

To The Point



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President's Message

This weekend marks the unofficial start of summer. Here in NJ comes the good news that the state has lifted all of the draconian COVID restrictions. We are finally free! It also marks the first outdoor show in the state since October 2019. How nice will it be to see photos of the winners without the masks!

I have been in communication with the Louisville Cluster regarding our 2022 National. Unfortunately, there have been several changes in the cluster committee chairs so information is hard to get. I was hoping to be able to share details with you in this President's Message, but it will have to wait till next month. Elsewhere in the newsletter are the APC Committee Chairs for the Louisville National. There are a few vacancies. Please consider volunteering.

AKC has a schedule of venues and dates for their Meet the Breeds events. These are two-day events and are stand-alone- not in conjunction with an All-Breed show. In order for APC to be represented, we will need four members to commit for each event. If this is something you are interested and available for, please contact our Public Ed. Chair, Tina McDonnell. AKC will be compensating the attendees.

Enjoy the Memorial Day weekend with friends and family!

Marjorie

The graphic is titled "2021 EVENT SCHEDULE" and features the AKC logo and "Meet the Breeds" text. It lists eight events in a grid format, each with a location and dates. At the bottom, there are three circular photos of dogs and a small AKC logo.

Event Name	Location	Dates
SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CENTER	San Diego, CA	August 14-15
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON DALLAS CONVENTION CENTER	Dallas, TX	August 21-22
TAMPA CONVENTION CENTER	Tampa Bay, FL	September 18-19
EXPO CENTER AT OAKS	Philadelphia, PA	September 25-26
DONALD E. STEPHENS CONVENTION CENTER	Chicago, IL	October 15-16
MINNEAPOLIS CONVENTION CENTER	Minneapolis, MN	October 23-24
GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER	Columbus, OH	November 13-14
ERNEST N. MORIAL CONVENTION CENTER	New Orleans, LA	November 20-21

Please contact Tina McDonnell and let her know you are interested in helping out at the Meet the Breeds in your area. We need four members for each event. AKC will compensate the attendees. Please contact Tina

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Motion to add "APC" to the title of all awards. [20210413-17 PM](#)

2022 National Specialty

*Believe it or not the planning has started for the 2022 National Specialty but we need a logo. The deadline for submission of a logo for consideration is **July 1**. The winner will receive a free dinner at the Annual Dinner an Auction. Please send your idea to Susan London apccorresponding@gmail.com*

DESIGN A LOGO FOR THE 2022 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

1. Logo design should be representative of the area. (Louisville, KY)
2. Include date of the National (March 14-18, 2022)
3. Limit the number of colors to 4 and be sure to have clean lines on the design. The more colors the more expensive to embroider.
4. Size of logo 4" x 4" or no more than 6" x 6".
5. Deadline for submission to the Board is July 1st. Send to Susan London at apccorresponding@gmail.com
6. Winner wins a free dinner at the Annual Dinner.

The following National Specialty Committees are still looking for a member to chair the committee. Time to step up and support the club. Contact Marjorie Martorella marjetta@optonline.net

Apparel

Banquet

Catalog Sales

Companion Events

Welcome Party

Welcome Bags



**MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW TO ATTEND THE AMERICAN POINTER CLUB
NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL CHAPIONSHIP**

LOCATION: MINGOS SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

BLOOMINGDALE, OHIO 43910

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6 – 10, 2021

**CONTACT – ANGELA SCHILLEREFF, TRIAL CHAIR – sikennels@aol.com OR DEBRA FREIDUS,
TRIAL SECRETARY blackthornpt@earthlink.net FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Announcing...

The First Pointer To Win The **AGILITY EXCELLENT** title:

Ch. Harmony Lane's Good Dawg Carl, CD, AX!!!



If you are familiar with AKC obedience you know there are three levels of obedience competition - Novice, Open, and Utility. The Utility title (also known as *Futility* by those of us in the sport) is extremely difficult to attain and only a small percentage of the dogs started in Novice ever continue on to earn a UD. Similarly, in AKC agility the levels of competition are Novice Agility (NA), Open Agility (OA), and Agility Excellent (AX). Getting to and completing an AX is truly an awesome accomplishment. An Agility Excellent course contains 18-20 agility obstacles, including weave poles and the triple jump. There must be 8-10 challenges such as traps and call-offs. The time is grueling - 3 yards per second with a 3 point deduction for every second over course time. And the contorted course designs can cause even the most experienced handlers to "get lost" in the middle of a run. Achieving the AX means the dog-and-handler team has spent countless hours in training, has driven many miles for only a few seconds in the ring, and has achieved a very special, almost telepathic, rapport.

MEET SOME OF OUR NEWEST LIFETIME MEMBERS

JUDY BRYANT-VILWOCK



My name is Judy Bryant Vilwock and I reside in Sun Prairie, WI. I've been involved in Pointers and a member of APC since 1996, and am thrilled to now be an APC Lifetime member, even if it makes me feel old knowing I've been involved in anything for 25 years;-)

I've held various positions in the club, such as VP, Board member, National Specialty Field Trial & Hunt Test Secretary, although not as involved the last several years since my son Nikko keeps me very busy with his hockey and tennis activities. I've enjoyed competing in conformation, field trials, hunt tests, and agility trials, with field trials being my favorite.

In 2010 it was my dream come true to put a Dual Championship on my Pointer Ranger (DC Remington Grand Teton Ranger SH). My current Pointer is a beautiful solid black boy named Magnus (Remington Grand Teton Maelstrom), who was APC #1 field puppy back in 2017. Although we've taken a break from field work due to work and child commitments, I hope to get "back in the saddle" eventually. Currently Magnus is the subject of a school activity for Nikko which involves teaching a dog to "stay".

TAMMY ALBEE

I got into pointers in 1997 with a daughter of Ch Crookrise Yankee Doodle JH. I subsequently bred her to two dogs from Scanpoint lines to develop the Corwyn prefix. Corwyn produced a number of lovely litters with Scanpoint, Kinnike, Lilliputian, Blackthorne, and especially Tradewinds stud dogs, including dogs who excelled in conformation, field, obedience and agility. Corwyn has been fortunate to have very long-lived dogs, many reaching 14, 15 and 16 years old. In 2004 Ch Corwyn's Flare at Tradewinds was Awarded Winners Bitch at the APC national under Tom Bradley, shown by her co-owner Monica Postma. Corwyn has been awarded Field Breeder of the year and Obedience Breeder of the Year. (Please keep this as "Corwyn" because I don't want to leave out John but it's not appropriate to name us together now.) Probably many remember Ch Corwyn's Cezanne JH CD VA DOM who won many specialty veterans sweeps over the years. She was a truly special dog, and dam of 9 champions along with several JH and obedience titled dogs.

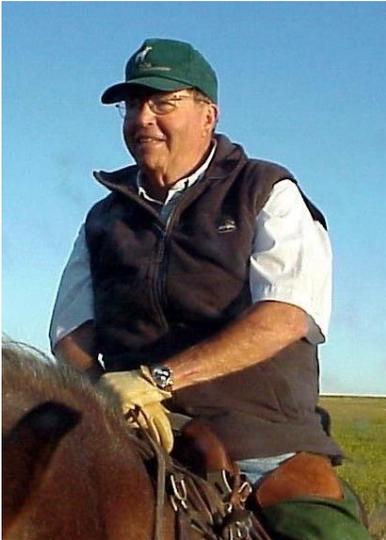


I have served on the Field Committee, the National Specialty Committee, the Versatility Awards Committee and was a founding member of PRO. I have served on the board, as President and Secretary of PCCNJ (now GDVPC). I have also been a member of PANE. I have judged Sweepstakes for Upper Midwest and Wilderness specialties.

It has always been my goal to produce and exhibit pointers who are sound of mind and body, and who are long-lived and affectionate companions. I strive to support and encourage new pointer exhibitors. I wish to see our beautiful and talented breed continue to be one of "power and grace" that "unmistakably looks the part" of a dog "bred primarily for sport afield."

JODY RIPSTEIN

My love of Pointers began when I was asked to help someone out and show their Pointer Special in the group as they had a client commitment. One lap around the group ring and I knew it would not be my last with a Pointer. I am very fortunate that Rachael Murphy (Alydar), Jane & Megan Johnston (Edgehill) and Kathy Trela (PNR) support my addiction to this breed by sharing their lovely dogs with me. I feel very lucky to be owned by this amazing breed.



JACK HAINES

I have been involved in pointing breed dogs for over 50 years. I have owned GSPs, Brittanys, Irish Setters, English Setters, and Pointers; competing in American Field & AKC field trials, hunt tests, and shows. I have finished AKC show champions, American Field Champions, AKC field champions, as well as two AKC National Amateur field champions; have had a DC in the family and enjoyed them all. I have traveled to Canada, Mexico, and most of the USA, training and competing with Pointers. I have many good memories of those days, of the people and their dogs that I enjoy sharing. I have had many judging assignments, including American Field Championships and AKC National Championships. I have been able to judge some of the finest dogs in the country and have enjoyed them all. I've also made lifelong friends in the process. I have owned and finished over 35 champions.

I have served as President of the American Pointer Club in 2007 and served for many years as the chair of the APC National Field Trial Standing Committee.

MAGGIE PLATT

My first Pointer, Emmet, was born in 1994 from Kinnike Kennels and earned both his championship and Amateur field Championship. I never knew how much I would enjoy field work until I entered a JH test with him. Watching our dogs perform what they were bred to do is breathtaking and became a cornerstone of my breeding program. My first litter was born in 2000. I have bred over 50 champions under the Penzance prefix since then and included bloodlines from many different countries in an attempt to improve temperament, health, structure and working ability.

I am grateful to the breeders I obtained dogs from and have bred with as well as the puppy families that have allowed me to develop my lines. My favorite part of breeding is matching puppies and dogs to their prospective families and seeing the bond develop between them. I was a co-founder of the very successful PointerRescue.org and rescued and rehomed over 300 Pointers. I hope to be breeding and competing with my dogs and meeting new people for many years to come.

JUNE DENNIS

My addiction to purebred dogs started in 1968 with the purchase of a female Keeshond. I learned quickly that she was not show quality but was super smart. At the recommendation of some friends, I signed up for a local obedience class and that's where I met Barbara Burr, Dorobin Kennels, breeder of Champion Cocker Spaniels and Standard Poodles. She hired me to work at her kennel and Grooming Shop. I soon found that just taking care of the kennel & grooming was not all I wanted to do. I began to compete with my Keeshond in obedience where we as a team won many awards. Bobbie saw my potential while I was learning to groom and decided to grace me with a Cocker Spaniel puppy for Christmas the year I turned 19. That solid black boy became my first champion and the beginning of 50 years of enjoying raising, breeding and showing them. In 1980, I added English Setters to my household. I owned, bred and finished several of them.

While I love the Cockers and English Setters, there was a part of me still looking for a breed of dog that just really meshed with my personality and balanced out the ton of grooming that the Cockers require. I had had some experience with friends who had Pointers and in 1995 I ventured out and purchased my first one. I cannot believe how much I love this breed! I only wish that I had gotten started sooner (younger). In my 25 years with Pointers, I have owned, bred/co-bred, finished 26 Champions, (16 of which are homebred), 3 Grand Champions, 2 Group Placers, 1 Canadian Champion, 1 International Champion, 1 obedience Companion Dog (who was High Scoring Obedience dog at 2001 APC National) and 3 Canine Good Citizens. I will confess that I do not plan to quit anytime soon.



I joined the American Pointer Club with the purchase of my first Pointer because I feel that it is important to belong to your National Club. I also belong to the Pointer Club of Southern California, I am a life member of the American Spaniel Club, the Cocker Spaniel Club of Orange County and my local Obedience club. In the past, as an active Club member, I was a Show Chairperson, Show Secretary, and I have helped with taking ads a Cocker Spaniel magazine and the Pointer yearbook. I have attended several Nationals and helped with Meet The Breed booths at local shows. I was recently asked to help with West Coast Meet the Breed education for APC. I look forward to many more years with this exceptional, smart, funny, versatile, birdy companionable, sweet, devoted Breed.