Presidents Message

We are starting a new decade and with it are many new ideas for our club. One goal is for the club to be as transparent as possible. When a member asks a question to an officer or committee chair you should receive a prompt response. I have also asked our officers and show committee to send a report to the newsletter on a monthly basis. This will keep the membership abreast of what is happening.

One of the changes will be the option of having our national in conjunction with an All-Breed Club when there is no bid submitted from the membership. Our Corresponding Secretary sent the details to the membership. The deadline for bids for an independent or suggestions for a designated specialty with an All-Breed is Feb. 15th. This is for the 2022 National. We will soon be sending out a ballot with suggestions for judges for that national.

Most of us are aware of the depleted funds in our Treasury. I would like the Lifetime Members to consider being a full-fledged member by paying their dues. This gives you the opportunity to vote, hold office and also help the treasury. The dues deadline is Feb. 15th.

The committee chairs are listed in this issue. If you are interested in helping out with a particular committee, please contact the chair. Many of our members have strength in areas but it is unknown to the majority of the membership. Please contact me if you would like to be considered to serve in the future on a committee.

Your Board has monthly conference calls. If you have an issue you want addressed, please contact me or Richard Rogers, our Recording Secretary, so it can be put on the agenda.

I am looking forward to a successful 2020 for our club!

The following motions were passed by the Officers and Board Members at their January meeting (January 7, 2020)

Approved Kelley Cheek to temporarily act as Treasurer – 20200107-01-PM
Approved the following committee chairs for 2020 -202000107-01-CM

Standing Committees

Agility Statistics – Chris Dewy - lazitenin@aol.com
AKC Gazette Columnist – Helyne Medeiros – seasydehm@aol.com
Audit Committee – Lee Ann Stagg – ppoint97@aol.com
Awards/Plaques & Certificates – Sarah Terns – racacitypointer@gmail.com
Awards/Bench Statistics– Beth Kirvin- bdate@sc.rr.com
Awards/Top Producers/Top Breeders- Jeanne Deeming- epointer@aol.com
Approved the AKC’s BBE award at the National Specialty – 20200107-02-PM (The award is a free litter registration from the AKC)

Approved dropping the need for extra postage for foreign members for membership renewal - 20200107-02-PM

Approved 2020 APC Supported and Regional Club Events

APC Classic – May 28, 2020  East Windsor, CT- 20200107-01-EV
Pointer Associates of New England
• Field Trial – May 29-31, 2020 – East Windsor, CT – 20200107-02-EV
• Specialty w Sweepstakes – September 19, 2020 – Goshen, CT - 20200107-03-EV
• Supported Entry – September 20, 2020 – Goshen, CT – 20200107-04-EV
Greater Delaware Valley Pointer Club
• Specialty w Sweepstakes – May 2, 2020 – In conjunction with the Bucks County Kennel Club – 20200107-05-EV

2020 Officers and Emails

Any questions or comments should be sent to the Corresponding Secretary

President – Marjorie Martorella marjetta@optonline.net
Vice President – Karen Spey karen.spey@yahoo.com
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June Johnston – junej@esearch.com

Special Committees
RESULTS OF DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP BALLOT

Karen Blasche was elected to the Hall of Fame

2021 National Specialty Judges
Breed: Sioux Forsyth-Green
Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes – Patricia Lillesand
Futurity/Maturity - Cindy Lane-Smith

WARNING
DUE DATES ARE CLOSER THAN THEY APPEAR

Last day to pay 2020 dues is February 15th!

Deadline for submitting 2022 National Specialty Application
February 15, 2020

Email to Karen Spey – Karen.spey@yahoo.com

National Specialty Application may be for an independent specialty or held in conjunction with at least a three-day All-Breed Show. If the application is with an all-breed show you should include in your application the Show Chair & Host Hotel. Host hotel needs to have meeting rooms and banquet facilities. Also, the application must include a Field Trial/Hunt Test location (Chair & Secretary), Agility, Obedience, and Rally site with chairs for those events.

If possible, the 2022 National Specialty should be held in the APC designated Central area of the country. That area comprises the following states: MI, OH, KY, TN, AL, MS, IN, WI, IL, LA, MN, ND, SD, NE, KS, OK, TX, MT, WY

Please refer to the National Specialty Guidelines, to answer all your questions, found on the website under the Members Only Section or contact Susan Savage at susietemple@yahoo.com for a copy of the guidelines.
Hello Club Members!

Our show is coming up and we look forward to seeing many of you and connecting with you all on Social Media and in person.

We had a few date changes, of which many of you are aware. Our Companion Events have been moved to Sunday, April 26th. Please see the premium for location. I hope to see you there, cheering on our pointers! I want to thank Diane Townsend, Deb Pereira, Maggie Platt, Rachel Murphy and the whole team for working diligently to scout a new location and work with the Kruisin’ Kanines Agility Club to get our agility approved and for working together so seamlessly! Obedience and Rally will be held on the show grounds on Wednesday prior to the start of Conformation. Let’s cheer on our friends! Thank you to the Valley Forge Kennel Club for lending us their equipment!

Our trophies are being handmade this year by Madeleine Boucher of Fantasy In Glass, Woodinville, Washington. I am excited to see what Madeleine does. She’s very creative and has designed some new pieces just for us. I so appreciate all who have donated to the Trophies and ribbons!! Please see the attached list for availability.

The Field events will be held Monday and Tuesday. I hope we get a good Gallery to watch our dogs run! Contact Deb Freidus for more info.

The hotel (which has been renamed Lehigh Valley Hotel, SureStay Collection by Best Western) has been remodeled. There are no outside-access doors. If you have any problems with your room or the grounds, please let Karen Spey or me know immediately. We are working hard to make everyone’s stay wonderful!

We are starting our Barn Coat sale! Please see it on Facebook, or by email (our Corresponding Secretary will have it by the 30th, with sales available starting then). I think you’ll like these coats (with POINTERS on ’em!)
As always, I am available for any questions, concerns or celebrations (especially celebrations). Looking forward to seeing you in April!! **We will do our very best to video for those at home!

Lisa Meri, Show Chair

Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly. Please remember to say you are with the American Pointer Club to get the club rate.

Lehigh Valley Hotel and Conference Center - 610-866-5800

The following conformation and companion trophies are available for sponsorship

Framed BOS Ribbon $100
Select Dog Ribbon $75
Select Bitch Ribbon $75
NOHBOB Ribbon $100
Award of Merit $60 Logo Metal Windchimes x7
AOM Ribbon $50 x7
Reserve Winners Dog Ribbon $40
Reserve Winners Bitch Ribbon $60 Glass Logo Suncatcher
Reserve Winners Bitch Ribbon $40
1st - 4th placements in all Regular classes $40 Colored glass ribbon
1st - 4th placements in all Non-Regular classes $40 Colored glass ribbon
Reserve Best Junior Handler $65 Logo Suncatcher and 8 x10 Photo by David Sombach
Reserve Best Junior Handler Ribbon $40
1st-4th place in jr Show Classes $40 colored glass ribbon
4-6 Month Puppy BOS $40 Fused glass Pointer suncatcher

Sweepstakes
Best in Sweepstakes - Puppy $125 Mosaic Pointer Head steppingstone

Best of Opp Sex in Sweepstakes – Puppy $75 Mosaic Pointer Head steppingstone
Best in Sweepstakes – Veteran $75 Mosaic Pointer Head steppingstone

Sweepstakes Class Placements $40 per class Colored glass ribbon

Futurity
Best of Opposite Sex in Futurity $50 Pointer Stained Glass Wind Chimes
Futurity Class Placements $40 per class APC Logo Stone Coasters
OBEEDIENCE/RALLY

HIT Ribbon $75

High Combined Score in Open B/Utility $60 Square glass plate with Pointer/Obed
High Combined Score in Rally $75 Triangular Plate with Pointer/Rally
High Combined Rally Ribbon $75
AGILITY
HIT Standard Ribbon $75
HIT Preferred Ribbon $75

EMAIL REQUESTS TO: Kelley@HollyfrostPointers.com

Payment accepted by Paypal or mail check to:

Kelley Cheek, APC Acting Treasurer
19303 S Old Highway 88
Claremore, OK 74017

2020 APC Field Trial & Hunt Test – April 27 - 28, 2020

Please support the Field Trial & Hunt Test by sponsoring a trophy and/or ribbon cluster.

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Please contact Deb Freidus with your Choice of sponsorship blackthornpt@earthlink.net
One Stop Shopping Form for 2020 National

Deadline for One Stop Shopping Form is April 24th unless otherwise noted

Name _____________________________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________________________
Phone ____________________________
Email _______________________________________________________________________
Trophy Donation $_____________ Auction Donation $_____________
Welcome Party – attending and how many  _____Yes  _____No  No charge

Awards Banquet Dinner – Reservation deadline is April 20th

Entrée:  Beef Tenderloin Twin Tournedos @ $44  #_____________
        Chicken Caprese @ $39  #_____________
        Quinoa Grain Pilaf Stuffed Pepper @ $37  #_____________

Dinner includes – Salad, Entree, Rolls, Coffee and Dessert

Kids dinner, 10 years old and under, donated by someone who loves kids, but must be reserved with other meals. Fruit Cup, Chicken Fingers, French Fries and Ice Cream for dessert.  #_____________

It is very important that you send a check to Karen Spey along with your dinner choices - karen.spey@yahoo.com

Catalog Advertising – Reservation Deadline is April 10th  $_____________

Show Catalog – Unmarked # _____@ $20.00  Marked #_____@ $25.00

Apparel order is a separate form

Payment Methods for everything except the dinner – Check to Kelley Cheek, Acting Treasurer, 19303 S Old Highway 88, Claremore, OK 74017 or payments can be made on the APC website.
Purina Partnership Program

Do not forget to send in your receipts. Let’s see if APC can beat last years $10,948.80 total. Half of that amount goes to the APC and half to the Canine Health Foundation American Pointer Club Donor Advised Fund.

At the end of 2019 the Health and Research Committee approved the distribution of money from the Canine Health Foundation American Pointer Club Donor Advised Fund to various studies beneficial to pointers totaling $7,500.

1. 02323-Efficacy of CBD for the treatment of Canine Epilepsy - $2,500
2. 02528-Developing a Next Generation Sequencing Diagnostic Platform for Tick-Borne Diseases. - $2,500
3. 02534-Clinical Trial for Evaluation of Propranolol & Doxorubicin in the the Treatment of Canine Hemangiosarcoma. - $2,500

APC AND REGIONAL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

March –

Colorado Pointer Club – Spring Field Trial – March 28-29, 2020  Subject to APC/AKC Board approval
Rudy Budin Ranch, Stoneham, CO
Contact – Tracy Haines – pointer3383@aol.com

APC Supported Show – New Brunswick Kennel Club – March 21, 2020  Breed Judge – Ms Carla Molinari
Sweeps Judge – Paul Reilly
Superintendent: Jim Rau Dog Shows
Contact – Marjorie Martorella marjetta@optonline.net

Trophies being offered at New Brunswick

Wilderness Pointer Club of Virginia – Hunt Test – March 28-29, 2020  Dick Cross Wildlife Management Area, Boydton, VA
Contact – June Johnson junej@esearch.com
New proposed rules from the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) that seek to clarify Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA) regulations regarding the transportation of service animals by air and that are intended to ensure that America's air transportation system is safe for the travelling public and accessible to individuals with disabilities, are expected to be published in the Federal Register by the end of this week.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

- Defines a "service animal" as a dog that is individually trained to do work to perform tasks for the benefit of a qualified individual with a disability.
- Allows airlines to recognize emotional support animals as pets rather than as service animals.
- Allow airlines to require all passengers with a disability traveling with a service animal to complete forms attesting to the animal's training and behavior, certifying the animal's good health, and confirming that the animal has the ability either not to relieve itself on a long flight or to relieve itself in a sanitary manner; and submit completed forms to the airline.
- Clarifies existing prohibitions on airlines' imposing breed restrictions on service animals.
- Allows airlines to set policies to limit the number of service animals that one passenger can bring onboard an aircraft.
- Requires service animals to be harnessed, leashed, or otherwise tethered.
- Addresses the safe transport of large service animals in aircraft cabins.
- Clarifies when the user of a service animal may be charged for damage caused by a service animal.
- Addresses the responsibilities of airline code-share partners.

The American Kennel Club (AKC) strongly supports public accommodations that allow individuals with disabilities to use service dogs. The AKC also strongly condemns characterizing dogs as service animals when they are not, or attempting to benefit from a dog's service dog status when the individual using the dog is not a person with a disability.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2018, DOT published an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) seeking comment on amending the Department's ACAA regulations on transportation of service animals. This was published in response to concerns expressed by individuals with disabilities, airlines, flight attendants, and other stakeholders about the need for a change in the Department's service animal requirements. THE ANPRM asked for comments on
ways to ensure and improve access to air transportation for individuals with disabilities, while also deterring the fraudulent use of animals not qualified as service animals and ensuring that animals that are not trained to behave properly in public are not accepted for transport.

Then, in August of 2019, DOT issued interim guidance to help travelers understand their rights regarding the use of service animals and emotional support animals. This clarification came after the number of animals traveling with passengers in cabin has significantly increased since 2016 (from 481,000 to 751,000 the following year, according to Airlines for America, an industry trade group) and a significant increase in the number of bite and other safety incidents involving ESAs. Click here to read AKC’s August 2019 post on DOT’s interim clarifications.

Read Misuse of Service Dogs Hurts the Disabled and Responsible Dog Owners.