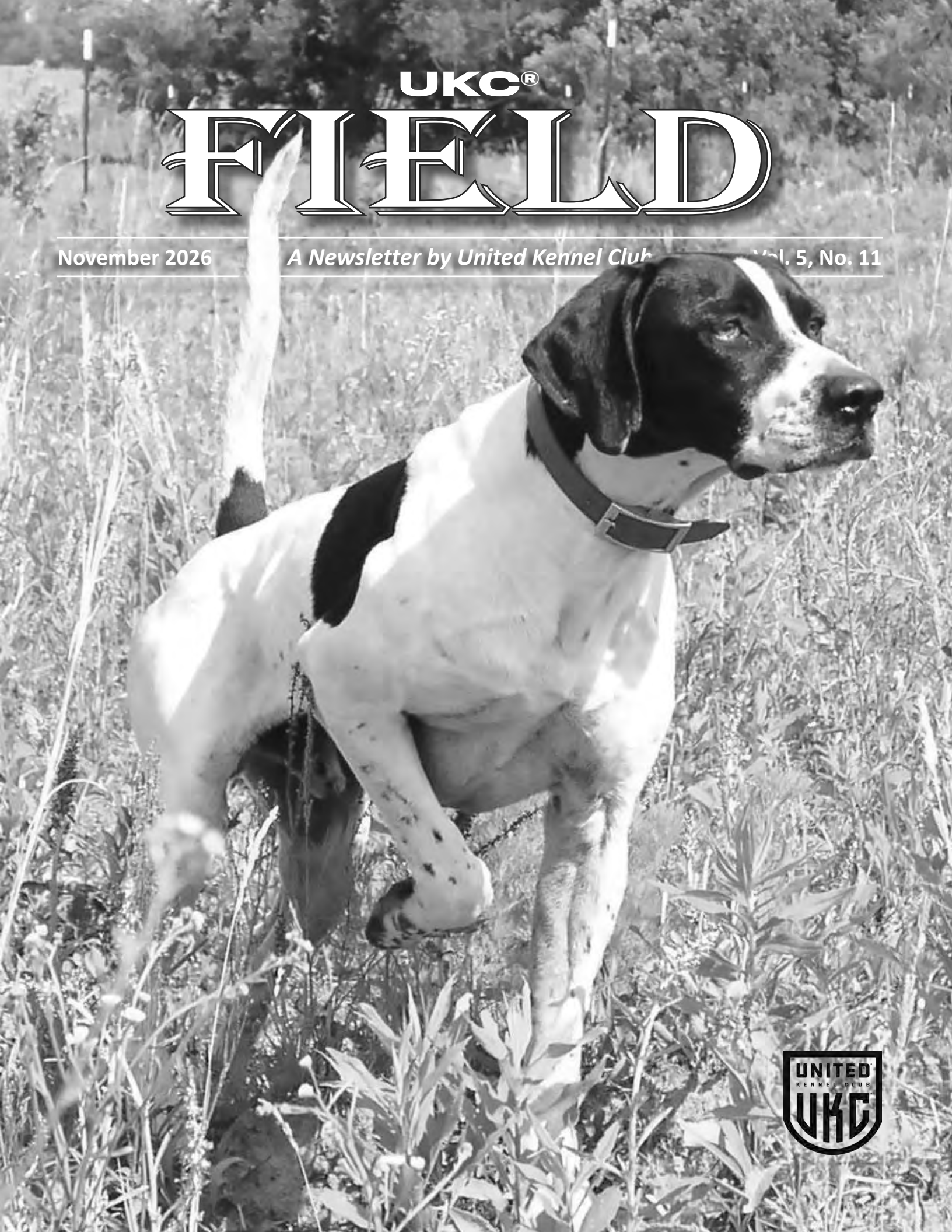

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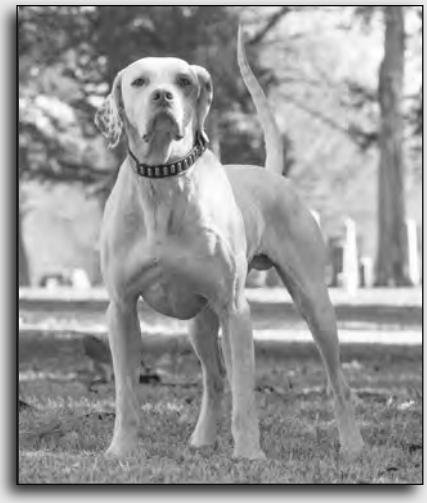

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**CH. DUBOSE'S FLASH**

*#F1566297 • Pointer Male • Sire: Dubose's Flash Back • Dam: Davis Dancing Laddy*

Larron Copeland, Owner

*Winner of the 2008 National Amateur Quail Championship*

# Field Trial Hall of Fame Elections Recognize Deserving Candidates

The field trial community continued a longstanding tradition in 2026 — endorsements and election of a deserving Dog and worthy Person to the Field Trial Hall of Fame.

Hall of Fame honors have been bestowed on outstanding dogs and distinguished persons in the field trial sport since 1954, with but two hiatuses: 2020 because of the six-week COVID shutdown of The American Field, and 2025 so that the election process could be reviewed and adapted to the current landscape under the care of the United Kennel Club.

The results: two deserving nominees recognized for their contributions to the field trial pastime — Multiple Champion Chelsea's Thunder Bolt in the canine category, and Clinton "Joe" Bush, the worthy person.

**Chelsea's Thunder Bolt's** sparkling career spanned some eight seasons in which the handsome white and liver pointer male amassed a total of 42 recognized placements, 29 in top-flight championship competition, 23 of which were championship titles, a record that likely will never be broken.

Among his 23 titles, Bolt won the Egyptian and the Texas Open Shooting Dog Championships twice each; the Michigan and Mississippi titles each three times, and the stellar accomplishment of winning the prestigious United States Invitational Championship three times, a stake in which the top twelve dogs of a given season compete head to head over a three-day format.

Remarkably, added to his recognized winning laurels are four Purina Top Shooting Dog Awards.

Any and all major circuit field trial winners are the result of a threefold combination: a conscientious breeding, dedicated owners, and an experienced trainer-handler.

Whelped April 21, 2012, the litter was bred by Brad Sadler of Ridgeland, S. C., sired by the 2008 National Champion Whippoorwill Wild Agin out of Butler's Jill, she by Elhew Sinbad.

Handler Steve Hurdle put a pair of first-place Derby wins on the young pointer in the fall of 2013 and spring of 2014, an auspicious start to what would eventually be a landmark career.

Dr. Thomas Jackson of Columbus, Ind., and George Hickox of Bismarck, N. D., acquired the budding young prospect after his Derby season, and Bolt was placed in the string of handler Shawn Kinkelaar, who guided the handsome white and liver pointer to his first championship title, the Ozark Open Shooting Dog Championship in the fall of 2014.

*"Recently Steve and I were reminiscing,"* said Shawn Kinkelaar. *"Steve said several people had told him he should have kept the dog, but he said he'd done the right thing with Bolt."*

***Chelsea's Thunder Bolt***

During the Hall of Fame election process, Bolt received several glowing recommendations, but telling were two from seasoned handlers who had competed against the formidable pointer, strongly bolstering Bolt's candidacy for Hall of Fame honors.

*"I've been competing in open shooting dog (stakes) since the early 1980s," wrote Missouri handler Chuck Stretz, "and in my career I've seen lots of awesome dogs, but the one dog that impressed me more than any I've seen is Chelsea's Thunder Bolt. He was a bird-finder deluxe and could always come up with birds when they were nearly impossible to find. He was big, bold, and fearless, and has proven to be a great producer as well."*

Adding his name in support was Texas handler, Virgil Moore. *"The trial was never over until he had finished his brace. I was fortunate to witness his three Invitational wins where he dominated the trial."*

Part and parcel of a deserving canine candidate's credentials for Hall of Fame honors is not only the thrilling performances and winning laurels, but producing winning progeny that contribute to the betterment of the sport.

Thunder Bolt's record currently shows him as the sire of 42 winners, which to date have accumulated 229 wins among them. Six of the 42 winners are champions, including 2025 National Champion Erin's Perfect Storm.

Handler Shawn Kinkelaar has played a significant role in the competitive success of four other Hall of Fame pointer performers: Elhew Sunflower and Elhew Swami (2010), Elhew Hannabell (2011), and Covey Rise's Offlee Amazin (2018), a singular accomplishment.

**Clinton Bush**, familiarly known as Joe during his more than fifty years in the competitive bird dog field trial arena, comes to the Field Trial Hall of Fame with a legacy of association with a roster of top-flight pointer winners.

*(R-L): Evolution (HOF) with owner T. Jack Robinson (HOF); Heritage Premonition, owned by Jim Cohen, with W.F. "Bill" Rayl (HOF); Builder's Free Boy, owned by Robert Napier, with W.F. "Freddie" Rayl, Jr. (HOF); and Fiddler (HOF), owned by Dan Bonaguidi [also owner of Fiddler's Pride (HOF)], with Clinton "Joe" Bush (HOF).*

As a young teen, Joe worked for Harold Ray in Georgia and witnessed firsthand the techniques necessary in developing first-class field trial competitors.

*"In 1969, Harold called dad (Bill Rayl) and said he had a young boy who wanted to go to Canada,"* recalled Bill's son, Fred Rayl. *"Harold said Mrs. Smith (Inez Smith, with husband Elwin, and Harold Ray were responsible for an array of star-studded setter winners) didn't want him to take Joe north. Would Dad take him? Dad agreed. Harold and Sherry (Ray) drove over from Waynesboro with Joe in the back of the truck. Back then most of the roads were dirt. When they arrived, Joe was just a sheet of dust."*

Joe comes from a large family. *"He was just two years younger than me,"* Fred said. Two teenagers on the prairies. *"Two of his brothers were also involved with bird dogs,"* Fred Rayl added. *"His brother Larry worked for us for a time."*

Accompanying Rayl and family to summer training in Canada provided Joe with invaluable mentoring from the seasoned all-age trainer.

Strongman, the formidable white and black pointer, was the first dog that Joe scouted to titular accolades for Bill Rayl, and there followed an impressive roster of premier winners that Bill Rayl and later, after Bill's untimely death in March, 1983, with whom his son Fred enjoyed singular success. The list reads like a roster of field trial pointer royalty: Evolution, Builder's Addition, Builder's Free Boy, Builder's Risk, Fiddler, Fiddler's Bo, Fiddler's Pride, Ballentine, Heritage's Premonition, winner of the 1982 National Championship, among them.

The success Bill and Fred Rayl enjoyed on the major all-age circuit from the prairies of Canada to the South's piney woods was not only the result of gifted bird dog athletes, steadfast and supportive owners, but also the sharp-eyed, consummate horseman whose skill and dedication contributed to their successful field trial careers, and both father and son's election to the Field Trial Hall of Fame.

Some seasons ago, with the encouragement and support of New Jersey sportsman John Pew, Joe Bush embarked on the goal of achieving qualification for John's pointer to compete in the National Championship. He did it. Meadowbrook Joe was nominated, entered, and competed at Ames Plantation, Joe handling and Fred Rayl scouting.

Two aspects of Joe's field tenure are singular. A mishap during summer training in Canada some years ago, commonly referred to as a "horse wreck," left Joe with two broken arms. Intrepid and dedicated, here he was at the early fall trials, plaster casts and all, scouting the Rayl string of contenders.

In conversations with Joe, when referring to dogs in the string, he speaks glowingly and warmly, always finding a positive quality in each of the dogs under his care. He likes bird dogs.

*"Joe lives just down the road from my place here in Sylvester (Georgia),"* offered Fred Rayl. *"He's still got a couple of dogs and horses and is doing well."*

The Field Trial Hall of Fame nomination and election process in 2026 was true to its mission and purpose: recognizing a deserving Dog and worthy Person whose involvement with the field trial sport has made it better.

**Field Trial Hall of Fame 2026**

The year 2026 proved to be special for the Field Trial Hall of Fame. Election of deserving candidates resumed after a pause in 2025.

There was a bit of a hew and cry when it was announced that no Hall of Fame elections would be held in 2025, the hiatus providing a period of time to examine and align the Hall of Fame voting format with the current conditions under the United Kennel Club.

The popular ballot voting that prevailed from 1954 was no longer feasible. However, the UKC provided a public forum to the field trial public to submit written endorsements for candidates deemed deserving of Hall of Fame recognition.

Formal nominations for candidates were submitted to members of an Election Committee from geographic regions, including selected organization presidents and judges of significant events. A thirteen-member Election Committee bore the responsibility of selecting from the nominations submitted one Dog and one Person worthy of Hall of Fame membership.

This first-year election is expected to provide ample opportunity to review the process thoroughly and, if necessary, make adjustments for future elections.

Considerable time, discussion, planning, and execution were entailed in the 2026 Hall of Fame election process. The lion's share of this labor was undertaken by Frank LaNasa of Isanti, Minn., whose untiring efforts enabled the Field Trial Hall of Fame elections to resume in 2026.

# Delmar Smith
## *A Legend in Our Time*

By David A. Fletcher

***The passing of Delmar Smith, a close Brittany field trial friend for 62 years and companion at a host of bird dog events, occurred on September 19 in Edmond, Oklahoma, at the age of 100 years and 79 days.***

In collaboration with Delmar's son Tom and several others was the presentation of a birthday cake on his July 1 birthday adorned with a single prominent candle signifying 100 years. I also called Delmar on July 1 and wished him a happy 100th birthday; our phone conversation lasted many minutes.

I met Delmar for the first time in the late summer of 1964 at a field trial, the Border International Chicken Championship staged on the huge Saskatchewan prairie at Frobisher, Saskatchewan. Delmar and Mack McGrady from Florida were the judges, and I was the American Field Reporter. The trial had over 200 entries and lasted 14 days. The winner of the Championship with 90 entries was Rambling Rebel Dan, handled by Fred Arant, and the runner-up, Rampaging, handled by Leon Covington. Mingo won the Derby convincingly. There was also an Open All-Age with 110 entries and a first-year All-Age stake. We stayed at the Frobisher Hotel, a very old wooden structure. Each night, when the club car dropped us off after the running was over, Delmar and I raced up a large outdoor stairway to the second-floor entrance and on to the bath facility. The winner got the first tub bath. No showers available. We bonded at that trial. Delmar was 38, and I was 30. Our friendship had a great beginning.

I had owned, hunted, and trialed a German Shorthair and several Pointers and Setters at the time I met Delmar, but he was very interested in introducing me to Brittanys. For a year or two afterward, my phone would ring in late December: "Get to the Lansing (Michigan) air terminal; there is a Christmas package there for you." The Christmas present was a Brittany pup sired by a well-known champion.

### OKLAHOMA ROOTS

Delmar was born July 1, 1926, on a farm at Big Cabin, Oklahoma, a small but bustling town then known as the Hay capital of the region. Some of the top bird dog trainers used the area to tune their charges on the area's ample population of Quail. In the 1930s, several important trials were held there, some of the running conducted on the Smith family acreage. Delmar told me his first earnings at the age of eight were for opening and closing property gates for the birddog events. The Eppersons, brothers Dutch and Bud, were dog trainers located in nearby Vinita and were competing in trials. Delmar loved the dog training and the trials. His training and trialing knowledge blossomed under Dutch and Bud and other notable trainers using the area. Dutch's daughter Jeanne and Delmar met during this time. They married and had three sons—Tom, Rick, and Mark.

Mark suffered a severe injury while bronc riding, resulting in his untimely death. Tom and Rick both became professional pointing dog trainers, Tom with the Pointer and Setter breeds and Rick with Brittanys. Both have been very successful over their careers and still maintain kennels, away from the field trial competition. Delmar moved to Edmond, Oklahoma, in 1950 to take over the boarding and training kennel his father-in-law, Dutch Epperson, had established. Dutch had been killed at the time in a train car collision.

I judged trials with Delmar and reported many he judged. We were both at Henry Berol's Di-Lane Plantation in Waynesboro, Georgia, for the Georgia Open All-Age and Shooting Dog Championships and Derby Championships many times. Those great sessions spanned several years. We judged a Shooting Dog Championship together in Pennsylvania. I think we gave Bases Loaded perhaps his first Runner-Up Championship placement. Delmar gave his help and support to the U.S. Open Brittany Championship and Victoire Nationale Derby Championship at Lake Murray State Park at Ardmore, Oklahoma, for a host of years. Delmar had me as judge and/or reporter on many of those occasions. Another trial Delmar perhaps founded and supported for many years was the International Endurance Shooting Dog Championship, in which son Tom, Rick, and brother Ronnie regularly competed their dogs. It was a great three-hour Championship. I reported the event several times. I did ask Delmar why he was promoting a three-hour Championship trial for horseback shooting dogs. His answer came back this way:

*"Most of the trainers who attend this event also work part of the winter in Texas guiding hunting parties on sizable hunting leases for the owner's guests, and this included the King Ranch in Texas where movie stars and Presidents were at times the persons the dog trainer was guiding.*

*You have to have a strong, well-broke three-hour dog to do well on the Texas and Oklahoma Quail leases. With an eye on breeding the best to the best and evaluating the dogs at these events, one could witness dogs that could produce future generations of quality dogs."*

Delmar began working and trialing Brittanys in 1945. The events he competed in back then may not have carried the title National Championship, but they were the top Brittany stakes in the nation and later achieved National Championship status. Delmar's win record is huge, and it includes five Championship wins of the U.S. Open Brittany Championship and the Brittany National Open Championship. The National featured walking handlers in the beginning; later, with Delmar's help, they were given horseback handling approval by the AKC. Early National winners trained and campaigned by Delmar, to name just a few, included Towsey, Way Kan Jill, Holliday Britt's Bazooka, Bazooka's Brandy, and Brandy's Bullet. Delmar was a breeder, along with some of his owners whom I'm sure he tutored, in establishing what I call the Bazooka line, and it was hugely successful in the Brittany field trial world.

Very successful as a dog trainer, Delmar was also a lifelong horse trainer and rodeo patron. For over 30 years, he was the Timed Event Championship gateman at the Lazy E Arena in Guthrie, Oklahoma, for the event referred to as the "Ironman contest of Pro Rodeo". Delmar has been awarded many nationwide awards for his participation in Rodeo circles. He was, in reality, a "true cowboy."

## A LEGACY THAT LIVES ON

Delmar's dog training skills, methods, and philosophy are best expressed in great detail by Bill Tarrant in a book published in 1977 titled "Best Way To Train Your Gun Dog." A masterful job by Bill Tarrant, a very talented writer. He presented Delmar's talents, methods, and equipment for training in this wonderful book in great fashion. The book has been so successful it has been reprinted in excess of 20 times.

Delmar retired from handling dogs on the major circuit Brittany events in 1968 and began a new venture... "training seminars." The early ones were somewhat local, but they rapidly expanded to many other states, eventually worldwide. They also came to Michigan where scribe hosted several of his early training seminars. We were together again in field trial-related projects.

## A LIFETIME OF FRIENDSHIP

My 62-year association with Delmar has been memorable. I cannot think of another person who had the qualities Delmar had...the friendliness, the skills around animals, the dog training, and the seminar knowledge he showed us and preached to us. Delmar knew his bird dogs and horses extremely well. Delmar's philosophy and goals in life were expressed to me many times. Here are some I can remember:

*"Do the best that you can, and you are a Champion. Do it halfway, and you are a failure."*

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*"If you want to train like a pro, you have to think like a dog."*

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*"I grew up wanting to be a dog and horse trainer."*

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*"I did what I enjoyed doing every day. It was never work. I never had a job."*

# NATIONAL BRITTANY OPEN GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP ASSN.

***Fall Trial***

**By Kenny DeLong | Meredith, Michigan | August 22, 2026**

***Open Shooting Dog (front): Scott Chaffee with Hibanks Final Justice, Chuck Rowling with Rowling's Stormy, and Marc Forman with Twilight's Problem Child. (Back): Judges Kenny DeLong and Amy Gauthier.***

Warm temperatures and thick cover challenge canine competitors and human handlers alike in late August, but fun, food, and fellowship find a way to prevail! We had a good entry, good weather, good dogs, excellent, attentive judges, and plenty of helpful folks to marshal, move vehicles, donate food, make and serve lunches, and all the assorted tasks that help a trial run smoothly. We thank Purina for their steadfast sponsorship and support.

Saturday featured 10 braces of Open Shooting Dog Qualifier, judged by Amy Gauthier and Kenny Delong. A fine, forward race and a nicely relocated and pinned woodcock earned the male pointer "Bud," handled by Scott Chaffee, first-place honors. Doodles were the bird of the day, as the second-place spot was snatched by Chuck Rowlings' setter "Stormy" (handled by Marc Forman) with a find less than two minutes into her brace with the winner, Bud. Marc guided his smooth-running setter female Joey to the yellow ribbon, sticking a woodcock at the 21-minute mark.

Lunch break was time for the youngsters to show their stuff. Junior Handler stake is fun for everyone, as they gather around the bird field to watch kids, dogs, and quail while enjoying brats and smoked cheddar sausage hot off the grill. A pointer (John), a Brittany (Alexis), and two setters (Jettson and Kaylee) were put up by judges Deb Nihart and Tammi Savage, to the delight and enthusiastic applause of all.

We started the Open Derby Saturday after lunch and the Open Shooting Dog announcements and finished Sunday morning. Birds were harder to come by for these younger hopefuls. As a result, judges Josh Bambach and Tom Butler placed Marc Dozeman's setter "Beni," and his bracemate "Tripp" (Bill Siemer's pointer male) second and third, respectively, on the strength of their strong, forward ground races. The blue went to Kenny DeLong's little pointer "Mercy," whose ground speed, animation, and application yielded a single grouse early in the brace, followed 10 minutes later by a stylish, broke find on a good size brood of grouse, flushing two or three at a time in front of her while she watched.

***Junior Handlers (front): Kaylee with "Jett," Jettson with "Bash," Alexis with "Ozzy," and John and Dean Minard with "Junior." (Back): Wrangler/pro Rich Hollister and judges Deb Nihart and Tammi Savage.***

In the Amateur Shooting Dog (which began at the other end of the refuge Sunday morning), birds were at such a premium that judges Neal Minard and Christy Helmes called back dogs to the bird field to show on quail (left over from the Junior Handler event Saturday). "Indy's" ground race earned him a trip to the field, where Brent was able to handle the setter to a successful stand on bob and the blue ribbon. Kenny's Britt "Shooter" flew into the field and swapped ends to stick a quickly exiting quail for second place. "Star" took third as Chuck's seasoned setter finally snagged a sneaky hen.

We are privileged and thankful for the blessings of great grounds, great folks, great judges, great sponsors, and, of course, great dogs. Good Luck and God Bless to all this Fall!

**Meredith, Mich., August 22**
**Judges: Kenny DeLong and Amy Gauthier**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**
**– 9 Pointers and 11 Setters**

*1st-HIGHBANKS FINAL JUSTICE, F1699690, pointer male, by Faith's Maximum Justice-Chasehill Mighty May. Bill Nelson, owner; Scott Chaffee, handler.*
*2d-ROWLING'S STORMY, F1710741, setter female, by Moss Meadow Seeker-Rowling's Star. Chuck Rowling, owner; Marc Forman, handler.*
*3d-TWILIGHT'S PROBLEM CHILD, F1706124, setter female, by Wayward Flyin Tomato-Twilight's Echoed Promise. Marc Deneka, owner; Marc Forman, handler.*

**Judges: Thomas Butler and Josh Bambach**
**OPEN DERBY**
**– 5 Pointers, 8 Setters, and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-LUCY'S JUST HAVE MERCY, F1723542, pointer female, by Hibanks Final Justice-Hibanks Diamond Lucy. Kenny DeLong, owner and handler.*
*2d-DOZEMAN'S BENELLI, F1726265, setter male, by Moss Meadow Seeker-Lake Effect Ali. Marc Dozeman, owner and handler.*
*3d-BK QUICKTRIP, F1723793, pointer male, by Ralphy's Chasehill Rip-B K Rolling Dice. William Siemer, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Christy Helmes and Neal Minard**
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**
**– 3 Pointers, 11 Setters, 3 Brittanys, and 2 Irish Setters**

*1st-BAXTER'S INDIAN ARROWHEAD, F1685299, setter male, by Baxter's Apache John-Baxter's Mary Katherine. Brent & Denise Peters, owners; Brent Peters, handler.*

*2d-K DEL'S EAGLE MAGNUM HOTSHOT, F1685770, Brittany male, by Magnum High Velocity-K Del's Eagle's Chance To Soar. Kenny DeLong, owner and handler.*

*3d-ROWLING'S STAR, F1675772, setter female, by Long Gone Studly-Rowling's Nike. Chuck Rowling, owner and handler.*

***Amateur Shooting Dog (front): Brent Peters with Baxter's Indian Arrowhead, Kenny DeLong with K Del's Eagle Magnum Hotshot, and Chuck Rowling with Rowling's Star. (Back): Chuck Langstaff, Christy Helmes (judge), Bruce Minard, John Minard, and Neil Minard.***

***Open Derby (front): Bill Seimer with BK Quicktrip, Marc Dozeman with Dozeman's Benelli, and Kenny DeLong with Lucy's Just Have Mercy. (Back): Judges Josh Bambach and Tommy Butler.***

# NAZARETH FIELD TRIAL CLUB

***Fall Trial***

**By Alex Smith | Weatherly, Pennsylvania | August 28, 2026**

Field trials in the northeast kicked off with the Nazareth fall trial at Freeland Kennel Club. We thank all who came to participate and all who came to help. Shelia Hart, Alex Smith, Jeff Currier, and Andy Bogar judged this year, and we can't thank y'all enough. Tiffani Smith planted birds, made lunches, cooked, sponsored a dinner on Friday night, and did everything else that goes behind the scenes. Frank Henderson took over bird planting on Saturday. This trial wouldn't be possible without hard work and people offering to judge, so again, thank you.

On Friday, the Open Walking stakes ran following a short fog delay. Robert Ecker won the Open Derby with Charm City Mac. "Mac" had nice bird work and a fluid race. Second place went to "Bonnie," a snappy setter female handled and owned by Angelo Calabro. Rounding out the placements with third was Mark Hughes with "Ellie." All the young dogs had broke finds under tough wet birds.

The Open Restricted Shooting Dog was won by IV's Feed The Flame. "Flame" scored multiple finds for Samantha Adams with a smooth race. Robert Ecker took second with Lizard Creek's All Zoom. It was a close call separating first and second. Mark Hughes took third with a very birdy setter named "Spek."

***Open Walking Derby: Charm City Mac with Samantha Adams, Triple A Bonnie with Angelo Calabro, and Backwoods Pocket Rocket with Mark Hughes. (Standing): Frank Henderson, Brayden Smith, Sheila Hart (judge), and Frankie Henderson.***

Mark Hughes made a clean sweep of the Open Shooting Dog, taking first, second, and third with "Miles," "Dusty," and "Dash," respectively. Mark had five or six dogs that could have taken the placements, all with beautiful finds and forward races, but as we know, it is the little things that decided the outcome. Dusty hunted every inch of the course and had a limb find that the bird planter just happened to see from the back of the gallery, securing her second place. Miles' ground speed and gait could not be overlooked, standing like a bull always to the front to take the top spot.

Saturday came with the Horseback stakes under a cool morning for late August. Matt Basilone won the Open Derby with "Cora." This snappy female had a perfect find with a race to accompany it. Alex Smith placed second with Calico's Leather & Lace, with two finds and a fast race. Third place went to a setter male named "Juan," handled by Matt Basilone.

The Amateur Shooting Dog closed out the trial. Bird work was in abundance and caused difficulties for some. Dave McKay took advantage of the birds and scored six finds with "Candy." Candy made it look easy, scoring again and again for Dave. Never out of hand and always looking for her handler and game. Second place went to Calico's Country Strong, handled by young Brayden Smith. Strong also had six finds and a strong race. Ed McCay rounded out the placements with his Brittany, "Gunner." Gunner had multiple finds and a nice race. Congratulations to all, and thank you for your support.

A huge thank you to Purina for sponsoring our trial; we couldn't have done it without you. Your sponsorship is integral to making these trials successful.

***Open Walking Restricted Shooting Dog: IV's Feed the Flame with Samantha Adams, Lizard Creek's All Zoom with Marissa Everett, and Kelly's Rainbow Spec with Mark Hughes. (Standing): Frank Henderson, Sheila Hart (judge), and Brayden Smith.***

***Open Walking Shooting Dog: Double Deuce Miles with Mark Hughes, Millers Dusty Version with Ernie Saniga, and Backwoods Dine & Dash with Jeff Currier. (Standing): Frank Henderson, Brayden Smith, Alex Smith (judge), and Sheila Hart (judge).***

***Open Derby: Frank Henderson, Jeff Currier (judge), Gambles Cape Coral with Ed McCay, Calico's Leather & Lace with Alex Smith, Fort River's Juan Solo with Matt Basilone, and Andy Bogar (judge). (On bench): Brayden Smith.***

**Weatherly, Pa., August 28**
**Judges: Sheila Hart and Alex Smith**
**OPEN WALKING DERBY**
**– 4 Pointers and 2 Setters**

*1st-CHARM CITY MAC, F1721991, pointer male, by Hifive's Sonny Side Up-Hifive's Top Shelf. Michael McIntyre, owner; Bobby Eckert, handler.*
*2d-TRIPLE A BONNIE, F1722964, setter female, by Long Island Ice-Glassilaun Parabellum. Angelo Calabro Jr., owner and handler.*
*3d-BACKWOODS POCKET ROCKET, F1724438, pointer female, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Gracie Mason, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*

**OPEN WALKING RESTRICTED SHOOTING DOG**
**– 7 Pointers and 4 Setters**

*1st-IV'S FEED THE FLAME, F1712100, pointer female, by Bo of Piney Woods-Sugar On Fire. Samantha Adams, owner and handler.*
*2d-LIZARD CREEK'S ALL ZOOM, F1710164, pointer female, by Grouse Hill Rambo-All On. Marissa Everett, owner; Bobby Eckert, handler.*
*3d-KELLY'S RAINBOW SPEC, F1705577, setter male, by Long Gone Wallace-Shepherd's Clair. Kelly Shepherd, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*

**OPEN WALKING SHOOTING DOG**
**– 5 Pointers, 11 Setters, and 1 German Shorthair**

*1st-DOUBLE DEUCE MILES, F1691405, pointer male, by Double Deuce Zeke-Bucket List Bella. Douglas E. McMillen Jr., owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*
*2d-MILLERS DUSTY VERSION, F1706290, pointer female, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Miller's Special Edition. Mike Husenits, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*
*3d-BACKWOODS DINE & DASH, F1718950, pointer male, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Justin Mason, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*

**Judges: Andy Bogar and Jeff Currier**
**OPEN DERBY**
**– 4 Pointers, 1 Setter, and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-GAMBLES CAPE CORA, F1727440, pointer female, by Haney's All In-Ramey's Elhew Sunny McGee. Joe Gamble, owner; Matt Basilone, handler.*
*2d-CALICO'S LEATHER & LACE, F1722160, pointer female, by Haney's All In-Calico's Guns N Roses. Alex & Tiffani Smith & Calico Kennels, owners; Alex Smith, handler.*
*3d-FORT RIVER'S JUAN SOLO, F1724206, setter male, by Fort River's Lucky Charm-Zorra's Hidden Shamrock. Gary Tavares, owner; Matt Basilone, handler.*

***Amateur Shooting Dog: Miller's Sweet Talking Candy with Dave McKay, Calico's Country Strong with Brayden Smith, and Gunnar VII with Ed McCay. (Behind, standing): Liz, Jeff Currier (judge), Frank Henderson, Matt Basilone, and Andy Bogar (judge).***

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**
**– 11 Pointers, 2 Brittanys, and 3 Irish Setters**

*1st-MILLER'S SWEET TALKING CANDY, F1690152, pointer female, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Erin's Cedar. Joseph McHugh, owner; Dave McKay, handler.*
*2d-CALICO'S COUNTRY STRONG, F1679850, pointer female, by Waybetter Rocky-Calico's Touch of Class. Calico Kennels & Alex & Tiffani Smith, owners; Brayden Smith, handler.*
*3d-GUNNAR VII, F1701764, Brittany male, by Stonewalls Redwing Legend-Ridge Top Mia. Megan McCay, owner; Ed McCay, handler.*

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# NEW ENGLAND BIRD DOG CLUB

***Fall Trial***

**By Kelly Hays | Dummer, New Hampshire | August 29, 2026**

Both days had great weather, cooler than previous years, especially in the morning. We were light on Puppy entries and some Derby entries; however, both days of Shooting Dog stakes were filled with some of the best competitive shooting dogs in northern New England.

The Open Puppy Stake began at 7:30 a.m. on August 29 with a very light entry of four dogs. The blue goes to Niantic River Amber, owned by Dave Phillips and handled by Adam Dubriske. The red goes to "Flash", owned and handled by Brian Dix.

The Open Derby was also light on entries. First went to Hog Hill Axis Sally, owned and handled by Brian Dix; second went to Just Little Mac, owned and handled by Frank Joyal; and third went to Hog Hill Sparkling Diamond, owned and handled by Doug Dix.

The Open Shooting Dog saw 25 entries, which kept us busy with the task of staying on course to finish the day. First place was presented to Rock Solid Ronnie, owned and handled by Brian Dix; "Ronnie" scored a mannerly woodcock find after many braces had gone through. Second place went to Lightning Flash Remington, owned and handled by Brian Dix; third went to Henry's SusieQ Dot, owned and handled by Dave Theroux.

***Lightning Flash Remington with the Dix twins and judge Jimmy Levesque.***

The Gun Dog Stake was exciting as the first brace out; Nick Hamel's dog Bauer had a nice grouse find in the pines, five minutes past the breakaway. His efforts were worth it as he was granted first place. Second place was awarded to "Waylon," a very handsome GSP owned and handled by Noah Taveres. Third place was given to "Stitch," owned and handled by Gregg Elliot.

The Open Derby on Sunday awarded first place to BraeVal Torrin, owned and handled by Gregor McCluskey; second place to Annie Machia, owned and handled by Patrick Machia; and third place to Full Moon's Riptide, owned and handled by Frank Joyal.

The Open Shooting Dog on Sunday, another full entry of 22 dogs. First place went to BraeVal Rory, owned and handled by Gregor McCluskey; second place went to Hog Hill FAFO, owned and handled by Brian Dix; third place to Lightning Flash Remington, owned and handled by Brian Dix.

**Dummer, N. H., August 29**
**Judges: Bob Arkley and David Theroux**
**OPEN PUPPY – 1 Pointer and 3 Setters**

*1st-NIANTIC RIVER AMBER, F1727667, setter female, by Tomoka-Little Hawk. David Phillips, owner; Adam Dubriske, handler.*
*2d-FLASH, unreg., setter male, breeding not given. Brian Dix, owner and handler.*
*Judges: Bob Arkley and David Theroux*

**OPEN DERBY – 1 Pointer and 3 Setters**

*1st-HOG HILL AXIS SALLY, F1725084, pointer female, by Indian Creek Spur-Little Miss Margaret. Brian Dix, owner and handler.*
*2d-JUST LITTLE MACK, F1732096, pointer male, by Swampfox Just Bruce-Bear Creek Rebellion. Frank & Cristin Joyal, owners.*

**Judges: Tim Kisieleski and Jimmy Levesque**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**
**– 8 Pointers, 16 Setters, and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-ROCK SOLID RONNIE, F1700176, setter female, by Lightning Flash Remington-Grouse Ridge Lazer. Brian Dix, owner and handler.*
*2d-LIGHTNING FLASH REMINGTON, F1687367, setter male, by Denco's Crockett Again-Arctic Tundra Bird Dog. Brian Dix, owner and handler.*
*3d-HENRY'S SUSIEQ DOT, F1680901, setter female, by Henry of Ferguson-Blossom's Pale Face Susieq. David Theroux, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Adam Dubriske and David Theroux**
**OPEN DERBY – 4 Pointers and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-BRAEVAL TORRIN, F1722755, Irish setter male, by Braeval Rory-Foxy Lady Sadie. Gregor McCluskey, owner and handler.*
*2d-ANNIE MACHIA, F1723074, pointer female, by Dragonfly-Buffalo Junction Holly. Patrick Machia, owner and handler.*

***Open Derby (l-r): Hog Hill Axis Sally with Liam Dix, Just Little Mac with Frank Joyal, and Hog Hill Sparling Diamond with Doug Dix. (Standing): Judges Bob Arkley and David Theroux.***

***Open Shooting Dog (l-r): Rock Solid Ronnie with Lucas Dix and Brian Dix, Lightning Flash Remington with Liam Dix, and Henry's Susieq Dot with judge Jimmy Levesque.***

***Open Derby (l-r): BraeVal Torrin with Gregor McCluskey, Annie Machia with Patrick Machia, and Full Moon's Riptide with Frank Joyal.***

**Judges: Jimmie Levesque and Jamie Welsh**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**
**– 7 Pointers, 12 Setters, 2 Brittanys, and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-BRAEVAL RORY, F1700621, Irish setter male, by Braeval Ghillie-Braeval Skye. Gregor McCluskey, owner and handler.*

*2d-HOG HILL FAFO, F1711945, pointer male, by Tattle Tailer-Ms. Antebellum. Brian Dix, owner and handler.*

*3d-LIGHTNING FLASH REMINGTON, F1687367, setter male, by Denco's Crockett Again-Arctic Tundra Bird Dog. Brian Dix, owner and handler.*

***Open Shooting Dog (l-r): Braeval Rory with Gregor McCluskey, Hog Hill FAFO with Brian Dix, and Lightning Flash Remington with Lucas and Liam Dix. (Standing): Judges Jamie Welsh and Jimmy Levesque.***

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# REGION 14 (AFTCA) AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

## *Twice The Dream Named Champion; Redy Or Not, Runner-up*

**By Andrew Baisley | Kirkpatrick Lake, Alberta | September 4, 2026**

***Region 14 Amateur Shooting Dog Championship (foreground): Colin Kennedy, Austin Turley with Twice The Dream, Ryan Jones with Ready Or Not, and Keith Anderson. (Behind, l-r): Aiden and Ashley MacDonald, Madison, Linda and John Raymond, Jeanette Heise, Curtis Raymond, Michelle Turley, Lou Qualtiere, Kelly Anderson, Andrew Baisley (judge), Sheldon Rogers (judge), Lisa, Ben, Rhyer and Raya Bozak. Camp Corgi drawn to the Purina.***

The Region 14 Amateur Shooting Dog Championship was contested September 4, south of Kirkpatrick Lake, Alberta, run in one-hour heats over native prairie chicken and Hungarian partridge across six hard-fought braces, the field trimmed to 12 dogs after a handful of last-minute emergency scratches just before the draw. This year marks the 62nd anniversary of trials being run from this camp, ground steeped in as much history as any this Regional Championship event has called home. The course casts out across true native prairie interspersed with bluffs, a true blessing for judges looking to sort out which dogs can take a line, commit to an objective, and string it all together efficiently. Fall was unmistakably in the air. Hayfields lay half shorn of their last cut, wedges of geese cackled their way south overhead, and the first cold breath out of the north was already at everyone's collar as the championship got underway. Highs held around 20 until the sun finally broke free near noon. Heading into the final two braces, a hard cold front rolled through, and the mercury settled for good, and the balance of the weekend played out under a lid of mist and fog the sun never managed to totally burn off. The championship served as the traditional curtain raiser to the Big Country Field Trial Club's three-day trial, which followed on the neighboring grounds September 5-7.

Twice The Dream, the female setter handled by Colin Kennedy, was crowned champion with a run that was pure class from post to post. She piled up two handsome finds and wore her character on game with real authority, and though she ran a shade too wild for her handler's liking at times, she always found her way home to the objectives that counted. Runner-up champion went to Ready or Not, the female pointer handled by Keith Anderson, who opened cautiously before a nice piece of work on a relocate got her rolling, and closed with a second-half surge that had her filling the country and hitting her marks all the way to the wire. The course gave both dogs a true test, one that rewards tight handling and hard hunting in equal measure, and each made the most of the chance to show what a big-going shooting dog can do.

The championship was placed in capable hands, with Sheldon Rogers of Saskatchewan and Andrew Baisley of Alberta sharing the judging

duties.

Thanks go out to Purina for sponsoring the event, and to the club's gracious landowners for opening their ground to the sport: the Scoville, Crowle, Nelson, Didora, and Suntjens families. Thanks as well to everyone who stepped up to make the championship run smoothly, from those who provided horses for the judges to the crews who saw to set up, cooking, marshaling, driving the dog wagons, and laying out the courses.

### *The Winners and Others*

Twice The Dream cut an impressive figure across the native prairie, threading the interspersed bluffs with real snap to her cast and a nose that never quit working. Both of her finds were handled with the kind of poise judges remember: birds pinned, wings up, all business. She had her moments of running a shade too far out ahead of Kennedy for comfort, but she always answered the call, swinging back into the course and the objectives in front of her right when it mattered most.

Ready or Not, the pointer under Keith Anderson, needed a few minutes to find her feet, but once she did there was no looking back. A well-handled relocate turned a promising point into a solid piece of bird work, and from there she came alive, stretching into the second half of her hour with real purpose and finishing strong enough to leave no doubt she'd earned the runner-up championship.

### *The Running*

Ready or Not (K. Anderson) – Touch's Cowboy's Work (A. Turley). The second brace belonged to Ready or Not from the drop of the flag. At 35, she settled in behind Touch's Cowboy's Work for a clean back. Sent on again at 40, she was handled to a relocate that turned into a find worth having, producing a bird cleanly for Anderson. She finished out her hour stretched to the front across a big open hayfield, covering country with real purpose.

Twice The Dream (C. Kennedy) – Touch's Amazing Greyce (A. Turley). The third brace was all Twice The Dream. Touch's Amazing Greyce came up empty on a relocate and was picked up. Kennedy's setter broke away with a big, powerful cast and never let up, showing exceptional character on game all hour and standing her birds staunchly at 50 and 60 yards, further out than most dogs care to commit. Her first find, at 10, was actually picked up first by bracemate's handler Turley, and produced a nice covey of about six birds. Her second, in another small depression thick with cover, came at 35 and produced a pair of sharptails.

Birds were pretty good, giving most dogs an opportunity. About half of the dogs were picked up for a breach of manners on their opportunity and a few for not pleasing their handlers. And a few made it through the hour but finished birdless.

**Kirkpatrick Lake, Alberta, September 4**
**Judges: Sheldon Rogers and Andrew Baisley**
**REGION 14 AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats]**
**- 11 Pointers and 1 Setter**

*Winner-TWICE THE DREAM, F1686662, setter female, by P W Sunrise-Annie Mountain Breeze. Colin Kennedy, owner and handler.*
*Runner-Up-READY OR NOT, F1708651, pointer female, by Seranoa's Valley Below-Affinity. Keith Anderson, owner and handler.*

## Big Country Field Trial Club

**Kirkpatrick Lake, Alberta, September 5**
**Judges: Ryan Jones and Louis Qualtiere**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**
**– 8 Pointers and 2 Brittanys**

*1st-READY OR NOT, F1708651, pointer female, by Seranoa's Valley Below-Affinity. Keith Anderson, owner and handler.*
*2d-GUNDRIFTER, F1698029, pointer male, by Touch's Diamante-Ten Oaks Annie A. Rodney John Raymond, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Sig Guggenmoos and Austin Turley**
**OPEN DERBY – 3 Pointers**

*1st-EM REBEL RYE, unreg., pointer male, by Touch's Diamante-Ten Oaks Annie A. Ryan Jones, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Andrew Baisley and Sig Guggenmoos**
**HAUK MEMORIAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**
**– 8 Pointers and 1 Setter**

*1st-READY OR NOT, F1708651, pointer female, by Seranoa's Valley Below-Affinity. Keith Anderson, owner and handler.*
*2d-TEN OAKS MAGGIE MAE, F1697901, pointer female, by Touch's Diamante-Ten Oaks Annie A. Jeanette Heise & Lou Qualtiere, owners; Lou Qualtiere, handler.*
*3d-BELLS YELLOWSTONE PRIDE, F1687338, pointer female, by Touch's Diamante-Bellita. Keith Anderson, owner and handler.*

**AMATEUR DERBY – 3 Pointers**

*1st-EM HILL BILLY BONE, unreg., pointer male, by The Alberta Clipper-EM One Hit Wonder. Ryan Jones, owner and handler.*

# ALL-AMERICA OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

***Minnesota Red Confidence Named Champion; Erin's Legacy, Runner-up***

**By Lance Schulz | Carson, North Dakota | September 7, 2026**

***All-America Open Shooting Dog Championship (front row): Jason Loper holding Champion Minnesota Red Confidence. (Back row): Shawn Kinkelaar, Rachel Graffam, Jessie Graffam, Avery-Jane Graffam, Tommy Rice III, Trisha Rentz (judge), Solon Rice, Joe Rentz (judge), and Lance Schulz. [Not pictured: Judd Carlton and Runner-up Champion Erin's Legacy].***

The North Dakota Pointing Dog Club hosted the All-America Open Shooting Dog Championship and Open Derby Trial starting on Labor Day, 2026, near Raleigh, North Dakota. The Open Derby drew 18 entries, while the Championship attracted an impressive field of 54 dogs. The event started at sunup Monday morning with the running of the Derby stake. It was a competitive stake, with every brace having bird work. The placing dogs were: 1st Place, Erin's Top Shelf (PM); 2nd Place, Hale's Thorny Creek (PF); and 3rd Place, HH Lightning Khaki (PF). Tuesday morning brought the broke dogs competing in the Open Shooting Dog Championship, which concluded on Saturday, September 12. The placing dogs were Champion Minnesota Red Confidence (PM), handled by Tommy Rice III and owned by Rylee Ann Wood of Blaine, Minnesota, and Runner-up Champion Erin's Legacy (ESM), handled by Judd Carlton and owned by Dennis Beauford of Troy, South Carolina.

The North Dakota prairie again provided a demanding stage for the 2026 All-America Open Shooting Dog Championship. Across changing conditions from calm, cool mornings to strong winds and afternoon temperatures approaching 85 degrees, the field was tested on sharp-tail grouse, Hungarian partridge, and pheasants.

The event is possible only through the extraordinary generosity of the Miller, Stewart, Hartman, and Bachmeier families, who graciously open their land to showcase these dogs. Their hospitality and continued support are essential to the success of this long-standing Championship, and we extend our sincere appreciation to each family for helping preserve and promote the tradition of field trials on the North Dakota prairie. To thank them personally, a Landowners' Appreciation Dinner was held Wednesday evening, attracting nearly 60 people to the Branded Bar & Grill at nearby Flasher, North Dakota. The presence of all the landowners made it a special occasion for handlers, scouts, dog owners, and attendees alike, providing a chance to express personal thanks for their generous support. With the dry conditions they faced this summer, each landowner still encouraged Shawn to proceed with the trial. Support like this is typical of the North Dakota nice mentality.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Purina for its generous sponsorship and for providing Pro Plan Sport 30/20 High Protein Dog Food to all placing dogs. Purina's continued support helps "fuel" not only the canine athletes whose performances define the trial, but also the quality, tradition, and prestige of our sport.

The trial ran as efficiently as ever, with the help of a few individuals. A heartfelt thanks goes out to them: our club members, judges, dog wagon drivers, and marshals, including Jason Hayes, Shawn Kinkelaar, Joe Runyan, Lance Schulz, Doug Swingley, and David Taylor.

One of the trial's most memorable moments occurred in Brace 7 of the Championship. Within the first minute after the breakaway, both dogs were found standing. The handlers moved in and flushed a covey of more than 30 Hungarian partridge, the largest this reporter has witnessed during his 15+ years covering this trial. Just one minute later, the dogs pointed again, this time producing a covey of more than 40 sharp-tailed grouse. It was a remarkable sight. With the sun shining over our shoulders, its light caught the brilliant colors of the birds' wings as they rose from the prairie and took flight.

The reporter recorded 27 finds and seven stop-to-flush situations during the Championship. Of those 27 finds, more than 75 percent involved coveys of sharp-tailed grouse or Hungarian partridge.

The Championship's most complete bird-finding performance came from Minnesota Red Confidence in Brace 2. After an

early unproductive, Red produced four finds at 28, 40, 52 and 56. The sequence, distribution of finds, and strong finish made the brace one of the clearest benchmarks of the stake. Erin's Legacy in Brace 13 was notably stronger on the ground, and with one productive find combined with the one nonproductive situation, Legacy was awarded Runner-up Champion.

Other notable efforts included Airstrip's Game Over in Brace 3. Game Over had a good prairie performance with bird work but required more assistance from the scout than the named runner-up champion. Ramblin Rivers Unplugged's strong and expansive forward prairie race in Brace 19 had many high in their saddle, hoping the liver and white female could score a find while under judgment; Touch's Steely Dan's covey find under heavy wind in Brace 22 was testament to his powerful nose; and Dezasterous Silver Bandit's bird work on a scattered covey in the final reported brace was an impressive piece of bird work.

Below is the reporter's brace report for the Open Shooting Dog Championship, capturing finds, stop-to-flush, unproductive, cack, and picked-up perspectives. While the finds and STFs were confirmed with the judges, please note that these reports are not reflective of the overall performance of each dog but rather represent their activity around game.

**Brace-by-Brace Report**

Brace 1, 6:30 a.m.: Chelsea's Mae West (PF/Kinkelaar) and LMD's Can't Touch This (ESM/Moore). Conditions: 57°F; scattered clouds; calm winds. LMD backed at 10. Mae West was credited with an unproductive at 12 after no bird could be produced. Mae West then recorded her first find at 15 on a six-bird covey and added a second find at 17. Both handlers elected to pick their dogs up at the 20-minute mark.

Brace 2, 6:58 a.m.: Dominators Rebel Mark (PM/Carlton) and Minnesota Red Confidence (PM/Rice III). Conditions: 57°F; a few scattered clouds; calm winds. Red had an unproductive at 18, with Rebel Mark backing. Red followed with finds at 28, with Rebel Mark backing. Red scored another find at 40. At 52, Red recorded a third find, and Rebel Mark supplied his third back of the brace. Red added a fourth find at 56, completing a productive hour marked by evenly spaced bird work. Both dogs finished the hour.

Brace 3, 8:05 a.m.: Silver W Hot Pink (PF/Kinkelaar) and Airstrip's Game Over (PF/Moore). Conditions: 57°F; clear skies; calm winds. Pink opened the bird work at 6 on a single pheasant. Game Over answered at 7 on a six-bird covey and added a second find at 11. Pink went on point at 10 but couldn't produce the birds. For reporting, not judging, purposes, one could consider Game Over's birds at the 11-minute mark to be Pink's birds, which were pointed and flushed approximately 100 yards in front of where Pink originally pointed. Again, this is not a contradiction of judgment but an observation, as all who hunt or trial on wild birds know they become wise to a dog pointing them. Pink was found near time in a known pheasant spot close to camp and unfortunately was charged with her second nonproductive. Not to be outdone, Game Over had a very good forward race, and the judges kept her in the conversation until late in the stake. The judges commented that Game Over was right there but lacked the forwardness that the runner-up champion displayed. Very encouraging for the handler and its owner.

Brace 4, 10:30 a.m.: Erin's Copper Colt (PM/Carlton) and Big Man On Campus (PM/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 70°F; winds 20 mph, gusting to 36 mph. The difficult wind and rapidly warming conditions shortened the brace. Both dogs were picked up at 15.

Brace 5, 11:05 a.m.: Thunder Bolt's Storm (PF/Kinkelaar) and Ramblin Rivers Natural (PM/Gingrich). Conditions: 74°F; winds 20 mph, gusting to 36 mph. Storm was picked up shortly after breakaway. Natural was picked up around the 40-minute mark due to a blown pad. Heat Advisory finished the hour with a strong forward prairie ground race but had no bird work.

Brace 6, 11:55 a.m.: Miller's Heat Advisory (PM/Carlton) and Upfront's Hammer Down (PM/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 74°F; winds 20 mph, gusting to 36 mph. Hammer Down was picked up shortly after breakaway. Heat Advisory finished the hour with a strong forward prairie ground race but did not have any bird work.

Brace 7, 6:28 a.m.: Red Mesa's Urban Legend (PM/Gingrich) and Standing Rock Chief (PM/Rice III). Conditions: 52°F; clear. Both dogs shared a divided find at 1 on a tidy covey of Hungarian partridge. At 5, Urban Legend was found standing a large covey of Huns and remained staunch throughout the flush. The bracemate was picked up following a breach of manners. Urban Legend recorded an unproductive at 14 and was picked up at 30.

Brace 8, 7:15 a.m.: Pineywoods Wildfire (PF/Rice III) and Shagtime Sunny (ESM/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 53°F; clear. Sunny recorded an unproductive at 27. Both handlers elected to pick up at 33.

Brace 9, 7:55 a.m.: Como Skyline (PM/Hurdle) and Hale's Southern Flyer (PF/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 54°F; clear; winds building to 15–20 mph. Both dogs were credited with bird work at 3. Skyline was picked up at 5 for breach of manners on birds. Southern Flyer added a second find at 7 before being picked up at 20.

Brace 10, 9:35 a.m.: Georgian (PM/Kinkelaar) and Oklahoma Legacy (PM/Cochran). Conditions: 59°F; clear and breezy. Legacy bumped birds at 8, thus ending his bid for the Championship, followed by Georgian with a stop-to-flush at 9. Georgian was picked up at 20.

Brace 11, 10:15 a.m.: Melrose Big John (PM/Chastain) and Cheap Thrill (PF/Rice III). Conditions: 66°F; clear.

Big John recorded an unproductive at 14. At 35, Cheap Thrill produced a covey of sharp-tailed grouse. Big John had a stop-to-flush at 37 and was credited with bird work at 43 when pheasants were flushed. At 57, Cheap Thrill's scout called point; the birds had already left by the time the handler and judge arrived, so no find was credited. Both dogs finished the hour.

Brace 12, 11:35 a.m.: Winston Churchill Rentz (PM/Burson) and Just Sayin (PM/Rice III). Conditions: 72°F; a few clouds. Rentz recorded a find at 10. Just Sayin was picked up at 18, and Rentz at 35.

Brace 13, 6:30 a.m.: Erin's Legacy (ESM/Carlton) and Silver W Ringafire (PF/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 49°F; high clouds. Ringafire began quickly with a find at 3 and an unproductive at 4, then was picked up at 30. Erin's Legacy produced bird work at 44 and had an unproductive at 53. Erin's Legacy finished the hour and was named runner-up champion. The report on Legacy is short, but as the saying goes, "The numbers are not the important part; it's the dash!" Legacy's "dash" defined a strong forward prairie ground performance. Per the judges, Legacy had a stronger ground performance than the named champion. However, the named champion was smooth all 60 minutes with evenly spaced bird work throughout the hour. Nonetheless, Legacy was impressive on the ground and displayed satisfactory manners on game.

Brace 14, 7:00 a.m.: Bluegrass Punchline Lilly (PF/Rice III) and Juggernaut (PM/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 50°F; a few scattered clouds; calm winds. At 7, Lilly established point in a thicket. Her handler gathered her and elected to move on because the situation may have involved a porcupine. Juggernaut recorded two unproductives—the first at 15 and the second at the 30-minute mark, with Lilly backing at 30. Both dogs were picked up at that point.

Brace 15, 7:37 a.m.: Sunset Jack (PM/Carlton) and CS Haymaker (PF/Hurdle). Conditions: 58°F; mostly clear. Haymaker recorded an unproductive at 20. Sunset Jack was picked up at 56. Haymaker finished the hour.

Brace 16, 10:23 a.m.: White Privilege (PM/Kinkelaar) and Red Mesa's Second Line (PM/Gingrich). Conditions: 70°F; clear. With the heat becoming a factor, both dogs were picked up at 25.

Brace 17, 10:55 a.m.: Panther Creek Driving Force (PM/Carlton) and Upfront's Pastime (PM/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 75°F; clear. Driving Force suffered a breach of manners on a pheasant at 25. Pastime was picked up at 30 with a strong forward race up to that time. Being a first-year dog and running in this heat and wind, his handler commented, "We do not want to do anything to make him go backwards in his development."

Brace 18, 12:35 p.m.: Erin's Ikon (ESM/Gingrich) and Erin's Three Amigos (PM/Carlton). Conditions: 79°F; high clouds. Three Amigos found a covey in alfalfa at 13. Ikon followed with a find at 15 in a ditch crossing. Three Amigos scored a stop-to-flush at 18, after which the handler elected to pick up. Ikon encountered another limb situation at 28, but no bird could be produced and was charged with an unproductive at 34 before being picked up.

Brace 19, 6:30 a.m.: Ramblin Rivers Unplugged (PF/Gingrich) and Outer Edge Jack (PM/Moore). Conditions: 57°F; high overcast; light winds. Unplugged delivered a notably strong prairie ground race but went without bird contact. It is noted that 20 seconds after time was called, Unplugged was seen standing, and upon the handler going to her, two sharp-tail grouse did flush. Sometimes you need a little luck to go your way, but I know the handler was pleased to hold on to this bigger running dog for 60 minutes. Jack also showed a pleasing shooting dog race, likewise without birds.

Brace 20, 7:43 a.m.: Erin's Super Cruiser (PM/Rice III) and Laura Pergolizzi (PF/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 58°F; winds 15–20 mph. Laura Pergolizzi made an impressive move at the Hartman Road crossing, took the edge, and went on point at 3. Several relocation attempts failed to produce a bird. Cruiser neglected a back at 17 and was picked up. Laura Pergolizzi neglected a stop-to-flush at 23 and was also picked up.

Brace 21, 8:15 a.m.: Hale's Southern Rock (PF/Kinkelaar) and Red Mesa's Family Tradition (PM/Gingrich). Conditions: 60°F; winds 15–20 mph

Southern Rock was picked up at 15 after neglecting a stop-to-flush. Family Tradition finished with a strong final 25 minutes without bird work.

Brace 22, 10:10 a.m.: CS Snap Dragon (PF/Hurdle) and Touch's Steely Dan (PM/Moore). Conditions: 64°F; high scattered clouds; winds 20–30 mph with stronger gusts. Snap Dragon recorded a nonproductive at 37. Steely Dan produced a covey of approximately 10 sharpies at 43. Snap Dragon had a second nonproductive at 58, with Dan backing. Dan finished the hour.

Brace 23, 11:15 a.m.: Ramblin Rivers Double Dot (PF/Gingrich) and C S Code Blue (PM/Hurdle). Conditions: 63°F; high scattered clouds; winds 25–35 mph. Code Blue found two sharpies in the Miller's alfalfa field at 12. A foot injury ended Blue's bid at 23. Double Dot was picked up at 58 also because of pad trouble. Can one correlate hot, windy, dry conditions to pad issues??

Brace 24, 12:20 p.m.: Cactus Jet Modelo (ESF/Cochran) and Upfront's County Seat (PF/Kinkelaar). Conditions: 77°F; very few clouds; winds 25–35 mph. Modelo was picked up at 25 for getting off course. County Seat recorded a find at 24, followed by unproductives at 26 and 32, as the wind made scenting very challenging.

Brace 25, 6:30 a.m.: Prairie Woods Lone Survivor (PM/Gingrich) and Rester's Cajun Justice (PM/Hurdle). Conditions: 46°F; slightly

overcast; calm. At 6, Lone Survivor had a stop-to-flush and remained in place. Cajun Justice went with the birds, ending his championship bid. Lone Survivor was picked up at 32.

Brace 26, 7:34 a.m.: Valero (PF/Kinkelaar) and HH Smokeshow (PF/Graffam). Conditions: 46°F; high overcast; light winds. Smokeshow opened with a find at 4 on a covey of sharp-tailed grouse. Valero recorded unproductives at 12 and 22. Smokeshow had a nonproductive at 15 near the double gate; a limb find location that would have made for an impressive find had birds been produced. Later, Smokeshow knocked a pheasant on the Hartman sidehill, bringing the effort to an end.

Brace 27, 7:58 a.m.: Dezasterous

***Open Derby (front row): Lance Schulz, Judd Carlton, Squire Lee with Erin's Top Shelf, Jason Hayes with Hale's Thorny Creek, and Justin Burson with HH Lightning Khaki. (Back row): Rob Englert (judge), Dylan Reneau, Todd Manns (judge), Shawn Kinkelaar, Jessie Graffam, Avery-Jane Graffam, Rachel Graffam, and Terry Chastain Jr.***

Silver Bandit (PM/Gingrich) and Piney Woods Legacy (PM/Rice III). Conditions: approximately 54°F; scattered clouds; slight breeze. Legacy was picked up at 10. Silver Bandit found a scattered covey of seven sharpies at 14. Silver Bandit finished the hour.

**Carson, N. D., September 7**
**Judges: Joe Rentz and Trisha Rentz**
**ALL-AMERICA OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats]**
**– 50 Pointers and 4 Setters**

*Winner-MINNESOTA RED CONFIDENCE, F1702232, pointer male, by True Confidence-Red Sunshine. Rylee Ann Wood, owner; Tommy Rice III, handler.*

*Runner-Up-ERIN'S LEGACY, F1715866, setter male, by Erin's Hidden Shamrock-Erin's Princess Rene. Dennis Beauford, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.*

**Judges: Rob Englert and Todd Manns**
**OPEN DERBY – 23 Pointers**

*1st-ERIN'S TOP SHELF, F1722469, pointer male, by Erin's Mighty Quinn-Erin's Speed Demon. Kent Cantrell, owner; Judd Carlton, handler.*

*2d-HALE'S THORNY CREEK, F1727724, setter female, by Haney's Silver Dollar-Hale's High Flyer. Jeffrey Hale, owner; Shawn Kinkelaar, handler.*

*3d-HH LIGHTNING KHAKI, F1724371, pointer female, by Miller's Blindsider-T S Dixie Heir. Gordon Mooney, owner; Jessie Graffam, handler.*

# BLACK MOSHANNON FIELD CLUB

***Fall Trial***

**By Jeff Keller | Phillipsburg, Pennsylvania | September 11, 2026**

The Black Moshannon Trial Club held its fall trial in early September at the Black Moshannon State Forest trial grounds. The stakes were Open Shooting Dog, Open Derby, Amateur Shooting Dog, and Open Puppy.

Friday morning, we left the boat launch at 7:30, with the first brace of the Open Shooting Dog starting on Course 2 at 7:45. With the day being hot and dry, very few birds were moved, but several dogs had good runs to be considered if callbacks were needed. Saturday morning, we started on Course 2 again with similar weather. On Course 3, both Gracie Ballroom Star (Robert Ecker) and "Lefty" (Marc Forman) had strong runs but were not able to come in contact with any birds on the hilly course. Then on the newly designed Course 3B, "Scotch" (Marc Forman) pinned a woodcock shortly after leaving the tight cover at the beginning of the course.

On Course 5, Midnight Coal went missing, leaving "Sal" (Marc Forman)

***Open Shooting Dog (front row): Deb Nihart with Timberdoodle Sal, Marc Forman with S+L Scotch, and Robert Ecker with Gracie Ballroom Star. (Back row): Judges Jeff Keller and Rob Boos.***

the final 20 minutes of the course to herself. Just after the road crossing, she pinned a woodcock in thick cover but was perfect on her manners during a tough flush. With no further bird contacts as the day warmed up, Gracie Star was called back with Lefty in reserve. Gracie was perfect on her quail, and the stake was ended. The judges' decision was first to Sal, second to Scotch, and third to Gracie Star.

Saturday afternoon, as the Open Shooting Dog finished up, judges Marissa and Dean Everett started the Open Derby on Course 6B. On Course 7B, "Star" (Robert Ecker) ran a strong race without any bird work to put herself into contention. On Course 2B, "Lola" (Deb Nihart) ran an easy-handling, strong forward race, but again no birds in the 70+ dry conditions. Then, as the last brace was breaking away on Course 3B, we started to get a light rain. "Willow" (Robert Ecker) took advantage of the changing conditions with a big run and a grouse at the 20-minute mark, just before the skies opened up. As conditions worsened with thunder, the judges decided to place dogs on race. First went to Willow, second to Lola (Deb's first derby placement), and third to Star.

With rain overnight, conditions were much better for the start of the Amateur Shooting Dog. Again, leaving the boat launch at 7:30, the first brace broke away on Course 4. Ash Creektug put down a strong race with a woodcock on Course 5B down in the swamp near the airport fence. Several grouse were also heard that brace, but none handled. On Course

***Open Derby (front row): Seph Renner with Miss Willow Mae, Deb Nihart with Mountain Top Lola, and Robert Ecker with Sunrise Double Barrell Star. (Back row): Judges Dean and Marissa Everett.***

***Amateur Shooting Dog (front row): Jerry Burke with Ash Creektug, Art Bruno with Bruno's Piney Run Pearl, and Dan Everett with Lizard Creek's One Too Many. (Back row): Judges George Hetrick and Bill Drawl.***

***Open Puppy (front row): Robert Ecker with Sager Gulf Memories, Marissa Everett with Lizard Creeks All Riled Up, and Dave Reberchak with Keystone Crack'n Ice. (Back row): Jeff Sample and judges Tom Kieffer and Bob Stine.***

6, "Tipper" (Dean Everett) stopped in the old aspen cut. Not putting up a bird, Tipper was relocated and this time held high and tight as Dean flushed a woodcock. Then on Course 7, just as the dogs crossed the first creek, "Pearl" (Art Bruno) stopped hard and was perfect on a woodcock. After some debate, judges George Hetrick and Bill Drawl announced their decision: Tug took first, Pearl second, and Tipper third.

**Philipsburg, Pa., September 11**
**Judges: Rob Boos and Jeff Keller**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG – 42 Entries**

*1st-TIMBERDOODLE SAL, F1695198, pointer female, by Wynot Atom-Wild Apple Snake Charmed. Deb Nihart, owner; Marc Forman, handler.*
*2d-S+L SCOTCH, F1706581, setter male, by Shady Hills Whiskey Bonfire-Shine's Breezy Lombardo. Rollin Swank & John Lombardo, owners; Marc Forman, handler.*
*3d-GRACIE BALLROOM STAR, F1694839, setter female, by Sunrise Star-Lucy Two Star. George Najor, owner; Robert Ecker, handler.*

**Judges: Dean Everett and Marissa Everett**
**OPEN DERBY**
**– 1 Pointer, 13 Setters, and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-MISS WILLOW MAE, F1722734, setter female, by Grouse Hill Bullet Proof-Shady Hills Panda Bear. Seph Renner, owner; Robert Ecker, handler.*
*2d-MOUNTAIN TOP LOLA, F1719629, setter female, by Shady Hills Whiskey Bonfire-Mac's Mississippi. Jeffrey Keller, owner; Deb Nihart, handler.*
*3d-SUNRISE DOUBLE BARRELL STAR, F1721031, setter male, by Sunrise Star-Mia Star. George Najor, owner; Robert Ecker, handler.*

**Judges: William Drawl and George Hetrick**
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**
**– 5 Pointers, 7 Setters, 1 Brittany, and 1 Irish Setter**

*1st-ASH CREEKTUG, F1700419, setter male, by Ash Creek Domino-Ash Creek Cloe. Gerard Burke, owner and handler.*
*2d-BRUNO'S PINEY RUN PEARL, F1690605, Brittany female, by Piney Run Jake-Piney Run Candy. Arthur Bruno, owner and handler.*
*3d-LIZARDS CREEK'S ONE TOO MANY, F1705746, setter female, by Chip's Charlie Brown-Rouge River Wing Nut. Marissa Everett, owner; Dean Everett, handler.*

**Judges: Tom Kieffer and Bob Stine**
**OPEN PUPPY – 2 Pointers and 5 Setters**

*1st-SAGER GULF MEMORIES, F1728541, setter male, by Jaike's Jax-Kelly's Rainbow Aspen. Jeffrey & Clare Sample, owners; Robert Ecker, handler.*
*2d-LIZARD CREEKS ALL RILED UP, F1729761, setter female, by Long Island Ice-Lizard Creek's One Too Many. Marissa Everett, owner; Robert Ecker, handler.*
*3d-KEYSTONE CRACK'N ICE, F1729025, pointer male, by Titanium's Hammer-Hifive's Unsweetened Sandy. Dave Reberchak, owner; Robert Ecker, handler.*


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# GREENSBURG POINTER & SETTER CLUB

## *Top Dog Awards Celebration Held*

**By Mike Husenits | Rochester, Pennsylvania | September 11, 2026**

The Fall 2026 running of the Greensburg Pointer and Setter Club semi-annual field trial took place September 11-13 at the grounds of the Beaver Valley Pointer and Setter Club located near Rochester, Pennsylvania. Weather conditions ranged from near ideal for humans but a bit less than ideal for dogs and horses, with temperatures surpassing 80 degrees on at least two of the three days.

Credit for managing the 76-dog entry goes to Justin Mason and

***Open Walking Shooting Dog (l-r): Miller's Special Upgrade with Mark Hughes, Saddled Up Sadie with Tyler Bowser, and Backcountry Fearless with Chris Catanzarite. (Standing): Judges Brian Riggle and Tim McClurg.***

Nick Lasica for their thoughtful planning and precise execution. The trial concluded without a hitch or complaint. Immense credit and sincere thanks also go to Gianna Lasica and Karah Thatcher for providing delicious lunch each day. Special thanks to Kathleen Smith for her help in the kitchen.

Sponsorship support from Purina and Greg Blair is a tremendous reason this club, plus numerous others, survives and thrives. All winners were awarded discount

coupons for Purina dog food. Additionally, Lion Country Supply donated gift certificates for the judges. Thanks for the generous support.

Others made significant contributions by helping wherever needed, including Bob Smith, Reese Carroll, Norm Meeder, Dave Hughes, Tom Butts, and Tyler Bowser, who shared all necessary duties, including bird release, hauling water, transporting dogs and people, and other tasks that required attention. They accomplished all of this using three donated side-by-side UTVs.

Of special note, the Club hosted a Saturday evening Top Dog Awards celebration for last season's Pennsylvania Walking Association winners. The Association sponsored a scrumptious barbecue dinner catered by Mission Barbeque of Cranberry. Association Vice President Nick Lasica recognized all past season's winners and presented owners and handlers with nicely engraved certificates. All winners named will be added to the Hall of Fame display in the Beaver Valley Clubhouse.

The all-important judging assignments were handled professionally and fairly by a panel of active field trial patrons, namely Brian Riggle, Dave Park, Tyler Bowser, Tim McClurg, Paul Tipping and Justin Mason. Their decisions were well received.

The program kicked off Friday with the Open Horseback Derby. Although entries were light, quality was high. Gambles Cape Cora took first, a fancy moving pointer female owned by Joe Gamble and handled by Matt Basilone. Cora laid down a far-reaching front-running ground race and proved quite stylish with fine derby bird work. A pair of littermates bred by Chris Catanzarite took second and third. Backcountry Remi got the nod for second for owner/handler Chris Catanzarite with a derby find, while litter brother Back Country Jetson won third with a strong ground race. Both showed plenty of promise for the future.

***Amateur Shooting Dog (l-r): Double Deuce Miles with Doug McMillen Jr., Hackberry's Elhew Rubee with Deborah Hornek, and Guide Us Rio Bravo with Ronald Guidas.***

The Derby was followed by the Horseback Open Shooting Dog. The winner was multiple champion Backcountry Bruiser, owned and handled by Chris Catanzarite. Bruiser ran far to the forward objectives and was found standing stylishly at 12 along the distant edge. Bruiser held high and tight throughout the flush and shot, then added a second mannerly find and a lone unproductive before speeding to a strong finish. Second was Outlaws Cashn Out, pointer male, owned and handled by Nick Lasica, to a well-directed forward ground heat coupled with a mannerly find, where Cash demonstrated deportment of the highest order. Third was Mac's Evie Wonder, a pointer female owned and handled by Ohio sportsman Tim McClurg. Evie had a well-applied, well-directed ground race combined with a stylish, well-mannered find.

Saturday's running featured the Open Walking Shooting Dog, with a guaranteed purse of $1,500. A highly competitive field of 25 vied for top honors; the winner emerged in Miller's Special Upgrade, a champion pointer female owned by Carlos Escalante and handled by Mark Hughes, in a wide-ranging race that showed the wisdom to hunt the birdy objectives. She notched a pair of perfect finds and finished her stint with a far-reaching cast. Second went to the winning pointer female named Saddled Up Sadie, owned by Joe Cammisa and handled by Mark Hughes. Sadie proved to be the bird-finding star of the stake with a forward, well-applied ground race and stylish, mannerly finds at 15, 20, 25, and 29. Her overall range not quite as wide as the winner. Third was Backcountry Fearless, an orange-marked pointer female owned and handled by Chris Catanzarite, to a well-applied ground heat with a solid find at 15 and another at pick-up, an overall fine performance. This was a quality stake with several others performing well enough to have their hat in the ring at one time or another. In order of appearance, included possibilities were "Walter" with Ron Guidas, "Bruiser" with Chris Catanzarite, "Dusty" with Mark Hughes, followed by "Lucky," "Jack," and "Moose."

Sunday started with the amateur shooting dog stake, a highly competitive event with several performances worth noting. One of the region's top amateur handlers, Doug McMillen Jr., won first place. Double Deuce Miles set the unmatched standard with a fast-paced, stylish, well-applied effort complete with bird work handled to perfection. Second was Hackberry's Elhew Rubee, a classy pointer female owned and handled by Deborah Hrunek, with a medium-range hunting effort and perfect bird work. Rio Bravo, an orange-marked pointer male owned and handled by Ron Guidas, nailed down third with a hard, workmanlike hunting effort and polished bird work on his three finds and lone unproductive.

The final stake was the Open "Gun Dog" shooting dog, which seeks to award recognition to dogs that handle kindly and provide their handlers opportunities that resemble real hunting experiences. This type of competition seems to have grown in popularity in the past several years in the local region. "Whisky," a handsome Vizsla male handled by Ryan Moore, was first on the merits of a hard hunting effort combined with superior bird finding and handling. Second went to a classy pointer female, "Cassie," handled by Deborah Hornek, who covered the ground with sweeping casts and scored multiple well-handled finds. Gabby, a well-conformed pointer female handled by Christy Helms,

***Handler Mark Hughes and Association VP Nick Lasica display season's Top Open Shooting Dog awards for Miller's Special Upgrade and Saddled Up Sadie.***

took third with an eager forward ground effort and impressive bird handling.

**Rochester, Pa., September 11**
**Judges: Dave Park and Brian Riggle**
**OPEN DERBY – 5 Pointers and 1 Setter**

*1st-GAMBLES CAPE CORA, F1727440, pointer female, by Haney's All In-Ramey's Elhew Sunny McGee. Joe Gamble, owner; Matt Basilone, handler.*
*2d-BACKCOUNTRY REMI, F1724439, pointer female, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Chris Catanzarite, owner and handler.*
*3d-BACK COUNTRY JETSON, F1724436, pointer male, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Paul Tipping, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Tyler Bomer and Brian Riggle**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG – 14 Pointers and 1 Setter**

*1st-BACKCOUNTRY BRUISER, F1672645, pointer male, by Erin's War Creek-Backcountry Tornado. Chris Catanzarite, owner and handler.*
*2d-OUTLAWS CASHN OUT, F1713963, pointer male, by Double Deuce Zeke-Braggabull. Nick Lasica, owner and handler.*
*3d-MAC'S EVIE WONDER, F1700896, pointer female, by Mac's Silver Chief-Mac's Silver Shadow. Tim McClurg, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Tim McClurg and Brian Riggle**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**
**– 19 Pointers, 3 Setters, and 3 Brittanys**

*1st-MILLER'S SPECIAL UPGRADE, F1695107, pointer female, by Miller's Upgraded Version-Miller's Special Edition. Carlos Escalante, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*
*2d-SADDLED UP SADIE, F1699757, pointer female, by Double Deuce Zeke-Beaver Meadow Rose. Joe Cammisa, owner; Mark Hughes, handler.*
*3d-BACKCOUNTRY FEARLESS, F1705245, pointer female, by Springflow's Backcountry P-Apple Annie's Sweet Delight. Chris Catanzarite, owner and handler.*

**Judges: Dave Park and Paul Tipping**
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**
**– 8 Pointers and 2 Brittanys**

*1st-DOUBLE DEUCE MILES, F1691405, pointer male, by Double Deuce Zeke-Bucket List Bella. Doug McMillen Jr., owner and handler.*
*2d-HACKBERRY'S ELHEW RUBEE, F1704631, pointer female, by Hackberry's Elhew Falco-Hackberry's Addie Blackhawk. Deborah J. Hronek, owner and handler.*
*3d-GUIDE US RIO BRAVO, F1727973, pointer male, by Double Deuce Zeke-Shady Hills Zeena. Ronald Guidas, owner and handler.*

***Handler Mark Hughes displays Open Derby awards for Evan's Full Throttle and Cerulean Stone.***


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# NORTH AMERICAN WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP

## *Chasehill Wicked Wilma Named Champion; Chasehill Snoop Dog, Runner-up*

**By Jamie Welsh | McAdam, New Brunswick | September 11, 2026**

A special thank you to Robert Little, who graciously passed the reporter's duties to me this season. I made my first trip to New Brunswick 11 years ago while this trial and the preceding weekend stake were hosted at the Palmer Farm and lodging accommodations were at the John Giles Motor Inn, where I met, and have since been fortunate to consider Bob a friend. Robert shared a few of his prior reports with me to ensure that we continue to recognize the history of these championships in the formatter.

In keeping with Bob's traditional opening: "This year's trial represented the 54th running of the North American Woodcock Championship in New Brunswick. For the first number of decades, the trial was held in Havelock, NB, with names like Jack Mayer Sr. and Jr., Bob Buzzell, and, in later years, Mike Jackson and Ian Corbett at the helm. The trial later ran for a few years at Dave Palmer's farm near Nackawic, NB, and since 2016 on courses near McAdam, New Brunswick." I will add for the record that, in this past decade, Robert's contribution of cover, courses, and the foundational relationship with Norm have placed this Championship on firm footing for years to come.

The Maritime Bird Dog Club's leadership, now in their second year fully managing the stake, Donald Henderson and Jonathan Wilkins did a wonderful job managing the logistics and covering the coursework, vehicle movement, meals, and all other aspects of a sound trial. A special thanks to Norm, Flora, and Paulie for graciously continuing to host the field trial community at Hoof and Paw Outfitters. Finally, special thanks to Christopher Clark for sponsoring the pizza dinner on the evening of the draw and Johnathan Wilkins of Piece of Mind Management for sponsoring an excellent steak dinner for handlers on Friday evening.

Thank you also to the sponsors of this year's handler's raffle, whose proceeds support the club's work and the maintenance of the trial grounds: Kyle Price of Feathers and Fins Outfitter, Inukshuk Professional Dog Food, Hoof and Paw Outfitters, the Maritime Bird Dog Club, and Mike Flewelling.

### *The Winners*

In challenging conditions, tough dogs and gritty handlers show what they are made of. Chasehill Wicked Wilma ran a big forward race in the hottest part of the day, with high winds testing the handlers and dogs as they kept track of each other. Braced nicely with a big setter, Fireside Sally Forth, under Adam Dubriske's whistle, Wilma pushed the front, the edge, and everywhere in between to find a woodcock buried in 4-6 foot high grass, prickers, and alders at 44. Standing with a high head and tail and excellent post-flush manners, the dog was collared and brought back, with the handler and judge struggling to get through the cover. The nice setter under Dubriske's whistle made a large cast off the start and was seen going down the power lines at 12 and back with the handler by 17. She ran nicely to the front but was unable to produce a bird. In the preceding brace, Stolgitis handled Chasehill Snoop Dog to two grouse finds in the latter half of the hour (48 and 53), showing exemplary manners on both to cement his position as runner-up. Snoop is a strong dog with plenty of bottom, and he showed it as he concluded the final part of his hour, showing little signs of fatigue. After being released from the second find at 55, he finished strong to the front.

***North American Woodcock Championship (front row): Chasehill Wicked Wilma with John Stolgitis and Chasehill Snoop Dog with Mike Flewelling. (Back row, l-r): Judges Russell Ogilvie and Tom Cullen.***

### *The Running*

Brace 1: Sunkhaze Vera Masardis (PF/Mike Flewelling) and Points North Pour Another ("Quila"/PF/Jamie Welsh) broke away nicely on a cool early September morning in New Brunswick to open the trial. Both dogs applied themselves nicely, showing their grace and style on the ground, perhaps a little too frequently for the judge's desire. Vera had two unproductives at 25 and 35, both of which the snappy pointer under Welsh's command backed for upon sight and within nice view of the gallery. After the second, the dogs were sent on Vera, making a large move while the handlers separated, and Flewelling requested the tracker at 39. Quila finished the hour with a stop to flush on a woodcock at 50. She was gathered, brought back to the course, and released. She closed the hour continuing to work to the front but without a strong move. The gallery walked up a clutch of six grouse in the closing 10 minutes, a good omen for following dogs.

Brace 2: Higby Arcade Fire (PM/John Stolgitis) and Super Storm Cliff (ESM/Adam Dubriske). Cliff stopped at 23 with a significant flushing attempt made of the area with nothing produced; the handler elected to move him on. After coming from behind early, the dog settled into a nice forward race. At 44, Cliff was located on point standing a woodcock nicely 15-20 yards off the course in a mix of dense alders; with all in order, the dog was collared back to the course and released to front, where he stayed for the remainder of the hour. Cade exhibited a strong forward presence but was unable to locate a bird during his hour.

Brace 3: Mohawk Mill Good Advice ("Blaze"/PM/John Stolgitis) and S Southern Belle (ESF/Jonathan Wilkins). "Belle" is an 8-year-old setter female that runs big and shows nicely on the ground. Both dogs started their hour with strong moves to the front, with Belle making a large edge cast down the powerlines, forcing Wilkins and Stolgitis to separate. With some work, Wilkins was able to get the dog back around and to the front. With wind picking up, scouts Donald Henderson (Belle) and Mike Flewelling (Blaze) earned their keep to help each handler keep their dogs going. Belle was located on point at 35; a three-minute effort to flush ensued before the handler elected to relocate the dog, worked the area vigorously, and 75 yards from the initial stop, she established again with a bit of a flat tail, but standing well, a woodcock was produced, shot fired, all in order. Belle was brought back to the course and finished her hour to the front. Blaze was located on point at 45; with nothing produced, he was collared, brought back to the course, and sent on.

Brace 4: Mohawk Mill Miss You (Pearl) (PF/John Stolgitis) and Cairds Dreaming of Jeannie (PF/Robert Little). In the tightest of the four courses, the Old Farm Course has dense young growth almost in its entirety. With windy conditions and big going dogs, it provides a stern test for handlers and scouts. Pearl produced early, standing nicely on a woodcock at 5 and 8. Jeannie had a find at 7 with Little but broke gently

on the flush, ending her day quickly. Pearl was found standing again at 11 in the thick and dense young growth. Released on, the dog was hard to pin down until 22 in the thick cover and wind, and back with Stolgitis by 30. Dog was located at 46, standing, with an unproductive recorded, and a non-event at 49. She finished the hour.

Brace 5: Chasehill Snoop Dog (PM/John Stolgitis) and Mooselook Texas Star (PM/Adam Dubriske) (see winners).

Brace 6: Chasehill Wicked Wilma and Fireside Sally Forth (See winners).

Brace 7: Wild Apple Paskungameh Peat (PM/Jamie Welsh) and Paucek's Up For Adventure ("Ellie"/ESF/Trevor London). Both dogs started nicely with a few check-ins, and then Ellie began to show her range. At 13, Jamie Welsh elected to collect and leash his dog, despite a few nice casts punctuated by some hard stops but no standing. London handled Ellie around nicely, with the dog hanging on the edge of the bell and seeking likely edges without showing much of herself. At 55, Ellie had a well-handled woodcock with a nice tail and high head. Opting not to get her back to the course and releasing her close, she seemed to catch the scent of another bird and finished with a few starts and stops but no infractions.

Brace 8: Mohawk Mill Fired Up ("Rosie"/PF/John Stolgitis) and Fox Brook Top Secret ("Maddie"/ESF/Adam Dubriske). Maddie had a hard stop at 6 to start the brace in likely cover, but no bird was produced. She had a low point on a woodcock with good manners at 18 but struggled to get to the front again. She was picked up at 50. Rosie made the hour with a strong race and no birds.

Brace 9: Chasehill Poison Ivy (PF/John Stolgitis) and Niantic River Ava (ESF/Adam Dubriske). Ivy is a strong front-running dog that runs hard to the front and could be the most powerful dog on Stolgitis' string. Ava is a shorter running setter with a snappy gate and a lot of point. At 10, both dogs were found standing in dense cover with Ava in front and Ivy backing; at 13, Ava stopped again, and the handler elected before search to collar the dog, fearing a second unproductive, and return to course. Walking away, a bird got up; an unfortunate break. Ava continued her hour and finished. Ivy was found standing at 30 in incredibly dense cover, with scout Mike Flewelling locating the dog. No bird was produced, and Ivy was brought back to the course and sent on; at 42, Stolgitis requested the tracker.

Brace 10: Highfive's Balvenie ("Bella"/PF/Adam Dubriske) and Cairds Rip It Up ("Timmy"/PM/Robert Little). Timmy and Bella started off into the thick cover of the fourth course. Timmy is a well-built, strong black and white male pointer. His bracemate, Bella, a successful derby and now a promising first-year shooting dog, is a big running dog that exhibits strong independence and range. A quick search for Timmy was made off the line, producing nothing. Both dogs crossed the power lines by 12, and Timmy was located standing at 19. After an extended flushing attempt, a bird was produced, and Timmy returned to the course and moved on. At 25, Timmy, showing his youth and exuberance, went with his second woodcock. Bella's day ended in similar fashion at 27 on a woodcock find.

Brace 11: Sunkhaze Orange Gerri (PF/Mike Flewelling) and Pool Brook Doby (ESM/Adam Dubriske). The final brace of the championship was hot. Doby stayed close off the start but started to open up as time went by. Gerri was found standing at 30 for two grouse that flushed as handler and judge worked to the dog. Gerri was picked up at 45 as the heat proved too much, and Dubriske elected to end Doby's day shortly after.

**McAdam, NB, September 11**
**Judges: Jon Cullen and Russell Ogilvie**
**NORTH AMERICAN WOODCOCK CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats]**
**– 15 Pointers and 7 Setters**

*Winner-CHASEHILL WICKED WILMA, F1698454, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Harley D. McClung, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.*
*Runner-Up-CHASEHILL SNOOP DOG, F1703110, pointer male, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. William & Karen McFadden, owners; John Stolgitis, handler.*

## NEW YORK STATE GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

***Chasehill Wicked Wilma Named Champion; Fireside Sally Forth, Runner-up***

**By James Welsh | Ellenburg, New York | September 16, 2026**

The New York State Grouse Championship and an accompanying Derby stake long were a fixture at the Partridge Run WMA in the gentle, rolling hills outside New York's Capital Region. Pat Cooke's stewardship of the Championship began in 2011 while still at Partridge Run. The Championship has resettled after a brief stint at the famed Flanagan grounds in Oxford, New York, in the Northern Adirondacks, on Bill McFadden's Panther Forest Grounds in Ellenberg. McFadden's contribution to the sport of field trials continues to develop, and with birds on every course and consistent stewardship, the grounds will continue to provide the cover dog field trial community with great grounds to prove dogs on.

Championships are not won by reputation but by the dogs that show themselves to be the best amidst the field of the given event. John Stolgitis has been a fixture of the Northeastern cover dog landscape since the late 90s and, in that time, has amassed an impressive record

built on thorough preparation, hard work, and countless hours in the woods while no one is watching. After taking the top two spots in McAdam, New Brunswick, John returned Chasehill Wicked Wilma to the winners' circle; while other dogs on Stolgitis's string delivered worthy performances, fellow professional Adam Dubriske led Fireside Sally Forth to the runner-up finish at this New York State Grouse Championship. Thank you to Purina, Pat Cooke, Bill McFadden, Andy Weik, and, notably, judges John Olfson and Jeff Keller for their time and effort in putting together a great championship.

*New York State Grouse Championship (front row, l-r): William McFadden with Chasehill Wicked Wilma, John Stolgitis, Adam Dubriske, and Dave Phillips with Fireside Sally. (Standing, l-r): Jamie Welsh (reporter), John Olfson (judge), Pat Cooke (trial chair), and Jeff Keller (judge).*

### *The Winners*

After a promising first day featuring several dogs through with solid bird work and performances, a fast start to the second day presented the judges with work necessary to deem a champion and runner-up champion. Bill McFadden's Chasehill Wicked Wilma, under the whistle of John Stolgitis, got the nod. Combining a strong ground performance and crisp bird work in optimal conditions, Wilma showed classily to the front with power and stamina to spare. Wilma's bracemate, Fireside Sally Forth ("Sal"), owned by field trial newcomer and setter aficionado Dave Phillips, put together a strong performance, exhibiting the style, range, and independence all required of a class shooting dog. The dogs broke away nicely in the first brace of the second day promptly at 7:30. Each dog made a long forward move off the line and handled to the singing provided to keep them with. Around five minutes in, the handlers separated, with John Stolgitis pausing to locate his recently stopped dog. Stolgitis worked to a standing Wilma, with perfect tail, high head; as Stolgitis flushed, a grouse stormed out, shot fired, and the dog was collared, brought back to the course, briefly watered, and sent on. As Wilma returned to the front, Dubriske and judge Jon Olfson were deep in another thicket of alders working to locate a classy standing Sal at 15. With a grouse produced, shot fired, and all in order, the dog was brought back to the course and sent on. Reappearing well to the front before the handler and judge caught back up. Both dogs' bells came to a stop in heavy grass punctuated with softwoods, raspberry bushes, and young poplar growth. Wilma's bell was first to stop, with Sal coming in behind but ending up in front. The judges noted a divided find at 22, with grouse flushing as both handlers, judges, and reporter worked to the dogs. A total of four grouse got up. No flaws in either dog; handlers collared their dogs and wisely elected to bring them to the road crossing before sending them on. Each dog exhibited a strong race, with Wilma and Stolgitis pushing the front. Wilma and Sal were found standing together again at 50, with Sal in close proximity but behind Wilma in thick cover, 75 yards at least in and closer to the third course than the second. John called a grouse, which the judge confirmed, and both dogs were collared, brought back to the course, and finished their hour out to the front.

### *The Running*

Brace 1 (7:26 a.m.): Wild Apple Paskungameh Peat, a well-built pointer male owned and handled by Jamie Welsh, was braced with Mohawk Mill Fired Up ("Rosie"), a diminutive but powerful pointer female. Both dogs started nicely, showing a very nice blend of independence and desire, making strong casts to the front and handling nicely through the early cover. Just before the course turns to head into the long stretch of patchwork cuts, both bells came to an abrupt stop nearly simultaneously on a clutch of four grouse. Both dogs were still standing after two birds flushed and a shot had been fired, with Welsh still working to his dog; two more birds took flight, and Peat went with them. The dog was promptly collected, and Stolgitis continued on with Rosie to the conclusion of the brace, with the dog showing a nice ground game and proclivity for the front.

Brace 2 (8:32 a.m.): Fox Brook Top Secret ("Maddie"), setter female, under the whistle of Adam Dubriske, was braced with Shady Hills Lefty, a liver and white female pointer under Marc Forman's whistle. Maddie started strong, reaching in a variety of directions, while Lefty worked through the cover within bell range. At 12, Maddie was found standing with no bird produced and a UP recorded. A wild flush grouse took flight around 18, and by the road crossing Dubriske, elected to call for the tracker at 30. Forman continued on with Lefty making the hour.

Brace 3: Chasehill Snoop Dog, pointer male, under the whistle of John Stolgitis, ran alongside a

well-built pointer female, Highfive's Balvenie, under Adam Dubriske's command. Both dogs made large forward-seeking casts to start the brace, with neither showing themselves much for the first 10 minutes before settling into a more manageable pattern as the course crossed a well-built footbridge into a section of softwood and then into a sweeping 5–10-year-old cut. Balvenie proved hard for Dubriske to get a handle on, but they finished the hour together with the dog exhibiting a strong seeking race and plenty of power. Snoop, fresh off a runner-up champion performance at the North American Woodcock Championship, delivered another solid performance. Showing his typical drive and determination, Snoop was quite at ease seeking objectives and moving hard to the front. Found standing at 45, with a grouse produced, Snoop was collared, watered, and sent on. The hottest part of the day, Snoop showed his toughness and gritted out the next 15 minutes but was not at his peak. His bell stopped at 55, and a 10-minute search ensued with Scout, Lanny Dellinger, judge Jeff Keller, and the reporter searching for Snoop in thick cover. Dellinger called point; five minutes after time, John worked the dog, producing a grouse, firing, and Snoop remained standing statuesquely. Snoop was brought to the course, leashed, and returned to the truck, pleased with his performance.

Brace 4: Chasehill Poison Ivy, pointer female with John Stolgitis, and Pool Brook Doby, setter male with Adam Dubriske. Both dogs started well with a few yo-yos from Doby before settling into a more fitting pattern. A lengthy pair of unproductives took place with both dogs in the same cluster of cover at 14, with both dogs released again at 17. Doby showed some signs of the heat and steepness of the course at 27. Ivy showed little sign of relenting at the halfway point, with a slight moment caught behind when she showed to the front; she was as strong as she was at the breakaway. Ivy was located on point at 38 with

***Gallery Photo from Brace 4, second day: John Stolgitis handling Mohawk Mill Good Advice and Marc Forman handling Resin.***

nothing produced; the handler elected to pick the dog up at 40. Doby finished the hour.

Brace 5: Hypointe Monarch Express, pointer male with Marc Forman, and Snuff Mill Magnum Force, setter female with Lanny Dellinger. Both dogs started out strong in tough conditions, making big ranging casts and seeking objectives. The heat got the better of "Maggie," and Dellinger picked her up at 25. Forman kept going, and with the strong pointer well out, called for the tracker at 36.

Brace 6: S + L Scotch, setter male with Marc Forman, and Mooselook Texas Star, pointer male with Adam Dubriske. Brace 6 got underway in relatively hot conditions, which clearly had an effect on the dogs. "Tex" settled into a tempered race, showing both his age and wisdom. "Scotch" ran hard, and after a rough start with some directional challenges, Foreman navigated him back to the course, reuniting the handlers around the 20-minute mark. Tex produced a woodcock, with a nice tail and high head; the dog exhibited strong manners in thick cover at 32. Both dogs finished the hour affected by the heat.

Brace 7: Snuff Mill High Caliber ("Callie"), setter female, with Lanny Dellinger and Timberdoodle Sal, a pointer female, with Marc Forman. The second of Dellinger's nice pair of setters, Callie, stopped early at 14 directly in the trail, with John Stolgitis scouting for Dellinger, who was behind. The dog stopped strong, beautiful tail, high head, with a grouse going as all moved toward the dog. The dog was collected, watered, and sent on. Exhibiting signs of heat but not relenting, the tracker was called for at 45 by Dellinger, ending Callie's bid. Sal worked nicely with Foreman and worked through likely objectives. Tightening as necessary. True to her name, she produced a woodcock at 52 and then had a UP at 58 to close out her hour.

Brace 8: See winners

Brace 9: River's Edge Gus, setter male, with Pat Cooke, and Hitail Roxy Afield with Marc Forman. Two big, strong running setters were cut loose for the second brace of the day. Around 10, both handlers were looking for their dogs in thick cover on opposite sides of the bridge crossing. Neither produced their dog standing, and both dogs moved across the bridge with handlers well apart. Cooke to the front and Forman and Roxy to the back; Forman found Roxy standing at 20 but was unable to produce anything for her. Judge Jeff Keller reported a wild flush grouse at 14, and the reporter nearly stepped on a grouse at 20, working into the cover looking for Cooke's dog. Gus emerged to the front after a lengthy absence and, at 38, was found standing in the thick cover, a young cut with Cooke producing a woodcock for the strong dog. Continuing forward and showing no signs of relenting, Gus was found standing again at 55; unable to produce a bird, he took the UP and concluded his hour. Jeff Keller reported two more wild-flushed woodcock. Roxy concluded her hour strongly to the front but with no birds.

Brace 10: Points North Pour Another ("Quila"), pointer female, with Jamie Welsh, and Mohawk Mill Miss You ("Pearl") with John Stolgitis. The pair of light-footed female pointers broke away nicely, pushing each other before each diving into cover and showing the tendency to want to be in the cover. Through the first creek crossing, both dogs were not seen but also remained in the pocket. A wild flush grouse was noticed by the handlers as their dogs made the turn to head

towards the significant uphill of the course. Quila's bell stopped, started, and stopped as the handler and judge headed in; her bell went again, producing a bird. She stopped, stood, and then went, ending her day with a crash at 14. Pearl and Stolgitis continued on; after Pearl's second unproductive at 38, Stolgitis leashed the dog and ended her day.

Brace 11: Resin, setter male, with Marc Forman, and Mohawk Mill Good Advice ("Blaze"), pointer male, with John Stolgitis, broke away at 11:15 on the demanding 5th course of the Championship. Forman opted to end Resin's day at 28 given the conditions. Blaze stopped hard 30 yards off the course in thick 15-year growth and two grouse were produced. The dry conditions and thick cover on the second half of the course proved too much for even the strong running, gritty blaze. Stolgitis picked up at 42.

Brace 12: Anna Lake Sami, pointer female, with Marc Forman, and Niantic River Ava, setter female, with Adam Dubriske. Sami, a nicely built female pointer, made several significant casts, and Forman worked hard to keep her in touch; the dog showed significantly to the front around 25 with handlers separated. Ava showed a snappy run, affected by the heat, but smart to find water where she could, which allowed her to stay in the game. With a few yo-yos and an unproductive at 4 and 33, her handler chose to pick her up at the road crossing at 35. Forman also requested the tracker and elected to pick up his charge at 35 as well.

Brace 13: Super Storm Cliff, setter male, with Adam Dubriske, and Higby Arcade Fire ("Cade"), pointer male, with John Stolgitis. Cade, another strong male on Stolgitis's string, and the older but still strong Cliff broke away with nice cloud cover and perhaps a slight drop in temperature. With both dogs making good casts, a wild flush around 14 minutes was perhaps a precursor of an early end for Cade. At 16, Cade started, stopped, started again, choosing to work to pin rather than exhibit caution. Cade finally knocked the grouse he'd been working and went with it before staring at it in the tree it landed in. Cade was collared, leashed, and returned to the truck. Dubriske carried on for a few more minutes but chose to pick up Cliff before entering the first cut at 25.

**Ellenburg, N.Y., September 16**
**Judges: Jeff Keller and John Olfson**
**NEW YORK STATE GROUSE CHAMPIONSHIP**
**[One-Hour Heats] – 14 Pointers and 12 Setters**
*Winner-CHASEHILL WICKED WILMA, F1698454, pointer female, by Panola Bacon-Chasehill Little Izzy. Harley D. McClung, owner; John Stolgitis, handler.*
*Runner-Up-FIRESIDE SALLY FORTH, F1694393, setter female, by Ponderosa Mac-Winterset Black Betty. David Phillips, owner; Adam Dubriske, handler.*

# A NOTE TO OUR READERS

When the *UKC® Field Newsletter* was introduced in 2022, its purpose was simple: to provide a consistent, reliable home for the reporting, recognition, and day-to-day pulse of the prestigious American Field pointing dog field trial community.

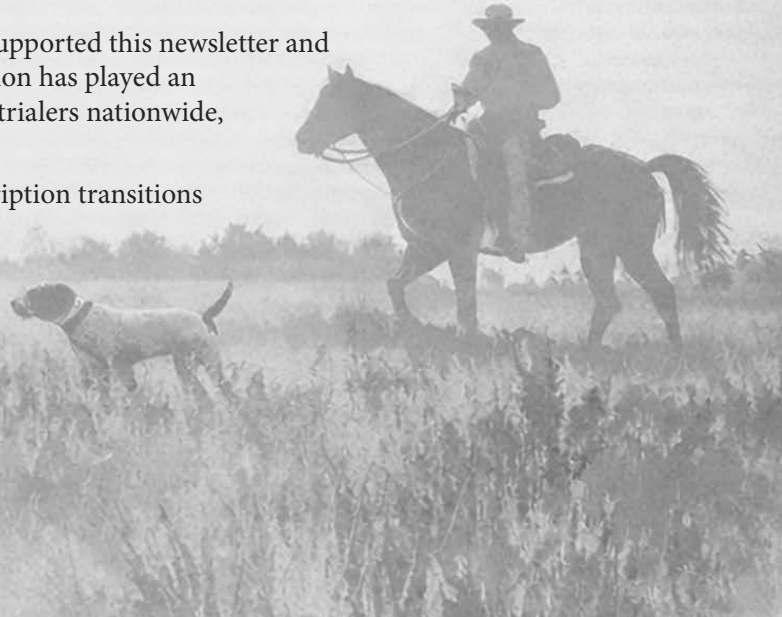
Month after month, these pages have carried trial results, standings, Hall of Fame honors, and club announcements, serving as both a record of accomplishment and a connection point for participants across North America.

That mission remains as important as ever. But how we deliver that information continues to evolve.

With that in mind, we will be retiring the print edition of the *UKC® Field Newsletter*, with the **December 2026 issue serving as our final printed edition.** While our delivery is changing, the content you rely on is not going away. **Trial reports, results and standings, and a calendar of club event announcements will continue to be published and updated regularly on the American Field website** as they always have, ensuring faster access and broader availability for the entire sporting dog community.

We are grateful to the clubs, reporters, and readers who have supported this newsletter and contributed to its pages over the past several years. This publication has played an important role in documenting the work and dedication of field trialers nationwide, and that legacy will continue in its next chapter.

We will share additional details later this year regarding subscription transitions for customers whose terms extend into 2027.



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**NOVEMBER 1, 2026**

**PYRAMID STATE PARK (CAPTAIN UNIT), CUTLER, IL**

***— An AFTCA Invitational Points Trial —***

**Grounds:** Located at 2262 Pyatt Cutler Rd., Cutler, IL (first road north, approximately 1/4 mile west of Denmark Church at Purina sign). **Drawing:** Wednesday, October 28, 7:00 p.m., at the home of the chairman.

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.).....$60.00**
**AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.).....$60.00**
**AMATEUR GUN DOG (30 Min.).....$60.00**
**AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.).....$40.00**
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**Judges:** To be announced

**Entries to: BRAD HARGIS • (618) 292-1798**

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NOVEMBER 2, 2026 • STARTS 8:00 A.M.

BURNT BRANCH PLANTATION, OCHLOCKNEE, GA

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**American Derby Invitational & Derby Award Points Stake**

Directions to Grounds: Travel south on U.S. 19 and go approx. 6/10 mile into Thomas County. Turn left onto Palmer Rd., go 6 1/2 miles and look for signs. Lunch will be served each day on grounds. Drawing: Wednesday, October 28, 1:30 p.m. (EST), at Burnt Branch Plantation, 1551 Rupp Rd., Ochlocknee, GA. Accommodations: Jamison Inn, Remington Ave., Thomasville, GA—(229) 227-9500; Comfort Inn, Hwy. 19 South—(229) 228-5555.

OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20.....$150.00 + $25.00 Grounds Fee

Judges: Hoss Early, Richlands, NC, and John Hicks, Amelia Island, FL

Reporter: Woody Watson, Leesburg, GA

*Eddie Sholar, President, Leesburg, GA • Fran Dees, Secretary, Leesburg, GA*

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# SANDLAPPER FALL CLASSIC

Hosted by Sandlapper Field Trial Club

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November 5-7, 2026 • Camden, SC

*Qualifying trial for South Carolina Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational & ASCFTC Dog and Handler of the Year Awards*

Grounds: Mid-Carolina Field Trial Grounds, Greenfield Dr., Camden, SC. Horseback trial to be run on single course with liberated birds. Lunches served daily ($5/person). Drawing: Monday, November 2, 6:30 p.m., at the home of secretary Katie Courtney.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—50%, less $5/dog, 50-30-20.....Entry Fee: $60.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—50%, less $5/dog, 50-30-20 .....Entry Fee: $50.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Ribbons & Dog Food.....Entry Fee: $50.00
AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Ribbons & Dog Food .....**Entry Fee: $40.00**
AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.)—Time permitting; Dog Food.....Entry Fee: $20.00

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**November 6-7, 2026 • Starts 8:00 a.m.**

**Cherokee Plantation, Tallahassee, FL**

**Open Shooting Dog (45 Min.) • Open Derby (30 Min.)**

Please call or text your entries in before 5:00 p.m., Monday, November 2.

**Judges:** Fran Miller, Thomasville, GA, and Doug Henton, Dacula, GA

*— All horses must have current Coggins test —*

**Text entries to: AMY FULLER • (850) 508-8909**

*Entries accepted with the understanding that the Georgia-Florida Invitational Field Trial Club and its officers, directors, members, and the landowners are not in any way responsible and shall not be held liable for any accidents or occurrences involving any individual, their property, or animals while attending or participating in the trial.*

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***— Amateur Trial —***

**NOVEMBER 6-8, 2026 • STARTS 8:00 A.M. (EST)**
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**Entries Close:** Tuesday, November 3, 3:00 p.m. (EST).

**Pre-Drawing:** Tuesday, November 3, 5:00 p.m. (EST). Entries limited to 3 days running.

**ALL entries must include AFTCA membership number and registered name of dog.**

**STAKES AND ORDER OF RUNNING:**

**DR. A. HUNTER WILCOX AMATEUR ALL-AGE (1 Hour) ..... Entry Fee: $120.00**
**AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)..... Entry Fee: $ 60.00**

**Judges:** Steve Mills, Mayodan, NC, and Rob Maguire, Suffolk, VA

**Accommodations:** Surestay-Best Western, Southern Pines—(910) 784-0010; Electrical camper hook-ups available ($10/day); Barn-user fee ($20/horse). **Reminder:** *Field Trial Handlers, Scouts & Judges:* All North Carolina residents must have a hunting license and gamelands use permit. All non-residents must have a hunting license from their resident state.

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NOVEMBER 7, 2026 • FALL TRIAL • STARTS 8:00 A.M.

Grounds: Vernon, UT. Approx. 40 miles south of Tooele, UT, on St. Road 36. Entries Close/Drawing: Thursday, November 5, 6:00 p.m., at 9933 S. 400 E., Salem, UT.

STAKES AND ORDER OF RUNNING:

OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) .....$50.00
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.) .....$50.00
*OPEN DERBY (30 Min.).....$50.00

**Shooting Dog Standards; Run at club's discretion*

Judges: To be announced

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**Text: (801) 836-4932 • Email: gjones899@gmail.com**

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YOUTH TRIAL

## MIKE REYNOLDS MEMORIAL YOUTH TRIAL

YOUTH TRIAL

Sunday, November 8, 2026, 10:00 a.m.
Reynolds Farm, 8120 County Rd. 37, Mathews, AL 36052
— AYFTA and SBHA Youth Handler Points Trial —
For handlers 17 and younger • 20-Minute Braces
Liberated Quail • Dogs judged on Horseback Gun Dog standards.
*$20.00 entry fees graciously paid by Chris and Cindy Sellers.*
— Lunch available —
Drawing: Thursday, November 5, 6:00 p.m.,
at 1081 Merrywood Dr., Pike Road, AL.
Judges: Austin Boswell, Highland Home, AL, and Dustin Kirby, Albany, GA

**Entries to: DARRON HENDLEY—(334) 300-5836**
**-or- TONY REYNOLDS—(334) 850-3313**

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**November 7, 2026 to Conclusion • Florence, TX**

**Drawing:** The night before the stake begins.

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG .....$50.00**

**Judges:** Brandon Blum, Loveland, CO,
and James Messer, Needville, TX

**Entries to: BRANDON BLUM • (480) 734-1259**

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November 7-8, 2026 • Poteau, OK • AFTCA Invitational Points Trial

Grounds: Poteau Field Trial Grounds. *From Fort Smith*—turn left at the light in Pocola, OK (toward Poteau) and go about 12 miles. Turn left at Alon Gas Station on Hwy. 112, go about 6.5 miles, turn right on N4760/Pickle Lane, and follow signs. *From Poteau*—go south on Broadway to the stoplight at Wilson Ave, turn left, go 3/4 mile, turn right at Carter St., and turn left at the next stop sign on Hwy. 112. Go 4 miles to N4760/Pickle Lan, turn left, and follow signs. Lunch on grounds daily. Lodging: Surestay Best Western Poteau—(918) 647-4001; Best Western Prime Inn and Holiday Inn Express. Ask for Westark FTC special pricing. Drawing: Thursday, November 5, 6:00 p.m., at the home of Kenny Snow.

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OPEN DERBY .....**$40.00**
OPEN PUPPY .....$30.00
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG .....$50.00
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG—Judgment ceases at flush .....$40.00**
AMATEUR DERBY .....**$40.00**
AMATEUR PUPPY .....$30.00

Judges: Jerry Snow, Kenny Snow, Chris Leesom, Glenn Cumbie, Ronnie Miller, and Mike Taylor

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## SUGARBROOK FIELD TRIAL CLUB

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**Sunday, November 8, 2026 • Starts 7:00 a.m.**

**Grounds:** Sugarbrook WMA, Rt. 14, Plainfield, CT. Follow signs from junction of Rts. 14 & 14A East and Exit 28, off Rts. 395 & 14 West. Liberated quail on course. No birds for Puppy stake. Refreshments on grounds. **Please note—Drawing:** Thursday, November 5, 8:00 p.m., at the home of the chairman (see address and phone below).

**(Sun., 7:00 A.M.) AMATEUR PUPPY (20 Min.)—Rosettes..... $35.00**
**CHARLES DANNA OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—No purse..... $50.00**
**BOB DANNA AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Rosettes ..... $50.00**
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**Saturday, November 14, 2026 • Starts 9:00 a.m.**

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20-minute braces, continuous courses on wild birds

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Entries to: MARIA BASSHAM—(678) 522-1699 *or* **CHRIS MATHAN—(207) 615-2740**

## LANCASTER COUNTY FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION

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*Please note: Live ammunition prohibited!*

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2026 • STARTS 7:30 A.M.

*— A U.S. Complete & AFTCA Walking Invitational Points Trial —*

Grounds: Hunts Game Preserve, 1522 Hunt Rd., Stony Creek, VA. Drawing: Thursday, November 19, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Jimmy Crandall, 383 Waverly Ave., Kilmarnock, VA 22482.

AMATEUR PUPPY—(Run at club's discretion) ..... $30.00
AMATEUR DERBY ..... **$45.00**
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG ..... $50.00

Judges: Garrett Preis, Kinsale, VA, and Terry McCormick, Dinwiddie, VA

**Entries to: JIMMY CRANDALL—(804) 761-1517**

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## POWHATAN FIELD TRIAL CLUB

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2026 • STARTS 7:30 A.M.

*— A USCSDA & AFTCA Points Trial —*

Grounds: Pat Casey & George Doyle Grounds, 1077 Dry Creek Rd., South Hill, VA. Lunch on the grounds. Horseback scouting and retrieval collars will be permitted. Gallery wagon, weather permitting. Drawing: Thursday, November 26, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Verlene Stephenson.

(Sat.) AMATEUR PUPPY ..... $35.00
OPEN DERBY ..... **$45.00**
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG ..... $50.00

Judges: *AP*—Pat Casey and Frank Henderson;
*OD & ASD*—Jeff Smith and one to be announced.

Entries to: VERLENE STEPHENSON
Cell: (252) 678-2120 • Home: (252) 589-1521

*By entering or attending this trial, you relieve the landowner, his employees and the members and officers of the Powhatan Field Trial Club from any liability for any damage or injury to any equipment, animals or persons including loss of life resulting from any accident.*

## PENINSULA BIRD HUNTERS CLUB

*Member AFTCA, USCSDA & VAUSCSDA*
*Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2026 • STARTS 7:30 A.M.**

***— A USCSDA & AFTCA Walking Invitational Points Trial —***

**Grounds:** Dr. Morgan's Cutawhiskie Farm, Ahoskie, NC. Lunch on grounds. Horseback scouting and tracking collars will be permitted. **Drawing:** Thursday, December 3, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Lee Flanders. The Sonny Mason Memorial Trophy will be awarded.

**AMATEUR PUPPY ..... $35.00**
**OPEN DERBY ..... $45.00**
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG ..... $50.00**

**Judges:** John Outlaw, NC, and Rob Maguire, VA

**Entries to: ASHBY MORGAN—Cell: (804) 384-7185**
**-or- LEE FLANDERS—Cell: (757) 871-4551**

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# MEMPHIS AMATEUR FIELD TRIAL CLUB

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

**November 5-8, 2026**
**Hell Creek WMA, Blue Mountain, MS**

***Points Trial for Region 6 Dog of the Year***
***Mid-South AFTA Dog of the Year***
***Southern Circuit Dog of the Year***
***National Amateur Invitationals***
***AFTCA Amateur All-Age Dog of the Year***
***AFTCA Amateur Shooting Dog Dog of the Year***
***AFTCA Amateur Derby (Horseback) Dog of the Year***
***U.S. Amateur All-Age Derby Invitational***
***AFTCA Top Amateur Handler Challege for the Blue***

**Drawing:** Friday, October 30, 5:00 p.m., at the home of David Russell, 601 Home Place Rd., Como, MS 38619.

**AMATEUR ALL-AGE (1 Hour) ..... $75.00**
**AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)..... $40.00**
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour)..... $75.00**

**Judges:** *AA-A & AD*—Lowry Stickland, Holly Springs, MS, and Elton Bray, Holly Springs, MS; *ASD*—David Russell, Como, MS, and Elton Bray, Holly Springs, MS.

**Entries to: RACHEL RUSSELL**
**631 Home Place Rd., Como, MS 38619**
**Text or Call: (901) 581-1312**

# NGSPA TEXAS LONGHORN CLASSICS

**NOVEMBER 7-11, 2026**
**ALVARADO RANCH, FLORENCE, TX**
**— A Purina Points Trial —**

**Drawing:** Friday, November 6, 7:00 p.m., on the grounds.

**OPEN ALL-AGE (1 Hour).....$200.00**
**Judges:** James Messer, Needville, TX, and Charlie Collier, Corsicana, TX
**Cash Purse:** 30% of entries split 60-40
*Plaques and Purina Dog Food to champion and runner-up*

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour) .....$200.00**
**Judges:** Charlie Collier, Corsicana, TX, and Johnny Martinez, Houston, TX
**Cash Purse:** 30% of entries split 60-40
*Plaques and Purina Dog Food to champion and runner-up*

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour).....$185.00**
**Judges:** Sam Hare, Breckenridge, TX, and Dickie Sorrell, Hubbard, TX
*Prizes, Plaques, and Purina Dog Food to champion and runner-up*

**For information, contact:**
**HARVEY FRANCO, Chairman/Secretary**
**551 CR 513, Bertram, TX 78605**
**Phone: (512) 915-9151 • Email: xhfranco@gmail.com**

# NBHA OKLAHOMA STATE CLASSIC

Hosted by Red River Field Trial Club
November 5-6, 2026 • Starts 8:00 a.m. each day
**Croton Creek Ranch, Cheyenne, OK**
*— A Region 8 & AFTCA Invitational Points Trial —*

NBHA OPEN WALKING SHOOTING DOG (One Hour) ..... $100.00
NBHA OPEN WALKING DERBY (30 Min.) ..... $60.00
NBHA OPEN WALKING PUPPY (20 Min.) ..... **$40.00**

Judges: Dr. Joe Wurster and Matthew Puckett

Directions to Grounds: Four miles west of Cheyenne, OK on Hwy 47, 2 miles north on paved road 1820, two miles west on gravel road 1802. Signs will be posted. Single one-hour course on native and pre-released quail. Drawing: Sunday November 1, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Matthew Puckett. Lunches & Dinners: Meals will be at the at the Social Barn (on-site) each day. Social events open to the public each day. Lunches $10/plate and dinner $15/plate. The parents of Matthew Puckett will be preparing the meals. RV/Trailer Connections: Trailer parking and hook-ups on a first come first serve basis for a $20.00 per day fee. Lodging: Croton Creek Hotel; cabins also available. Contact Tim or Melissa Thorton at (316) 847-2149. Alternate lodging at Bear Den Inn, Cheyenne, OK—(580) 497-3376. Corrals and kennels also available on a first come, first served basis. Water is also available in many locations. Note: Negative Coggins papers required. All participants and guests must sign a liability release form. No smoking on courses. All stakes run at the club's discretion. Prizes: Prizes/Plaques for the placements.

Entries to: MATTHEW PUCKETT
**Phone: (214) 728-1520 • Email: mpuckett88@yahoo.com**

**The NBHA would like to thank our gracious sponsors:**
**Purina Pro Plan, Garmin, Park Cities Quail Coalition, Gun Dog Supply,**
Mule Brand Gear & Apparel, OnXHunt, & Gun Dog Central.

*Entries accepted & attendance of this event are with the understanding that Region 8, NBHA, Croton Creek Ranch, their officers, directors, members, sponsors, and the landowner(s) are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents or occurrences involving anyone attending the trial, their animals, or equipment.*

# VIRGINIA AMATEUR FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION

*Member Club of the AVFTC & AFTCA | Gary Winall, President*

Starts Thursday, November 12, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. each day
*(unless entries warrant a later start)*
**Cutawhiskie Farm, Ahoskie, NC**

An AFTCA Amateur All-Age & Shooting Dog Award, Amateur All-Age Invitational, U.S. Amateur All-Age Derby Invitational & Virginia Dog of the Year Points Trial

Directions to Grounds: *From Ahoskie*—W561 to St. John's (stay to left), continue on 561 for 1½ miles, turn right onto Lewter Ln., and go through gates. Signs posted. Or follow GPS to Lewter Lane, Aulander, NC. One course with repeat starts. Wild and liberated quail. Early Drawing: Tuesday, November 10, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Ellen Clements Winall. Lodging: Southern Star—(252) 395-6412 or Chief Motel—(252) 332-2138. RV hook-ups available on a first-come, first-served basis ($10.00 per night).

VERLE FARROW AMATEUR PUPPY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Trophies.....**$40.00***
PARKE BRINKLEY AMATEUR DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—Trophies..$50.00*
VIRGINIA AMATEUR ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour)—Trophies.....$95.00*
OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—No purse; Trophies to Winners .....$50.00*
OPEN ALL-AGE (30 Min.)—No purse; Trophies to Winners.....$50.00*
AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.)—Trophies to Winners.....$50.00*

**$5 of each entry will go to the 20th Century Fund*

Judges: *AA-A*—Al Dahl, Clarksville, VA, and Daniel Bell, Kenansville, NC;
*Other Stakes*—Rob Maguire, Whitley Stephenson, and Worth Lewis.
Reporter: Gene Hogge, Smithfield, VA

Entries to: ELLEN CLEMENTS WINALL, Secretary
**4163 Old River Trail, Powhatan, VA 23139**
**Phone: (804) 836-6590 • Email: elncoppertop@hotmail.com**
**All entries MUST receive confirmation** | All entries must be by registered name

*No live ammunition or alcohol permitted on grounds during trial. All horses must have negative Coggins test within the last year. Entries accepted with the understanding that the club, their officials and directors, and landowners are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs or equipment.*

# CONECUH STATION OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC

***and the Second Annual***

## BRIAN SANDERSON MEMORIAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG DERBY

***Hosted by Conecuh Station Field Trial Club***

**Monday, November 2, 2026, 8:00 a.m. until completion • Union Springs, AL**

**— A Qualifying Trial for the National Open Shooting Dog Championship —**

**Alabama Field Trial Association Points • Dixie Trace Field Trial Association Points**

**Southern Bird Hunters Association Points • U.S. Shooting Dog Invitational Championship Points**

**Judges:** Matt Pugh, Union Springs, AL, and Jeff Gibbons, Prattville, AL

**Directions to Grounds:** Take Hwy. 29 South from Union Springs, AL. Travel approximately 8 miles. Turn right on South Gate Rd. just past Mile Marker 136. Look for Conecuh Station field trial sign. **Drawing:** Thursday, October 29, 6:00 p.m., at the Conecuh Station Field House. Handlers will not be required to run in more than two consecutive braces. Registration information required. **Accommodations:** Master Rack Lodge—(334) 474-3600. Ask for field trial rates. Barn, lots, and camper set-ups available at field trial site with handlers and their owners having priority. Breakfast and lunch provided.

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour)—50%, 50-30-20 ..... $200.00**
**BRIAN SANDERSON MEMORIAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG DERBY (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20 ..... $100.00**

**Entries to: LISA LITTELL • Phone: (334) 649-0076**

*Entries accepted with the understanding that the Conecuh Station Field Trial Club, its officers and landowners, are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents or injuries involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs or equipment. Abuse of Judges and Club Officials will not be tolerated. Unsportsmanlike conduct will result in immediate disqualification. The CSFTC Board of Directors reserves all rights to refuse entry in trial or on grounds to anyone not in good standing with CSFTC, SBHA, Dixie Trace, Field Dog Stud Book, AFTCA, AFTA, and American Field/UKC.*

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**Mid-South Amateur Field Trial Association & Carroll County Field Trial Club host the**

# DAVID E. WILLIAMS MEMORIAL FIELD TRIAL

*Member AFTCA, MSAFTA & Region 6 • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

**NOVEMBER 19-22, 2026**

**STARTS 8:00 A.M.**

**Points Trial for National Amateur All-Age & Shooting Dog Invitationals, U.S. Amateur Derby Invitational, AFTCA Amateur All-Age, AFTCA Amateur Shooting Dog, AFTCA Amateur Derby, AFTCA Amateur Top Handler, Region 6 & MSAFTA**

**Grounds:** Located at 1431 Smyrna Rd., Huntingdon, TN 38344. **Drawing:** Tuesday, November 17, 7:00 p.m., at 4133 Chamberlin Oaks, Hernando, MS 38632. Handler/owners must be an AFTCA member to enter dogs in trial. **Hotel:** For reservations, contact Heritage Inn—(731) 986-2281.

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour).....$75.00**
**AMATEUR ALL-AGE (1 Hour) .....$75.00**
**AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.).....$40.00**

**Judges:** Jamie and Allison Daniels • **Reporter:** Tessa Hughes

**Mail or phone entries to:**
**GARY McKIBBEN • (901) 268-4568**
**-or- ALLISON DANIELS • (901) 647-1013**

*Club officials and landowners are not responsible for accidents, injury or loss. Ride at your own risk.*

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The Continental Amateur Field Trial Club proudly announces the 29th Annual

# CONTINENTAL AMATEUR CLASSIC

*Member AFTCA, FFTA & Dixie Trace FTA • Blank ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns only!*

November 20, 2026 to Conclusion • Starts 8:00 a.m.
Livingston Place (formerly Dixie Plantation) • Greenville, FL

Entries Close: Wednesday, November 18, 2:00 p.m. (EST).
Drawing: Wednesday, November 18, 2:00 p.m. (EST), at the Livingston Place office, 1583 Livingston Rd., Greenville, FL 32331.

AMATEUR ALL-AGE (1 Hour) .....$100.00 + $25 Grounds Fee
*Amateur All-Age Invitational*
*& Dixie Trace FTA Points Trial Points Trial*

*AMATEUR DERBY (30 Minutes).....$ 50.00 + $25 Grounds Fee
**All-Age Standards • Amateur Derby Invitational Points*

- Geraldine C. Livingston Memorial Revolving Trophy.
- Tractor Supply Gift Certificate awarded to winner of 1st place All-Age.
- Brantley Goodson Memorial Revolving Trophy.
- Tractor Supply Gift Certificate awarded to winner of 1st place Derby.
- Tractor Supply Gift Certificate to 2nd Place and 3rd Place in All-Age and Derby.

Judges: *AA-A & AD*—Jason & Jesse Williams, Blakely, GA
Reporter: Jim Womack, Pelham, GA

**Email entries to: RANDY FLOYD • rfloyd@talltimbers.org**
**or call: (850) 509-4528**

*Note: The Continental Amateur Field Trial Club, its Officers, Board of Governors, and Livingston Place are not responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs, or equipment. Current Coggins test required. This trial will not tolerate disrespect of the judges or reporter in any form from anyone in attendance.*

# NORTH DAKOTA OPEN ALL-AGE FIELD TRIAL CLUB

## Monday, November 2, 2026
## Westfall Brothers Ranch, Longton, KS

***Officers:*** Dr. Robert Rankin, President • Dr. Jim Mills, Vice President • Bonnie Hidalgo, Secretary
***Directors:*** Dr. D. E. Hawthorne (posthumous) • Gary Pinalto (posthumous) • Dr. J.D. Huffman (posthumous) Preston Trimble (posthumous) • Earl Connolly • Kent Horntvedt • Jerome Kopplesloan • Jeff Miller • Ronnie Spears

**DR. DOUGLAS GUTHRIE**

**MEMORIAL OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—60% of entry fees divided 50-30-20.....Entry Fee $175.00**
**— American Derby Invitational & Purina Derby Award Points Trial —**

**NORTH DAKOTA OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour)—60% of entry fees divided 50-30-20.....Entry Fee $325.00***
**— National Championship Qualifying Stake & Purina Dog & Handler Awards —**
***$20 NFTCA fee per dog is not included in entry fee.***

**— All entry fees include $25 grounds fee —**

**Judges:** Alex Jacocks, Edmond, OK, and Matthew Puckett, Boyd, TX
**Chairman of the Board of Directors Field Trial Committee & Stakes Manager:** Allen Vincent
**Drawing:** Friday, October 30, 2:00 p.m. (CST), at the home of Allen Vincent, Collinsville, OK—(918) 521-3784.
**Retrieval Collars will be allowed • Plugged barrels & blank ammo only!**

**Contact: ALLEN VINCENT • Phone: (918) 521-3784**
**14421 North 149 East Ave., Collinsville, OK 74021**

*Entries are accepted with the understanding that the North Dakota Classic, its Officers and Directors, members, landowners, and their agents are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any damages to persons, horses, dogs, or equipment incurred while participating or attending the trial.*

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# "THE SUNFLOWER" OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC

## November 2, 2026 to Conclusion
## Hell Creek WMA, Blue Mountain, MS

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**Drawing:** Friday, October 30, 5:00 p.m., at the home of David Russell, 631 Home Place Rd., Como, MS 38619.

**OPEN ALL-AGE (1 Hour)—50% divided 50-30-20.....$300.00***
**National Championship Qualifying Stake**
**Includes $20.00 NFTCA fee and $25.00 bird fee*

**OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—50% divided 50-30-20 .....$150.00**
**American Derby Invitational Championship Points Stake**

**A Joe Hurdle Open All-Age Dog of the Year, Clyde Morton All-Age Handler Award & Riggins White Knight All-Age Derby Award Points Trial**

**Judges:** Gary McKibben, Hernando, MS, and Greg Tapp, Somerville, TN

**Entries to: RACHEL RUSSELL, 631 Home Place Rd., Como, MS 38619 • Phone: (901) 581-1312**

*An entry is accepted as a waiver of any claim for loss or damage from the sponsoring club, the Kansas Championship Association and their officers, the landowners, and/or other trial sponsors.*

# BLACK BELT FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION

*Member Dixie Trace FTA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

## BEGINS AT CONCLUSION OF MUCKALEE CREEK* • STARTS 8:00 A.M.

***(*Due to start November 3, 2026)***

## BURNT BRANCH PLANTATION, OCHLOCKNEE, GA

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**OPEN ALL-AGE IS A QUALIFYING STAKE FOR THE 2027 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, PURINA AWARD POINTS AND PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR AWARD POINTS AMERICAN DERBY INVITATIONAL AND DERBY AWARD POINTS STAKE**

**Directions to Grounds:** Travel south on U.S. 19 and go approx. 6/10 mile into Thomas County. Turn left onto Palmer Rd., go 6 1/2 miles and look for signs. Lunch will be served each day on grounds. **Drawing:** Wednesday, October 28, 1:00 p.m. (EST), at Burnt Branch Plantation, 1551 Rupp Rd., Ochlocknee, GA. **Accommodations:** Jamison Inn, Remington Ave., Thomasville, GA—(229) 227-9500; Comfort Inn, Hwy. 19 South—(229) 228-5555.

**OPEN ALL-AGE (1 Hour)—50%, divided 50-30-20.....$275.00 + $20.00 NFTCA Fee + $40.00 Grounds Fee**
***OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—50%, divided 50-30-20..... $150.00 + $25.00 Grounds Fee**
****U.S. AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.)—Invitational Points Stake.....$75.00**

****Starts at the conclusion of the Open All-Age • **Starts at the conclusion of the Open Derby***

**Judges:** *OA-A*—John Lee, Statesboro, GA, and Alan York, Lewisville, GA;
*OD & AD*—Hoss Early, Richlands, NC, and John Hicks, Amelia Island, FL.
**Reporter:** Woody Watson, Leesburg, GA

***Eddie Sholar, President, Leesburg, GA • Fran Dees, Secretary, Leesburg, GA***

**Entries to: EDDIE SHOLAR • Cell: (229) 886-0801 • Office: (229) 894-8893**

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# GYP HILLS FIELD TRIAL CLUB

# KANSAS PRAIRIE OPEN ALL-AGE

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## The Kansas Prairie Open All-Age starts Wednesday, November 4*, 2026

****Or 24 hours after the North Dakota Classic held at Westfall Ranch***

## Start time 8:00 a.m.

**AN ALL-AGE HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS, TOP DERBY AWARD POINTS, AMERICAN DERBY INVITATIONAL POINTS & NATIONAL ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL POINTS TRIAL**

**— QUALIFYING TRIAL FOR THE 2027 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP —**

**Grounds:** 43,000-acre Z Bar Ranch, Aetna/Sun City/Medicine Lodge, KS. **Directions:** 17.5 miles west of Medicine Lodge, KS, on Hwy. 160, then 14.5 miles south on Aetna Rd., then east on Cottage Rd., approx. 1/2 mile. Shortly after creek crossing turn left onto ranch road and follow approx. 1/4 mile to headquarters. Signs will be posted. Be alert for cattle guards on open range road. Continuous one-hour courses on native only quail, pheasants and prairie chicken. **Note:** All horses must have current negative Coggins test and participants and spectators must sign liability release upon arrival at grounds per ranch management. No smoking on the grounds. **Food:** Lunch only on the grounds (fee to be charged). Banquet on night to be determined. **Drawing:** The night before the running, 7:00 p.m., on the grounds. **Accommodations:** Copa Budget Inn, Medicine Lodge, KS—(620) 886-5673.

**KANSAS PRAIRIE OPEN DERBY (30 Minutes) • Entry Fee: $125.00**
**60% divided 50-30-20 (3 placements awarded); Purina Dog Food to Winner**

**KANSAS PRAIRIE OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour) • Entry Fee: $300.00 (includes $20 NFTCA fee)**
**60% (less $20/dog) divided 50-30-20 (3 placements awarded); Purina Dog Food to Winner**

**Judges:** Buck Neil, Fort Worth, TX, and Jason Super, Fort Worth, TX
**Trial Chairman & Reporter:** Doug Meyer • **Marshals:** Joe Worsham and Doug Meyer
**Dog Wagon Driver:** Thane Yunker

**Entries to: PAUL ROEDERER, Secretary • Cell: (620) 727-2210 • Email: p.roederer@microgold.net**
**Must confirm receipt by text or phone • Text or Email preferred with dog names**

# NORTHERN CALIFORNIA BIRD DOG CLUB & REGION 11 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

## Starts Thursday, November 5, 2026, 8:00 a.m.
## J. Ichord Hornitas Ranch, Cathey's Valley, CA

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**Directions to Grounds:** From Hwy. 99, take Exit 186B. Go east on Hwy. 140 for 24 miles and turn left onto Hornitos Road. Go 8 miles, turn right onto Mt. Gaines Road, and follow signs to grounds. **Drawing(s):** *Northern California Stakes*—Wednesday, November 4, 5:00 p.m., on the grounds; *Region 11 Championship & Nevada BDC*—Friday, November 6, 5:00 p.m. **Lodging:** Mariposa Lodge—(209) 966-3607.

**BROCK & WELLS AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)—A National Amateur Invitational Points Stake ..... $130.00**
**ICHORD OPEN ALL-AGE DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—*In Memory of Paul Ichord* ..... $ 60.00**
**SHELDON TWER SHOOTING DOG DERBY (30 Min.) ..... $ 60.00**
**MACK SMITH OPEN ALL-AGE (30 Min.) ..... $ 60.00**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG (30 Min.) ..... $ 60.00**
**OPEN ALL-AGE DERBY (30 Min.) ..... $ 60.00**
**(Sat., Nov. 7) REGION 11 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) ..... $175.00**
**REGION 11 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE DERBY (30 Min.)—Hosted by Nevada Bird Dog Club ..... $ 60.00**
**WESTERN OPEN DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)—*In Memory of Mike Geenen* ..... $ 60.00**

**Judges:** *ASD*—John Keel, Fresno, CA, and Terry Zyganski, Watsonville, CA; *OA-A Derby Classic*—Terry Zyganski, Watsonville, CA, and Terry Erickson, Laguna Hills, CA; *SD Derby*—Jarry Walton, Sparks, NV, and Kay Kelly, Loomis, CA; *OA-A*—Tom Griffin, Esparto, CA, and Terry Erickson, Laguna Hills, CA; *OSD*—Sean Kelly, Loomis, CA, and Jarry Walton, Sparks, NV; *OA-A Derby*—To be announced; *Championship*—John Keel, Fresno, CA, and Terry Erickson, Laguna Hills, CA; *Region 11 A-A Derby*—John Keel, Fresno, CA, and Jared Tappero, Quincy, CA; *Western OD Classic*—Tom Griffin, Esparto, CA, and Jared Tappero, Quincy, CA.

**Northern California BDC & Region 11 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship entries to:**
**SEAN KELLY • Phone: (916) 871-5767**
**Nevada BDC entries to: MARC CUNEO, President • Phone: (707) 217-1369**

*The Northern California Bird Dog Club, Nevada Bird Dog Club, Region 11 (AFTCA), Hornitos Ranch, its officers, and membership assume no responsibility for participants or spectators in the event of injury or damage to persons or property.*

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# DIXIE OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC

*Member of Dixie Trace FTA, AFTCA, SBHA & Alabama FTA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

## Hosted By 9A Field Trial Club

## Starts Monday, November 9, 2026 • Reynolds Farm, Mathews, AL

### — A National Open Shooting Dog Championship Qualifier —

**Grounds:** Located at 8120 County Rd. 37, Mathews, AL 36052. Breakfast and lunch will be provided daily. **Drawing:** Thursday, November 5, 7:00 p.m., at Conecuh Station Field House, Union Springs, AL. *FDSB* registered name and number must be provided at registration. All entry fees and required information must be turned in prior to dog's running.

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)—50%, 50-30-20 ..... $250.00**
**OPEN SHOOTING DOG DERBY (30 Min.)—50%, 50-30-20 ..... $150.00**

— One Course • A SportDOG retrieval collar will be provided, if needed —

**Judges:** *OSD*—Shane Hartwig, Union Springs, AL, and Jason Williams, Blakely, GA;
*OD*—Ted Roach, Union Springs, AL, and Morgan Brewer, Union Springs, AL.

**Entries must be phoned in or emailed prior to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 5, to:**
**HUNTER McDUFFIE—(334) 207-3887 • MORGAN BREWER—(334) 612-1828**

*Entries accepted with the understanding that the 9A Field Trial Club, its officers and landowners, are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents or injuries involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs or equipment. Abuse of Judges and Club Officials will not be tolerated. Unsportsmanlike conduct will result in immediate disqualification. The 9A FTC Board of Directors reserve all rights to refuse entry.*

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# BENTON COUNTY QUALIFYING TRIAL

***— Sponsored by Prairie Field Trial Club —***

**Starting November 10*, 2026 • Hell Creek WMA, Blue Mountain, MS**

***(*Or within 24 hours of conclusion of Kentucky Lake trial)***

**POINTS QUALIFIER FOR JOE HURDLE ALL-AGE AWARD & RIGGINS WHITE KNIGHT AWARD**
**A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER**

***Run over contiguous courses.***

**OPEN ALL-AGE (1 Hour)—Purse: 50% of entries divided 50-30-20 .....Entry Fee: $250.00***

****$20/dog National Championship fee is not included in the entry fee.***

**OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Purse: 50% of entries divided 50-30-20 .....Entry Fee: $150.00**

**Judges:** Jonathan Burch, Holly Springs, MS, and Joey McAlexander, Holly Springs, MS

**Drawing:** Monday, November 9, 5:00 p.m. (CST), at Magnolia Enterprises, Corinth, MS.

**Accommodations:** Ripley Inn, Ripley, MS—(662) 837-9331. Lunches at the clubhouse.

**All entries to: DR. FRED CORDER, President • Phone: (662) 415-5244**

*Only manufactured guns with blank ammo to be used. The Prairie Field Trial Club, officials, the State of Mississippi, and Hell Creek WMA are not liable for accidents, injuries, or losses during these trials.*

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# ROBIN GATES MEMORIAL QUAIL CLASSIC & THE "BIG" DERBY

**Hosted by Bear Pond Field Trial Club**

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

**Starts Monday, November 9, 2026, 8:00 a.m.**
**Round Pond Plantation, Leslie, GA**

***— Sponsored by Purina —***

**OPEN ALL-AGE IS A QUALIFYING STAKE FOR THE 2026 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP,**
**AND OPEN DERBY IS AN AMERICAN DERBY INVITATIONAL**
**— A DIXIE TRACE FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION & ALABAMA FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION POINTS TRIAL —**

**Directions to Grounds:** From Leslie, GA, approximately 7 miles south on Hwy. 195 and east on Batts Rd. From Leesburg, GA, approximately 10 miles north on Hwy. 195 and east on Batts Rd. **Entries Close:** Thursday, November 7, 12 noon. **Entries Close:** Friday, November 6, 12 noon. **Drawing:** Friday, November 6, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Tracy and Christy Swearingen.

***OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour) .....$250.00 + $20.00 NFTCA Fee + $30.00 Grounds Fee**
***OPEN DERBY (30 Min.).....$150.00 + $25.00 Grounds Fee**

****60% of entry fees divided 50-30-20***

**Judges:** Andrew Bozeman, Thomasville, GA, and Michael Hill, Thomasville, GA

**Entries to: CHRISTY SWEARINGEN • Phone: (229) 894-7498 • Leesburg, GA**

*BPFTC is not responsible for injury to participants/animals or damage of property during these events.*

## Clarksville Pointer & Setter Club

*Member AFTCA, NFTCA, Region 6 & Mid-South FTA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

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# AMERICAN QUAIL OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC

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## November 12*-15, 2026 • Huntingdon, TN

***(*Start date depending on number of entries)***

**Grounds:** Carroll County Field Trial Grounds, 1431 Smyrna Rd., Huntingdon, TN 38344.

**Drawing:** Monday, November 9, 7:00 p.m. (CST), at the home of Secretary Lisa Little.

**OPEN ALL-AGE CLASSIC (1 Hour)—Purse: 50% of entry fees divided 50-30-20 ..... Entry Fee: $250.00***

**A National Championship Qualifying Stake • Joe Hurdle Open All-Age Dog of the Year**

**Clyde Morton All-Age Handler Award**

**$205 entry fee plus $25/dog grounds fee and $20/dog NFTCA fee*

**OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Purse: 50% of entry fees divided 50-30-20..... Entry Fee: $100.00****

**Riggins White Knight All-Age Derby Award • Points toward American Derby Invitational Championship**

***$85.00 entry fee plus $15/dog grounds fee*

**Judges:** Hunter Payne, Spring City, TN, and Woody Woodruff, Shelbyville, TN

**Entries to: LISA LITTLE • Phone: (931) 980-0452 • Email: doubletroublestables@yahoo.com**

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# NBHA NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

*Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

## *November 14-16, 2026 • Starts 8:00 a.m. each day • Covington, IN

- **Cazador's Red Oak Savannah**
  Chris Daniels
- **Miller Creek's On The Horizon**
  Matt Miller
- Tenacee Shelby
  Greg Isenberg
- **Baker's Shining Star Duke**
  Mike Baker
- Southern Shadow Stoner
  Klaus Schmidt
- K Del's Eagle Magnum Hotshot
  Kendric DeLong
- **Beaucoup Creek Abby**
  Dan Heisner
- Tallgrass King
  Mike Tewes
- Faith's Maximum Justice
  Kendric DeLong
- **Warner's Utah Jack**
  Rob Warner
- **Glover's Pepper Shaker**
  Jack Glover
- **Sky Hawk's Little Rascal**
  Rob Warner

**The championship will start after the conclusion of the AFTCA National Amateur Walking Shooting Dog Championship.* Grounds: Keith Wright's Redwood Farm, Hwy. 63 and W 350 S, Covington, IN. Hotels: Located in/near Danville, IL. Rooms could be limited so book early. (Remember Illinois is a different time zone). Drawing: Monday, November 9, at the home of Ken Sauer. Lunches served on grounds daily ($10). The NBHA has the dogs registered names and *FDSB*/UKC numbers. To receive AFTCA Walking Shooting Dog Invitational points you must be an AFTCA member. Courses/Grounds: No electrical hook-ups on site (generators are allowed). **Qualifications:** By NBHA Invitation only. Top 12 amateur dogs will run in first series with four (4) callback dogs and possibly two (2) on standby.

NBHA NATIONAL AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP ..... $185.00

*Champions Choice Belt Buckles to Champion and Runner-up, if named.*

Judges: John Hott, Hoopeston, IL, and J.D. Waters, Mechanicsburg, IL

PURINA® **Entries to: KEN SAUER • Phone: 281) 960-2508 • Email: kfsauer@sbcglobal.net** ON X HUNT

**The NBHA would like to thank our gracious sponsors:**

**Purina Pro Plan, Garmin, Park Cities Quail Coalition, Gun Dog Supply, Mule Brand Gear & Apparel, OnX Hunt, Gun Dog Central, and World Class Bird Dogs**

*Entries accepted & attendance of this event are with the understanding that the NBHA, AFTCA, their officers, directors, members, all sponsors, and the landowner(s) are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents or occurrences involving anyone attending the trial, their animals, or equipment.*

**Ric Peterson** *President* | **Larron Copeland** *1st Vice President* | **Jim Pendergest** *2nd Vice President* | **Buck Neil** *3rd Vice President*

## Announcing the Forty-Sixth Running of the

# NATIONAL AMATEUR ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

***Sponsored by Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America • Manufactured solid barrel guns with blank ammo to be used.***

**Starts December 7, 2026**

**Ames Plantation**
**Grand Junction, TN**

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**Entry Fee: $300.00**
**(One-Hour Heats)**

**Amateur All-Age**
**Award Points**

**Invitations have been extended to the following:**

**Phillips Linebacker** (Nathan Phillips)
**Storm's End** (Matt Pendergest)
**Touch's Blue Knight** (Woody Watson)
**Erin's Southern Comfort** (Sean Derrig)
**Rayray's Juke Joint** (Lynn Oxendine)
**Game Star** (Dr. Fred Corder)
**Game Surge** (Dr. Fred Corder)
**Como Thunder** (David Russell)
**Imagine** (Jim Pendergest)
**Coldwater Paradise** (Gary McKibben)
**Lam's Prime Choice** (Jon Lam)
**Notorious Southern Son** (John Mathys)

*All entries must be confirmed. It is the owner's responsibility to confirm entry.*

**Grounds:** No alcoholic beverages allowed on the courses. No stallions will be allowed on Plantation property. All horses must have a current negative Coggins Test (less than 12 months). All individuals stabling horses on Plantation property must provide Ames Plantation, for permanent possession, a photocopy of their current negative Coggins Test upon arrival. Those in attendance are special guests of the Ames Plantation and will be asked to comply cooperatively with staff concerning traditional running rules on the Ames Plantation. All entries must have AFTCA ID number. It is the owner's responsibility to confirm entry. **Drawing:** Sunday, December 6, 6:00 p.m. (CST), at the Rhea building. Appetizers will be served from 5:00-5:45 p.m. **Motel:** Travelers Inn, Bolivar, TN—(731) 658-7888. Field Trialers welcome. Ask for field trial rate. **Social:** Purina will host a dinner after the running on Monday, December 7, at the Rhea Building.

**Judges:** Ric Peterson, Memphis, TN, and Joe Cincotta, Stockton, NJ • **Reporter:** Elton Bray, Holly Springs, MS

GARMIN. collars to the Winner and Runner-up.

**For information, contact: PIPER HUFFMAN • Cell: (662) 471-1700**

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# SOUTH CAROLINA OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP & DERBY

**Miller's Special Cinderella**
***2025 Champion***

**Sponsored by the Association of South Carolina Field Trial Clubs**

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## Begins Monday, December 7, 2026 until completion
## H. Cooper Black Jr. Memorial Field Trial Grounds, Cheraw, SC

***— A National Open Shooting Dog Championship Qualifier —***

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour; Single Course)—Purse: 50% divided 70-30 ..... $275.00**

**— A Top Shooting Dog Award & Handler of the Year Award Points Trial —**

**Judges:** Alan York, Louisville, GA, and Doug Hinton, Dacula, GA

**Qualification:** Entry must have a placement in a recognized Open Shooting Dog or Open Derby stake.

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG DERBY (30 Min.)—Time Permitting; Purse: 50% divided 50-30-20 ..... $125.00**

**Drawing:** Thursday, December 3, 6:00 p.m., at the home of President Mac Stidham, Rembert, SC.

**Accommodations:** Free dry-lot camping and stake-outs. Full hook-up campsites, horse corrals, and barn stalls available through H. Cooper Black State Park. For Reservations, call: (843) 253-5124. Lunch and dinner served daily.

***Mac Stidham, President • Gray Watson, Vice President • Drew Bastian, Vice President • Paul Kelly, Treasurer***

**Entries to: KATIE COURTNEY, Secretary • Call/Text: (803) 804-4584 • Email: ASCFTC3@gmail.com**

**[Entries will be confirmed]**

*Entries and participants accepted with the understanding that the South Carolina Open Shooting Dog Championship, Inc., ASCFTC, AFTCA and the State of South Carolina, their officers, directors and members are not responsible for any accidents involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs or equipment.*

# REGION 6 (AFTCA) AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

**Hosted by Ames Amateur Joe G. Walker Memorial Field Trial Club**

*Member AFTCA, Region 6 & Mid-South AFTA • Blank Ammo & Manufactured Barrel Guns Only!*

## December 10*-13, 2026 • Ames Plantation, Grand Junction, TN

***(*Start date depends on number of entries)***

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**A National Amateur All-Age Invitational, Region 6 Dog of the Year & AFTCA Amateur All-Age Dog of the Year Points Trial**

**Entry Fee: $175.00 + $25.00 Bird Fee • One-Hour Heats**

**Judges:** Kent Walker and Bubba Spencer

**Drawing:** Monday, December 7, 7:00 p.m. (CST), at the home of Lisa Little, Region 6 Secretary. An AFTCA Win Certificate number, AFTCA Membership number and *FDSB* registered name and number must accompany each entry.

**Entries to: LISA LITTLE, Region 6 Secretary, 1301 Ross Dr., Woodlawn, TN 37191**
**Phone: (931) 980-0452 • Email: doubletroublestables@yahoo.com**

*Region 6 and its members are not responsible for accidents. Participation in the trial as either a spectator, handler, owner, scout, or in any other capacity constitutes a waiver and release of Region 6 officers, members and landowners from any and all liabilities for accidents or other losses.*

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# REGION 7 (AFTCA) AMATEUR WALKING SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

**December 10-13, 2026 (pending on entries) • Starts 8:00 a.m. each day**

**— A Region 7 & AFTCA Walking Shooting Dog Invitational Points Trial —**

***Hosted by Valley View Field Trial Association***

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**Grounds:** Valley View Field Trial Association Grounds at LBJ Grasslands, located 14 miles from Decatur, TX. The main gate to the camp and trial grounds are on CR 2777 near the intersection of CR2675 and CR2777. The VVFTA pavilion is on CR2777 (blacktop road; GPS Coordinates: 33.41044N and 97.58915W). There is a vehicle/family usage fee and is not included in your entry fee ($10/day). **Hotels (in Decatur):** Hampton Inn, La Quinta Inn, Fairfield by Marriott Inn & Suites, and Holiday Inn Express. Campsites are available and are primitive (no power). There is a windmill with water for horses. Please take your trash back out with you (no dumpster on site). Lunches served on grounds daily for $10. There is a USFS daily use fee not included in entry fee (per vehicle). **Drawing:** Monday, December 7, 7:00 p.m., at Ken Sauer's home. Dogs' registered names, *FDSB*/UKC number, AFTCA Win Certificate number, and AFTCA Membership number are required at entry. **Courses:** We have two units to run on and may elect to utilize both units. They do connect as continuous courses. Both courses have been manicured thanks to the generous Sponsorships from the Park Cities Quail Coalition (PCQC) and the VVFTA Volunteers. The second course will be used as an overflow course and will not run continuously. **Qualifications:** An AFTCA membership number required at entry for amateur AFTCA points and placements. NBHA requires no membership. **Events:** Some companion events may not be held due to time and number of entries and is at the discretion of the hosting club.

**REGION 7 AMATEUR WALKING SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP ..... $185.00**

*Champions Choice Belt Buckles to Champion and Runner-up, if named.*

**AMATEUR WALKING DERBY ..... $ 65.00**

**Judges:** Dickie Sorrell, Hubbard, TX, and Dr. Buck Neil, Fort Worth, TX

**Contact: KEN SAUER • Phone: (281) 960-2508 • Email: kfsauer@sbcglobal.net**

*Entries accepted and attendance of this event are with the understanding that Region 7, AFTCA, U. S. Forest Service, their officers, directors, members, sponsors, and the landowner(s) are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents or occurrences involving anyone attending or participating in the trial, their animals, or equipment.*

**The AFTCA would like to thank our gracious sponsors:**
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## Announcing the Thirty-Sixth Running of the

# NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

***Sponsored by Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America • Manufactured solid barrel guns with blank ammo to be used.***

**Starts December 11, 2026**
**Round Pond Plantation**
**Leslie, GA**

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**Entry Fee: $300.00 (One-Hour Heats)**
**Top Amateur Shooting Dog**
**Award Points**

**Invitations have been extended to the following:**

**Calico's Country Strong** (Alex Smith)
**Erin's Grey Ghost** (Bill Owen)
**Calico's Over The Top** (Alex Smith)
**Just Sayin** (Mike Moses)
**Miller's Concealed Weapon** (Bill Owen)
**Stylish Miss Bell** (Tom Curtsinger)
**Awakened** (Brent Cox)
**One Day Queen Bee** (Lane Hodges)
**Harbor City Express** (Tom Brigman)
**Silver W Thunderbolt's Boom** (Debbie Ozner)
**Touch's Too Much** (Keith Wright)
**Jane's Atlantic Way** (Josh Pool)

*All entries must be confirmed. It is the owner's responsibility to confirm entry.*

**Directions to Grounds:** From Leslie, GA, approx. 7 miles south on State Hwy. 195 and east on Batts Rd. (dirt). From Leesburg, GA, approx. 10 miles north on Hwy. 195 and east on Batts Rd. Follow signs. **Pre-Drawing:** Wednesday, December 9, 6:00 p.m. (CST), at the office of the secretary. All entries must have AFTCA ID number. It is the owner's responsibility to confirm entry. **Lodging:** Hampton Inn—(229) 924-3890 -or- Jameson Inn—(229) 924-2726. Both are in Americus, GA. Motels also in Albany, GA (20 Miles). **Social:** Purina will host a dinner Friday evening, December 12, on the grounds for participants of the Championship; Callbacks after Saturday's running, December 13, on the grounds, with appetizers for participants of the Championship.

**Judges:** Alan Atkins, Phenix City, AL, and Hunter McDuffie, Union Springs, AL • **Reporter:** Dustin Kirby, Albany, GA

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**For information, contact: PIPER HUFFMAN • Cell: (662) 471-1700**

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# EASTERN OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

***Hosted by Association of Virginia Field Trial Clubs, Inc. • Gene Hogge, Trial Chairman***

## Starts Saturday, December 12, 2026, 8:00 A.M.
## Cutawhiskey Farm, Ahoskie, NC

**Grounds:** *GPS*—Lewter Lane, North Carolina. One course with repeat starts. Electric hook-ups available ($10 per night). Lunches available on grounds. Handlers' Supper Saturday night, December 12, compliments of Bill and Muriel Primm, in honor of last year's champion, Miller's Heat Seeker. **Drawing:** Wednesday, December 9, 5:00 p.m.

**EASTERN OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (One Hour)—50%, 70-30 ....$250.00 + $20/dog grounds fee**
**OPEN DERBY (30 Min.)—Time permitting; 50%, 50-30-20 .....$75.00**

**Judges:** Rob Maguire, Suffolk, VA, and Jameson Crandall, Lancaster, VA

**Entries (by registered name) to: TOMMY STARGELL**
**Phone/Text: (434) 960-2651 • Email: tastargell@gmail.com**

*No live ammunition permitted on grounds during trial. Only a solid barrel or plugged barrel firearm, with blank shells or crimps, which prevents a projectile (of any kind) from leaving the barrel may be used. .32 caliber blanks or larger will be fired over dogs on point. All horses must have negative Coggins test within the last year. Entries accepted with the understanding that the Association of Virginia Field Trial Clubs, their officers and directors, are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accidents involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs or equipment.*

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# UNITED STATES QUAIL SHOOTING DOG FUTURITY

*— 63rd Running —*

## Saturday, January 2, 2027 (start time dependent on entries) at H. Robert Gordon Field Trial Area, Hoffman, NC

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• **Futurity Entries & Nominations Close:** December 16, 2026
• **Entry Fee:** $150.00 (Due before the drawing on December 27, 2026)
• **Purse:** 50% of entry fees divided among owners & breeders ($3000 max); Leah Brigham painting to the 2026 winner.
• **Pre-Drawing:** To be held Sunday, December 27, 2025, at noon.
**Judges:** Joe Lordi, Atco, NJ, and Hoss Earley, Richlands, NC

This Futurity is the premier shooting dog derby field trial, featuring half-hour first series heats; second series (one-hour callbacks) to follow. All entries must be from duly nominated litters whelped in 2025. Late nominations are accepted until December 16, 2026, with late penalty to apply. Winners to be DNA tested at owner's expense unless previously certified. Failure to comply or pass DNA results in forfeiture of placement and monies. **Board of Directors' Meeting:** Saturday, January 2, at the conclusion of the day's running. **Social Event:** Handlers' Dinner Sunday, January 3, 6 p.m. Purina Social with presentation of 62nd winner's painting by artist Leah Brigham to Debbie Ozner, owner of Silver W Hot Pink, handled by Shawn Kinkelaar. Dog kennels and horse corrals available. Barn Stalls available for $20.00; electrical hookups $10.00 daily. Lunch provided daily.

NOTE: Dogs must be shot over with approved guns using non-projectile blank ammunition.

***— Supported by Purina —***

**For further information and to enter, contact:**
**MARGARET C. DREW, Secretary, P.O. Box 252, Hoffman, NC 28347**
**Home: (910) 281-5259 • Cell: (910) 206-0079 • Email: bmdrew@windstream.net**

*Club officials not responsible and cannot be held liable for loss, accident or injury to persons, animals or equipment. Attend at your own risk. Current Coggins required on all horses.*

# 2026 NGSPA CHUKAR CHAMPIONSHIPS

***— A Purina Points Trial —***

**This will be a Species Points Trial toward Handler of the Year and Dog of the Year**

## November 1, 2026 to Conclusion • Starts 8:00 a.m. (MST)
## Prairie Wind Ranch, 8719 Little Willow Rd., Payette, ID 83661

(Go north off Hwy. 52, approx. 15 miles on Little Willow Rd.)
Participants must obey posted speed limit on Little Willow Rd.
Meals will be served at the clubhouse for a minimal fee.

**Drawing(s):** *ASD*—Saturday, October 31, 6:00 p.m. (MST), at the clubhouse.
*OA-A, Derby Classic, and OSD* —To be drawn the night before each stake begins.

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour)..... Entry Fee: $160.00**
**Judges:** Robbie Thompson, Twin Falls, ID, and Ryan Mulcahy Boise, ID
**Prizes:** Chukar Trophy awarded to champion

**OPEN ALL-AGE (1 Hour)..... Entry Fee: $175.00**
***— To follow Amateur Shooting Dog —***
**Judges:** Jim Ledington Homedale, ID, and Ryan Mulcahy Boise, ID
**Purse:** $350 to champion; $200 to runner-up
**Prizes:** Chukar Trophy awarded to champion

**DERBY CLASSIC (30 Min.)..... Entry Fee: $ 75.00**
***— To follow Open All-Age —***
**Judges:** Ronnie Brody Payette, ID, and Ray Larrondo Nampa, ID
**Prizes:** Gift Cards awarded to placements

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour) ..... Entry Fee: $175.00**
***— To follow Derby Classic —***
**Judges:** Jim Ledington Homedale, ID, and one to be announced
**Purse:** $350 to champion; $200 to runner-up
**Prizes:** Chukar Trophy awarded to champion

**RAY LARRONDO, Chairman**
**13246 Lake Ave., Nampa, ID 83686**
**Phone: (208) 890-2434**

**TAMI LARRONDO, Secretary**
**13246 Lake Ave., Nampa, ID 83686**
**Phone: (208) 880-1373**

# NGSPA GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIPS

## November 2-6, 2026
## Ionia State Recreation Area, Ionia, MI

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**— This is a Purina Handler of the Year Points Trial —**

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) ..... $175.00**
**Purse:** Winner—$500; Runner-Up—$250.
Plus Buckles with winning dog's name to Winner and Runner-Up.
*— 24 dog minimum for payout —*
**Judges:** Charlie Fenech and Bill Branham

**OPEN ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) ..... $175.00**
**Purse:** 50% split 60-40 to Winner & Runner-Up.
Plus Buckles with winning dog's name to Winner and Runner-Up.
*— 16 dog minimum for payout —*
**Judges:** Charlie Fenech and Bill Branham

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour) ..... $175.00**
Buckles with winning dog's name to Winner and Runner-Up.
**Judges:** Christy Helms and one to be announced

**DERBY CLASSIC (30 Minutes)—Time permitting ..... $100.00**
**Purse:** Winner—$150; Runner-Up—$100; Third place—$80.
Plus Buckle to first place.
*— 10 dog minimum for payout —*
**Judges:** To be announced

**Entry Deadline:** Sunday, November 1, 6:00 p.m. (EST). Entry fees must be paid before dog enters the starting line of each stake. If placements withheld, winnings revert to club. DNA and *FDSB* certificate required for championship entry. $12 from each entry will go to Ionia Grounds/Fence Fund. **Drawing:** Will be held on the grounds the night before each stake is to be run; Open Shooting Dog drawing will be held Sunday, November 1, 6:00 p.m., in the clubhouse. **Accommodations:** Camping available ($20/night).

**Mail or phone entries to: DAN DiMAMBRO, Field Trial Secretary**
**17085 12 Mile Rd., Big Rapids, MI 49307 • Phone: (231) 301-3290**

*Club does not assume liability for persons or animals at this trial.*

# REGION 8 (AFTCA) CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

***Hosted by Region 8 Field Trial Club***

**Bob Gum, President • Jon Smith, Vice President • Joshua Pool, Secretary**

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## AMATEUR WALKING SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)

*209 Primer or .32 caliber or larger blank ammunition required*

**November 6-8, 2026, 8:00 a.m. • Croton Creek Ranch, Cheyenne, OK**

**Qualifying Points Trial for the National Amateur Walking Invitational Championship**

**A Region 8 Points Trial**

**Grounds:** Croton Creek Ranch, 4 miles west of Cheyenne, OK, on Hwy. 47, two miles north on paved road 1820, two miles west on gravel road 1802. Signs will be posted. Single one-hour course on native and pre-released quail. **Drawing:** Friday, October 30, 7:30 p.m., at the home of Jon Smith. Drawing is open to the public. **Lodging & Facilities:** Croton Creek Hotel (cabins and RV hook-ups available on-site)—(316) 847-2149 or Bear Den Inn (alternate hotel), Cheyenne, OK—(580) 383-8759. Trailer parking, dog and horse stakeouts in designated areas. Corrals and kennels available on a first come, first served basis. Water hydrants at all designated parking areas. **Food:** Meals and social hour will be in the Social Barn each day. **Note:** Coggins papers required. Everyone must sign a liability release before competing or riding in the gallery. No smoking on courses.

**AMATEUR WALKING SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP ..... $175.00**
**AMATEUR WALKING DERBY (30 Min.)—To follow Shooting Dog ..... $ 75.00**

**Judges:** Gary Hill, Hext, OK, and Lisa Gordon, Erick, OK

**Prizes:** Trophies to Champion and Runner-up

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## AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)

**February 17-18, 2027, 8:00 a.m. • Double D Ranch, Woodward, OK**

**Qualifying Points Trial for the National Amateur All-Age Invitational Championship**

**A U. S. Amateur Derby & Purina Amateur All-Age Award Points Trial • A Region 8 Points Trial**

**Drawing:** Friday, February 12, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Jon Smith. Entries must have a qualifying win and be entered by their registered name. **Accommodations:** Candlewood Suites—(580) 254-5200.

**AMATEUR DERBY (30 Min.) ..... $ 75.00**
**AMATEUR ALL-AGE CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)—To follow Derby ..... $175.00**

**Judges:** Jon and Jessica Hann, Buffalo, OK

**Prizes:** Trophies to Champion and Runner-Up

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## AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)

*209 Primer or .32 caliber or larger blank ammunition required*

**February 19-21, 2027, 8:00 a.m. • Double D Ranch, Woodward, OK**

**Qualifying Points Trial for the National Amateur Invitational Shooting Dog Championship**

**A Purina Top Amateur Shooting Dog Award Points Trial • A Region 8 Points Trial**

**Drawing:** Friday, February 12, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Jon Smith. Entries must have a qualifying win and be entered by their registered name. Accommodations: Candlewood Suites—(580) 254-5200.

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP ..... $175.00**
**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG DERBY (30 Min.) ..... $ 75.00**

**Championship Judges:** Gary Hill, Hext, OK, and Lisa Gordon, Erick, OK

**Prizes:** Trophies to Champion and Runner-Up

## All three championship entries to:
## JON SMITH, Vice-President • (405) 612-7322

*Region 8 Field Trial Club, AFTCA, OFTCA, Oil Capital Field Trial Association, Croton Creek Ranch, Double D Ranch and their officers and directors are NOT liable for injuries or damages to persons, animals or equipment during the field trial. All who wish to participate, observe or otherwise enter onto the grounds do so at their own risk.*

# NGSPA TEXAS CHAMPIONSHIPS

*Member NGSPA*

## NOVEMBER 12-16, 2026
## ALVARADO RANCH, FLORENCE, TX

### — A Purina Points Trial —

**Drawing:** Wednesday, November 11, 7:00 p.m., on the grounds.

**OPEN ALL-AGE (1 Hour).....$200.00**
**Judges:** James Messer, Needville, TX, and Gene Moseley, Waller, TX
**Cash Purse:** 30% of entries split 60-40
*Plaques and Purina Dog Food to champion and runner-up*

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour) .....$200.00**
**Judges:** Eric Sailors, Crosby, TX, and Alan Sailors, Belton, TX
**Cash Purse:** 30% of entries split 60-40
*Plaques and Purina Dog Food to champion and runner-up*

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (1 Hour).....$185.00**
**Judges:** Johnny Martinez, Houston, TX, and Dickie Sorrell, Hubbard, TX
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# TEXAS OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP
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## Starts Thursday, November 19, 2026* • Starting Time 8:00 A.M.
## Lake Conway WMA, 331 Clinton Rd., Conway, AR 72032

***Please not to arrive before Wednesday, November 18.***

**Drawing(s):** *Championship*—Sunday, November 15, 7:00 p.m., at the John Van Horn residence.
*Classic & Derby*—Friday, November 20, 7:00 p.m., at the Lake Conway WMA clubhouse.

**Accommodations:** Days Inn, 1002 E. Oak St., Conway, AR (Exit 127 off I-40)—(501) 450-7575.

**STAKES AND ORDER OF RUNNING:**

**TEXAS OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP (1 Hour)**
**Entry Fee: $225.00 + $40.00 Bird Fee**
**A Top Shooting Dog & Handler of the Year Points Trial**
**Purse:** 50% divided 70-30 to champion and runner-up
**Qualification:** A dog must have a placement in an Open Shooting Dog or an Open Derby stake.
**Judges:** Kelli Aitken-Thomson and Ken Sauer

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***— Starting immediately upon completion of the Texas Open Shooting Dog Championship —***

**RAZORBACK OPEN SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC (1 Hour)**
**Entry Fee: $200.00 + $40.00 Bird Fee**
**A Top Shooting Dog Award & Handler of the Year Award Points Trial**
**A Qualifying Stake for the National Open Shooting Dog Championship**
**Purse:** 50% of entry fees divided 50-30-20
**Judges:** Rita Ornsby and Jim Martin

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***— Starting upon completion of the Razorback Open Shooting Dog Classic, time permitting —***

**ED BEVERLEY MEMORIAL TEXAS DERBY (30 Min.)**
**Entry Fee: $100.00 + $40.00 Bird Fee**
**Purse:** 60% divided 50-30-20
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Open Shooting Dog Invitational

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# 2026 NGSPA Open Shooting Dog *Invitational Championship*

## November 30-December 2, 2026
## Smith Farms, 5002 State Highway O, Gentry, MO

**Entry Fee:** $500.00 (Due the night of drawing)

**Drawing:** Sunday, November 29, 6:30 P.M., at Russ Meyer's property, 2704 520th, Albany, MO 64402.

**Judges:** Alex Jacocks, Edmond, OK, and Mike Patrick, Aurora, CO

**NGSPA Dog of the Year and Purina Handler of the Year Points Trial**

**Confirmed Participants:**

- **Stoney Hill's Pinnacle Dee**
  Kirk Loftin, Owner
- **Macke's Jim Bob**
  Abraham Macke, Owner
- **Two Ponds Blanco Roux**
  Jason Brooks, Owner
- **O B's Stick In The Mud**
  David O'Brien, Owner
- **Monkeyshines Callme The Breeze**
  Helmut Schoen, Owner
- **Chisholm Creek's Speak Easy**
  Mark Wasserman, Owner
- **Macke's Jax Black Label**
  Katelyn Macke, Owner
- **Uodibar's Lnstr Pushin The Limits**
  Sherri Tangsrud, Owner
- **Perfections Razzleberry**
  Jessica & Jon Hann, Owners
- **Keg Creek Enforcer**
  Keith Bryant, Owner
- **O'Brien's Ill Gotten Gains**
  David O'Brien, Owner
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  Mark Wasserman, Owner

**PRIZE PACKAGES**

***Winning Handler:***

**• $5,000 Guaranteed Purse**

**• Purina ProPlan: 12 large bags**

***Winning Dog's Owner(s):***

**• Purina Gift: Oil Painting from Leah Brigham**

**• Garmin Collar**

**• $500 Cabela's Gift Certificate**

Twelve dogs will compete. Their selection is based upon NGSPA Open Shooting Dog award points earned from June 1, 2025 to May 31, 2026. The prior year's winner receives an automatic invitation. All braces will be one-hour heats on two consecutive days. Third day is a call-back with one-hour heats. Judges will determine number of dogs called back.

**General Information**

Both Invitationals will be held back to back with one day in between. Closest airport is Kansas City, MO. Quail are released. Calcutta night of drawing. All meals catered at cost of $45 per day per person. Limited electrical hook-ups available. Horse pens and hay available. JJJ wrangled horses available with prior arrangements—call (641) 202-6604. Catered dinners nightly at Russ Meyer's property, Albany, MO. Special wines from Keith's cellar. Jacket and tie appreciated. Guidelines and other information on www.NGSPA.org.

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# 2026 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog *Invitational Championship*

Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational

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## Starts second day after Open Shooting Dog Invitational ends*

## Smith Farms, 5002 State Highway O, Gentry, MO

***Probable dates are December 4-6, 2026***

**Entry Fee:** $500.00 (Due the night of drawing)

**Drawing:** The night before start date, 6:30 P.M., at Russ Meyer's property, 2704 520th, Albany, MO 64402.

**Judges:** Dr. Stan Wint, Gardner, KS, and Rodney Shoemaker, Grain Valley, MO

**NGSPA Dog of the Year and Purina Handler of the Year Points Trial**

**Confirmed Participants:**

- **Uodibar's Robbi Jo**
  Sherri Tangsrud, Owner
- **Two Ponds Blanco Roux**
  Jason Brooks, Owner
- **Macke's Jim Bob**
  Abraham Macke, Owner
- **Stoney Hill's Pinnacle Dee**
  Kirk Loftin, Owner
- **M S R's Kiss My Lily**
  Sarah & James Messer, Owners
- **Uodibar's Back In The Game**
  Sherri Tangsrud, Owner
- **Monkeyshines Callme The Breeze**
  Helmut Schoen, Owner
- **Slaterock's Mountain Heart**
  Andy & James Dynkiewicz, Owners
- **Nike's Frozen Arrow**
  Larry Metter, Owner
- **O B's Stick In The Mud**
  David O'Brien, Owner
- **Uodibar's Lover Boy**
  Sherri Tangsrud, Owner
- **MSR's Scarlet Witch**
  Sarah & James Messer, Owners

**Winning Owner Prize Package Includes:**

- **Oil Painting from Leah Brigham**
- **Tucker Saddle, Engraved**
- **Purina ProPlan: 12 large bags**
- **SportDOG Collar**
- **$500 Cabela's Gift Certificate**

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# UNITED STATES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP & DERBY

**The Derby begins Friday, December 4, 2026, 7:00 a.m.; Championship immediately follows.**

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**UNITED STATES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (One-Hour Heats)***

**A National Championship Qualifying Trial • Invitational Points**

**Entry Fee: $400.00** ($20/dog NFTCA fee **NOT** included in entry fee) • **Purse: 50% of entries divided 70-30**

**Open Championship entries must have a qualifying placement (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in an Open All-Age or Open Derby stake to be eligible. Runner-up will be named.*

**OPEN DERBY (30 Min. Heats)****

**Entry Fee: $150.00 • Purse: 50% of entries divided 50-30-20**

***Open to all pointers and setters whelped on or after January 1, 2024.*

**Judges:** Eddie Berendzen, Higbee, MO, and Nathan Berendzen, Higbee, MO

**Drawing:** Monday, November 30, 7:00 p.m. (CST).

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# NATIONAL DERBY CHAMPIONSHIP

*— Open to all pointers and setters whelped on or after January 1, 2025 —*

**Friday, January 8, 2027, 8:00 a.m.**

**M. Barnett Lawley Forever Wild Field Trial Area, Greensboro, AL.**

**A National Championship Qualifying Trial • Derby Invitational Points**

**One-Hour & Thirty-Minute Heats**

**Entry Fee: $400.00** ($20/dog NFTCA fee **NOT** included in entry) **• Purse: 50% of entries divided 70-30**

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**Judges:** Brent Cox, Mathews, AL, and Hunter McDuffie, Cecil, AL

**Drawing:** Monday, January 4, 7:00 p.m. (CST).

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# NATIONAL FREE-FOR-ALL CHAMPIONSHIP

**Commences at the conclusion of the National Derby Championship, which begins January 8, 2027, at M. Barnett Lawley Forever Wild Field Trial Area, Greensboro, AL.**

**A National Championship Qualifying Trial • Invitational Points**

**One-Hour Qualifying Heats; One-Hour & Thirty-Minute Finals**

**Entry Fee: $500.00** ($20/dog NFTCA fee **NOT** included in entry fee) • **Purse: 50% of entries**

**Judges:** Quintin Wiseman, Hogansville, GA, and Todd Babbel, Dunbar, NE

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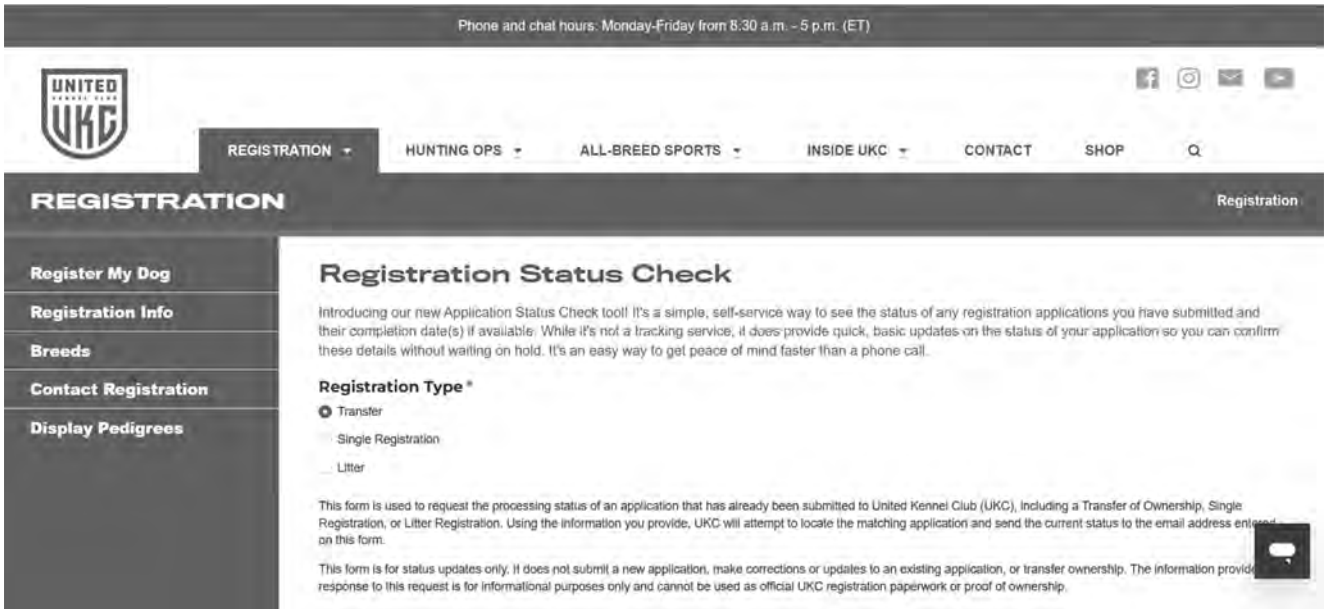


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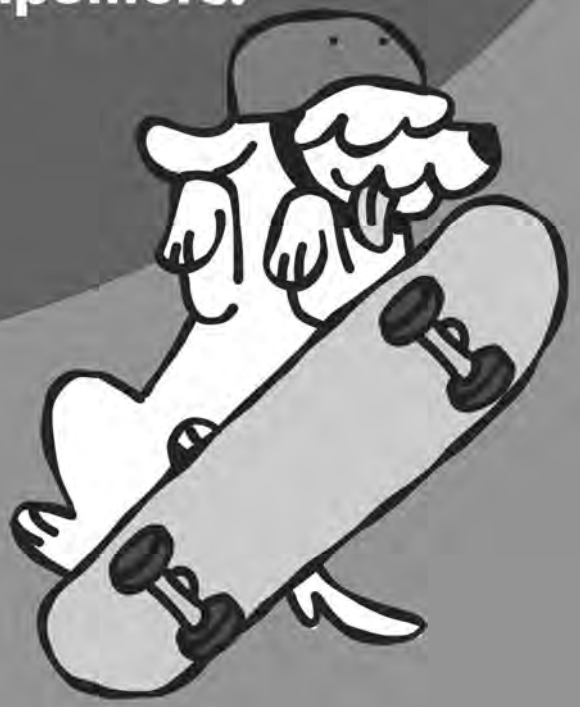

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**NGSPA Chukar Championships**
November 1 / Payette, ID
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**Muckalee Creek Field Trial Club**
November 2 / Ochlocknee, GA
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**NGSPA Great Lakes Championships**
November 2 / Ionia, MI
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**North Dakota Open All-Age Classic**
November 2 / Longton, KS
Contact: Allen Vincent
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**Sunflower Open All-Age Classic**
November 2 / Blue Mountain, MS
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**Black Belt Field Trial Association**
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November 4 / Medicine Lodge, KS
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November 5 / Berea, KY
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**Region 11 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship**
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November 7 / Vernon, UT
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**Central Kentucky Bird Dog Club**
November 9 / Berea, KY
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November 9 / Mathews, AL
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**Texas Open Shooting Dog Championship**
November 19 / Conway, AR
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**Razorback Open Shooting Dog Classic**
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**Region 6 (AFTCA) Amateur Walking Shooting Dog Championship**
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**Quail Championship Invitational**
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**United States Open Championship**
December 4 / Greensboro, AL
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**National Amateur All-Age Invitational Championship**
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December 11 / Leslie, GA
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**National Derby Championship**
January 8 / Greensboro, AL
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January 8 / Cheraw, SC
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**National Free-For-All Championship**
January 9 / Greensboro, AL
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**Gulf Coast Open Shooting Dog Championship**
January 18 / Union Springs, AL
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**Region 5 (AFTCA) Amateur Shooting Dog Championship**
February 6 / Grovespring, MO
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**Region 8 (AFTCA) Amateur Amateur All-Age Championship**
February 17 / Woodward, OK
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**Region 8 (AFTCA) Amateur Amateur Shooting Dog Championship**
February 19 / Woodward, OK
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**South Carolina Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational**
March 5 / Camden, SC
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**Willie Byrd Owens Trial**
March 11 / Union Springs, AL
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**Greater Northeast Woodcock Classic**
March 20 / Coolbaugh, PA
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**Pennsylvania Woodcock Classic**
March 21 / Coolbaugh, PA
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**Region 5 (AFTCA) Amateur All-Age Championship**
March 25 / Pinckneyville, IL
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**Kanto Pointing Dog Club**
March 28 / Bando City, Japan
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## ABHA TRIALS

### 2027

**ABHA Tennessee State Classic**
January 3 / Lewisburg, TN
Contact: Ben Weddington
Phone: (901) 604-5652

**Cumberland Classic**
March 5 / LaVergne, TN
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Phone: (901) 604-5652

## NBHA TRIALS

**NBHA Oklahoma State Classic**
November 5 / Cheyenne, OK
Contact: Matthew Puckett
Phone: (214) 728-1520
Email: mpuckett88@yahoo.com

**NBHA Illinois State Classic**
November 7 / Cutler, IL
Contact: Jim Lawless
Phone: (618) 317-7811
Email: lawlesskennels@yahoo.com

**Westark Field Trial Club**
November 7 / Pocola, OK
Contact: Kenny Snow
Phone: (479) 221-8816

## KENNEL FIXTURES

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**NBHA National Amateur Invitational Championship**
November 14 / Covington, IN
Contact: Ken Sauer
Phone: (281) 960-2508
Email: kfsauer@sbcglobal.net

**NBHA Kentucky State Classic**
December 18 / Kevil, KY
Contact: Mary Sue Schalk
Phone: (270) 625-0196

### 2027

**Quail Creek Classic**
January 1 / Lewisburg, TN
Contact: Ben Weddington
Phone: (901) 604-5652

### SBHA TRIALS

**Conecuh Station Open Shooting Dog Classic**
November 2 / Union Springs, AL
Contact: Lisa Littell
Phone: (334) 649-0076

**Dixie Open Shooting Dog Classic**
November 9 / Mathews, AL
Contact: Hunter McDuffie
Phone: (334) 207-3887

**Cahaba Bend Field Trial Club**
November 12 / Greensboro, AL
Contact: Wayne Pope
Phone: (334) 216-2126

**Fort Mill Field Trial Club**
November 19 / Rose Hill, NC
Contact: Tom Brigman
Phone: (410) 908-4428

**Alabama Open Shooting Dog Championship**
November 30 / Union Springs, AL
Contact: Lisa Littell
Phone: (334) 649-0076

**Eastern Open Shooting Dog Championship**
December 12 / Ahoskie, NC
Contact: Tommy Stargell
Phone: (434) 960-2651
Email: tastargell@gmail.com

### USCSDA TRIALS

**Hanover Field Trial Association**
November 7 / King William, VA
Contact: Kirk Regensburg
Phone: (804) 730-8433 or (804) 543-3470
Email: regensburglinwood@gmail.com

**Sugarbrook Field Trial Club**
November 8 / Plainfield, CT
Contact: Tim Cavanaugh
Phone: (860) 575-5881

**Ohio Red Setter Field Trial Club**
November 14 / Polk, PA
Contact: Al Fazenbaker
Phone: (440) 969-0273
Email: conneautcreekredsetters@gmail.com

**Lancaster County Field Trial Association**
November 21 / Stony Creek, VA
Contact: Jimmy Crandall
Phone: (804) 761-1517

**Powhatan Field Trial Club**
November 28 / South Hill, VA
Contact: Verlene Stephenson
Phone: (252) 678-2120 or (252) 589-1521

**Peninsula Bird Hunters Club**
December 5 / Ahoskie, NC
Contact: Ashby Morgan
Phone: (804) 384-7185

### 2027

**Virginia Walking Classic**
January 8 / Stony Creek, VA
Contact: Dennis Kivikko
Phone: (804) 218-4581

**Six Runs Field Trial Club**
January 15 / Rose Hill, NC
Contact: Allen Fazenbaker
Phone: (440) 969-0273

**USCSDA National Amateur Championship**
January 15 / Ahoskie, NC
Contact: Ashby Morgan
Phone: (804) 384-7185

**Six Runs Field Trial Club**
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