund's Troper—Juchoir's Termisan Trill. Owner and handler, Ted Hames.
- 2nd—Goetta of Richmond, by Diamond Jim of Richmond—Sundancer of Richmond. Owner and handler, Dr. R. C. Busted.
- 3rd—Bobby's Snooper, by Ch. Britt's Tic Toe Bobby ex Zorro's Topy. Own- and handler, C. A. Springfield.
- 4th—Holliday Way Kan, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Britt's Bazooka—Fld. Ch. Way Kan Jill. Owner, J. Vance; handler, Delmar Smith.

Amateur Stake—20 Entries

- Judges: Bill Brown, Harold Reed.
- 1st—Fld. Ch. Rusty de Morningside, by Duke O Dee—George's Cindy Lee.

Owner, Dr. Glover; handler, Fred Vulgamore.

- 2nd—Ch. Roux Rebel, by Captain's Pete—Lady Ann's Kim. Owner and handler, Ted Hames.
- 3rd—Fld. Ch. Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke, by Butch Dandy—Ford's Katydid. Owner, Horace Brown; handler, Fred Vulgamore.
- 4th—Queen Liz of Axtel, by Fld. Ch. Hellou's Yankee Timber—Lady Tanya Duval. Owner and handler, George Allison.

Open All-Age—35 Entries

Judges: Fred Z. White, J. J. Schuckert.

- 1st—Withheld.
- 2nd—Kruger's Captain Thrap, by Dual Ch. Towsey—Ch. Uno Charlie's June Triumph. Owner, E. C. Kruger; handler, Lyle Johnson.
- 3rd—Bonine's Towsey Sandy, by Demon Sam de Malibeu—Countess Towsey Marr. Owner and handler, Herman Bonine.
- 4th—Fld. Ch. Bretagne's White Ranger, by Fld. Ch. Duc de la Bretagne—Ch. Penny's Cactus Kate. Owner, Carl Robeson; handler, Ralph Hesel- tine.

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The existence of the Breton spaniel is mentioned in hunting accounts and paintings that go back to the eighteenth century. It must be added, however, that the Breton of those days was not the Breton of today. If selection has been careful to conserve his moral qualities, his morphology has changed much.

The ancestor was a hunter of from fifty to fifty-five centimeters high with long white and tan or white-black hair, of clean build, highly nervous rather than muscular, with the tail naturally short. This son of a country, bristling with thickets and spiny furze, was physically and morally adapted to his habitat. The inseparable companion of the Breton hunter—whose meager reward he shared—he owed to this, his endurance and level-headedness, just as he owed to his native heath his energetic fearlessness.

The official recognition of the Breton Spaniel goes back to about 1900. He was the sensation of the Paris Dog Show, with his thick coat, his short ears, his pointed muzzle and his stump of a tail held erect as for battle, like a Terrier's. It is easy to believe that there was little of the seductive about him at that time!

But certain dog-lovers interested in his qualities as a hunter formed a commission, presided over by M. de Conink and consisting of MM. Megnin, Huguët, Flensy, Trettel, de Cambourg and Dursant-Gosselin, which in May 1907 drew up the first standard of points. This underwent some modification in 1908.

The Breton of the original stock was a tracker and retriever of the highest order, loving to hunt furred quarry, though it is averred that his nose lacked power and his back firmness.

At the time, numbers of English tourists used to winter in Brittany to hunt woodcock and, whether by design or accident, their setters were crossed with the Breton dogs, and the show, which was held in Loudac in 1908, was a cen-

sus of the elements of the breed due to this crossing. To judge from what was written at the time, the ninety entrants were very diverse and conformed little enough with the standard of 1907-08.

But under the impulse of the committee which was drawn up, and over whose destinies presided MM. Enaud, de Pele and Lessard, the breeders, by a splendid effort undertook to fix a single type, retaining the ancestral qualities.

Little by little the Breton won an envied place for itself among its continental relatives, both on the show bench and at the field trials.

As early as 1908, "Mirza," a white and tan Breton belonging to M. Trettel, took part in the Normandy Field Trials and won a first place. She was followed on this road to triumph by several other Bretons in the following years: Bombarde, Arvar, Rudan, Leda, Loustic, etc.

The great war held up this magnificent progress for five years, but from 1919 onwards the breeding, which had been carried on by certain breeders, secure amid the Breton heights from war's devastation, blossomed forth anew at the point where its advancement had ceased and the diminished numbers rapidly increased.

The appearance of the new Breton at the post-war hunting trials was a veritable revelation. The dog had much improved. Endowed with a powerful nose, galloping at full speed and tracking with intelligence, he soon outclassed other continent dogs and even several English dogs well known for their success in field trials.

In 1925 the special show of the Breton Spaniel Club at Rennes called together a collection of about a hundred entrants of astonishing similarity.

The head of the present day Breton Spaniel (or American, as he is also called) is less massive, more finely chiseled and attractive to the eye than that of its ancestor

The silhouette is more harmonious beneath its white and orange coat, which coat is preferable to the white and tan because it is more visible to the eye. The old coat has consequently disappeared in spite of the efforts of the club to preserve it.

The official standard adopted by the Breton Spaniel Club is in substance as follows:

"Height 40 to 50 centimeters with margin of two centimeters for the males, body close to the ground, short in the withers, head round with muzzle pointed; ears rather short and high up; hair smooth; coat wavy but never wooly; nose brown or deep pink; eyes hazel; general color range orange and white or tan and white with several patches; outline compact but elegant; race intelligent; tail short (naturally or by docking). being of 10 centimeters maximum length."

The natural (uncut) short tail which originally had been considered by the club as an essential characteristic of the breed, is no longer demanded and since 1933 Spaniels with docked tails have been admissable the same as the others, to the highest awards.

In the woods he excelled after the woodcock, hunting sometimes in the open copse with his nose up, then following the scent into a thicket as he outwits the long beaked bird in her multiples ruses and finally seizing her and retrieving her to his master.

Among the marshes he shows himself inferior to none, pouncing on the young birds from afar and not hesitating to take to the water to seize the winged duck which threads among the reeds and water plants of the creeks and ponds. He adapts himself to every circumstance and it is to this adaptability that he owes his popularity.

His training, which is neither more difficult nor less so than that of other English and continental breeds demands, however, a certain dexterity. He requires gentleness that does not preclude firmness—ane might almost say severity in his earlier days.

His innate love of four-footed game is legendary. Toward 1850 the Reverend

Davies mentioned him in his work on wolf hunting as an "animal perfect for the chase, an excellent retriever, fearless of thickets, but with an inveterate love of furred game." The dog of that day lives again in the Breton Spaniel of the present.

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Pennsylvania

FALL TRIAL

Due to the "unusual" schedule this fall, the Pennsylvania Brittany Club had an "unusually" small entry. This did not remove the quality factor. Each stake had excellent competition. The trial went very well and all in attendance had a very nice time. Many improvements have been made on the grounds and clubhouse. I think we can proudly say we have one of the finest single courses available for the Brittany, with a secure future ahead for our members and guests who wish to attend our trials because we own it, lock, stock, etc. Birds were plentiful, carry-overs from our 4 very successful fun trials. Coveys were moved at least six times on the backcourse.

Saturday was "Facer Day" as "Ernie" piloted Rusty of Highbrow with his classy and hard driving run topped off with a slamming find in the bird-field to capture first honors. Ernie came right on to win a fine Derby Stake, Joel's Kennel being well represented by taking home two trophies in the All-Age.

After the trial it was noticed that two gallons of mouth wash and gargle had been placed on the clubhouse table. Thinking it must have been left by one of our dentist friends we all began to gargle with it. Everybody being brain-washed by TV commercials and not wishing to offend anybody, both were hardly "gargled up," when to our dismay we found we had just gargled all of Bob Handlowe's ho-made "Ol' Power Saw."

The singing and dancing lasted past midnight and a wonderful time was had by all. Alkaseltzers were served with breakfast and a new rule was established about the proper marking of all jugs and bottles left lying around.

Sunday morn and the puppies were off fast and wild. Pete Seger's "Cindy" took the honors in a real classy Puppy Stake. This shows that "Skip" can also

produce as well as win. The Amateur Stake was full of birds and good dogs. Glenn Sewall, handling Holleyhaven Casey through a hard hunting run with two backcourse birds topped with a beautiful find in the birdfield copped first place and the rotating trophy for Mr. Holleyoak. Mr. Gold, a fine young dog, was close behind the winner and showed his training on his multiple find as he remained tight while birds lifted all around him.

Plan to attend our next trial and see our clubhouse and grounds. Your time will be well spent. You see there's a farmer here who has a surplus rye crop, now if I can get some sugar and enough copper tubing maybe . . .



Fld. Ch. Rusty of Highbrow

Puppy Stake—10 Entries

Judges: John Rassman, Paul Ketterer.

- 1st—Shenango Valley Cindy, by Fld. Ch. Shenango Valley Dingo ex Uno's Senderella. Owner and handler, Robert L. Seger.
- 2nd—Chartier's Valley Sam, by Dingo's Zippo ex Edandot Nicky. Owner and handler, Robert U. Handlow.
- 3rd—Westonia's Mister Solo, by Ch. Brittchester's Rustic Rube ex Westonia's Black Magic. Owner and handler, Fred W. Wyman.

4th—Pin Oak Guy's Little Bit, by Fld. Ch. Pin Oak Guy ex Lucky's Handsome Lady. Owners, Glenn G. and Ann Sewall; handler, Glenn G. Sewall.

Derby Stake—7 Entries

Judges: John Rassman, Paul Ketterer.

1st Rusty's Whitey of Highbrow, by Fld. Ch. Rusty of Highbrow ex Highbrow's Ginger. Owners, Ernest W. and Lenora P. Facer; handler, Ernest W. Facer.

2nd—Tanglewood Roxy, by Fld. Ch. Sewall's Rex ex Guv's Pin Oak Nancy. Owner and handler, Chas. Kidney.

3rd—Elcon's Shotgun Smoke, by Ch. Doc's Donne ex Doc's Shotgun Victory. Owner and handler, Lloyd L. Conable, Jr.

4th—Highbrow's Bobby, by Dingo's Zippo ex Highbrow's Kitt La Rue. Owners, Robert and Muriel Aldinger; handler, Robert Aldinger.

All-Age Stake—15 Entries

Judges: John Rassman, Paul Ketterer.

1st—Fld. Ch. Rusty of Highbrow, by Britt Bree's Hennessy ex Princess Soni Van. Owner and handler, Ernest W. Facer.

2nd—Ch. Joel's Copper Jaques, by Fld. Ch. Ferdinand of Leeway ex Ch. Joel's Copper Penny. Owners, John G. and Ellyn E. Lee; handler, John G. Lee.

3rd—Ch. Joel's Copper Penny, by Ch. Avono Corky ex Ch. Hilltop Joel's Bridget. Owner, Ellyn E. Lee; handler, John G. Lee.

4th—De Little Frenchman, by Dual Ch. Dingo's Little Mike ex Albedo Valley Chipper. Owner and handler, George W. Wilson.

Amateur Stake—15 Entries

Judges: Harold Reed, Dr. Al Vogan.

1st—Ch. Holley Haven Casey, by Dual Ch. Dingo's Little Mike ex Dual Ch. Holley Haven Duchess. Owner, Henry J. Holleyoak; handler, Glenn Sewall.

Pheasant

CLASSIC

The running of the Seventh Renewal of The American Brittany Club National Pheasant Classic will not be held until March 16, 1966. However, the Oregon Brittany Club as host has been hard at work for the past two months planning this stake. The grounds will be the E. E. Wilson Game Management Area (Camp Adair) and the Country Kitchen & Motel in Corvallis has been selected as the headquarters.

A new clubhouse has been added to Camp Adair since the 1962 Classic was held here. Horses for the 1966 Classic will be furnished by Floyd Rains who has an excellent string of Field Trial mounts. The grounds are in very good shape and the bird population up from last year. President Warren E. Smith has appointed Everett Metzger as Field Trial Chairman and says that the judges will be announced along with a full report in the next issue of the magazine.

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DUAL DOG

Not only does a Brittany puppy who lives in Chicago retrieve game for his master but also he is the mainstay of the Little Leaguers. He sits on the bench with the players and jumps down to retrieve all balls in the field. You may be sure that the Little Leaguers love him. Not to mention how proud the family are of their Britt.

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2nd—Mister Gold, by Chestnut Guy ex Treser's Lady Tee. Owner and handler, Arthur P. Marx.

3rd—Oak Hills Freckles, by McKinni's Woody ex Christine Kennedy. Owner and handler, Ralph D. Treser.

4th—Dual Ch. Joel's Drole, by Fld. Ch. Ferdinand of Leeway ex Ch. Joel's Copper Penny. Owner and handler, Benjamin J. Zaboski.

Specialty Show

The 23rd Annual Specialty show was held at Carterville, Illinois on the Friday afternoon preceding the National Championship. The judge, who was well versed in the breed, was Walter Schneider of Ohio. Mr. Schneider remained for several days to ride and watch the dogs in the field.

The top winner, Best of Breed, was Ch. Sam's Son of Buckshot CD, owned and handled by Louis Oltman of Trimble, Mo. This dog was the Winners male at the 1964 show. Best of Opposite Sex was Ch. Holley Haven Sugar, owned by Henry Holleyoak of Wayne, Mich. Sugar is a consistent group winner and may have more group placements than any other Brittany bitch.

The points in males went to Sequani's Sam's Son of Kaymore, owned by Catherine Murphy and handled by Ken Holemo. Reserve winners male was the second in the open class, Kaymore's Doc Gone, owned by William Davis and handled by Phil Morehouse.

The female point winner came from the American bred class, Missy's Wenonah, owned by Sue Wiitala, and handled by Jan Hoover, a teen ager. Reserve was Edward Nys dog, Nys Mitzi, who won the Open Class.



Best of Breed—Sam's Son Buckshot
with Louis Oltman and Judge Schneider

Best puppy was Holley Haven Winkey whose owner, Dr. Robert Wagner, was attending the Nationals for the first time. Winkey is out of Holly Haven Sugar. All the above are owned by members of the Michigan Clubs.

Other class winners were: 6 to 9 months puppy, Holley Haven Louis Le Roi (L. Long); Spicks on Mugho Hill (J. Gleason) in the Novice; Bred by Exhibitor, Nys-Britts Corker (E. Nys); American bred, Dumpadee's Do's Rouge Rogue (J. Vonesh); all these in the male classes.

The female class winners were: 9 to 12 months puppy, Holley Haven Stardust (J. Hoover); Novice, Holley Haven Speckles (T. Healey); Bred by Exhibitor, Holley Haven Sparkle (H. Holleyoak).

There were 18 Specials in the ring and three more who were absent. It was quite a sight to see this many quality dogs in the same ring. The total entry was 66 dogs and there were 8 absentees.



Best Opposite—Holley Haven Sugar
with Henry Holleyoak and Schneider

Show Leads

New Champions

Allamuchy's Triumph, by El Diablo II ex Jeanne de Triumph; owner, M. A. Rosenbaum.

Beken's Golden Ember, by Copper Chris of Ravenswood ex Beken's Patch of Gold; owner, K. Leman.

Holley Haven Honey, by Holley Haven Beau ex Holley Haven Dixie; owner, E. J. & F. J. Nys.

Marmalade Tige, by Muffin ex Sandy de Roberta; owner, H. B. Ewer.

Sir Robert of Beelflower, by Dual Ch. Rusty of Beelflower ex Rusty of Fontana; owner, V. I. Davidson.

Small Wonder, by Duke Redson Rusty ex Lou's Red Sheba; owner, A. Collar-ene.

Suzabob's Seminole Sadie, by Fld. Ch. Chip's Get ex Suzabob's Diamond Lil; owner, R. E. Young.

FIELD

Kay-Cee Bandit, by Fld. Ch. Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke e- Lady Joyce's Ginger; owner, Hugh Malone.

Shelburne Falls Spunky, by Fld. Ch. Kaerson's Ponkapoag Sparky ex Bearcamp Donna; owner, E. Sauter.

Dual Ch. Trooper's Little Frenchman, by Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper ex Golden Duchess III; owners, E. W. and E. Burkhart.



Winner's Bitch—Missy's Wenonah

The AKC reports that the winners of the Amateur Gun Dog Stake in the Michigan Saginaw Valley spring trial are now recognized by them. This stake was originally listed as an Amateur Shooting Dog Stake which would have been a non-regular stake and as such not an official point-giving stake.

Applying for a license to judge Brittanies is Miss Sunny Dutton of Mundelein, Illinois. Miss Dutton is already licensed to judge in another breed. Any comments as to her qualifications should be sent to AKC at once.

Receiving approval to judge Brittanies is Henry E. Stoecker who is now eligible to judge all sporting breeds.

SPECIALTY SHOW



Specials Only Class in the Ring



Best Puppy—Holley Haven Winkey

MORE

Show Leads

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WB - Fieldhobby's Peg de Triumph, C. J. Goering.

BB - Ch. Nedbalak's Ginger, W. & T. Fessenden.

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BB & WB - Suzabob's Lucky Leho, R. E. Young.

BOS & WD - Suzabob's Errol of Flynn, J. Dilliplane.

SUSSEX HILLS KENNEL CLUB

WD - Starbelle Carbon Copy - P. Jackson

WB & BB - Snap-a-Line Princess - J. Mattinson.

BOS - Ch. Ffynant Trouble - J. Mattinson.

UNION COUNTY KENNEL CLUB

WB & BB - Suzabob's Cotton Candy, J. Dilliplane.

WD & BOS - Suzabob's Errol of Flynn, J. Dilliplane.

GALVESTON KENNEL CLUB

WD & BOS - Jake of Briarbend, M. D. Seay.

BB - Ch. Edandot Halo, Mr. and Mrs. J. Barnes.

At the Mid Del Tinker KC Sanction Show Tuway's Kaymore Flash came from the 3 to 6 month puppy class to place second in the Sporting Group. The pup is owned by the Fessendens.

The Stillwater Club held their second sanction show in conjunction with their fall trial. Best in Match was Hartley's Pepper Pot, owned by Jim Stuart. Best Opposite was Bo-Nine Malibeau Gem, owned by Herman Bonine. Other class winners were Boy's Rusty, Kaymore's Merry Mark, Maisie, and Sooner Doll.



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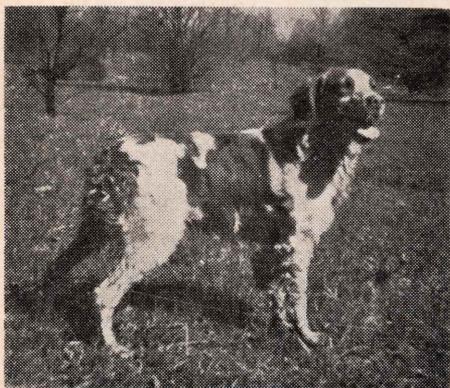
Ardmore

The motion to move the Nationals to Ardmore for a trial period was defeated by a vote of 9 to 6. The committee that was appointed to look into the matter will still function and look into the details further. It is possible that, at a later date, a ballot will go out to the directors to decide whether or not to move the Futurity to Ardmore for a trial period. If this is done a Gun Dog Stake will probably be run at the same time. It is not certain at this time whether such Gun Dog Stake would be an Open or an Amateur event.

GREATS OF THE PAST

As you check back in the pedigree of your dog today you will find a good many nice sounding names that mean nothing to you. This series is being inaugurated to tell you something about these old dogs, their records and their performances.

Ch. Avono Jake was a son of Kaer de Cornouaille and Bonne et Belle. He was bred by Jack Whitworth and owned by Don Benjamin of Cleveland, Ohio. Jake was a solidly built dog with a good rounded rib cage. He was the sturdy type, not racily built. He was heavily marked with orange in a saddle pattern.



Ch. Avono Jake

Jake began his bench career early as his owner was a professional bench handler. He finished his championship easily. He was placed with Mike Seminatore, a noted trainer of pointers and setters near Boston. He took training well and was ready to be run when the first trial was held in that area. As Mr. Seminatore could not attend Brittany trials regularly he turned the dog over to a regular Brittany trainer to campaign. Jake could always be counted on to put down an honest race and steady bird work. He was a very fine dog to gun over also and sold many hunters on the merits of the breed.

Jake made 20 placements in the field in Brittany trials. He also placed in Pointer trials in New England. He won the first Amateur stake that was ever

held and had many field points. However he never acquired the necessary Open all age points to complete his championship, but remained one of those whom many thought was of championship caliber without a title. Possibly the fact that he was such an honest hunter was held against him in trials as he would tend to quarter his ground at times and not reach out to objectives with the fire and spirit that was desired. His seconds were numerous but that one blue ribbon evaded him.

Jake was a natural retriever and an avid hunter. He would go all day at the same pace.

He was not used a great deal at stud but did sire 3 field champions, two from one litter when bred to Ch. Suzanne de Beauch. This litter produced two group winners and four bench champions as well as two duals. Jake's litter brother Dual Ch. Avono Happy was also well known. Happy was the running dog, the class dog, while Jake had the stability and bird sense.

Jake's dam produced several winners by two different sires and was herself a field winner in an all breed trial. She was registered as Bonne et Belle in the AKC and as Bonne de Beauchamps in the FDSB. On some pedigrees you will see her as Bonne et Belle de Beauchamps but this was not her correct name.

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California

FALL TRIAL

by Touche Derrier

Thank you, Maryland Brittany Club, for the foresight in establishing the Junior Handler stake. This was undoubtedly the most interesting and entertaining event of the meet. Running the stake last over a course previously used, gave ample opportunities for the dogs to work birds, presenting to the judges some fine professional type bird handling with remarkable coordination between dog and handler. Although the entry was small numerically there was no lacking of competitive spirit and determination. The winner and proud possessor of the perpetual trophy, Larry Merrell of Bakersfield, California, was pushed all the way by seven eager contenders.

Junior Handler Stake—8 Entries

Judges: Jack Russell, Fred Coleman.

- 1st—Ch. Tipco's French Rebel, by Dual Ch. Paul's White Flash ex Tommy's Yankee De Money. Owner, Brenton W. Cappell; handler, Larry Merrell.
- 2nd—Dual Ch. Rusty of Beeflower, by Ch. Royal Prince of Duckerbird ex Sandy of Beeflower. Owner, Virgil I. Davidson; handler, Gary Tate.
- 3rd—Ch. Juchoir's Shady Scamp, by Dual Ch. Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee ex Juchoir's Shady Lady. Owners, Wm. T. and I. Helen Brown; handler, Jean Terry.
- 4th—Belle of Rocky Crest, by Rocky Crest ex Frosty Crest. Owners, Charles E. and Marjorie Ayres; handler, Jeanette Carpenter.

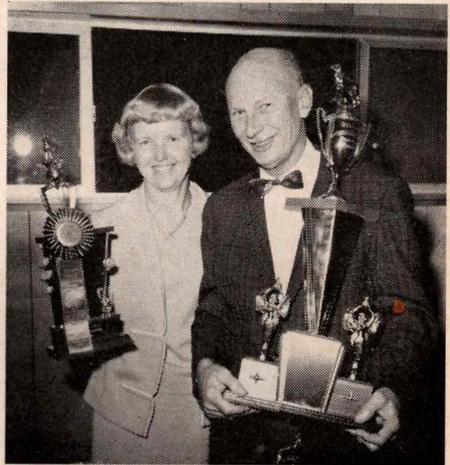
President-elect Charles Ayres made the winners' circle with his animated puppy, Red of Rocky Crest, handled by Carl Percell. Charles and Marge took home the brand new perpetual trophy, just donated by themselves. (Is this any way to run a trial?)

Greenfield Ramblin' Rose, owned and handled by retiring President Jack Russell, performed in a manner befitting the top junior stakes placer of the year, taking top honors in the Open Derby.

Winner of the Open Gun Dog stake, Tietjen's Red Ranger, topped a classy field of 17 entries including other pointing breeds. Red busted the heavy cover in a performance fine enough to earn the final points necessary to complete championship requirements. Owned by Bill and Rita Tietjen, Red has been handled throughout his brief career by Ejner Lund, whose record is legend on the West Coast circuit.

The Open All-Age blue went to Fld. Ch. Gary's Beau Kiki for one of his fine wide, searching patterns coupled with faultless manners.

The first in the Amateur Gun gave Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper another leg up toward all time placement honors. Trooper laid out a neat pattern showing accomplished bird sense while handling kindly.



Charles and Margie Ayres

Open Puppy Stake—13 Entries

Judges: Bill Schimmel, Bob Soden.

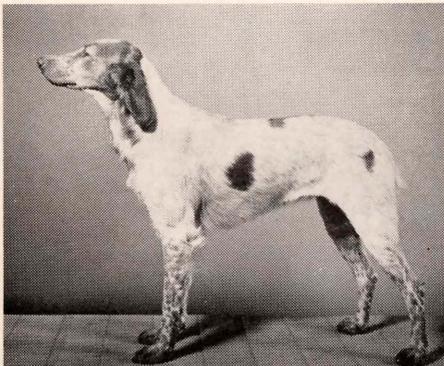
- 1st—Red of Rocky Crest, by Rocky Crest ex Frosty Crest. Owners, Charles and Marjorie Ayres; handler, Carl Percell.

- 2nd—Jocko's Hi-Gun, by Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko ex Olden Times. Owner and handler, Ted Blackard.
- 3rd—Annie's Ace of Hearts, by Ch. Zipp's Feather Merchant ex Gypsy's May Len. Owner, Rodney Lachance; handler, Dave Lachance.
- 4th—Bart of Rocky Crest, by Rocky Crest ex Frosty Crest. Owners, Steve and Iva Prodanovich; handler, Steve Prodanovich.

Open Derby Stake—14 Entries

Judges: Bill Schimmel, Bob Soden.

- 1st—Greenfield Ramblin Rose, by Ch. Zipp's Feather Merchant ex Berenda Creek Jane. Owners, Jack D. and Merle M. Russell; handler, Jack Russell.
- 2nd—Tiger's Speed Point, by Toby Speed Point ex Ma Petit Chanceuse. Owner, Jimmie W. T. Walling; handler, John Walling.
- 3rd—Patsy De Murry, by Teddy Dingo ex Flicka De Sandusky. Owners, Clark E. and Sue Murry; handler, Clark Murry.
- 4th—Greenfield's Cindy, by Ch. Zipp's Feather Merchant ex Berenda Creek Jane. Owners, John A. and Mary J. Walling; handler, John Walling.



Greenfield Ramblin Rose

Open All-Age Stake—19 Entries

Judges: Fred Meier, Oral Meadors.

- 1st—Fld. Ch. Gary's Beau Kiki, by Fld. Ch. Beau Kiki ex Queen of Lionheart. Owners, Gary and E. L. Phillips; handler, E. L. Phillips.
- 2nd—Lewis's Ringo, by Pauncho El Toro ex Speedy Lady of Hayhurst Farm.

Owners, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lewis; handler, Bill Lewis.

- 3rd—Ch. Juchoir's Shady Scamp, by Dual Ch. Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee ex Juchoir's Shady Lady. Owners, Wm. T. and I. Helen Brown; handler, Bill Brown.
- 4th—Taro of Magnum, by Magnum of Pacolet ex Richmond's Prairie Rambler. Owner and handler, Ben Nishimoto.



Ejner Lund with Red Ranger

Amateur Gun Dog Shooting Stake

Judges: Bill Shimmel, Bob Soden.

- 1st—Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper, by Dancer's Cover Buster ex Faisst Lady of Napa. Owners, Gilda and Ejner Lund; handler, Ejner Lund.
- 2nd—Woody's Mark von Greif (GSP).
- 3rd—Thiel's Little Skipper, by Pauncho El Toro ex Speedy Lady of Hayhurst Farms. Owner and handler, Harold W. Thiel.
- 4th—Withheld.

Open Gun Dog Shooting Stake

Judges: Fred Meier, Oral Meadors.

- 1st—Ch. Tietjen's Red Ranger, by Ch. Randy's Ranger ex Bielar's Pink Lady Sue. Owners, Wm. and Rita Tietjen; handler, Ejner Lund.
- 2nd—Richthofen's Fritz (GSP).
- 3rd—Ch. Light's Choice, by Fld. Ch. Duke Del Duval ex Susie Del of Duval. Owner, Will H. Light; handler, Paul Bailey.
- 4th—Ch. Lewis's Ringo. See above.

Brittanies

HERE & THERE

At the Pointer and Setter Club of California the winner of the Open Shooting Dog was Stephen's Lord Lucky handled by his owner Paul Bailey. He also won a first in the Limited at the Irish Setter Club of California. At this trial Charles Davidson's Cindy of Bellflower was second in the Open Gun Dog Stake.

At the Setter and Pointer Club of California's Trials in November Lutam's Brown Sugar, owned by Paul Bailey was second in the Open Derby. Also making his first all-age placement was Tipco's Stormy Weather who was second in the Gun Dog, handled by his owner, Judith Cappell.

The New York Herald Tribune in the column entitled Pavement's End, by Art Smith mentions a woodcock hunt with a Brittany named Reba. Reba was a seven months old pup who learned to find, point, and retrieve woodcock in less than two months and thus amazed everyone. Her work is highly praised in the article.

Brittanies have certainly been successful in the Canadian trials which are all mixed breed trials. At the Ontario Championship A. J.'s Hilltop Pierre received favorable mention. Winning in the other stakes at this trial were Duke of Huntindon and Huntindon Buttons.

Kipewa's Breton Belle scored another victory when she won second at the Montreal trial in the Restricted Breed Open Shooting Dog.

At the Ontario trials Huntindon's Buttons was first in the restricted breed derby. Buttons is owned by H. Walsh. She was the only Brittany entered in the trial.

The Ottawa trials were well supported by the Brittanies. Among the successful entrants were Kipewa's Breton Belle who won the Open Shooting Dog, Kipewa's Salut who won the Derby, and Earl of Huntindon who won the restricted breed Shooting Dog. Belle was 3rd in this stake.

Shelburne Falls Spunky, the lone breed entrant in the Westover Club's trial held in Massachusetts, won a third in the Open Shooting Dog stake. He is owned by E. C. Sauter.

Topper's Rusty Bee was third in the Amateur Shooting Dog at the Capitol Club's trial near Sacramento, Calif. Rusty was handled by his owner G. H. Fowler.

Doc's Shotgun Flash won the Challenge Trophy for the best dog in the trial at the South Cuyahago Trial on November 6th. Flash is owned and handled by Dr. J. J. Schuckert.

Juchoir's Termisan Tiger was the first place winner at the Northern New York GSP trial in the Amateur Shooting Dog. He is owned and handled by Dr. Heap, who also owned part of the second place dog in this stake. Longford's Micki was second in the puppy here. She is owned by Dr. F. F. Taylor.

Little Ra Pa Luke was top winner in the Open Shooting Dog at the Southwest Michigan trials. Luke is owned by Dr. Cree and is handled by John Evans.

Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke placed 2nd in the Open Shooting Dog at the Suwannee River Trials. He was handled by his owner, Horace Brown.

Juchoir's Chocolate Candy was second in the Amateur Shooting Dog and Roux Rebel was third at the Northwest Club's trial. Candy is owned by L. Prefountain and Rebel by Ted Hames.

French Lady, owned and handled by W. R. French was first in the Restricted Breed Shooting Dog at the Bird Layne Club trial.

Jaybee's Little Princess won the Open All-Age at the Gouverneur Club in New York. She is owned and handled by J. H. Bradley. There were 9 entrants in the stake. She also placed second in the Open Shooting Dog at this trial.

Central California

FALL TRIAL

by David Kenney

The weather was ideal—bright and sunny—no morning fog—crisp and cool with a fair to good breeze. These were the conditions weather-wise Saturday and Sunday, October 16 and 17 at the Fort Ord Field Trial Grounds, Salinas, California. The cover was good, neither too sparse nor too rank. The judges and handlers being able to keep a good eye on the dogs. Good cooperation between handlers, judges, committee and the ever indispensable man on the P.A. system, Jerry Frame, held the inevitable minor irritations to a minimum, enabling us to easily finish the running of the stakes on both days according to schedule.

With one exception, all stakes had some pretty classy running and birdwork. The one exception was the Derby. The Judges' comment was "There was not a Derby dog who ran a consistent Derby race all the way through." Needless to say, all Derby placements were withheld. For the good of the breed, high standards must be adhered to. Don't you agree?

You might notice by referring to the winners on page 12 of the December

1965 American Brittany that all the placements in the Open Gun Dog Stake are Champions—Field, Bench and one



Jaybee's Little Princess

Dual Champion. All these dogs are from the same area of California. There must be something in the air of Central California that produces Champions!!

Also a word of thanks to Duke Cecil for filling in as a judge at the last minute, for Frank Morrow, who was unable to be with us due to a death in his family.

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National Amateur

by David Kenney

The National Amateur Handlers Stake was begun on Tuesday afternoon, November 30, at the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, and concluded on Friday morning. After 48 dogs had displayed their wares before judges Phil Fogg and Jess Hayslip, the winner was declared to be Rendezvous Skipper, fresh from his triumph in the National Championship Stake earlier in the week. This remarkable dual win was completed on Skipper's ninth birthday, and it brought great joy to his proud owners, L. D. and Lucille LaFleur. Skipper was handled to both wins by his owner, and the good working relationship between the two was evident in both stakes. His race was forward, and searching, with one covey of birds handled in perfect style.

Other placed dogs were Gary's Beau Kiki, owned by Gary and E. L. Phillips and handled by the latter, second; Tigar's Jocko, owned and handled by John Munson, third; and Bellwood Polly Ann, owned and handled by Perry Mobley, fourth. Other dogs which impressed, with sound performances, and clean bird work, in the opinion of this reporter, were in the order of running Happy Alpine Teg, Bo-Nine Towsey Sandy, Rusty of Beeflower, Lady's Hasty Nell, Roux Rebel, and Crab Orchard Maverick. Way Kan Jeff ran an impressive race but was birdless. The judges were looking for dogs which were wide, forward, under control, hunting all the way, and impeccable on their birds. They found what they sought in the dogs awarded placements.

Perfect weather prevailed for the stake. The judges were attentive to the dogs, and brought a welcome humor to every situation. A large gallery followed throughout, and many valued friendships were renewed and new ones formed as the running progressed. The courses were run twice each day, and for those familiar with the Crab Orchard grounds let it be said that the first course began near the barn, and that the area covered extended north to the Lake, west to

highway 148, south to near the refuge boundary, and east to near the prison grounds. The capable marshal, Bob Runion, introduced some variation in courses from time to time to give each brace maximum opportunity on birds, and to conclude each half-day's work near the barn. Courses were in good shape and birds plentiful.

More game was shown in afternoon running than in the morning, indication that twice-a-day use of the courses did not cause birds to become harder to find the second time around. The dogs were involved with approximately 30 separate coveys during the three days of running, some of them being moved several times. All together, the management and conditions of the stake were excellent. John Munson deserves credit as Chairman and thanks are due Lyle Johnson, who allowed his truck to be used as dog wagon. Your reporter is indebted to Audrey Dudenbostel and to the judges for an analysis of the first five braces, run on Tuesday afternoon when other duties kept him from attendance.

THE RUNNING

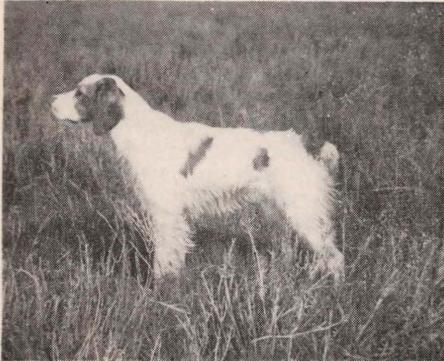
Tex of Kent - Holley Haven Casey. Away at 12:15, this brace showed that birds were abroad and feeding. Tex put down a race which was not completely consistent in application, and tallied a stop-to-flush, two backs, and a point from which birds were said to go, though they escaped judicial observation. Casey ran big at times, but was behind a bit and occasionally rough to handle. He had three finds, not all with the best of location, and an unproductive.

Happy Alpine Teg - Tigar's Jocko. Teg ran a forward, short race, handled easily and hunted diligently, and pointed one covey with pleasing intensity. He also had a stop-to-flush and backed at command. Jocko ran well, but might have submitted a better pattern. He found two coveys, one pointed intently far to the front, and another on which he flagged momentarily, but stiffened under handler's urging.

Pacolet's Sam - Bo-Min's Ginger of Rue-Mont. Misfortune with birds was the order of the day here. A covey was seen to fly with both dogs in motion. Sam crowded a single and was tempted to follow. Later he pointed, with less than perfect location, and had birds scattered all around. He backed Ginger, who pointed two singles at very close range and was inclined to move with the birds. Both dogs were picked up.

Duke of Shelbi - Heady's Skip Britt. This pair was soon down, soon up, as birds seemed to be everywhere.

Cannonball of Leeway - Rusty de Morningside. Both dogs had difficulty getting underway, suffered unproductives and were picked up.



Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko

Bo-Nine Towsey Sandy - Rendezvous Gus. Away at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday morning, this pair made a pleasant contrast, with Gus showing on big forward casts and Sandy industrious at shorter range. After 20 minutes Gus became involved with a covey in woods and was picked up. Sandy continued her busy searching in birdy places and was rewarded with a find of a big covey just at time. She worked game scent into heavy honey suckle, the birds leaving with no clear visibility of what occurred. She was shown standing, shot over and picked up.

Rendezvous Skipper - Way Kan Jill. This pair, fresh from placements first and fourth in the National Championship, where they were also braced together, got away well on ground still white with frost. Jill handled more roughly, and suffered several absences,

with Skipper showing fine response and steady searching. Jill was brought back to the front with minutes remaining, and as pick-up time neared point was called for both dogs in thicket and honey-suckle. A covey was flushed before Skipper, with Jill then in motion on what appeared to be a relocation on another covey. Jill continued in motion, Skipper remaining in good order for the completion of action. Birds apparently were still buried deeply in cover, in contrast to the previous afternoon, when they were almost too numerous and accessible.

Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke - Sewall's Rex. This pair hunted at moderate range for an uneventful hour on a birdy course. Rex applied himself well, and hunted his cover knowledgeably, with Gunsmoke less consistent. Midway, after a bird was seen leaving a brushy ditch, Gunsmoke pointed tentatively and was urged on by his handler. A bird departed, probably unseen by the dog. The heat was completed without further incident.

Fredan's Buddy - Kickapoo Kipsy. Buddy ranged and handled in pleasing fashion for Mrs. White. Becoming quite birdy, he was encouraged to point and suffered an unproductive, with Kipsy backing. Minutes later the scene was re-enacted, with roles reversed, and again no birds produced. Kipsy hunted as a gun dog will, checking frequently to handler. A big covey was ridden up just at pick-up time, beside road just south of the barn.

Epper of Siouxland - Gladwin Smokey. With lunch over, this pair showed good range and application to inaugurate the afternoon's action. Epper, a former winner of the stake, was soon lost and not shown again. Smoky, with bell attached to offset the disadvantage of his darker coloration, made several nice casts and handled well. Later he was brought in for careful searching, and responded well. As time was running out, what seemed to be a stop-to-flush took place, and Smoky was shot over, sent on, and shortly thereafter the heat ended.

Rusty of Beeflower - Spicks of Mugho Hill. With temperatures warming, quail apparently were on the move. Both dogs moved out well, with Spicks a little companionable at the start. As Spicks came in from a creditable search to the

left, Rusty pointed directly ahead on the course. Two birds were produced, with a shot for each. Both dogs patterned ahead well and Spicks nailed a covey at edge of small pond, Rusty backing and both mannerly at flight of large covey and shot. Sent on, Rusty pointed less than a hundred yards away, with Spicks backing. Again a large covey and again good manner prevailed. Both then hunted well for a short time, with Rusty then pointing. Spicks crowded the scene somewhat, a big covey departing, both dogs remaining for the shot and to be released. Minutes later Rusty pointed again and scored another bevy. The action lagged briefly, with Rusty stopping-to-flush, then a covey was seen leaving cornfield ahead with neither dog involved. Rusty scored on a single from this group, with Spicks stopping to the shot, waiting to be sent on. Headed for pick-up, Rusty pointed the covey found by the new national champion at the close of his winning effort on the preceding Saturday. The birds departed prematurely, the dog remaining for the shot, and a most exciting brace was concluded.

Bellwood Polly Ann - Towsey's White Alawar. The pair got away well, at limited range but lively in action. Soon Polly Ann roaded to a point in clover field, with Alawar catching scent and pointing almost at the same moment. The birds were flushed, and Alawar moved with them and was picked up, Polly Ann resisting temptation. She continued at greater range, completing several nice casts and connecting on one of them with a good covey find well ahead. Shortly thereafter she pointed again, unproductively, worked intently on what appeared to be heavy foot scent, was taken slowly down strip of corn, and ended her time with a mannerly stop at sight of covey ridden up by gallery.

Way Kan Jeff - Holliday Britt's Bazooka. This pair provided an interesting but birdless hour. They passed away at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, and showed only that as on the day before, the birds were not moving early. Jeff showed well on big sweeps to the front, while Bazooka handled easily and hunted diligently at shorter range.

Gary's Beau Kiki - De Little French-

man. The latter, the wider ranging dog, had an early absence, and from that point on the brace proceeded separately. While the search for Frenchman was on, birds were seen lifting, and the dog found nearby standing. He had not been seen there moments before, and it was surmised that the point had been established after the birds had gone. He also made a staunch point on a bedded deer. Kiki hunted and handled well, and was credited with a find on a huge covey near pick-up time. His conduct was good as the birds departed raggedly and the shot was fired.

Lady's Hasty Nell - Bretagne's White Ranger. This pair, down on the course which had provided a great deal of action the previous afternoon, displayed fine talents for hunting the course. Both ran well at good range, with Nell perhaps the easier handling dog. A covey was ridden up, and shortly afterward Ranger scored on a single on the railroad track. The action was hardly completed, when Nell stood well for the shot after a covey was flushed before her point. The heat ended with no further noteworthy action.

Kay-Cee Bandit - Jac Pierre's Pride. Much was expected of these two, but the race was short-lived. Each suffered an unproductive, with Jac making the best of an opportunity to back. Not pleased with his charge's efforts, Jac's handler picked him up, and Bandit, evidently suffering from a muscular difficulty soon suffered the same fate.

A-J's Hilltop Petite Babette - Juchoir's Termisan Tiger. Babette hunted and handled well at modest range, but to no avail. Tiger, Futurity winner in 1953, handled his ground attractively, coming around well with a minimum of handling. He had a big covey, with good manners, across the road from the clubhouse, and minutes later a stop-to-flush of a covey which he was very near and which with better fortune he might have stood. The heat ended shortly thereafter.

AJ's Hilltop Pierre - Tearaway Broccho. Pierre ran a rather slow digging race, suffering one unproductive, where Broccho backed nicely. Broccho ran and searched widely, but no birds were seen which could be credited to either dog.

Le Bonabe - Crab Orchard's Boy. From the start Bonabe ran the wider, more searching race. Boy crowded a single, and stopped to flush. As he was sent on, point was called for Bonabe in thicket's edge. One bird was produced, with Boy backing, and as the pair went on, Boy entered the thicket and did not reappear. He was found pointing and several birds were flushed, with the dog mannerly, but he could not be gotten out of the thicket after being released, and was picked up. Bonabe continued, pointed, and when flushed quail became entangled in briars, could not resist a lunge after it. On that note, the brace ended.

Tipco French Rebel - Woody's Pontiac Dingo. The heat began with Rebel choosing the wider, more open going and Woody digging in at shorter range. Midway, Woody pointed with Rebel backing, and a covey was produced at edge of standing corn, where Bellwood Polly Ann had suffered an unproductive the previous afternoon, with good manners all around. Sent on, Woody dug into corn and shortly thereafter was shown on a single bird. He was short and birdy for a time, then opened up to finish more nicely. Rebel took the heavier going with more diligence in the closing minutes than formerly.

Roux Rebel - Pin Oak Guy. The last brace of the day on Thursday was begun under overcast sky and with the light fading. Guy took the bit in his teeth almost at once, and was brought back to the front only after some delay, by his handler Mrs. Olund. Rebel handled well, hunting edges to the front with pleasing bounce. He entered thicket beside corn, and pointed. Guy, working up hollow, also pointed on the same covey before it was put to wing. Both dogs were proper at shot. Minutes later Rebel pointed in thicket and acquitted himself well on a large covey. The brace ended with both dogs hunting diligently to the front in brushy cover.

Towsey's Bub - Crab Orchard Maverick. Bub delivered a good searching, good handling race. Maverick swung wide to the right soon after breakaway and was not brought to the front for some minutes. He made some big pleasing casts thereafter, and pointed a covey with

good location at road just at head of car gallery. Bub, working up fence-line thicket, pointed the birds without being aware of Maverick's presence. At flush and shot Maverick twisted to follow flight of birds. The dogs were sent across road into corn. Birds were seen leaving in scattered array, then moments later a covey departed, with Maverick found pointing at the spot. At Pick-up time a minute later he was initiating another big cast to the front.

La Monte's Rebel - Shenango Valley Dingo. Rebel, a very pleasing dog to watch, ran a merry searching race. Dingo, last year's national champion, went big and wide and was out of hand frequently. Midway, birds were seen leaving and Rebel found pointing, steady for the shot. Later he pointed unproductively where many small birds had been seen leaving briarpatch. He finished with continued diligent searching.

Cookie's White Jet - Morningstar Rambler. Both initiated lively, hunting races at moderate range. Jet suffered an unproductive twice and shortly thereafter backed Rambler, who pointed unproductively twice in quick succession. The covey had obviously fed through to heavier cover, and when both dogs were sent on, it was Jet who pinned the birds on railroad embankment. After showing his good manners at flush and shot, he finished handling easily to the front. Rambler was erratic for the latter part of the heat and was not often shown. Pick up came near the barn and a very fine stake had ended.

National Amateur 48 Starters

Judges: Phil Fogg, Jess Hayslip.

- 1st—Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Skipper, by Fld. Ch. Teka of Siouxland ex Siouxland Babe. Owner and handler, L. D. LaFleur.
- 2nd—Fld. Ch. Gary's Beau Kiki, by Fld. Ch. Beau Kiki ex Queen of Lionhart. Owner, G. and E. L. Phillips; handler, E. L. Phillips.
- 3rd—Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko, by Honey's Tigar ex Petite Femme de la Bois. Owner and handler, John Munson.
- 4th—Bellewood Pollyann, by Dual Ch. Pacolet's Sam ex Betty Briarhopper. Owner and handler, Perry Mobley.

Michigan

FALL TRIAL

by Joe Kern

After a short absence the Michigan Cub returned to the somewhat new grounds of the Sharonville Game Area, near Manchester, Michigan, some 75 miles southwest of Detroit and readily accessible from any direction for our out of town friends. While these grounds are new to us, other Field Trial Clubs have been using and developing this area solely for running pointing breed trials. We believe that with the proper approach by all the clubs using these grounds much can be accomplished with our State Conservation people in way of propagation, cover, feed strips, etc. Already, much has been done in this respect and in later years there is no reason why this area cannot be the best in the state. The area is large enough for multiple courses over open country with suitable cover to hold birds, country in which our Britts can be shown and be seen and judged the way they should be.

Here were gathered an entry of 109 Brittanies, their owners, handlers and friends and devotees of the sport of field trialing. Liberated Quail were used throughout the running and while they were not the very best flyers after the first day, no complaints were heard by this scribe. This smooth sailing, no doubt, was due to the efficient manner in which this trial was conducted by its Chairman, Mr. Ed Hoover and his hard working committee headed by President Royce Curto and made up by the following: Ray Nickel, R. Zollars, H. Holleyoak, E. Nys, R. Glore, E. Wiitala, C. Fahrenbruch and the writer.

Judging assignments were ably handled by the following: Robert Camphausen and Kenneth Edwards worked the Open All-Age and the Open Puppy Stakes; C. Morse and George Wilson, the Open Derby; Glenn Eades and H. Burton, the Amateur Gun Dog Stake. The Michigan Club wishes to acknowledge with deep feeling our humble thanks to all these gentlemen.

The weather was cool enough for the

dogs and sunny and pleasant for their human friends. Sunday, the winds were quite gusty at times, helped the birds to fly a bit further. All handling was on foot for all stakes.

We would be remiss in not making known the people that were responsible for the welfare of all on the grounds, meaning of course the food and refreshments. These gals were spearheaded by the earliest of arisers (must have that coffee pot on early) Mrs. Edith Nickel; she in turn aided and abetted by Mrs. Florence Holleyoak, Mrs. Nys, Mrs. Zollars, Mrs. Curto, Mrs. Hoover, Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Fahrenbruch.



Fld. Ch. Mike's Little Patrick Boy

As always, our ever popular Amateur Stake drew some 30 entries with 27 starters, we say popular because of the Woman Handler trophy that is awarded to the best lady handler in this stake. This stake draws more and more distaff handlers every season and believe us when we say, "the gals go after this tooth and nail and no holds barred" being perfect ladies, of course. A most

creditable job of handling her Rusty was turned in by the ever popular, now a coed, Jan Hoover. This made it three in a row for this hard working girl, breaking a tie with our friend from the the Blue Grass country, Millie Lawrence. Both of these girls had won the Lady Handlers trophy twice before, only Jan has won it three times in succession.

Finally, our profound thanks to all the professionals, our out of town guests, club members and their friends for coming and making this trial the success that it was. Come again and may your next try be the winning one.



Oak Hill Freckles

Puppy Stake—12 Entries

Judges: R. Camphausen, K. Edwards.

- 1st—Laurnel's Hystique, by Sandy Bottom Kid ex Pacolet's Skyline Galaxy. Owner, T. A. Nielsen; handler, J. Thompson.
- 2nd—Jamie's We-Go Jill, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Britt's Bazooka ex Fld. Ch. Way Kan Jill. Owner and handler, J. F. Malia.
- 3rd—Bruce of Hampton, by Jet Stream Tex ex Edandot Gilly. Owner, J. P. Rossi; handler, R. Seger.

- 4th—Jane's Cadeau of Friday Farm, by Dual Ch. Pacolet's Sam ex Skyline Susie Q. Owner, E. Evans; handler, J. Thompson.

Derby Stake—26 Entries

Judges: C. Morse, G. Wilson.

- 1st—Worrell Wind's Winning Ticket, by Skipper of Pacolet ex Noga of Klemanor. Owner, G. Worrell; handler, L. Holman.
- 2nd—Lamonte's Lady Jo of Kaymore, by Dual Ch. Doctor Joe of Kaymore ex Kaymore's Sumthin Special. Owner and handler, R. E. Gloré.
- 3rd—Go Jock, by Ch. Holleyhaven Banner ex Orange Artemis. Owner, D. J. Nicholson; handler, L. Holman.
- 4th—Missy's Wenonah, by Ch. Holleyhaven Banner ex Orange Artemis. Owner, S. Wiitala; handler, E. Wiitala.

All-Age Stake—41 Entries

Judges: R. Camphausen, K. Edwards.

- 1st—Tearaway Broccho, by Fld. Ch. Teka of Siouxland ex Pacolet's Terimaed Sue. Owner, L. D. LaFleur; handler, L. Holman.
- 2nd—Ch. Holleyhaven Casey, by Dual Ch. Dingo's Little Mike ex Holleyhaven Duchess. Owner, H. Holleyoak; handler, J. Thompson.
- 3rd—Dual Ch. Uno's Chief, by Dual Ch. Uno's Jet ex Sassafras T. Owner and handler, D. Mullins.
- 4th—Ferd's Cannonball of Leeway, by Fld. Ch. Ferdinand of Leeway ex Brigitte of Leeway. Owner, J. W. Lee; handler, D. Mullins.

Amateur Stake—30 Entries

Judges: G. Eades, H. Burton.

- 1st—Oak Hill's Freckels, by McKinnis Woody ex Christine Kennedy. Owner and handler, R. D. Treser.
- 2nd—Fld. Ch. Sewall's Rex, by Cocamo Skip ex Della. Owner and handler, G. Sewall.
- 3rd—Fld. Ch. Mike's Little Patrick Boy, by Dual Ch. Dingo's Little Mike ex Albedo Valley Chipper. Owner, William Huff; handler, V. Huff.
- 4th—Fld. Ch. Le Bonabe, by Le Bonnez ex Sandy of Le Benj. Owner, T. Bolton; handler, D. Mullins.

Third Bench Futurity

The opening of the Nationals was the bench Futurity, which was held Friday morning, the day after Thanksgiving. The entry was light but several champions, or near champions were entered. Judging both bench and field Futurities was Thomas W. Cox.

The Best dog in Futurity was Ch. Holley Haven Tam of Twin Oaks, by Holley Haven Flint out of Holley Haven Wendy. Tam is owned by Donald and Mary Moloney, and was shown by her breeder, Henry Holleyoak.

The Best of Opposite Sex went to Ch. Sir Robert of Beeflower who is owned and was handled by Virgil Davidson. His breeder is Ira Jarrell of California. These were the top two money winners. Their quality was close and it was a difficult decision.

The second place money winners were Nys Britt's Corker, owned and bred by E. J. Nys of Michigan, and Juchoir's Trooper Jill, owned by Ted Hames of Washington and bred by A. Hewitt of California.

Third place monies went to Sequani's Queenie Too owned by Fred Murphy, her breeder, Catherine Murphy, and Dumpadee's Do's Rouge Rogue, owned by James Vonesh of Illinois and bred by R. Sprinks.

The class winners were as follows:

Junior Males

1. Bazooka's Brandy, owner Al Pillow, breeder J. Leverich.



Best Futurity, Holley Haven Tam of Twinoaks with H. Holleyoak; Judge Cox; Best Opposite, Sir Robert of Beeflower with V. Davidson, backed up by Steward Marty Frank and Futurity Chairman Lucille LaFleur.

Intermediate Males

1. Nys Britt's Corker (see above).
2. Deano of Little Egypt, owner E. Dalby, breeder R. Seger.
3. La Pitt Freckles, owner and breeder LaReine Pittman.
4. Bonine's Benjii Mac, owner and breeder, Herman Bonine.

Senior Males

1. Ch. Sir Robert of Beelflower (see above).
2. Dumpadee's Do's Rouge Rogue (see above).
3. Jacques of Tejas, owner Ray Stubblefield, breeder R. Burbank.
4. Les Lee's Red Ryder, owner David LaChance, breeder I. Jarrell.

Junior Females

1. Tip Top's Plain Jane, breeder and owner, Jim Leverich.

Intermediate Females

1. Juchoir's Trooper Jill (see above).
2. Bonine's Malibeu Gem, breeder and owner, Herman Bonine.
3. Holley Haven Sparkle, breeder and owner, Henry Holleyoak.
4. Luke's Lucky Lady, owner John Sawyer, breeder R. Seger.

Senior Females

1. Ch. Holley Haven Tam of Twin Oaks (see above).
2. Sequani's Queenie Too (see above).
3. Sequani's Maggie of Kaymore, breeder Catherine Murphy, owners the breeder and Donald Leonard.
4. Missy's Wenonah, owner Sue Wiitala, breeder R. Zollars.



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FOR 1966

The new president for the next two years is William Brown of the Northern California Club. Bill has owned Brittannies for about ten years. His first dog, a liver and white, died very young. She was hunted and ran in one trial. He then obtained Brown's Kim of Hillcrest who is now nine years old. Kim has nine field points and was a sensational young dog. His second Brittany is Ch. Juchoir Shady Scamp who has 4 field points. Both these dogs are also liver and white.

Bill has held the office of Secretary of the Northern California Club for many years and has been on the Board of that club as long. He has been field trial chairman and done much for the club. On the National level he was Chairman of the Regional Field Trial Committee last year. This was his second trip to the Nationals.

Bill's wife, Helen is also a club member. Together they run the Brown Woodworking Products, making crates packages and store counters and fixtures among other things. He lives at 2625 Sequoia Way, Belmont, Calif.

The new Second Vice President is John Cornell of Upper New York. John has participated in trials for several years. He owns the only Canadian and American field champion on record, A.J.'s Hilltop Pierre. He also has won with A.J.'s Petite Babette, and A.J.'s Beau Garcon.

John's wife, Alice, has served as trophy chairman for the National. John has held office in his local club. He has been a member of both Upper New York and Southeastern. Both are employed by Eastman Kodak. John lives at 27 Creekview Drive, Rochester, New York. He will be in charge of new clubs for the next two years. All inquiries concerning the formation of such clubs should be directed to him.

The Treasurer for the next two years remains the same, Hazel Bone.

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