TO THE POINT

American Pointer Club

February 2016

We had a busy Board meeting in early February. By the time you are reading this the ballot for voting on the by-law changes and judges for the 2018 National Specialty will be in the mail. The biographies of the nominated judges can be found on the website.

The AKC has asked all Parent Clubs to write a brief statement on the health of our breed and the Health and Research Committee has been working on this for the past two months. The Board is working with the committee on the final wording. When completed we will publish the statement in the newsletter.

Pointer Points is a high priority on the Board’s agenda. A committee has been formed to get Pointer Points back on track. We have had a very good first conference call to discuss the issues and work on a solution. Our plan is to present our ideas to the membership at the annual meeting on Thursday, April 7th.

The Health and Research Committee announces the finalists for the 2016 APC Champions of Health - Congratulations to all!
- DC AFC Cookieland Blackthorn Clouseau
- Gch Ch Pawsup Accustomed to Success
- JH, BN, RA
- Ch Paladen’s No More Mr. Nice Guy CD, JH

Agility – Congrats to
- Ch MACH2 Black Alder Denali JH MXS MJS MJC OAP
- NJP MXF T2B3 – Deb Pereira & Phylis Krohl and Gch MACH2 Coralwood Wynot Brew Crew CDX RN MXG
- MJS XF – Joan Schmeling & Sally Barton for earning their MACH 2 titles.

Westminster Kennel Club Results
Best of Breed Gch Ch Bookstore As You Like It – Howard & Karen Spey
BOS – Ch. Seasyde Chise – Helyne Medeiros & Hailey Griffith
Select Dog – Gch Baypoint’s Notice to Mariners – Nancy Salmon & Jennifer & Darren Pahl & Peter Kubacz
Select Bitch – Ch Seasyde Brilliance – Christie Pinkston & Helyne Medeiros
AOM – Ch. Seasyde Wynot Shine on JH – Kathy Shorter & Helyne Medeiros

Our APC Sunshine Committee is here to give sympathy cards when people lose someone dear and get well wishes when a member is very ill. We would also like to celebrate important events in our members lives. It is important that our members notify APC Sunshine at these times. We must all work together to support our membership in times of sorrow and rejoicing.

As your APC Sunshine Chairperson, I ask that you please inform me directly when an important event or illness occurs in the lives of our members. Susan London, Chair shadybrookny@gmail.com
American Pointer Club - National Specialty - April 4-9, 2016
Florida Classic Park - Brooksville, FL

Contact Information: Paul Wessberg <sportofdogs@gmail.com>

If you are tired of shoveling snow and just beat from the winter come to Florida and have some fun in the heat. Remember to come see Dr. Gallaher, our repro vet, after sweeps is over on the show grounds. She gives a great seminar.

Start your National Specialty week off with entering and/or attending the field trial/hunt test on April 4-5 at the Central Florida Field Trial Club in Lake Wales, FL. Nothing better than watching the Pointer do what he was bred to do.

Mingle and Meet at the Welcome Party - This year the welcome party is being held at the show site. Come and enjoy the beautiful show grounds and let your dog’s get exercise in one of the large exercise areas. Festivities will begin at 6:00 PM. Food, soda and water will be provided. If you desire anything stronger it is BYOB. Let Karen Spey know if you are planning on attending Karen.spey@yahoo.com

The Breeders Seminar will be hosted by Judge’s Education Chair Susan Bleckley who will present to the membership the same presentation she gives to prospective judges. Plan to attend the seminar. Now is your chance to comment on what the future AKC judges are learning about our breed.

Come celebrate the versatility of our lovely Pointers! I guarantee you’ll enjoy watching and cheering for our teams competing in Agility, Rally, and Obedience. They are a small but mighty group, and are always open to helping anyone interested in getting started in the various sports or just explain what the sport is all about. Agility will be held Wednesday morning April 6 at Sunlight K9 Event Training Center (Directions will be in Judging Schedule and available at the hotel), with Obedience and Rally being held Thursday morning April 7 at Florida Classic Park.

TROPHIES – AT THIS TIME WE DO NEED EVERYONE WHO HAS ALREADY NOTIFIED THE TROPHY CHAIR OF A CONTRIBUTION TO A SPECIFIC TROPHY WHO HAS NOT PAID TO PLEASE SEND THE MONEY TO EITHER MARVA PETREQUIN OR THROUGH PAY PAL. MONEY NEEDS TO BE RECEIVED TO THE TREASURER BY MARCH 5 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CATALOG. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TROPHY DONATION.
Upcoming Regional Club Events: April – May 2016

Greater Delaware Valley Pointer Club
Hunt Test - April 30 - May 1, 2016
York Pointer Setter Club - Wellsville, PA
Contact Information: Kevin Freeburn kfreeburn@sheetz.com
Event Secretary - Peter Benson Peter.Benson@eccma.org

Greater Delaware Valley Pointer Club
Specialty Show & Sweepstakes - May 7, 2016
Bucks County Kennel Club - Erwinna, PA
Superintendent: MB-F
Sweepstakes Judge - Dan Smith Breed Judge - Britt E. Jung
Contact Information: Karen Spey karen.spey@yahoo.com

Greater Delaware Valley Pointer Club
Supported Entry & Sweepstakes
May 8, 2016 - Trenton Kennel Club, West Windsor Township, NJ
Contact Information - Frank DePaulo fdeapaulo@aol.com
Superintendent - Jim Rau
Sweepstakes judge – Jennifer Radonis Breed Judge - Nancy Simmons

Wilderness Pointer Club of Virginia, Inc.
Specialty Show and Sweepstakes - May 14, 2016
Mattaponi Kennel Club - Manassas, VA
Contact Information: Gaye Dunlop landsendptr@gmail.com
Superintendent: MB-F

Pointer Associates of New England
Field Trial - May 20-22, 2016
Flaherty Field Trial Grounds - East Windsor, CT
Contact Information: Deb Freidus blackthornept@earthlink.net

Pointer Associates of New England
Specialty Show & Sweepstakes – May 29, 2016
New England Sporting Dog Association
Superintendent – MB-F
Contact Information: Deb Freidus blackthornept@earthlink.net

Upcoming APC Events: April – May 2016

American Pointer Club - Field Trial - May 19, 2016
APC Eastern Classic
Flaherty Field Trial Grounds - East Windsor, CT
Contact Information: Deb Freidus blackthornept@earthlink.com