TO THE POINT

American Pointer Club June 2018

The Board approved the following motions

20180614-22-BM Chief Ring Steward who is not a member of the APC will be paid $50.00 per day.

20180614-21-BM Updated Award of Merit eligibility requirements:

At the Judge's discretion, an Award of Merit may be given to 10% (rounded upward) of those competing for Best of Breed. The 10% figure shall be based on the number of dogs in the ring at the time of Best of Breed judging. Count to be taken before judging begins. The Award of Merit winners will be selected after the Best of Breed; Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed; Best of Winners; Select Dog and Select BItch awards are made. All dogs remaining in competition are eligible for an Award of Merit

Congratulations to Valerie Stern for being chosen the winner of the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award.

This award honors those individuals who deserve special recognition to those who have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club. Medallions are awarded solely at the club's discretion

The deadline for sending in the Purina weight circles is July 31st.

Below are the answers to some questions about submitting online.

Do I have to register to participate in Receipt Scanning? Yes, registration is required so that we track the receipts that you upload. We will let you know when it's time to register.
Do I have to agree to Terms of Service to participate in Receipt Scanning? Yes, you must agree to the Terms of Service just as you always have as a member of Pro Club.
What is the benefit of this to me? We have heard our members' suggestions for a faster method to receive points. Here it is! This is much easier than cutting out weight circles, finding envelopes and stamps, and taking a trip to the post office. Now, just purchase your participating Purina pet food products, snap a picture of the receipt, and scan it in to us. You will receive your points within a few days instead of the current 3-5 weeks.
What if I need help figuring out the new process? Purina values your membership and your loyalty to Purina products. Please know that there will be many tools available to help you better understand the process of Receipt Scanning. We will provide you with these tools in future communications, and our Member Services Group is available to walk you through the process until you are comfortable with Receipt Scanning. As always, they can be reached at 1-877-PRO-CLUB (1-877-776-2582) between 7:00 am and 5:00 pm CST, Monday through Friday.

Please send in any weight circles you have on hand before July 31st. Remember the money that the APC receives from the weight circle program is used by the Health, Research, and

Education Committee to fund Meet the Breeds, the thyroid program, and to support testing for various health studies through the Canine Health Foundation. If you are interested in the Purina Pro Club Program information can be found at www.purinaproclub.com

Two items of information from the AKC

The AKC has announced the AKC Urban Canine Good Citizen Public Access Test (formerly known as AKC Urban CGC)

For the purpose of this advanced level of CGC, "Urban" is defined as any city or town setting that provides the dog with exposure to crowds, traffic, noises, smells and other environmental stimuli. Urban CGC dogs are under control in dog-friendly businesses and in the community. The Public access tests demonstrate that the handler has good control over the dog and the dog is well-behaved when in public.

There are ten skills necessary to pass the AKC Urban Canine Good Citizen Public Access Test, including entering/exiting doorways, walking through a crowd, using stairs/elevators, crossing streets and public interaction.

"The Urban CGC test can fill the desire of lodging, retail, and transportation businesses, and managers of public facilities for dog owners to provide evidence that a dog has been trained to behave in public settings,"

To earn the Urban CGC title, dogs must have already passed the basic CGC test. The Urban CGC test is open to all dogs that are registered with the AKC or enrolled in the PAL or AKC Canine Partners program.

For more info, please see: https://www.akc.org/products-services/training-programs/canine good-citizen/akc-urban-canine-good-citizen/

Note: Passing the Urban CGC or a Canine Good Citizen test alone does not make a dog a service dog or emotional support dog. A key distinction of service or emotional support dogs is that the owner/handler has a disability. It is unethical to misrepresent a pet dog as a service or emotional support animal.

AKC Detection Dog Task Force Initiatives

Issue: With incidents of homegrown terrorism and mass shootings on the rise, explosives detection is a growing need for government agencies and private businesses. Dogs have amazing scenting capabilities and are the best explosives detectors. The United States has relied on Europe for most its working dogs and now is facing a shortage of dogs for detection work, due to overseas demand for detection dogs. The AKC has formed a task force to examine how it can assist with this national security issue.

Government Regulation Revisions – The AKC Government Relations team is working to make it easier and more advantageous for domestic breeders to sell to the government. The AKC was instrumental in submitting key language to HR 2810, which will require the Department of Defense to provide regular reporting on questions related to the sourcing of military working dogs, including the number of dogs purchased from domestic vs. non-domestic breeders, the costs associated with each, information on the difference in accounting for domestic vs. European dog purchases; and how they determine which dogs to get.

Breeder Outreach – Most breeders are unaware that there is a need for dogs to be trained for explosives detection work. The most in-demand breeds for public detection work are sporting dogs, including Labrador Retrievers, German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, and Vizslas. The AKC is conducting outreach to breeders through articles, meetings and presentations to kennel clubs and national parent clubs.

Raising Awareness and Bringing Stakeholders Together – The AKC has met with many stakeholders in the detection dog field, including TSA and Department of Defense officials, university scientists who are working to improve the dogs and their performances, and private businesses that train and sell the dogs and provide security services through handler-dog teams. AKC hosted its first US Detection Dog Conference in 2017 and will host its second conference on Aug. 28-30, 2018, in Durham, NC. The goal is to stimulate discussions among key players on how to solve this national security crisis.

How to get involved: You are invited to the AKC US Detection Dog Conference. If you are a breeder or owner of the needed breeds, spread the word. Let your clubs know about this issue. For more information, contact Penny Leigh at pxl@akc.org or call 919-816-3749.

Getting to know your Hall of Fame Past Members and Dog

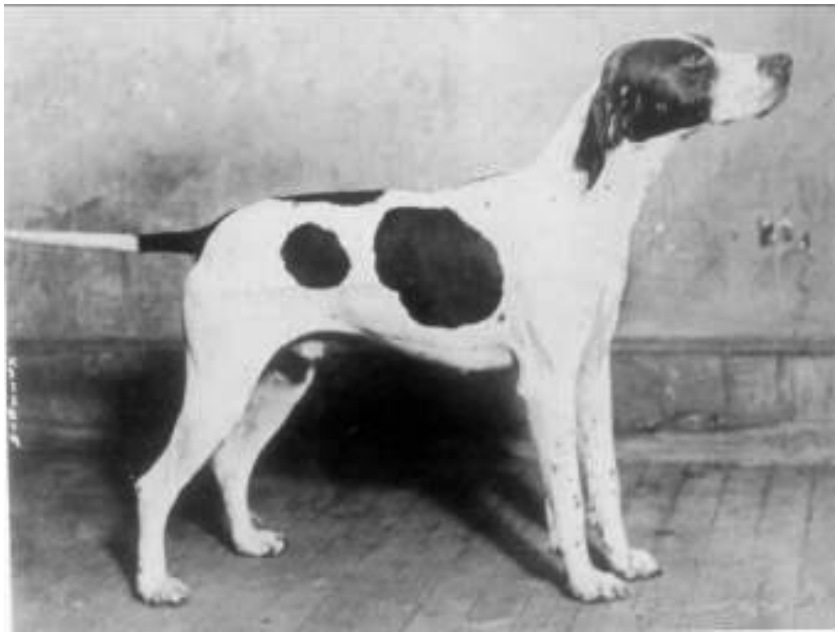
MARY ANN WADSWORTH RICH

Mary Ann was an adventurer. In 1929 and again in 1935 she traveled around the world by way of ocean liner with her mother. She flew airplanes and in 1943 became only the seventh woman in the United States to have an instrument (blind flying) rating. She worked as a commercial pilot qualified to fly the U. S. Mail before turning her talents to breeding and exhibiting nine generations of splendid "Vilmar" champions between 1946 and the 1960's. Her first pointers were Ch. Tempo's Ariosa and Ch. Beacon's Ranger. Her mentor was Charlie Palmer, the famous handler. Her foundation bitch, Vilmar's Patty drew heavily on Herewithem bloodstock through Benbrook (Homer Blackburn) and Cady (Charles Cady) and produced Hall Of Fame Ch. Vilmar's Lucky in 1952. Mary Ann once stated that "without Bob Maloney's breeding program, none who have top winning dogs would ever have been able to breed anything that holds true." This independent woman was a force in the reactivation of the APC and became President for two terms (1955 & '56). She was the Gaines Dog Breeder of the Year for 1956, and was the breeder of America's first solid orange pointer to become a champion (1954).

CH. VILMAR'S LUCKY

CH. VILMAR'S LUCKY – (Ch. Captain Speck x Vilmar's Patty) (1952 – 1966) Bred, owned and handled by APC Hall Of Fame member Mary Ann Wadsworth (Rich), this marvelous liver and white dog won four consecutive APC Specialty Best Of Breeds, a record unmatched to this day. The first of these wins came in 1954 under Paul Palmer from the classes and his fourth was from Mrs. Dodge, both members of the APC Hall of Fame. "Lucky" was shown 40 times; his achievements include winning 38 BOB's, 28 Group 1's, 8 other Group placements and 12 Best In Shows. His breeding is very strong in Herewithem on both sides plus Post Road back to forebears of Ch. Governor Moscow and American lines all the way back to Manitoba Rap and Fishel's Frank. Mary Ann considered him her "once in a lifetime dog", "an elegant and breathtaking mover." Dr. Robert F. Parker (HOF) felt that Lucky was the most properly built pointer of all. Bred very sparingly, he is the sire of 3 champions and through Ch. Kenmure's Rarity is in the pedigree of Ch. Truewithem A Taste Of Triumph, Ch. Marjetta National Acclaim, Ch. Cumbrian Black Pearl and DC Woodspoint Remington, CD MH VAX, all in the Hall Of Fame.

CH. GOVERNOR MOSCOW



CH. GOVERNOR MOSCOW – (Ch. Mallwyd Moscow x Queen Mason) (w.5/11/21) The first pointer to win Best In Show at Westminster, 1925 where he posed like a granite statue for handler Ben Lewis, Jr. and won over 2500 entries. Bred by Earl Brown and whelped in 1921, his sire was imported from England and his dam (black, white and ticked) was from Fld. Ch. Alford's John lines going back to Ch. Graphic. Ben Lewis, Jr. is said to have spotted the dog at a show near Boston and purchased him for Robert F. Maloney (HOF) for $125. An excellent shooting dog, "Govvy" was the beginning of a golden age of show pointers in America, surpassing even the heyday of the 1880's through 1910. He became a champion in 1923 and sired 9 champions. He is in the pedigree of FOURTEEN Hall Of Fame pointers: Ch. Vilmar's Lucky, Ch. Finefield's Cover Girl, Ch. Mihaski's Mr. Chipps, Ch. Bryant's Buckeye Claudia, Ch. Shelbark's Twenty Carats, Ch. Maryjay's Majesty, Ch. Counterpoint's Lord Ashley, Ch. Truewithem A Taste Of Triumph, Ch/OTCH Scanpoint's Sunrise Serenade, DC Scanpoints Touch O'Troll, Ch. Cumbrian Black Pearl, Ch. Marjetta National Acclaim, DC Woodspoint Remington, CD MH VAX and Ch. Sydmar The Heartless Wench. In the late 1940's some of his offspring were exported to England and Scotland, causing virtually every pedigree in the UK today (and those imported to the U.S.) to carry his bloodlines. The gene pool in pointers is even smaller than we may have realized.

The AKC has put the following lists of plants and household products that are dangerous to the health of our dogs. It is important to keep these in mind during the summer months when our dogs are out in the yard, running in the woods or in the house were cleaning products can easily be found.

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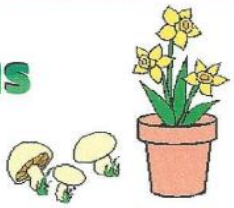
Plants can be hazardous to your dog's health



Did you know that eating certain plants could make your dog sick or worse? Be aware of plants that are within reach of your dog. Listed below are some plants that can be harmful to your dog.

May cause vomiting and diarrhea:
Castor bean
Soap berry
Ground Cherry
Skunk Cabbage
Daffodil
Delphinium
Foxglove
Larkspur
Indian Tobacco
Indian Turnip
Poke weed
Bittersweet woody
Wisteria

May cause vomiting, abdominal pain and/or diarrhea:
Almond
Apricot
Wild Cherry
Balsam Pear
Japanese Plum
Bird of Paradise bush
Horse Chestnut (Buckeye)
English Holly
Black Locust
Mock Orange
Privet
Rain Tree (Monkey Pod)
American Yew
English Yew
Western Yew

May cause varied reactions:
Azalea
Philodendron
Hydrangea
Kalanchoe
Lilies
Mescal bean
Mushrooms (if also toxic to humans)
Sunburned potatoes
Rhubarb
Spinach
Tomato vine
Buttercup
Dologeton
Poison Hemlock
Water Hemlock
Jasmine
Loco weed
Lupine
Matrimony Vine
May Apple
Moonseed
Nightshade
Angel's Trumpet

May act as hallucinogens:
Marijuana
Morning Glory
Nutmeg
Perriwinkle
Peyote

May cause convulsions:
China berry
Coriaria
Moonweed
Nux vomica
Water Hemlock

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Certain foods and household products can be dangerous to dogs!

It's only natural for dogs to be curious. But their curiosity can get them into trouble when they get into areas where you store household items such as medicine and detergents. Many common household items that you use everyday can be harmful, and sometimes even lethal, to your dog.

Foods that are harmful to your dog:

May cause vomiting, abdominal pain and/or diarrhea:

Wild cherry
Almond
Apricot
Balsam Pear
Japanese Plum

May cause varied reactions:

Yeast dough
Coffee grounds
Macadamia nuts
Tomato and potato leaves and stems
Avocados
Onions and onion powder
Grapes
Raisins
Chocolate
Pear and peach kernels
Mushrooms (if also toxic to humans)
Rhubarb
Spinach
Alcohol

Common household items that are harmful to your dog:

Acetaminophen
Antifreeze and other car fluids
Bleach and cleaning fluids
Boric acid
Deodorants
Deodorizers
Detergents
De-icing salts
Disinfectants
Drain cleaners
Furniture polish
Gasoline
Hair colorings
Weed killers
Insecticides
Kerosene
Matches
Mothballs
Nail polish and remover
Paint
Prescription and non-prescription medicine
Rat poison
Rubbing alcohol
Shoe polish
Sleeping pills
Snail or slug bait
Turpentine
Windshield-wiper fluid

Symptoms of possible poisoning are: vomiting, diarrhea, difficult breathing, abnormal urine (color, aroma or odor, frequency, etc.), salivation, weakness. If your dog should ingest harmful chemicals, contact a veterinarian or poison control center immediately.

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