To make it easier for the members to find the various forms that are most needed throughout the year we are putting on the right-hand side bar on the website a “Downloadable Forms” tab. Among some of the forms you will find – Regional Club Conformation, Field Trial, Hunt Test, etc; APC Supported Entry Application; Show/Field Futurity Nomination Registration; New Champion Plaque Application; and APC Junior Handler Award Application.

The Board is happy to welcome back the following APC members:

Beky and William Davis & Sarah White

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT:

I hope your summer is going well for you and your dogs. It’s hard to believe we are almost to September. I am happy to announce that the 2019 National Specialty will be held in Bethlehem, PA, April 29th through May 4th. The Board gave careful consideration to staying at Purina Farms for another previous national specialties held in Bethlehem have made the club more money than any other national so it made the decision easier. The agility and obedience events will be held at the same place as this past year. The field events will hopefully be at a new location that is only about 30 minutes from the hotel. So mark your calendars! Be safe and enjoy those Pointers!

Thanks,
Diane Townsend
APC President

2019 Judges:
Breed – Sam Houston McDonald  Sweepstakes – Anthony Cantor  Futurity – Susan London

Nominating Committee Report:

The 2017 APC Nomination Committee Chairman, Susie Kissik, and Nominating Committee Kate Hornick, Kevin Freeburn, Lee Ann Stagg and Liz McLeod, submitted the following names as nominations for APC’s 2018 business year:

Term:  Office:  Officers:

1 Yr. Term  President  Diane Townsend, IN
1 Yr. Term  Vice-President  Susan Savage, CT
1 Yr. Term  Recording Secretary  Christine Foreman, OH
1 Yr. Term  Corresponding Secretary  Patti Newton, VA

Class of 2018/2019 Board of Directors: 2 Yr. Term

Dennis Brown, GA – Anthony Cantor, WA – Deb Friedus, CT – Karen Spey, NJ
You will be receiving the official notification of the results of the Nominating Committee in the form of a post card in a few days which will include instructions for submitting additional nominations for those who wish to do so.

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**2017 National Specialty DVD Raffle**

Now is your chance to own a complete set of DVD’s from the 2017 National. Included in the set are Agility, Obedience, Rally, Futurity, Maturity, Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes, 4-6 Month Puppies, Dog & Bitch Classes, Best of Breed, Non-Regular classes and Junior Showmanship.

*Drawing will be held on October 20th*

1 ticket - $5.00; 3 tickets - $10.00; 10 tickets - $20.00; 40 tickets - $50.00; 100 tickets - $100.00

Members may obtain raffle tickets one of two ways:

1) Send check made payable to APC to Susan Savage, 8 Parkman Place, Old Saybrook, CT 06475

2) Pay via PayPal using the below link: www.americanpointerclub.org/PayPal.shtml

*note: go to bottom of page and put amount in Miscellaneous Items.*

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Karen Blasche, our club Historian, sent the following observation. We thought it would be interesting to see what the membership thinks is the reason for the reduction in new champions so far, this year as in past years. With your permission, we will publish your comments in the next newsletter. Please send your comments to susietemple@yahoo.com

I've been watching something I've never seen before in our champions and titles lists and am stunned and a little concerned. Through the August New Titles listing for Pointers from AKC, we have only 25 new champions and already 32 new Junior Hunters for 2017!!!!

Now granted, we are only halfway through the year, these titles earned are complete through the month of June, so things can change, but the trend is pronounced and interesting. I wonder how we will reach our usual average of 80-100 champions finished a year at this rate...or even come close!

Last year we had a total of 80 champions and 30 Junior Hunters. We are already two ahead of the total of JH’s last year (which is terrific!) and we have six months to go!!! The 80 champions last year were the lowest number finished since 85 in 2013. Our biggest number of champions finished were 102 in 2012 and 106 in 2014. What is happening? Fewer litters? More concentration on field and performance than the show ring?
Soon dogs can earn titles in the new sport of AKC Scent Work, which mimics the task of working detection dogs -- such as narcotics dogs or explosives dogs -- to find a specific scent and communicate to the handler that the scent has been found. AKC Scent Work trials launch Oct. 1, 2017.

JUNIOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

In January 1999 AKC embarked on a journey to recognize Juniors who obtain titles on dogs in the Companion and Performance Events. We are pleased to announce the continued growth of the program. AKC will now be awarding points to Juniors who have competed in Junior Showmanship, Companion and Performance Events. The Juniors number will need to be included on the entry form. Reports on a Junior status will be available on the AKC website.

Juniors will be recognized by sport, by breed and across events. The new recognition program will include points for Participation, Qualifying Legs, Scores, Passes, Class Placements, High in Trial, High in Combined Score, participation in Junior Showmanship, Best in Field, Reserve Best Junior, Best Junior and Title on a Dog.

Upcoming Regional Club Events

**Wilderness Pointer Club of Virginia, Inc. - Specialty Show and Sweepstakes - October 1, 2017**
Old Dominion Kennel Club of Northern Virginia, Millwood, VA
Contact Information: Erica Bandes <kinnike101@gmail.com>
Superintendent: MB-F
Breed Judge - Jim Covey
Sweepstakes Judge - Paul Wessberg

**American Pointer Club - National Field Championship - October 11-15, 2017**
Mingo Sportsman Club - Bloomingdale, OH
Contact Information: Deb Freidus <blackthornept@earthlink.net>

**Wilderness Pointer Club of Virginia, Inc. - Field Trial - October 26-28 2017**
Dick Cross WMA - Boynton, VA
Contact Information: Erica Bandes <kinnike101@gmail.com>

Flaherty Field Trial Area - East Windsor, CT
Contact Information: Deb Freidus <blackthornt@gmail.com>
Results of APC Supported Show – Rainier Sporting Dog Association – August 17, 2017

Breed Judge – Britt Jung

BOB/BOBOH/OHG1 – GCHB Coralwood Kanix No Cry’n in Baseball – Owners – Sally Barton, Lisa Merki, Judy Paris, Vickie McGuire

BOS – GCH CH Creeksyde’s Dream Catcher – Owners – Creeksyde Knl, Kathleen Rath

BOW – Creeksyde’s Heart and Soul – Owners – Geri Griffin, Jean Walton, Kathleen Rath

Select – CH Heathercreek Zero Dark Thirty – Owners Judy Paris, Lisa Merki

Select – GCH Cookieland X-Files of Blackthorne JH – Owners – Anthony Cantor, Darcie Cantor, Debra Freidus

WD – Grandiose Sunrise Over the Vineyard – Owner – Area Devery, Jessica, Sierra Story

RWD – Cookieland Scene It All @ Prosperity – Owners Darcie Cantor, Anthony Cantor, Cheryl Buchanan, Rick Buchanan

WB - Creeksyde’s Heart and Soul – Owners – Geri Griffin, Jean Walton, Kathleen Rath

RWB – Heathercreek Three Down and Locked – Judy Paris, Lisa Merki, Carla Slabaugh

Gundog/Field Group – G2 – – GCH Cookieland X-Files of Blackthorne JH – Owners – Anthony Cantor, Darcie Cantor, Debra Freidus

Results of Ohio Hall of Fame Pointer Club – Specialty August 4, 2017

Breed Judge – Mrs. Victoria Seller-Cushman

BOB – GCH Oncore Mykyna Tailgate Party – Owners Dr. Patricia Haines & Thaddeus Haines & Peggy Davis

BOS – Ch Dobe’s Den MS I’m On Fire JH – Owners- Claire Wisch Abraham & Daniel M Breim

BOW – Chesterhope Trick-Of-The Trade At Seasyde – Owners – Lynn Fitzgerald & Helyne Medeiros, Jim Douthit

Select – Ch Blackthorne’s School’s Out At Scimitar JH – Owner – Mick Osman

Select – GCH Solivia’s Grand Kairos – Owners – Susan Thompson & Dennis & Katey Brown

AOM – GCH Blackgold Dawsik’s Happy Hour AXJ OA NF – Owner – Diane Townsend


RWD – Dobe’s Den BF Jack of All Trades JH – Owners - Claire Wisch Abraham & Daniel M Breim

WB - Chesterhope Trick-Of-The Trade At Seasyde – Owners – Lynn Fitzgerald & Helyne Medeiros, Jim Douthit

RWB – Marjetta Catch Me If You Can At Majesty CGC – Owners – Jean & Daniel Smith

Best Bred BY Exhibitor – GingerLea Dawsik I’ll Get You My Pretty – Owners – Christine Foreman & Anthony & Susie Kissik


Best Junior – O’Malley McGee – GCH Southern Enough Said

Reserve Best Junior – Berkeley Thompson – GCHG Seasyde Holly GoLightly
Results of Ohio Hall of Fame Pointer Club – Supported Entry August 5, 2017
Sweepstakes Judge – Mr. Michael Canalizo

BSW – Blackthorne’s Caught in a Dream at Scimitar JH – Owner – Mick Osman, Janet Hawkins, & Debra Freidus

BOSSW – Bookstor Fabello the Full Monty – Owner – Mara Spicer

BVSW – GCH Royal’s Alibi of the Heart – Owner – Dawn Backos, Louis Krokover, & Alexandra Backos

Breed Judge – Mr. Peter Machen

BOB – GCH Oncore Mykyna Tailgate Party – Owner – Dr. Patricia & Thaddeus Haines & Peggy Davis

BOS – Ch Dobe’s Den MS I’m On Fire JH – Owner Claire Wisch Abraham & Daniel M Breim

BOW – Chesterhope Trick-of-T-Trade at Seasyde – Owner – Lynn Fitzgerald & Helyne Medeiros & Jim Douthit

SELECT – Ch Blackthorne’s School’s Out at Scimitar JH – Owner – Mick Osman

SELECT – GCH Solivia’s Grand Kairos – Susan Thomspson & Dennis & Katey Brown

WD – Southern Malmason It Is What It Is – Owner – Rob O’Sullivan & Tina McDonnell

RWD – Dobe’s Den Jack of All Trades JH – Owner Claire Wisch Abraham & Daniel Breim

WB – Chesterhope trick of T Trade at Seasyde – Owner – Lynn Fitzgerals & Helyne Medeirs & Jim Douthit

RWB – Solivia’s Black Swan – Claire Thompson & Susan Thompson & Lynette Bragg