

To The Point



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April Presidents Message

Our lives have certainly changed dramatically since last month! There is so much uncertainty out there. We have heard conflicting stories from the authorities- “don’t wear masks” and then “you can’t go outside without a mask”. The question we all want answered is when can we get back to normal and when will dog shows return.

Despite all that is happening the board has been very busy. It was decided that the 2022 National will be held in conjunction with the Blue Grass Cluster in Louisville. It was also decided that the judges from our cancelled National this year will judge in 2022. We will have an independent National on Wednesday March 16th judged by Steve Herman, we will support the four All-Breed shows and have our Futurity and Maturity on Thursday (judge to be determine), and on Friday’s supported entry our Sweepstakes judged by Julie Pullan. This cluster offers all Companion Events as well as Dock Diving. There are field trial grounds about an hour from the venue. We are starting to put together the committees and if you would like to be a part of this National, please let me know.

A ballot is going out to the membership to nominate a Futurity/Maturity Judge for 2022’s National in Louisville as well as all judges for 2023. We have not received a bid for this specialty. If we follow rotation, it should be held on the west coast. When a bid is not received for an independent specialty, we will try to find a suitable cluster in the region. We need a cluster with at least three days of shows and preferably with Companion events and field trial grounds reasonably close. We also need a hotel that can accommodate a banquet. Would like to have some suggestions from our western members.

Also, on the ballot is a motion to rescind a motion made at the 2019 General Membership Meeting. The motion was to only offer Companion Events at our Nationals that are open to All Breeds. The committees found this was an impossibility as they were unable to find an agility club to work with. At the last National in Florida, the trial was held on an agility judge’s property. It was fine for our club but she could not accommodate an All-Breed Trial. Additionally, as the companion events are usually held during the week on a single day, the anticipated entries would not be significant. We are hoping the membership will vote yes to rescind.

As you know, Marva has a medical problem which made it impossible for her to take on the role of Treasurer for the club. Kelley Cheek was kind enough to stay on as Treasurer until either Marva was able to take over or we found a permanent replacement. Sadly, Marva doesn’t think she would be able to do the job in the near future. June Johnston volunteered to serve as Treasurer. We are in the process of transferring the books and as soon as she is settled in, we will let the membership know. A huge thank you to Kelley for stepping up and not letting the club down.

As most of you know, our club is not in a good financial position. One reason is the decreasing number of our members who are paying dues. After 25 years of membership, one becomes eligible to be a Lifetime Member and they don’t have

to pay dues. Many Lifetime Members so choose that option. I have recently noticed that there are Pointer exhibitors who are not APC members. Perhaps when you have a litter and sell a puppy you might encourage the new Pointer owner to join our club. Besides being financially deficient, we have a membership deficiency.

Another source of income which is earmarked for Health, Education & Rescue is the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program. I have been told that this past year the revenue is dramatically less. It might be because they changed the submission program and you now need to scan your receipts instead of mailing the weight circles. Once you set it up, it is not difficult and is a big plus for our club. I hope all of you who feed Purina products will submit your receipts so we can continue to finance health seminars and educational events as well as supporting rescue.

I have saved the best news for last! Susan Bleckley has spent hours working on organizing and implementing the necessary steps and she has made incredible progress with the revised website. She anticipates having the new site up and running by month end! We are looking for any member who may have knowledge of Word Press and would be willing to assist in the posting of information and updates on the new site. If you are interested, please contact Susan at susanbleckley@gmail.com.

Stay safe everyone. Hopefully when I write my next President's message all this confinement will be over, and we can slowly get back to normal.

PS: My email has been hacked. Please be aware of getting emails from me asking for money. Do not respond to those emails – just hit the delete button



At the April 14th meeting the APC Board approved the following:

June Johnston was approved as Treasurer of the APC.

The following motions were passed;

20200414-12-PM The 2022 APC National Specialty will be held in conjunction with the Louisville, KY Cluster beginning March 16, 2022

20200414-13-PM Appoint Susan Bleckley as chair of the Website Revision Committee

The following events were approved: APC Supported Entry – AKC National Championship, Orlando, FL December 12, 2020 **20200414-10-EV**

APC Supported Entry – New Brunswick Kennel Club, Edison, NJ 3/27/2021 **20200414-11-EV**

June Johnston, APC Treasurer

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STAY SAFE

WE ARE ONE DAY CLOSER TO GETTING OUR LIFE BACK TO NORMAL

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED HARD TO HELP
ALL THOSE IN NEED DURING THIS TIME.**

Messages and Thoughts from APC Committee Chairs

Maturity – 2021

If entering the Maturity at the 2021 National Specialty, your enrollment fee is due within 90 days of when the 2020 National would have been held. In other words, the deadline for the enrollment fee for the 2021 Maturity will be August 1st, 2020

Lee Ann Stagg will be sending out reminders to those that qualify in May. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact her. Ppoint97@aol.com

The following are thoughts from **Lisa Canfield** – Obedience/Rally Awards Chair

“First let me say all that know me know how I feel about Obedience & Rally. I attend obedience class one to twice a week. I have won a couple of high in trials. I am currently training for a CDX and a dog for a CD. I know this will evoke a lot of comments, but in doing the Rally /Obedience stats each year I see the numbers go down and down. We have very few people who are actually trialing and very few that trial in upper levels. I really believe the club needs to look at it and if it is financially feasible with so few that compete. It makes me sad to say that, but the numbers really are just not there. I think it is hard to justify offering at the National. It makes me incredibly sad to say that.”

Lisa Canfield canfield3@comcast.net

From the Editor of the Newsletter – the Financials of the Obedience/Rally from the 2019 National Specialty shows an Income of \$290.00 and Expenses of \$525.21 for a loss of \$335.21

Danny Seymour – AKC Delegate announced that the June AKC Delegates Meeting has been cancelled.

Please remember to support the Canine Health Foundation by signing up with the Purina Pro Club Participation Program. The money raised by the APC club members yearly is split in half. One half goes into the Canine Health Foundation Donor Advised Fund and one half into our treasury. The money in the APC Treasury is used for our public education, scholarship funding, rescue, etc. The money that goes into the Donor Advised Fund is distributed yearly to research projects that have value toward our breed.

American Pointer Club, Inc. Donor Advised Fund

1st Quarter 2020 Statement (1/1/2020 - 3/31/2020)

1/1/2020 Balance	\$10,925.61
Contributions	\$0.00
PPCPP Contribution	\$1,367.81
Investment Earnings/(Losses)	(\$1,984.25)
Research Support*	\$0.00
3/31/2020 Balance	\$10,309.17

Last year at the same time period the Donor Advised Fund had PPCPP Contributions of \$5,474.40. The same amount was deposited into the APC account for Health, Research, Education and Rescue. The \$1,367.81 is the amount received for the 2019 PPCPP program. That amount is not enough to cover the scholarship, judge's education and the donation to PRO if APC did not have a cushion in that account. Please continue to support the program.

AMERICAN POINTER CLUB
25TH ANNIVERSARY
NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dates: October 5-9, 2020

Open Puppy Classic to start 8am Monday October 5th, 2020

Field Futurity to follow the OPC

National Grand Championship to follow the FF

Open Derby Classic to follow the NGC

National Amateur Grand Championship to follow the ODC

Location: Fort Robinson State Park, Crawford, Nebraska

Fort Robinson is a historical state park that comprises over 20,000 acres in the northwest corner of Nebraska. The courses used for all stakes are an hour-long out and back course that follows Soldier Creek. Rolling hills and open prairies on both sides of Soldier Creek provide opportunities for dogs to show their bird finding abilities and the course takes you past two year-round lakes and several tree lined fields. The Grand Championship stakes will be one hour and the Open Puppy Classic, Open Derby Classic and the Field Futurity will be 30 minutes each.

Hotel/Camping: Fort Robinson State Park

Primitive camping sites and sites with electrical service are available close to the starting line. Fort Robinson state park was a US Army Remount Station and many of the buildings have been restored to a historic representation of the original fort with some modern conveniences. The fort has a main lodge with clean, comfortable rooms. There are many adobes, cabins and historical officer brick homes at the park which can accommodate from 4 to 20 persons and most are equipped with full kitchens.

For more information about the park or to make reservations go to the website

<http://nebraskastateparks.reserveamerica.com/camping/fort-robinson-sp>

Meals: Susan Bleckley and Marva Petrequin

We will have meals available for purchase at the grounds with special dinners planned throughout the week of Nationals. Sign up forms will be made available with the premium.

Catalog editor: Tracy Black tracyblack318@gmail.com

Tracy is creating a special 25th anniversary catalog celebrating the past winners of the championship. Please support the Nationals with your ad in the catalog.

Silent Auction items needed

We would love to have your donations for the Nationals silent auction. Please bring to the Nationals or send them in advance to either Debby Freidus or Angela Schillereff.

Saddle Raffle: M & W Trooper Saddle

Tracy Black generously donated this saddle for our fundraiser. Tickets are \$20 each. Please contact any of the National Championship committee members to purchase your tickets.

National Championship secretary: Debby Freidus blackthornpt@earthlink.net

National Championship chairman: Angela Schillereff sikennels@aol.com

National Championship committee: Susan Bleckley, Deb Harper, Jack Haines, Tracy Haines, Jamie O'Donnell, Judith Hamilton, Tracy Black, Chuck Savage, Marva Petrequin

AMERICAN POINTER CLUB

25TH ANNIVERSARY

NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Support the National Field Trial Championships with your trophy donations

Please contact Debby Freidus blackthornpt@earthlink.net to secure your selection

Open Puppy Classic rosettes (1-4)	\$40
Open Puppy Classic trophy first place	\$50
Open Puppy Classic trophy second place	\$25
Open Puppy Classic trophy third place	\$25
Open Puppy Classic trophy fourth place	\$25
Field Futurity rosettes (1-4)	\$40
Grand National Championship rosettes (1-4)	\$50
Grand National Championship trophy first place	\$100
Grand National Championship trophy second place	\$75
Grand National Championship trophy third place	\$50
Grand National Championship trophy fourth place	\$50
Open Derby Classic rosettes (1-4)	\$40
Open Derby Classic trophy first place	\$50
Open Derby Classic trophy second place	\$25
Open Derby Classic trophy third place	\$25
Open Derby Classic trophy fourth place	\$25
Grand National Amateur Championship rosettes (1-4)	\$50
Grand National Amateur Championship trophy first place	\$100
Grand National Amateur Championship trophy second place	\$75
Grand National Amateur Championship trophy third place	\$50
Grand National Amateur Championship trophy fourth place	\$50



**AMERICAN POINTER CLUB
25TH ANNIVERSARY
NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**



M & W Trooper Saddle Raffle

**Generously donated by APC member Tracy Black
As a fundraiser for the 25th Anniversary Championship**

Gorgeous black leather with brass fittings

Padded seat and a medium tree

Tickets are \$20 each

To purchase tickets please contact:

Angela Schillereff (503) 803-0994 SIKennels@aol.com

Debby Freidus (203) 789-3354 Blackthornpt@earthlink.net

**Drawing to be held at Fort Robinson State Park
during the running of the National Championships**

on Thursday, October 8, 2020

Do not need to be present to win

The following article was taken from a publication by the Canine Health Foundation

Coronavirus Information for Dog Owners

Update on Canine Testing Results March 26, 2020 Data from two major US veterinary diagnostic laboratories (Antech Diagnostics and Idexx Laboratories) supports the conclusion of leading human and animal health organizations that there is currently no evidence that dogs or cats have been infected with the virus that causes COVID-19 in humans. The laboratories independently tested thousands of dog and cat samples for SARS-CoV-2 and found no positive results. Widespread testing of dog and cat samples will not be offered unless health authorities deem it is clinically relevant. Read the Antech Diagnostics press release [here](#). Read the Idexx Laboratories press release [here](#).

Update March 12, 2020 The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO) on March 11, 2020 – indicating its significant spread throughout the world. As the situation continues to rapidly evolve, it is recommended you consult the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> or contact your local and state officials for the latest updates.

As of this update, one pet dog in China (whose owner had been diagnosed with COVID-19) has tested “weak positive” for the virus underlying this pandemic. The dog has not shown symptoms of illness and is under quarantine and care of the appropriate health officials. At this point, there is still no evidence that pets can spread COVID-19 to other animals or people.

What is a coronavirus? Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses found in both humans and animals. The name is derived from the Latin word corona, or crown, since coronavirus particles have a ring of projections resembling a royal crown or solar corona. Coronaviruses can be subdivided into groups (1-4) based on microbial organization and evolution of the virus.

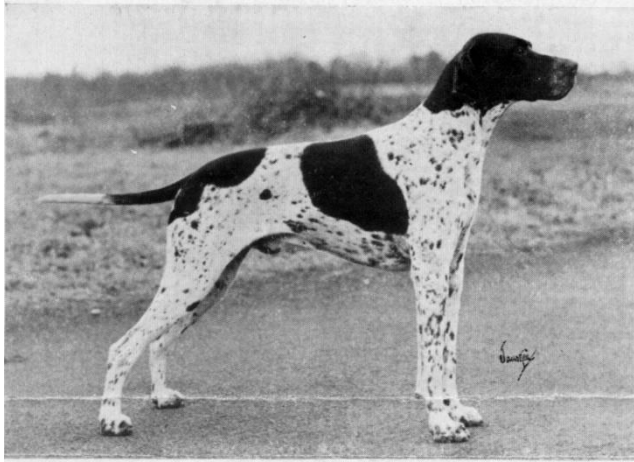
What are some common coronaviruses? Canine enteric coronavirus (a group 1 coronavirus) is a highly contagious intestinal infection seen mostly in young puppies. It is spread by oral contact with infected feces and causes diarrhea that is self-limiting in adult dogs but can be more severe in young puppies. A vaccine is available. This virus is not contagious to other species.

Canine respiratory coronavirus (a group 2 coronavirus) is genetically related to the common cold in humans. It is spread by direct dog to dog contact and causes acute respiratory symptoms and contributes to canine infectious respiratory disease complex (sometimes called CIRDC or kennel cough). No vaccine is available for this respiratory virus, although there are vaccines for some of the other causes of CIRDC, such as canine influenza virus, distemper virus and Bordetella. (Learn more at akcchf.org/tophealthconcerns.) Canine respiratory coronavirus is not contagious to other species.



Past winners of the APC National Specialty continued

1942 – No Specialty due to the war



1943 – No Specialty due to the war

**1944 – National Specialty Winner
Ch Tempo**

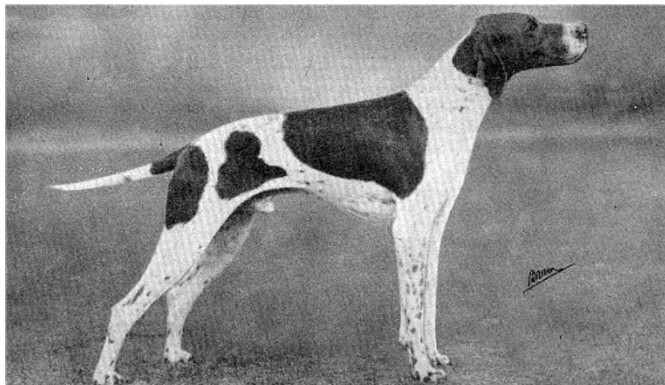
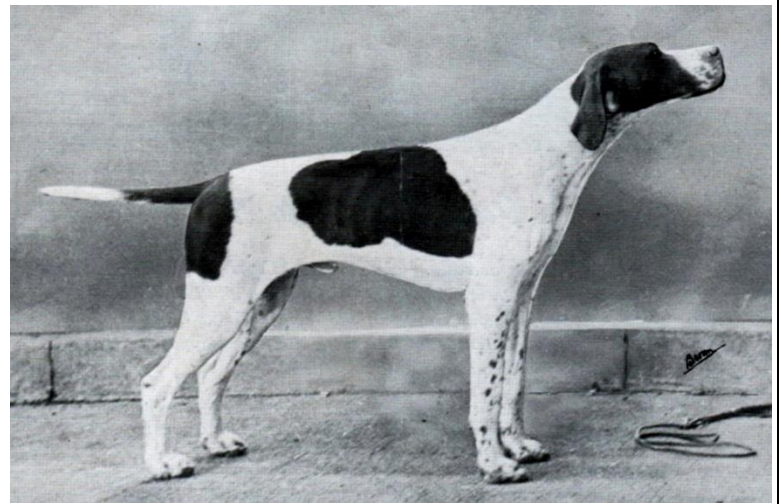
Owner: Ben Field

Breeder: Thomas J O’Kane MD

1945 National Specialty Winner

Herewithem General Mac

Owner/Breeder: Robert F Maloney



1946 National Specialty Winner

Ch Beason’s Game Lad

Owner: Leo A Dunn

Breeder: Beacon Milling Co.

AMERICAN POINTER CLUB ANNUAL AWARDS

**APC #1 SHOW POINTER for most BEST IN SHOW points accumulated: Paul Revere bowl
OFFERED BY FRANK & PAULA NYKIEL**

Dog Name GCHG CH Chesterhope Never Ask Why for Daykeyne

Owner: Tabatha Buckley

**APC #1 BREED POINTER for most Breed points accumulated: Paul Revere bowl OFFERED BY
FRANK & PAULA NYKIEL**

Dog Name GCHG CH Chesterhope Never Ask Why for Daykeyne

Owner: Tabatha Buckley

**BEST OF BREED AT WESTMINSTER: Antique silver-plate bowl offered by Marjetta Kennels in
MEMORY OF MICHAEL ZOLLO & CH MARJETTA NATIONAL ACCLAIM.**

Name GCH CH Solivia's Decisions, Decisions

Owner: Dennis & Katey Brown, Tom Bradley, Ann Cullen-Tormey , J McConnie



Versatility Award

CH Tahari's Full Metal Jacket JH DN CA TKN ACT NA NAJ NF BCAT (July 2019)

Owned by Theresa M. Lyons

Bred by Linda Cayton, Dee Ann Ying, Frank Depaulo and Diane O'Neill