



NEWSLETTER

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*2019 NGSPA ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL CHAMPION
PRAIRIE WIND EXTRAORDINAIRE*

THE NATIONAL GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION PRESENTS ITS
**2019 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
& FUTURITY**

Open to German Shorthaired Pointers Only!

**Beginning Saturday, March 30 and running to conclusion
Sportsmen's Association Field Trial Grounds, near Grovespring, MO
Championship Committee: Dean Crabbs, Chad Inderman, Mark Verdoorn, Dan DiMambro**



44TH NATIONAL AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$200.00

Judges: Bill Monk, Wellsburg, WV, and Rob Tomczak, Elk Mound, WI • **Stake Manager:** Dan DiMambro

Prizes: Specially Engraved Saddle to the Winner; Trophies to Champion and Runner-Up.

61ST NGSPA NATIONAL FUTURITY

30-Minute Heats • Entry Fee: \$175.00

Judges: Eldon Hongo, Cheyenne, WY, and Andy Daugherty, Grovespring, MO • **Stake Manager:** James Messer

Prizes: Trophies to all placed dogs and cash awards based on nomination fees.

Qualifications: Completed nomination procedure. Dog must be *FDSB* registered.

67TH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$225.00

Judges: Eldon Hongo, Cheyenne, WY, and Andy Daugherty, Grovespring, MO • **Stake Managers:** Art Armbrust and Joe Omdorff

Prizes: Specially crafted bronzes and \$1,500 purse divided \$1,000 to the Winner and \$500 to the Runner-Up, if named.

50TH NATIONAL SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

One-Hour Heats • Entry Fee: \$225.00

Judges: Bonnie Hidalgo, Brighton, CO, and Lisa Pollock, Medford, NJ • **Stake Manager:** Chris Streitenberger

Prizes: Specially crafted bronzes and \$1,500 purse divided \$1,000 to the Winner and \$500 to the Runner-Up, if named.

Qualifications for National Amateur Shooting Dog, National and National Shooting Dog Championships:

Qualification for life—A) A win—Champion or Runner-Up—in an NGSPA or American Field Championship of an hour or more in length.

B) A win—1st, 2nd or 3rd—in a broke dog stake in any NGSPA or American Field sanctioned trial.

The current year's NGSPA Futurity winner qualifies for next year's Championships (one year only).

Dogs must be amateur handled and amateur owned in the National Amateur Championship. Dogs must be *FDSB* and DNA registered.

NGSPA policy states that entry fees shall be paid for all dogs drawn and payment must be received before the dog competes.

— NOTE ENTRY DEADLINE: MONDAY, MARCH 11 —

All Nationals entries for any dog that, at any time prior to March 6, has qualified to enter any National event, must be received by the NGSPA Field Trial Secretary by March 11. Dogs that first qualify on or after March 6 may be entered at any time before the drawing is held, but information for the dog may not be published in the National events catalog. Phone entries will not be accepted. Entries must be on an entry form and include all information, including the *FDSB* registration and DNA numbers, date and trial of qualification.

If information on where and when the dog qualified is not on the entry form, dog will not be drawn!

Drawing for the National Amateur Championship will take place at approximately 6:00 P.M., Friday, March 29.

Drawing for all other stakes will be held on the grounds no later than the night before the stake begins.

There is no training or roading on the grounds for a two-week period before the trial begins.

This trial is run under the minimum requirements of the *FDSB* and the NGSPA rules and regulations.

A current negative Coggins Test and Health Certificate for horses are required by Missouri law.

This is being enforced by the appropriate State personnel.

Delegates' Meeting: Saturday, March 30, following dinner • **Purina Awards & Amateur Dinner:** Sunday, March 31

Trustees' Meeting: Monday, April 1, following dinner

Send Championship and Futurity Entries to:

LORI REZZARDI, Field Trial Secretary, 7798 Green Rd., Iuka, IL 62849

Phone: (618) 604-1204 • Email: LRezzardi@gmail.com

Online entries available at: www.ngspa.org (Fill out form and submit)

— This event is sponsored by Purina with additional support from SportDOG and Garmin —

2019 NATIONAL GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION, INC.
National Championships
Preview # 4

Greetings From The NGSPA Board of Trustees (BOT);

The purpose of this preview is to give all of you a quick look at how things are shaping up for the National Championships in 2019, to give you a heads up on changes that were made at the BOT meeting in June and to encourage all of you to let us know if you have ideas to make the Nationals better.

WHERE: Sportsman Association Field Trial Grounds near Grovespring, Missouri.

Driving Directions: From Interstate Highway I-44 at Lebanon, MO turn South on Missouri Highway 5 and follow it approximately 17 miles. Watch for a silhouette of a pointing dog on the right and turn right (West) on Meadow Lark Lane. Follow it for approximately 1 ½ miles to the Sportsman Association Clubhouse on the right. Check in at the Clubhouse for parking assistance. There is limited parking behind the clubhouse and the new parking area is approximately ¼ mile past the clubhouse on the right.

Grounds Improvements at Grovespring: **The new horse corrals and dog kennels are complete. The new RV hookups with water and electricity are complete except the heated well house is still under construction. The gravel to finish the parking area and RV pads has been trucked in and is partly spread. That will be finished when the area dries out and should be done well before our Nationals begin.**

There will be a parking fee on the Grovespring grounds. At this time, we believe the fee will be \$15.00/night for parking with electricity but we are waiting for confirmation from the Sportsman Association's BOT. There is also a per dog fee for running on the grounds and it is included in the entry fees quoted below.

WHEN: The 2019 National Championships will start at 8:00 AM, Saturday, March 30, 2019 with the National Amateur Championship, followed by the NGSPA Futurity, the National Championship, and will conclude with the National Shooting Dog Championship. Drawing for the Amateur Championship will take place at approximately 6:00 PM on Friday, March 29, 2019. The Championships will take approximately 12 to 14 days total running time – Amateur 3-5 days, Futurity 2-3 days, National Championship 2-3 days, and the Shooting Dog 4-6 days.

RUNNING ORDER: The running order will remain unchanged – Amateur Shooting Dog, National Futurity, National Championship and Shooting Dog.

JUDGES:

2019 National Amateur Shooting Dog Championship:

Bill Monk, Wellsburg, WV
Rob Tomczak, Elk Mound, WI

2019 National Championship and 2019 Futurity:

Eldon Hongo, Cheyenne, WY
Andy Daugherty, Grovespring, MO

2019 National Open Shooting Dog Championship:

Bonnie Hidalgo, Brighton, CO
Lisa Pollock, Medford, NJ

2019 ENTRY FEES:

National Amateur Championship - \$200.00
National Championship - \$225.00
NGSPA Futurity - \$175.00
National Shooting Dog Championship - \$225.00

2019 Entry Deadline: Online entries up and running (visit the NGSPA website – www.ngspa.org). Entries will close Monday, March 11, 2019. All Nationals entries for any dog that, at any time prior to March 6, 2019 has qualified to enter any National event, must be received by the NGSPA Field Trial Secretary by March 11, 2019. Dogs that first qualify on or after March 6, 2019 may be entered at any time before the drawing is held, but information for the dog may not be published in the National events catalog. Phone entries will not be accepted. Entries must be on an entry form and include all information, including the FDSB registration and DNA numbers, date and trial of qualification. If information on where and when the dog qualified is not on the entry, dog will not be drawn!"

Advertising and Dog Wagon/Social Hour Entry Deadline: The deadline for Dog Wagon/Social Hour sponsorships is March 1, 2019. Requests for additional information should be submitted to the National Championship Social Committee – Art Armbrust (toot444@aol.com), Ray Larrondo (basquohunter@aol.com) or Mike Patrick (cuttinwildkennels@yahoo.com). The deadline for National Championship Catalog advertising is March 1, 2019. See the advertising flyer on Page 5 for additional information.

SUGGESTIONS: The BOT takes the running of the National Championships very seriously and is doing everything they can to make the Championships a success, but, in the end, the Championships belong to the participants. If you have suggestions, we welcome them.

UPCOMING PREVIEWS:

We will be sending out at least 1 more 2019 NGSPA National Championship Preview in early March. New information will be displayed in red when appearing for the first time. All Previews will be published on the NGSPA Website (ngspa.org), in the GSP Chronicle and in the NGSPA Newsletter.

On Behalf of the NGSPA Board of Trustees,
By the 2019 NGSPA National Championships Committee
Chad Inderman, Mark Verdoorn, Dan DiMambro and Dean Crabbs

*The National German Shorthaired
Pointer Association, Inc.*

2019 National Championship Catalog Advertising

The Action is at Grovespring, MO

Where the Big Dogs Run

The 67th National Championship

The 61st National Futurity

The 44th National Amateur Shooting Dog Championship

The 50th National Shooting Dog Championship

The action starts March 30, 2019 and will run to conclusion (approximately April 11) at the Sportsman Association Field Trial Grounds near Grovespring, Missouri. You can participate in person or by advertising in the National Championship Catalog. This catalog is published annually and is distributed at the event. This is your opportunity to be represented. You can showcase your products, dogs, services, club activities and events, or you can simply include a congratulatory accolade.

You need to be represented in this historical issue featuring the elite American Field sanctioned one-hour Championships. This catalog is the source of information about the trial. It is also distributed at other NGSPA events and to NGSPA members throughout the nation. This is a historical reference publication with information on previous winners of the Nationals, the Dogs of the Year, as well as information on the dogs that are competing.

Your advertisement will get year-long and beyond exposure. Your message will reach hunting enthusiasts, spectators, breeders, owners and handlers of the fastest growing breed of bird dogs – the GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER.

Advertising rates, as follows:

Full Page	Measures 4 ½" x 7 ½"	\$100 Breeders, Clubs or Members
Half Page	Measures 4 ½" x 3 ¾"	\$ 75 Breeders, Clubs or Members
Full Page – B & W	Measures 4 ½" x 7 ½"	\$200 Commercial Advertisers
Full Page – Color	Measures 4 ½" x 7 ½"	\$300 Commercial Advertisers
Half Page - B & W	Measures 4 ½" x 3 ¾"	\$100 Commercial Advertisers
Half Page - Color	Measures 4 ½" x 3 ¾"	\$150 Commercial Advertisers

Ad Materials Needed: Electronic ad copy is easiest for us to handle.

TIFF, EPS or JPG documents MUST BE HIGH RESOLUTION – at least 300 dpi or higher

Email to: jlunseth@briggs.com

AD DEADLINE – March 1, 2019

2019 NGSPA CATALOG ADVERTISING

Name of Organization, etc. _____

Submitted by: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____ Fax _____

Email Address: _____

Mail copy with payment to:
National German Shorthaired Pointer Association
c/o John Lunseth
Briggs & Morgan, P.A.
80 South 8th Street, Suite 2200
Minneapolis, MN 55402
Phone: 612-977-8484 (office)
Phone: 612-889-5758 (cell)
Fax: 612-977-8650
Email: jlunseth@briggs.com

UPCOMING NGSPA CHAMPIONSHIPS AND FIELD TRIALS

REGION 7 CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 11, 2019 - February 17, 2019
Lake Murray Field Trial Grounds
Ardmore, OK
Stakes Offered: OAA, OSD, ASD
OAA Judges: TBA
OSD Judges: Tom Milam & TBA
ASD Judges: Chris Goegan & Adam Burch
Contact Information:
Terry Bomer, Field Trial Secretary
2615 Shady Bayou Lane
Spring, TX 77373
Phone: 281-413-2149
Email: Terrybomer@gmail.com

SAVANNAH RIVER CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 22, 2019 - February 24, 2019
Utopia Planntation
Arabi, GA
Stakes Offered: OSD, ASD and Derby
OSD Judges: Jon Small & Bruce Conover
ASD Judges: Ivan Clark and Ronnie Clark
Derby Judges: Jon Small & Bruce Conover
Contact Information:
Diane Rakers, Field Trial Secretary
2208 Motel Road
Highland, IL 62249
Home Phone: 618-604-4377
Email: rakersd14@gmail.com

REGION 16 CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 24, 2019 - February 27, 2019
Utopia Plantation, Arabi, GA
Stakes Offered: OSD, ASD and Derby
OSD Judges: Ivan Clark and Ronnie Clark
ASD Judges: Jon Small & Bruce Conover
Derby Judges: Ivan Clark & Ronnie Clark
Contact Information:
Diane Rakers, Field Trial Secretary
2208 Motel Road
Highland, IL 62249
Home Phone: 618-604-4377
Email: rakersd14@gmail.com

REGION 17 CHAMPIONSHIP

March 21, 2019 to conclusion
Branched Oak FT area
Raymond, NE
Stakes Offered: OSD and ASD
OSD Judges: Dr. Laura Miller & Dick Walters
ASD Judges: Dr. Laura Miller & Dick Walters
Contact Information: Randy Rathman
1514 Charles Avenue
Lawton, IA 51030
Home Phone: 712-253-4848
Allternate Phone: 712-253-4948
Email: iahunter2001@yahoo.com

2019 NGSPA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS & FUTURITY

March 30, 2019 to conclusion
Grovespring, MO
Stakes Offered: National Amateur Shooting Dog
Championship, Futurity, National Championship, and-
National Open Shooting Dog Championship
NAC Judges: Bill Monk & Rob Tomczak
Futurity Judges: Eldon Hongo & Andy Daugherty
NC Judges: Eldon Hongo & Andy Daugherty
NOSD Judges: Bonnie Hidalgo & Lisa Pollack
Contact Information:
2019 NGSPA National Championships Committee
Chad Inderman, Mark Verdoorn, Dan DiMambro and
Dean Crabbs
PO Box 415
Vale, OR 97918
Phone: 208-739-0644
Email: drcrabbs@gmail.com

GREAT PLAINS CHAMPIONSHIP

(Shooting Dog Only)
May 6, 2019 - May 8, 2019
More information coming soon!

REGION 4 CHAMPIONSHIPS

May 6, 2019 -- May 10, 2019

Ionia, MI

Stakes Offered: OAA, OSD, ASD and Derby

OAA Judges: Ken Chenoweth & Chad Chadwell

OSD Judges: Ken Chenoweth & Chad Chadwell

ASD Judges: Jeff Haggis & TBA

Derby Judges: Jeff Haggis & TBA

Contact Information:

Dan DiMambro, Field Trial Secretary

17954 180th Avenue

Leroy, MI 49655

Cell Phone: 231-301-3290

Email: dan@monkeyshinekennels.com

NGSPA SAVANNAH RIVER & REGION 16 CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 22 until Conclusion
Utopia Plantation, Arabi, GA

— A PURINA HANDLER OF THE YEAR POINTS TRIAL —



NGSPA Savannah River

OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP\$175.00

Purse: \$500 to Champion and \$250.00 to Runner-Up • Trophies • 20-dog minimum

Judges: Jon Small, Pleasant Hill, MO, and Bruce Conover, South Boston, VA

DERBY—To be run if time permits\$ 90.00

Purse: \$100.00 to 1st • \$75.00 to 2nd • \$50.00 to 3rd • Trophies • 12-dog minimum

Judges: Jon Small, Pleasant Hill, MO, and Bruce Conover, South Boston, VA

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP\$150.00

Trophies to Champion and Runner-Up

Judges: Ivan Clark, Kenbridge, VA, and Ronnie Clark, Kenbridge, VA

NGSPA Region 16

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP\$150.00

Trophies to Champion and Runner-Up

Judges: Jon Small, Pleasant Hill, MO, and Bruce Conover, South Boston, VA

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OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP\$175.00

Purse: \$500 to Champion and \$250.00 to Runner-Up • Trophies • 20-dog minimum

Judges: Ivan Clark, Kenbridge, VA, and Ronnie Clark, Kenbridge, VA

**Please mail entries to: DIANE RAKERS, Field Trial Secretary
2208 Motel Road, Highland, Illinois 62249**

Phone: (618) 604-4377 • Email: rakersd14@gmail.com

— All email entries will be confirmed —

Phone/Email entries will not be accepted after 7:00 P.M. (CST), Sunday, February 17. After this time, entries will only be accepted on the grounds the night of the drawing to: TOM OSWALD—(803) 600-9153.

Dogs entered prior to February 17 would be GREATLY appreciated! Entries must include FDSB and DNA numbers. Open to German Shorthaired Pointers only. Drawing will take place, Wednesday evening at the grounds.

Entry fees must be paid before dog enters the starting line of each stake.

— Thank you to our sponsors, Purina and SportDOG —

The club, its officials, directors or the landowners are not responsible for any accidents, injury to participants, animals or equipment.

2018 NGSPA OPEN AND AMATUER SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



2018 NGSPA Open Shooting Invitational Participants

The 2018 Shooting Dog Invitations were a challenge for everyone involved as we had to deal with 6-8 inches of snow, freezing temperatures, crops, rain, mud and limited courses throughout the week-long event. We had to postpone the start by one day and lost the day between both events so one dog had to run five days in a row. With that being said, the 2018 Invitations were a huge success and continue to be the most “prestigious” event in the GSP field trial world.

Only the Top 12 dogs are invited to the invitational each year for both the Open Shooting Dog and the Amateur Shooting Dog. The format of the trial is like no other trial you run in and requires three days of running an hour each day to win. Day one, the dogs are drawn randomly. On the second day, the dogs are braced so that the first braces yesterday run last and the last braces run first.. No dog has the same brace mate or runs on the same course. The third day,

the judges call back the top dogs they want to see run again. The trial is designed to test the bird ability, bid ability and the endurance of the best of our breed. After the third day of running, a champion is named...

This year, we had to adjust the courses for numerous reasons but we ended up with some outstanding courses that the handler could show their dog to the front making a huge move but at the next turn the dog had to show it could handle.. The rolling crop land and dense stands of woods made some beautiful lines for the dogs to run. The courses really challenged the character and tenacity of even the best of bird dogs..

We are so thankful for Larry Smith and his lovely wife Linda for allowing us to run the Invitational on their property. Larry campaigns English Pointers and he allows other championships to be run on his grounds,



**2018 NGSPA Open Shooting Dog Invitation Champion
Murphy's Babe**

but no other GSP trials will be run on his grounds.

A huge Thank You goes out to all our sponsors that helped make this trial what it is. Jim Smith from Purina was on hand and they paid half of both Ross Young Oil Paintings, 12 large bags of product for each Champion Handler and auction, as well as gear for the judges. Also, thanks to Sportdog for the Tracking and E-Collars. Thanks to Ed Moody and Cost for four pairs of top-of-line polarized sunglasses for the auction.

There are a lot of people to tank to make this trial become one of the best events in the NGSPA. A huge thanks goes out to Keith and Bobbi Richardson for all their generosity and support for not just the invitational but everything the do for our sport.. Triple J is the wrangler and he always brings some high quality horses for the judges and people to ride. Thanks to the Amish for planting birds in the dark from the horse drawn carts. Thanks to the Marshals Larry Smith and Laura Miller. A number of volunteers drove the dog wagon and Kubota including Jon Small, Jim Smith and Gary Cowell. Donna Gladstone and her lovely cousin cooked a warm and satisfying breakfast

and lunch for us each day.

Russ Myers who runs Coon dogs hosted us each night at his beautiful lodge just down the road from Larry's Farm. The gentlemen wear suit and ties while the ladies wear nice dresses or suit pants for the nightly festivities. We enjoy appetizers, open bar and some of the finest wine out of Keith Richardson's wine cellar. A first class dinner is prepared by Char-mayne Hughes and Brownie is our auctioneer for the Calcutta's.

2018 NGSPA OPEN SHOOTING DOG INVATIONAL

The 2018 Open Shooting Dog Invitational was honored to have two very experienced and knowledgeable judges. Andy Crowell from Oriental, NC and Doug Meyers from Tonganoxie, Kansas. Both have been competing and judging field trials for many hears. We really appreciate them taking the time to come help us.

Champion

After three days of running the judges described the Champion as the “Most Consistent and Exciting” dog that ran. Murphy’s Babe “Babe” owned by Heath Kooima, handled by Josh Nieman and scouted by Mike Patrick was named the 2018 NGSPA Open Shooting Dog Invitational Champion.

Day one, Babe drew the first brace in the freezing cold temps and blowing snow. She ran the edges and showed her ground speed while making game throughout the hour. Babe finished the hour strong and was found standing at 59 minutes with her head cranked to the sky showing off her style while her brace mate backed her. When time was called she had carded 3 nice finds and 3 divided finds.

Running in the sixth brace on day two, Babe put down another stellar performance with 3 nicely spaced finds with the third find at 51 minutes being “Excellent”. She continued showing lots of power to the front, good manners on her game..

Babe drew the first brace on day three, and went on a bird finding spree early with three finds before the 22 minute mark. Babe made a monster forward move through the trees and over the rolling hills and was found standing at 38 minutes along a ditch line. The judges said this was the find of the stake and sealed the win for Babe!! When said and done, Babe had 5 finds and a strong consistent forward race..

Day 3 Callbacks

The judges wanted to call back 6 dogs for day three and wanted them braced randomly so we pulled the names from the hat.

BDK’s All That Jazz “Jazz” owned by Kirk & Terry Bomer and handled by Terry. Jazz was in brace three on Day 1. Once she adjusted to the freezing cold and snow, she settled in and had a nice race. Day 2, Jazz was in Brace 4 and had 3 finds while handling and covering the Missouri countryside with style. Day 3, Jazz had 3 more finds, a back and had a real strong finish to the front. The judges loved the way

she handled and covered the ground. She had a really nice three days on the ground.

Hi-N’s Hasty Matilda “Matie” owned by Hank Lewis and handled by Dan DiMambro was the 2018 OSD points leader coming into the Invitational. On Day 1, Matie was in Brace 2 and she showed why she was the 2018 points leader. She covered the ground and ran the lines as she put on a nice shooting dog race. She ended the hour with 3 finds, one of them was divided with her brace mate. Day 2, Matie was in Brace 6 and she had her wheels on as she was making game. She had 2 finds and a back to end Day 2. Day 3, Matie was in the second brace and had a couple of nice limb finds that required a long ride to reach her. When all was said and done, Matie had 4 finds and a back on Day 3..

MSR’s Lord of Dragonstone “Stan” owned by James and Sara Messer and handled by James Messer was in Brace 5 on Day 1. Stan showed his bird finding ability over the course of the hour as he had 5 finds and a back. Day 2 Stan was in Brace # and had another solid day on the ground with 4 finds.. He had a forward race that showed his wheels and good manners on his bird work. Day 3 Stan was in Brace 2 and demonstrated his bird finding ability with 3 finds by the 30 minute mark and another 3 finds in the second half of the brace. Stan handled the relocation and running birds like a champ. He ended Day 3 with 6 finds and a stop to flush.

Chicoree Jake’s Bonnie “Bonnie” owned by Fred Ryan and handled by Dan DiMambro was in Brace 5 on Day one. She had a solid race with a find and a divided find. Bonnie ran the countryside and made some impressive moves. Day 2 Bonnie was in Brace 1 and had a couple of rally nice finds to start the day. She hustled the course as she was making game. Day 3 she was in Brace 3 had two more finds and a back.

Prairie Wind Mya’s Contender “Connie” owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson was in Brace 6 on Day 1. Connie had a real nice race going as she had 2 finds over the course of the hour. The judges said she ran a real “flashy and forward race”. Day 2 Connie was in Brace 2 and drew the bye dog. She ran an excellent race with 6 well-spaced finds including one to



2018 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational Participants

end the hour. Day 3 Connie was in Brace 3 again and started off right where she left off after Day 2. She had two finds before being lost to the front.

The Other Entries

Cuttin Wild’s Space Cowgirl “Lena” owned by Mike Patrick and handled by Josh Nieman. Lena was in Brace 3 on Day 1 and scored 5 finds in the hour. The judges loved her quickness and power on the ground. Day 2 Lena had 3 nice finds but was a touch wild for the first half. She finished the hour strong and to the front.

Prairie Wind’s Extraordinaire “Airee” owned by Keith & Bobbi Richardson and handled by Richie Robertson. Day 1 Airee was in Brace 2 and had a fast, strong hour with 6 finds. She showed the power and ground game throughout the hour. Day 2 Airee was in Brace 4 right after lunch. She continued to show her power and had 2 finds and a back. The judges liked her strong finish.

Llano’s Snowbird “Feather” owned by Joe and Chad Inderman and handled by Josh Nieman. Feather was in Brace 6 on Day 1. She had one find, but was gone most of the hour. Day two didn’t go much better and the handler asked for the tracker at 30 minutes.

Riden High Rudy “Rudy” owned by Ray Nelson and handled by Dan DiMambro. Rudy was in Brace 4 and was braced with the bye dog. Rudy put on a show for the hour running the edges and finished the hour with 8 finds. Day 2 Rudy was in Brace 3 and recorded 1 find and was seldom seen..

Congrats to Heath Kooima and Josh Nieman for winning the 2018 NGSPA OSD Invitational with Babe!!

2018 NGSPA AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL

Our judges for the 2018 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational were Randy Anderson from Vinita,



**2018 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational Champion
Texas She's Got Legs**

OK and Ric Peterson from Gilbert, AZ. Both men knew what they were looking for as they watched the twelve outstanding amateur contenders navigate the three challenging courses. Their services were greatly appreciated.

Champion

The 2018 Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational Champion is Texas She's Got Legs "Ziva", owned by Kirk and Terry Bomer and handled by Terry. Ziva exhibited three consistent hours in the field with multiple dead broke finds each hour. Terry was able to keep Ziva in the pocket and needed very little scouting.

On Day 1, Ziva was in Brace 1 and was forward and had 5 dead broke stylish finds and a stop to flush. She was very biddable and had tons of intensity on her birds. She hunted and ran the course showing her

maturity and forward power!

Ziva came back on Day 2 and was in Brace 5 and again had a strong race while handling on a string for Terry. She rimmed the bean fields hunting while having 6 perfectly mannered finds. Once again, she was very consistent with her race and needed very little scouting as she stayed right in the pocket.

On Day 3, Ziva drew Brace 2 and was braced with the defending Champion Strut. Ziva put forth another snappy race with great style on all her bird work. Ziva ran the edges of the corn field hunting and was always found to the front on point. She finished the hour with 5 stylish and well-mannered finds. The judges awarded Ziva the Champion as she was the most consistent dog over the three days they ran. She was always forward, never left the pocket and had great manners on her birds..

We are all proud of the fact that Terry Bomer is the first female to win a NGSPA Invitational. Congratulations, Terry!!!

Day 3 Callbacks

The judges wanted to call back 4 dogs for Day 3 and they picked the running order.

Lambourn's Slick Shot "Buckshot" owned and handled by Robin Lambourn had a very impressive first day with 3 finds and a huge forward race. Day 2 Buckshot had 3 nice broke finds and a back to Ruger. Buckshot was forward and showed his ground game was on point. Day 3 Ruger and Buckshot were braced together and were putting on a great race. Buckshot once again had several nice finds but was gone too long for the judges liking.

Twin Creek's Runnin Ruger "Ruger", owned by Kirk and Larry Loftin and handled by Larry Loftin, had a very impressive three days of running. Day 1, Ruger was in Brace 2 and had 3 broke finds. Ruger ran the edges and dug into the grass hunting game for the entire hour. Day 2 Ruger was in Brace 6 with Buckshot. Ruger had another constant hour with 3 broke finds and a big race. The judges noted his last find of the day was extremely impressive. Day 3 Ruger was once again braced with Buckshot for the first brace and had several nice finds, but a mishap on the relocation knocked Ruger out of the running.

Snowy River's Full Strut "Strut", owned by Mark and Chase Verdoorn and handled by Chase Verdoorn. On Day 1, the defending Champion was in Brace 4, right after lunch. Strut ran the lines while he was looking to make game. He ended Day 1 with 1 find and a nice forward race. Strut drew the second brace on Day 2 and he showed why and how he won the invitational last year. He put down a nice race with 5 finds and a stop to flush. He was consistent and to the front with tons of style. Day 3 Strut was in the 2nd brace and he started off strong. Once again showing his maturity as he ran the edges and showed to the front. Strut had a nice forward race with several finds but with a questionable situation in the trees, Strut was knocked out of contention.

Overall, the judges wanted a dog that handled and needed very little scouting. The bird work had to be flawless and the dogs needed to show great style and intensity. Ziva was named the Champion after three days of running..

The Other Eight Entries

Hi-N's Hasty Matilda "Matie" owned and handled by Hank Lewis was in Brace 6 on Day 1. She showed tons of style and was extremely snappy on the ground. She had 2 finds but was one at the end. Day 2 Matie was in Brace 2 and was picked up by the handler.

Llano's Snowbird "Feather", owned by Joe and Chad Inderman and handled by Mike Patrick was in Brace 5 on Day 1. She had 1 nice find before the handler lost her to the front. Day 2 started much better for Feather and Mike. They were in Brace 3 as Feather covered the countryside at Smith Farms. She had 2 nice finds before the handler picked her up.

PJ Wildfire's Little Lexi "Lexi" owned by Kirk and Larry Loftin and handled by Larry Loftin was in Brace 5. Lexi had 3 finds but was gone at the end. Day 2 Lexi was in Brace 1 and put on a bird finding show. She had 8 stylish well-mannered finds. She had a nice forward smooth race but the hole she dug in Day 1 was enough to keep her out of the callbacks..

BMB's Madison Avenue "Mattie", owned and handled by Brandon Blum. Mattie was in Brace 6 on Day 1 and had 7 finds while running the edges of the farm. Day 2 Mattie was in Brace 1 and adjusted to the Missouri cold and snow. She had 7 more finds, 2 nonproductive. She ran a forward race but wasn't enough to crack the top 4.

PW JimKath's Kate "Kate", owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson and handled by Keith Richardson was in Brace 4 on Day 1 and was not seen much so the handler decided to pull the tracker.

Llano's Hot Tamale "Molly" owned by Chad & Joe Inderman and handled by Mike Patrick. Molly was in Brace #3 on Day 1 as she was able to put a show on.

She had 4 nice finds and the judges noted how snappy on the ground she was. Day 2 Molly was in Brace \$, right after lunch. She had two nice finds before she was lost on point in the trees.

BMB's High Character "Carrick" owned and handled by Terry Zygalinskii was in Brace 4 on Day 1. Carrick ran the edges and was putting down a true shooting dog run. He had 5 dead broke finds as he powered to the front. Ziggy and Carrick were in Brace 4 right after lunch on Day 2 and Carrick decided to disappear after the breakaway.

Prairie Wind Mya's Contender "Connie", owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson and handled by Keith Richardson, was in Brace 3 on Day 1. She ran a nice shooting dog race with 4 finds and one non-productive. Day 2 Connie was in Brace 5 as she started off where she left on Day 1. She had 3 more finds and a non-productive. She was broke and stylish on all her finds but showed a little fatigue as this was day 5 in a row running for her.

Congratulations to Kirk, Terry and Ziva for being named the 2018 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog Champion !!!

THE WINNERS

2018 NGSPA Open Shooting Dog Invitational Champion

Murphy's Babe
GSP Female 4/5/2012
FDSB#1650910
Sire: Slick's Cuttin Wild
Dam: Murphy's Cheap Trick
Owner:; Heath Kooima
Handler: Josh Nieman

2018 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational Champion

Texas She's Got Legs
GSP Female 5/2/2014
FDSB#1659131
Sire: Slick's Cuttin Wild
Dam: Texas Hoosier Girl
Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer
Handler: Terry Bomer

2019 INAUGURAL ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



By: Keith Richardson

The Inaugural 2018 Open All-Age Invitational was a historic event and a resounding success according to all who attended. It was held on January 4-6, 2019 at Hell Creek WMA, Mississippi. It was the first time any NGSPA event was held on these grounds, but during the due diligence process it was discovered that All-Age competitors and handlers from all breeds who had run on these grounds agreed unanimously: "Hell Creek is the best All-Age grounds in the country." Hell Creek WMA is owned by the state of Mississippi and managed by their Department of Wildlife, Fish and Parks. They were fantastic to work with. Nathan Blount helped us secure the dates. Ours were the only three day period available after October. Josh Nunn helped point us to the people who could help, and Jack Griffin was the man in charge of the grounds and an incredible help. These grounds were opened in 1999 after construction of dog kennels, a horse barn, outside paddocks, a spacious Club House, and a hard pack area for trailers.

The weather was agreeably mild for the first week in January. It rained heavily before we arrived and there was a soft to medium rain during some of the first day's running. The last two days were perfect for running dogs. The water in Hell Creek was too high to cross safely so we used two of the three courses. It is said that the third course is the best one, so we hope to give it a try next year. The no-till ground was soft but not as muddy as plowed fields.

All handlers were in the same boat: running dogs on a totally new course, but they quickly adapted, aided by the judges and marshal who knew the courses intimately. We were honored to have Steve Hurdle (Hickory Flat, MS), and Brad Kennedy (Red Bay, AL) judging this event. You could not ask for two more seasoned, experienced and respected All-Age judges. Steve has won the Hobart-Ames Nationals twice. These two men were focused intently on the dogs, very positive and helpful to any who asked, and had a very simple statement of advice for us: "show us your dogs, we are not going to chase you around!". The marshal, Korry

Rinehart, has deep experience scouting these grounds and was very helpful to the handlers. Jack Griffin said that our 16 finds for Day 1 was a record. Yay for the GSPs!

A wonderful crew of folks came together to put on this prestigious event. The caterer, Me & My Tea Room prepared three wonderful meals each day. The owner, Catherine Bowling-Dean, caters for the Nationals at Ames. Her two hard working assistants, Edie and Reeree, drove 90 miles twice a day, and they had coffee going at 6:00 AM and were cleaning up until 8:30 PM nightly. They still found time to present a photo perfect spread. Joe Frauendienst oversaw tons of details, and drove the dog wagon. Jack Griffin was present every day and in addition to helping where he could, he showed Joe the driving course and helped control the road for dog safety. Bobbi Richardson provided beautifully embroidered jackets for competitors and owners plus other gifts. Terry Zygalinski wrangled a nice group of horses.

Our remarkable sponsors made this trial possible. The sponsors had very little advance notice. Greg Blair of Purina liked the concept and really got behind us particularly because the requirement of two days running plus a 90 minute call back demanded an exceptional, well-nourished dog, and would showcase their outstanding product. They provided 12 bags of product for the Champion, 12 bags to auction, and a Ross Young original oil painting of the Champion. Sportdog provided a top of line GPS/Training collar, and a top-end training collar. Ross Young donated much of his time because he is not charging full value for his truly fabulous works of art. The winning handler earned a \$5,000 purse.

The grounds consist of about 2,500 acres of flowing courses managed for hunting dogs and game. Jack Griffin manicures the grounds and plants and feeds the birds. The three courses are each divided into bird release sites with quail food. Each trial generally purchases 330 birds which are released by Jack just before the trial starts. No birds are released during the trial. These augment the hold over birds from prior trials. There are plenty of quail, but finding them becomes harder with each passing day. It takes a bird dog to find them.

There are a number of long bottoms with both sides lined by trees, underbrush, and high grass edges. The bottoms are no-till crop land beautifully manicured. The dogs are drawn to either of the surrounding edges, and can be seen making all-age moves hunting their way to the front until they disappear around a corner, or through a gap at the end. There are occasional piney woods that are also manicured with nicely spaced mature trees. The grounds demand a powerful all-age dog that will eventually be lost to the front, but will either show on point or show for the handler looking for guidance to the next stretch of course. Absences of five to ten minutes are not uncommon. The courses flow nicely but penalize dogs that get behind, won't carry a line, or are seen too much.

The Guidelines and Philosophy are much like the Shooting Dog Invitationals. The top winning 12 All-Age dogs from the past year are invited. Unfortunately, there was a Bye dog. A dog was pulled at the last minute and the next dogs in line declined. There are three continuous days of running. The first two are hour stakes and the third day is a 90 minute call-back. Day 1 is drawn normally, and Day 2 is braced so that no dog runs the same time of day (AM or PM), nor has the same brace-mate, nor the same course. The judges call back the top dogs for a 90 minute stake. All three days are weighted the same except the call-back demands attention to the dogs' stamina. Dogs are not picked up except for interference. The course separates an all-age from a shooting dog run. Perfection of performance is unlikely, consistency is valued. This is a Series, not a Championship match. The World Series Winner normally loses a few games. The All-Age Winner is expected to excite with the magnitude of effort and any defects of performance are evaluated over three days of running.

Bobbi asked Keith one morning: "why don't we have an All-Age Invitational?" That was the impetus for this remarkable, prestigious event. The NGSPA Trustees unanimously backed the concept, and Keith and Bobbi Richardson worked hard to get it put together by January 3. We owe a debt of thanks to them for their diligence in planning and execution of details.

CALL-BACK ANNOUNCEMENT

Steve Hurdle made this announcement at the start of the Call-Backs: "The dogs we have called back have been strong, but this is a series and we have let some things slide over the past two days, but today we are looking for a higher standard of performance, while not looking to throw dogs out. We are looking for the best of the best. 4 dogs are called back and they are all strong contenders with the potential to win." There were two dogs in reserve, but they were not called on to run.

CHAMPION

PW Extraordinaire (Airee), owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson, handled by Rich Robertson, and scouted by Nick Thompson was named the Inaugural 2018 NGSPA All-Age Invitational Champion. The judges announced: "Airee found birds every day, and consistently ran a strong race."

Day one Airee drew brace 5 with Dozer. She ran the edges with perfection, not breaking off to cross the field or dive into cover. She ran with speed and was always seen to the front. She never ran laterally or showed from the rear. She would disappear to the front, and show as she hunted her way to the next field, or joined the handler after taking a long edge. She backed her brace-mate, Dozer, at 15 but was released at relocation, and held the front from that time on. She was found standing to the front at 42, showing intense style and class manners.

Day two, brace 1, Airee ran with Buster. She had a race consistent with that of day 1. Fast, flowing and to the front. She had one period of absence of about 10 minutes but showed to the front. She had a find at 3 and one back early in the brace. Her last half produced finds at 43 and 59.

Four dogs were called back on day 3, and Airee ran in brace 2 with Lexie. Airee had a strong run consistent with her first two days of running. Good ground speed and range, flowing on the edges, showing to the front and going with her handler. She had one NP in an area that had been producing birds, and a find at 75 with perfect manners. After release she took the edges on two long bottoms, and finished in the piney woods.

Her power, speed and range were undiminished over the 90 minute brace.

The judges agreed that Airee was the most consistent All-Age dog over all three days. She had a strong race, and never showed any let down during the three days. She consistently hunted for birds and found quail every day.

OTHERS CALLED BACK

Brace 1. Rio's Rising Renegade, owned by Ray and Tami Larrondo and handled by Ray was top and Lambourn's Slick Shot (Buckshot), handled and owned by Robin Lambourn was bottom.

ran a powerful, big All-Age race, with a nice forward pattern. He had a find at 4 and another at 9 with a nice six bird covey. His manners were excellent. He handled well for Ray and had no let-down. Day 2, Brace 4, Ace again demonstrated a strong All-Age race, showing front with good pattern and stamina. He handled well for Ray, and had one find at 55. He showed a consistently strong race over two days and was called back. During the call-back Ace lacked the punch of his first two days. He had no birds.

Buckshot was in Brace 4 on Day 1. He had a strong race, but a bit behind that of Ace. He had a nice forward pattern with good range. He had four finds and a stop to flush, all handled nicely with good style. He was in Brace 2 on Day 2 and again had a consistently good race. He handled well for Robin with a good forward pattern, and excellent stamina. He had good manners and style on his two finds, and one NP. Considering both days, Buckshot had a consistently strong race with a lot of bird work, and was called back. His final run was very strong, with plenty of stamina throughout the 90 minutes. The judges said that if Buckshot had a find they would have had to work hard to separate him and the Champion.

Brace 2. PJ Wildfire's Little Lexi (Lexi), owned by Dr. Kirk and Larry Loftin, and handled by Kirk, was braced with the Champion, Airee whose run was described above. Day 1, Brace 1 Lexi was a Bye dog. She had a consistent race, always searching for birds and was rewarded with four finds, all with good style and manners. She handled very nicely for Kirk and

required little scouting. Day 2, Brace 5, Lexi had a race that was very consistent with that of Day 1. She had two finds at 43 and 55. With very few commands, she went with Kirk wherever he sent her. She had a consistent run and found a lot of birds consistently, and was called back. Her call back bid produced one find and one NP but her run was diminished over that of the first two days.

THE OTHER 7

MSR Quail Commando's Bunker Buster (Buster), owned by Harvey Franco, and handled by Chris Goegan, ran in Brace 6 on Day 1. Buster had a strong race on the first day with a find at 22, a divided find at 30 and a find at 36. His manners were all in order and he had good, intense style. He had good patterning and a class race. On day 2 Buster was in Brace 1 and had a tough day. he had a good race for the most part, but he got behind a bit, and had no birds. Buster was named a stand-by dog.

Snowy River Cuttin Country (Dozer), owned and handled by Chase Verdoorn. Day 1 Dozer was in Brace 5 with Airee. He was off to a good start and had a find at 15 with good style and manners. He was out of pocket for nearly ten minutes and showed from behind. He had an NP at 47, and a second NP just before time. Day 2 Dozer was doing a great job. Strong race to the front, holding the edges until he was last seen at 40. No finds. Dozer was named a stand-by dog.

Texas Tuff (Tuff), owned by Kirk and Terry Bomer and handled by Terry had a "tuff" two days. He was lost early on Day 1, and not long after the break away on Day 2 he disappeared again.

Blue River Cruisin Carlos (Carlos), owned by Tom and Ann Peterson, handled by Tom. This was the first time Tom had run Carlos in competition, and he did a good job overall, but there were a few times his inexperience cost him. This is only natural. It was a pleasure to see Tom run his dog with such enthusiasm and joy. Day 1 Carlos started off well, but got behind his brace-mate a few times. He got lost at about 30 minutes and was not seen at time. He had no birds. Day 2 Carlos was a Bye dog. He had a non-productive at the cast off. He went on to have a nice find at 8 after making a big

move, disappearing to the front, and found standing. Manners and style were excellent. He was not seen after his next big move and handler elected to end his bid by asking for the tracker.

MSR's Storms End (Renley), owned by James and Sarah Messer and handled by Chris Goegan. Day 1, Renley was in Brace 2. Renley hunted the country nicely, but got behind a couple of times. He finished the hour without any finds. Day 2 Renley was in Brace 2 with Ace. He got lost early on and had no finds. RH's Little Miss Maverick (Missy), owned by Dan Gangle and handled by Chris Goegan. Day 1 Brace 3, Missy blinked a back at 4 and had a hard time gaining the front with Ace. She had no finds. Day 2, Brace 5, Missy was lost at 10 and handler elected to pull the tracker before time.

PW Bert's Joke's on Us (Bart), owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson and handled by Rich Robertson. Day 1, Bart had a good run. He took the edges nicely and carried them far to the front. He showed good stamina and speed. He had a divided find at 30. Day 2 Bart started off strong, but was drawn into deep cover by a pack of noisy beagles hunting rabbits. Handler pulled tracker ten minutes later when Bart failed to make it out of the dense woods.

CLOSING THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

Both judges were very impressed with our GSPs. Steve Hurdle said that he could put a couple of them on his All-Age string and they would be very competitive. They enjoyed their experience judging our dogs very much. They did mention that a couple of the dogs could have benefitted from more aggressive handling with the handler anticipating a problem and proactively helping the dog show better.

The challenge of the Hell Creek grounds, and the performance demands of the 90 minute call back have indeed raised the bar for the All-Age GSP. It has also raised the bar for the All-Age GSP trainer and handler, indicating a need for more aggressive handling to show the dog better, and more work on getting the dog to go with the handler without diminishing power, range and alacrity. The future of the All-Age

GSP has never been brighter, and their impact on the genetics of the Shooting Dog bodes well for the future of our breed.

CHAMPION

Prairie Wind's Extraordinaire

GSP Female 6/22/2011

FDSB#1629669

Sire: Prairie Wind's Zipp n Lock

Dam: Prairie Wind's Eat Mya Dust

Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson

Handler: Richie Robertson

2018 NGSPA DOG OF THE YEAR STANDINGS

Final

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*Trials Included: Nationals, OAA, OSD and ASD
 Invitationals, Quail, Chukar, Sharptail, Prairie Chicken,
 Hungarian, Pheasant, Savannah River, Great Plains,
 Great Lakes, Hawkeye, Ohio, Texas, and Regions 1, 2, 3,
 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 16 and 17*

ALL AGE

1.	Rio's Rising Renegade	1475	7.	Kimber Tactical	628
	Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo			Owner: John Kadavy	
	Handlller: Ray Larrondo			Handler: Josh Neiman	
2.	PW Extraordinaire	1277	8.	MSR's Storms End	612
	Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson			Owner: James & Sara Messer	
	Handler: Keith Richardson			Handler: James Messer	
3.	Texas Tuff	1172	9.	Hi-N's Bodacious	610
	Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer			Owner:; Hank Lewis	
	Handler: Keith Gulledege			Handler: Dan DiMambro	
4.	Rumel's Augie Doggie	800	10.	PW Race To The Front	582
	Owner: Checklick-Turano			Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	
	Handler: Dan DiMambro			Handler: Richie Robertson	
5.	Lambourn's Slick Shot	794	11.	Dezasterous Jax The Ripper	438
	Owner: Robin Lambourn			Owner: Matt Smith	
	Handler: Josh Neiman			Handler: Dan DiMmbro	
6.	Llano's Game On Dude	676	11.	PW Penny For Your Thoughts	438
	Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman			Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	
	Handler: Josh Neiman			Handler: Richie Robertson	
6.	PW BDK's Dot On The Horizon	676	12.	PJ Wildfire's Little Lexie	428
	Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson			Owner: Kirk & Larry Loftin	
	Handler: Richie Robertson			Handler: Larry Loftin	
			13.	Uodibar's Sidewinder	396
				Owner: David & Hayley Killam	
				Handler:	
			14.	Outbak's Let It Ride	388
				Owner: Linnea Hadlock	
				Handler: Rich Barber	
			15.	Riverside's No Sleep Til Brook Lyn	380
				Owner: Chuck Lane	
				Handler: Rich Barber	
			16.	RH's Missy Little Miss Maverick	364
				Owner: David Cangle	
				Handler: Chris Goegan	

17.	Snowy River's Cuttin Country Owner/Handler: Chase Verdoorn	264	10.	Prairie Wind's Mya's Contender Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson Handler: Ronnie Sale	810
18.	Hello Lucy Owner/Handler: Wayne Horner	244	11.	Joke's On You Owner: Steve Erickson Handler: Chris Goegan	690
19.	MSR Quail Commando's Bunker Buster Owner: John Glover Handler: Chris Goegan	232	12.	HK's Triogy Owner: David & Hayley Killam Handler: Eldon Hongo	646

OPEN SHOOTING DOG

1.	Riden High Rudy Owner: Ray Nelson Handler: Dan DiMambro	2752	13.	Rio's Rising Renegade Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo Handler: Ray Larrondo	604
2.	Murphy's Babe Owner: Heath Kooima Handler: Josh Neiman	2111	14.	Greyrock's Mile Marker Owner: Tom Tubergen Handler: Rich Barber	508
3.	JB Wagoner's Lightning Owner: Lee Wagoner Handler: Dan DiMambro	1580	15.	Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl Owner: Mike Patrick Handler: Josh Nieman	492
4.	Hi-N's Hasty Matilda Owner: Hank Lewis Handler: Dan DiMambro	1431	16.	PW Flirt's She's A Keeper Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson Handler: Richie Robertson	470
5.	Rumel's Augie Doggie Owner: Checklick-Turano Handler: Dan DiMambro	1128	17.	Hidden Valley Indian Scout Owner: Schmidt-Loyko Handler: Dan Dimambro	420
6.	KC Moen's Royal Diamond Owner/Handler: Gary Moen	1014	18.	Dunfur's Emma Frost Owner: Clint Matthews Handler: Dan Hoke	414
7.	MSR's Lord of the Dragonstone Owner: James & Sara Messer Handler: James Messer	998	19.	Dezasterous Jax The Ripper Owner: Matt Smith Handler: Dan DiMambro	412
8.	BDK's All That Jazz Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer Handler: Keith Gullede	972	20.	Llano's Snowbird Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman Handler: Josh Nieman	364
9.	Chicoree Jake's Bonnie Owner: Fred Ryan Handler: Dan DiMambro	928	21.	Snowy River's Cuttin Country Owner/Handler: Chase Verdoorn	304

21.	Hi-N's Bodacious Owner: Hank Lewis Handler: Dan DiMambro	304	3.	Texas She's Got Legs Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer Handler: Terry Bomer	1377
22.	MSR's Storm's End Owner: James & Sara Messer Handler: James Messer	296	4.	Llano's Snowbird Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman Handler: Inderman/Patrick	880
22.	PJ Wildfire's Little Lexi Owner: Kirk & Larry Loftin Handler: Larry Loftin	296	5.	PJ Wildfire's Little Lexi Owner: Kirk & Larry Loftin Handler::: Larry Loftin	864
22.	Fly'n F's Rocco Round The World Owner: Charles Gonzalez Handler: Chris Goegan	296	6.	Tulli's Shot To The Heart Owner/Handler: Joe Amatulli	840
23.	Riverside Farms No Sleep Til Brook Lynn 288 Owner: Chuck Lane Handler: Rich Barber	288	7.	Aunt Troji's Dirty Nike Owner: Larry Metter Handler: Brandon Blum	782
24.	DeLuna's Quail Point Sling Blade Owner: Rodney Moon Handler: Mike Mullineaux	280	8.	BMB's Madison Avenue Owner: Brandon & Jennifer Blum Handler: Brandon Blum	760
24.	BDK's Prairie Wind Annie Oakley Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson Handler: Keith Gullede	280	9.	Snowy River White Out Owner/Handler: Chase Verdoorn	674
25.	Outbak's Rough Cut Owner: Adam & Sara Burch Handler: Rich Barber	272	10.	Hi-Tailyn's Talented Texan Owner/Handler: Keith Bryant	660
26.	PW Extraordinaire Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson Handler: Keith Richardson	268	11.	Foxglove's Spending A Buck Owner/Handler: Brian Hill	658
27.	Rock Solid Palin Owner/Handler: Todd Yamamoto	252	12.	Lambourn's Slick Shot Owner/Handler: Robin Lambourn	654
			13.	Llano's Hot Tamale Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman Handler: Inderman/Patrick	578

AMATEUR

1.	HI-N's Hasty Matilda Owner/Handler: Hank Lewis	2479	14.	Riden High Rudy Owner: Ray Nelson Handler: Terry Zygalinski	532
2.	Snowy River Full Strut Owner: Mark Verdoorn Handler: Chase Verdoorn	1726	15.	Twin Creek's Running Ruger Owner: Kirk & Larry Loftin Handler: Larry Loftin	468

16.	BMB's Samsquanch Owner: Brandon & Jennifer Blum Handler: Brandon Blum	430	25.	Hi Point's Double Down Owner: Joe & Cindy Orndorff Handler: Joe Orndorff	248
17.	In-Country's Cummins Diesel Owner/Handler: Chris Young	412	25.	Greyrock's Mile Marker Owner/Handler: Tom Tubergen	248
18.	PW Mya's Contender Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson Handler: Keith Richardson	404	25.	Tulli's Faraway Giddyup Owner/Handler: Joe Amatulli	248
18.	MSR's Lord of the Dragonstone Owner: James & Sara Messer Handler: James Messer	404			
19.	Chicoree's Sparkle In Her Eye Owner/Handler: Fred Ryan	396			
19.	JB Wagoner's Lightning Owner/Handler: Lee Wagoner	396			
20.	Hi-N's Bodacious Owner/Handler: hank Lewis	284			
21.	Windjammer's Gem Owner/Handler: Terry Zygalinski	276			
22.	Murphy's Babe Owner: Heath Kooima Handler: Mike Patrick	268			
23.	Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl Owner/Handler: Mike Patrick	264			
23.	Snowy River Cuttin Country Owner/Handler: Chase Verdoorn	264			
24.	Chicoree Jake's Bonnie Owner/Handler: Fred Ryan	252			
24.	Texas Jazzed Up Blues Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer Handler: Terry Bomer	252			

Purina German Shorthaired Pointer Handler of the Year - 2018 Final

OPEN HANDLER POINTS

1.	Dan DiMambro	13,181
2.	Josh Nieman	5,085
3.	Keith Gulledege	3,738
4.	Rich Robertson	3,099
5.	Chris Goegan	2,661
6.	Dan Hoke	2,582
7.	Chase Verdoorn	2,349
8.	Rich Barber	2,250
9.	Ray Larrondo	2,079
10.	James Messer	1,906
11.	Ronnie Sale	1,312
12.	Eldon Hongo	1,042
13.	Gary Moen	1,014
14.	Kirk Loftin	673
15.	Todd Yamamoto	652
16.	Keith Richardson	612
17.	Larry Loftin	529
18.	Phil Casdorff	384
19.	Terry Bomer	376
20.	Mike Mullineaux	280
21.	Hank Lewis	264
22.	McClinton	245
23.	Wayne Horner	244
24.	Chet Soberay	225
25.	John Rabidou	213

AMATEUR HANDLER POINTS

1.	Hank Lewis	3,770
2.	Chase Verdoorn	2,664
3.	Kirk Loftin	2,509
4.	Terry Bomer	2,160
5.	Brandon Blum	1,972
6.	Mike Patrick	1,926
7.	Larry Loftin	1,332
8.	Joe Amatulli	1,088
9.	Terry Zygalinski	808
10.	Bruce Bryant	758
11.	Keith Richardson	736
12.	Brian Hill	658
13.	Robin Lambourn	654
14.	Fred Ryan	648
15.	Keith Bryant	660
16.	David O'Brien	578
17.	Peter Coppens	566
18.	Ray Larrondo	514
19.	Chad Inderman	428
20.	Chris Young	412
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23.	Joe Orndorff	248
23.	Tom Tubergen	248

2018 NGSPA REGION 1 CHAMPIONSHIPS

“You can’t do a thing about the weather”. Usually farming talk when there is a bad year. This year it applied to the NGSPA Region 1 Championship held at the John E. Flaherty Field Trial Area in East Windsor CT. If we had a nice day, I don’t remember it. Rain, cold, wind and imminent snow put quite a damper on the Championship held November 12th and 13th but scheduled to run that whole week. The “snow” forecast did materialize with about six inches of wet, heavy packing snow, which affected travel and safety on the grounds. I’ve been at Flaherty for the “Region” in years when the weather was so pleasant that mid days we were in shirtsleeves. This was not one of those years.

Thank you Purina! Your support of our trial was needed and appreciated more than it has ever been. That support took a bit of the “bite” out of our situation.

Thanks to many who devoted their time and support in so many ways: The Nutmeg German Shorthaired Pointer Club for your perennial sponsorship of this trial. John Lucey who stepped in at the eleventh hour to coordinate a small but devoted crew to keep the Region going. To Jennifer Hazel, who’s behind the scenes coordination and direction was invaluable. Doing this without her help would have been a train wreck. And thank you Jenn for the best clam chowder in the East! Dennis Hazel took on the secretary duties of the event just because he “didn’t have anything else to do”. We know better Dennis! Mark Alexander, treasurer of the Nutmeg club was there to take care of the financial issues. Robin Shadle for her fine string of horses and Wrangler/helper/chef Chris who went above and beyond his duties to help. That boy can cook a steak! Dick Frawley, President of Flaherty, for coordinating Purina deliveries, food acquisition and being an invaluable liaison with the State of CT D.E.E.P. Ralph DeSanto again made a delicious hot lunch on Tuesday. It warmed and filled a bunch of cold bellies! Mike Ernest for making it to cook breakfasts and add a seasoned veterans view to the situa-



tions that arose. Our judges, Tom Jarnich, Bob Vaulting, Wayne Horner and Jeff Currier. These gentleman were there and stuck it out to be available to fulfill their commitment to our sport.

My personal thanks to Tom Mercier. Tom has chaired this event along with Mike Earnest for several years. Without your answering my never ending phone calls and questions and dealing with last minute situations we would have been completely sunk.

All the help and preparation could not stop unforeseen situations that arose which terminated the Region at the conclusion of the Amateur Shooting Dog stake. The weather was the biggest deterrent. It was like having the finest crop of second cutting hay to harvest with too much rain falling from the sky. The Region one was scheduled very close to the Region three in Maryland which did not help. That



Amateur Shooting Dog Winners
Joe Amatulli holding Cupid and Tom Oswald holding Fairgo
Owner and handler of both dogs is Joe Amatulli

combined with the forecast of heavy snow made for a tough go of things. The Derby and Open Shooting Dog had to be canceled. We did have a championship quality Amateur Shooting Dog. Thank you to our participants who made that stake the highest of caliber with their well polished dogs.

Named Champion in the Amateur Shooting Dog stake was Tulli's Shot To The Heart, "Cupid" owned and Handled by Joseph Amatulli of New Hartford CT and scouted by Tom "The Reverend" Oswald. Cupid broke away Tuesday morning and took in the entire Bowl that lays out in front of the handlers off the break-away. On a mission, Cupid scored a find just to the East side of the first pond with all in order. Without wasting a whisper of time, found Standing at 8 just North of the old tobacco barns. A lengthy flushing attempt resulted in a relocation and birds were produced. A nice piece of bird work! Cupid rolled on and pinned a covey in the Pitch Pines leading to the power lines. With every ounce of intensity running through its body the dog stood high and tight for its handler to notch a stellar find. Cupid made her way in fine fashion and on a mission to Dearborne where she scored

stylish finds at 42 and 50. Judges notes confirm the galleries observations; Cupid made large sweeping casts, always to the front but never out of pocket. She was stylish and staunch on her birds and deserving of the Champion title.

Runner up Champion was awarded to Tulli's Far-away Giddyup. "Fairgo" is also owned and handled by Joseph Amatulli. Finds were recorded at 12, 25, 34, and 50. Fairgos' style and intensity on his game was strikingly similar to that of his Kennelmates'. His application was fast and far to the front but always in contact with handler.

THE RUNNING

Brace #1

Brace one broke away Monday morning with Hi-N's Zip It, O/H Hank Lewis and Wolf Plain Brooks Raven, owned by Jennifer and Dennis Hazel, handled by Jeffrey Currier. Zip had a great breakaway but some bad luck and was up at 28. Raven had stylish finds at 9, 28 34 and 42 and applied herself like the "old pro" that she is.

Brace #2

Brace two brought to the line Hi-N's Bodacious, "Bo", Hank Lewis, and Quail Point Black River Harlee, "Harlee", Wayne Horner. Both dogs "smoked the tires" off the breakaway with Bo scoring first. He had finds at 7, 16, an unproductive on a hawk kill at 29, and at 41. He took an extended hike after his last find but was seen far to the front at time. Harlee worked the bugs out covering a bunch a ground and then scored stylish finds at 35 and 41.

Brace #3

Brace 3 brought Hi-N's Feed Jake, Lewis, and Fly'N F's Rocco Round the World, Chuck Gonzales. Rocco blistered the breakaway but found bad luck when he went with a bird at 8. Jake, after blowing off some steam at the get go, had finds at 35 and at the end of Dearborne at 53. Both were stylish and in order.

Brace #4

Brace 4. Moore Farms Zephyr Cyclone, "Chloe", John Lucey and Hello Lucy, "Lucy", Wayne Horner. Chloe had staunch finds at 17, 27, 39, 49 and finished nicely with a find in the bowl at 59. Lucy was on a mission and the tracking equipment was called for at 26.

Brace #5

Quail Point West Wind Pandora, "Macy", Horner and Fieldmaster's Oregon Road Phosperous, "Reagan", Lucey. Macy had a nice breakaway and find on a hen pheasant at 8. Another pheasant find at 20 was a bit too much too soon and Macy was up. Reagan had a high and tight find by the old tobacco barns at 18 with all in fine order. Handler elected to pick up at 26 due to an apparent injury.

Brace #6 and Brace #7 are formerly appended.

The Region One would like to extend special gratitude to our Wranglers who really went above and beyond their duties. They made accommodations in one of their horse trailers on Thursday night for our horses to weather the snow storm. We hope to see everyone next year and hope for better weather.

Just like farming, there's always next year!

THE WINNERS

Champion

Tulli's Shot To The Heart
GSP Female 1/2/2016
FDSB#1668023
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake
Dam: Tulli's Excess
Owner/Handler: Joe Amatulli

Runner-Up

Tulli's Faraway Giddyup
GSP Male 1/2/2016
FDSB#1668019
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake
Dam: Tulli's Excess
Owner/Handler: Joe Amatulli

2018 NGSPA REGION 3 CHAMPIONSHIPS



*2018 NGSPA Region 3 Amateur Shooting Dog Champion
Amateur Champion Tulli's Shot To The Heart. and Tom Oswald standing.*

By Joe Amatullii

NGSPA Region 3 ran both the Open and Amateur Shooting Dog Championships again this year, but unlike previous years, we have had a change at the helm. Joe Amatulli, a long time shorthaired field trialler and previous President of the NGSPA Region 2 is now the new President.

Let me start off by thanking our judges: Bill Bruchy and Joe Lordi did the Amateur; Tom Oswald and Tom McKellar did the Open. This was not an easy judging assignment, quite frankly the weather was horrible..

Also, I would like to thank the people that jumped in to help put this trial on: Tom Holmes and Phil Vadeboncoeur helped plllant birds, Hank Lewis did the

dog wagon, Joe Orndorff got the birds and planted one morning. Dan DiMambro let us use his 4 wheeler and Chris Goegan helped by letting us use his horses.

I want to give special thank you to both Puring and SportDog for the contributions and, of course, the participants, with out them, this trial would be impossible..

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

By Bill Bruchy

The Region 3 Amateur Shooting Dog Stake was a victim of daily changes in the weather situation. Handlers, dogs and birds were at its mercy. The stake began on Friday morning. Dog and handler were met by a constant drizzle which lasted until lunchtime.

Birds were at a premium. Quuuuail were doing a pretty good job of “hiding” and Pheasant from the NGSPA Pheasant were spooky. The five braces running in the morning suffered un-productives and early pickups, courtesy of the pheasants.

After lunch, weather conditions were broadcast to much more severe. In the hope that maybe the weather would hold off, Club President, Joe Amatulli, decided to run two braces and take a wait and see on more. At the breakaway, the skies opened and the deluge began. The rain was heavy enough to force the judges to be extremely attentive in hopes of not missing something in the distance. Counter to intuition, the afternoon yielded two stellar performances. Tulli’s Shot To The Heart “Cupid”, handled by Joe Amatulliiiiii and Macy, handled by Wayne Horner. Joe’s dog ran in the sixth brace. We broke away at the course beginning across from the eagle pond. She rimmed the first field nicely, digging into the edge cover but always popping out in the front. In weather like this, that’s where the birds ought to be. At completion of her cast around the field, doogs and handler went through the cut in the tree line. Entering the next field, the other handler had taken a right to follow the course.. When Joe came through, he looked left and right but no dog. The fear was that she headed left and may have jumped the road and was on the return side of the course. Scout was sent out. After waiting about five minutes, it was decided to move on in hopes she was at the front with her brace mate. Judge and handler met up with the others at the cut to the next field. Again, no dog and handler decided to backtrack to field where she disappeared,, ten minutes having elapsed at this point. At about 100 yards from the cut where we lost her, scout called point. She was about 30-40 yards to the left of the cut, standing inside deep cover in the woods line. For a young dog I met up with the others at the cut to the next field the worst conditions a great find. Handler dismounted and after some kicking around, flushed a hen pheasant.

Dog was released on course and in the next field made a strong forward cast along the edge. At the far corner with the heavy rain, she could barely be seen standing. After considerable effort, handler managed again to flush two pheasants from the heavy cover. All



2018 NGSPA Amateur Shooting Dog Runner-Up Chase Verdoorn with Region 3 Amateur runner up Champion and Mark Verdoorn standing

was in good order. Dog was released on the return edge and at about 100 yards farther on had a quail find with no issues. The remainder of the course, she continued strongly hunting as if she had just broke away, hunting along and inside the edges while moving forward. This was a great performance in spite of the terrible conditions..

The next brace produced another fine performance in the form of Quail Point West Wind Pandora “Macy”, handled by Wayne Horner. Much like the previous dog, it was a strong performance from start to finish. Macy had forur well-spaced find, a back and one unproductive. Both dogs ran with the weather at its worst but singled themselves out to both judges to the extend it made it a pleasure to be there.

Two braces remained for day two. Weather changed again but not for the good. The rain stopped but was replaced with 40 mph winds and pre-existing mud. Birds were spooky and the wind played the devil with scenting. Snowy Riv er’s Full Strut “Strut” handled by Chase Verdoorn, emerged as the best dog on day two running in the last brace. He made a strong bid to unseat the day one dogs. Strut started strong , stayed strong, always to the front and forward



2018 NGSPA Open Shooting Dog Winners
April Raber with Champion Riden High Rudy, Dan DiMombro with Runner up Champion Rummel's Augie Dogie,
standing, judges Tom McKellar and Tom Oswald.

on the course. The strong 40 mph winds hampered communications a bit between dog and handler. After four stylish finds and a back, all in perfect, Strut's efforts paid off.

The stake as a whole was filled with quality dogs. Under better weather conditions, many of the other dogs would have also been in strong contention had it not been for spooky and non-existent birds. Hats off to the dogs who overcame!

Winner: Tulli's Shot To The Heart "Cupid"
 Handler: Joe Amatulli

Runner-Up: Snowy River's Full Strut "Strut"
 Handler: Chase Verdoorn

OPEN SHOOTING DOG

By Tom McKellar and Dan DiMambro

The 2018 NGSPA Region 3 Championships began this year after the conclusion of the Pheasant Championships on the beautiful Wye Island grounds in Maryland. We were fortunate to have much better weather than experienced earlier in the week although we still had to face heavy mud and occasional rain. Even with difficult ground conditions for the dogs, we did enjoy frequent bird work on both hold over pheasants and the quail released for this championship. The beauty of the grounds, bird work, and camaraderie of those attending made for a very enjoyable time for all.

The first brace of the Open Championship broke away after lunch on Friday, November 9, 2018. At the line were MSR's Storm's End (Renly) handled by Chris Goegan and Riden High Rudy. Rudy was handled by Dan DiMambro. At the start, we were worried that birds might be hard to come by due to the difficulty man experienced in the Pheasant Championship. However, that was not the case with Rudy having

his first find just minutes after the breakaway with fine style and perfect manners. Rudy ran a strong and intelligent race for his entire hour adding five additional finds (two of which were shared with his brace mate) and a non-productive in a spot likely to hold pheasant. His was a performance that definitely was memorable and at a level that would prove hard to beat.

Renly also ran a strong race with two finds of his own, two divided finds, and a non-productive. The first brace was in the books and gave us great hope for the balance of the Open.

Next up was Hi-Point Jewels, handled by Chris Goegan and Chicoree Jake's Bonnie. Bonnie was handled by Dan DiMambro. Jewels had spots that were strong but wasn't pleasing her handler overall and was picked up just after the half. Bonnie had some very strong casts, staying forward and running with excellent style. She also had four finds, but overall her performance was marred by two non-productives likely caused by hold-over pheasant.

Other notable dogs that ran were:

Saturday morning we broke away with the first brace at 9:00 AM. The dogs drawn for this brace were Jade handled by Chris Goegan and Rummel's Augie Doggie. Augie was handled by Dan DiMambro. Augie had one of the best performances of the stake. He ran strong, stayed to the front, had high and positive bird work on five stylish finds, and a non-productive. Augie's performance yielded him the runner-up honors.

Next up was Dually, handled by Dan DiMambro. Dually started strong and was an attractive dog on the ground. He had 3 well-spaced finds but was not pleasing his handler and was picked up after his third find just after the half way mark.

Following Dually was Jackson also handled by Dan DiMambro. Jackson was lost shortly after the breakaway.

Next was Panda with Dan DiMambro. Panda was not beathing what ran earlier and was picked up early.

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Finally was Maddie, handled by Dan DiMambro. Maddie was a very attractive dog with 3 finds, two of which were exceptional. Dan asked if she was beating what we already had and was picked up.

THE PLACEMENTS

OPEN SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Tom McKellar and Tom Oswald
13 Starters

Champion

Riden High Rudy
GSP Male 4/6/2014
FDSB#1662002
Sire: Tonelli's Sky High
Dam: Palin's Gossip Girl
Owner: Ray Nelson
Handler: Dan DiMambro

Runner-Up

Rumel's Augie Doggie
GSP Male 10/25/2015
FDSB# 1666390
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake
Dam: Chicoree's What A Hoodlum
Owner: Checklick & Turano

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Bill Bruchy and Joe Lordi
18 Starters

Champion

Tulli's Shot To the Heart
GSP Female 1/2/2016
FDSB#1668023
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake
Dam: Tulli's Excess
Owner/Handler: Joe Amatulli

Runner-Up

Snowy Rivers Full Strut

GSP Male 12/15/2012

FDSB#1646738

Sire: Snowy River's Cutting The Edge

Dam: Snowy River's SS Super Sport

Owner: Mark Verdoorn

Handler: Chase Verdoorn

2018 SHARPTAIL CHAMPIONSHPS

Unfortunately we were not able to get complete write ups on these Championship or the registered names of many of the dogs. We have decided to include what information we do have and apologize for everything being so incomplete..

By Tom Davis

The fall trial season almost always begins with the wild bird trials on the prairies. There was the Region 17, the Sharptail and the Prairie Chicken Championships. The Sharptail was always first, starting on Labor Day weekend. The trial was first run on the Johnson Ranch in Trail City, South Dakota. After several moves, the trial landed in Baker, Montana on the Wang Ranch.

After a year's hiatus, due to extreme drought conditions, the trial commenced on September 1. Once again on the Wang Ranch under the direction of RJ Marquart, Mike Patrick and this scribe, Tom Davis. Davis has been in attendance every year since 2000.

The trial is run on the rolling ranchland primarily on the Wang Ranch. The courses also run on ranches owned by Kelly Duschaime and Mike Gunderson. A big thank you goes out to these ranchers for their hospitality.

Thank you's go out to Jim Morehouse who represents SportDog Equipment. Necessary to the success of the trial are those people who unselfishly give of their time and effort. These people include Dean and Diane Crabbs for marshalling the trial and the dog wagon. Also included are Ray and Tami Larrondo, my brother Terry Davis, for a huge effort on the dog wagon and to new found friend, Richie Robertson, for opening and closing all the gates. All of your help has been noted and appreciated..

The pros in attendance this year were Mike Mul-lineaux and Dan Dimambro. Much appreciated guys! There were numerous amateurs who made the long trip to Baker. These included Mark and Chase Verdoorn, Brandon blum, Tom Oswald, Keith Richardson,

Rick Heller, Dean Crabbs, Rodney Moon, Ray Larrondo, Robin Lambourn, Peter Coppens and Mike pat;rick. Thanks. In reality, without the amateurs, there would probably be no field trial sport. The opening festivities began with a dinner and drawing at the Wildlife Tavern and Casino in Baker. There were 35 trialers and ranchers sitting down to a meal of barbeque ribs and port loinns sponsored by the Sharptail Association.

The Amateur Shooting Dog stake lead off followed by the Derby, for the first time in a few years, the Open All age and ending with the Open Shooting Dog.. Ninety three dogs were drawn and 91 came to the line making for a very successful trial. The weather was sometimes hot, but always dry. No rain this year. The cover had recovered somewhat from the 2 year drought. A few more birds would have been nice, but they are in a down cycle and still recovering from the dry springs of the last few years.

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Rob Tomczak and Matt Jordan
29 Starters

THE RUNNING

Brace #1A

PW Flirt She's A Keeper

Handler: Keith Richardson

Started at 8:03 with wind from rear, lateral, moderate race, behind at times until swing right, finished hour - birdless

Brace #1B

Rosie - Handler: Tom Oswald

Consistently moderate, lateral at times, big lateral move at end, ran out of gas - birdless

Brace #2A

Prairie Wind BDK's Dot on the Horizon

Handler: Keith Richardson

Start at 9:19. Big run, lateral alot, came from behind, hard to handle, back on a non-productive at 9:38, back on non-productive again at 10:08



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Brace #2B

Frank
Handler; Rick Helleer
Non-productive at 9:38, another non-productive at 10.08

Brace #3A

Sassy
Handler: Mike Patrick
Start 10:31 - Shaky stop to flush at 10.35. Stopped completely when 2nd bird lifted. Non-productive at 10:56

Brace #3B

Elmer
Handler: Tom Davis
? back 10:35

Brace #4A

Jackson
Handler: Tom Oswald
Start at 2:27, non-productive at 2:44, non-productive at 2:54, again at 3:10

Brace #4B

PW Extraordinaire “:Airee”
Handler: Keith Richardson
Picked up by handler

Brace #5A

PW Mya’s Feather Duster “Kirby”
Handler: Keith Richardson
Start at 3:20. Decent run. non-productive at 3:39.
Picked up by handler at 3:54

Brace #5B

Rock River's You Can't Handle This "Dually"
Handler: Rick Heller
Backed at non-productive at 3:39. Nice run. Finished well - birdless.

Brace #6A

Autn Troji's Dirty Nike "Nike"
Handler:; Brandon Blum
Start at 4:34. Stop to flush at 4:45. Find at 4:48.
Find at 4:57. Non-productive at 5:07. At 5:09 backed a non-productive. 5:27 non-productive. Was fast and snappy. Finished hour. Slowed on last cast.

Brace #6B

Lambourn's Slick Shot "Buckshot"
Handler: Robin Lambourne
Stop to flush at 4:48. Whoa'd same birds as Nike flushed. Second stop to flush, Non-productive at 5:00, Lost

Brace #7A

Rooster
Handler: Tom Oswald
Start at 7:58, decent run. A couple of big moves. Flat in the middle - birdless.

Brace #7B

Prairie Wind Jim Kath's Kate
Handler: Keith Richardson
Hunted left fully well, shortend, behind once, finished birdless.

Brace #8A

Snowy River's Cuttin Country
Handler: Chase Verdoor
Start 9:13, nice run, hunted well, forward. 9:30 Non-productive. 10:15 non-productive.

Brace #8B

PW Indian Brook Heads Up "Enzi"
Handler: Keith Richardson
Decent race but lateral alot. 10:03 chased antelope. Finished birdless.

Brace #9A

PW Mya's Clean The Slate "Slate"
Handler:; Keith Richardson
Start 10:25, decent run. Finished - birdless.

Brace #9B

Snowy River's Full Strut
Handler: Chase Verdoorn
Nice covey find at 10:45, 8 birds. Non productive at 11:08. Always to the front, very nice finish. Down the draw on left of course. out on top left to right, over the top and finished well front on right. This dog was named Champion.

Brace #10A

Hewey
Handler: Brandon Blum
Start at 1:14, big, erratic, non productive at finish

Brace #10B

Blaze
Handler: Mike Patrick
Big, ran the tops well. finished birdless.

Brace #11A

PWK Lonewolf's BJ "BJ"
Handler: Dean Crabbs
Start 2:20. find at 2:42 single. After collared dog, second bird up, bumped covey and chased 3:10

Brace #11B

PW Mya's Contender "Connie"
Handler: Keith Richardson
Find. Shaky stop of BJ covey. Chased.

Brace #12A

BMB's Madison Avenue "Madison"
Handler: Brandon Blum
Start at 3:33. Find on a paire at 3:39. Very nice move at 3:50, another very nice move at 4:01. Knocked a bird at 4:08. Nice strong race.

Brace #12B

Kaiser
Handler: Rodney Moon
3:36 non-productive, 4:20 covey find. 4:28 non-productive. Consistent race

Brace #13A

"Cruz"
Handler: Ray Larrondo
Start 8:01. Covey find at 8:21. Find at 8:53 hen pheasant. Hunted well. Finished going away.

Brace #13B

"Boz"

Handler: Chase Verdoorn

Find at 8:22. Nice relocate single. 8:52 covey find 3 sharptail. Handled well. Good run.

Brace #14A

"Willie"

Handler: Chase Verdoorn

Start at 9:14. A back. A non-productive at 9:45. Good Run. Finished.

Brace #14B

"Kara"

Handler: Rick Heller

Find. Handy. Finished.

Brace #15A

"Tide"

Handler: Chase Verdoorn

Tide ran as a bye. Start at 10:20. Non-productive at 10:37. Find on a pair of sharptails at 10:41. Stop to flush at 10:47. Nice handle. Finished

DERBY CLASSIC

Brace #1

"Gypsy" (Handler:; Brandon Blum)

PW Jim Kath's Kate (Handler: Dan DiMambro)

Gypsy started slowly and then made two nice moves to the front. Kate was not pleasing her handler and was picked up at 11 minutes.

Brace #2

"Brigg" (Handler: Dan DiMambro)

"Jethro" (Handler: Brandon Blum)

Brigg had a nice ridgeline race and a strong finish with bird contact.. He placed third. Jethro had two nice casts with moderate range finish.

Brace #3

PW Made In The USA "Mayda"

(Handler: Dan DiMambro)

BMB's Free Loader "Hewey"

(Handler: Brandon Blum)

Mayda had a very good rance with a strong start and finished. She backed her bracemate. She placed 2nd. Hewey had an all-age race and a strong finish. The judges named Hewey the winner.

Brace #4

"Penny" (Handler: Dan DiMambro)

"Zip" (Handler: Brandon Blum)

Penny had a slow start and was inconsistent. Zip also was slow, inconsistent and jcame from behind a couple of times..

Brace #5

"Macy" (Handler: Dan DiMambro)

"Trudee" (Handler: Brandon Blum)

Macy was one of the strongest. Dog ran to the front end and tracker was called. Trudee was picked up at 14.

Brace #6

"Jack" (Handler: Dan DiMambro)

Jack was picked up early. He ran as a bye.

OPEN SHOOTING DOG

(No Information)

OPEN ALL AGE

Brace #1A

"Willie" Handler: Chase Verdoorn

Non-Productive at 8:41. Find on single at 8:50. Always forward, decent run.

Brace #1B

Prairie Wind's Teton Aroma of Sage "Roma"

Handler:; Keith Richardson

Big run, very wide at times, lateral. Absent at creek bed. Caught front. Birdless.

Brace #2A

BMB's Samsquanch "Sam"Handler: Brandon Blum

Find at 9:16. Bird not produced. As handler moved on a single flushed. Decent run, finished going away.

Brace #2B

Prairie Wind Penny For Your Thoughts "Thor"

Handler: Richie Robertson

Started at 9:06. Big and wide at breakaway. All-age race. Find at 9:34 after a big nice move. Covey of 10 sharpies. Continued very big and wide. Temperatures increased. Slowed a little in final minutes as he watered but had the biggest All-Age race except for final 3 minutes.

Brace #3A

Snowy River's Full Strut
Handler: Chase Verdoorn
Start at 10:19. Non-productive at 10:32 on top of hill breezy. 10:40 find off alfalfa field on top. Pair sharpies, 10:59 non-productive. 11:09 find covey that slowly boiled out. Shooting dog race.

Brace #3B

Prairie Wind BDK's Dot on the Horizon
Handler: Richie Robertson
Start at 10:19. Strong race, All-Age application, find at 10:58 on a single in a bottom finished going away.

Brace #4A

Uodibar's Light's Out "Tyson"
Handler: Mike Mullineaux
Started at 1:02. Non-productive at 1:25. Non-productive again at 1:38. Handler picked up.

Brace #4B

Prairie Wind's Razor's Edge "Mickey"
Handler: Richie Robertson
Started with big move, but burnt out. Birdless. Finished short.

Brace #5A

Lambourn's Slick Shot "Buckshot"
Handler: Robin Lambourn
Start at 2:10. Slow start. Opened up in second half. Non-productive at 3:02. Finished hour.

Brace #5B

PW Out On A Limb "Libby"
Handler: Richie Robertson
Start at 2:10. Slow start. Started to open up second half. Gone 5 minutes before time. Didn't show up. Birdless.

Brace #6A

Gauge
Handler: Dan DiMambro
Start at 3:37. Short race. Handler picked up at 15 minutes.

Brace #6B

Prairie Wind Bert's Joke On Us "Bart"
Handler: Richie Robertson
Start at 3:37. Find at 4:28 on a single after water tank field. 4:31 find broke on single. Decent race..

Brace #7A

Rio's Rising Renegade "Ace"
Handler: Ray Larrondo
Start at 7:55. Consistently a nice shooting dog race with a couple of big moves. 8:48 find on a pair of sharpies. Finished going away.

Brace #7B

Chicoree's Country Fan "Fanny"
handler: Dan DiMambro
Start at 7:55. Started big strong moves, got behind at turn by creek bottom. 8:46 bumped a bird and was picked up.

Brace #8A

"Blaze"
Handler: Mike Patrick
Scratched - in heat

Brace #8B

"Hazel"
Handler: Mike Mullineaux
Start at 9:08. Non-productive at 9:15. Non-productive again at 9:21. Handler picked up.

Brace #9A

BMB's Free Ride "Lewey"
Handler: Brandon Blum
Start at 9:31. Non-productive at 9:41. Stop to flush at 10:12 pair. Finished hour.

Brace #9B

PW Back to Zack "Biz"
Handler: Richie Robertson
Start at (:31. Bumped bird at 9:38. Handler picked up

Brace #10A

"Razor"
Handler: Mike
Start at 1:01. Fast and snappy. Nice Run. Front runner but a little hard headed at times. Find at 1:42 single sharptail. Nice finish going away.

Brace 10B

Prairie Wind Evolutions Re-Creation
Handler: Richie Robertson
Start at 1:01. Short race. handler picked up at 1:50

Brace #11A

"Jeep"
Handler: Richie Robertson
Start at 2:11. Handler picked up at 2:33

Brace #11B

"Frank"
Handler: Mike Mullineaux
Start at 2:12.1. Lost, called for tracker at 2.33.

THE PLACEMENTS

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Rob Tomczak and Matt Jordan
29 Starters

Champion

Snowy River's Full Strut
GSP Male 12/25/2011
FDSB# 1646738
Sire: Snowy River Full Cuttin The Edge
Dam: Snowy River SS Super Sport
Owner: Mark Verdoorn
Handler: Chase Verdoorn

Runner-Up

Aunt Troji's Dirty Nike
GSP Female 2/15/2015
FDSB# 1666820
Sire: Hard Core High N Tight
Dam: DCR's White Sky
Owner: Larry Metter
Handler: Brandon Blum

OPEN ALL-AGE

Judges: Rob Tomczak and Matt Jordan
11 Starters

Champion

PW BDK's Dot on the Horizon
GSP Female 8/5/2012
FDSB#1647542
Sire: PW Zackly Right
Dam: BDK's Outback Cutter
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson
Handler: Richie Robertson

Runner-Up

PW Pennie For Your Thoughts
GSP Female 7/11/2011
FDSB#1630298
Sire: PW Back to Zack
Dam: PW Comeuppance
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson
Handler: Richie Robertson

OPEN DERBY

Judges: Mike Jordan & Heinz Ahlman
11 Starters

1st Place

BMB's Free Loader
GSP Male 6/28/2017
FDSB# 1678664
Sire: BMB's Free Ride
Dam: ??
Owner: Brandon & Jennifer Blum
Handler: Brandon Blum

2nd Place: Placement withhold (dog too old)

OPEN SHOOTING DOG

Judges: John Small & Heinz Ahlman
30 Starters

Champion

Riden High Rudy
GSP Male 4/6//2014
FDSB#1662002
Sire: Tonelli's Sky High
Dam: Palin's Gossip Girl
Owner: Ray Nelson
handler: Dan DiMambro

Runner-Up

PW She's A Keeper
GSP Female 10/27/2009
FDSB#1617319
Sire: PW Zackly Right
Dam: PW Just A Flirt
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson
Handler: Richie Robertson

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Operators of the American Field sanctioned National Championship, National Shooting Dog, National Amateur Shooting Dog Championship and the national Futurity for German Shorthaired Pointers.

OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

Date of Breeding
Bitches Name
Bitches Registration #
Stud Dog's Name
Stud Dogs Registration #
Breeder's Name
Breeder's Address

Within Six (6) months of whelping date, please complete this form and forward with enrollment fee of \$25.00. You will then receive the registration certificates to be presented to the Puppy Owners:

Date of Whelping _____

Males _____ # Females _____

"The oldest and most prestigious breeder's stake serving and promoting German Sorthaired Pointers"

NGSPA Field Trial Hall of Fame Guidelines and Procedures

Revised following June 2017 Board Meeting

PURPOSE:

To identify and honor those persons and dogs, past and present, whose accomplishments in Field Trial competition are exceptional, and whose contributions to the sport are outstanding.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

People

1. The person must be at least 65 years old.
2. The person should have a significant record as a Field Trial competitor over a sustained period of time.
3. The person should have made a significant and sustained contribution to the sport by “giving back” through donation of time, resources and expertise, (for example: running trials, helping at trials, scribing, judging, providing grounds, encouraging and teaching newcomers, etc., etc.)
4. The person must have exhibited exceptional sportsmanship, integrity, and a history of unselfish giving to the sport.

Dogs

1. The dog must be deceased.
2. The dog must have a distinguished Field Trial record, especially in hour Championships.
3. The dog must have a record of producing outstanding progeny, both as competitors and producers.

PROCESS OF SELECTION:

Nomination and selection occurs on an annual basis. The nominations open January 1 and close August 31 annually. Any individual may nominate dogs and/or persons. It is the responsibility of the nominating person to provide all relevant data with regard to the nominees' accomplishments, which will support why that person or dog deserves to be considered for this award. Nomination forms are available on the NGSPA website or from the Committee Chairman. Completed forms and supporting documentation must be received by the chairman by the first of September each year. If a nominee is not selected to enter “The Hall” in the year nominated, the nominee will remain eligible for consideration for two (2) additional years. Thus, a nomination is valid for three (3) years at which time it will expire if the nominee has not been selected into the HOF. Nominations will not be accepted for a nominee that fails to be selected in the first three year period until a minimum of three (3) years after the expiration of the first nomination.

SELECTION COMMITTEE:

The Selection Committee is comprised of individuals who are selected for their experience, character and integrity in German Shorthaired Pointer field trials, and in breeding superior German Shorthaired Pointers. Their decision on the merits of nominees are independent and kept anonymous. Each year's Honorees will be announced no later than the first of December annually. Individuals elected to the selection committee will serve a 3 year term, and be eligible for one more consecutive second 3-year term.

INTRODUCTION:

Those selected will be formally inducted at ceremonies held at the Hall of Fame (Bird Dog Museum) in Grand Junction, Tennessee, on the Saturday before beginning of the Pointer National Championship.

Committee members & their dog(s) are ineligible for nomination to the HOF during their service on the committee.

Hall of Fame Committee Structural Guidelines (These reflect past precedents)

- While the GSP Hall of Fame Selection Committee serves at the pleasure of the NGSPA Board of Trustees, its decisions regarding inductees are to be totally independent of the board influence.
- It's operational procedures and membership are subject to BOT approval.
- The maximum size of the committee is 15.

CHAIRMAN RESPONSIBILITIES:

- The Chairman will be responsible to advise the Board of committee resignations, and to present nominees to the Board for approval.
- The Chairman will serve as the GSP representative and present the inductees at the official induction ceremony.
- The Chairman will present proposed changes to procedures and processes to the BOT for approval.
- The Committee Chairman will provide a report at the annual BOT meeting.

GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME

2018 NOMINATION FORM

Please note all nominations must be received no later than August 31 of the nomination year. (Nominations are good for three years).

In order to be nominated, dogs must be deceased. Persons may be nominated, living or dead, however they must be at least 65 years of age, if still living.

FOR DOGS: In order to be considered, a resume that depicts a candidate's complete field trial record in all types of field trial events, the candidate's progeny and their quality. The dogs candidacy should be dependent on his entire competitive career, and the quality of his offspring.

FOR PERSONS: Persons to be nominated and elected into the GSP Field Trial Hall of Fame, need to have rendered outstanding service to the sport of field trialing, both at a local and national level for a long period of time. They need to have significant contributions that have made a measurable difference in the improvement to the sport of Field Trialing. Activities such as judging, being a club official, breeder, handler, and/or a sustained record of breeding German Shorthaired Pointers which have contributed to the improvement of the GSP as a breed.

Because this is a great honor to bestow upon a person, the Election Committee needs an accurate and complete biography. Incorrect or misleading facts within the biography will cause the nomination to be denied until it is updated and corrected.

I wish to nominate the following person/dog to the 2018 German Shorthaired Pointer Field Trial Hall of Fame.

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____

Phone # _____

Email: _____

PLEASE ATTACH BIOGRAPHY TO THIS FORM

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