

Badgerland Gordon Setter News

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MEETING NOTICE

The Badgerland Gordon Setter Club board meeting is planned for November 2nd and will be a conference call. The next full club meeting will be the Winter Walk. The location and date of the Winter Walk will be announced in the Christmas note and/or the January newsletter. If you have any questions, call Marte or any of the Board members.

MARTE

EDITOR'S NOTE

HELLO, HELLO, HELLO!

Yes, we do have a newsletter! No, you haven't been forgotten! Yes, I could use some help! Write me a short article. Write something about yourself, your dog(s), hunting, showing, a recent walk in the woods! I'd love to hear it, so would other members! New members can introduce themselves and their dogs, old (oops, longstanding) members can reintroduce themselves or new members of their clan. It doesn't have to be a lot, 3 or 4 paragraphs would be wonderful!

While I'm on my soapbox, thanks to all of you who have sent me Wags and Brags and funny little things to put in the Giggles and Grins!

Every little bit helps!

MARTE

NEW TITLES**CH. U-CH. Glen Oaks
Afterglow O'Amethyst JH,
RN, CGC**

Flame finished her Rally Novice title this spring. The first two legs were put on by Laurie Carlson and the final leg was added with the help of Irish Setter friend Margie Holman. Margie filled in at the last minute when Laurie had a family health problem crop up at home.

Flame is owned by Laurie Carlson and Peg DaValt.

Ch. Ian Innes Of MacRea

Ian finished his Championship at the Jefferson, WI weekend of shows. He took WD, BOW, & BOB on Friday, May 2nd at the Badger K. C. Show. He then took WD on Saturday, at the Janesville-Beloit K. C. Show and finished out on Sunday, May 4th, with WD and BOW. Ian is owned by Dreike van Giffen, Polly Cisco, and JoAnn Holston.

**BISS CH. MBIS U-GRCH.
Glen Oaks River Breeze
Shiraz**

River finished his UKC Grand Championship on June 14th in Kalamazoo, MI., at the UKC Premier weekend. On his way, River took Best of Breed in 3 of 4 shows in Ixonia in February. He went on to receive one Best in Show and one Reserve Best in Show. The first weekend in June saw River taking a Group II, a Reserve Best in Show, and 2 back to back Best in Shows, at Ixonia. River is owned by Marte Wetzels, Gail Godding, and Margaret DaValt.

**CH. U-CH. Shadowdncr's
Celestial Caitlyn**

Caitlyn started her "Run to the Title" with a WB, BOW, and BOB win on April 10th in Georgia. Three days later she took WB and BOW, for a 5 point major at the GSCA Specialty in Georgia. On July 6th Caitlyn was WB, BOW & BOS for another major in Michigan. On July 26th, she was RWB to a major in Waukesha.

The following weekend in Michigan, she was WB & BOS on July 31st and WB & BOS for another major on August 1st to finish her title.

Caitlyn made it through the first round of cuts in the Breed ring, at the National, and took BOS on Sunday at the Nodrog Specialty!

Caitlyn is owned by Ed and Carol Ervin.

**U-CH. Shadowdancer's
Obsidian Spirit**

Sydney received another UKC competition win at the UKC Premier weekend in June in Kalamazoo. She finished her UKC Championship in July.

Sydney has added 2 competition wins toward her Grand Championship.

Sydney is owned by Ed and Carol Ervin.

**U-CH. Jett Scent Heavens
Alliance**

Jett was WD, BOW, and BOB on May 23rd in Kalamazoo, MI. In June Jett got 2 competition wins toward his UKC Championship and went on to finish his title in July. Since then, Jett also won one competition to move toward his UKC Grand Championship.

Jett is owned by April Knoll and Carol Ervin.

**CH. U-CH Glen Oaks Black
Swan Shiraz**

Sydney was WB & BOS on March 1st in Milwaukee. She also took WB, BOW, BOS, & BBE on May 3rd at the Janesville-Beloit K.C. show. This club holds a Best Bred By Exhibitor competition at this show. Sydney went onto take Group I in the BBE Sporting Group and finished out the day with a great big bang! Best in Show – Bred By Exhibitor! There were over 80 breeds with Bred by Exhibitor dogs at this show. We were all floating pretty high after that!

The following day Sydney was again WB. On August 17th, she took RWB in Marshfield at the BGSC Supported Entry.

Sydney made the trip to Gettysburg for the National Specialty in September. She and her mom (Kinsey) took first in the Brace Class (only ones this year). We then made the stop in Michigan for the NODROG Specialties on the way home. Sydney took WB for a 5 point Specialty win on Saturday to finish her Championship.

Sydney is owned by Marte Wetzels and Beth Hintz.

**Hillock's Relentless Toby,
JH, CGC**

Toby qualified for his first leg on his Junior Hunter title at the BGSC Hunt Test on April 13th. He picked up a couple more legs in the following weeks and finished his title on Sept. 6. Toby added his CGC title on Oct. 16th. He's quite a busy guy, as he now is working on agility.

Toby is owned by Karla Kruecke.

Tamdhu Orions Canis Major, JH

Gunner qualified for a leg on his Junior Hunter title on Sunday, May 4th, at the BGSC Hunt Test. He qualified for his final leg on October 25th, at Ottawa and got another leg on Sunday the 26th.
Gunner is owned by Steve and Jenny Gibson.

CH. Amethyst Sooner Or Later A Martini

Sooner has been a busy girl and has done some traveling this year. On March 2nd in Milwaukee, she was RWB. On April 12th, at the Indianhead K.C., she was WB & BOB. Sooner made the trip to Texas and took RWB at the GSCA Specialty on April 27th. May 24th and 25th she was in St. Peter, MN., where she came home with RWB on Saturday and WB, BOW, and BOB on Sunday. Sooner was RWB on June 20th in Cambridge, MN and again all three days in Duluth, MN in July. She was WB, BOW & BOB both days in Albert Lea, MN, August 9th and 10th.

Sooner made the trip to Gettysburg, and placed 3rd in a big American Bred class. The trip home went through Michigan for the Nodrog Specialties. Sooner took WB, BOB on October 4th and 5th in Minnesota. The last weekend of October saw a trip to Souix Falls, S.D. and a win for a 4 point major to finish her title.

Sooner is owned by Martha Martini and Greg DaValt.

WAGS AND BRAGS

BISS CH. MBIS U-GRCH. Glen Oaks River Breeze Shiraz

River came home from the Milwaukee shows, March 1st and 2nd with 2 BOB awards. On April 19th and 20th, in Fond du Lac he again took BOB both days. The first weekend in May saw him taking BOB on Saturday and Sunday, with 3 more coming in July at the Duluth shows. The BGSC Supported Entry in Marshfield gave River 2 more BOB wins and a Group III placement on Sunday. The trip to Gettysburg, found River still in the Best of Breed ring after the last cut. He made it to the last 14 dogs out of almost 50 starting.

River is owned by Marte Wetzel, Gail Godding, and Peg DaValt.

U-CH. Glen Oaks Jackaroo Big Red

Jack took BOB at one of the UKC shows in Ixonia in February, to start his quest toward his UKC Grand Championship. He garnered another Best of Breed in June at the UKC Premier event. On June 21st, Jack received Reserve Winners Dog (number 5), at North Country's Specialty. Jack took RWD on Saturday, Aug. 16th, at the BGSC Supported Entry and Winner's Dog on Sunday, Aug. 17th.
Jack is owned by Marte Wetzel.

Tamdhu Stellar Explosion

Nova took RWB on March 1st in Milwaukee and again on April 20th in Fond du Lac. On April 27th and 28th in Green Bay Nova was WB, BOW & BOB on Saturday and WB & BOS on Sunday. The Jefferson shows in May was Nova receiving WB & BOS on Friday and RWB on Saturday and Sunday. June 28th in West Bend, Nova was again RWB.

Nova is owned by Chris and Connie Rhoden.

U-CH. Jett Scent Heavens Alliance

Jett was WD, BOW, and BOB on May 23rd in Kalamazoo, MI.

Jett is owned by April Knoll and Carol Ervin.

CH. Weebitascottish Dalliance SD, JH

Alli took BOS at the GSCA Specialty in Georgia in April. The trip to the National brought Alli a second place in her Veterans Sweepstakes class. The following weekend at the Nodrog Specialties, Alli was first in Veteran Bitch class on Saturday and First in Brace with daughter Sydney, both days.

Alli is owned by Ed and Carol Ervin.

Amethyst's Snow'N'Ice

Drifter qualified for a leg on his Rally Novice title on May 2nd in Jefferson.

Drifter is owned by Peg DaValt, Greg DaValt and Donna DaValt.

**Tartana's Noble Tamhas
Camble**

Tamhas took WD, & BOS on Saturday, April 27th in Green Bay and WD, BOW, & BOB on Sunday. He qualified, for a leg on his JH on May 4th at the BGSC Hunt Test. Tamhas made the trip to Gettysburg and placed 3rd in his sweepstakes class. He also qualified for another leg on his Junior Hunter title.

Tamhas is owned by Janet Gomez, Holly Wachuta, Chuck and Lori Kolar.

Triple B Flyin High Cessna

Scout was RWD on April 20th in Fond du Lac and again on April 27th and 28th in Green Bay. He was RWD on June 22nd in Cambridge, MN.

Scout qualified for 2 legs on his Junior Hunter title in Bloomer this fall.

Scout is owned by Denise and Roger Voigt.

**Miliko Magical Sureshot
Sydney**

Sydney was RWB on April 19th in Fond du Lac and again on April 28th in Green Bay.

Sydney also qualified for 2 legs toward her JH title in Bloomer. Like father, like daughter!

Sydney is owned by Denise & Roger Voigt.

**CH. U-CH Amethyst's
Sparkling MacEdan, RN, MH,
CGC, TDI**

MacE qualified for two legs on his CD title this spring. We're not sure where his train of thought went after that.

MacE is owned by Ron and Gwen Pheil.

**CH. U-CH. Glen Oaks
Afterglow O'Amethyst JH,
CGC**

Flame was BOS on May 4th in Jefferson. She took BOS at the GSCA Specialty in Des Moines, IA on September 5th. Flame placed 3rd in Hunting Bitch at the National Specialty and took first in Hunting Bitch on Sunday at the Nodrog Specialty in September.

Flame is owned by Laurie Carlson and Peg DaValt.

**U-CH. Shadowdancer's
Obsidian Spirit**

On July 5th, Sydney took WB & BOS for a major in Ann Arbor, MI. and RWB on July 31st and August 1st, in Michigan. Sydney was WB on August 17th in Indiana for another major. The trip to Gettysburg brought a 4th place from the open class for Sydney. The weekend after, at the Nodrog Specialties, Sydney took RWB on Saturday and First in Brace both days with her mother Alli.

Sydney is owned by Ed and Carol Ervin.

Tamdhu Night Sky

Darcy was RWB on June 21st at the North Country Specialty. She took RWB the following day in Cambridge, MN. and again on June 29th in West Bend. On August 17th and 18th in Marshfield, for the Badgerland Supported Entry, Darcy took WB, BOW, & BOS for a major on Saturday and WB & BOS again on Sunday.

Darcy is owned by Don and Laura Clemons.

**Tartana Kick It Up A Notch,
JH**

Bamm Bamm took WD and BOW at the Echo Hills K.C. of Ohio on June 15th. Bamm is owned by Mark and Jamie Wisnewski.

**CH. U-CH. Shadowdncr's
Celestial Caitlyn**

Caitlyn showed at UKC shows in July and October and only needs one more competition win to finish her UKC Grand Championship. She also took a Group III along the way.

Caitlyn is owned by Ed and Carol Ervin.

**Blackurst Lush Lemon Drop
Martini**

Splash took RWB August 9 & 10 in Albert Lea, MN and again on Oct. 4th and 5th in Hutchison, MN. In between, she made the trip to the National and took third place in her Sweepstakes class. Splash is owned by Martha Martini.

CH. Glen Oaks Kinsey Report

Kinsey was 3rd in her Veteran Sweepstakes class and first in Brace with daughter Sydney at the National.

Kinsey is owned by Beth Hintz and Marte Wetzel.

Amethyst Snowfire, JH

Reagan made the trip to Gettysburg for the National and made the cut in a very large Bred By Exhibitor class.

Reagan is owned by Madison Kennedy and Peg DaValt.

Glen Oaks Marquis Solitaire

Marcus went to the National Specialty again this year. He took 4th in his Veteran Sweepstakes class of 9 to 10 year olds.

Marcus is owned by Frank and Marte Wetzel.

CH. Glen Oaks Dragonstar, JH

Draco made the trip to the National and came home with a third place in both his Veteran Sweepstakes class and Hunting Dog.

Draco is owned by Frank and Marte Wetzel.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Belated wishes!

Alisha Johnson-----June 2
Chris Rhoden-----June 13
Jay & Jeanne Bleck----June 14
Connie Rhoden-----July 2
JoAnn Holston-----July 14
Ben Johnson-----Sept. 5
Frank & Marte Wetzel—Sept. 6
Ed Ervin-----Sept. 19
Janet Gomez-----Sept. 27
Chris & Connie Rhoden-Oct. 20

Looking forward!

Ron Pfeil-----Nov. 3
Betsy Sippel-----Nov. 22
Marte Wetzel-----Dec. 5
Gwen Pfeil-----Dec. 7

New Members**Beth Hintz**

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Beth owns Ch. Glen Oaks Kinsey Report (Kinsey) and her daughter Ch. U-Ch. Glen Oaks Black Swan Shiraz (Sydney). Beth is the co-breeder of Glen Oaks Australian Wines litter, Sydney, Jack, River, Flame, Blue, Ridge, Nugget, Aussie, and Balu.

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Karla owns Hillock's Relentless Toby, JH,CGC (Toby), 2 Flatcoat Retrievers, and 1 Golden Retriever.

Bob Mitchell

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Bob owns 2 Gordons, Tane is 3 years old and came from Frank Watters and Tizzy is 1 year old and came from Holly Wachuta.

MINUTES

March 8th, 2008 1:30 PM

Wetzel's Cabin/Winter Walk

Jack Johnson called the meeting to order
Peg DaValt motioned to accept the minutes, Jack 2nd

Treasurers Report: \$8938.86

Old Business:

National Hunt Test: \$656 net profit

Many of our orange vests have disappeared. Janet made a motion to buy vests if we're short. Peg 2nd

Rescue: Trixie is in question as to her status. We are following up.

Dog Fair: New Site, lots of space at the Alliant Energy Center

Nominations for election to be held at the hunt test in April. Connie made a motion to nominate the current slate. Jack 2nd. No further nominations were made at this time.

New Business:

Vet Clinic to be held next Saturday at Cottage Grove. Contact Marte Wetzel.

Hunt Test: Ottawa Field Trial Grounds. We will be running two fields. The judges are Phil Wachuta, Sandy Hoesl, Ken Wolford and Tom McPfall. Next year we will be back to our normal date in early May at Pine Island

Fun Field Day: Sat. May 3rd at Pine Island. Chris is checking on availability of birds.

Supported Entry: Aug. 16th and 17th. GSCA supported entry on

Sat. Marte questioned whether BGSC wanted to support the entry with cash premiums on Sunday. Betsy made a motion to do so and Connie 2nd

Field Trial: Chris is secretary and had no news as yet

Board Meeting: Connie made a motion to plan our meeting for Nov. 1st and Chris 2nd

Web Page: Suggestions to update officers, archive old newsletters, use more current photos. Peg said she will take care of it.

Pet Expo: Janet will be working a booth in Green Bay and suggested that she can recommend rescue dogs to interested parties.

Awards handed out.
Congratulations to ALL.

Motion to adjourn by Frank,
Jack 2nd

Saturday, April 12th, 2008

2:30PM

Ottawa Grounds following Hunt Test

Minutes tabled until published
Treasurers Report: \$8,417.63
per balance statement

Old Business:

Fun Field Day: May 3rd,
Saturday at Pine Island, Info to
be sent out shortly
Supported Entry: All set, Marte
had ordered the prizes
Field Trial: Chris stated he has
most of the judges lined up.
The idea of a Setters only trial
was discussed. Chris will
check with the judges in
regards to this possibility.
Marte made a motion and
Don 2nd that we will proceed
from there in deference to the
field committee's decision. Any

input can be directed to Chris
with intent to make a decision
by the end of the month
Web Page: Mention made to
update the events calendar and
Peg ok'd

Rescue: Trixie is available and
we are working with her owners
to get her posted on Pet Finder

New Business:

Pheasants Forever Expo: it will
be held in Madison in Feb.
2009. Connie questioned
whether BGSC should have a
booth at the show. Discussion
followed. Clyde will contact
Cindy Findley in regards to
previous Pheasants Forever
events and get more info.

2011 National Hunt Test: North
Country asked BGSC if they
would be interested in handling
the Hunt Test in conjunction
with the National Specialty
proposal to be held at
Oconomowoc. Motion made by
Chris to say, "Yes", if Ottawa is
available to us and Steve 2nd

Elections: Nominations from
the floor were called for and
none were forthcoming. Chris
made a motion to accept the
closed nomination slate. Don
2nd. All were in favor.
Jack Johnson - President
Clyde Sippel -VP
Connie Rhoden -Treasurer
Betsy Sippel - Secretary
Steve Gibson - new board
member

Motion to adjourn made by
Janet, Phil 2nd

August 23, 2008

Pine Island Field Trial Grounds,
Portage, WI

Treasurers Report: Checking
Acct. Balance: \$8665.41

Minutes Approved

Web Page: It was brought up
that it has not been updated.

Discussion. Holly offered to
contact people for estimates on
web page possibilities.

Newsletter: Discussion as to
the necessity of promptness of
newsletter to keep members
informed of upcoming events.
Janet volunteered to take on
the newsletter with Marte's help
especially in regards to Wags
and Brags. Don made a motion
to give Marte a break and have
Janet give the newsletter a go.
Motion carried

Rescue: No rescues currently
in our program. Heather Kelly
and family visited. Special
Thanks to them for all their help
with rescue

Pheasants Forever "National
Pheasant Fest" in Madison:
Decision made to not follow up
on booth space

National Hunt Test: No Further
Info

New Business

Fall Board Meeting: Steve
made a motion to try a
teleconference call not to
exceed \$150.00. Chris will
check on cost. Tentative
schedule is Sunday, Nov. 2nd
early evening

Don made motion to adjourn,
Lynne 2nd

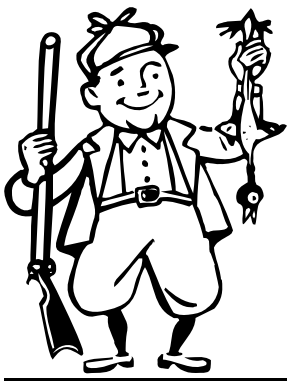


UPCOMING EVENTS**DOG FAIR**

The Badger Kennel Club holds its annual Dog Fair on Sunday, November 9, 2008. We will again be at the Alliant Center in Madison, as we were last year.

We will have our club booth there and Marte will be the Breed Representative. This is an all day affair, so we will go early and spend the whole day meeting and greeting the crowd.

The dogs enjoy the attention and we get to talk to a lot of people. We will have information on our breed, rescue, and the things our club does throughout the year. You know where to find us on the 9th.

**REPORTS****HUNT TESTS**

This spring we didn't hold our Fun field Day in April, due to the move of our Hunt Test. We held the hunt test at the Ottawa Grounds on April 12 & 13. We will be returning to Pine Island and our regular weekend, next year.

Here are this spring's Hunt Test results:

Saturday, April 12, 2008
Master Hunter
9 dogs, 2 Gordons,
Qualified - 1 GSP

Senior Hunter
7 dogs, no Gordons
Qualified - 1GWP, 1 VIZ

Junior Hunter
17 dogs, 3 Gordons
Qualified - 3 GSP, 3 VIZ

Sunday, April 13, 2008
Master Hunter
7 dogs, 2 Gordons
No Qualifiers

Senior Hunter
4 dogs, no Gordons
Qualified - 1 GWP

Junior Hunter
15 dogs, 5 Gordons
Qualified - 2 Brit, 1 GSP, 1 IS,
1 Viz, 4 Gordons
Gunny - O/H Gibson
Toby - O/H Kruecke
Tamhas - O/H Gomez
Misty - O/H Darnell

SUPPORTED ENTRY

This year we again held our Supported Entry at the Marshfield Kennel Club show. We had a major both days in boys. The weather was wonderful, especially when you compare it to last year's down pore that lasted 48 hours.

The show results follow:

Saturday, August 16, 2008
Judge: Mr. Roger R. Hartinger

Winner's Dog: **Karrelene Gunnin' For Gatlin** O: Deborah Weber

Reserve Winner's Dog: **Glen Oaks Jackaroo Big Red** O: Marte Wetzel

Winner's Bitch, Best of Winner's, Best of Opposite Sex: **Tamdhu Night Sky** O: Don & Laura Clemons

Reserve Winner's Bitch: **Kirrie Kinloch Of MacRae** O: Kathryn & William Bergman

Best of Breed: **CH. U-CH. Glen Oaks River Breeze Shiraz** O: Marte Wetzel, Gail Godding, Peg DaValt

Best Puppy: **Kilernan Executive Sweet** O: Amy Baitlinger, Barb Manson, & Janell Julseth

Sunday, August 17, 2008
Judge: Mrs. Paula Hartinger

Winner's Dog and Best of Winners: **Glen Oaks Jackaroo Big Red** O: Marte Wetzel

Reserve Winner's Dog: **Karrelene Gunnin' For Gatlin** O: Deborah Weber

Winner's Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex: **Tamdhu Night Sky** O: Don & Laura Clemons

Reserve Winner's Bitch: **Glen Oaks Black Swan Shiraz** O: Marte Wetzel & Beth Hintz

Best of Breed and Group III (Judge, Roger Hartinger): **CH. U-CH. Glen Oaks River Breeze Shiraz** O: Marte Wetzel, Gail Godding, Peg DaValt

FIELD TRIAL

Badgerland Gordon Setter Club
- Field Trial - August 23 & 24th
2008
Held at Pine Island Field Trial
grounds, Portage, WI

Badgerland Gordon Setter Club held their first "Setters only" format Field Trial. The Pine Island Field Trial grounds located in Portage, WI offers a superb area to hold a trial. There is only one small hitch, it's located in a flood plane. South Central Wisconsin has experienced some of the worst flooding in over a century. Just last August we had canceled our trial due to water. About 20" fell in the 10 days leading up to last year's date.

This year the record rains fell in June, following a record winter for snowfall. In all the grounds had received over 20" of rain last August, 100" of snow and another 20" of rain in a week this June. As one might imagine, this has created all sorts of havoc regionally and we hoped the grounds could dry out before the event. Although July and August have been normal to a bit dry, we still had to use some creative planning to pull this event off with perhaps half the grounds still unusable.

Judges Dan & Becky Voss, Cindy Findley, Bob Powers and Jim Brigham rounded out the judges panel. Special thanks to all our volunteers from the Badgerland Gordon Setter area club who helped make this event happen. And a big thank you to all the handlers who came all the way from far flung corners of Ohio, Iowa, South Dakota and parts in between to help support this event. We hoped for a more relaxed pace

from our all breed trial format and partially succeeded. Although the heat and sun seemed to cause unfavorable scenting conditions mid-day, after 3PM dogs were finding birds and tearing up the course nicely.

Thank you to everyone who attended. We plan to try this again next year.

Open Gun Dog - - 19 starters
Judges - Dan Voss, James Brigham
1st - **Blackburn Sir Lancelot** - owner - J. deCasteja Handler - J. Chapman
2nd - Handled by G. Dixon
3rd - ES - Handled by J. Chapman
4th - IS - Handled by J. Webb

Open Puppy- 7 starters Judges Dan Voss, Robert Powell
1st - **Doubledee Daisy of Stoneyridge** - owner- G. McDevitt Handler- J. Chapman
2nd - ES - Handled by Scott Kauffman
3rd - **Gunsmoke Just Amazin TicTaulk** - owner - G&N Johnson - Handler J. Chapman
4th - IS - Handled by J. Webb

Open Limited Gun Dog - 15 starters - Judges Becky Voss, Cindy Findley
1st - **FC Cobb's Golden Kernal** - owner P. Jaeger/L. Sanders - Handled by G. Dixon
2nd - **Falcons Blind Sided** - owner P. Sanborn - Handled by J. Chapman
3rd - ES - Handled by G. Dixon
4th - **RoCins Maggie McTinker** O/H - B. Voyles

Open Derby- 11 starters - Judges Cindy Findley, James Brigham
1st - ES - Handled by J. Chapman
2nd - **Doubledee Daisy of Stoneyridge**-owner- G. McDevitt - Handler J. Chapman
3rd - IS - Handled by J. Webb
4th - ES - Handled by J. Chapman

Amateur Gun Dog - 7 starters - Judges Becky Voss, Robert Powell
All placements were withheld

Chris Rhoden
Field Trial Sec.



NATIONAL SPECIALTY

The gathering of the clan to Gettysburg was in motion. Frank and I left home Friday night, after work. The weather reports were saying rain, so we packed up and hit the road. We hit rain a half hour south of Madison, and drove through it all the way to Gettysburg.

Martha Martini and Pat Larson headed out about the same time from northern Wisconsin.

After spending the night in Madison, they hooked up with Peg DaValt, Beth Hintz, and Gail Godding on Saturday and off to Pennsylvania.

With the reports of flooding in Chicago, they took a bit of a different route to by pass the problems. Unfortunately Steve and Jenny Gibson weren't so lucky. I heard they spent 6 hours sitting in Chicago traffic. Not fun!

On Sunday, Connie Rhoden and Janet Gomez headed out. The rain did subside by Sunday morning, but we heard reports from people, that Indiana and Ohio had power outages that were widespread.

Frank and I arrived early enough, that we could take advantage of the beautiful and historic location and do some touring of the battlefield and take a step back in time.

We we're able to check out a few of the local pubs and shops, so we could make recommendations. Yea, that's it!

Starting on Sunday the weather became fabulous for the remainder of the week. We got the older dogs ready on Monday afternoon, and Monday evening we had a great group of dogs showing in Veteran Sweepstakes. Draco, Marcus, Alli, and Kinsey represented our club with all placing in their

classes. Alli did quite well, considering she was handicapped with me showing her, as I took a grand fall, right in the middle of the ring. No damage done, except maybe to my ego. I wasn't the only one though, we were helping people up all week.

Tamhas and Splash were our only representatives in Puppy Sweepstakes, and took 3rd in both of their classes. We were able to fit in a few other site seeing adventures, with Connie taking a horseback ride through the battlefield and Janet and Connie making a trip to the Adams County Winery. Frank flew home on Tuesday and the rest of us continued with our work and some fun.

Wednesday was busy, as the non-regular classes showed in the afternoon. Draco placed third in Hunting Dog, Flame placed Third in Hunting Bitch, and Kinsey and Sydney placed first in Brace.

Thursday saw the girls showing, with Reagan making the cut in a huge Bred By class, Sooner placing third in a large American Bred Class and Ervin's Sydney placing fourth in a large Open class.

The Best of Breed was Grand as always! With almost 50 dogs gathering for the finale. Most of the top dogs in the country were in attendance. River showed well and ended the day among the last group left in the ring. From this group the judge picked his winners. Best of Breed came from the Veteran Dog Class, Best of Opposite Sex was a lovely bitch from New York, Best of Winner's was the Winner's Dog and Best Bred By, and 4 Awards of Merit went to the Veteran Bitch, and the 2 top males in the country, plus another lovely bitch from Pennsylvania.

We did a little shopping at the Silent Auction and on to the Banquet. After all is said and done, now we start organizing for the trip home. Connie and Janet, and Steve and Jenny made the trip to the National Hunt Test. Tamhas qualified in his brace, but unfortunately, Gunny didn't find any birds.

Peg, Gail, Martha, Pat, Beth, and Marte headed for Michigan to take part in the Nodrog Specialties on the way home. We hooked up with Jessie from Illinois and Dawna from Idaho, so we made quite the caravan.

I think we had 5 vehicles, 8 people, and 16 dogs.

This makes for a long haul, of almost 10 days, about 2000 miles and a lot of coffee.

We do have fun though!!!

Marte



Puppy Size

This is one of the neatest stories you will ever hear. You will know precisely what this little girl is talking about at the end (you'll want to share this one with your loved ones and special friends)!

"Danielle keeps repeating it over and over again. We've been back to this animal shelter at least five times. It has been weeks now since we started all of this," the mother told the volunteer.

What is it she keeps asking for?" the volunteer asked.

"Puppy size!" replied the mother.

"Well, we have plenty of puppies, if that's what she's looking for."

"I know...we have seen most of them," the mom said in frustration...

Just then Danielle came walking into the office.

"Well, did you find one?" asked her mom. "No, not this time," Danielle said with sadness in her voice. "Can we come back on the weekend?"

The two women looked at each other, shook their heads and laughed.

"You never know when we will get more dogs. Unfortunately, there's always a supply," the volunteer said.

Danielle took her mother by the hand and headed to the door. "Don't worry, I'll find one this weekend," she said.

Over the next few days both mom and dad had long conversations with her.

They both felt she was being too particular. "It's this weekend

or we're not looking anymore," Dad finally said in frustration.

"We don't want to hear anything more about puppy size either," Mom added.

Sure enough, they were the first ones in the shelter on Saturday morning. By now Danielle knew her way a round, so she ran right for the section that housed the smaller dogs.

Tired of the routine, mom sat in the small waiting room at the end of the first row of cages. There was an observation window so you could see the animals during times when visitors weren't permitted.

Danielle walked slowly from cage to cage, kneeling periodically to take a closer look. One by one, the dogs were brought out and she held each one.

One by one she said, "Sorry, you're not the one."

It was the last cage on this last day in search of the perfect pup.

The volunteer opened the cage door and the child carefully picked up the dog and held it closely. This time she took a little longer.

"Mom, that's it! I found the right puppy! He's the one! I know it!" she screamed with joy. "It's the puppy size!"

"But it's the same size as all the other puppies you held over the last few weeks," Mom said.

"No, not size...the sighs. When I held him in my arms, he sighed," she said.

"Don't you remember? When I asked you one day what love is, you told me love depends on the sighs of your heart. The more you love, the bigger the sigh!"

The two women looked at each other for a moment. Mom didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

As she stooped down to hug the child, she did a little of both.

"Mom, every time you hold me, I sigh. When you and Daddy come home from work and hug each other, you both sigh. I knew I would find the right puppy if it sighed when I held it in my arms," she said.

Then holding the puppy up close to her face she said, "Mom, he loves me. I heard the sighs of his heart!"

Close your eyes for a moment and think about the love that makes you sigh. I not only find it in the arms of my loved ones, but in the caress of a sunset, the kiss of the moonlight and the gentle brush of cool air on a hot day.

They are the sighs of God. Take the time to stop and listen; you will be surprised at what you hear. "Life is not measured by the breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."



GIGGLES AND GRINMenopause Jewelry

My husband, being unhappy with my mood swings, bought me a mood ring the other day so he would be able to monitor my moods.

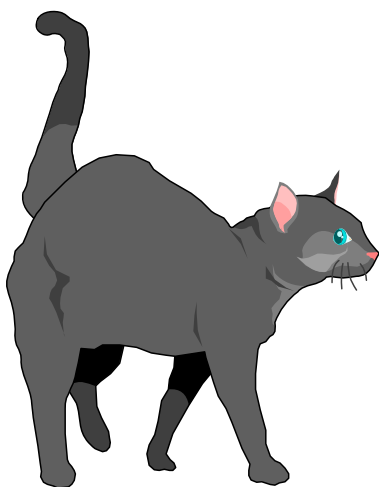
We've discovered that when I'm in a good mood, it turns green and when I'm in a bad mood, it leaves a big frickin red mark on his forehead.

Maybe next time he'll buy me a diamond... Dumb ass

From Pat and Roger Larson

Handle every stressful situation like a dog. If you can't eat it or hump it. Piss on it and walk away.

Sent in by Ed Ervin



You Don't Have To Own A Cat To Appreciate This One!
You don't even have to like 'em!

We were dressed and ready to go out for the New Years Eve Party.

We turned on a nightlight, turned the answering machine on, covered our pet parakeet and put the cat in the backyard.

We phoned the local cab company and requested a taxi. The taxi arrived and we opened the front door to leave the house.

The cat we put out in the yard, scoots back into the house. We didn't want the cat shut in the house because she always tries to eat the bird.

My wife goes out to the taxi, while I went inside to get the cat. The cat runs upstairs, with me in hot pursuit.

Waiting in the cab, my wife doesn't want the driver to know that the house will be empty for the night. So, she explains to the taxi driver that I will be Out soon, "He's just going upstairs to say goodbye to my mother."

A few minutes later, I get into the cab.

"Sorry I took so long," I said, as we drove away. "That stupid bitch was hiding under the bed.

I had to poke her with a coat hanger to get her to come out!

She tried to take off, so I grabbed her by the neck. Then, I had to wrap her in a blanket to keep her from scratching me.

But it worked! I hauled her fat ass downstairs and threw her out into the back yard!"

The cab driver hit a parked car.

From Jack Johnson

From Holly Wachuta

A nice, calm and respectable lady went into the pharmacy, walked up to the pharmacist, looked straight into his eyes, and said, "I would like to buy some cyanide." The pharmacist asked, "Why in the world do you need cyanide?" The lady replied, "I need it to poison my husband." The pharmacist's eyes got big and he exclaimed, "Lord have mercy! I can't give you cyanide to kill your husband. That's against the law! I'll lose my license! They'll throw both of us in jail! All kinds of bad things will happen. Absolutely not! You CANNOT have any cyanide!" The lady reached into her purse and pulled out a picture of her husband in bed with the pharmacist's wife. The pharmacist looked at the picture and replied, "Well now, that's different. You didn't tell me you had a prescription."



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