

# To The Point



American Pointer Club

November 2019

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## REMINDERS



### APC DUES ARE NO LATER THAN 12/31/19

MESSAGE FROM APC Lifetime Member and 2020 APC President Marjorie Martorella

I just received my dues renewal from APC. I am asking the Lifetime Members to consider choosing Legacy and paying dues. By not paying dues, you lose your rights to vote and to voice your opinion on how the club is run and to have an office in the club. I am sure in this political atmosphere nobody would give up their right to vote in local and national elections. I hope you feel the same commitment to our breed and will consider going Legacy.

Additionally, we all know that the treasury is in dire shape and many adjustments were made at the last general meeting as a result.

## 2022 National Specialty

All complete applications to hold the 2022 must be submitted to Karen Spey, Vice President by February, 15, 2020. [Karen.spey@yahoo.com](mailto:Karen.spey@yahoo.com)



Welcome to the following new members

Lane & Darcy Hodges, Ashley Oldfield and Christine Pinkston

Brooksville, FL was approved as the location of the 2021 National Specialty The dates of the show are April 8-10, 2021 Field and Agility locations have not been finalized



## Pam Waitman

Pam died unexpectedly, on Monday, November 4, 2019.

Pam's entrance into the world of pointers and the APC began with a bang when, in 1984, she and her husband Gabe acquired "Lacey", their first pointer, from Jeanne Ellis, of Humble Acre Pointer fame. With this acquisition, Fairhaven Pointers was born, and in 1985, Pam and Gabe joined the APC. At the '85 specialty, Lacey was Winners Bitch and Best of Winners, and eventually became CH. Humble Acre Elegance in Lace. In the following years, Pam and Gabe acquired several more pointers, titling all of them, and eventually bred

their first litter of pointers.

Unfortunately, shortly after the breeding occurred, the dog seized, and as a result, Pam and Gabe chose to retain the entire litter of nine puppies, because they did not want others to experience the pain of having dogs with this health issue. Because of this, Pam's interest in health was ignited, and from then on, it is all history. She was only motivated by the hope of making the health of the breed better. She never sought anything for herself. Keeping that entire litter was a perfect example of that. She took responsibility when things didn't turn out the way she had hoped. She encountered pushback from breeders who didn't share her integrity and her love of the breed. The breed has lost its most devoted Champion.

In 1997, Pam was appointed Chair of the APC Health, Education and Research Committee, where she served until 2018. During this time, her efforts to make the membership aware of health concerns in the breed were integral to the implementation of the CHIC program associated with the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals ("OFA"), ensuring that APC's partnership with OFA would permit members of the club to research and maintain information on the health issues prevalent in the pointer breed. During that time, she also helped establish health clinics at various APC Specialties, including blood draws for thyroid testing, microchipping, and ensuring that the Health Committee hosted seminars and speakers at these events. Annually, she would attend the AKC Health Symposium and always shared the information on new testing, and other issues of interest, with the membership in her reports.

Over the years, Pam became an invaluable resource of information to breeders and pointer owners when they would encounter health issues with their dogs and weren't sure where to turn to for more information.

Pam also served several terms in various capacities for the Club as an officer, as a Board member and committee member, including several stints on various bylaws revision committees. Her most current participation was on the website committee, where she and the committee were/are in the final stages of developing the website content.

I think her family and friends would agree that Pam's proudest moment in dogs occurred in December 2018, when she finished her dog Eli from the Bred-By-Exhibitor class.

To paraphrase her husband's words, Pam's life can be described in one sentence: She loved her dogs, her family and friends and her Florida State Seminoles. And, like Gabe, I know she would never forgive me if I didn't finish this off with her favorite war cry, "Go 'Noles!"

Submitted by Laurie McCarty

Below is the third edition in the series of discussion of the Pointer Standard by Susan Bleckley, Chair of the Judges Education Committee. Comments on this or any of Susan's discussion can be sent to

[TalkingToThePoint@gmail.com](mailto:TalkingToThePoint@gmail.com) All comments are welcome

*I'm Back.*

### ***Back***

Strong and solid with only a slight rise from croup to top of shoulders. Loin of moderate length, powerful and slightly arched. Croup falling only slightly to base of tail. Tuck-up should be apparent, but not exaggerated.

### **Keep in mind the following definitions:**

**Slight:** small in degree; inconsiderable / small of its kind or in amount

**Moderate:** avoiding extremes / limited in scope or effect

*This section of the standard follows in the "old timers" description that a Pointer should be a continuum of gentle curves.*

***The standard does not call for a % of height to length. But is it possible to get this many curves in a square dog ? Again, overall balance would be the optimum.***

## IS THERE A CONNECTION

Of Course, Physically

But what about the back/topline influencing tail carriage!

*Tail ~*

Heavier at the root, tapering to a fine point. Length no greater than to hock. A tail longer than this or docked must be penalized. Carried without curl, and not more than 20 degrees above the line of the back; never carried between the legs.

### SHAPE                      LENGTH                      CARRIAGE

All 3 are very important since they all seem to affect each other. A beautifully set tail of correct shape carried correctly, lashing from side to side is beautiful. But that picture is easily broken when any of the 3 descriptions are not met.

Which is most offensive to you? The judges find carriage easiest to spot. It is visible from the first time the dog enters and goes around the ring. I think each breeder has their own opinion of which they can tolerate the best or least.

Length certainly can vary from a smaller bitch to a larger dog but as long as the shape remains "Heavy at root tapered to a fine point" then the length would be correct.

### END OF THE YEAR SALE

These are wonderful tote bags for taking to grocery store, or if you live in one of the states (like Connecticut) that has banned plastic bags, to any store when shopping for clothes, shoes etc. Had to leave a store carrying clothes because I forgot to take a tote bag with me! The inside is water proof and holds spills from those items from the grocery store that tend to leak.

Totes were originally \$20.00 + shipping

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**POINTER CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - SPECIALTY NOVEMBER 2, 2019 - JUDGE: Mrs. Danelle M. Brown**

**Best of Breed**

CH ROBWIN LOIS LANE TO KANIX

Breeder: Paul Robinson, New Zealand, By Robwin Serious Contender x Eireannmada Yes We Can Can

Owners: G. Griffin, K. Rath, J. Walton, K Wilberg, P. Robinson

**Best of Winners**

MARENDA - OREILLE NCIS

Breeders. June M. Dennis & Helayne Parker. By GCH Nowithem Gen Outlaw at Marena x Ch Oreille's Searcy Owner: June Dennis

**Best of Opposite Sex**

GCH CREEKSYDE'S FIRE IN MY SOUL,

Breeders: G. Griffin, K. Rath & J. Walton By GCHG Chesterhope Never Say Why for Daykeyne x GCHS Creeksyde's Bewitched Owners: Geri Griffin, Jean Walton & Kathleen Rath

**Select Dog & Best Veteran**

GCHB PALADENS CLEAR SAILING

Breeders: Karen Detterich and Diane Whitehead Ch Dobe's Den Point Zapata x Ch The More The Merrier  
Owners: Dennis Wade, Sharon Wade and Karen Detterich

**Select Bitch** GCH ROYAL'S AS FATE WOULD HAVE IT, JH.

Breeders: Louis Krokover, Susan Bleckley, Helyne E. Medeiros By Ch Royal's Dances To The Music x Ch Royal's Have Faith In Me  
Owners: Louis Krokover, Susan Bleckley, D. Bleifer, Renee Thurber

**Award of Merit** CH CREEKSYDE'S SAVE MY SOUL,

Breeders: G. Griffin, K. Rath & J. Walton By GCHG Chesterhope Never Say Why for Daykeyne x GCHS Creeksyde's Bewitched  
Owners: Diane Whitehead & Geri Griffin

**Best Owner Handler** CH NOWWITHEM Rooster Cogburn, JH

Breeders: Jill Koch and Megan Lane By Am CH Nowwithem Twelve Gauge, JH x By Am CH Edgehill's Poetic Justice, JH  
Owner: Jill Koch

**Best Bred By Exhibitor** OREILLE'S PATRICK,

Breeders: Helayne Parker & Lynn Berkowitz By CH Oreille's Threat Matrix s CH Oreille's Prada  
Owners: Helayne Parker & Lynn Berkowitz

**Winners Dog** MARENDIA - OREILLE THE BLACK LIST

Breeders: June M. Dennis & Helayne Parker. By GCH Nowithem Gen Outlaw at Marendia x Ch Oreille's Searcy  
Owner: June Dennis

**Reserve Winners Dog** POINTGOLD STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER

Breeders: Deborah Harper, Marva Petrequin & Emily Pate. By DC Paladen's No More Mr. Nice Guy, CD JH x GCH Marjetta The Sky's The Limit At Pointgold, RA OA NAJ NJP NFP  
Owners: Kimberly Bakker, Deborah Harper & Marva Petrequin

**Winners Bitch & BOW** MARENDIA - OREILLE NCIS

Breeders: June M. Dennis & Helayne Parker. By GCH Nowithem Gen Outlaw at Marendia x Ch Oreille's Searcy  
Owner: June Dennis

**Reserve Winners Bitch** \*SOUTHERN SPRINGPOINT WHAT WILL PEOPLE SAY,

Breeders: Tina McDonnell & Terry Ellis By GCHB Chesterhope Wonder Of The World x Ch Southern What's Mine Is Yours.  
Owners: Cynthia Brink & Tina McDonnell

## **POINTER CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Sweepstakes - JUDGE: Mrs. Jan Sutherland**

**Best in Sweepstakes** MARENDIA - OREILLE THE BLACK LIST

Breeders: June M. Dennis & Helayne Parker. By GCH Nowithem Gen Outlaw at Marendia x Ch Oreille's Searcy  
Owner: June Dennis

**Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes** MARENDIA - OREILLE NCIS

Breeders: June M. Dennis & Helayne Parker. By GCH Nowithem Gen Outlaw at Marendia x Ch Oreille's Searcy  
Owner: June Dennis

### **Hunt Sweepstakes**

CH NOWWITHEM Rooster Cogburn, JH Breeders: Jill Koch and Megan Lane By Am CH Nowwithem Twelve Gauge, JH x By Am CH Edgehill's Poetic Justice, JH  
Owner: Jill Koch

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