

TO THE POINT



American Pointer Club

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The Board passed the following motion that will be included in the National Specialty Premium List. All trophies awarded in or out of the ring will not be mailed at the expense of the Club. Any trophy not claimed becomes the property of the American Pointer Club 20160811-44-BM

Until Further Notice please send all Futurity Nomination forms to LeeAnn Stagg at the following address P.O. Box 4, Rayne, LA 70578



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

After several requests, the APC Bumper Sticker is once again available. Get one while they last. Price is \$5.00 ea, which includes postage. Send money to Susan Savage, 8 Parkman Place, Old Saybrook, CT 06475 or use PayPal

<http://www.americanpointerclub.org/PayPal.shtml>

A special thank you to Deb Pereira who has for the past several years organized APC sponsored two-day agility events twice a year, with the profits going to the MVP program. We thank her for her hard work and volunteer service to the club.

The last American Pointer Club's sponsored two-day all breed agility trial that I'll be chairing was held August 27th-28th in Hamden, CT. Two lovely days of courses under judge Karen Wlodarski from Johns Island, SC - fun, fun courses and one of the nicest judges ever!!! I want to give special thanks to my committee, who I would not have been able to do without - MJ Kushwara, Doreen Palmer, and Jennifer Marks. Also special thanks to Barb Brown for all her help, and to all the volunteers who so graciously donated their time. Thanks also to our trial Secretaries Sue Clarke Barnett and Robin Ohrt. Two days of approximately 275 runs/day, and we received quite a few compliments on how well run, fun, and relaxing our trial was.

These agility trials were put on to raise monies for the Multi-Venue (MVP) Pointer program. With over \$3,000 in the fund, the MVP program is sustainable for approximately ten years based on the average cost for the program over the past several years.

Deb Pereira

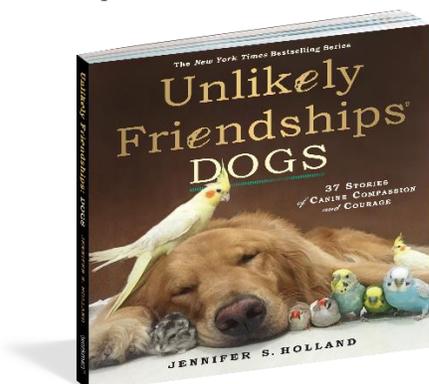
Ready for another story about our beloved breed?

Meet **Romeo and Juliet**: a skittish English pointer and a cheeky English setter mix – who stayed together despite adversity and found their way to happily ever after. You might want a box of Kleenex when you read this story!

This is just one of 37 true stories in a new book entitled

Unlikely Friendships: Dogs written by Jennifer Holland and published by Workman Press.

I will not give the story away, but it is a good read. We all can learn a lot from the caring and love of dogs and their animal companions.



2017 National Specialty Information

First floor rooms with outside entries are filling up fast. As of today (8/30/16) 46 rooms have been booked. Contact the Best Western Hotel, Bethlehem, PA (610) 866-5800 and make your reservation.

AKC Eukanuba National Championship

December 17-18, 2016, Orlando, FL
Breed Judge – Mrs. Paula Nykiel*

Westminster Kennel Club
February 13-14, 2017, NY, NY
Breed Judge – Mr. Steve Herman*

79th APC National Specialty
April 30-May 5, 2017, Bethlehem, PA
Breed Judge – Marianne Gyrfas

* Denotes APC Member



The following article was published in the August 30, 2016 NAIA Trust newsletter

Highly contagious kennel cough strain strikes local dogs

CARISA CEGAVSKE Senior Staff Writer - The News-Review (Roseburg, Oregon)

Aug 26, 2016

A highly contagious disease that strikes dogs has arrived in Roseburg, and incidents may increase rapidly.

The disease is a new strain of kennel cough that appears to have traveled to Roseburg from Bend, where it first appeared about a month ago and grew so dramatically that 300 cases were being reported each week there.

Veterinarian Alan Ross of Companion Animal Clinic in Roseburg said he first began seeing cases here last week. He's seen about 10 cases at his practice so far, three last week and seven on Tuesday. Cases have also been seen at Bailey Veterinary Clinic in Roseburg.

The bad news is this new strain of kennel cough appears even in animals that have received shots for kennel cough. The good news is that it is not usually fatal.

Ross said the disease is airborne and extremely contagious.

"When they come to the clinic we take extreme precautions. A lot of times we'll have the patient wait out in the car until we're ready to see them, take them directly into the room and then directly out afterward. We do not let them sit and wait in the clinic because it's so contagious that if you had one dog sitting in the clinic, every other dog there at the time would probably get it," he said.

All the cases Ross has seen so far were in dogs that stayed at a particular boarding facility, which he did not name.

Kennel cough is a tracheal bronchitis. The first symptom is usually a gagging cough, Ross said.

"When they come in, owners oftentimes say, 'I think my dog has something caught in its throat, like a bone or something,' because the cough sounds just like they're trying to cough something up," Ross said.

In some cases the cough remains minor, and disappears within a few days. In other cases, the cough and the gagging become extensive. The dog may develop runny eyes and nose, lose its appetite, gag and cough so hard it vomits, or have difficulty breathing. In the worst cases, pneumonia may develop as a complication.

Ross recommends dog owners call their veterinarians to describe what's happening with their pet. Dogs may be prescribed a cough suppressant or an anti-inflammatory drug to reduce swelling in the trachea. If there seems to be a secondary infection, like pneumonia, an antibiotic may be prescribed.

A dog with symptoms should be isolated from other dogs until at least two weeks after symptoms disappear. Even if your dog doesn't appear to be sick, this may not be the best time to visit the dog park or stay at a kennel, he said.

Ross said lab results show the new type of kennel cough is caused by an agent called mycoplasma. It can be treated with the antibiotic doxycycline, but shots haven't been developed to prevent mycoplasma. Kennel cough vaccines cover two more common causes of kennel cough — bordetella and parainfluenza.

Just as the flu that afflicts humans mutates from year to year, this kennel cough has changed. It's the first time there's been a breakout in kennel cough like this in many years, Ross said.

"The important thing to note here is the vaccines that are currently being used seem to not be effective. This is a new, possibly mutant, strain of a virus," Ross said.

Ross said he expects the number of cases to grow, and he anticipates the ailment will be found around the state before long.

He also cautioned that people boarding their pets for Labor Day should be aware that the vaccines for the more common strains of kennel cough don't work instantly. Dogs should receive their shots four to seven days before boarding.

Results of Ohio Hall of Fame Pointer Club – Specialty - Friday, August 6, 2016

Judge – Danny Seymour

BOB – CH Coralwood Kanix Brand New Ballgame – Owner – Sally Barton

BOS – GCH CH Oncore MyKyna Heisman Run – Owners – Dr. Patricia & Thaddeus Haines & Peggy Davis

BOW – Marjetta Sweet Annie – Owner – Marjetta Kennels

WD – Marjetta N Belburn’s Special Agent – Owners Bettie Campbell & Alex Van Meter

RWD – Perryglen The Life of Riley – Owners Louise Ritter & Garnett Persinger

WB – Marjetta Sweet Annie – Owner – Marjetta Kennels

RWB - Perryglen’s Daisy Dish Face- Owners -Murray Spearin & Deanna Ross

Select Dog – GCH Springpoint New Moon Rising - Owners - Lydia Frey, Tina McDonnell, Sally Kamm, & Chas McDonnell

Select Bitch – Ch. Dancindoll’s Wicked Black Witch – Owner – Laurie McCarty

Award of Merit & Best Hunting - Ch. Wynot Let Glory Shine – Owner -Katherine Shorter

Award of Merit – GCH CH Oncore Mykyna Tailgate Party – Owners - Dr. Patricia & Thaddeus Haines & Peggy Davis

Best Veteran – GCH My Kyna Partner in Hope CD RAE OAP NAP OA OAJ NF AXJ OF – Owner – Megan Goodwin & Pat Joyce

Best Bred by Exhibitor – Fairhaven’s Hide Your Heart JH – Owners – Pam & Earl Waitman

Results of Ohio Hall of Fame Pointer Club – Supported Entry – Saturday, August 7, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge – Mr. Fred Hyer

BSW – Perryglen’s Making Contact – Owner -Murray Spearin and Deanna Ross

BOSW – Perryglen The Life of Riley – Owner - Louis Ritter & Garnett Persinger

BVSW – GCH My Kyna Partner in Hope CD RAE OAP NAP OA OAJ NF AXJ OF – Owner - Megan Goodwin & Pat Joyce

BOSVSW – GCH MACH2 Coaralwood Wynot Brew Crew CDX RN MXC MJG XF JH – Owner - Joan Schmeling & Sally Barton

Breed Judge – Mr. James (Jim) S. Martin

BOB/Gr. 1/BIS – GCH Oncore Mykyna Tailgate Party – Owners – Dr. Patricia & Thaddeus Haines & Peggy Davis

BOS – GCH Oncore Mykyna Heisman Run – Owners – Dr. Patricia & Thaddeus Haines & Peggy Davis

BOW – Solivia’s Skywalker – Owners – Murray Spearin & Deanna Ross & Susan Thompson

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RWD – Fairhaven’s Hide Your Heart JH – Owners – Pam & Earl Waitman

WB – Perryglen’s Daisy Dish Face – Owners – Murray Spearin & Deanna Ross

RWB – Coralwoods Rockin’ Robin – Owners – Joan Schmeling & Sally Barton

OHBOB/OHGr2 – Ch. Southern Enough Said – Owners – Tina McDonnell & Meredith McGee & O’Malley McGee

Results of APC Supported Entry – August 18, 2016

Ranier Sporting Dog Association – Enumclaw Expo enter (Outdoors), Enumclaw, WA

Judge – Debra Davis

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

WB/BW/BOS – Heathercreek Zero Dark Thirty – Owner - Judy Paris

WD – Cookieland First on the Scene – Owner – Rick & Cheryl Buchanan

RWD – Paladen’s Ice Breaker – Owners - Jayne Bond and Karen Detterich

RWB – Valcopy Wynot Strike It Rich – Owners - Carol Dawson, Dana Plonkey and Rick Davis

BOBOH/OHGr 1 – GCH Coralwood Kanix No Cry’n in Baseball – Owners – Sally Barton, Vickie McGwire, Judy Paris and Lisa Merki