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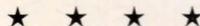
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## COVER PICTURE

May your new year be brightened with a prospect as good as this dog was. Good pictures of typey dogs on point are so hard to obtain that it is a distinct pleasure to be able to obtain this one of one of the old time dogs.

Photo by T. W. "Bill" Cree

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## NATIONALS END WITH A *Bang!*

The Nationals ended with a bigger bang than any had anticipated. (See Futurity writeup). On Saturday morning following the completion of the Amateur Championship, and the Futurity the Crab Orchard Wildlife Area was rocked by a mammoth explosion. An underground bunker at the U.S. Powder Plant in the Ordill area of the grounds containing 4 tons of nitroglycerine blew up. These bunkers are 63' by 35', made of 3 foot thick reinforced concrete, covered with earth and extending 4' into the ground. Field trialers will recognize the site as the "Contaminated Area" or the "Igloos." One man was presumed killed as no trace of him could be found and 4 others were injured. The blast was felt as far as 15 miles away by Dr. Kenney who thought it was an extra load sonic boom.

Certainly if this had happened a day earlier there would have been a lot of norsemen on the ground.

The following Thursday a tornado passed by the area, following several days of rain. The going was so boggy that a man in a corn field went in up to his knees. Perhaps we should not complain about the cold! There are other worse things.

Featured in this issue are most of the events of the 1966 Nationals. The complete report of the Annual Meeting together with full committee reports will be featured in February along with the report of the Amateur Championship.

The winner of the first Amateur Championship was Fld. Ch. Towsey's Bub, owned and handled by Marvin Nelson of Wichita, Kansas. Second was Kruger's Captain Thrap, owned by E. C. Kruger of Fairbury, Nebraska and handled by Fred Vulgamore of Wichita, Kansas. Third went to the fair sex, along with the Women's handling trophy; Lucille LaFleur piloted last year's National Champion, Rendezvous Skipper to this placement to nose out her husband, L. D. LaFleur, who was fourth with Fld. Ch. Tearaway Broccho.

The show Futurity was won by Henry Holleyoak with his Holley Haven Brett. Best of Opposite Sex was also his breeding, Holley Haven Stardust, owned and shown by Jan Hoover. Second monies went to the Barnes' homebred Ch. Candilane Jack of Hearts and Ronald Zollar's Holley Haven Hannah II. Coming into the show position was Louis Oltman's Buckshot's Glory and Ed Wiitala's Holley Haven Gemini, a second generation Holley Haven dog bred by Sue Wiitala.



A portion of the group who attended the 1966 Nationals at Crab Orchard, Illinois

# National Championship

by David Kenney

After four days of trialing in varied weather conditions over the quail-loaded courses of the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, near Marion, Illinois, the new national champion was declared, on November 29, to be Bazooka's Brandy. Brandy, a young dog who has already amply fulfilled the promise of his placement in last year's Futurity, is owned by Al Pillow of Oklahoma City and was handled by Delmar Smith.



**New National Champion  
Fld. Ch. Bazooka's Brandy**

with handler Delmar Smith and judges H. Merlon Wood and John Hoover

Second went to Sandy Bottom Kid, owned by Frank Ash of New York, with Jane Thompson handling; with Morning Star Rambler, belonging to Don Nicholson of Michigan and handled by Lee Holman, third. Named fourth was Holley Haven Casey, owned by Henry Holley-oak of Michigan, with Lee Holman as handler. Awards of Merit were given by

Judges John Hoover and Merlon Wood to Way Kan Jeff, owned by Art Stavik of Washington and handled by Lyle Johnson; and to Skipper Ral-Mar, owned by Bob and Minnie Wright of Minnesota, and handled by Ralph Hesseltine. Detailed accounts of the performance of each of these dogs is given below.

Bazooka's Brandy is a worthy national champion. He comes from an illustrious field trial family, as his pedigree shows. Sired by Holliday Britt's Bazooka, himself by Holliday Britt out of Towsey's Tinkle Bell, the new champion's dam is Way Kan Jill, sired by Ferdinand of Leeway out of Price's Sunflower Gal. Students of the breed will recognize at a glance the quality of this geneology. Brandy's performance on birds was not without fault, it is true, and running in the first afternoon brace of a warm, very humid day he did tire noticeably, but not after covering more ground productively in forty-five minutes than was usual in this stake for the full hour. The ideal performance, combining fully all the sought after qualities of the class bird dog, simply was not forthcoming, and the judges are to be commended for their courage in naming as champion the dog who came closest to the standard they sought. Timid judges who put up only completely clean dogs often end with mediocrity, and John Hoover and Merlon Wood were not willing to settle the stake on such a level. Seldom is the ideal realized in the affairs of either dogs or men, and the elusive standard remains to lure us all back to Crab Orchard next year.

Other dogs which might have been accorded a placement, in this observer's opinion, were A. J.'s Hilltop Pierre, Kruger's Captain Thrap, Jac Pierre's Pride, Le Bonabe, and Longtown. Yet each suffered blemishes which detracted more from his performance than was the case with the dogs which were placed. The places given were logical, and reflected consistently applied judicial standards. Judging was competently and professionally done; and when a dog

was clearly out of the running he was ordered up. Who would have it otherwise in a national championship stake?

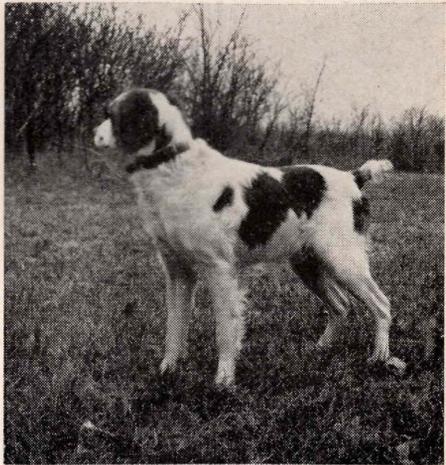
The weather ranged, during the stake, from warm to cold, dry to wet, cloudy to clear, and still to windy, yet at no time were conditions bad. Birds were moved in ample numbers throughout the stake, and almost equally on morning and afternoon courses. No course was devoid of birds, a fact resulting in large measure from the skillful work of marshall Bob Runion, and the complete knowledge of the grounds possessed by the judges. Morning courses ran to the south from the barn, bent west and then north and east, with the second hour ending at the water tower. The morning's work was then completed in the area to the north and west of the barn. After lunch each day the trek northward across the bridge was made, and the afternoon spent on the usual courses there. Gail Neal did a skillful job of placing the dog wagon where it was needed for each brace.

It would be impossible to mention here the names of all those loyal workers who made the 1966 national open championship such a successful event. The mounted and road galleries were larger than ever before, with 40 to 50 riders in the saddle each day. The hard work of Loyd Futrell in supplying good horses is noteworthy; as is the constant presence and good work of trial chairman Fred White and stake chairman John Munson. The great charm of the Crab Orchard grounds, with their good stocks of quail and the frequent sight of deer and great flocks of geese, was especially evident this year. The grounds were in perhaps the best shape they have ever exhibited, with well defined courses, good crossings, and the welcome addition of feed strips, an innovation which should help birds over the winter and thus increase Fall coveys next year. The American Brittany Club can take great pride in its 1966 National Championship Stake.

#### THE RUNNING

**A. J.'s Hilltop Pierre - Holley Haven Casey.** This pair was sent away at 7:50 a.m., with temperature in the sixties and humidity high under cloudy skies. They were well matched in terms of modest

speed and range. Casey had a covey at ten minutes, well located but pointed somewhat loosely. At twenty-five minutes, both dogs were seen pointing in heavy cover, with each apparently unaware of each other's presence. A covey was flushed for Pierre and a single bird before Casey. Ten minutes later Pierre pointed a covey along edge of bean field, with Casey backing. As the course turned in the direction the singles had flown, Pierre had one pinned in good form two minutes later. At fifty-five minutes he pointed unproductively while his handler covered much ground in a



**Fld. Ch. Sandy Bottom Kid**  
2nd in the Championship

determined flushing effort. Hardly had he been sent on in an effort to relocate, than Casey pointed nearby, but not in the immediate vicinity. He had a covey well located, but it left before his handler's arrival, with the dog steady. A minute later Casey pointed a single, and then finished digging away at the course; while Pierre hunted to the left and ended his heat with a good find on a large covey. The hour had been filled with action.

**Tigar's Jocko - De Little Frenchman.** These two are noted for their running prowess, and run they did, and well, but could not often make connection with the birds which seemed to be everywhere. Quail were moved at six separate locations before either dog had definable bird work. At fifty-two min-

utes Frenchman pointed briefly, then moved on, fussed with scent, and a large covey departed. Meanwhile Jocko had cast ahead into cover. A covey was seen lifting and the dog then was found pointing at the spot. Both dogs hunted industriously ahead as the hour ended.



**Fld. Ch. Morning Star Rambler**  
3rd in the Championship

**Tex's Little Luke - Goldstone's Duke.**

Both dogs ran well from the start, with Tex perhaps the wider and more kindly handling of the two. At twenty minutes Duke worked his way into heavy cover, pointed, and moved a bit at the flush. He remained in the thicket and succeeded only in putting several more birds to wing. Luke continued to the front, and when, at thirty minutes, he got too near a covey and showed no inclination to honor the flush, he was picked up, as was Duke a moment later.

**Sandy Bottom Kid - Mike de Klemanor.**

Action early and often was the rule with this pair. Kid ran attractively, though not widely, and applied himself well. Mike was wider at times, though somewhat erratic. Kid pointed in beautiful style at ten minutes, and although Mike seemed to have ample opportunity to back, he chose instead to enter the heavier cover, from whence a covey was seen to fly. Both dogs were motionless for the shot. Minutes later two birds were seen leaving briars, and Kid observed standing to be shot over. Kid next pointed at dense honeysuckle, and after a determined but unrewarded effort at putting the birds to wing, he was

asked to relocate. He moved up cautiously into denser growth and pinned a scattered covey, with good manners. Moments later Mike had a nice covey, well pointed, with Kid backing. Mike then added a single to his score. Ten minutes later Mike pointed a large covey directly to the front, and Kid again backed. Some heavier cover was combed, then it was Kid who had a covey to the front, with Mike again reluctant to back until the scent reached his nostrils. Kid then added a mannerly stop to the flush of a single quail; while Mike pointed a covey which rose before his handler arrived. His manners were good. Kid then pointed a single, although with poor location, and finished the hour running well to the front. Mike lagged behind as he pointed where a covey had been seen to lift, then worried with singles, showing first a stop to flush, then a point on a single bird at time. This had been no dull hour either.

**Little Rapa Luke - Bazooka's Brandy.**

Birds continued to be available after the break for lunch. Luke and Brandy ran well and hustled for most of their hour. Luke had a covey at ten minutes, but his location was uncertain, and sent to relocate, was in motion as the birds departed. Meanwhile Brandy had hunted ahead and pointed, but as his handler could produce no birds he was asked to relocate. As he attempted to do so the birds lifted, with the dog stopping. It was Luke who scored next, with Brandy backing. Luke's handler struggled heroically with the rose hedge, with the result of a covey put to flight. The hunt was then to the front for several minutes, before a covey was seen to the left front lifting well ahead of Luke, who had seemed to sense their presence before they left. At the same time Brandy pointed in the heavy cover to the right, with a covey well located. Just minutes later he had a covey along edge of stubble, and Luke backed. Both dogs were watered and sent on, though at a lesser pace. A fast-moving hour was beginning to take its toll. Brandy pointed at thicket's edge at forty-five minutes, but no birds were observed by the judges. Again Luke had backed. Both dogs were tired as they finished fine races to the front.

**Hoover's Rusty Rogue - Silky of Bretagne.** Birds seemed harder to find as the second afternoon hour proceeded. This pair put on a good show, with Rusty the better running dog in the first half, and Silky coming to attention in the second. Rusty had a good find at five minutes, with everything in order. Both dogs continued to hunt and apply themselves well, but as time went on it was Silky who was the most impressive afoot. She ran and handled, and needed only birds to make her a contender.

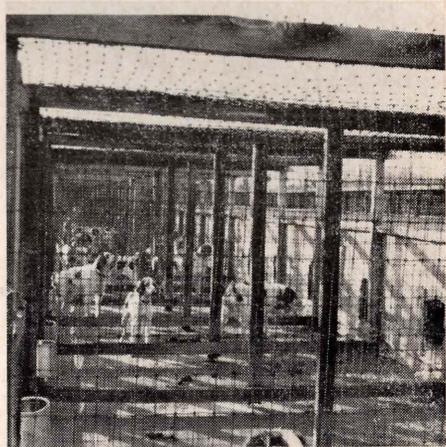
**Chaplin's Golden Arrow - Rendezvous Gus.** Gus opened with his usual big showy race. Arrow was shorter, and while attractive in motion and appearance, never quite seemed to settle down to the task at hand. Perhaps the presence of a larger gallery and other distractions were disturbing to him. At twenty minutes both dogs approached the end of a narrow field, and birds lifted some yards before them. Both stopped, at flush and command. Arrow was picked up at thirty minutes, and Gus, beginning to tire, suffered the same fate at forty. The oppressive atmosphere had seemed to affect dogs badly in the afternoon.

And so at 3:50 the day's work was completed. Though the weather had not been ideal, some good races had been seen, and enough quail moved to prove their presence in adequate numbers. Four morning braces had accounted for twenty-two coveys, by this reporter's count, and three braces after lunch added eight to the score. By the time riders reached the barn a heavy dusk was settling, and conversations and chores were concluded in the gathering darkness.

It rained heavily Saturday night, by some measurements near three inches, and the ground was quite soft, and ditches full on Sunday morning. The thermometer had dropped only to the mid-fifties, but continued to fall throughout the day, before a north-east wind. A light rain fell through most of Sunday afternoon, but never heavily enough to be distracting. Big horse and car galleries were again on hand as the first brace was cast away at 7:55 a.m.

**Skipper Ralmar - Kid Kiki.** This was an exciting race. both dogs ran fast and

wide, with Kid perhaps the wider early. Skipper proved to be hard to turn, and had one extensive fling through cornfield and far to the left at fifteen minutes. Kid handled well, and settled into a classy hunting effort. Skipper had a large covey at forty minutes, with all in order. With minutes remaining, Skipper was seen boring far ahead, and was not finished under judgment. Meanwhile, Kid pointed the spot where a covey had been seen to lift just before his arrival. An extensive effort to flush was made, to no avail. Sent on, Kid snapped into point on nearby honeysuckle clump, and while his handler treated the gallery to a bit of circus riding in going to Kid's second point, and again the flush was attempted, no birds were seen. And so the hour ended.



**The Kennels — Brittanias ad infinitum**

**Kruger's Captain Thrap - Val Yvo.** Cap broke away in fine style, and had a good find at ten minutes. Then he had a period of fussing on goose scent, but soon resumed hunting industriously. Near time, birds were seen leaving and when Cap reached the scene he pointed, and after a brief relocation, had remaining birds properly handled. Val put down a good hunting effort, but was lost on a deer in a corner which proved troublesome in that regard, and was out of judgment and then picked up at forty minutes.

**J. P.'s Yankee Boy's Tommy - Bellwood Polly Ann.** Tommy pointed solidly on a large raccoon at ten minutes. Polly

Ann was industrious but short, and inclined to linger on ground scents. Tommy was ranging widely to the side, and at fifteen minutes both dogs engaged in a deer chase to the timber on the left. Tommy was brought back in front first, but without his earlier drive. Polly Ann rejoined the hunt, and shortly thereafter pointed along a rose hedge. Tommy, with his handler not yet on the scene, did not take advantage of the opportunity to back, and established point some seventy-five yards further down the hedge. He had birds, and was steady, but when he did not voluntarily back Polly Ann a few minutes later, he was taken up, and as Polly Ann's handler had already announced his intention to pick up, the brace was ended at thirty-five minutes.



**Ella Conable**  
congratulates Brandy's mistress,  
Betty\* Pillow

After an early luncheon break, the running was resumed at 12:30. The weather was worsening, and a cold mist beginning to fall.

**Prince Jeffery of Rocket - Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke.** Prince could not seem to establish a pattern for himself, was short and erratic, and apparently not hunting, and was picked up at fifteen minutes. Butch then proceeded to put on a bird finding show. Along the multi-flora hedge bordering the course, he had a covey at twenty minutes, and an-

other at twenty-one. He pointed unproductively at twenty-five minutes, but pinned a nearby single on relocation effort. He scored on another covey at thirty-five minutes, and as on his earlier finds, his manners were excellent. He was short and slow throughout, however, and when the road was reached at forty-five minutes, he was retired to the comforts of the dog wagon.

#### **Tearaway Broccho - Jac Pierre's Pride.**

Much was expected of this pair, by those who've seen them perform in the past, and they lived up to expectations. They moved with great class and vigor, and showed fine speed and range. At twelve minutes the fun began. Coming downwind Broccho got near a covey and it flew, the dog stopping to flush. Two minutes later he stabbed a feeding covey in wheat stubble, with great intensity, and Jac coming on the scene from the thicket at the side, caught scent, and sight of Broccho, at the same time. He did a good job of simultaneously backing and pointing, and when the birds flew, a number were directly upwind from Jac. Another covey lifted before Broccho three minutes later, and again he did the proper thing with a stop to flush. At the same moment Jac pointed nearby. Under the impression that Jac was backing Broccho, his handler sent Jac on, squarely into a quail. Jac stopped to its flush, then in scattered array a covey rose before him. His manners were good throughout this trying episode. At thirty minutes Jac had a covey well pointed, moving slightly at shot. At forty minutes he pointed unproductively, as did Broccho in the immediate vicinity. Both dogs attempted extensive relocation, but it was several minutes before game was seen, a single quail, with Broccho again registering a stop to flush. With less than ten minutes to go, Broccho, casting ahead down dense hedge and on the opposite side from his handler, saw a covey go before him and followed in its wake. He was picked up. Jac swung up a wooded draw, worked bird scent and pointed. When the birds were flushed he moved slightly, and was picked up when brought out of the cover, with the hour nearing its close. No one who witnessed the brace could be unimpressed with the quality of these two dogs.

**Towsey's Bub - Le Bonabe.** This brace matched dogs of medium range, with Abe somewhat the wider, and with both possessed of great class in action. Abe had a covey at five minutes, in dense honeysuckle, and there was some difficulty in flushing, but the action was finally completed creditably. Bub had a covey dead-to-rights at fifteen minutes, with good intensity, and Abe backed properly. At twenty-five, Abe pointed in a birdy spot, and Bub backed after some urging, but the only birds observed were a pair ridden up by Judge Hoover a number of yards to the rear of the pointing dog. At forty minutes Bub suffered an unproductive in a spot that suggested the scent of squirrel, though no bushytails were seen, and Abe again backed nicely. The hour ended without further incident.



**Jane Thompson**  
tries her hand in a new field.

**Holliday Doc - Uno's Chief.** As they were released at 3:30, it was recalled that Doc, a very dark dog, had been sent away from the same spot, though in the opposite direction, at exactly the same time of day one year before in the previous renewal of the same stake. As it was remembered how hard it had

been to see Doc in the closing minutes of the hour a year ago, it was noted that this time he sported a bright red collar, and the two set about bird finding with a vengeance. At two minutes, Doc pointed ahead into hedge and at almost the same moment Chief pointed what was obviously the same covey. Doc left his point, raced to his left and through a gap, and stopped to flush of a second covey. One wonders if he was attempting to circle running birds. Meanwhile, Chief's birds were flushed and he went on, only to stop to wing of birds still rising in front of Doc across the fencerow. Both dogs then busied themselves in a heavy thicket, and though point was called for Chief, no birds were seen by the judges. At twenty minutes Chief pointed in heavy thicket, well in from its edge, and though his handler announced the flight of birds, they escaped judicial observation. Doc continued to run wide and well, and Chief opened up to a pleasing big race in the later stages. At fifty-five minutes Chief trailed a covey and had the misfortune to see them go before point was established. His manners then were good. Birds must have been jumpy in the gathering darkness, for just before time was called Doc pointed, moved ahead, pointed once more, and had the birds leave almost at once. He stood properly for the shot, and a cold wet day afield was ended at 4:30.

When the field trial party came to the starting line at 7:50 on Monday morning, it was cold and dark, and the north-west wind was strong. But the birds were out and moving, as events were soon to show.

**Crab Orchard Maverick - Sewall's Rex.** At one minute, Maverick pointed at the edge of the thicket to the right of the course. Rex passed by the pointing dog, then snapped into a stand of his own seventy-five yards away. A covey was flushed before each dog with each behaving well. Rex scored again in a covey at five minutes, and once more at twelve. Meanwhile, Maverick was rambling widely, as is his custom, and failed to come around on a turn. He was counted out at thirty-five minutes, and returned shortly thereafter. Rex continued to be busy, at short range,

and after point was called for him by scout spent considerable time in heavy cover without producing birds. He was then brought on and picked up at forty-five minutes. He had left no doubt of his ability to find and handle birds.

**Count Normandy - Morning Star Rambler.** For the third straight brace, point was called within the first two minutes, Rambler scoring on his first cast directly to the front. In what appeared to be sheer exuberance, Count drove in, bumped Rambler with his shoulder, flushed the birds and followed them away, leaving Rambler steady but perplexed and with Count's own handler — who was heard to observe, "I never asked Plato if he would back!" — somewhat disconcerted. Count was picked up and Rambler continued alone. At ten minutes Rambler scored again on a nice covey, and again behaved himself well. He proceeded with an honest searching race, not big but consistent in application and pattern. Midway skillful handling brought him back off deer, and he had ample strength to continue. At forty-five minutes he tallied a third covey; and then was credited minutes later with a stop to flush when a bird was seen to go from his vicinity in heavy cover ahead and the dog was found standing. At fifty-eight minutes the party rounded a corner and observed Rambler standing somewhat loosely along the thicket ahead, with his back to the cover. A big covey was flushed out over the dog's head, and he never moved a foot. He was sent on, and the hour ended.

**Birch Hill Tawny - Sparkles Towsey of Lombard.** Sparkles suffered a badly cut foot at five minutes, and with obvious concern his handler excused him from further duty. Tawny continued alone, but could not settle down to a hunting effort and was picked up when it became evident that it was not his day. Perhaps the open fields perplexed a dog more used to grouse woods cover.

By the time the next brace was started at 10:15, the wind had slackened and the sun appeared, and it was becoming a beautiful day.

**Spicks on Mugho Hill - Riley's Tammy of Emde.** Tammy pointed at one minute, moving two steps as her handler went

in to flush, and another step or two at the rise of a big covey. Spicks moved out nicely, as is his custom, was brought back from a deer chase, in which Tammy was also involved, and then he cast down a brushy hollow which crossed the course, to be seen no more until marshal Bob Runion found him hunting at a considerable distance off course some twenty minutes later. Meanwhile, Tammy pointed unproductively at a point near where birds had been seen on the two preceding days. Sent on, she was shorter and slower than at the start, and at twenty-five minutes was taken up. The party repaired to the Clubhouse for an early lunch, where over the chili and hamburgers it was announced that the afternoon running would begin at 12:30, at the usual spot north of the Lake.



**Skipper Ral Mar**  
runs impressive heat

**Longtown - Pierre le Chasseur.** Touring attractive country early in the hour, Longtown registered a stop to flush on a large bevy in a feed strip. Just what occurred could not be determined, but the dog was mannerly when observed. Pierre was short and somewhat inconsistent in his race, and had no birds. Longtown, who applied himself well only intermittently, pointed at forty minutes where Pierre's handler announced he had seen birds depart only moments before. No more could be raised. Two minutes later Longtown pointed a covey in good fashion, and stood up well to be shot over. The brace ended routinely.

**Worrelwind's Bucky Beaver - Kipewa's Breton Belle.** Bucky was busy at medium range, except for a fling on deer at twenty minutes which took him across a busy highway near the Refuge Office. A rider was sent for him, and with half the gallery shouting for him to return, he was soon safely back on the course. He had had a covey at twelve minutes, and was steady even though his brace mate, Belle, backing at close range, took a jump or two at flush. She, a Canadian champion more at home with grouse or woodcock, had pointed two quail at five minutes, and had vibrated with enthusiasm over such strange game. Belle was extremely merry in action, running a neat little woods pattern with high and happy head, most attractive in her way of going. She showed her aptitude for learning the ways of quail when at twenty-eight minutes she winded birds from a cornfield's edge, roaded in to point intently at rose hedge, then followed her handler after he had circled through a gap in his flushing effort, and pinned her game exactly in short grass along the railroad track. While not conducted in exactly classic form, this was an exciting piece of work featured by pinpoint relocation, intensity on point, and good manners as the game was put to flight. Two minutes later Bucky pointed along thicket, and had to relocate before his game was shown. His fortune was less good, however, at forty minutes, when he failed to honor the flush of a large covey and was put on leash. Belle continued her industrious searching to the end of the hour.

**The Circuit Contender - Way Kan Jeff.** Jeff ran a wide, driving race all the way, except in the closing minutes when he was brought in to seine for birds. Contender could not match Jeff's range, seemed to tire, and was picked up at forty-five minutes without having had bird work under judgment. Jeff, whose white coat makes him especially attractive when added to his way of going, had two opportunities on birds which were not capitalized upon. At twenty minutes, running on edge hard, he either stopped to flush of a large covey, or pointed just a moment before the birds flew. His manners were good throughout this episode. At forty minutes both

dogs had cast ahead across a large bare beanfield to a thicket. Birds were seen to rise from its corner and pitch deeper into cover, with both dogs nearby. Neither seemed aware of the presence of game and both went on. With clean productive work on either covey Jeff would have been a strong contender. He combined a big race, fine pattern, and good handling response, to a greater extent than did any other dog in the stake, in this reporter's opinion.

With time enough remaining in the afternoon for another brace, the party deadheaded back across the bridge, and after a slight confusion as to which dogs were up, put down the next pair on the course utilized in pointer and setter stakes for the first morning hour.



**Dual Ch. Way Kan Jeff**  
makes a strong bid

**La Petite Blanche - Kaymore's Dapper Dan.** Dan began well, but soon the effects of a bandaged foot, badly cut two days before, took their toll. It was apparent that the dog could go on only with great difficulty, and his handler wisely decided to spare him the task. Blanche had been hunting industriously, meanwhile, and at fifteen minutes she swung up the edge of a milo field along a brushy draw. Birds flew, with the dog hidden in grain. She was found pointing, with no discredit here. Shot over, and sent on, another bird flushed before her, and she continued in motion until several more departed. She stopped to the latter flight and was picked up.

Another beautiful day for trialing had ended. The ground had dried considerably, in contrast to Sunday's sticky going. Temperatures had continued brisk, in the 30's and low 40's, and it was cold again on Tuesday morning when the next brace went to the line at 7:45.

**Leeway's Skyline Charlie - Rendezvous Skipper.** Both handlers walking, this brace proceeded at a modest pace, with the dogs content with modest range. At twenty minutes Skipper was credited with a stop to flush on a covey which arose from the thicket ahead of him as he was still in the open field. A minute later he backed, as Charlie was charged with an unproductive at twenty-five minutes, and after Skipper failed to handle a covey to the satisfaction of his handler at fifty-five, both dogs were relieved of further duty.

**Loufel's Chippewa Kaer - Bingo.** These dogs seemed to enjoy one another's company, and had difficulty in setting up serious hunting races. When the situation did not improve by thirty minutes, they were ordered up.

**Gary's Beau Kiki - Handjem's Rambling Roc.** This pair set to hunting with real earnestness. At five minutes Kiki had a nice find, buried deep in a thick draw, and was perfect at the flush. Meanwhile, Roc was tearing up the country and succeeded in starting a fox, which he pursued for some distance. He was brought back to the front and showed nicely on some big sweeps, while Kiki was handling easily ahead. Roc was worked to the front and established point, but no birds were produced and after a brief effort at relocation he took another long fling to the left of the course. Kiki was taken on and it was some time before the dogs were brought together again. Shortly thereafter birds left a roadside thicket, with Kiki nearby, and he was found standing, and shot over. Another turn was negotiated, with Roc ramblin' wide again to the left—a deer chase suspected—and at thirty-five minutes it became apparent to Kiki's handler that the dog had given his best effort, and the courageous old champion was taken up. Roc was brought back to the front and for a few minutes hunted under control, then threw his engine

into high gear again for another vast fling. He came around under judgment, and spent the rest of the hour hunting diligently under careful handling, but no birds were found. No one who witnessed his race could doubt that he had seen a running Brittany.

**Beauregard's Billy Boy - Mr. Who-He of Bordeaux.** Billy Boy took a turn to the right through birdy cover at the start and it was some minutes before the two were both to the front. Meanwhile Who hunted with some deliberation and scored a nice find directly ahead at twelve minutes. His manners were good and the action seemed to inspire him for he quickened his pace, made a good cast to the right and when he did not appear where he should have, his handler rode to the logical corner and called point. It was an exciting find and another covey well handled. At this point Billy Boy regained the front, entered a thicket and pointed. Who came bustling up, spied Billy Boy, and drove past him to establish his own point on the scent. All that were raised were several deer, but the action was sufficient to cause Who to be excused from further competition. Billy Boy continued alone with methodical searching, and was rewarded with a pleasing find to the front at thirty minutes, with exciting style on point. He seemed to tire after this action, and when he showed reluctance to leave a misplaced segment of the road gallery at fifty minutes, he was picked up.

**Destry - Hi Dolly Haven.** Because of the early start and some time saved by pickups, it was decided to run an additional brace before lunch, and run is the proper word for it, for this pair really rambled. They went big, and fast, not always with the best handling response, but always in search of game. These are both very young all-age dogs, and they showed the kind of promise a young all-age should offer. Neither had observed bird work, though they quested all the right places. Destry showed somewhat more maturity, handled a shade the better, and drove more powerfully to the front, while Dolly tired a bit toward the close. Both were classy all the way; and acceptable work on bird was all that was lacking. Ironically,

a covey was ridden up within seconds of the call of "pick 'em up!" These are the kind of dogs this reporter will look forward to seeing in the stake next year.

Lunch was speedily accomplished, and with the thought that only three braces remained, everyone was early to the starting line for the afternoon's work, which was begun shortly after 1 o'clock, under fair skies and with moderate temperature and breezes.

**Evergray's Tic Toc Timmy - Heady's Skip Brit.** These dogs were well paired in terms of moderate speed and range, with Timmy perhaps the more aggressive of the two. He had a find along the rose hedge, where other dogs had scored on previous days, at fifteen minutes. He behaved well, though the flushing was a bit difficult, as is often the case in such cover. The hour was completed with no further noteworthy action.

**Checker's Crackerjack - Epper of Siouxland.** Both dogs moved out well, and all was progressing satisfactorily until fifteen minutes, when Crackerjack ran into the fringes of a feeding covey and stopped, in apparent surprise, at their flush. The scenting problem must have been difficult, for Epper had just passed the edge where most of the birds arose. At any rate, no intentional misbehavior was observed. Minutes later Epper struck ground scent, struggled with it, pointed, corrected, and under handler's urging moved along only to have the covey rise before him. He stopped to flush most properly, but was taken up at this point, and since Crackerjack had also been put at heel the gallery made a brisk ride back to the dog wagon for the last brace of the stake.

**Appanoose Rust - Joel's Copper Penny.** Rust looked very good for about twenty minutes, running with speed and great drive, seeking the front well, and hunting a nice pattern. He cast to the end of a weedy field, entered a thicket, was heard to yip on deer, and was not seen again, though his handler rode hard after him, until he had been counted out. One would have been happy to have seen much more of him. Penny delivered a hunting race at moderate range.

She tallied an unproductive in wood's edge, where every indication was that squirrel was the game. The hour ended with no further excitement, the party met the car gallery at the bridge, and all journeyed toward the barn and clubhouse to await the judges' decision.

**National Championship Stake  
Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge  
November 26-29, 1966**

Judges: John Hoover and Merlon Wood.

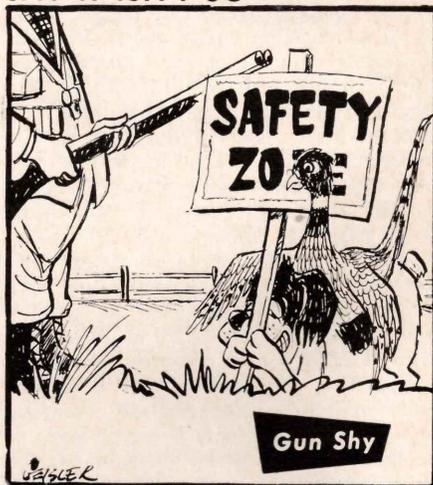
- 1st—Bazooka's Brandy, dog by Holliday Brit's Bazooka ex Way Kan Jill. Al Pillow, owner; Delmar Smith, handler.
- 2dn—Sandy Bottom Kid, dog by Monsieur Os ex Cushion Peak Miss. Frank Ash, owner; Jane Thompson, handler.
- 3rd—Morning Star Rambler, dog by Davellen Lucky ex Akin's Jet Jewel. Don Nicholson, owner; Lee Holman, handler.
- 4th—Holley Haven Casey, dog by Dingo's Little Mike ex Holley Haven Duchess. Henry Holleyoak, owner; Lee Holman, handler.

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**SAY IT ISN'T SO**



## Poor Relations

Too many times today we see the fenceline dotted with white signs "No Hunting," or "No Trespassing," or even "No Hunting, Don't Ask." Somewhere the farmer-hunter relations have gone astray.

Large companies spend thousands of dollars on consumer relations. Shouldn't you as a hunter spend a little time on farmer relations?

The land is the farmers. He pays the taxes, grows the crops, raises the cattle. The fact that you have purchased a hunting license does not give you any right to trespass on this man's land.

If you work on your farmer relations you may find yourself with plenty of good hunting country plus some new fine friends. A small gift to the farmer's wife, some candy for the kids, a sharing of your bag with the farmer—all this will help. After all the birds really belong to the farmer for didn't he feed them all year?

Today too few sportsmen know much about a farm. What looks like a crop of green clover or just a grass field may well be alfalfa that is to be harvested or grass that is being grown for seed or hay. The newly planted field may look

like the shortest way to the birdy cover but how much better to go around the field and not damage the newly sprouting wheat than to cut directly across with your boots and your prancing dog.

A farmer is proud of his strong straight fences with taut barbed wire. He is not going to appreciate your pulling one strand loose so that you can crawl through. This makes a potential place for the cattle to get out. Neither does he like your climbing the fence at a post and breaking or bending the post. And as you have been told before be sure and shut all gates. You may think the pasture is empty but that gate was shut for a reason.

No farmer wants a horde of city folks tramping over his ground, breaking down his fences, shooting at his house or his cattle. And woe to the man whose dog chases sheep or catches a tiny pig or chicken. If such is your fate be a man and go and offer to pay the farmer for the damages. You will be much more welcome next time if you do.

Treat the land as you would if you owned it and the farmer will welcome you on your next visit.

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# Southern Kansas

## FALL TRIAL

by Tom Fife

The Autumn leaves were falling, the geese were flying overhead, clouds of dust were overshadowing the nearby fields. Not too far in the distance could be heard the calls of the wild duck and an occasional burst of fire from the gun of the hunters secluded in their blinds around the Wellington Lake—this was all a part of the trial about to begin. One hundred twenty seven dogs were patiently waiting for their turn to display their talents. The task was at hand to get this class of 57 All-Age entries on their way. Shortly after 7 a.m. they were off and running under the watchful eyes of Carl Robeson and Harold



**Fld. Ch. Rusty de Morningside**

Adams, Nelson and Bonine plotting the course. Soon Marvin and "Bub" discovered "Cut Throat Ridge," which put many a fine dog out of the running throughout the remaining two days. The grounds had suitable cover though extra dry, and running room was limited. To prove their worthiness as Field Champions, the top three dogs were in this class. Rusty De Morningside, owned by Dr. Glover, was in top form and under the guidance of Lyle Johnson, got the honors from the judges as their choice for Number One dog. Rusty had an outstanding race with two clean finds. Mr. Brown's "Gunsmoke," handled by Don

Morris of Kansas City, was as usual right in there, this time with second. Third was Pat Vulgamore's "Destry," that's right folks, Destry is Pat's dog. I believe Pat had a lot to do with the training, even though Johnson handled him. Fourth place went to a dog we have not seen before, Yankee Boy's Tommy, in Hesselstine's string. So you see the Pros dominated the top spots. No time was wasted as they ran till almost dark on Saturday, finishing about 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

The Puppy Class was small but several good prospects were among them. The 1st and 3rd place pups are litter mates, as well as 2nd and 4th place pups. Whitey Johnson was all smiles when Rebel was placed first. Rebel ran all over the country side and had a good find on pheasant.

Upon completion of Puppy, the Derbies were immediately started and ran till darkness overtook them. Our judges Nelson and Hager were most cooperative in helping to get all of these dogs run in two days. Sunday morning we were off and running very early and the Derby was finished about 9 a.m. An Air Force man, Homer Cooley and his "Freck O Dee" gave the class performance in this stake. Watch out for this team. Shaynu's J-L Michele De Leonne, (how's that for a name!) handled by Ed Wild is an Oklahoma dog new to our trials. Richard Graves is still in there battling it out with Pride's Towsey Britt. Britt's time is drawing near as a Derby. Duc's Apache Chief owned by the Coxes from Kansas City, and handled by Mr. Cox had a Missouri cheering section. I believe this was the first trip to So. Kansas for Kay and Ray Cox.

The Amateur Gun Dog was also judged by Nelson and Hager. At the close of the Amateur the sun was quickly sinking into the west. Out of a class of 30 dogs, Lucas Ruiz from Colorado Springs was pacing a wicked circle around his car, sweating it out, his jaws well exercised on that package of Juicy

Fruit. He needed one more point to make a Dual Champion. Question was, would he or would he not? No, this was not to be the week end for Luke and Colorado Timber, as first place was withheld and Luke's dog was placed second. Better luck next time, Lucas. Another good friend from Denver, Robert Riley handled Checkers Crackerjack for 3rd place. Checkers is on Ralph Hesseltine's string. Again "Destry," this time 4th, his proud owner thrilled.

You could tell by watching Nelson and Hager, something was wrong with their saddles, they were both hanging to one side and then the other, after two full days and 35 braces of dogs, they were not ready to take on another judging assignment the next day. Our All-Age judges fared a little better as they had 57 dogs to look at and Mr. Robeson latched onto someone's Tennessee Walker mare first thing Saturday morning, same mare not being returned to her owner until Sunday evening. Mr. Adams was either too numb to complain, or else he had a pretty good horse, for we didn't hear much from him about his full two days. Thanks a lot boys, for two long days.

Our good friend, Bill Ward, from Junction City, Kansas, showed the boys he isn't too far off, as he took home the "Best Amateur Handler" trophy.

The highlight of the trial was the Black and White Four Legged Perfume (?) Sprayers. They seemed to be everywhere. Ask LaReine Pittman about this. She and "Flash" had a tomato juice bath, and you know what? It worked!

We thank our good friends from Texas, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas for supporting our Club in our endeavor to have better trials every year. We hope your stay was an enjoyable one. We enjoy having you.

#### **Puppy Stake—15 Entries**

Judges: Marvin Nelson, Vernon Hager.

- 1st—Biffer's Rebel Rouser, by Fld. Ch. Biffer Boy ex Bo-Nine Birdie Star. Owner and handler, Charles D. Johnson.
- 2nd—Joshua De Lamont, by Antoine De Lamont ex Lady Klemanor. Owner, Dwight Williams; handler, Harold Richards.

- 3rd—Tader, by Fld. Ch. Biffer Boy ex Bo-Nine Birdie Star. Owner, Robert Wagner; handler, Lyle Johnson.

- 4th—Dominick De Lamont, by Antoine De Lamont ex Lady Klemanor. Owner and handler, Terry Richards.

#### **Derby Stake—25 Entries**

Judges: Marvin Nelson, Vernon Hager.

- 1st—Freck O'Dee, by Duke O'Dee ex Susitna Lady. Owner and handler, Homer Cooley.
- 2nd—Shaynu's J.-L. Michele De Leonne, by Ch. Shaynu's S-J Jake De Leonne ex P-V Mona Lisa De Leonne. Owner, Geneva Lyon; handler, Ed Wild.
- 3rd—Pride's Towsey Britt, by Sunny Britt's Pride ex Towsey Bub's Queen. Owner, Lambert McClure; handler, Richard Graves.
- 4th—Duc's Apache Chief, by Ozark Jim Dandy ex Sekan Pinoak Tina. Owners, Kay and Ray Cox; handler, Ray Cox.

#### **All-Age Stake—57 Entries**

Judges: Carl Robeson, Harold Adams.

- 1st—Fld. Ch. Rusty De Morningside, by Duke O'Dee ex George's Cindy Lee. Owner, R. M. Glover, M.D.; handler, Lyle Johnson.
- 2nd—Fld. Ch. Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke, by Butch Dandy ex Ford's Katy-Did. Owner, Horace Brown; handler, Don Morris.
- 3rd—Fld. Ch. Destry, by Fld. Ch. Towsey's Bub ex Princess Ginger. Owner, Pat Vulgamore; handler, Fred Vulgamore.
- 4th—J.P.'s Yankee Boy Tommy, by Fld. Ch. Yankee Boy's Tommy ex Kansas Queen II. Owner, Harold W. Striker; handler Ralph Hesseltine.

#### **Amateur Gun Dog Stake—30 Entries**

Judges, Marvin Nelson, Vernon Hager.

- 1st—Withheld.
- 2nd—Ch. Colorado Yankee Timber, by Fld. Ch. Hellou's Yankee Timber ex Sweet Sue of Valley Britt. Owners, Lucas and Gladys Ruiz; handler, Lucas Ruiz.
- 3rd—Checkers Cracker Jack, by Checker ex Jolis Gillette. Owner, Cecil Miller; handler, Ralph Hesseltine.
- 4th—Fld. Ch. Destry, by Fld. Ch. Towsey's Bub ex Princess Ginger. Owner Pat Vulgamore; handler, Fred Vulgamore.

## THE *Fading Puppy*

Puppy loss for apparently unaccountable reasons is one of the dog breeder's most perplexing problems.

Many cases of early deaths of puppies may be attributed to virus diseases. Infectious canine hepatitis can cause death in puppies only 10 days of age. Pleuropneumonia-like organisms have recently produced death in new-born puppies.

The same clinical picture, characterized as the "fading puppy syndrome," or puppy septicemia, may be produced by several fulminating infections. Bacterial infections caused by streptococci or Staphylococci usually produce a type of navel ill, while infections caused by pseudomonas or E.coli produce severe hemorrhagic enteritis.

Puppies affected by any of these factors often become weak and die within a day or two of birth. Frequently they crawl off by themselves, cry pitifully and strain. They become chilled and dehydrated and mildly cyanotic. Rectal temperatures are seldom elevated. These puppies usually die within 12-18 hours of the appearance of such abnormal signs.

Puppies may acquire these infections from contamination from the premises, from infected milk, from other animals or from infection in the uterus causing metritis.

Acute metritis in the bitch usually occurs within a few days of parturition. A retained fetus or placenta, lacerations of the uterus incurred during whelping, or exhaustion of the uterine musculature following prolonged labor may prevent rapid involution and thus predispose to acute infection which, in turn affects the puppies.

Careless and dirty instrumentation by the owner or other lay personnel is probably a major cause of infection.

The course of acute metritis is short, and the bitch is usually moribund or well on the way to recovery in three to five days. Systemic and intrauterine antibacterial medication, stimulation of

effective uterine involution and drainage, supportive treatment with fluids, blood and proper nutritional measures, and bathing and sanitation, as needed, are the principles of treatment for acute metritis. Obviously, the puppies should be raised away from the mother with separate feeding and care.

A litter of weak or stillborn puppies is often the first clue to possible chronic metritis in the bitch. The puppies may be born prematurely and those that are alive usually die within a few days.

Chronic metritis (other than endometritis) is a very insidious disorder, and clinical signs are often almost nonexistent. Usually a low grade infection is present that may have persisted following acute metritis but often there is no previous history of infection. Metritis may occur as an extension of vaginitis. The diagnosis may be suspected when large clumps of leucocytes are found in vaginal smears during all stages of the estral cycle.

The principles of treatment for chronic metritis are systemic antibacterial therapy, intrauterine topical antibacterial medication, and breeding rest for two or three estral periods, coupled with intensive systemic treatment at the time of estrum and at breeding. In addition to treatment, it is advised to treat the bitch prophylactically at or before the time of whelping to prevent infection in the newborn pups.

Bitches with a history of chronic metritis should be examined carefully after whelping to be sure all pups have been delivered.

Differential diagnosis of puppy septicemia requires fresh cultures of autopsy specimens from one of the puppies, but often the results are obtained too late to help affected litter mates. However, a treatment has been evolved that is successful in a larger number of cases no matter which factor causes death. It should be started at the first hint of trouble in a litter.

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## 1958 *National Champion*

Hellou's Yankee Timber is no longer with us. Timmy, as he was known to all his friends and admirers, was a field champion and a National champion. He was whelped in March of 1954, bred by Johnson, sired by Ch. Yank's Rebel out of Bonne Bergere. He was originally owned by Neiberger and then by Dr. A. Utzinger for the latter half of his winning career. He was always in the string of Ralph Hesseltine and did all of his winning there.



**Fld. Ch. Hellou's Yankee Timber**

Timmy sired 5 winners, the most notable being Ch. Colorado's Yankee Timber, one who is well on his way to being a Dual.

Timmy's total record shows 35 placements and he was one of the oldest dogs of the breed to place in a licensed trial. He had turned eleven when he made his last 4 placements all in one season. Probably one of the greatest races that Timmy ever ran was when he won the Midwest trial in the spring of 1964. He was like a youngster, and though his hearing was almost gone he showed where you wanted to see him, and went where he was supposed to go. When you combine a run like he had that day with the sagacity of an elder statesman it is an unbeatable combination.

Timmy won the National Championship in 1958. This was a year when conditions were unbearable. Snow covered

the ground and Timmy ran in the coldest weather of the trials. Writeups say that he was covered with ice when he was picked up. It takes indomitable courage to run and to find birds in such weather. Timmy dug them out though, from the deepest of cover where they were balled up tight. His race was a thing of beauty and there was no doubt that he was THE winner.

Timmy was a top dog, admired much by those who like a class dog. He ran wide, had style, high head, good gait, plenty of know-how. What more could you ask? Rest in peace, Timmy.

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### THE FADING PUPPY

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Puppies are fed a few drops of raw liver juice (obtained by grinding beef liver) every eight hours. The bitch's milk is replaced by a formula, if there is any question of the quality of the bitch's milk, every eight hours. The puppies are placed in an area of supplemental heat so that their environmental temperature is at least 80° F if they are still with the bitch, or to 90° F if they are raised away from the dam.

Subcutaneous administration of gamma globulin is repeated every second day and pediatric drops of tetracycline are given orally every eight hours. This treatment is continued for as long as necessary.

If previous litters have been affected or trouble is expected, treatment should be initiated at birth and continued for the first seven days of life. Supplementing the bitch's diet with raw liver during gestation is also useful when there is history of weak puppies.

From the English Setter Newsletter

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Chances of waterfowlers bagging a white mallard duck are one in 20,000,000 according to wildlife biologists. The rare feat occurred not too long ago in Monroe County, Arkansas. from Pa. Game News



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Both the Bald Eagle and the Golden Eagle are protected by Federal law. Livestock men, however, are allowed to take Golden Eagles if they are molesting their animals, otherwise shooting them is taboo. So if you are bored, finding nothing to shoot, don't start popping off at the first big, high flying bird you see.



**LEARNING ABILITY ENHANCED**

Two New York psychologists have reported that animals are apparently made smarter than normal by giving them growth hormone before they are born. The results of the test, designed and conducted by Dr. James D. Block of the department of psychiatry at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Dr. Walter B. Essman of the department of psychology at Queens College, were reported in the British scientific journal, Nature. The results were called "striking" by the scientists because so low a dose of the hormone, injected into the mother, was required to produce a substantial difference between treated and untreated young rats. The tests measured the speed with which they learned a simple task. What accounted for the hormone's seeming effect on the rats' learning ability has not yet been fully determined, according to the report. The suspicion is, however, that growth hormone may increase the number of cells or connections between them in the brain's cortex or outer "thinking" layer over the normal complement. If that turns out to be true, the findings could be interpreted as revealing a new distinction between "brightness" and "dullness," i.e., the number of cells in the cortex would appear to be related directly to intelligence.

## THE FIELD *Futurity*

A field of 51 of the country's top dogs were present at Crab Orchard to compete for one of the larger cash purses offered by the American Brittany Club. The entry was split with 50% of the entries being amateur handled, while the other 50% were in the hands of the pros. The winners were another story for they came entirely from the group of amateur handlers.

The courses were in fine shape, the deer problem was negligible and the weather made for good dog work. The stake should give a picture of what the future of the breed will be for here are the real breeders' top hopes. Let us say that things are looking up. We can see an improvement over previous years. There were possibly 3 or 4 dogs that didn't hardly "hunt a lick." The average dog got out and rolled better than we could have expected five years ago. Some really scampered, and this percentage of really running dogs was perhaps larger than formerly.

Now that we seemed to have accomplished getting the dogs to run the next step should be to get them to hunt better and to handle their birds better. There were only five or six that you could say pointed. Some feathered on game and went right in while others ran through the birds without making a sign of knowing of their presence. In the hunting department we saw very very few dogs that hunted from the first jump, that impressed with their dedication. There were too many dogs that were running just to have a good time or that were playing "You chase me and I'll chase you."

The winner was a nicely moving, attractively marked orange and white dog called Jocko's Poker Chip. He is owned and was handled by John Munson of San Lorenzo, California. Chip is a son of Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko out of Olden Times, bred by Gary and Rosalie Graney. Olden Times, a field winner herself, is by Fld. Ch. Rendezvous Gus and I. W. Harper, who placed in the Futurity sev-

eral years ago. Chip had one placement as a puppy, a first in a large stake. He won consistently this past fall in derby competition.

Second place went to S'No Fun Mac, owned and handled by Dr. Walker Heap of Watertown, N.Y. Mac is a largish male with a bit of orange on him. He made some tremendous casts. Mac is sired by Juchoir's Termisan Tiger who won the Futurity under Dr. Heap's guidance a couple of years ago. Mac's dam is Longford's Micki and his breeder, Dr. Fred Taylor. Micki is by Pacolet's Pete ex Pride of Longford. Mac was one of the younger entrants in the stake being whelped in July. He has been making his presence felt this past fall in the east coast trials.

Another easterner was third. This was Bob Handlow's Chartiers Valley Sam from Pennsylvania. Sam is by Dingo's Zippo ex Edandot Nicki and was bred by Chuck Kidney also of Pennsylvania. Zippo is a dog who has no field wins but has sired 9 field winners, including two Dual Champions. Zippo's breeding is Albedo Valley Dingo and Pacolet's Cheyenne. Nicki was a puppy and derby winner, sired by Uno's Rex of Paradise ex Pacolet Peaches. Sam was a February prospect.

Fourth went to Baroness Lucky Pearl. She is owned by Albert Barone, Jr., of Manchester, Conn., and was handled by Dr. Heap. Lucky is bred by an old timer in the Futurity game, Herbert Farnsworth of Massachusetts. She is by his Dual Champion Detective Neal of Kaymore ex Ashurst Pensacola Lola. Lola is by Towsey's Bub ex Paradise's Howdy Babe. Lucky is a late March whelp.

The winners' performances will be treated in the brace by brace running but it might be well to mention here some impressions. It was interesting to note that the winners were not the only good ones in their litter. Chip had a littermate, Jocko's Hi-Gun, who showed a lot of go. Mac had 3 littermates entered and two of them were outstanding.

The first 3 dogs placed themselves and anyone who watched the entire stake must have been in agreement. There were other dogs that might have been considered for fourth depending on where one puts the most accent. These judges wanted to see birdwork and so passed by some of the more outstanding ground heats. M's Mandy could have been considered with her fine ground race if she had had more definite birdwork. Highbrow's Big John certainly was impressive and might have pushed some

of the others down a notch if he and his strange handler had had a little more rapport.

Ralmar's Kay was one we would like to have seen on birds. Holley Haven Gemini would have been in consideration with a bird contact. Brittnipper's Pokydot Gus was a nice one to watch, as was his bracemate Bonine Benjii Mike. Holley Haven Stardust had her many admirers as did Skysan and Juc-O-Tufmis Junior. We certainly would liked to have seen more of Shenango



Chip and Sam with judges Wimmer and Moore

Valley Sue, the second Handlow dog, who impressed us more than the one that placed in the little we saw of her. Morning Star Bob made some nice casts. If Marv Nelson could have rolled Bub's Sparky's birdwork with Maverick's run he would have had a sure winner.

#### THE RUNNING

The first brace broke away right after lunch on the course to the left across the lake.

**Freckles of Britt Manor - Chips Skipper of Beaverdam.** Both dogs started slow. Chips warmed up to the hunt and started to penetrate the thickets. At the first major turn on the lake he bore in deep and did not return. Jim Holman was sent to search him out, returning him to Morehouse shortly. Chips continued to search at a medium pace but nothing came of his efforts.

**M's Mandy - Worrelwind's Beaujolais.** Mandy cast off with a nice high head, a beautiful gait, plenty of range and speed. This she continued in a very consistent manner. Beau in the meantime was poking along the edges, doing some hunting but overshadowed by Mandy. As we approached cut through the woods Mandy made game at the right off the path. She worked hard, knowing birds were around. She then moved over a bit further to the right and flushed a large covey. Handler did not fire. Here was a golden opportunity gone as good birdwork here would have assured her of a high place in the stake. She came through woods and hit the open field. Here she pointed and then moved in to flush a covey of five or six geese. She disappeared in the woods for some time and someone in the gallery claimed they had seen birds in the air. Nearing pickup, both dogs were well ahead when Bill Cartmell stepped in the middle of a covey that dogs had passed on the wrong side of the wind. Another covey flushed at the call of "Pick 'em up."

**Spike of Britt Manor - S'No Fun Mac.** Here was a breakaway that is seldom seen in this breed. Mac took off across the bean field to the far horizon and disappeared over it. Spike went a ways, making a bigger than average cast but then came back to work at a more re-

stricted range. Mac finally showed to the far right after he had put a multitude of geese in the air. The course turned sharply to cross the road. Mac cut to the right, pointed a covey on the edge of the road, decided that he didn't have them correctly located and moved to one side to point again. He was in motion when birds were flushed but stopped on the road at shot. Mac continued to take in big slashes of country, coming back to the handler at the end of his casts for approval. He ran as big as any Brittany when he was out there. We would have liked to have seen less of his returning to home base, however. Spike tired after a bit. At near pickup time both dogs pointed on the edge at the brush. Both moved and pointed again. This was repeated until the quail wanted out, and out they went.

**Shenango Valley Cindy - Jac's Dandy Boy.** They broke loose at the water tower and raced away, Dandy a dark roan and Cindy quite white which made for an interesting contrast. They started well enough and were making presentable casts. Both dogs went to the right but Dandy did not return. Deer were suspected. Cindy came back and Jim Holman put her where a covey was known to range but she could produce nothing. Cindy continued, losing some of her enthusiasm when her brace mate disappeared. She looked like she would be a really good one when she was at her best but today was not her best day. She did finish her half hour hunting in a workmanlike manner nearly all the time. Dandy was never brought to the front again but worked some way behind and was finally picked up when it was evident that this was not his day either.

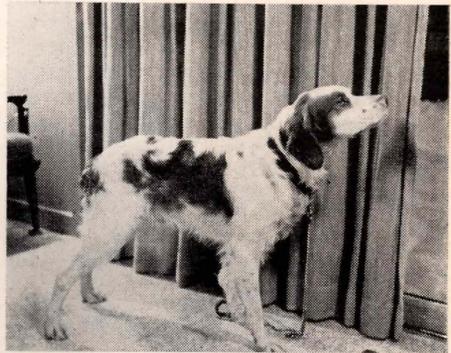
**Jocko's Poker Chip - Ramble Creek's Ramrod.** These two were identical except that one had a brown left leg and the other a brown right leg. They both started well, not excessive in range, but covering enough ground with style and speed. Both ran with high heads and tails. Ramrod decided after a bit that he would not work for Lee Holman who was handling him as a favor to his sick and absentee owner. So Lee picked him up. Chip cast down a feed patch well to the front and then hesitated and bounced as though he was pushing up birds

but the distance was too great to see. When the handler arrived near this area Chip came in to cut back of the feed patch and slammed on point. Munson called point and started to the dog but he moved in, feathered a bit and went on. The course turned through a patch of deep woods and then came into the open again. Here Chip swung out and slammed on point on bare ground. He held and handler was forced into trying to flush though it looked to be an unlikely place for birds. Nothing was raised. Chip continued making casts up and down the multiflora. With a minute left to go he crossed the road near the gallery. He pointed toward the gallery into a thicket, moved up a step or two and tightened again. Handler went in and flushed a large covey. Chip was steady at wing and shot. He went another 20 feet, cut into the thicket and here pointed another covey. This was a better find than the first one. He was ordered up almost immediately after the shot.

**Highbrow's Big John - Trak.** John took off in a big cast to the right. Malia finally brought him around out of the corn, only to have him pop right back in. He was running far and wide. The course made an abrupt turn to the left and dog was out at the far right. Trak meantime had been working the multiflora edges, not going out into the corn. His range was that of a close working gundog. He continued this till pickup time. Malia elected to send Cartmell out to find John. Dog appeared for a minute only to disappear again. So much corn made it a difficult course for such a big going dog. John finally appeared up front with Trak and Bonine. As Malia was still far in the rear Handlow took over. John pointed birds on a rise to the right, held a bit and then flushed them. No gun was available so he was not fired over. The dog continued his wide sweeps to the front. Malia caught up and took over for the remainder of the half hour. We would like to have seen this dog with his regular handler-owner. He could well have made top slot.

**Ral Mar's Kay - Appanoose Chap.** This last brace of the afternoon let loose with both dogs showing well, hunting the multiflora edges and the bottoms

that the course afforded. Multitudes of geese were ahead. Some raised up in the distance, others were sitting waiting our approach. Deer were also sighted ahead. It was decided to turn before reaching the far end to avoid the bulk of the geese. Chap has gone in that direction and was not seen again. Kay came back from that direction, acted a bit balky as if she wished to remain and hunt the deer and goose scent. Thrap finally brought her on and she hunted prettily, covering plenty of ground and looking for those elusive quail which she never found.



**S'No Fun Mac**

Thursday morning was colder with a wind promising a bitter day.

**Senior Farms Tuway Joe - Rendezvous Travelin' Man.** These two started away at moderate speed. Man was on the outside. Joe never really got started. Man got stronger as he went along. He was lost at the edge of the lake for a while where deer were seen. When he reappeared he seemed inclined to do a lot of stopping to look. It almost appeared that he was pointing but he seemed to be just testing.

**Pucaninee Faraway Ted - Annie's Ace of Hearts.** Ted was on the outside most of the half hour. He got in heavy woods several times and Hesseltine had a hard time getting him out front again. He appeared to be hunting well and going to all the right places. Ace, meantime, worked closer, busy all the time. Ted had an extra long tail that was eye catching. Ace ran with high head and tail, a fine gundog. No birds were moved this brace as it was still too cold for them to be moving.

**Juc-O-Tufmis Laddie - Cindy's Chico Diablo.** This was the course where S'No Fun Mac had made his terrific break-away and any dog let loose here after that performance suffered by contrast. These two made nice enough casts at the start. Laddie was dark red and Chico a white dog. They raced down the road and flushed a covey that was out to gravel. Laddie took one bird way down the road. He was finally corralled and brought forward. Both dogs continued to hunt well with Laddie on the outside. When the course turned to the left both dogs disappeared to the right. After a while handlers decided to go and look for them. Birds lifted and both dogs were in the vicinity. If handlers had gotten there sooner something might have come of this and then it might not.

**Kazan's Chief Redsleeves - Li'l Tyoga Joe.** They broke from the water tower and raced down the path. Birds got up on the windward side but neither dog seemed to realize they were there. Just a bit further Joe pointed in the multiflora by the railroad track. He was sure birds were there and moved over to point several more times but not a feather was seen. Redsleeves, with Kainz handling, looked like he might be a real good one on his good days but was not putting out his best today. Joe continued to be overshadowed by his brace-mate. At pickup birds lifted, both handlers tried to stop their dogs for a shot but neither dog seemed inclined to handle the situation in the right way.

**Chartier's Valley Sam - Robbie's Ringo.** Ringo was a little dark red dog. He seemed confused and was soon picked up. Sam made good casts and was making the most of a bad course for the first five minutes. This was the course that Chip had run. The dog hit the feed patch covey and established point. Handler called it and then the dog broke in and flushed the birds. The course continued on through the woods, the dog handling them well. This dog has been primarily worked in heavy woods with no wide open spaces. He continued on to cover the next open fields. Where the course goes along the multiflora bordering the road and bordering the fence around the contaminated area the

dog pointed at the fence but handler could not get through to flush. Dog did get through and worked the rest of this stretch on the other side of the fence. At the gate he came out, cut across the road and located Chip's covies. This time the birds were working down the multiflora along the road. The dog pointed and moved up a couple of times before the birds flushed. Then more birds than should be in a self-respecting covey of bob whites peeled out and down the road.

**Laurnel's Satan - Holley Haven Gemini.** Satan was one of those very dark liver dogs. He did not seem to like the course and would not start, so Thompson picked him up at the first road. Gemini is a pretty dog in appearance and in movement. He went to most of the right places. This course is mostly multiflora bordering corn patches. The dog was gone in the corn several times. He hunted a suitable race but not a feather did he raise.

**Sally's Kopper Kid - La Bella Teka.** This was the last brace before lunch. Both started well but then started to play a little of the "I look for you—you come chase me" game. Teka is attractively white and Kid was dark roan so they were easily distinguished. When they separated Teka did an agreeable job of hunting. It was said that dogs had a covey on the railroad tracks but this came under observation only by one lone car in the gallery. Teka made several tentative points and bounced in like she had birds but nothing was seen.

Thursday afternoon the temperature was cooling and the wind was rising.

**Can Can Gypsy - Bub's Sparkey.** They broke in heavy weed field. Sparkey had gone only a cast or two when he slammed on point on the right, hesitated a moment and then moved in and flushed the covey. Handler called him back to stop for a shot, but the dog was not cooperative. Action was fast as the dogs went into the draw and up the other side where Sparkey went into the woods and flash pointed again. Here one bird was seen. From then on things slowed considerably. Gypsy did not want to do her best even though Lee Holman tried his best to push her. Johnson, meantime, was pushing Sparkey but he seemed to

feel he had already done his bit with his two points. A better race from this dog and he would have been considered for a placement.

**Brittnipper's Pokydot Gus - Bonine Benjii Mike.** Jim Holman was Gus's handler and both dog and handler did a good job. Gus made some real fine casts and was hunting all the way. Unfortunately he did not find any game. It was getting quite miserable in the weather department and the birds must have been in deep. Gus did hunt well into the draws but no results. Mike started slow. He is a sturdy, big framed liver and white with a good deal of white on him. He got stronger as he went along. Outside of running with a low head at times he was impressive. His race was forward and to the right places. He hit the far edges.

**Victory Korenus - Kaera la Belgae.** Kaera is a largish saddle-marked bitch, attractive in movement; Victory, also well coordinated, covered his ground well. This pair did a good job of working their ground. Kaera cut to the left and possibly had a bird contact. Both dogs feathered up the hedgerow and handlers became eager. Then the course went through the corn and both dogs were gone for some time. They were gathered up in the open field and sent ahead. At the next left turn they did not come around for a bit. Covey was known to hang out here and some looking was done. Kaera finally appeared from the side. Someone called birds in the back and soon Victory appeared from that direction. It was quite possible that he had been pointing them. At pickup both dogs got in a covey together and birds flushed, handlers tried to whoa the dogs but one dog went one way and one the other.

**Jocko's Hi-Gun - Holley Haven Stardust.** It was really cold now but as these two took off racing for the far edges the gallery started to warm a bit. They covered an enormous amount of ground but never were too far apart. If they became separated they looked for each other. Both were similar in speed, size and markings. Their range and speed was impressive and we would have liked to have seen either of them with a less sociable brace mate.

**Skysan - Juc-O-Tufmis Junior.** Junior went to the right and after some time came up from the rear. Sky went forward to the right and John Lee was sent to look for him. Some time later Junior cut in front and handler sent him on a back cast. Still no sign of Sky and Jane went to look for him also. Meantime, Junior was lost and finally spotted on the far horizon running back to the left. At this point heavy woods were reached. Both dogs came in from the rear. Now Jane was lost and Handlow took over and tried to work Sky through the woods but he would have nothing to do with a strange handler. Jane came up and both dogs discovered they had a brace mate as they reached the open field. They took off racing each other for one cast, then broke off and Sky took the open side and reached afar while Junior covered the hedgerow. Both continued their farflung casts until just before pickup when Sky tried to point on the multiflora. He was sure birds were there but it was too thick for Jane to flush and too dense for the dog to penetrate. If birds were there they were smart enough to stay put. Other handler meantime walked up Chip's covey and time was called. A warmed up gallery after those last two braces!

Friday morning was still very cold and frosty.

**Baroness Lucky Pearl - Fredan's August.** Both broke a moderate speed. Lucky disappeared into the woods after coming out of the first draw. Dr. Heap went over and located the dog on point. He took his time going to her and she remained very tight and staunch until he flushed the birds. It was a picture book point. She was hard to bring on as she wanted to follow up the birds. Heap was urging her to the front when she slammed into another point on the hedgerow. She had a single in the brushpile which Heap flushed. She was off again to the rear and it was some time before she was brought to the front. She then hunted at medium range and speed. Auggie meantime had been working a gundog race which he continued to do until he was picked up at near-road point. Lucky was working slowly when course turned so Heap elected to

go on without her. Judge lingered back and called that dog was on point again. Heap took the cross-the-woods route, slowly picking his way. Dog was tight and stylish the entire time until he flushed. This was the outstanding bird-work in the stake. No dog pointed with the steadiness, certainty and intensity that Lucky did. She slowed badly and Heap also slowed his pace but she still got behind. She continued this way till pickup.

**Kazan's Quachita Jud - Shenango Valley Sue.** Sue took off with a terrific cast. She had speed and style to burn and it looked like Handlow might be picking off a second placement if he could get her on birds. Jud started slow but he was picking up as time went on. Sue disappeared in the woods. She returned after a reasonable interval only to disappear again almost immediately. Jud also went at the same time in the same direction. After a long wait it was conceded that the dogs must have gone on deer. As the group started back to the cars one of the car gallery was seen coming forward bringing Sue. Jud was picked up at the cars before the next brace cast off.

**Le Bon Papillon - Morning Star Bob.** They made a good start on S'No Fun Mac's course, not as wide, but working well. Bob made some very nice casts though he inclined to get behind. Pappy was working in the cover where quail should be. Mullins kept him in the cover and, if he had connected with birds, he would have looked quite good. Though the dogs were on the course that had produced more covies than any other the birds were not in their usual haunts this day and could not be found.

**Pricetown's King - M's Mitzi.** These two worked like typical New England shooting dogs. They were thorough in their coverage but did not have the range and speed necessary to be a winner in this stake.

**Ruffhouse Charlie Brown - Bub's Maverick.** This brace showed some good running. Charlie Brown was white and quite attractive in motion. He made some real big casts in the open by the multiflora. Maverick showed that he had the makings but neither dog could connect with birds.

**Tip Top's Sirrocco II - Appanoose Rover.** The two dogs broke well and made the turn by the railroad tracks. Smith called point for Sirrocco in the thick stuff though dog was moving when the judges arrived. Smith took the railroad tracks trying to pull the dog into the cover. Sirrocco stayed in a while but then decided to work out in the open as this cover was punishing. Rover made some good casts. No birds were found.

**Briarpatch Ginger.** The bye dog broke away at nearly noon on the last morning course. She sped away with speed and determination. She ran an excellent race but this had been a birdless course for the complete stake and so it remained. Let's retract that statement. There were more birds seen in this brace than in the entire Futurity. This was the area in which geese rested during the day. As Ginger worked out, thousands of gabbling geese arose and let the world know that they were displeased to be disturbed in their noonday rest. They covered the sky and moved out of the area high above gun range, squawking all the way. Everyone had been giving Dr. Taylor a hard time because he was so loath to fire his gun. At pickup time he raised his arm in the air and fired his pistol to mark the ending of another Futurity.

#### 19th Futurity—51 Entries

Judges: Walter Wimmer, John Moore.

- 1st—Jocko's Poker Chip, by Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko ex Olden Times. Owner and handler, John Munson; breeder, Rosalie and Gary Graney; whelped Jan. 29, 1965.
- 2nd—S'No Fun Mac, by Juchoir's Terminusan Tiger ex Longford's Micki. Owner and handler, Dr. Walker Heap; breeder, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor; whelped July 5, 1965.
- 3rd—Chartiers Valley Sam, by Dingo's Zippo ex Edandot Nicky. Owner and handler, Robert Handlow; breeder, Charles Kidney; whelped Feb. 3, 1965.
- 4th—Baroness Lucky Pearl, by Dual Ch. Detective Neal of Kaymore ex Ashurst Pensacola Lola. Owner, Albert Barone, Jr.; breeder, Herbert Farnsworth; handler, Dr. Walker Heap; whelped March 27, 1965.

# The Junior Touch

## JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP CLASS

at the  
National Specialty Show

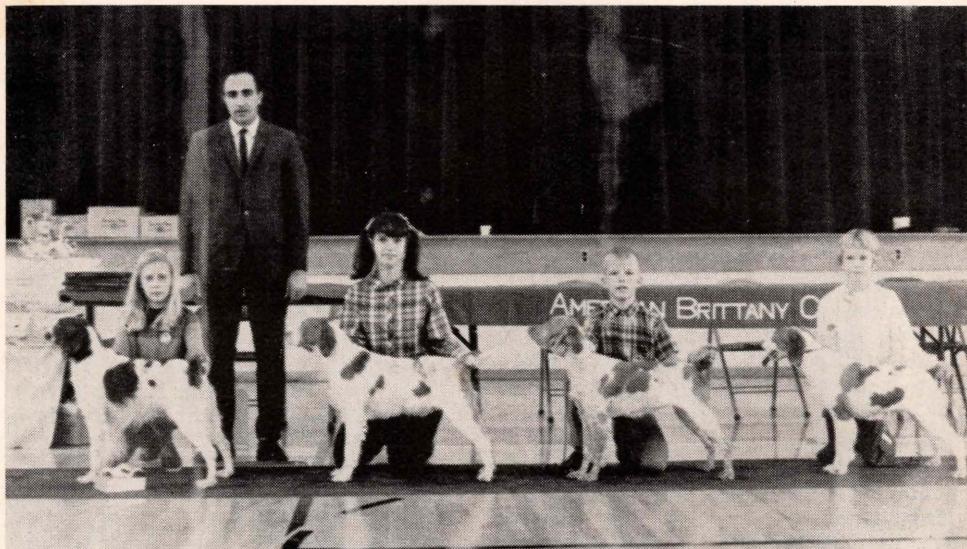
The Junior Showmanship entries were up a bit over last year which was the inaugural of this class. Though the class for 13 to 16 year olds had only one entrant the younger class was well attended.

First place in the 8 to 12 year class was awarded to Karen Holemo who showed Duke. Karen is from Michigan and is the daughter of Ken Holemo. Second place went to Nikki Victor who was showing another Duke. Nikki is from Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and is the daughter of Joe Victor. Third place was Leonard Rix showing Heide. Leonard's father is B. L. Rix, also from Michigan. The fourth place was awarded to his sister, Sue Rix, showing Sugar.

The 13 to 16 years class presented a very able showman in John Gleason, Jr., who was showing Bea. John is the son of Jackie Gleason of Minnesota.



John Gleason, Jr.  
with Bea and  
Judge Hussin



Judge Hussin with the 4 winners of the 8-12 year old class,  
L. to R. Karen Holemo, Nikki Victor, Leonard Rix and Sue Rix

## JUNIOR HANDLERS' FIELD STAKE

Some handlers lost their dogs and some dogs lost their handlers in the Junior Handler Stake held in conjunction with the Missouri Brittany Club's Fall Field Trial, but all's well that ends well. If you have any doubts ask 15-year old Tommy Corum who "misplaced" Smokey in the back course, but once they connected in the bird field they put on an Oscar winning performance. Their bracemates "lost" each other in the back course and were found sometime later by separate searching parties. The "hunter and the handler" ended up being the "hunted."

The dogs seemed to know who was in the driver's seat, and several tried things they might not have if the "old man" had been walking behind. For example, one dog left the bird field to hunt a beautiful draw that she had missed in the back course, and another busted a covey before his handler realized that "finds" on the back course count. A field champion caught a "birdie" for his mistress and another was too busy hunting in the milo field to be concerned with entering the bird field.

Young John Gleason and Spicks came through for second place with their usual most excellent exhibition while "Dad" Gleason, who watched with the gallery, seemed somewhat more nervous than the placid pair in the bird field.

Third place Chris Malone, only lady handler entered in this stake, and Bandit, who drew an early brace, gave the boys something to work for. Chris did an excellent job of handling Bandit and proved to be a good observer of Dad; kept the dog moving to command, ("whoa," on the chase and "come" on the retrieve).

Fourth place Stewart Wade and Duke were a pleasure to watch, and if they hadn't done a lot of practicing for this event they certainly fooled the gallery. They were a smooth working pair and we think there's a lot more placements coming in their future.

Judge J. C. Griffin, when saying a few words to the banquet guests before awards were presented, praised the American Brittany Club for making the Junior Handler Stake possible. He complimented all the youngsters who participated and urged them to pursue their interest. He also commented that although he would have liked to have placed them all first, the first place dog was absolutely without criticism.

Some of the above comments were not made to embarrass the young handlers and/or owners, but rather to share some of the more humorous aspects of this experience with the unfortunates who were not on hand to observe for themselves. We wish it were possible to have presented each youngster with a token of our appreciation for participating and making this stake a real success. We hope that next year's host club will enjoy this event as much as we did, and look out whoever you are for Tommy is only 15 and Smokey is still jut a "pup." They may decide to defend their title, so kids, get your Britts and start early.

### Junior Handlers' Stake—8 Entries

- 1st—Butch Dandy's Gunsmoke. Handler, Tom Corum, Independence, Mo.
- 2nd—Spicks on Mugho Hill. Handler, John Gleason, Jr., Minneapolis.
- 3rd—Kay-Cee Bandit. Handler, Christine Malone, Kansas City, Mo.
- 4th—Crab Orchard Duke. Handler, Stewart Wade, St. Louis, Mo.



## NATIONAL *Specialty* SHOW

The National Specialty Show was held at the Carterville School on the day after Thanksgiving. This was Dr. E. W. Averill's (Bill to his friends) fourth assignment as judge of the Specialty but the first time that he was doing it on invitation. He had previously filled in for judges who broke their ribs on the way to the Nationals, judges who arrived too ill to judge, etc. Bill's background is well known. He is a charter member of the American Brittany Club, was an officer for some time and was the AKC delegate for a good number of years. He has owned bench champions in both the U.S. and Canada, several field winners, and obedience degree holders in both countries. He has seen Britts from the early imports like Gwenec de l'Argoat, and owned the dog, Ch. Patrice de Sharvogue, who won the first 3 Specialty Shows.

The class winners were Under 9 months puppy, Nipper's Little Mike, owned by William Huff; Novice, Pin Oak Jet, owned by Dave and Mabel Olund; Bred by exhibitor, Kipewa's Paradise Rex, owned by W. A. McClure; American-bred, Elcon's Shotgun Smoke, owner Lloyd Conable; and Open, Holley Haven Bret, owned by Henry Holleyoak in the males. Winners dog went to Holley Haven Brett and reserve to the liver and white Shotgun Smoke. This is only the second time that a liver has gone this high in the show.

In the bitches the Under 9 months puppy winner was Nys-Britts Candy, owned by Ed Nys; the 9 to 12 months puppy, Sequani's High Hopes, owned by Catherine Murphy; Novice, Kipewa's Breton Belle, W. McClure; Bred-by-ex-

**Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex**



hibitor, Mrs. Arthur Bales' Bale's Zuzie; American-bred, Sparkle Plenty, John Sawyer; and Open winner to Buckshot's Glory, Louis and Leone Oltman. Winners bitch was won by Buckshot's Glory and reserve to the second in the open, Henry Holleyoak's Holley Haven Briana. The Best of Winners was the male.

There was a large group of Specials, 16 in all. The judge finally pulled out a number for special consideration. These were Dual Ch. Fredan's Buddy, Ch. Deano of Little Egypt, Ch. Bonnie Kay's Duke of Sequani, Ch. Chief of Appanoose, Ch. Missy's Wenonah, Ch. Chaplin's Golden Arrow, along with the two final winners.

Best of Breed was awarded to the same dog as last year, Louis Oltman's Ch. Sam's Son of Buckshot CD and Best of Opposite was also a repeat of last year, Henry Holleyoak's Ch. Holley Haven Sugar.

The final class that was judged was Best puppy in show and this award went to Catherine Murphy's Sequani's High Hopes.



Above **Elcon's Shotgun Smoke**  
Reserve Winners Dog

Below **H. H. Brett and Buckshot's Glory**  
Winners Dog and Bitch



# Central California

## FALL TRIAL

by O. V. Ewer

The Central California Brittany Club held a most successful Fall Field Trial on October 15 and 16, 1966.

Although the Open Puppy stake entries were smaller than in the Spring Trial, 10, there was some fine running in these young dogs. The 4th brace produced the winner: Kyle Speed Point. This is a dog we'll hear about in the future. This was the second consecutive puppy win for him. He has been handled to the wins by John Walling. Lady's Golden Girl showed fine promise for the future. She was 2nd, and incidently, this was the first time Judy, as she is called, has ever been in a Field Trial. It is also the first time her owner-handler, Wayne Roberts, has engaged in the sport.

Kiki's Cisco left no doubt in anyone's mind as to what a Derby should do in order to earn that 1st place and the points! He ran high, wide and handsome, with fine bird work and under control of E. L. Phillips all the way. Cisco was hard pushed by Kipo's Tammy's Mike, the 2nd place dog. Mike handled beautifully for his owner, Warren Butler, had fine bird work with near All-Age manners and the concensus of opinion was that with somewhat wider casts Mike might have edged Cisco. Annie's Ace of Hearts, Rod Almstrom owner-handler, and Cindy's Chico Diablo, with Carl Percell in control, gave the judges plenty to think about as to who should be 3rd and who should be 4th.

Anyone who watched all the braces in the Open All-Age stake felt certain the Fld. Ch. Stephen's Lord Lucky would be the top of this "class" stake. He ran a wide searching pattern, seeking out all the likely cover with three perfectly handled finds in the bird field and a back. Lucky was everything one looks for in a fine Brittany and certainly showed true Field Champion style throughout the brace. Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper was Lucky's bracemate, and although one of the "senior" dogs in the trial, came through with his usual top notch performance to take 2nd place.

When Stormy was announced as the 3rd place dog there was long and loud congratulations. When this fellow is on the beam, he is good. He handled very well for Brenton Cappell, did a fine job on his birds and ran real well. Kidd Kiki was pushing Stormy all the way, turning in a more than creditable job for 4th place.



**Tipco's Stormy Weather**

The Amateur Gun Dog stake was won by that amazing little Faulkner's Reddy. Ejner Lund has this flashy Britt working beautifully. Could be that Ejner and Gilda are grooming a successor for "old faithful" Trooper. Fld. Ch. Gary's Beau Kiki continues to show the class that has made him the outstanding Field Champion he is. He is still one of the dogs that is always in there with excellent bird work, coordination in working the terrain with handler E. L. Phillips and perfectly controlled all the time. The same praise can be given the 3rd and 4th placing dogs:

Most of the same dogs competed again in the Open Gun Dog stake on Sunday as had challenged each other in the Amateur stake on Saturday. Dual Ch. Trooper's Little Frenchman outdid his Saturday race to move into the top spot of

the Open Gun stake. Again Burkhart did an outstanding job as handler. Fowler was on the upswing of performance when Ch. Topper's Rusty Bee showed Brittany know-how all the way around the course to place 2nd. Jet's Ruby Duval, with Joe Ceridono at the helm was 3rd and Bill Brown did his usual calm job directing Scamp to 4th.



**Fld. Ch. Stephen's Lord Lucky**

**Open Puppy Stake—10 Entries**

Judges: E. D. Francis, Richard Johnson.

1st—Kyle Speed Point, by Toby Speed Point ex Kelso Valley Lady. Owner Cecil Jones; handler, John Walling.

2nd—Lady's Golden Girl, by Seigneur De Bretagne ex Lucky's Fair Lady. Owner and handler, Wayne Roberts.

3rd—Boyce's Ramblin Nose, by Ch. Top Brass ex Kipo's First Lady. Owners, Roy & Daryl Boyce; handler, Carl Percell.

4th—Hatten's Lady Holly, by Autumn Pepper's Chip ex Orinda Towsey Lee. Owners, Hugh H. & Thalice Hatten; handler, Hugh Hatten.

**Open Derby Stake—12 Entries**

Judges: E. D. Francis, Richard Johnson.

1st—Kiki's Cisco, by Fld. Ch. Kidd Kiki ex Patty Jean's Kiki. Owners, G. A. & Wayne Fouche; handler, E. L. Phillips.

2nd—Kipo's Tammy's Mike, by Gardo De Aquila Ricardo ex Kipo's Tammy. Owner and handler, Warren Butler.

3rd—Annie's Ace of Hearts, by Ch. Zipp's Feather Merchant ex Gepsy's May-Len. Owners, Rodney & Sheryl Almstrom; handler, Rodney Almstrom.

4th—Cindy's Chico Diablo, by Reno Diablo ex High Tail Cindy. Owners, Charles E. & Marjorie Ayres; handler, Carl Percell.

**Open All-Age Stake—16 Entries**

Judges: Arthur G. Benoit, Eric S. Meier.

1st—Fld. Ch. Stephen's Lord Lucky, by Rhodes Lucky ex Duval Pacolet's Ginger. Owner, Stephen Bailey; handler, Paul Bailey.

2nd—Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper, by Dancer's Cover Buster ex Faisst Lady of Napa. Owners, Gilda & Ejner Lund; handler, Ejner Lund.

3rd—Tipco's Stormy Weather, by Ch. Zipp's Feather Merchant ex Berenda Creek Jane. Owners, Brenton L. & Judith M. Cappell, handler, Brenton L. Cappell.

4th—Fld. Ch. Kidd Kiki, by Fld. Ch. Beau Kiki ex Lady of Wingville. Owners, Rose & E. L. Phillips; handler, E. L. Phillips.

**Amateur Gun Dog Stake—14 Entries**

Judges: E. D. Francis, Richard Johnson.

1st—Faulkner's Reddy, by Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper ex Ch. Cindy of Beelflower. Owners, Ejner & Gilda Ejner; handler, Ejner Lund.

2nd—Fld. Ch. Gary's Beau Kiki, by Fld. Ch. Beau Kiki ex Queen of Lionheart. Owners, Gary & E. L. Phillips; handler, E. L. Phillips.

3rd—Ch. Topper's Rusty Bee, by Ch. Top Brass ex Ch. Bee Bee. Owners, G. H. & Amma Fowler; handler, G. H. Fowler.

4th—Dual Ch. Trooper's Little Frenchman, by Dual Ch. Lund's Trooper ex Golden Duchess III. Owners, Errol W. & Elsie Burkhart; handler, Errol W. Burkhart.

**Open Gun Dog Stake—16 Entries**

Judges: Arthur G. Benoit, Eric S. Meier.

1st—Dual Ch. Trooper's Little Frenchman. (See above).

2nd—Ch. Topper's Rusty Bee. (See above).

3rd—Jet's Ruby Duval, by Ch. Pete's Little Jet Duval ex Princess Debbie. Owner, Clarence Schuh; handler, Joe Ceridono.

4th—Ch. Juchoir's Shady Scamp, by Dual Ch. Pierrot de Fontaine Vallee ex Juchoir's Shady Lady. Owners, Wm. & Helen Brown; handler, Wm. Brown.

THE

*Board*

MEETING 1966

The Board of Directors appointed Joseph Longobardi to fill the unexpired term of the late James Bell, Jr. Mr. Longobardi was due to take office the first of 1967.

The A.K.C. rules (the Blue Book) were discussed to see if there were any important changes that should be made. It was brought out that the "Time called on point while a dog was in the bird field" was not a thing that the Brittanies would use in their trials. Suggestions for people who might be willing and able to attend a meeting in New York were given in the event that such a meeting might be held.

The report of the Long Range Planning Committee was reviewed in some detail. It was voted to send a copy of this report to all club secretaries and leave any further action on this report to the discretion of the regional clubs.

The moving of the Futurity to Ardmore for the 20th Futurity was discussed. This move had already been voted on by mail. Mail ballots in general were discussed. It was suggested that a November date, if obtainable, might work better than an early spring date because of lack of training weather in the northern states during the winter.

The qualifications for the Nationals will remain the same in 1967 as they were in 1966.

It was voted to have handling in the Futurity optional, starting with the 20th Futurity.

A recommendation for a raise in pay for the Executive Secretary was passed.

A donation of \$25 was voted to Cornell University dog research program.

A committee was set up to handle the Junior Handlers' field stake.

It was decided that the Classic giving club would be responsible for getting the rotating trophy from the previous winner and would pay the freight. Any breakage or upkeep would be borne by the A.B.C.

The new officers are Dr. Ralph Bolton, 1st Vice-President; Carlton Lephart, 2nd Vice-President, and Nicky Bissell, Secretary.



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Female Futurity Pup, 1/1/66, orange & white by Ch. Top Brass ex Kipo's First Lady. 3 placements in fall trials. \$300. Roy Boyce, 3979 Royal Arch Dr., Concord, Calif.

Puppies. Ch. sire and dam. full sister to National Field Champion. Roy Glore, 8025 Hix Rd., Westland, Michigan.



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# Brittanies

HERE & THERE

**Way Kan Jeff** became the first Canadian and American Field and Bench Champion in the history of the breed. He finished his bench championship in Canada with points to spare. He won the blue at the Ladner, B.C., trial all-breed Pointer Club trial to complete his field championship. Jeff is owned by Mel Stavik and handled by Bob Holcomb or Art Stavik in the west and Lyle Johnson in the east.

**Kipewa's Sampson**, owned by Joseph Barca placed 3rd in the restricted breed Derby Stake at the Ontario trials (Peninsula Branch) with two nice finds.

For the third time in a row the placements at the Chieftain Shooting Dog trials were divided between a Brittany, a pointer and a setter. This time the honor of being first in the Amateur Shooting Dog went to **Bazooka's Brandy**, owned and handled by Al Pillow.

At the Alamance trials near Graham, N. C., in October third place in the Amateur Shooting Dog was earned by **Doctor Bon Chance**, owned and handled by J. L. Edwards. Though his range was lacking according to the pointer standards of that area, his 3 nice finds could not be denied.

A newcomer to the Florida sunshine placed 3rd in the Amateur Derby held by the Sunshine Club, **Royal Denver's Dan**, handled by his owner, C. W. Moore.

John Munson scored a double in the Biggs Club trial held in early November. He won first in the Derby with **Jocko's Poker Chip** and first in the Amateur Shooting dog with **Tigar's Jocko**. Judges for this event were Chet Coon and Russell Cook.

At the Eastern Irish Setter Association field trial held at Bevans, N. J., **Nicki of Nottingham** placed 2nd. Birdless on his first round through no fault of his own he was called back and proved good and steady on point. Nicki is owned by Joseph Cash.

The Washington State Conservation Department is cracking down on field triallers. It has been brought to the attention of all field trial clubs in the state that the Game Department will NOT allow department birds given to trial clubs to be hobbled in any way. This applies to all birds donated to clubs or purchased by them from the State. Any club that ignores this ruling will be denied the use of Department birds. This could also result in the shutting down of the supply to all clubs. This should up the quality of the trials in that State as there is no piece of birdwork nicer than a good relocation on a running bird, which piece of work is denied a dog if the birds are hobbled and unable to run.

**Diamond Nickey**, owned by L. Holman and L. Gilmora and handled by Mr. Holman was 2nd place puppy in a small Puppy Stake held by the Western Pointer Club near Joliet, Illinois.

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Did you hear about Charlie Britter and his first blue ribbon? He was so proud of Freckles' win that he stopped at the local tavern to brag to his buddies on the way home from the trial. Arriving home much later he found that he had left the trophy and ribbon on the bar. Junior offered to run down and get it. He entered the dimly lit bar and as he came up to the counter the barkeep asked him "What will you have, son?" Junior replied, "Pap's Blue Ribbon."

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WE GOOFED

We overlooked a big second in the group for Ch. Ffynant's Trouble at the Lowell show. This was where the Central New England Specialty was held. Trouble is owned by John Mattison and has placed in the group by Maurice Baker.

We also goofed in calling Holley Haven Duchess the youngest Dual. That honor goes to Dual Ch. Pontac's Dingo who finished at 2 years and 4 months approximately.

# Ohio

## FALL TRIAL

by Ed Binder

During the beautiful weather of October 22nd and 23rd, the Ohio Brittany Club held its annual Fall Field Trial. This trial was held at Northeastern Ohio's Grand River Wildlife Area, North Bristol, Ohio.

Heavy cover, large fields well broken up by wood patches, fence rows, brush and standing crops proved a real test of bird finding, and handling ability. This area's size enabled the committee to use multiple courses in derby, open and amateur stakes. A further innovation was to have no bird field for these stakes, rather quail were planted on the courses and with the native pheasants provided ample bird work. Other firsts (for our club) were a "Tally Ho" (hay wagon pulled by a tractor) and a "Social Hour" Saturday eve. These attractions were enjoyed by all and the committee is to be congratulated for providing them.



**Fld. Ch. Worrellwind's Bucky Beaver**

The second brace of the Open All-Age stake provided the first place dog. The dog, Worrellwind's Bucky Beaver, handled two pheasants to requirements, this, coupled by a good hunting race, got the judges' nod. Second place dog Mr. Who-He of Bordeaux, coming from the second last brace, handled a nice

quail covey which flushed wild upon the approach of the handler. However, this dog had perfect manners including handling the often late flushing single.

The Derbies as a class lacked the usual young enthusiasm that is looked for in Derbies. There were some exceptions however, first place dog, Chartier's Valley Sam, showed all his ranging and bird finding ability, and was especially classy handling a planted quail in the woods. Second place was awarded to Holley Haven Heidi II who ran an exceptional race and demonstrated she knew birds in a "call back."



**Dual Ch. Joel's Drole**  
with Ben Zabowski

The Amateur stake was won by those two experienced campaigners Le Bonabe handled by Dr. Bolton. This dog was credited with an adequate race and good manners in bird work. Second and third place dogs came from the same brace. Joel's Drole placed third and Bruce of Hampton placed second. These dogs almost simultaneously located and pointed a quail covey, the matter of degree of handling ability and luck made the difference in placements.

Puppies were run with a bird field, a limited stake (only 8 entries) provided some interesting results as the first and third place dogs were littermates and the second and fourth dogs were also littermates, proving again that breeding will tell.

We of the Ohio Brittany Club wish to thank all who made this trial a success.

#### **Puppy Stake—8 Entries**

Judges: Paul Ketterer, John Rassman.

- 1st—Speck de Klemanor, by Skipper of Pacolet ex San-J-De Klemay. Owner, Roy Noggle; handler, Lee Holman.
- 2nd—Morning Star Bob, by Fld. Ch. Morning Star Rambler ex Cheeta Marie. Owner, William J. Faulkner; handler, Lee Holman.
- 3rd—Jill, by Skipper of Pacolet ex San-J-De Klemay. Owner and handler, George Kleinfelder, Jr.
- 4th—Ramble Creek's Ram-Rod, by Fld. Ch. Morning Star Rambler ex Cheeta Marie. Owner and handler, A. D. Nicholson.

#### **Derby Stake—15 Entries**

Judges; James Howard, Allan Shane.

- 1st—Chartier's Valley Sam, by Dingo's Zippo ex Edandot Nicky. Owner and handler, Robert U. Handlow.
- 2nd—Holley Haven Heidi II, by Holley Haven Punch ex Holley Haven Windy. Owner, B. L. Rix; handler, Lee Holman.
- 3rd—Shenango Valley Cindy, by Dual Ch. Shenango Valley Dingo ex Uno's Sen-de-Rella. Owner, Robert Seger; handler, Lee Holman.

- 4th—Holley Haven Stardust, by Dual Ch. Holley Haven Casey ex Ch. Holley Haven Sugar. Owner, Janice Hoover; handler, Lee Holman.

#### **Open All-Age Stake—26 Entries**

Judges: Paul Ketterer, John Rassman.

- 1st—Fld. Ch. Worrelwind's Bucky Beaver, by Cliff's Tobias ex Sunset Susan. Owner, Rufus Worrell III; handler, Lee Holman.
- 2nd—Mr. Who-He of Bordeaux, by Fld. Ch. Mark of Passamonte ex Susan of Bordeaux. Owner and handler, James F. Malia.
- 3rd—The Circuit Contender, by Casa Blanca Mike ex Ferdinand's Fran. Owner, Wayne W. Croxton; handler, Lee Holman.
- 4th—Rocky of Highbrow, by Le Bonnez ex Highbrow's Kitt LaRue. Owners, Lenore P. & Ernest W. Facer; handler, Ernest Facer.

#### **Amateur Stake—22 Entries**

Judges: James Howard, Allan Shane.

- 1st—Fld. Ch. Le Bonabe, by Le Bonnez ex Sandy of La Benj. Owner, Therese Bolton; handler, Ralph Bolton.
- 2nd—Bruce of Hampton, by Jet Stream Ace ex Ch. Edandot Gilly. Owner and handler, Joseph P. Rossi.
- 3rd—Dual Ch. Joel's Drole, by Fld. Ch. Ferdinand of Leeway ex Ch. Joel's Copper Penny. Owner and handler, Ben Zabowski.
- 4th—Brittchester's Rustic Rube, by Brittchester's Sneaky Pete ex Ch. Brittchester's Leading Lady. Owner and handler, Wes Wyman.

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### BENCH

**Corky of Lamonte**, by Skipper Lee Jensen ex Queen Ann of Jeffrey. Owner, R. G. McGill.

**Hunterlane's Petite Michelle**, by Flambeau's Mike of Richmond ex Pacolet's Gypsy Belle. Owner, A. Dykstra.

**Pine Creek Ferrip**, by Skip of Wolcott ex Pine Creek Dolly. Owners, R. & V. Coutant.

### FIELD

**Dual Ch. Birch Hill Tawny**, by Dual Ch. Doctor Joe of Kaymore ex Patti Doll. Owners, W. & C. Kilian.

### CD

**Ra-Dor's Lucky Lady**. Owners, R. & A. Davis.

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Recently licensed to judge Brittanies along with several other breeds, was C. A. McKenzie.

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### "WILLI" MATCH

The annual Willi match held by the California Club was won by Sir Robert of Beelflower, owned by Virgil Davidson. Best Opposite went to the Russell's Greenfield Golden Girl. Winners dog was Tiger (Jim Walling) and winners bitch was the Russell's Greenfield Silver Belle, litter mate to Goldie. The best puppy was Dorothy MacDonald's Nickel. The junior handlers awards were first, Pat Case; 2nd, Kathy Wald; 3rd, James Hildebrand, and 4th, Steve Carpenter.

## Group Wins

None.

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### SHOW RESULTS

#### PROGRESSIVE D.C. of Wayne Co. (Mich.)

WD & BB—Steele's High Jinks; owner, E. Steele.

WB & BOS—Steele's Silver Storm; owner, E. Steele.

#### MONROE K. C. (Mich.)

WD & BB—Steele's High Jinks; owner, E. Steele.

WB & BOS—Jonie Jill; owner, R. Glore.

#### SPOKANE (Wash.)

WD—Pierre de Tigre et Sue; owner, W. Proulx.

BB—Ch. Juchoir's Snowball; owner, G. Bass.

#### SAVANNAH K. C. (Georgia)

WB & BOS—Robin Hood's Lone Star, R. Smith.

BB—Ch. Bonnie Kay's Duke of Sequani, C. Murphy.

#### AUGUSTA K. C. (Georgia)

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## THE *Ruffed Grouse*

There is probably no greater thrill to the expert gunner than matching wits with the wily ruffed grouse. The habits and habitat of this King of the Forest are still not completely understood.

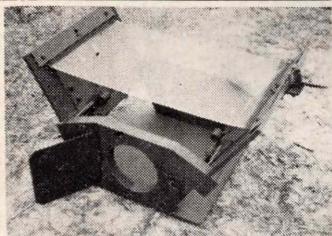
The ruffed grouse chick is limited in range. He can fly but short distances and must find food for survival for several weeks in a small area. The deep woods are not for him. Where the forest is tall and the branches form a cover that shuts out the sky the forest floor is bare of the nutrients that nurture the baby grouse.

He is a bird of the clearings. Where the forests have been cut or opened up the blackberry, the fern and the blueberry will spring up. Not only do these furnish food but they attract insects which are vital to a small bird's survival. It has been found that opening up clearings in a forest will give a big boost to the grouse population for sev-

eral years. At about the end of a decade new growth has again cut out the sunlight and pinched out the ground cover. The optimum time for increase in the brood population is about 4 or 5 years after cutting.

As the bird gets older he covers more ground and as fall comes he moves from his brood area to his fall and winter range. This move may entail going one mile or even several miles. He feeds on buds, on nuts, on dried berries at this time. The older bird can go to the food but the younger bird cannot.

Therefore one of the limiting factors of a grouse population is the nesting cover. Plenty of forest edges and clearings with ground cover mean more grouse. This is why the grouse hunter finds a spot that is a "hot" one for several seasons and then birds disappear. The nesting area has outgrown itself.



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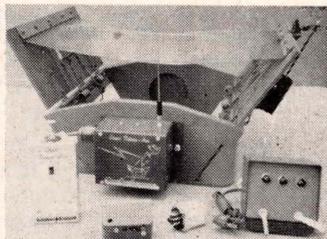
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# Western Michigan

## FALL TRIAL

by Jack Hosken

Darkness begat daylight and so it was that early morning hour that hosting club members began their tour of duty as our second licensed field trial got underway. At 7:00 sharp the first brace broke away with judges riding high on their steeds and handlers praying this was the day to write back home about. The background was a variety of many things, ladies showing off their new field trial clothes, watching the water so it didn't burn and promoting coffee and rolls to all the rich field trialers—you know that bunch of people who drive station wagons, busses, trucks and pull trailers loaded with musical Brittanies. The good Lord never made sweeter music than 90 Brittanies doing a sing-a-long.



Dual Ch. Uno's Chief

The competition was keen with champions and many fine dogs who were looking for one more placement. The Fld. Ch. behind that dog's name may be abbreviated, but there's nothing abbreviated about the time, money and good breeding that earned it.

Our bookie (Pete) was busy all day Saturday and Sunday filling saddles with new and old spectators. You just haven't seen the show until you have rode a horse and watched a brace for 30 minutes. We have agreed that we need 15 or 20 horses for our next trial, as the response was exceedingly good.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Cohen hosted a social hour at their home. The banquet was held at the O.F.W. hall, with prime rib featured . . . delicious. President Bob Wagner very aptly expressed his thanks to our judges, field trialers and guests for making this a wonderful trial. Also a big vote of thanks to our women who have had so much to do with the success of our club. Mr. Wendell Burdick, field trial secretary, did his wonderful job as before.

May you all have happy hunting this fall and your shooting eye be on target. From all of us to all of you, thanks.



Fld. Ch. Le Bonabe

### Puppy Stake—20 Entries

Judges: Glenn T. Eades, Amos Greer.

1st—Dingo's Cyclone, by Dingo's Zoro ex Pacolet's Dingo Ginger. Owner and handler, H. H. Crippen.

2nd—Ramble Creek's Ram-Rod, by Fld. Ch. Morning Star Rambler ex Cheeta Marie. Owner and handler, A. D. Nicholson.

3rd—Appanoose Chap, by Appanoose Rust ex Mystic Matilda. Owner, Lem E. Stolz; handler, J. Thompson.

4th—Hire's Little Tania, by Ch. Holley Haven Banner ex Ch. Holley Haven Pixy. Owners, Roscoe & I. R. Hires; handler, Roscoe Hires.

#### **Derby Stake—24 Entries**

Judges: Jack Secor, Ralph Warrington.

1st—Skysan, by Fld. Ch. Sandy Bottom Kid ex Pacolet's Skyline Galaxy. Owner, Roger M. Kyes; handler, J. Thompson.

2nd—Holley Haven Heidi II, by Holley Haven Punch ex Holley Haven Wendy. Owner, B. L. Rix; handler, Jim Holman.

3rd—Beau Buford, by Fredan's Rubob ex Mike's Cindy of LaRue. Owner, Jack L. Bradley; handler, Jim Holman.

4th—Stormy of LaRue, by Rusty de LaRue ex Fld. Ch. Anntwon of LaRue. Owner, Fred H. Wood; handler, Carlton P. Plyler.

#### **All-Age Stake—34 Entries**

Judges: Jack Secor, Ralph Warrington.

1st—Leeway's Skyline Charlie, by Ch. Reed's Skyline Dan ex Ferd's Fan Fare of Leeway. Owner, John W. Lee; handler, Jim Holman.

2nd—Fld. Ch. Worrelwind's Bucky Beaver, by Cliff's Tobias ex Sunset Susan. Owner, Rufus Worrell, III; handler, Jim Holman.

3rd—Fld. Ch. Le Bonabe, by Le Bonnez ex Sandy of Labenj. Owner, Therese L. Bolton; handler, Dewey Mullins.

4th—The Circuit Contender, by Casa Blanca Mike ex Ferdinand's Fran. Owner, Wayne W. Croxton; handler, Lee Holman.

#### **Amateur Stake—14 Entries**

Judges: Glenn T. Eades, Amos Greer.

1st—Fld. Ch. Le Bonabe, by Le Bonnez ex Sandy of Labenj. Owner, Therese L. Bolton; handler, Dewey Mullins.

2nd—Dual Ch. Uno's Chief, by Dual Ch. Uno's Jet ex Sassafras T. Owner, Donald Mullins; handler, Dewey Mullins.

3rd—The Circuit Contender, by Casa Blanca Mike ex Ferdinand's Fran. Owner, Wayne W. Croxton; handler, Douglas Croxton.

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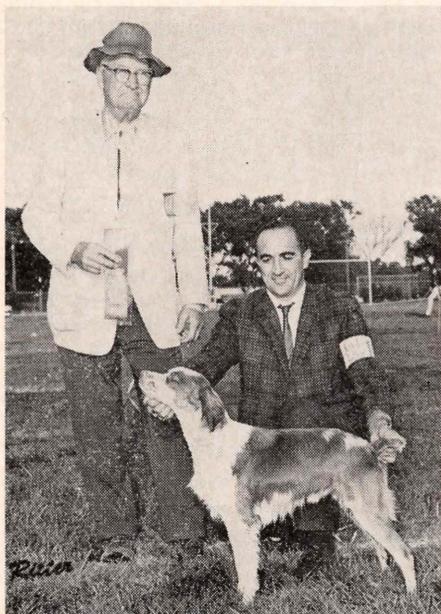
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## Show Case



American and Canadian Champion **Candilane's Jack of Hearts** shown winning 2nd in the Sporting Group under Judge Forrest N. Hall and handled by Arley Hussin at Steel City Kennel Club, September 25 at Gary, Indiana. "Jack" to date has 21 Best of Breed wins with 2 Group Placements in America. Upon winning his Canadian Championship he has 5 Best of Breeds and 2 Group Placements. Owned by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barnes of Beaumont, Texas.



**Ch. Pete's Gimlet, C.D.**, by Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko ex Pete's Daiquiri won her first points, including one major before she was a year old. She finished at Sacramento in a blaze of glory by placing 2nd in the group. Her obedience degree was won simultaneously with two 198 scores out of a possible 200. Her third score was a 193. Gimlet is the first bench champion for Elsie and Pete Barsuglia, who have owned several obedience dogs and field winners. She has never been trialed but is an excellent gundog. She has always been in the ribbons in every show in which she was entered.

A Rotating Quail Classic Trophy will be given in memory of James Bell. Donations are welcome from all of Jim's friends. They should be sent to Dewey Mullins, Route 2, Berea, Kentucky, at once.

# THE *Big Show*

by George Geisler

Someone had mentioned a forthcoming show  
I gave it some thought and decided to go.

I worked with my dog, a book said I should  
After four tiring weeks he sure did look good.

I trimmed his hair and around his nose  
The scissors slipped once, he had blood on his toes.

I brushed his teeth with some Formula "X"  
He has 20% less if the judge really checks.

I bathed and I combed, he's as sleek as a racer  
He made quite a fuss when I used some skin bracer.

I powdered his coat with sachet La Pu  
But he shook it off before I was through.

We practiced relieving when I thought he should  
If he made a mistake it might not be good.

I can picture the judge so proper and neat  
My dog aims a stream that splatters his feet.

We pretend the yard was the size of a ring  
It must have been larger, my heart felt a sting.

I can see my dog at the head of his class  
Or go best of breed if each test he should pass.

I praised my dog and caressed his cheek  
And suddenly remembered, the show was last week.

## STAY FOR THE

# *Group*

"Well I won the breed today but I am not going to hang around for the group. It is a waste of time. The Brittany just doesn't stand a chance."

How many times have you heard the breed winner say just that? Maybe you think it is true but have you looked at the records lately? In the past year there were group placements recorded for our breed every month except one in the official AKC records. Most months there was more than one placement. It wasn't just one dog that was doing the winning but wins were well spread among the dogs and among the sections of the country.

The easiest way we can increase these group placements is to show more dogs in the group. You can't win if you aren't in there competing.

We don't advocate taking in a poor dog, one with no manners, or one who has outstanding faults. Then the reaction is "If that thing is a Brittany I surely don't want one." But if your dog has good manners, is a good specimen of the breed, is one that we can be proud to point to and say that he is a Brittany, then try him in the group. You may be surprised.

As a general rule class dogs are younger and less well developed than Champions and so stand less chance in group competition. If your dog has finished perhaps it is well to retire him for a while. When he reaches maturity take a good look at him, and if he has matured well put him in Specials. It is your duty to the breed to do this. Let the general public have a look at a good mature dog. Let the other show people see that the mature Brittany can make a dent in the group placings.

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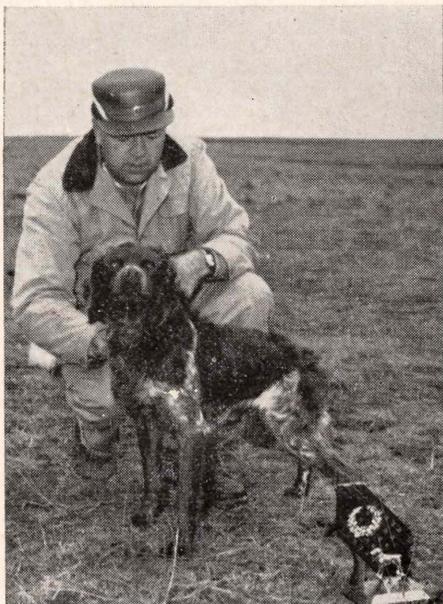
The number of feathers on most songbirds ranges from 1500 to 3000. Available records show the ruby-throated hummingbird to have the smallest number, 940, and the whistling swan the largest number, 25,216.

from Pa. Game News

# Sooner

## FALL TRIAL

The Sooner Brittany Club's fall trial was blessed with a good entry and near perfect field trial weather. Star Taylor and Henry Havens, who judged the Derby and All-Age events have looked at a lot of bird dogs, so their decisions were well received. Finnis Newman and C. A. Springfield did an equally fine job in judging the Puppy stake. The usual social hour and dinner took place on Saturday night, so it was a fine week end for Brittany field trial folk.



**Fld. Ch. Holliday Doc**  
with  
Don Norris

The Open All-Age was won by Riley's Tammy of Emde, under the whistle of Edwin H. Wild, a young, newly turned professional handler from Bethany, Oklahoma. Handler and dog were in perfect tune this day, for Tammy laid down one of the best ground heats ever seen in these parts. Her one covey find showed plenty of class. The quality of the stake can best be gauged by looking at the dogs that came in for other placements.

In the Amateur All-Age, Juchoir's Choctaw went bird hunting and was rewarded with three covey finds for his efforts. Choc and his bracemate, Sussie's Warpath de Malibeu put on an interesting heat, for Sussie also had a covey, and both dogs reached for the edges, giving handlers anxious moments at times.

Cindy's Chico Diablo had the only clean find in the Derby stake and a good race to be an easy first choice. The others' bird work could best be described as "contacts."



**Sussie's Warpath de Malibeu**

### **Puppy Stake—6 Entries**

Judges: Finnis Newman, C. Springfield.

- 1st—W. Hume's Dick Turpin, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Doc ex W. Hume's Ginger. Owner and handler, Walter W. Hume.
- 2nd—Twister, by Hunt's Tiny Tuff ex Wakely's Lisa. Owner and handler, H. P. Hunt.
- 3rd—Sam, by Hunt's Tiny Tuff ex Wake-ly's Lisa. Owner, John Wakely; handler, H. P. Hunt.
- 4th—Ha-Girl, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Doc ex Verdon Buddington Princess. Owner and handler, Edwin H. Wild.

### **Derby Stake—14 Entries**

Judges: Star Taylor, Henry Havens.

- 1st—Cindy's Chico Diablo, by Reno Di-ablo ex High Tail Cindy. Owners,

Charles & Marjorie Ayres; handler, Delmar Smith.

- 2nd—Pucaninee's Faraway Ted, by Fld. Ch. Bretagne's White Ranger ex Pucaninee's Lookaway Dixie. Owner, Richard E. Tichenor; handler, Ralph Hesselstine.
- 3rd—Bingo's Susie Q, by Bingo ex Creed's White Lady. Owner and handler, Tom Fife.
- 4th—Pride's Towsey Britt, by Sunny Britt's Pride ex Towsey Bub's Queen. Owner, Lambert McClure; handler, Richard L. Graves.

#### All-Age Stake—31 Entries

Judges: Star Taylor, Henry Havens.

- 1st—Riley's Tammy of Emde, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Doc ex Nego's Jill de Anthony. Owner, J. W. Emde, Jr.; handler, Edwin H. Wild.
- 2nd—J.P.'s Yankee Boy's Tom, by Fld. Ch. Yankee Boy's Tommy ex Kansas Queen. Owner, H. W. Striker; handler, Ralph Hesselstine.
- 3rd—Bazooka's Brandy, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Britt's Bazooka ex Fld. Ch. Way Kan Jill. Owner, Al Pillow; handler, Delmar Smith.
- 4th—Fld. Ch. Holliday Doc, by Fld. Ch. Holliday Britt ex Tom's Sure Point Cindy. Owner, Don Norris; handler, Edwin H. Wild.

#### Amateur Stake—14 Entries.

Judges: Star Taylor, Henry Havens.

- 1st—Juchoir's Choctaw, by Fld. Ch. Juchoir's Chocolate Candy ex Wisp. Owner and handler, M. F. Guest.
- 2nd—Sussie's Warpath de Malibeau, by Carl's of Kay ex Miselle San Que de Malibeau. Owner and handler, Nolen Cathey.
- 3rd—Pacolet's Blue Grass Anne, by Dual Ch. Albedo Valley Dingo ex Dual Ch. Pacolet's Cheyenne. Owner and handler, Carl Francis.
- 4th—Count Normandy, by Fld. Ch. Prairie Rambler's Topper ex Princess Luann. Owner and handler, Plato G. Andros.

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## West Texas

### SANCTION

by G. E. Allison

The first sanctioned trial of the new West Texas Club was held on October 29th on the Kuykendall Ranch, east of Abilene, Texas.

The Puppy stake had 3 entries. First was **Reni**, owned and handled by Monroe Adams, second was **Trixie**, owned and handled by Bill Houston, and third was **Alamo Britt**, owned and handled by Wayne Porter.

The Derby had only two entries. The winner was Muggs Spike, owned and handled by L. M. McWhorter.

The Open All-Age had 11 entries. First was **Queen Liz of Axtell**, owned and handled by George Allison. Second was L. M. McWhorter's **Tiger**. Third was **Holiday Jack**, owned by Sam Rosser and handled by Jack Campbell.

This trial was run with a bird field. Scenting conditions were poor with finds at a premium. Quotes from the judges' books on some of the dogs in the Open All-Age follow. Queen Liz had two finds, a stop to flush and a good race. Tiger had a good race. He finally had a find in the last minute with excellent manners. Holliday Jack had one find and was steady to wing and shot. Another fine dog was Ramblin' Sam, owned by Bruce Procter. If Bruce gets this dog broke field trialers had better look out for some stiff competition.

The West Texas Club plans to run its next trial on a multiple course on native birds.

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Kennel owners and other dog breeders should thoroughly deworm all pups for roundworms, especially if they are to go into homes where there are small children. Public Health officials are concerned over the possibility of contagion from worm infested dogs. It is suspected that wormy eyes in children may be caused by smaller children sucking on toys that infected puppies have chewed. The new medications make it relatively simple to completely rid puppies of any trace of round worms.

## Notes FROM THE Nationals

Each year as we leave the Nationals thoughts still linger on the long ride home. Why was this so? Why was that done that way?

With the extremely bad driving in all directions except south this year we wonder why the Nationals are held so late in the year. The present date means that most people don't get to have Thanksgiving with their families. A later date would not work as it would be too near Christmas. Originally the late November date was picked because the grounds were obtainable and this trial was the climax of the fall trial season. As it is now there is almost no end to the fall season. With a few more trials introduced we will soon find the fall season runs into the winter one, and spring follows without an interruption. This will mean that there will no longer be a valid reason for having the Nationals right after Thanksgiving. Maybe then we can have the Nationals earlier when traveling conditions are better.

One field trialer remarked that next year he was going to bring 500 grindstones to the Nationals and expected he would make a fortune. Yes, everyone does seem to have an axe to grind. If all that griping were put into concerted action to improve the trial and the breed what strides we would make!

You always hear gripes about the winners. This year we heard "That dog certainly didn't deserve to win. That performance wasn't worthy of a championship. My dog was robbed. I never am coming back if that is what they are going to put up. No, the people that we were listening to were **not** talking about the 1966 Nationals. They were reviewing the remarks that they made or heard back in 1947 when the trial was held at Pontiac, Michigan. And it was the consensus that we had heard the same remarks repeated almost without an exception at every Nationals since.

We are glad to see so many dogs picking up without being so instructed. It used to be that every dog ran full time no matter how flagrant his misconduct.

The judges were forced to follow brace after brace that were out of the running. Both the handlers and judges knew it but the handlers didn't want to pick up and the judges didn't want to make hard feeling by asking for pickups. Maybe you can't see why you were asked to pick up your dog. But consider both stakes are now championships. Certainly a champion should be above the ordinary dog in ability and performance. Your dog may be doing a presentable job. He may be working better than he ever has. But the judges are looking for that dog with a superb performance and that extra plus style, class, in total



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performance a real champion. Yes, your dog is good but if he is not good enough to meet those high standards he should be picked up and not waste the judges' time. Those who ride every brace and watch all the dogs will tell you that it is mighty boring to watch dog after dog do an adequate performance but lack that thing you are looking for in a champion. If your dog does not show the championship qualifications today pick him up. Maybe the next time he will be just right and will please the judges and be awarded the title. Unfortunately our qualifications are so loose that many dogs qualify to run who are not of the caliber that should be in a championship stake. Granted, tighter qualifications would still allow some dogs to run who were not at their

best that day and who did not meet the standards that the title calls for. We should show the judges and the general spectators that our ideals are high, that we know what a champion should do and pick up our dog when he isn't doing the job.

We usually come away with the thought that the stakes are not marshaled to show the dogs at their best. Now with more cover mowed, more open spaces and many rows of multiflora the only objective it seems that we are making a mistake in having our stakes marshaled the way they are. In the days when the cover was so thick that dogs could not reach the edges because our dogs are slower and not as wide as the pointers we got in the habit of having the courses follow the birdy cover. Now this seems to be a ridiculous idea. Your dog is taken along an edge with a bare field on one side and multiflora on the other or a wooded bottom. The dog has no place to hunt except the wooded cover or can only run up and down the multiflora. There is no place else for him to go. Why don't we run closer to the pointer courses. They go down the middle of the fields and the dogs have a chance to reach out to objectives. If our dogs were handled from the center of the fields they might reach out to the edges and hunt. They would then have a choice of two edges to reach to. They could lay down an acceptable ground pattern instead of just popping into the woods and out again all along the way. We know that some of the dogs would be too restricted to reach the edges. But this type of really close dog is the one you use for an all day hunt, not enter in a field trial. Think how fine some of our better running dogs would look if they could reach out to the edges and pin a covey and have the handler go to them. Rather we see them putter up a hedgerow, stop on a covey that lies there where the handler is right behind the dog. We are not giving our dogs a chance to have spectacular finds out on a limb with this way of handling the courses.

#### AND SOME HUMOR

We suggest that Henry Holleyoak should have endorsed over those 400 plus dollars worth of Bench Futurity

checks to Florence as it all happened in her birthday.

You all missed the best if you didn't make this year's National. There will never be anything that tasted better than the juice of the grape supplied by Bob Handlow of Pennsylvania. Incidentally he is now called Handy Handlow because he was always handy to handle any dog that loses its handler.

The coffee wagon went over, but big. The hot beverage and the snacks in the morning were appreciated. Guess you better get a bigger pot next year gals. Helen Rookard was the gal who was responsible for this idea.

We wonder why smiling Fred Vulgamore's horse bit him and where?

Did you hear how Ed Wild got to the Nationals? He ran out of gas in between two jerkwater towns in the sticks. So, being a resourceful young man he unloaded Tony, his palomino, and rode to the nearest town. You can imagine the reaction from the service station attendant when Ed rode up to the pumps and asked for gas. The attendant wanted to know if he should put it in front or rear. But Ed pulled out his little gas can, had it filled, and galloped into the wild blue yonder. . . Honest, this is true. Who says our pro handlers are not a resourceful bunch.

Uncle wouldn't like it if we told you the best joke that went around. Ask Ann Sewall "How about that?"

It isn't a Nationals unless someone gets stuck in the mud. This year it was Joyce Malone. She spent two hours in the cold and the dark before Hugh missed her and went behind the locked gates to find her.

After his run in the Championship, Horace told Phil that he was going to have to take Smokey to the vet right away before he ran him in the Amateur. Phil was much concerned and wanted to know what was the matter.

Horace allowed as how Smoke needed an operation. "What for?" asked Phil. "We have to cut him open and get the lead taken out of his ——," was Horace's reply.

You don't know what else you missed. Plan on making the Nationals next year. We have a ball.

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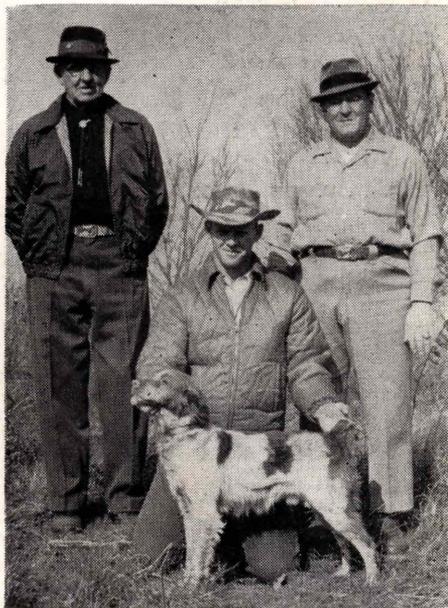
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