President’s Message

Well, the National is over and in the books for another year. Congratulations to all the winners! I hope you had a good time if you were able to attend. It’s always good to reconnect with friends, make new friends, and hang out with your dogs. It’s like a tailgate party where everyone’s favorite team is the Pointer. The 2024 National will be in Doswell, VA, home of Secretariat, so keep your eyes open for information in the future.

I want to thank those board members that did attend the national for all their hard work. I was unable to attend as I had my 2nd knee replaced just 2 weeks before the national. I especially want to thank Leslie Puppo for taking care of the ribbons for me. I also want to thank Susan Bleckley for stepping in to do my presidential duties along with being our acting treasurer.

We are currently working on the 2022 statistics for all the companion and performance events. They will be done after the national and we will list the winners in the newsletter as we did last year and hopefully Theresa Lyons will do another Pointer Points as a tribute like last year.

I would like to take a moment to remember two members of our club that passed away prior to the National, Anne Cullen-Tormey and Tere Dillingham Woody. It’s always sad to have a friend pass away that you have known for a long time. Please take time to enjoy your friends because you never know what tomorrow will bring or take away.

If you have any concerns or questions, don’t hesitate to contact myself or any of the board members. Remember to always enjoy the journey with your dogs because there are no guarantees in life.

Boiler Up & Hammer Down
Diane Townsend

Vice-President’s Message

I would like to thank Maggie Platt for being our teller at the 2023 Annual Membership meeting. A thank you also to all those board members and members who attended. We know you have a busy schedule and you still took the time to come and participate. Unfortunately, we were short just 3 members for a quorum so the meeting was immediately closed after the tellers report.

As sitting President, informally, I did share some board concerns and also received some membership concerns. There were wonderful comments and suggestions which were documented to take back to the entire board. Details are included on the minutes page. As always for over 50 years it is my honor and privilege to serve those who hold the “Pointer” in such high esteem.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Bleckley
Vice President
Motion to accept the resignation of Susan London as Recording Secretary 20230314-17a PM
Motion to accept the resignation of Ashleigh Oldfield as Board Member and Public Ed Chairman 20230314-17b PM
Motion to accept Susan Savage as Recording Secretary 20230314-18 PM
Motion to accept Debra Freidus to replace Susan Savage on the BOD 20230314-19 PM
Motion to accept Leslie Puppo Rogers to replace Ash Oldfield on the BOD 20230314-20 PM
Motion to add Susan Savage to the BoA Bank Account 20230314-21 PM
Motion to put cash in the envelopes of Futurity Class winners up to $300 instead of a check 20230314-22 PM
Motion to change the deadline date to receive a CHIC nomination from February 1st to December 31 of every year. 20230314-23 PM
Motion to approve Marva Petrequin as Volunteer Coordinator for APC 20230314-24 PM
Motion that Danny Seymour will acquire trophies for BOB, BOS in Sweeps & Veteran Sweeps, BOB, BOS Futurity and Maturity 20230314-25 PM

INTERESTING 2023 NATIONAL SPECIALTY FACTS

ENTRIES BY STATE

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**2024 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

March 28-30, 2024
Doswell, VA

**NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES**

Futurity – Cheryl Buchanan - March 28th
Sweepstakes – Tammy Albee - March 29th
Breed – Wayne Cavanaugh – March 30th
Junior Showmanship – TBD

Field Trial – March 24th – 25th Hunt Test - March 26th

Karen Blasche Junior Memorial Scholarship Winner

**O’Malley McGee**

I am a sophomore at Auburn University majoring in Wildlife Ecology and Management. I showed a pointer in juniors and to her Silver grand championship. She and I won numerous scholarships including making it to the junior finals at Royal Canin twice and at Westminster. I have finished 4 champions from my co-bred litter from the bred-by class and 5 finishing total. I am showing two bred by here at the national this week along with my veteran junior dog and my bred by special.

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**2023 CHIC Award Winner**

GCH Southern Springpoint What Will People Say JH BCAT CGC FITS
Owned by Cynthia Brink
Clearances: OFA Excellent Hips & Elbows, Thyroid; Eye & Cardio

Meisje was nominated at the age of four with numerous titles, nearly GCH Bronze. Meisje exemplifies the Pointer even temperament in both the field and home; one of the first dogs to receive Fit Dog Silver.

IABCA International Champion, multiple groups placing.
UKC Show Champion, Multiple BIS and RBIS, #8 Pointer 2021
AKC NOHS Lifetime Bronze & Silver, Top #10 NOHS Pointer 2019-2021, Puppy of Achievement
Exclusively owner handled.
We are pleased to share that the video “Meet the Breeds in the Field” has been added to the Canine College and is available for viewing. This video features 15 Pointing breeds, discussing the major physical characteristics of each breed (form), followed by an amazing video of each breed working in the field (function). The video is approximately 45 minutes in length and should be a must see for all current and prospective Sporting breed judges. To view the video it may be accessed from the “video” tab within the Canine College.

AKC April 2023 Updates to Clubs

Rally Choice – New Rally Class – Effective June 29, 2023  This class is required to be offered at all regular Rally trials. The Rally Choice class will be added to the panels of all Rally trials held on or after June 29, 2023.

Elimination of Ownership Requirement in Junior Showmanship Made Permanent  The AKC Board of Directors approved a pilot program at their May 2022 meeting, which eliminates the requirement that a junior handler be an owner of the dog they are exhibiting. The pilot program has been positively received. The pilot program will remain in effect until July 1, 2023, when a permanent revision of the Junior Showmanship Regulations will become effective.

More Opportunities in 2023

If your club has held 2 specialties or has 2 specialties scheduled in 2023, do not forget AKC policy now allows AKC Specialty Clubs to hold up to 4 specialties a year or 5 specialties if one is in conjunction with the breed’s National Specialty.

Why this is important:
This gives Specialty Clubs the opportunity to support their breed!
APC SUPPORTED ENTRY RESULTS

New Brunswick KC - March 25, 2023
Sweepstakes- Judge- Susan London
Best in Sweeps- Blackthornes Nevermore- Stacey Smit
Best of Opposite- Bookstor Fabello Errol Flynn- Howard & Karen Spey and Ash Oldfield
Breed Judge- Ms. Denys Janssen
BOB & GR 1- GCH Aspyre Cat Got Your Tongue= Howard & Karen Spey & Dr. William & Tina Truesdale
BOS- GCHB-Seasyde’s Heart of Rock N Roll JH BN- Lisa Canfield & Helyne Medeiros
BOW- Solivia Luftnase Hush, Hush at Onsage- Brody & Margaret Cavanaugh
WD- Bookstor Fabello Errol Flynn- Howard & Karen Spey and Ash Oldfield
RWD- Majesty Bark at the Moon- Jean & Daniel Smith
WB- Solivia Luftnase Hush, Hush at Onsage- Brody & Margaret Cavanaugh
RWB- Blackthornes Nevermore- Stacey Smit
Select Dog- Penzance Racecity on Solid Ground- Cheryl & David Gerzabek & Sarah Terns & Maggie Platt
Select Bitch- Ch. Blackthorne N Tahari Lunar Eclipse at Broadway- Peggy & John Albee Jr. & Frank DePaulo & Debra Freidus
OHHBOB- Solivia Luftnase Hush, Hush at Onsage- Brody & Margaret Cavanaugh

APC Specialty Supported Entries at National Specialty

Sample of Supported Entry Trophies at the National Specialty

Results on next page
Atlanta Kennel Club – April 12, 2023
Breed Judge – Jason Hoke
BOB/GR1/BIS - GCH Aspyre Cat Got Your Tongue - Owners: Howard & Karen Spey & Dr. William & Tina Truesdale
BOS - CH Tahari N Clearcreek Spirit in the Night – Owners: Linda Cayton, Jenn Irwin, Frank DePaulo
SEL – GCHG CH Solivia’s Defining Moment at Playlist Owners: Sebastian & Kimberly Lourier, Parker Lourier
SEL – CH HH Min View Rain or Shine at Solivia – Owners: D & K Brown, A Tormey, J Hynes, E Shupp
WD/BOW/BBY – Solivia’s Freiheit “N Suncrest Promises Promises – Owners: Dennis & Katey Brown, Anne Tormey, Greg Speeks
RWD – Seasyde Rapture of Zephyr - Owners: Brittan Carella, K Carella, J Griffith, H Medeiros
WB – Starr Malmason The One Where No Ones Ready – Owners Cynthia Nordskog, L Starr, B Kriven, O’Malley McGee
RWB – Southern Oldtown 7th Color of the Rainbow – Owners Tina McDonnell, Elizabeth Stocker, Lydia Frey
BOBOH/OHG!/RBISOH – CH Southern Where Did My Manner Go? – Owners: Tina McDonnell & Lydia Frey

Valdosta Kennel Club – April 13, 2023
Breed Judge – Danny Seymour
BOB/Gr2 - GCH Aspyre Cat Got Your Tongue - Owners: Howard & Karen Spey & Dr. William & Tina Truesdale
BOS - GCHG CH Solivia’s Defining Moment at Playlist Owners: Sebastian & Kimberly Lourier, Parker Lourier
SEL - CH Tahari N Clearcreek Spirit in the Night – Owners: Linda Cayton, Jenn Irwin, Frank DePaulo
SEL – CH HH Mtn View Rain or Shine at Solivia – Owners: D & K Brown, A Tormey, J Hynes, E Schupp
WD – Coralwood Kanix the Closer – Owners: Sally Barton, Allison Sparks
RWD – Starstrk Alydar Mr. Misunderstood – Owners: Elisabeth Delponte, K Reisenweaver, M Huston
WB/BOW – HH Shine Bright Like a Diamond at Mtn View – Owners: Ed & Kelly Schupp, Dan & Natalie Zeamer
RWB – Majesty a Thousand Wishes – Owners: Jean & Dan Smith
BBY/G2 – Starr Malmason the One at the Beach – Owners: Lisa Starr, B Kirven, O’Malley McGee
BOBOH – GCH CH HH Wynot at Flint in Heavy Cover – Owners: Karen Gaupp & K Shorter

Valdosta Kennel Club – April 14, 2023
Breed Judge – Ms Kimberly Anne Meredith
BOB/Gr3 - GCH Aspyre Cat Got Your Tongue - Owners: Howard & Karen Spey & Dr. William & Tina Truesdale
BOS -CH Tahari N Clearcreek Spirit in the Night – Owners: Linda Cayton, Jenn Irwin, Frank DePaulo
SEL - GCHG CH Solivia’s Defining Moment at Playlist Owners: Sebastian & Kimberly Lourier, Parker Lourier
SEL – GCHS Daykeyne I Have A Secret – Owners: D Nimmons=Marvin & Tabatha Buckley-Bettis & Mark Bettis
WD – Majesty Bark At The Moon – Owners: Dan & Jean Smith
RWD- Seasyde Rapture of Zephyr – Owners: Brittany Carella, K Carella, J Griffith, H Medeiros
WB/BW – Majesty All Eyez On Me – Owners: Dan & Jean Smith
BBY/G2
WB/BW – Majesty All Eyez On Me – Owners: Dan & Jean Smith