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National Field Trial Committee and Championship Guidelines

National Specialty Field Trial/Hunt Test Guidelines

Field Futurity

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NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL STANDING COMMITTEE

The National Field Trial Standing Committee (NFTSC) is the governing committee for all American Pointer Club (APC) field trials including the National Championship. **20081008-49-B** The NFTSC serves the Club and reports to the APC Board of Directors. This committee consists of eight APC members representing two geographic areas of the USA; four APC members from each Region shall be appointed to the committee via the committee chairman. The committee chairman is appointed by the APC President. The two Regions are defined below: **20070913-03-X Regions from 3 to 2**

- East Coast Region - All States east of the Mississippi River
- West Coast Region - All States west of the Mississippi River

The committee chairman appoints members to the standing committee. A person selected to the committee must be a member of the APC and have been either a chairman or secretary for a field trial as well as have served on a field trial committee. The committee membership as a whole should represent experiences in field trial judging, handling, and training.

The NFTSC will act as an "oversight committee" for all APC-sponsored field trials with exception to the National Championship. If no independent member club offers to host an APC field event as listed in the following sections, the NFTSC will assign one of its members as chairman to the event. All Committee Chairs and Committee members shall be members of the APC. The NFTSC has final approval for the trial chairman, co-chairman, secretary and committee members, judge selection, and grounds selection. The NFTSC shall act as mentor to field trial committees, as required or requested.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

HISTORY

In 1994, the APC requested that the AKC grant permission to the APC to hold a National Championship Stake and a National Amateur Championship Stakes for Pointers. Such stakes would be held no more than once in each calendar year beginning in the fall of 1996. The winners of these stakes would be credited with championship points, and could be designated “National Champion of 20__ and National Amateur Champion of 20__.

NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL STANDING COMMITTEE

The National Field Trial Standing Committee (NFTSC) is the governing committee for all American Pointer Club (APC) Field Trials and Hunt Tests**. 20081008-49-B**

Responsibilities of this committee in reference to the National Championship (from here forward referenced as 'the Trial') are as follows:

- The NFTSC is responsible for running the trial and determining the location and date of the trial.
- The NFTSC is responsible for the final selection of the judging panel for all stakes. Any APC member may submit judge nominations to any member of the NFTSC for consideration no later than the NFTSC meeting at the National Championship the previous year.
- The NFTSC must submit their completed National Championship application to the APC Recording Secretary to

host the trial at least 10 months before in order for the BOD to give approval and before it is submitted to the AKC for approval.
- The NFTSC will be responsible for the actual budgeting of the event.
- The NFTSC may, at the committee's discretion, invite other APC members to serve on the National Championship committee. These members must be listed as committee members in the premium list.

The application submitted to the APC orrosponding Secretary no later than 8 months before event shall include the following:

- Date
- Exact location
- Budget for the trial - expenses and income
- Name and complete address of:
  1. Trial Committee Chairman (must be a member of the NFTSC)

  2. Trial Committee Members (members outside the NFTSC must also be APC members)

  3. Trial Secretary (can be members outside the NFTSC, must also be APC member)

- Location of Hotel Headquarters; Judges' Names & bios, if possible; and stakes judging should also be submitted so the BOD can make an informed decision.
- AKC required information for the application

EVENT GUIDELINES:

General -

- To be held as an independent event in the Fall.
- The location of the Trial should successively rotate from various parts of the country between the two Regions defined in this section. Adequate room for one hour stakes would be required as would appropriate facilities. In considering the date and site selection, the NFTSC should give these guidelines preference, but not to the exclusion of good judgment.
- There must be a minimum of thirteen starters, or the minimum as required by AKC, in The National Championship stake and The National Amateur Championship stake to qualify as National Champion stakes.
- The Secretary shall ensure that the premium list for the trial be sent to all members of the APC whether that is by inclusion in Pointer Points, email, postal mail, APC website, or AKC website 2 months in advance of the event.

Entries -

- The National Championship and National Amateur Championship stakes will be open to all qualified AKC registered Pointers six months of age and older. A qualified Pointer is defined as a Pointer that has placed First, Second, Third or Fourth in any Gun Dog or All-Age Stake at any licensed AKC Field Trial.
- A drawing for brace placements will take place a minimum of 2 weeks in advance of the trial. The results of the drawing will be submitted for posting to the APC website as well as emailed to all exhibitors and committee members before the Trial begins by the Field Trial Secretary.

Judges -

- A minimum of four AKC licensed judges are to be selected by the NFTSC. Judges selected will be persons with an AKC national reputation which is defined as having judging experience at a regional and/or national level. Judges selected must each have judged AKC field trials at least 5 times in the past 5 years. The judging panel must be unanimously approved by all NFTSC members.

Stakes -

- The Trial, at a minimum, will consist of a National Championship and a National Amateur Championship stake. All efforts will be made to run an Open Derby Classic, an Open Puppy Classic, and a Futurity stake.
- The Championship braces will be one hour in length with no more than 8 braces each day.
- The Open Derby Classic, Open Puppy Classic, and Futurity stake will be 30 minutes in length.
- The APC National Championships are to be run and judged on a "best dog" standard, be that a Gun Dog or All

Age application.

- The Judges may run, at their discretion, a second series for either Championship stake. They will be asked to announce those dogs, if any, being called back for the second series at the end of each stake's running.
- All stakes are to be run and judged in accordance with the existing AKC Rules & Regulations in effect for field trials at that time.
- Bitches in season will be allowed to run in the Championship stakes. Allowing their inclusion in the Open Puppy Classic and/or the Open Derby Classic is at the discretion of the field trial committee and the determination will be stated in the premium

Awards -

- Standard AKC rosettes will be given for all placements. Judges' Awards of Merits may be awarded at the Judges' discretion.
- A special rosette will be awarded to the dogs named National Field Champion and National Amateur Field Champion.
- Special prizes will be awarded to the dogs named National Field Champion and National Amateur Field Champion and their handlers.
- Should the winner of the National Championship stake and the National Amateur Championship stake be an APC member, a Perpetual Trophy will be awarded. Members winning the Perpetual Trophies may accept possession of the trophy at the banquet upon executing an acceptance form that declares the value of the trophy and outlines the responsibility of the winner. The winner will be responsible for the safe keeping of the trophy while in their possession. If a trophy is damaged or lost while in the possession of a member, it should be repaired properly, or duplicated at the expense of the member possessing the trophy. It is suggested that the member possessing these Perpetual Trophies purchase an insurance rider to provide financial protection for the declared value of these trophies. It is the responsibility of the NFTSC to examine each trophy prior to the banquet to ascertain that it is in proper condition.

Judges' Marshal -

- The Judges Marshal, who shall be an AKC approved field trial judge, shall be selected by the Trial Committee and will be responsible for aiding the Judges throughout the Trial and will act as a judge if one of the judges is unable to perform his/her duties. It is recommended the Judges Marshal meet the same selection criteria as the Judges, whenever possible. Separate Stake Marshals will be selected by the Trial Committee and will be responsible for controlling the gallery and spectators.

Birds and Bird Planting -

- Bird planters will be selected by the Trial Committee. The type of game bird, quail and/or chuckar will be used for the Trial. Other native game birds that are common to the region might also be encountered.
- Birds will be planted throughout the Trial according to the AKC Rules & Regulations.
- Call Birds (whether live or artificial), if used, will be placed in strategic places approved by the Trial Chairman.

Gallery –

- The gallery will be comprised of participants and spectators following the braces on foot, on horseback or gallery wagon is available. The NFTSC will make every effort to provide horses to rent for those spectators without a mount. The NFTSC will make every effort to encourage spectators to attend the trial, regardless of their experience level within the sport.

Tracking Collars –

- Tracking collars shall be permitted in accordance with the AKC Rules & Regulations. **20070910-60-B**

Host location –

- A location will be selected as the Trial headquarters relatively close to the trial grounds. Social events should be held here provided that there are adequate facilities available.

Educational Seminar –

- Efforts should be made to provide an education seminar open to all participants and spectators. A nationally recognized trainer, veterinarian, or other field trial sport enthusiast will be selected to give a presentation on training, dog health/performance, horse health/performance, or trailing at a designated time during the Trial. A fee may be charged to help defray the cost for this event.

Social Events -

- The first night of the trial should be a social event where people would gather together much like the National Specialty hospitality night. The course and grounds will be reviewed with any special requirements and conditions noted.
- A banquet will take place at or near the trial and will honor stake winners, exhibitors, and judges.
- An auction of general and field trial items will take place at or near the trial to help support the following year's National Championship.
- Any event planned as stated above should be included in the Premium List.

Advertising -

- Upon approval of the National Championship application by the APC BOD, the NFTSC will place ads in the APC membership publication before the trial premiums are distributed to increase awareness of the trial and to publicize the event. Other avenues of advertising are the AKC website, Field Trial News website, and other publications as they become known or available.

Trial Budget -

- The APC established a National Field Trial bank account and in 1995 deposited $2000.00 to aid in starting this event. The account is permanent and will be used to sponsor all future National Championship events. A new signature card for the Trial Chairman will be established whenever necessary.
- Efforts should be made to help defray trial costs soliciting corporate sponsorship, APC member donations, an auction of donated items, attendance fees to seminars, and APC member and company sponsorship of rosettes and trophies.

Results –

- Write-up of event with results must be sent to the Newsletter editor for publication in the the monthly newsletter.. Photos optional, but recommended.
- Within 1 month of event conclusion, write-up of event with results must be sent to Website manager. Photos optional, but recommended.
- Within 2 months of event conclusion, income statement of events must be sent to APC Treasurer. Income statement must also be sent to Pointer Points Editor for inclusion in next available issue of Pointer Points.

EASTERN & WESTERN CLASSIC

Responsibilities of this committee in reference to the Eastern or Western Classic (from here forward referenced as 'the Classic') are as follows:

- In the event that an APC Regional Club or APC member group submits a bid to host the Classic, this bid is required to be submitted to the NFTSC no later than one month prior to the National Championship preceding the proposed Classic. If an independent club has been approved by the NFTSC to staff and manage this event, the NSTFC shall act as the primary advisor for matters pertaining to the event. In this situation, the NFTSC is responsible for the oversight of the Classic and has final approval over the location, date, judging panel,

stakes offered, field trial committee members, and budget of the trial. If no independent club submits a bid that meets the approval of the NFTSC for any given year, the NFTSC shall determine the date and location for that upcoming Classic, and will convene an Event Committee, which will be responsible for staffing and managing the event. The date and location of the Classic requires the approval of the Board of Directors.

- The NFTSC is responsible for approving the final selection of the judging panel. Any APC member may submit judge nominations to the NFTSC committee for consideration. Nominations should be sent to the NFTSC no later than one month prior to the National Championship preceding the proposed Classic.

- The Secretary for the Classic must submit a completed application to the APC Recording Secretary, no later than five months prior to the close date of the Classic, to allow adequate time for APC BOD approval, AKC approval, and advance promotion of the event. The application should be made within a month after the bid approval by the NFTSC.

- The NFTSC will be responsible for approving the budgeting of the trial or, in the event that the NFTSC is running the Classic, developing the budget.

- The application submitted to the APC Recording Secretary shall include the following:
    - Date
    - Exact location
    - Budget for the trial – estimated expenses and income
    - Name and complete address of:
    - Trial Committee Chairman (must be a member of the NFTSC)
    - Trial Committee Members (can be members outside the NFTSC: must also be APC members)
    - Trial Secretary (can be members outside the NFTSC, must also be APC member)
    - AKC required information for the application
- Location of Hotels
- Judges' Names & bios and stakes judging should also be submitted so the BOD can make an informed decision.

<u>EVENT GUIDELINES</u>

General -

- The Eastern and Western Open Gun Dog Classic is to be held in the Spring as either an independent event or in conjunction with a local Pointer Club all breed field trial.
- The location of the trial should rotate. The Eastern or Western Classic held each year in the region that is NOT hosting that year's National Championships. The East and West regions are defined as East or West of the Mississippi River. The Classic must be at least a forty five minute stake and but no longer than a one hour stake. Stake length to be determined by the NFTSC. Adequate room for the stake would be required as would appropriate facilities. In considering the date and site selection, the NFTSC should give these guidelines preference, but not to the exclusion of good judgment.
- The Secretary shall ensure that the premium list for the trial will be sent to all members of the APC either in Pointer Points, via the APC web page, by email, or by postal mail. The premium list will contain all information about the trial in accordance with AKC rules and regulations including the name and logo of the American Pointer Club. Additional information specific to activities such as dinners, fund raising, etc shall be included in the premium list at the discretion of the committee.
- The committee should appoint a scribe and a photographer. The write up and pictures should be published on the APC website and in Pointer Points.
- Bitches in Season - Bitches in Season will be allowed to run in the Classic whenever possible. AKC Field Trial Rules and Regulations will be followed.

Entries -

- The American Pointer Club Eastern and Western Classic will be open to all AKC registered Pointers six months of age and older.

- A drawing for brace placements will take place at least 4 days in advance of the trial. Location, time etc. shall be in accordance with the premium. The running order should include the registered and call name of the dog as well as the owner and handler.

Judges -

- Two active AKC licensed judges will be selected by the committee running the Classic with final approval by the NFTSC. Judges selected will be persons with AKC regional reputation which is defined as having judging experience at AKC regional events
- Judges selected must each have judged AKC field trials at least 5 times in the past 5 years.
- The APC Regional Classic is to be run as a gun dog stake and judged on a gun dog standard.
- A second series will be at the discretion of the Judges. They will be asked to announce those dogs, if any, being called back for the second series at the end of the running.
- The Classic is to be run and judged in accordance with the existing AKC Rules & Regulations in effect for field trials at that time.

Awards -

- Standard AKC rosettes will be given for all placements.
- Honorable mention rosettes may be awarded at the discretion of the Judges.

Judges Marshal -

- The Judges Marshal, who shall be an AKC approved field trial judge, shall be selected by the committee hosting the trial and will be responsible for aiding the Judges throughout the trial and will act as a judge if one of the judges is unable to perform his/her duties. It is recommended the Judges Marshal meet the same selection criteria as the Judges, whenever possible. Separate Stake Marshals will be selected and will be responsible for controlling the gallery and spectators.

Birds and Bird Planting -

- Bird planters will be selected by the committee. The type of game bird, quail and/or chuckar will be used for the Trial. Other native game birds that are common to the region might also be encountered used for the trial will be Birds will be planted throughout the trial according to the AKC Rules & Regulations.
- Call Birds (whether live or artificial), if used, will be placed in strategic. Adjustments in bird liberation may be made at the discretion of the judges.

Gallery –

- The gallery will comprise of participants and spectators following the braces on foot, on horseback, or gallery wagon if available. The committee will make every effort to provide horses to rent for those spectators without a mount. The committee will make every effort to encourage spectators to attend the trial, regardless of their experience level within the sport.

Tracking Collars –

- Tracking collars shall be permitted in accordance with the AKC Rules & Regulations. **20070910-60-B**

Social Events -

- A judge's dinner should be held at or near the trial location and will honor all stake participants and the winners.
- An auction of general and field trial items may take place at or near the trial to help support the following year's National Championship and/or Classic.

Results –

- Write-up of event with results must be sent to Pointer Points for publication in the Pointer Points Summer edition, or as determined by the BOD. Photos optional, but recommended.
- Within 2 weeks of event conclusion, write-up of event with results must be sent to Website manager. Photos

optional, but recommended.

- Within 2 months of event conclusion, income statement of events must be sent to APC Treasurer. Income statement must also be sent to Pointer Points Editor for inclusion in next available issue of Pointer Points.

NATIONAL SHOW & FIELD FUTURITY RULES

The American Pointer Club (APC) National Show Futurity is held each year in conjunction with the APC National Specialty Show, on or between the dates of April 1st and June 30th, and the Field Futurity Stake is held each year in conjunction with the APC National Championship, on or between the dates of September 1st to November 30th. The Futurity Stake is open to all individuals with eligible puppies from nominated litters who have complied with the following rules:

I. ELIGIBILITY

Show Futurity: Litters are eligible to be nominated for one Futurity Stake only - for that year in which they have reached six (6) months of age as of April 1st, and will still be less than eighteen (18) months of age as of that date. The year of the Futurity Stake will be indicated on the Nomination and Enrollment Forms furnished by the Futurity Chairperson, all of which are to be submitted (postmarked) along with the appropriate fees (made payable to the American Pointer Club) to the Futurity Chairperson on or before the dates specified. The Futurity Chairperson will fill in the appropriate year of the Futurity stake on the individual puppy enrollment forms.

Field Futurity: Puppies whelped on or after January 1st through December 31st of the current year will be eligible to compete in the Field Futurity two years later (e.g., January 1- December 31, 1999 will compete in the Futurity Stake in the year 2001.) The Futurity Chairperson will fill in the appropriate year of the Futurity stake on the individual puppy enrollment forms. Individual puppy enrollments to be submitted with the appropriate fees to the Field Futurity Chairperson (a member of the NFTSC).

II. NOMINATIONS

To be eligible to nominate a bitch and her litter for the Futurity Stake, **at least one of the Breeders of Record of the litter must have been a member of the APC** for the six (6) consecutive months immediately preceding the nomination. If there are additional Breeders of Record for the litter, and they were not APC Members, the bitch and her litter may still be nominated, but higher fees will apply.

When an APC member nominates his/her bitch and her litter, all puppies are automatically nominated in both the Bench and Field Futurities through the Litter Enrollment. It is then up to the individual puppy owner to continue enrollments in one or both of the Futurities. Bitch and litter nomination funds will go into the Bench futurity fund. If puppies are enrolled in the Field futurity the APC will match Bitch and litter nomination fees from said litter.

A. BITCH NOMINATION

The Bitch Nomination Form, accompanied by the appropriate Bitch Nomination Fee, must be submitted **before the litter is whelped**. If all of the Breeders of Record were APC members for the six (6) consecutive months immediately preceding the nomination, the Bitch Nomination Fee will be twenty dollars ($20.00). If one or more of the Breeders were not APC members for the required six months, the Bitch Nomination Fee will be forty dollars ($40.00).

B. LATE NOMINATION OF BITCH

A late nomination for a bitch will be accepted if submitted **within thirty (30) days after the birth of the litter.** The Late Bitch Nomination Fee, which includes a late penalty fee, will be a total of forty dollars ($40.00) if all of the Breeders of Record were APC members for the six (6) consecutive months immediately preceding the nomination. If one or more of the Breeders were not APC members for the required six months, the Late Bitch Nomination Fee, including a late penalty fee, will be sixty dollars ($60.00).

C. LITTER NOMINATION

A Litter Nomination Form, accompanied by the appropriate Litter Nomination Fee, must be submitted **within thirty (30) days after the birth of the litter**. If all of the Breeders of Record were APC members for the six (6) consecutive months immediately preceding the nomination, the Litter Nomination Fee will be ten dollars ($10.00). If one or more of the Breeders were not APC members for the required six months, the Litter Nomination Fee will be twenty dollars ($20.00).

D. LATE LITTER NOMINATION

A late nomination for a litter will be accepted if submitted **within thirty-one to sixty (31-60) days after the birth of the litter**. The Late Litter Nomination Fee, which includes a late penalty fee, will be twenty dollars ($20.00) if all of the Breeders of Record were APC Members for the six (6) consecutive months immediately preceding the nomination. If one or more of the breeders were not APC members for the required six (6) months, the Late Litter Registration fee will be thirty dollars ($30.00).

III. ENROLLMENTS

To remain eligible for the Show or Field Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually enrolled three (3) times by the dates specified. Puppies to be nominated **need to be entered separately for the Bench and Field Futurities.** Late First and Second Enrollments of individual puppies will be accepted as noted below, but higher fees will be charged. No late Final Enrollments will be accepted. Please notify the Futurity Chairperson promptly of any changes in ownership and/or address for owners of enrolled puppies.

A. FIRST ENROLLMENT & LATE FIRST ENROLLMENT

The First Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($10.00) must accompany the First Enrollment Form and be submitted before the puppy is three (3) months of age. The First Enrollment/Second Enrollment Forms for the individual puppies will be sent to the Breeder for distribution to the owners of the puppies. Late First Enrollments will be accepted if the First Enrollment Form is submitted before the puppy is four (4) months of age. The Late First Enrollment Fee, which includes a late penalty fee, will be twenty dollars ($20.00).

B. SECOND ENROLLMENT & LATE SECOND ENROLLMENT

Show: The Second Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($10.00) must accompany the Second Enrollment Form and be submitted **before the puppy is six (6) months of age.** Late Second Enrollments will be accepted if the Second Enrollment Form is submitted **before the puppy is seven (7) months of age.** The Late Second Enrollment Fee, which includes a late penalty fee, will be twenty dollars ($20.00).

Field: The Second Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($10.00) must accompany the Second Enrollment Form and be submitted **before the puppy is twelve (12) months of age.** Late Second Enrollments will be accepted if the Second Enrollment Form is submitted **before the puppy is thirteen (13) months of age.** The Late Second Enrollment Fee, which includes a late penalty fee, will be twenty dollars ($20.00).

C. FINAL ENROLLMENT

The Final Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($10.00) must accompany the Final Enrollment Form. It must be submitted **at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the APC National Specialty Show & Field Futurity Stake** for which the puppy has been nominated. The Final Enrollment Forms for individual puppies will be sent to the owners listed on the Second Enrollment Forms.

No late Final Enrollments will be accepted.

IV. CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

When puppies from Futurity-nominated litters are sold or transferred, Futurity eligibility is transferable to the new owners provided that Enrollment Fees are **current prior to the change in ownership**. Owners that acquire puppies from Futurity nominated litters are not required to be APC Members in order to maintain eligibility for the Futurity Stake.

V. SHOW EVENT ENTRY & ADDITIONAL RULES

Having completed the series of Nominations and Enrollments, the Pointer is eligible to be entered in the Show & Field Futurity Stake event.

A. ENTRIES

A Pointer that is entered in the Show Futurity Stake must also be entered in one of the regular or non-regular conformation classes, or in an obedience class, at the National Specialty Show with which the Futurity is held. The same official show entry form must be used, stating both 'Futurity' and the appropriate class division (i.e., 'Futurity, Senior') in the space designated for Additional Classes. The Entry closing date, by which time all entries must be received by the Show Secretary or Superintendent, and the amount of the Futurity Stake Entry Fee, will be stated in the Show Premium List.

B. ADDITIONAL RULES

Pointers that have completed their Championships are allowed to compete in the Show & Field Futurity Stake event. There are no restrictions requiring that the handler must be an owner or breeder of the Pointer exhibited. Non-APC Members are allowed to exhibit in the Show & Field Futurity Stake event. No professional handlers (per AKC definition) to handle in futurity/maturity, unless the professional is an owner or breeder, thus allowing the non-professional to handle any dog and professional handlers to handle only dog(s) personally owned or bred in futurity/maturity. **20140411-32-MM**

VI. FIELD EVENT ENTRY AND STANDARDS

Having completed the series of Nominations and Forfeits, the Pointer is eligible to be entered in the Field Futurity Stake in the designated year, which was determined by its nomination.

A. The Field Futurity shall be run as a non-regular stake and judged using Derby standards. Derbies must show a keen desire to hunt, be bold and independent, have a fast, yet attractive style of running, and demonstrate intelligence in seeking objectives and the ability to find game. Derbies must establish point. A blank pistol must be used after a bird is flushed. A lack of opportunity for firing over a dog shall not constitute reason for non-placement when it has had game contact in acceptable Derby manner. Derbies must show reasonable obedience to the

handler's commands. Each dog is to be judged on its actual performance as its potential for a high class bird dog for either Gun Dog or All-Age stakes.

B. The length of the heats will be thirty (30) minutes. The Field Futurity may be run on single or multiple courses.

C. Bitches in season may compete in the Field Futurity and shall be run last in the running order.

VII. SHOW CLASS DIVISIONS

The Show Futurity Stake entrants will be judged in eight (8) Class Divisions, *divided by sex and by age as of April 1st in the year of the Futurity*. The Class Divisions for Dogs and for Bitches are:

Puppy

Whelped on or after July 2nd and through October 1st (6 months and under 9 months as of April 1st)

Junior

Whelped on or after April 2nd and through July 1st (9 months and under 12 months as of April 1st)

Intermediate

Whelped on or after January 2nd and through April 1st (12 months and under 15 months as of April 1st)

Senior

Whelped on or after October 2nd and through January 1st (15 months and under 18 months as of April 1st)

The eight (8) first place class winners will then compete for Best in Futurity and Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity.

IX. FIELD CLASS DIVISIONS

The Field Futurity Stake entrants will be judged in one stake only. There will be four (4) placements awarded in the Field Futurity, if the judges so decide. In the event the judges withhold a placement, those monies will be retained by the APC.

X. PRIZE MONEY

The Bitch and Litter nomination and the 1st puppy nomination, if nominated in the field futurity, will be split between the bench and field futurities **20181231-42-BM**

A. 1. SHOW POOLED PRIZE MONEY. All money collected from Nomination Fees, Enrollment Fee and Entry Fees shall be pooled. The APC will retain twenty-five percent (25%) of the total pooled funds to cover the APC's Futurity expenses. The balance (75%) will be divided as follows:

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i.	Best in Futurity Winner	20%
ii.	Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity	10%
iii.	Breeder(s) of the Best in Futurity Winner	10%
iv.	Allocated to the Classes	60%

2. FIELD FUTURITY PRIZE MONEY. All money collected from Nomination Fees, Enrollment Fees and Entry Fees shall be pooled. The APC will retain twenty-five percent (25%) of the total pooled funds to cover the APC's Futurity expenses. The balance (75%) will be divided as follows:

i. Best in Field Futurity Winner (1st place) 40%
ii. Second Place 30%
iii. Third Place 20%
iv. Fourth Place 10%
v. Breeder of Best in Futurity receives $50% of 1st place prize money.

B. SHOW FUTURITY CLASS PRIZE MONEY ALLOCATION. The Class prize money derived from the 60% of pooled prize money and allocated to the Classes will be distributed as follows:
The prize money awarded for each class is determined by dividing the allocated money by the total number of Futurity entries, and then multiplying that amount by the number of entries in the Class Division.

a. If only one is entered in the Class, 1st Place will receive 100% of the class money.
b. If two are entered in the Class, 1st Place will receive 60%, and 2nd Place will receive 40% of the class money.
c. If three are entered in the Class, 1st Place will receive 50%, 2nd Place will receive 30%, and 3rd Place will receive 20% of the class money.
d. If four or more are entered in the Class, 1st Place will receive 40%, 2nd Place will receive 30%, 3rd Place will receive 20%, and 4th Place will receive 10% of the class money.
e. Any Futurity money that was allocated for 1st through 4th Place Prizes in the Class Divisions, but could not be awarded due to absentees will be retained by the APC.

C. FIELD FUTURITY PRIZE MONEY ALLOCATION. In the event the Judges withhold a placement, those monies will be retained in the Field Futurity account. Suitable Trophies and Rosettes shall be given to all placements.

Futurity Form requests, Nominations, Enrollments, and inquiries should be directed to the current APC National Show & Field Futurity Chairperson. Please make checks payable to the American Pointer Club. Payment must accompany appropriate forms and be mailed to current futurity chairman.

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Field Futurity Forms – See Appendix 1

NATIONAL SPECIALTY FIELD EVENTS

EVENT GUIDELINES:

General –

- It is the responsibility of the National Specialty Show Chair to submit the names of the National Specialty Hunting Test Chair and National Specialty Field Trial Chair to the APC Board for approval as part of the National Specialty application. Prior to submission to the Board for approval, the Show Chair must verify that the proposed Chairs are:
- All Committee Chairs and Committee members for the National Specialty are APC members. **20150409-19-BM**
- Approved by the NFTSC
- All other Hunting Test (HT) and Field Trial (FT) committee members shall be members of the APC. The NFTSC has final approval for the trial and test chair, secretary, committee members, judge selection, and grounds selection. The NFTSC shall act as mentor to field trial and hunting test committees, as required or requested.
- It is recommended that the HT Secretary be the same person as the FT Secretary.
- HT/FT Secretary will need to coordinate with the Show Chair to ensure that premiums are mailed along with the National Specialty premiums.
- Whenever possible, closing date should be the same as that of the National Specialty. Otherwise, closing date should be at least two weeks prior to the start of the events.

Entries -

The National Specialty Field Trial and Hunting Tests shall be open to Pointers only, shall be walking, and shall offer at minimum the following stakes or test levels:

- Open Walking Gun Dog
- Amateur Walking Gun Dog
- Open Walking Derby
- Open Walking Puppy
- Junior Hunter
- Senior Hunter
- Master Hunter

The following non-regular stakes are considered optional and shall be offered at the discretion of the field trial committee:

- Amateur Walking Veteran (eligible dogs are 7 years of age and older)
- Amateur Walking Hunting Dog

These non-regular stakes shall be judged at a Derby standard.

In the interest of safety, the use of tracking collars in all field trial stakes and hunting tests will be permitted in accordance with AKC regulations. **20070910-60-B**

Judges -

- A minimum of three judges are to be selected for the field trial and the hunting tests. It is suggested to have judges that judge both FT and HT to keep costs down. Judge selection is by the event chair with final approval by the NFTSC.

Field Trial -

- Must be AKC licensed judges
- Must have judged AKC field trials at least 5 times in the past 5 years

Hunt Tests

- Must be AKC licensed judge
- Must have judged AKC hunting tests at least 5 times in the past 5 years
- It is recommended to budget no more than $250.00 per judge for their expenses. Expenses totaling more than this amount need to be budgeted for in the application for Board approval.

Awards -

- Prizes shall be per the event committee's discretion. First place prizes in each stake, such as a trophy or other gift, is required.
- Rosettes are as per APC requirements and must adhere to AKC Rules and Regulations for Pointing Breed Field Trials and Hunting Tests.

Catalogs –

- A catalog shall be required and available to all participants. Minimal information included shall be the committee members, time and location for any special event, running order, recognition of any donors of food, money, auction items, trophies, birds, rosettes or any other item required to run the event.

Results -

- Write-up of event with results must be sent to Pointer Points for publication in the Pointer Points Summer edition, or as determined by the BOD. Photos optional, but recommended.
- Within 2 weeks of event conclusion, write-up of event with results must be sent to Website manager. Photos optional, but recommended.
- Within 2 months of event conclusion, income statement of events must be sent to APC Treasurer. Income statement must also be sent to Pointer Points Editor for inclusion in next available issue of Pointer Points.

Miscellaneous & Social Events –

- Fundraising and special dinners shall be per the event committee's discretion.
- Breakfast and lunch are required to be offered to all participants, committee members, and visitors for a fee or free if donated. Other minimal facilities shall be offered on the grounds such as toilets (permanent or temporary).

Field Event Application and Budget request – See Appendix II and III

APPENDIX I

SHOW AND FIELD FUTURITY NOMINATION FORM

BITCH NOMINATION AND LITTER REGISTRATION FORM

NO REFUND FOR FUTURITY/MATURITY ENTRIES

NO SUBSTITUTING ONE PUPPY FOR ANOTHER PUPPY IN THE SAME LITTER

Form A - Nomination must be postmarked or emailed prior to the birth of the litter.
Form B - Litter Registration must be postmarked or emailed not more than 30 days after the birth of the litter.
Please make checks payable to the American Pointer Club. Payment must accompany appropriate forms and be mailed to the current futurity Chairman: Lee Ann Stagg, PO Box 4 Rayne, LA 70578 ppoint97@aol.com or pay by PayPal, treasurerweb@americanpointerclub.org. Please add $2.00 processing fee if paying by PayPal. If paying by PayPal email copy of receipt to Lee Ann Stagg as proof of payment.

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Form B LITTER NOMINATION FEE $10.00

I hereby nominate the following litter for both the APC 20_____ Futurity AND the 20_____ Field Futurity. Enclosed is my fee of $10.00, or $20.00 if co-owned by a non-APC member. Nomination must be postmarked no more than 30 days after the birth of the litter.

LATE NOMINATION: More than 30 days, but less than 60 days after whelping. Fee: $20.00, or $30.00 if co-owned by a non-member.

Dam_____

AKC No. _____Date Litter Whelped_____

Breeder_____

Address_____City_____State_____Zip_____

I hereby enroll_____dogs and _____ bitches in the 20___ APC Futurity Stakes

Note: At least one owner of the nominated litter must be a member of the American Pointer Club for at least six months prior to nomination.

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Form A BITCH NOMINATION FEE $20.00

I hereby nominate the following dam, thus making her litter eligible for enrollment in the APC

20____Futurity AND the 20__ Field Futurity Stakes. Enclosed is my fee of $20.00 or $40.00 if co-owned by non-member

LATE NOMINATION: within 30 days of whelp $40.00 or $60.00 if co-owned by a non-member.

Dam_____ AKC No. _____

LITTER DUE_____20____

Sire_____

Breeder of Litter_____

Address_____City_____State_____Zip_____

Note: At least one owner of the nominated bitch must be a member of the American Pointer Club for at least six months prior to nomination.

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APPENDIX II

FIELD EVENTS APPLICATION TO APC BOD

Date(s):_____

Trial Location: _____

Distance from nearest airport: _____

Trial Chairman: _____

Trial Secretary: _____

Host Hotel: _____

Camping Facilities/Other Hotels: _____

Wrangler: _____

Hay and water availability: _____

Prize & Awards Chairman: _____
(responsible for acquiring trophies, and judges' gifts)

Publicity/Advertising Chairman: _____
(responsible for all submitting all ads and communications)

Hospitality Chairman: _____
(responsible for all social events)

Fundraising Chairman: _____
(responsible for soliciting corporate and membership donations & running the auction)

Judges' names and stakes judging (attach bios):

Judge name Stake(s)

_____ _____

_____ _____

_____ _____

_____ _____
(attach additional page if additional judges to be named)

It is understood that this will be an American Pointer Club Trial and rules of the APC and the American Kennel Club will be observed. All members of the applying club and committee members or the individuals applying are members of the APC.

Date Received_____**Board Approval**_____**Notifie**

APPENDIX III

FIELD EVENT BUDGET APPLICATION

INCOME

Entry Fees _____

Lunches _____

Dinners _____

Purina or corporate Advertising _____

Birds Sold _____

Memorabilia sold _____

Catalogue sold _____

General Donations _____

Trophy Donations _____

Raffle Items _____

Total _____

EXPENSES

Judges Motel _____

Judges Airfare _____

Judges Gifts- _____

Judges Expenses & Meals _____

National Hats & Embroidery _____

National Memorabilia _____

Catalog Printing _____

Trophies-Awards _____

Saddle _____

Premium Printing & Postage _____

Birds _____

Food Lunches _____

Food Dinner _____

Wrangler & Rental/Judges Horses _____

Postage_____

AKC Fees_____

Grounds_____

Hospitality _____

Total _____

NET PROFIT/LOSS _____

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Field Trial/Hunt Test Form for Trial held in conjunction with APC National Specialty

The National Field Trial Standing Committee (NFTSC) is the governing committee for all American Pointer Club (APC) field trials including the National Championship. **20081008-49-B**

The NFTSC (National Field Trial Standing Committee) has final approval for the trial chairman, co-chairman, secretary and committee members, judge selection, and grounds selection. The NFTSC shall act as mentor to field trial committees, as required or requested.

Send this form to the current NFTSC for approval before presenting the application to the Board as part of the complete Specialty Bid Application.

Date of Field Trial/Hunt Test _____

Location of Field Trial/Hunt Test_____

Chairman _____

Secretary_____

Committee Members_____

Judges Selection____TBD_____

When completed send this form to: Angela Schillereff, Chair of the National Field Trial Committee
sikennels@aol.com

7/6/22