The Board approved a motion to eliminate the reinstatement fees for members. Members who fail to renew by the deadline (February 15th of each year) will need to submit a new member application with letters of reference and introduction with regular dues payment.

Purina Farms was approved as the location for the 2018 National Specialty, May 9-12, 2018

Miss Diana Chan will be the Juniors Judge for the 2017 National Specialty.

Welcome to the following New Members: Claire Wisch Abraham and Robert O’Sullivan

2017 APC National Specialty
Best Western Lehigh Valley Hotel and Conference Center
Bethlehem, PA
April 30 – May 5, 2017
Hotel Reservations can be made by calling (610) 866-5800
Complete information can be found on the APC Website shortly.

When making your reservations please be sure to tell the front desk you are with the American Pointer Club.

2018 National Specialty

The Board is happy to announce the site of the 2018 National Specialty is Purina Farms in Gray Summit, MO.

The judges are as follows:

Breed – Marjorie Martorella
Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes – Kathy Shorter
Futurity/Maturity – Joan Scott

For all those who participate in agility, GOOD NEWS – Agility will be held indoors at Purina Farms!

We do not have a Show Chair for this National, if anyone is available to serve the Club as Show Chair, please contact Susan Savage.

Save the Date

The American Pointer Club will be hosting a Meet the Breeds booth at the AKC National Championship again this year. If you are planning on attending the show in Orlando, mark your calendars to stop by the booth for a bit and help promote our breed. Meet the Breeds will run from December 17th-18th at the Orange County Convention Center. Contact Christine Foreman with any questions and to let us know if you’ll be able to help. See you there! Ceforeman10@gmail.com
Want to Volunteer to help the American Pointer Club?

Now is the time to submit your name to the Nominating Committee for consideration to be on the Nominating Committee’s Slate for 2017

The Nomination Committee members are:
Patricia Lillesand – Chairman
Frank DePaulo
Richard Rogers
Maria Fish
Kate Hornick

NEW ADDITION TO THE PERFORMANCE/COMPANION ISSUE OF POINTER POINTS

Advertise your Stud Dog- There will be a special section devoted just for advertising your stud dog. Each page will be divided in four (4) sections. The cost per section is $25.00. All pictures will be in Black/White.

The following is suggested for content for each ad:

- Photo (will be cropped to dog only)
- Registered Name/Call Name
- Sire/Dam
- Health Testing
- Owner/Breeder(s)
- Contact info (phone, email & web only)
- Additional info (30 words or Less)

Example: Spot is the proud sire of 3 litters in Canada with 4 Champions to date and 2 litters in Australia with 1 Champion, 20 American Champions, including 6 GCh.

Send picture and write up to Theresa Lyons pointerpointseditor@gmail.com Deadline for all advertising is November 1st.
The American Kennel Club is pleased to announce a title designed to celebrate the lifetime achievement of dogs that excel across all AKC agility classes – the Agility Grand Champion (AGCH).

To earn the AGCH title, the following number of qualifying scores must be earned:

- Master Standard & Master Jumper with Weaves – 100 qualifying scores from each class
- Master Fast – 75 qualifying score
- Time 2 Beat – 75 qualifying scores
- Premier Standard and Premier JWW – 50 qualifying scores from each class

Qualifying scores will be grandfathered and may be earned from either the Regular or Preferred classes or a combination of these classes.

“This truly is a lifetime achievement award,” says Carrie DeYoung, AKC Director of Agility. “We are looking forward to recognizing each of the teams who have demonstrated this relationship and depth of skill over their agility career.”

The new title becomes effective in July. In addition to a title certificate, a plaque will be awarded to each AGCH recipient. Stay tuned for news of the first dogs to achieve this level of excellence.

**Information from the American Veterinary Medical Association**

The AVMA Animal Health Studies Database is the first, and only, database that includes listings of veterinary clinical studies being conducted in all species of animals and most disciplines of veterinary medicine. It is well-known that there is a higher incidence of certain conditions in certain pure-breed dogs. There are many studies already listed in this database that are looking for specific breed types and it is fully expected that there will be many more studies to come that, in many cases, just want a sample of blood or tissue with which to conduct genetic analyses. If you could promote the existence of this new database to your members, it will both help facilitate the accumulation of medical knowledge to either diminish the incidence of some types of disease or improve the veterinary care for those conditions. Further, it would help increase public awareness and the ultimate success of the database.

If you are inclined, it would be great if you could add a link to the AAHSD from your website. The attached image could be used as a ‘button’ in which to embed the link for your website, or you could simply add the link itself.

[www.avma.org/findvetstudies](http://www.avma.org/findvetstudies)
Summer Reading Suggestion

For all of you looking for a good book to read on your vacation or when taking a few minutes to relax after working with the dogs may we suggest "No Better Friend" written by Robert Weintraub and published by Little, Brown & Company.

Frank Williams, a flight technician, and canine POW. The author puts you Judy survives; in the water as Judy wreckage, saving lives; and on the convinced Judy is gone. The book takes where Frank and Judy are reunited and through the period in the camp when both man and dog approach the brink of survival, together.

It has recently been published in paperback. The hardbound book contains some wonderful pictures of Judy and her litter and sire by another purebred pointer Paul.

Results of APC Supported Entry – Oklahoma City Kennel Club – July 2, 2016
Sweepstakes Judge – Ms. Helen Dorrance
BSW – Solivia’s The Wait is Over at Skyhi – Owner – Jolene & Merle Krohn, Dennis & Katey Brown


Breed Judge – Mrs. Donna Buxton
BOB - GCH CH GCHP Penpoint in Dress Blues – Owner – Lee Ann Stagg & Sierra Ward & Jake Medlin
BOS – Ch. Kingscroft Bellini – Owner – Nancy Parr
BOW – Golden Tada Shotgun Wedding – Owner – Talei C Akins – Tillman & Dennis Akins
WD - Golden Tada Shotgun Wedding – Owner – Talei C Akins – Tillman & Dennis Akins

Up Coming APC Supported Events: October

American Pointer Club - APC Supported Show - October 22, 2016
Wenatchee Kennel Club - Cashmere, WA
Contact Information: Lisa Merki <>
Superintendent:
Show Superintendent: Baray Event Services dogshows@barayevents.com Breed Judge: Jeffrey Pepper

Up Coming Regional Club Events: October

Pointer Associates of New England - Field Trial - October 1&2, 2016
Flaherty Field Trial Grounds - East Windsor, CT
Contact Information: Deb Freidus <blackthornept@earthlink.net>
**Wilderness Pointer Club – Supported Entry – October 1, 2016**
Warrenton KC – Breed Judge – Linda Robey

**Specialty Show and Sweepstakes - October 2, 2016**
Old Dominion Kennel Club - Millwood, VA
Breed Judge - W S Gunn Sweepstakes – Sweepstakes Judge – Sandra Novicin
Contact Information: Erica Bandes  kinnike101@gmail.com

**American Pointer Club - National Field Championship - October 10-15, 2016**
Fort Robinson State Park - Crawford, NE
Contact Information: Tracy Haines <pointer3383@aol.com>

**Wilderness Pointer Club of Virginia, Inc. - Field Trial - October 27 - 30, 2016**
Dillwyn, VA
Walking Field Trial # 1 – October 27 – 28, 2016 and Walking Field Trial #2 – October 29 – 30, 2016, Dillwyn, VA
Contact information for both trials: Erica Bandes  kinnike101@gmail.com