



# NGSPA NEWSLETTER



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# UPCOMING NGSPA CHAMPIONSHIPS AND FIELD TRIALS

Following are a list of "Projected Dates" for the fall Field Trial season. Please note that these dates have not been confirmed at this point.

## **SHARPTAIL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

August 31, 2019 - September 8, 2019

## **DESERT GSPC (Dual Sanctioned Trial)**

September 6-8, 2019

CC Cabin Meadows, near Greens Peak  
White Mountains, AZ

Stakes Offered: OAA, OLSD, OSD, ASD  
(walking), ASD, OP, and OD

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## **PRAIRIE CHICKEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

September 9, 2019 -- September 17, 2019

## **REGION 8 (confirmed)**

September 19, 2019 - September 25, 2019

Cheyenne, WY

Field Trial Secretary:

Bobbi Richardson

## **HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

(confirmed)

September 26, 2019 -- October 4, 2019

Cheyenne, WY

Field Trial Secretary:

Bobbi Richardson

## **GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIPS**

October 7, 2019 - October 11, 2019

## **PHEASANT CHAMPIONSHIPS**

November 1, 2019 - November 8, 2019

## **REGION 3 CHAMPIONSHIPS**

November 9, 2019 to conclusion

# STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES FOR THE NGSPA ALL-AGE CHAMPION

July 1, 2019

The NGSPA Board recognizes the importance of the All-Age GSP to our breeding programs and the long-term trend which tracks the continual increase in the performance levels of our breed. All-Age dogs are the fastest growing segment of the NGSPA, both in numbers of dogs being entered, and the number of Championships being held. The NGSPA has encouraged the addition of Amateur All-Age stakes to our Championships and the number over a four year period has grown from none to possibly 5 in 2019. In June, 2019, the Board approved the first Amateur All-Age National Championship to be held in 2020.

The Board has realized that many in the NGSPA community have deep experience with GSP shooting dogs, but have never owned, handled, trained or hunted an all-age GSP. There are essential differences and it is important for the GSP community to recognize, understand, and appreciate them.

Our Standard is not fundamentally new. It is rooted in long-observed practices compiled and memorialized in the *AFTCA Guidelines to Field Trial Procedure and Judicial Practice*, revised in 1988 and first published in 1948. These standards are comprehensive and ours is intended as a supplement and not a replacement for them. We encourage every field trialer and judge to read them thoroughly from time to time and refer to them often. All of us tend to develop preferences and biases of performance, and over time they may become divergent from these time-honored Standards. It is important to periodically reexamine our predilections and ensure that they are within Standard.

In compiling this All-Age Standard we have sought the advice and perspective of people with "All-Age experience": handlers, judges and trainers from both the NGSPA and American Field communities. We have identified those issues most relevant to the All-Age dog, and added commentary to enlighten and inform, but not alter the AFTCA Standards.

For convenience the gender of people and dogs herein is expressed in the masculine form. The NGSPA recognizes the outstanding contribution of our female judges, handlers, and scouts, and of course our phenomenal female dogs.

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## **STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES FOR THE NGSPA ALL-AGE CHAMPION**

July 1, 2019

The NGSPA All-Age Champion must demonstrate the requisite qualities of the All-Age class. These standards apply to the All-Age National Champion, the Invitational Champion, and Regional and Species All-Age Champions equally. No distinction is to be made between Open and Amateur stakes. This document deals with the standards and guidelines which apply to the All-Age GSP as a distinct class from the Shooting Dog. It does not cover guidelines and practices common to both. Please refer to the *Guidelines to Field Trial Procedure and Judicial Practice* on [www.aftca.org](http://www.aftca.org) under Clubs and Trials, or request a bound book. You will find it an invaluable guide for all competitors and judges of field trials. Some important excerpts are quoted below referring to "*The AFTCA Guide.*"

### **GENERAL DISTINGUISHING QUALITIES**

*The AFTCA Guide* (23) states: "The familiar capsule description of the all-age dog, attributed to old-time trainer Jim Avent, declares that he (or she) is a dedicated hunter of upland game birds which 'runs off-but not quite'. The all-age dog is a free spirit and fills up all the available country (plus a little) in a bold and sometimes reckless manner, yet ultimately acknowledges the control exerted by his handler and courses to the front in such a pattern as to maintain periodic, suitable contact with the handler. The really intelligent and accomplished all-age dog exhibits the knack of "showing" at strategic, distant, forward points...." "He may frequently pass from view, only to show again after a lapse of time, or to be discovered by handler or scout pointing game".... "He should exude animation and happiness with the task at hand," and run with a ground-grabbing gait that is pleasing to watch.

### **"ALL-AGE" APPLICATION TO COURSE**

The All-Age dog uses the wind and terrain to his advantage as he hunts his way out to the extreme limits of the course in an efficient ground-covering manner. Consistently to the front, he maintains remote often unseen contact with his handler by quick glances and use of his acute hearing. His keen nose allows him to hunt quickly past likely cover without slowing for a methodical search.

He often bypasses off-line objectives that a shooting dog may search. This must be distinguished from line-running without apparent purpose which is a fault. Taking a long edge of good cover at speed and disappearing to the distant front is not to be considered line running, but is most often an intelligent, efficient move, while breaking off of that line is normally not desirable.

### **PACE AND ADHERANCE TO COURSE**

*The AFTCA Guide* (19) says: "A judge should ride at a reasonable pace and be in a reasonable place to see...." "A judge is not obligated to follow a handler at all times, but he should ride and take advantage of the terrain, such as a hill, to see what the dog is doing. Laying back with the gallery and following in horse tracks on a course is not an acceptable performance of a judge." "A judge must keep foremost in his mind the selection of the best dog or dogs to win the trial." The

judge's pace and course of travel is secondary and must never become an impediment to his search for the best dog.

*The AFTCA Guide* (25) says: "The handler must show his dog to the judges while proceeding at a reasonable pace and at a reasonable distance in front of the field trial party." Excessive wild riding is not permitted, and while the perfect picture may be to maintain a 20 to 50-yard distance in front of the judges, this is often too restrictive for the All-Age handler whose dog is often "on-the-edge" of "running-off but not quite." He often needs to handle more aggressively than he would in a shooting dog stake. To show his dog may require him to speed up and ride off path to gain an obvious vantage point or to cover one side of a wide and long field while his scout covers the other. The judge will evaluate if the dog is making independent moves or is being pushed around the course. The handler is to show his dog without becoming the "show."

The movement of judges and handlers may be better described by talking about "rhythm" rather than "pace." The field trial is a moving, flowing, changing event with each brace, and judges' efforts to adhere to a fixed pace of travel and a fixed course may be at odds with the natural rhythm of this flow. The speed of travel ebbs and flows. It may slow to allow the dog to hunt an especially challenging area such as a rocky, brushy hillside, and it may speed up as everyone is approaching a known lookout or a dog on point, then it may become moderate as the course passes through a wide and long bottom. A judge may break off the course to gain a view point or a different perspective. He is not bound to a fixed path. Always there is the excitement of being carried along by the magnificence of a championship All-Age performance.

### **SCOUTING THE ALL-AGE DOG**

*The AFTCA Guide* says (24,25): "The scout's sole duty is to locate the dog..." "If the dog is not pointing, he is to heel the dog via the shortest route possible in regaining the front." The All-Age scout has a challenging job. He is to search for the dog in an effort to find it standing, bring it to the front if he finds it behind, or find a vantage point to locate the dog and call it out to judges and handler. He has a lot of ground to cover and often does not know which way the dog went, so he tries to search it all. He tries to guess which direction the dog took and uses the terrain and vantage points to locate him. At times this seems an impossible task and often requires a more free-wheeling effort than that of a shooting dog. The scout must never herd the dog around the course or even appear like he is herding the dog. This makes the dog appear to lack independent intelligence. The most important rule for the scout is: NEVER GET IN FRONT OF THE JUDGES.

### **ABSENCES DURING THE HEAT**

*The AFTCA Guide* says: "the customary rule for a single period of absence from judgment is 1/3 of the heat, or twenty minutes in an hour heat. The judge has discretion in application of this rule, as well as the timing of the absence. Consideration should be given to a dog found standing on point (32)." This is a guideline, and if this is their top dog, the judges might stretch out that 20 minutes. An All-Age dog is given more freedom to range, and should not be unduly penalized for periods of absence. When seen after an absence he should be to the front or standing on game. In most cases a dog which is constantly in sight is likely not manifesting an All-Age run. On the other hand, multiple extended absences may detract.

## **ADJUSTING RANGE TO COVER**

The intelligent All-Age dog adjusts his range from his handler to the terrain and cover of the course. It is impossible to assign a numerical value to the appropriate range of an All-Age dog. Yet, whether on the prairies or in the piney woods, he is often “on-the-edge” of “running-off but not quite.”

## **CONSISTENTLY FRONT RUNNING**

An All-Age dog consistently reaches to the front of the course holding a 10:00 to 2:00 pattern where practical. A far-ranging dog which consistently holds a lateral pattern such as 9:00 to 10:00 should be penalized in most cases. Likewise, persistent, deliberate back casting should be severely faulted. Some courses loop back on themselves, or have numerous 90 degree turns where the natural flow of the terrain is straight on, so a dog ranging far to the front may easily miss the turn and be forced by terrain and cover to come in from behind. In this and similar circumstances a dog should not be penalized.

## **“GRABBING THE FRONT”**

It has been wisely said: “the trial is to the front.” It is common practice for the handler to take his dog quickly to the front after a find to join the other handler and judge. This is acceptable practice and not to be considered wild riding. It is good practice to ask a slow riding judge if it is OK to ride fast to the front.

## **STYLE/CLASS ON POINT**

The All-Age dog demonstrates class and style on point: remaining intense, statuesque with no let-up in intensity as the bird is flushed.

## **ROTATION TO MARK**

*The AFTCA Guide* says (40): “A good dog should be intense in pointing and minimal movement in marking flight of the birds is an extension of that intensity. Movement of the head or wheeling in the direction of flight is permissible, but there should be no significant forward motion of the rear feet in the direction of the bird’s flight. What constitutes significant motion must be left to the discretion of the judge. A judge would most certainly not want to throw out the best dog in the stake just because he moved one inch more than what is specified.” This guideline applies to all breeds including the GSP, which is trained to retrieve.

## **RELOCATION**

An All-Age dog may be seen at a distance on point, during the approach multiple self-relocations to pin a running bird are not to be penalized. Once the handler dismounts and gets in front of his dog, it must not release itself for relocation. When released for relocation the dog should proceed with intense determination and ultimately locate and point the bird with class. In most cases an energetic search is preferred over one that is overly cautious, slow, and methodical. *The AFTCA Guide* says (39,40): “voluntary relocation exhibits poor manners. Sometimes a handler

will conduct a prolonged (too extensive) flushing attempt, and the dog will become impatient at the long wait and start to move. There is some excuse for this when the dog apparently loses scent contact with game that may be running. The fault lies as much or more with the handler than with the dog. A good dog seeks to stay “on terms” with his game and should be allowed to move up promptly.”

### **BIRDS FLUSH DURING A RELOCATION**

It should never be assumed that if birds take flight during a relocation while the dog is moving, that the dog automatically bumped/knocked the birds. *The AFTCA Guide* says (38): “Each situation requires careful and critical analysis of the circumstances involved such as wind direction, scenting conditions, etc., with the benefit of the doubt going to the dog.” This is particularly important in All-Age stakes where dogs frequently work country not planted with birds, and in wild bird trials. In both cases, it is not unusual for the top All-Age dogs to have one or two finds, increasing the importance of getting the call right.

### **UNPRODUCTIVES**

*The AFTCA Guide* says (42,43): “One unproductive is a very minor offense. Two unproductives in an hour stake are generally accepted as too many making it difficult to win a quality stake. This however; must be evaluated in the context of the other performances. Sometimes poor scenting conditions and other factors can give rise to many of the dogs having unproductives during the stake.”

In light of this reasoned, time-honored standard, today’s common practice of automatically disqualifying a dog for two unproductives without considering exigent conditions should be questioned. This is especially true in an All-Age stake where the dog may have been standing on point for a considerable time while out of judgment, during which the birds may have run or flown off, and notably when the species on course are wild birds. There are also mixed bird trials where pen-raised chukar and quail are released, but the course habitat also supports wild populations of the same species. There is generally no problem with the 2 UP rule on pen-raised quail. In some cases where conditions of weather, scenting conditions, and species of birds may indicate, the prudent approach in some stakes may be to hold off on sorting out the impact of UPs until the end of the stake or until the judge has some dogs with great races and no UPs.

In summary there is no hard and fast rule that two unproductives automatically disqualify a dog in all circumstances. Evaluation of the surrounding conditions and circumstances are important in applying this standard and in the all-important search for the best All-Age dog of the stake.

### **PACKING A BIRD**

*The AFTCA Guide* says (41,42): “If a crippled bird runs across a dog’s path while he is in motion and he picks it up, the degree of demerit would depend upon the surrounding circumstances. Generally speaking, it is not regarded as justifying a severe penalty. As one experienced judge puts it: ‘If the dog is tops in the rest of his work he can stay on top with this fault. If there are

two dogs in the stake otherwise equal, the one that did not have this bad break in luck should get the placement.”

A dog seen packing a bird without the circumstances of capture having been observed should be given the benefit of the doubt regardless of whether the bird is cold, warm and dead, or warm and alive. It may be a demerit, but is generally not an offense worthy of disqualification.

## **BACKING**

The All-Age dog must back a dog on rigid point, however the backing situation must be analyzed through the eyes of the moving dog. Things look different two feet from the ground than they do off horseback. As the dog approaches the scene, one must consider the dog's weaker eyesight, possible interference of terrain and dense cover, and backgrounds that may camouflage the pointing dog. This analysis is even more difficult at a distant All-Age range. The approaching dog should always get the benefit of the doubt.

## **STAMINA**

Stamina is of paramount importance no matter the length of the heats. Prime consideration must be given to the dog which finishes the heat with no reduction in speed or range. Consider the dog's ability to find and handle game in all parts of the heat, and especially in the latter stages when "nose" may be diminished by fatigue and overheating. It is often said that the last ten minutes are the most important of the heat.

## **OVERALL PERFORMANCE**

*The AFTCA Guide* says (49): "While it is desirable that the winner of a championship stake be charged with no errors, it is a better practice to award a title to a dog which displays all of the characteristics of style, pace intensity, drive, bird sense, etc., even though such dog be charged with some minor error or breach of manners, than to award a title to a dog lacking many of these characteristics even though he was errorless....it is especially important that champions, as probable progenitors, be named for brilliance of overall performance rather than on the basis of errorless mediocrity."

## **MOST IMPORTANTLY IN NAMING AN ALL-AGE CHAMPION**

**This standard presents a perfect dog which may be hard to find on any given day. Variables of weather, terrain, and course may pose significant challenges. The total performance of the dog should always be examined with range foremost in mind. All-Age range defines the very essence of an All-Age dog and without it, the dog fails the test of Championship performance. *The AFTCA Guide* says: "Range must take precedence over and not be compromised for a shorter, methodical, unexciting performance, no matter how immaculate (24) or plentiful the bird work."**

## **CHAMPIONSHIP VS. A CLASSIC**

On occasion the judges may determine that no dog in the stake has demonstrated a true All-Age range. In this case an accepted practice is to downgrade the stake from a Championship to a Classic, and to name 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place dogs. If performances are so poor that a 1<sup>st</sup> place dog cannot be named then all placements should be withheld. It is never acceptable to name a Runner-Up without naming a Champion, nor to name a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place dog without a 1<sup>st</sup> place dog (51). Naming a Champion and withholding the Runner-Up is acceptable.

- 1) The NGSPA would like to thank the AFTCA for permission to quote from their long-standing classic publication: *GUIDELINES TO FIELD TRIAL PROCEDURE AND JUDICIAL PRACTICE*. This work is comprehensive and time-honored. It may be purchased from the AFTCA or viewed on their website [www.aftca.org](http://www.aftca.org). We recommend its periodic thorough reading and constant reference.
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# 2019 NGSPA DOG OF THE YEAR STANDINGS

## OPEN ALL-AGE DOG OF THE YEAR

*Trials Included: Nationalls, Quail, Chukar, Ohio and Regions 2, 4, 7 and 8*

Lambourn's Slick Shot Owner: Robin Lambourn	1095
Rock River's You Can't Handle It Owner: Rick Heller	982
Llano's Hot Tamale Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman	660
Kimber Tactical Owner: John Kadavy	618
Joke's On You Owner: Steve Erickson	608
Rio's Rising Renegade Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo	562
Llano's Snowbird Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman	412
Texas Tuff Owner: Kirk and Terry Bomer	384
Llano's Game On Dude Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman	356
PW BDK's Dot On The Horizon Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	252
Hi-N's Bodacious Owner: Hank Lewis	236

## OPEN SHOOTING DOG OF THE YEAR

*Trials Included: Nationalls, Quail, Hungarian, Savannah River, Ohio, Great Plains, and Regions 2, 4, 7, 9, 12, and 16*

Greyrock's Mile Marker Owner: Tom Tubergen	1183
Cajun's Firecracker Owner: Bruce & Keith Bryant	1166
Riden High Rudy Owner: Ray Nelson	1160
Evergreen's Jed Clampett Owner: Lance Olsen	982
PW Mya's Contender Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	842
Dezasterous Jax The Ripper Owner: Matt Smith	654
BDK PW Annie Oakley Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	492
Outbak's Purdy Slick Owner: Chuck Lane	468
Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl Owner: Mike Patrick	460
Hi-N's Hasty Matilda Owner: Hank Lewis	460

PW Indian Brook Heads Up Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	444	Snowy River Cuttin Country Owner: Chase Verdoorn	690
Hi-Tailyn's Talented Texas Owner: Keith Bryant	360	Cajun's Firecracker Owner: Bruce & Keith Bryant	690
Hi-N's Bodacious Owner: Hank Lewis	300	Riden High Rudy Owner: Ray Nelson	684
AO Tripps To Win Owner: Alan Davidsson	296	Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl Owner: Mike Patrick	594
She's Miles of Sass Owner: Patti Meldi, DVM	292	Prairie Wind's Mya's Feather Duster. Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	468
Outbak's Rough Cut Owner: Adam Burch	284	Covey-Up's Controlled Burn Owner: Mike Patrick & John Kadavy	468
Chicoree Jake's Bonnie Owner: Fred Ryan, DVM	276	MSR's Lord of Dragonstone Owner: James & Sarah Messer	420
Dunfur's Emma Frost Owner: Clint Matthews	248	Chicoree Jake's Bonnie Owner: Fred Ryan, DVM	404
BDK's All That Jazz Owner; Kirk & Terry Bomer	248	Chicoree's Sparkling Ruby Owner: Fred Ryan, DVM	396
<b>AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG OF THE YEAR</b> <i>Trials Included: National, Quail, Chukar, Savannah River, Ohio, and Regions 2, 4, 7, 9, and 16</i>		Rumel's Augie Doggie Owner: Checklick & Turano	396
Rock River You Can't Handle It Owner: Rick Heller	1255	In-Country's Cummins Diesel Owner: Chris Young	396
Hi-N's Hasty Matilda Owner: Hank Lewis	728	BMB's Madison Avenue Owner: Brandon & Jennifer Blum	372
		KC Moen's Royal Diamond Owner: Gary Moen	284

		Owner: Joe Amatulli	
Snowy River's Full Strut	284		
Owner: Mark Verdoorn		Dunfur's Emma Frost	248
		Owner: Clint Matthews	
Hi-N's Bodacious	248		
Owner: Hank Lewis			
Double M's White On Riice	248		
Owner: Meredith Mays			
Tulli's Shot To the Heart	248		

**DESERT GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB  
SEPTEMBER 6-8**

**Grounds: CC Cabin Meadows, near Greens Peak, White Mtns, AZ  
Google: Gillespie Flat, AZ (Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest),  
Highway 260 out of Springerville, AZ, west Gillespie Flat. Signs  
from FR117 on.**

**Drawing: Wednesday, August 28, 6:00 P.M.,  
14636 N. 25th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85023**

- OPEN ALL AGE .....\$65.00**
- OPEN SHOOTING DOG .....\$65.00**
- AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG .....\$65.00**
- OPEN DERBY .....\$55.00**
- OPEN RESTRICTED SHOOTING DOG (Purse: 40-30-20-10 & Ribbons)... \$100.00**
- AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (Walking) .....\$65.00**
- OPEN PUPPY .....\$50.00**

**\*\*Ribbons & Plaques to all placements except ORSD \*\*  
Judges: TBA**

**Entries to: CHET SOBERAY, Trial Secy.  
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— No phone entries please —**

# 2019 PURINA GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER HANDLER OF THE YEAR

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*(Trials January - June 2019)*

## OPEN HANDLER POINTS

Josh Nieman	5027
Dan DiMambro	4388
Rich Barber	2227
Richie Robertson	1538
Keith Gulledge	1124
Ray Larrondo	562
Ray Nelson	396
Bruce Bryant	396
Chris Goegan	372
Clint Matthews	248
Hank Lewis	236

## AMATEUR HANDLER POINTS

Rick Heller	1255
Mike Patrick	1062
Hank Lewis	976
Chase Verdoorn	972
Fred Ryan, DVM	800
Keith Bryant	690
Keith Richardson	468
James Messer	420
Chris Young	396
Carl Checklick	396
Brandon Blum	372
Ray Nelson	288
Gary Moenn	284
Joe Amatulli	248
Cliff Messnard	248

## 2019 NGSPA SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL STANDINGS

### 2019 NGSPA OPEN SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL

*Trials Included: National, Invitational (2018),  
Chukar, Sharptail, Prairie Chicken, Hungarian,  
Pheasant, Quail, Great Lakes, Great Plains,  
TEexas, Ohio, Savannah River and Regions 2, 3,  
4, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 16*

Murphy's Babe Owner: Heath Kooima	Automatic	Dezasterous Jax the Ripper Owner: Matt Smith	654
Riden High Rudy Owner: Ray Nelson	2460	Rio's Rising Renegade Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo	604
Greyrock's Mile Marker Owner: Tom Tubergen	1183	Outbak's Rough Cut Owner: Adam & Sara Burch	556
Cajun's Firecracker Owner: Bruce & Keith Bryant	1166	BDK's PW Annie Oakley Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	492
Rummel's Augie Doggie Owner: Checklick & Turano	1128	PW Flirt's She's A Keeper Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	470
MSR's Lord of Dragonstone Owner: James & Sara Messer	998	Outbak's Purdy Slick Owner: Chuck Lane	468
Evergreen's Jed Clampit Owner: Lance Olsen	952	Hi-N's Hasty Matilda Owner: Hank Lewis	460
PW Mya's Contender Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	842	Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl Owner: Mike Patrick	460
JB Wagoner's Lightning Owner: Lee Wagoner	796	PW Indian Brook Head's Up Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	444
Joke's On You Owner: Steve Erickson	690	Hidden Valley Indian Scout Owner: Schmidt & Loyko	420
		Hi-Tailyn Talented Texas Owner: Keith Bryant	360
		Hi-N's Bodacious Owner: Hank Lewis	300
		AO Tripp's To Win Owner: Alan Davidson	296

She's Miles of Sass	292	Riden High Rudy	820
Owner: Patti Meldi, DVM		Owner: Ray Nelson	
DeLuna's Quail Point Sling Blade	280	Aunt Trolli's Dirty Nike	782
Owner: Rodney Moon		Owner: Larry Metter	
Chicoree Jake's Bonnie	276	Hi-N's Hasty Matilda	728
Owner: Fred Ryan, DVM		Owner: Hank Lewis	
BDK's All That Jazz	248	Cajun's Firecracker	690
Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer		Owner: Bruce & Keith Bryant	
Dunfur's Emma Frost	248	Snowy River Cuttin Country	690
Owner: Clint Matthews		Owner: Chase Verdoorn	
<b>2019 NGSPA AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG INVITATIONAL</b>		Snowy River White Out	674
		Owner: Chase Verdoorn	
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		Owner: Keith Bryant	
Texas She's Got Legs	Automatic	Foxgloves's Spending A Buck	658
Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer		Owner: Hill & Niffenegger	
Snowy River Full Strut	1288	Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl	594
Owner: Mark Verdoorn		Owner: Mike Patrick	
Rock River You Can't Handle It	1255		
Owner: Rick Heller			
Tulli's Shot To The Heart	840		
Owner: Joe Amatulli			
MSR's Lord of Dragonstone	824		
Owner: James & Sarah Messer			

## 2019 NGSPA ALL-AGE INVITATIONAL STANDINGS

*Trials Included: National, Invitational (2018),  
Chukar, Sharptail, Prairie Chicken, Hungarian  
Partridge, Pheasant, Quail, Great Lakes and  
Regions 2, 4, 7, 8 and 9*

PW Extraordinaire Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	Automatic	Rio's Rising Renegade Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo	562
Kimber Tactical Owner: John Kadavy	1246	PW Pennie For Your Thoughts Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	438
Lambourn's Slick Shot Owner: Robin Lambourn	1095	Llano's Snowbird Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman	412
Llano's Game On Dude Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman	1032	Texas Tuff Owner: Kirk & Terry Bomer	384
Rock River's you Can't Handle It Owner: Rick Heller	982	Riverside's No Sleep Til Brook Lyn Owner: Chuck Lane	380
PW Flirt's Dot On The Horizon Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	928		
Rummel's Augie Doggie Owner; Checklick & Turano	800		
Llano's Hot Tamale Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman	660		
Hi-N's Bodacious Owner: Hank Lewis	614		
Joke's On You Owner: Steve Erickson	608		
PW Race To The Front Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson	586		

# 2019 NGSPA CHUKAR CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Ray Larrondo

For German Shorthair Pointer field trial fanatics southwestern Idaho is a popular place to be late each spring. Those with the time and energy can come to the beautiful grounds that lay within the fences of the Prairie Wind Ranch in Payette and run in two championships in a two week time period. This format has proven to be a success for several years, so with the help of the ranch staff and a number of devoted volunteers from the GSPCI, it was put in the books again this year. The venue which Keith and Bobbi

Richardson have put together is first class in every way. The splendor of the native chukar and hun habitat in the upper reaches of the ranch and pheasant and valley quail haunts in the farm ground down lower is remarkable. Back at camp several RV hookups and pens for horses make the stay very comfortable. If a person tires of sitting in the shade of this park like setting they are more than welcome to go "kick up their feet" at the clubhouse, which serves as the gathering place each lunch hour and evening throughout the duration of the events. This is also where all of the great dinners are served and drawings for each stake are held. The team keeping everyone fed this year was Rod and Linda Randolph, Anita Robertson, and Lynn from Wyoming. Rich Robertson, his grandson



## OPEN ALL AGE

Keith Bryant with Dude, Josh Nieman, Tami Larrondo with Ace, Ray Larrondo, judge Rich Burgi

Austin, right hand man Ray Nicolini, and Kaitlyn tackle all of the other chores around the ranch. During field trials this also includes getting birds put out, hay in, and shuttling dogs and horses throughout the grounds. This year our dog wagon was navigated around the courses by Dean and Diane Crabbs. Gary Moen was in the saddle most days helping with marshaling duties and calling for the dog wagon to meet at the next starting point. Without this bunch of hardworking individuals these trials would not happen.

Anyone who has been around this game long knows it takes a lot of hours and resources from volunteers to make things happen. This takes a great deal of dedication and passion for the sport, traveling great distances,

persevering through inclement weather, and handling any issues that may arise. Each year the NGSPA recognizes an individual who has “given unselfishly of themselves and their resources to nurture and perpetuate the goals of the NGSPA”, presenting this person with the Dave McGinnis Award. It was unanimously decided upon at that boards’ spring meeting that Dean Crabbs would be the most recent recipient of this award and he was presented it at this trial. Dean has been instrumental in hosting these championships out west, and for the past several years has chaired the National Championships. Even with the unknowns of changing that venue this spring he took on that task. Congratulations Dean and Diane on this accomplishment, we know both of you are very deserving of it.

### THE RUNNING

We kicked off the second week of trials here with the Open All- Age. We had a couple of guys returning to judge this stake, Rich Burgi from Utah has judged trials here in years past, and Jim Ledington stayed over from judging during the Region 9 championships. There were a number of notable performances turned in by some of the fourteen dogs drawn. When the running was complete it was Rio’s Rising Renegade that they named the champion. Ace showed his years of experience hunting this terrain, reaching to the highest places in front of him. He is owned by Ray and Tami Larrondo and



### AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

**Judge Talmage Smedley, Brandon Blum, Ray Larrondo with Maddie, Jim Morehouse, Mike Patrick, Keith Bryant with Lena, Judge Rich Burgi**

was handled by Ray. Taking the runner- up honors was Llano’s Game On Dude for his owners Joe and Chad Inderman. Dude breezed through the country for his handler Josh Nieman, and like a great all- age dog should do, appeared at the right moments, in the right places. Both dogs had great ground speed, with quality finds.

Once again the end of the week saw us welcoming the amateurs to run their shooting dogs. Rich Burgi remained in the judges saddle for the stake, and he was joined by fellow Utahan Talmage Smedley. Talmage runs pointers and setters out west on the all- age circuit. At the conclusion of the eighteen dog competition in was Cuttin Wild’s Space Cowgirl they felt had dominated the field and was named champion. Lena was handled by her owner Mike Patrick. She demonstrated great birddog sense, and was very biddable. The runner- up title was awarded to another female who’s had success on these grounds

before, that being BMB's Madison Ave. Maddie is owned by Brandon and Jennifer Blum and was handled by Brandon. Maddie had a very smooth flowing ground race with several mannerly finds.

To finish out the weekend we scheduled one other amateur stake, that being the amateur all-age. The smallest in entries it drew ten dogs. We welcomed back Jeremy Skousen from Oregon and Colin Kennedy from Calgary, AB to judge the AAA dogs. Both of these gentlemen have run dogs and judged on these grounds numerous times, so they had a good idea what to expect. Rio's Rising Renegade put on a performance one more time, sweeping through the high country, then was spotted climbing out of the creek bottom, crossing the plateau on the far side. This earned Ace the champion title for his owners Ray and Tami Larrondo. Runner-up in this championship was won by a young dog that has had some recent success for his owners Brandon and Jennifer Blum, BMB's Freeloader. Hewey showed great independence coursing through the broken draws and rock ridges in his quest for game, and when pointed had very nice style.

Wrapping up the nearly two weeks of one hour stakes at the ranch we ran the Open Shooting Dog. With a few entries beat up from previous stakes this was the smallest field of shooting dogs we had, at fifteen. Veteran field trialers Jim Ledington from Eagle, ID and Colin Kennedy from Calgary, AB adjudicated the stake. With the released birds starting to feel the pressure some were beginning to get a little difficult for some



#### Open Shooting Dog

**Judge Colin Kennedy, Heath Autry with Tex, Josh Nieman, Rich Robertson with Connie, Judge Jim Ledington, Ray Nicolini**

dogs to handle. There were a few dogs that handled the situations quite well however, and the judges had to sort through performances. It was Prairie Wind Mya's Contender handled by Rich Robertson for her owners Keith and Bobbi Richardson the earned the title of champion. She had several stylish and very mannerly finds and moved through the challenging course with ease. Taking the runner-up honors was a flashy moving male handled by Josh Nieman. Hi-Tailyn's Talented Texan was found pointed a number of times, exhibiting tremendous style. Tex is owned by Keith Bryant.

As the trial was coming to a close, the handlers of placing dogs were beginning to collect the Purina Pro Plan that their dogs earned. All of this feed and Sportdog collars are donated by two companies that are unmatched in their support of our sport. The products that are sent to as awards are unbeatable, and their representatives are

first class individuals. Next time you cross paths with anyone representing Purina or Sportdog take a moment and thank them for what they do for our game.

### THE WINNERS

#### OPEN ALL-AGE

Judges: Jim Ledington & Rich Burgi  
14 Starters

#### Champion

Rio's Rising Renegade  
GSP Male 4/23/2010  
FDSB# 1643567  
Sire: Storm Over Rio Grande  
Dam: Little Lady Lexi  
Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo  
Handler: Ray Larrondo

#### Runner-Up

Llano's Game On Dude  
GSP Male 6/4/2013  
FDSB#1653148  
Sire: Slicks Cuttin Wild  
Dam: Llamo's Tails Aflame  
Owner: Chad & Joe Inderman  
Handler: Josh Nieman

#### AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Rich Burgi and Talmage Smedlley  
18 Starters

#### Champion

Cuttin Wild's Space Cowgirl  
GSP Female 4/15/2012  
FDSB# 1648589  
Sire: Slick's Cuttin Wild  
Dam: Murphy's Cheap Trick  
Owner/Handler: Mike Patrick



#### Amateur All- Age

Judge Jeremy Skousen, Brandon Blum with Hewey, Dean Crabbs, Judge Colin Kennedy, Jim Morehouse, Tami Larrondo with Ace, Ray Larrondo, Keith Richardson

#### Runner-Up

BMB's Madison Avenue  
GSP Female 6/1/2015  
FDSB#1670283  
Sire: Trueblu's BDK Ace In The Hole  
Dam: Time To Pay The Piper  
Owner: Brandon & Jennifer Blum  
Handler: Brandon Blum

#### AMATEUR ALL-AGE

Judges: Colin Kennedy and Jeremy Skousen  
10 Starters

#### Champion

Rio's Rising Renegade  
GSP Male 4/23/2010  
FDSB# 1643567  
Sire: Storm Over Rio Grande  
Dam: Little Lady Lexi  
Owner: Ray & Tami Larrondo  
Handler: Ray Larrondo

**Runner-Up**

BMB's Freeloader  
GSP Male 6/28/2017  
FDSB#1678664  
Sire: BMB's Free Ride  
Dam: Hightailing Saddles Mandolin  
Owner: Brandon & Jennifer Blum  
Handler: Brandon Blum

Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson  
Handler: Rich Robertson

**Runner-Up**

Hi-Tailyn's Talented Texan  
GSP Male 3/13/201  
FDSB# 1658741  
Sire: Eshod's Uprising  
Dam: Hi-Tailyn Katara  
Owner: Keith Bryant  
Handler: Josh Nieman

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**

Judges: Colin Kennedy & Jim Ledington  
15 Starters

**Champion**

Prairie Wind Mya's Contender  
GSP Female 7/7/2013  
FDSB# 1651270  
Sire: Prairie Wind's Contender  
Dam: Prairie Wind's Eat Mya Dust

**Beulah "Irene" Merrell**

August 17, 1928 — June 7, 2019



John & Irene Merrell

Beulah "Irene" Merrell was greeted in heaven by her Savior and many who went before her on June 7, 2019 at the age of 90. Irene was born to Clay and Sadie Smith on August 17, 1928 in Oklahoma. She moved to California where she met the love of her life - John Merrell. John and Irene were married for 50 years before John's death. John was inducted into the Field Trial Hall of Fame in 2007.

Irene was blessed with 4 children and many others who called her "mom". Irene was an active member of the Grace Baptist Church for many years.

Survivors include her sons, Larry (Janet) of San Jose, Lynn (Susan) of Montana, LeRoy (Lynnie) of Bakersfield and daughter Elaine Fidler of Bakersfield, 6 grandchildren, Leann Williams (Tim), Becky Luce (Zach), Susan Martinez (Mario), Sarah, Richard, and Willie Fidler and 9 great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, July 5 at 10:00 AM at the Grace Baptist Church on Jewetta and Rosedale Highway.

## 2019 NGSPA GREAT PLAINS CHAMPIONSHIPS

I wish all those who came to the Championship this year. It has been a difficult year with all the bad weather and loss of grounds. We were able only put on the Shooting Dog Championship this year. Entries were down. We had twelve entries this year which is down from the normal 24 to 36 entries. I wish to thank Dick Walters, James Jurgens, Keith Gullede and Bruce Bryant for their participation. We must not forget the scouts, as usual they did superb job in keeping track of the dogs. Without them, we would not have had a Championship.

Cajun's Firecracker (Kadie) FDSB 1653919, owned and handled by Bruce Bryant was named Champion.

Kadie had a superb run. 10 minutes out she was found on point. All was in order and Bruce sent her on. She disappeared to the front only to be found on point a few minutes later. Again, all in order 8 minutes later after disappearing to the front she was found on point near a line of Pine trees. She was very stylish with high head and 12 o'clock tail. Her next find was on the second half of the course near the Damn heading towards the wooden bridge. Again all in order, she was turned to loose and finished strong to the front. A superb shooting dog race. Keith, could not have been prouder of what Kadie did this day.

BDK's All That Jazz (Jazz) FDSB 1647683 owned by Terry and Kirk Bomer, handled by Keith Gullede.

Jazz was off and running putting together a very nice shooting dog race with two finds. She ran to the far reaches of the course and handled all her birds with style and intensity. She put together a superb race, but was



Cajun's Firecracker with owner/handler Bruce Bryant

enough to beat the first-place dog. Terry and Kirk should be proud of this Champion bitch. She was expertly handled by Keith Gullede and scouted by Robbi Gullede.

As for the other 10 entries, they had problems along the way. Which is too bad some had fantastic races if it were not for little mistakes on their birds, they could have won the stake or at least be runner ups. But, such is field trialing and dogs will be dogs.

Again, I wish to thank all participants.

## 2019 NGSPA REGION 2 CHAMPIONSHIPS

The NGSPA Region 2 Championships were held at the beautiful Mingo Sportsman Club grounds in Bloomingdale, Ohio.

As always we would like to extend a huge thank you to Purina and Sport Dog for their continued support and contributions as well as the Mingo Sportsman Club.

We had plenty of seasoned and experienced field trailers as judges for this trial, Jimmy Wallace, Joe Orndorff, Meredith Mays, and Lance Felty. We thank them for the time in the saddle.



Open Shooting Dog Winners

The OSD was the first stake of the championship, and what a good stake it was. In the end the judges had 2 dogs that stood apart from the others.

This years champion came from Brace #8. Evergreens Jed Clampett (Jed). Jed ran a consistent forward shooting dog race punctuated with 4 evenly spaced finds. What separates the winner from others was the consistency from start to finish.

The Runner-Up was Chicorees Jakes Bonnie (Bonnie), out of Brace #1. Bonnie was fast and snappy in her hour and had 4 evenly spaced finds as well with beyond reproach. Being out of pocket for a short period may have cost her the title on this day.

The Open All-Age was a highly contested stake and in the end the judges had selected as Champion, Jokes on You (Buddy). Buddy

ran in brace 1 and was big, powerful and forward for the hour. His lone find came at 55 found standing way to the front.

The Runner-Up was Hi-N's Bodacious (Bo). Bo came from Brace #5. Bo started a little slow, which may have cost him the title of champion, but got bigger and stronger as the hour progressed.

Bo had 2 finds the first coming at 17, and the last at 43.

The Derby Classic had 6 nice young dogs competing for 30 Minutes and after a tough hot day, the Judges Jim Wallace and Meredith Mays called on Cinch as the winner after a strong forward race. The placement were as follows:



Open All Age Winners

In Brace #6, the Champion Dodge owed and handled by Chris Young put down a powerful

shooting dog race that used every piece of the course. He collected find at the 20, 35, 40 and 58 minute marks. And all his bird work was top notch. His power, style, and bird work is what set him apart as Champion this day.

## THE WINNERS

### 1st place

Hi-N's Cinch Up (Cinch) Hank Lewis

### 2nd place

Evergreens Jethro Bodine (Jethro) Dan DiMambro

### 3rd place

All-N's Southern Comfort (Dixie) Joe Orndorff

The next event was the Amateur Shooting Dog. We would like to thank all the Amateurs for coming out and supporting this Championship.

The two dogs that went winner and runner-up separated themselves from a field of very nice dogs. The runner-up was Tulli's Shot To The Heart (Cupid) owned and handled by Joe Amatulli set a high bar in Brace #2. She put together find at 10, 27, 34, 47, 55, and 58 minute marks. She handled all her bird work outstandingly. She put down a nice shooting dog race. That was a real pleasure to watch.

### OPEN SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Jim Wallace & Meredith Mays  
19 Starters

### Champion

Evergreen's Jed Clampett  
GSP Male 7/7/2016  
FDSB#1676169

Sire: TrueBlu's BDK Ace In The Hole

Dam: Chicoree's What A Hoodlum

Owner: Lance Olsen

Handler: Dan DiMambro

### Runner-Up

Chicoree Jake's Bonnie  
GSP Female 3/25/2014  
FDSB#1 1659618

Sire: Chicoree's Jake v Nuke

Dam: Chicoree's Sparkle In Her Eye

Owner: Fred Ryan

Handler: Dan DiMambro



Amateur Shooting Dog Winners

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**

Judges: Meredith Mays and Lance Felty  
12 Starters

**Champion**

In-Country's Cummin's Diesel  
GSP Male 2/25/2017  
FDSB#1646029  
Sire: Keg Creek Rising Cooper  
Dam: Good Times One Shot Wonder  
Owner/Handler: Chris Young

**Runner-Up**

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

**OPEN ALL-AGE**

Judges: Jim Wallace and Meredith Mays  
9 Starters

**Champion**

Jokes On You  
GSP Male 2/20/2014  
FDSB# 1658771  
Sire: Slicks Cuttin Wild  
Dam: MSR's Opalescence  
Owner: Steve Erickson  
Handler:; Chris Goegan

**Runner-Up**

Hi-N's Bodacious  
GSP Male 7/27/2013  
FDSB# 1657655  
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake  
Dam: Hi-N's Southern Comfort  
Owner/Handler: Hank Lewis

# 2019 NGSPA REGION 4 CHAMPIONSHIPS



**Open Shooting Dog**  
**April Raber with Evergreen's Jed Clampet, Hank Lewis with Hi-N's Bodacious, Dan DiMambro, Judge Chad Chadwell, Tom Davis and Judge Ken Chenoweth**

By Tom Davis

The first full week in May always marks the start of the NGSPA Region IV Championships. This regional is the oldest and continuously running championship on the NGSPA list of events. The trial was started many years ago by such men as Mario DiMambro. Vince Rizzo Carl Johnston and some others this scribe can't remember. In recent years, there were about 12 or 14 members on the field trial committee headed by Tom Davis since 1984. Over the years, attrition has reduced the number to just a few. Such people as Davis, Jim Yates, Tom Tubergen, Marc McKinley and

most importantly, Dan DiMambro. He has stepped up greatly to fill the void as some of the older members have aged out. Thanks for all the effort Dan, it is well noticed and well appreciated.

During the halcyon days of this trial, we would draw close to 100 dogs to run in the four stakes that were offered. Without a well organized and helpful contingent of people this wouldn't be possible. Over the years, this trial has run over various venues, such places as Hudson, Mi., Highland Mi., Killdeer Plains Ohio, Camp Atterbury In., and Ionia,



#### Amateur Shooting Dog

Fred Ryan with Hi-N's Hasty Matilda and Ray Nelson with Riden High Rudy, April Raber, Dan DiMambro, Judge Jeff Haggis and Mike Patrick, Chef Frank Barocco, Tom Davis, Bill Orlando and Jim Yates

Mi. It has been run on the Ionia grounds for the last 35 years.

Those responsible for this year's successful trial are the afore mentioned DiMambro, Davis, Yates, McKinley, And Tubergen. Mention should also be made of those trialers in attendance such as Larry and Kirk Loftin, and others who stepped up when help was needed. Thanks guys, it was much appreciated.

A very big thank you goes out to Jim Morehouse of Sportdog for his assistance. His attendance is

always a treat for us. Terry Tryzinski, who represents Purina dog food co. was not able to attend this year due to his wife being ill. Hopefully, she has recovered fully. We missed

you Terry. A very big thank you goes out to our judges this year who were, Ken Chenoweth, Chad Chadwell, Mike Patrick, and Jeff Haggis. Your time and effort were much appreciated.

The pros in attendance this year were DiMambro and Rich Barber. Many amateurs were present. Such as the Larry and Kirk Loftin, Rick Heller, Marc McKinley, Dr. Fred Ryan, Bill Orlando, Jim Yates, Ray Nelson, Hank Lewis, Chuck Lane, Thanks to them for their support.

Other big thanks goes out to Bill Orlando and Frank Barocco who kept us well fed throughout the week with entrées that were excellent. Thanks for all you did during the trial to get lunches and dinners ready for our crowd.

The weather was good this year for a change in Michigan in the spring and the Ionia grounds were in good shape.

## OPEN SHOOTING DOG

Chad Chadwell and Ken Chenoweth presided over the open stakes during this year's Region 4 Open championships. The open shooting dog drew 25 dogs, which is a little low for this renewal.

This year's champion was ran early in brace number 2. Evergreen's Jed Clamped, Owned by Lance Olsen and Handled by Dan DiMambro, took charge after breaking away from the Big Oak tree. Jed carded two finds 17 & 26 where his style and manners were impeccable. This young 2 yr old stayed forward and on his lines showing enough to stay in shooting dog range.

Runner up champion was awarded to Hi-N's Bodacious, owned by Hank Lewis and handled by Dan DiMambro, who ran in brace one of the stake. Bo had finds at 4, 15, 52, & 59 his style and manners on his game were faultless. Bo covered the country effortlessly disappearing to the front where he was found staunchly pointed evenly throughout the brace. At the end a lengthy find prohibited him from having showing a last move.

Other notable dogs ran in this stake. The judges commented on PJ Wildfires Little Lexi owned and Handled by Larry Loftin. Lexi had 7 finds and a very nice run, her finish kept her out of the top spots. Brace 8 is Where Windy City's Last Laugh, owned by Bill Larson and Handled by Rich Barber, also had 7 finds. Joker had an absence where he came from behind is what separated him from the top dogs.

## ALL AGE CHAMPIONSHIP

### Brace #1

Chicoree's Country Fan "Fanny" with DiMambro started off extremely well and was having a good forward race when at about 25-30 min. the dog had an encounter with a doe and fawn. The doe ran the dogs off. Fanny was picked up. Outbak's Let it Ride "Ryder" with Barber at the whistle was picked up for chasing the deer also.

### Brace #2

Rock River's You Can't Handle this "Dually" with DiMambro was off well and had his first find at 7 min. along the woodline to the left. His second find was at 13 at the island in Hires field. He also had finds at 23, 27, and 42. A bobble at the end cost him a placement. This 3 yr old was impressive on the ground and on his game! Pj Wildfire Sport with Kirk Loftin had a find at 11 with manners all in order. He failed to back his brace mate at 23 and was picked up.

### Brace #3

Orlando's All Gauged out "Gage" and Outbak's Purdy Slick "Purdy" came to the line in this brace. Gage started well with a find at 8. He then disappeared to the front. DiMambro called for the tracker after 20 min. absent. Purdy who is owned by Chuck Lane, who was riding in the gallery, had a good start past the orchard and was found standing at 10. When the birds flew, Purdy did also ending her day.

### Brace #4

Dezasterous Jax the Ripper "Jax" with DiMambro was cast off as a bye dog and was found standing at the 8 min. mark with manners all in order. He also had finds at 16, 23, 28, 44, 48, and 55. He showed good style and manners on all of them, but the abundance of birds brought out a much shorter hunting mode.

**Brace #5**

Hi N's Bodacious "Bo" with DiMambro also ran as a bye. Bo had a big opening cast and was found standing well to the front at 17, with good style and manners at the shot. He scored another find at 38 after the last bridge. He also had a hawk kill at 45 and a rabbit find at 51. He finished the hour with another good find at 59 with style and manners all in order.

This stake was adjudicated by Chad Chadwell and Ken Chenoweth. After much consideration they concluded that no dog completed the hour worthy of the title Champion. They reverted the stake to an Classic and named Dezasterous Jax the Ripper First, and Hi N's Bodacious, second and withheld third place.

A big thank you goes out to the judges for their time and effort.

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**

This year's ASD champion was awarded to Hi N's Hasty Matilda "Matte" owned and handled by Hank Lewis. Matte ran in Brace 7 and is no stranger to the winners circle. She had 8 finds well spaced throughout the hour. Matte flowed smoothly and kindly throughout the country. Every find she was absolutely exceptional.

Riden High Rudy Owned and handled by Ray Nelson put down a stellar performance in the 1st brace that one of the judges noted it would be hard to beat. Rudy 9 finds all with perfect style and flat feet. Rudy charged towards each find with great ground speed.

The judges wanted to mention Pj Wildfire Little Lexi Owned and handled by Larry Loftin. Lexi had excellent ground speed and a lot of bird work. She worked well with her handler during the hour. She slowed at the

end and that ultimately kept her away from placing.

**THE WINNERS****OPEN SHOOTING DOG**

Judges: Chad Chadwell & Ken Chenoweth  
25 Starters

**Champion**

Evergreen's Jed Clampett  
GSP Male 7/7/2016  
FDSB#1676169  
Sire: Trueblu's BDK Ace In The Hole  
Dam: Chicoree's What-A Hoodlum  
Owner: Lance Olsen  
Handler: Dan DiMambro

**Runner-Up**

Hi-N's Bodacious  
GSP Male 7/27/2013  
FDSB# 1657655  
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake  
Dam: Hi-N's Southern Cross  
Owner: Hank Lewis  
Handler: Dan DiMambro

**OPEN ALL-AGE (Classic)**

Judges: Ken Chenoweth & Chad Chadwell  
8 Starters

**1st Place**

Dezasterous Jax The Ripper  
GSP Male 8/10/2012  
FDSB# 1651159  
Sire: My Hunting Buddy III  
Dam: Triple Shot's Double or Nothing  
Owner: Matt Smith  
Handler: Dan DiMambro

**2nd Place**

Hi-N's Bodacious  
GSP Male 7/27/2013  
FDSB# 1657655  
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake

Dam: Hi-N's Southern Cross  
Owner: Hank Lewis  
Handler: Dan DiMambro

**3rd Place**

Placement Withheld

**AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG**

Judges: Mike Patrick & Jeff Haggis  
22 starters

**Champion**

Hi-N's Hasty Matilda  
GSP Female 7/27/2013  
FDSB# 1657658  
Sire: Hi-N's Feed Jake  
Dam: Hi-N's Southern Crooss  
Owner/Handler: Hank Lewis

**Runner-Up**

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

**DERBY CLASSIC**

Judges: Mike Patrick & Jeff Haggis  
8 Starters

**1st Place**

Lone Creek Bell  
GSP Female 10/1/2017  
FDSB# 1676854  
Sire: PJ Wildfire's Little Bud  
Dam: Lone Creek Sweet Anna  
Owner: Brad haseman  
Handler: Kirk Loftin

**2nd Place**

Heartly  
GSP Female 7/6/2018  
FDSB#1682848  
Sire: Kimber Tactical  
Dam: UD Honky Tonk Queen  
Owner: Chris Hermann

## 2019 NGSPA REGION 9 CHAMPIONSHIPS



### Open All Age

Keith Richardson, Rich Robertson with Dot, Bobbi Richardson, Josh Nieman, Tami Larrondo with Molly, Judge Mike Aldrich & Judge Jeremy Skousen

The grass covered, rock strewn slopes of the Prairie Wind Ranch in southwestern Idaho once again played host to the championship shorthair participants once more. Beginning the third week of April, immediately following the inaugural running of our Nationals at Grovespring, the fantastic spring weather couldn't have been more welcoming. Conditions were phenomenal for all involved. Great spring growth gave the chukar and huns the necessary shelter and dogs ample cover to hunt. Temperatures were fairly moderate for man and beast with the exception of a few afternoons which pushed the 80 degree mark.

The venue was terrific again this year, with the use of the splendid clubhouse and horse facilities. Every evening the group gathered for dinner and drinks prepared by a number of folks determined to make the event a great time. Keith and Bobbi Richardson have assembled a hard working team that assists with numerous tasks, from making sure people are fed and the facility is clean, to ensuring enough birds are liberated in the proper areas. Those include Rich and Penny Robertson, Anita, Ray, and Austin from Idaho, and Lynn and Kaitlyn who made the trek out from Wyoming. The German Shorthaired



#### Rick Dodge Memorial Amateur Shooting Dog

Kara and Linda Dodge, Linda Randolph, Gary Moen, Tami Larrondo with Diamond, Bobbi Richardson, Keith Richardson, Ray Larrondo with Kirby, Judge Mike Aldrich and Judge Jeremy Skousen

Pointer Club of Idaho has a dedicated core of field trial fans who are there for us every year. Those members include Rod and Linda Randolph, Dean and Diane Crabbs, and Gary Moen. Linda Dodge brought dinner for the evening of the Rick Dodge Memorial Amateur Shooting Dog placements. Terry Zygalski wrangled the trial for us, bringing much needed horse power for the judges. These rugged grounds can take their toll on even the toughest of horse flesh. My wife Tami Larrondo assisted with the secretarial duties and whatever else she was called upon to do, mainly a lot of scouting. As usual we were fortunate to have support from several amateur handlers, most who traveled a ways to run their dogs. Amateurs in attendance this year included: Keith Richardson, Mike Patrick, Alan Davidson, Keith Bryant, Gary Moen, Steve Pasas, Brandon Blum, Tom

Kosmack, Matt Solt, and Ray Larrondo. The professionals were represented by Josh Nieman and Rich Robertson. We certainly appreciate the support everyone of these individuals.

Speaking of support, there are two companies who are steadfast in their contributions to our game. Purina once again sent a pallet of their champion producing Pro Plan dog food. This great product is distributed to the placing dogs in each stake, to keep on "fueling the champions". Sportdog is the other company that annually sends their phenomenal products to be awarded to winning participants. We were blessed with the presence of their representative, Jim Morehouse, who has made this trial every year I can remember. His knowledge of the products and the athletes we put them on is



#### Open Shooting Dog

Judge Ray Larrondo, Keith Richardson with Connie, Rich Robertson with Enzi and Keith Bryant

greatly appreciated. All of us in the sport should be using products from these two great companies, their support to our community is unmatched.

## THE RUNNING

The Open All- Age kicked off the event drawing thirteen entries. The two gentlemen filling the judges saddles were Mike Aldrich from New Mexico and Jeremy Skousen from Oregon. Mike's birddog experience dates back nearly five decades, so needless to say, we were very happy to have him making the calls in this stake. He commented that this was his last judging assignment during this trial, so we thank Mike for his dedication to our breed and this sport. His judging partner is no stranger to watching pointing dogs run across the high desert landscape. Jeremy has

trained and handled a number of pointing dogs, as well as being an accomplished chukar hunter. The one day running of the all-age was one of the warmest we would face, but at the end of the day there were a couple of dogs that handled the heat and scratched out a few well earned finds. Llano's Hot Tamale, owned by Joe and Chad Inderman was aptly handled to the champion title by Josh Nieman. Molly's powerfull moves through the deep draws and high ridges was what set her apart from the rest of the field. There was one other female shorthair that left the judges with a decision to make and that was Prairie Wind BDK's Dot On The Horizon. Dot handled the country exceptionally for her handler, Rich Robertson, just not quite as far reaching as the winner. This six year old female is owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson.



**Rick Dodge Memorial Amateur Shooting Trophy Presentation**  
**Judge Mike Aldrich, Tressa Dodge, Kara Dodge, Keith Richardson, Linda Dodge, Bobbi Richardson, Judge Jeremy Skousen, Tami Larrondo, Gary Moen with Diamond and Ray Larrondo with Kirby**

The second stake of the trial was the Amateur Shooting Dog, which was held over the weekend to accommodate the working individuals. This stake hold a very high value to those involved, it is the Rick Dodge Memorial Amateur Shooting Dog championship. The champion in this stake has their name placed on the trophy which has its own special place in the clubhouse. It is quite an honor to have one's name placed on this work of art named after such a remarkable individual. In the saddle judging the twenty one dogs drawn was Mike Aldrich and Jeremy Skousen. With a number of respectable performances turned in these two gentlemen had some sorting out to do, and there were two dogs that rose to the top. Besting the field was Prairie Wind Mya's Feather Duster. Kirby, owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson, was handled by Keith to a

number of mannerly finds. Her desire to seek out game in all of the likely objectives as well as great style was noted. The runner-up title was earned by a dog that is well accustomed to the high desert country of the ranch, that being KC Moen's Royal Diamond. Diamond was handled by his owner Gary Moen.

Next on the schedule of the trial was the Derby Classic. Judges Brandon Blum and Ray Larrondo had a relatively short day in the saddle with just three braces of young dogs to watch. The short day gave the horses and handlers a little break from the long days of traversing the somewhat rough terrain. The course used for the derbies runs up the creek bottom, along the edge of the lake, concluding at the narrowing canyon heading into the rugged country to the north. This gives opportunity for the young dogs to either

blaze through the cover on the creek edge or take to the hills, hunting the rock outcroppings or high ridges. Two young dogs made the judges sit up and take notice for the thirty minute duration, and they were braced together. The first place dog was Prairie Wind Penny Singing The Blues, owned by Keith and Bobbi Richardson, handled by Rich Robertson. Boo showed great independence and ground speed in her search for birds. Sunnyslope Diamond Saddle Up Hazel, owned by Scott Rios, was handled by Gary Moen to second place. Hazel showed almost as bold, just lacked a little flash that her bracemate demonstrated.

The final stake of this event was the open shooting dog. With eighteen dogs drawn for the running there were several that had the judges making notes. Judging these shooting dogs was Jim Ledington from Eagle, ID and Ray Larrondo from Nampa, ID. Jim has run pointers and setters for several decades, both trialing and hunting, and knows these grounds extremely well. I had filled in to judge the stake at the last minute. It was the power and style of Prairie Wind Indian Brook Heads Up that earned her the champion honors in the stake. Enzi was handled by Rich Robertson for owners Keith and Bobbi Richardson. She was very intense on her game and showed great stamina and speed on her quest for birds. Equally as stylish was the runner-up, Prairie Wind Mya's Contender, but it was the formers ground speed setting them apart. Connie earned the runner- up title for her owners Keith and Bobbi Richardson and handler Rich Robertson.

## THE WINNERS

### OPEN ALL-AGE

Judges: Mike Aldrich & Jeremy Skousen  
13 Starters

#### Champion

Llano's Hot Tamale  
GSP Female 3/7/2012  
FDSB#1647829  
Sire: Slicks Cuttin Wild  
Dam: Llano's Tails Aflame  
Owner: Joe & Chad Inderman  
Handler: Josh Nieman

#### Runner-Up

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

### AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG

Judges: Mike Aldrich & Jeremy Skousen  
21 Starters

#### Champion

Prairie Wind Mya's Feather Duster  
GSP Female 6/22/2011  
FDSB# 1629670  
Sire: Prairie Wind's Zipp N Lock  
Dam: Prairie Wind's Eat Mya Dust  
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson  
Handler: Keith Richardson

#### Runner-Up

KC Moen's Royal Diamond  
GSP Male 10/14/2012  
FDSB#1650509  
Sire: KC Moen's Rockin Buzzsaw Billy  
Dam: KC Moen's Miah's Rising Star  
Owner/Handler: Gary Moen

**DERBY CLASSIC**

Judges: Brandon Blum and Ray Larrondo  
6 Starters

**1st Place**

Prairie Wind Penny Singing The Blues  
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson  
Handler: Rich Robertson

**2nd Place**

Sunnyslope Diamond Saddle Up Hazel  
Owner: Scott Rios  
Handler: Gary Moen

**OPEN SHOOTING DOG**

Judges: Jim Ledington & Ray Larrondo  
18 Starters

**Champion**

Prairie Wind Indian Brooke Head's Up  
GSP Female 3/29/2015  
AKÇ# sr86979201  
Sire: No Mar's Mack v Hauss  
Dam: Prairie Wind's Pennies From Heaven  
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson  
Handler: Rich Robertson

**Runner-Up**

Prairie Wind Mya's Contender  
GSP Female 7/7/2013  
FDSB#1651270  
Sire: Prairie Wind's Contender  
Dam: Prairie Wind's Eat Mya Dust  
Owner: Keith & Bobbi Richardson

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Bitches Registration #
Stud Dog's Name
Stud Dogs Registration #
Breeder's Name
Breeder's Address

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Date of Whelping \_\_\_\_\_

# Males \_\_\_\_\_ # Females \_\_\_\_\_

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# FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME

## GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

### PURPOSE:

To identify and honor those persons and dogs, both 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 one hour Championships.
3. The dog must have a record of producing outstanding progeny, both as competitors and as 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 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 ([www.ngspa.org](http://www.ngspa.org)) or from the Committee Chairman. Completed forms and supporting documentation must be received by the Chairman by the first of September (September 1) 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 Hall of Fame. 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 services 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 the 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.

# FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME

## 2020 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 trials events, the candidate’s progeny and their quality. The dogs candidacy should be dependent on his entire competitive career, and the quality of his/her 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 off 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 2019 German Shortahired Pointer Field Trial Hall of Fame.

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Name of Person/Dog

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Submitted By:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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