CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

Suzzanne Bambule  Jackie Paul
Cathleen Davidson  David Spey
Phyllis Kroll    Amy Walker Wall
Pamela Mohr     Suzanne Wilson

Congratulations to Travis Grodkiewicz for winning the APC Veterinarian Scholarship of $1,000 for 2019.

Motion was approved add Scent Work to the annual static awards.

Motion was approved to change exclusionary time for National Breed Judges from 10 months to 6 months.

Editors Note – The owner of the Select Bitch at Westminster was inadvertently omitted from the February Newsletter. The owner of GCHB CH Brackenmoor Something Royal JH is Julie Pullan

SPECIALTY INFORMATION

FIELD TRIAL ENTRIES CLOSE, APRIL 10TH EST

ENTRIES CLOSE APRIL 17TH AT 6:00 pm CDT

RV PARKING

The RV Parking Fee is $25.00 per night. There is a limit of 20 RV space.

In order to reserve an RV space please contact: Donna Plunkett, Sales Manager Best Western Hotel & Conference Center 1-610-954-5007

ANNUAL AUCTION

Items for the annual silent and live auction may be mailed to:

Yvette Thomas
2980 Linden St.
Bethlehem PA 18017

HEALTH SEMINAR

Wayne Cavanaugh unfortunately is not able to attend our National. We want to thank Wayne for giving us permission to make copies of his book “The Inheritance of Coat Color in Pointers”. Copies will be available for purchase at the National or for anyone who is not able to attend. The cost will be $15.00 at the show and $18.00 if mailed. This book is an asset to have when trying to determine what color(s) you can expect in your litter. Mailed copies will be available after the specialty.
We are proud to announce that the guest speaker will be Diane Brown, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Scientific Officer of the Canine Health Foundation. She will speak about the Canine Health Foundation Donor Advised Fund, approved research studies that pertain to Pointers. She is also take questions about what you would like the Canine Health Foundation to support in the way of research for health items that pertain to our breed.

Diane Brown, DVM, PhD, DACVP

Diane Brown, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ACVP, is the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Scientific Officer for the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF). She joined CHF in August 2015, and oversees operations and scientific programs from its Raleigh, NC headquarters. Her role is to cultivate and execute the Foundation’s research and education strategy in collaboration with its Board of Directors, Scientific Review Committee, external collaborators, principal investigators and staff to ensure strategic, responsible, and innovative application of donor funds to uphold the Foundation's Mission to advance canine health.

Dr. Brown is a board-certified veterinary clinical pathologist who holds a DVM and PhD in pathology from Colorado State University. As an independent investigator and comparative pathologist, Dr. Brown served as a member of the faculty at Harvard Medical School, as director of the Comparative Clinical Pathology Laboratory at Massachusetts General Hospital, and as consulting pathologist at the University of Colorado. She previously served as Chief Scientific Officer for Morris Animal Foundation, and currently holds an affiliate faculty position in the Department of Molecular and Comparative Pathobiology at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. She has held prior affiliate faculty appointments in the veterinary schools at Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine, Colorado State University and Purdue University.

Dr. Brown also brings experience in the corporate world, as former senior pathologist at Eli Lilly and Company. She began her veterinary career as a small animal practitioner prior to beginning her residency and PhD program. She completed an NIH Fellowship in the study of genetic diseases shared by human and veterinary patients. She has served as a board member and volunteer veterinarian for service dogs and worked for several years with a Golden Retriever therapy dog on the inpatient stroke unit at her local hospital. Dr. Brown has a son, Kyle, and enjoys travel, art and music.
Events of interest before and after the National Specialty

AKC POINTING BREED HUNTING TEST

Organized by

GREATER DELAWARE VALLEY POINTER CLUB
www.GDVPC.org

ANTHRACITE BRITTANY CLUB
www.brittanyclubs.com/anthracite/

Saturday April 27, 2019
AKC Event Number: 2019508502

Sunday April 28, 2019
AKC Event Number 2019282906

GROUNDS
Clover Hollow Hunting Preserve, Inc.
6951 Lime Kiln Road
Slaton, PA 18080
+1 610 767 3319
http://www.cloverhollowhunting.com/

ALL TESTS OPEN TO ALL AKC REGISTERED POINTING BREEDS

Contact Peter Benson for more information

Peter.benson@eccma.org

The Hunt Tests are being held on the same grounds as our National Specialty

Greater Delaware Valley Pointer Club is holding a specialty on Saturday, May 4th in conjunction with the Bucks County Kennel Club Show and a supported entry on Sunday, May 5th in conjunction with Trenton Kennel Club

Nine days of pointer activities – Field, Hunt, Agility, Obedience, Rally and Conformation
MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW TO ATTEND

2019 APC NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

We invite you to come join the fun in the field at the APC National Field Trial Championships.

Dates: October 9-13, 2019

This year the Nationals will be at the wonderful Mingo Sportsman’s Club, near Bloomingdale in Eastern Ohio. The closest airport is Pittsburgh, PA which is 32 miles away.

Judges

Open Puppy Classic, Futurity & National Championship: Audra Jaconetti & Eldon Hongo
Open Derby Classic & National Amateur Championship: Arthur Terstage & Nicole Hanzel

Area Motels

Super 8 - 1505 University Blvd, Steubenville, OH (740) 282-4565
Best Western - 1401 University Blvd, Steubenville, OH (740) 282-0901
Hampton Inn - 820 S University Blvd, Steubenville, OH (740) 282-9800

Camping: Overnight camping is allowed on the grounds. Water is available on the grounds for animals.

Wrangler: Please contact Meredith Mays (724) 712-1795

Field Trial Secretary: Debra Freidus  email: blackthornpt@earthlink.net
Field Trial Chairman: Angela Schillereff  email: sikennels@aol.com
Field Trial Committee: Deborah Harper, Susan Bleckley, Jack Haines, Jamie O’Donnell, Judith Hamilton and Chuck Savage

Entry Fees:

$150 National Championship (one hour)
$150 National Amateur Championship (one hour)
$70 Open Puppy Classic (30 minutes)
$80 Open Derby Classic (30 minutes)
$80 Field Futurity (30 minutes)

Food/ Hospitality:

Breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase on the grounds. Nightly dinners at the Mingo clubhouse and a special awards banquet will be scheduled during the running of the event to honor the judges and the 2019 National Champion. A welcome party with drinks and appetizers is planned at the beginning of the event.

Please support the APC National Field Trial Championships with a catalog ad or trophy donations. Auction and raffle donations are gratefully accepted. More details to follow with the National premium.
JUNIOR HANDLER CLINIC WITH THE PROFESSIONALS

In conjunction with the National Specialty – Thursday, May 2nd after judging in the show ring.

All current and future Junior Showmanship participants are invited to attend our FREE clinic. This is your opportunity to receive individual instruction (with your dog) from AKC registered professional handlers.

This clinic is open to all children up to the age of 18 whether they are interested in becoming a junior handler. Come and enjoy the fun!

Health News:

New imported distemper strain in dogs

BY SCOTT WEESE ON FEBRUARY 27, 2019 POSTED IN DOGS, OTHER DISEASES, VACCINATION

Here’s a report from Cornell University’s Animal Health Diagnostic Center, describing importation of a canine distemper strain that hasn’t been found before in North America:

02/05/2019: (N. America) In early October of 2018, a 12-week old “Sheltie” arrived from Korea. Approximately 12 days later, the dog began with a cough and lethargy with blood work indicating “anemia”. About 10 days later, the dog developed a unilateral myoclonus with relapsing lethargy. In another week the neurological signs had progressed to tonic clonic seizures that continued to worsen to a persistent uncontrolled myoclonus at which time the dog was euthanized.

Samples (serum, ocular swab, urine) obtained at 9 days post onset of clinical signs were forwarded to the AHDC for canine influenza virus serology and canine distemper virus RT-PCR testing. The HI serology test indicated no exposure to H3N2 CIV which is the endemic strain of flu A in Korea. However, the RT-PCR tests on the ocular swab and urine were strong positive for canine distemper virus. Attempts were made to isolate the virus from the samples submitted for PCR, but with no success. Our next effort was to try to obtain sequence for virus directly from the nucleic acid used for the RT-PCR assay. This was successful for the F and H genes of CDV. Phylogenetic analyses of the sequences against various clades of CDV, indicated the imported dog was infected with the Asia-1 strain of CDV. We have no information on the existence of this clade of CDV in North America.

While we have been most concerned with the importation of canine influenza virus from Asia to North America by improper procedures by various “rescue” groups, the importation of CDV may be more significant in that CDV once it enters an ecosystem cannot be eradicated even with effective vaccines. Once again, the North American dog population is being put at risk by those who have no regard for the importation of foreign animal diseases.
Pointers in Movies, Newspapers and Art

Picture of Snowflake and Promise from the 1940 movie "The Biscuit Eater" a loving story about a boy and his dog.

Best Brace at Westminster - 1942

Mellenthin was about to make the Best in Show award, the Garden was darkened.

Sea Breeze & Sand Bank
APC SUPPORTED SHOW RESULTS

APC Supported Show – New Brunswick Kennel Club - March 23, 2019

Sweepstakes (2-3)
Judge: Beth Ann Glashoff
BIS- Cumbrian Diablo- Nancy & Henri Tuthill
BOS Sweeps- Gabriela Del Almojon- Marcia Loughner

Regular Classes- (4-6 (2-7)
Judge- Robyn Joy Wallis
BOB- Ch. Seasyde Black Onyx- Jim Douthit & Helyne Medeiros
BOW- Bookstor Fabello Sunset Boulevard- Claire Wisch Abraham
BOS- Ch. Tahari Clearcreek’s Seriously Meant To Be-Olivia DePaulo & Lemos & E. Bernecker
Select Dog- GCH. Seasyde Hot Hitting Yogi, CGC- Lynn DeGennaro Leotta
Select Bitch-GCH. Brackenmoor Somethingroyal,JHA-Julie Pullan
BOH- Ch. Seasyde Black Onyx- Jim Douthit & Helyne Medeiros
AOM- Bookstor Fabello Sunset Boulevard- Claire Wisch Abraham
WD- Penpoint Altuve- Jane Theresa Kugaczewski
Best Puppy- Solivia’s Unforgettable- Susan & Hayley Thompson

Thank you to those that contributed to the trophy fund

Gail & Beth Ann Glashoff Lynn Leotta Marjorie Martorella
Bill & Diana Henry Jim Douhit
Howard & Karen Spey Jean Deeming
Kristie Reisenweaver Dan & Jean SMith