To The Point

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President's Message

The holidays are here once again. A time to gather with family and friends to celebrate the reason for the season. A time to reflect on the past year, be thankful for what and who we have in our lives, and look forward to the new year. I want to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Remember, the 2024 National will be in Doswell, VA, home of Secretariat, so keep your eyes open for more information in the future on the website. It will be here before you know it.

We are still finalizing things for the 2025 National, but I can tell you it will be in Lima, Ohio at the Lima Kennel Club grounds as an independent specialty on April 24-26, 2025. We will have more information in the future as it becomes available.

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

Motion to have Danny Seymour, AKC Delegate, vote in favor of RW Dog/Bitch receive a 3 pt. major at specialties provided that the number of dogs competing in the regular classes of the RW sex totals at least twice the number required for a 5 point major in the region that it is held. 20231205-58 PM

Motion to have Danny Seymour, AKC Delegate, vote in favor of Sweepstakes and Junior Showmanship Judges to show on the same weekend as they are judging. 20231205-59 PM

Motion to approve Obedience/Rally at the 2024 National Specialty. 20231205-60 PM

Motion to raise the advertising costs for a National Specialty catalog to: Inside Front cover - $150.00, Inside Front cover - $125.00, Full color page - $95.00, Full black/white page - $70.00. 20231205-61 PM

Motion to approve the Show Secretary and Lima Kennel Club Grounds for the 2025 National. 20231205-62 PM 20231205-63 PM

DUES DEADLINE – DECEBER 31, 2023

The following APC End of Year Applications can be found on the website.
About APC>Applications and Forms

Champion of Health (CHIC) – Deadline is December 31st. Kate Hornick kasidoc@roadrunner.com

Karen Blasche Memorial Junior Scholarship – Deadline is February 10, 2024, Jen Pahl jaapup@aol.com

Versality Award – Contact Kathy Shorter for deadline kbshorter@verizon.net

Any questions contact the chair of the respective committee.

See APC Website for 2024 National Specialty Information

The following can be paid on the website.
Catalog Pre-Order –Deadline - March 13, 2024
Catalog Ads –Deadline - February 17, 2024
Specialty Apparel – Deadline for pickup at National – March 1, 2024

CATALOG ADVERTISING
"A Picture is worth a thousand words"
Ads are great for advertising your "Special" dog either one from today or from yester years.....
Deadline for submission**: FEBRUARY 17, 2024**
NO LATE ADS WILL BE ACCEPTED
Full page, black & white, $73 (includes processing fee)
Full page, color $98 (includes processing fee)
Inside **front** cover $154 or **back** cover, $129 (includes processing fee)
If paying by check there is no processing fee. $70 b/w, $95 and $150 or $125 for the color ad.
Payment is due when ad is submitted.
Ad not paid for by deadline the ad will not appear in the catalog.

PLEASE SUBMIT PICTURE(S) AND AD INFORMATION VIA EMAIL AS AN ATTACHMENT TO:
LISA LIPTON – ldlipton@aol.com
Or mail to Lisa Lipton, 3737Grennway Lane, Owings Mills, MD 21117
Questions? Email or Call 410-736-3185
ELECTRONIC ADS AND/OR PICTURES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITH THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:
FULL PAGE AD must be no more than 4 1/2" inches wide by 7 1/2" inches high.
SET UP THE PAGE WITH 1/2" MARGINS, IN A BOOKLET FORMAT
PHOTOS: Only Camera ready files accepted : PDF, PSD, JPG, TIF.
TEXT: in either Microsoft Word or via email.
Pictures will be returned at the show.
For best results photoscans should be done at a minimum of 300 DPI. Ads formatted for full page 81/2 x 11 will appear very small when reduced to catalog size.

Payment Methods:

1. **PAY ONLINE** – LOG IN AT https://www.americanpointerclub.org On HOME page click on National Specialty
2.. **PAY BY CHECK** – Payable to American Pointer Club. Mail to Susan Bleckley, Treasurer,327 Lugonia St., Newport Beach, CA 92663. Questions, call Susan Bleckley 714-321-1245 or email to: treasurer@americanpointerclub.org
3. **PAYPAL -** treasurer@americanpointerclub.org

Obedience- the committee has worked very hard to come up with an Obedience & Rally solution. APC has a very small group of members that participate in Companion Events. The cost for these events, judge, equipment rental & AKC Paperwork & Application & Ribbons outweighs the revenue from entries. It is very important that we have support for the Trophies for these events.
The Obedience events will NOT be the same Superintendent as the National Specialty. Susan Bleckley will be the Obedience Show Secretary. The premium will be posted as soon as available.

Obedience – March 27, 2024 3:00 pm
Obedience & Rally – No Utility
Judge- Renee Hoover, Charlottesville VA

Fundraising-Raffle Tickets for the East Coast Crate are now available. Please email outlawgwp@aol.com for tickets. I will mail tickets to you. This fundraiser will help keep our dinner cost lower and support other events at our National.
East Coast Crate- Large Size
Grooming Table Top
Perfect for your Pointer!
Tickets $25.00 each or 5 for $100.00.
Raffle Tickets can be paid for on the APC Website.
Trophies – Thanks to those who have donated so far. We have lots of awards in all price ranges available for Sponsorship. Please contact Lydia Frey.

Trophy Donations can be paid for on the APC Website.
RV Parking- The RV Parking Registration form will be part of the Blue Crab Cluster/All Breed Show Premium List. There will be a box to check for APC Parking at our show building. There are hook ups. The cost is $60.00 per night.
When the form is available it will be posted on the RV Information tab of the APC Website.
Parking/ Grooming – There is ample parking, hard surface and grass at the pavilion. There is free grooming in the main dog show building for APC Specialty attendees all week. You can drive or walk to the National Specialty Pavilion.
There is lots of room for EZ- Ups around the Pavilion.
Welcome Party – 6PM Wednesday, March 27, 2024 in the Pavilion. Pizza provided by the American Pointer Club National Specialty

Available 2024 National Specialty Trophies

Best of Opposite Sex - $175
Reserve Winners Bitch - $75
Brood Bitch - $50
Best Veteran - $100
Best Veteran Dog - $100
Best Veteran Bitch - $100
Best Bred By Exhibitor - $100
Best in Field - $50
Best of Opposite in Futurity - $50
Best of Opposite in Sweeps - $50
Best Veteran in Sweeps - $100
Best of Opposite - Veteran Sweeps - $50
High in Trial Obedience - $100
High in Combined Score Rally - $100
Many of the dog, bitch, and veterans classes available!

Please Contact Lydia Frey at snowbrookdogs@gmail.com for info on how to sponsor!

APC NATIONAL SPECIALTY

DOSWELL VA

2024

Time to order your outerwear for Virginia in March.....

Royal OR Heather Gray
Sizes XS – 4XL

Deadline for pickup at National March 1st, 2024

Pick up your Hoodie (with embroidered logo) at the National –
All sizes $49.95 –
if shipping requested add $12.

Order at americanpointerclub.org – National Specialty page

	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL
Size	2	4/6	8/10	12/14	16/18	20/22	24/26	28/30
Bust	32-34	35-36	37-38	39-41	42-44	45-47	48-51	52-55

Product Description - Cozy sweats in our core weight.

7.8-ounce, 50/50 cotton/poly fleece - Air jet yarn for softness - Two-ply hood with dyed-to-match drawcords - Removeable tag for comfort and relabeling - Side seamed with a contoured body for a feminine fit - YKK metal zipper - Front pockets

APC NATIONAL SPECIALTY
DOSWELL VA
2024

Time to order your outerwear for Virginia in March.....

True Royal OR Navy Heather
Sizes XS – 4XL

Deadline for pickup at National March 1st, 2024

Pick up your jacket (with embroidered logo) at the National –
All sizes $59.95 –
if shipping requested add $12.

Order at americanpointerclub.org – National Specialty page

	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL
Size	2	4/6	8/10	12/14	16/18	20/22	24/26	28/30
Bust	32-34	35-36	37-38	39-41	42-44	45-47	48-51	52-55

Product Description A reliable soft shell at a real value. This go-to basic sheds wind and rain and is a perfect choice for outerwear. 100% polyester woven shell bonded to a water-resistant film insert and a 100% polyester microfleece lining - 92/8 poly/spandex woven shell bonded to a water-resistant film insert and a 100% polyester microfleece lining (Heathers) - 1000MM fabric waterproof rating 1000G/M² fabric breathability rating - Wind-resistant, water-repellent and rental-friendly - Zip-through cadet collar with chin guard

Judges Education Report from AKC Championship Seminar

AKC and the Dog Judges Association of America sponsored judges' education for several sporting dogs prior to the AKC National Championship Show in Orlando this past December. Pointers were one of the breeds offered and there were 34 prospective judges registered of which 27 attended.

The seminar and hands on was well received and we were fortunate to have dogs present at the seminar and 8 dogs available for hands on.

Special thanks to APC members Leslie Rogers and Julie Pulan for providing their dogs for seminar models as well as the hands on, and Susan Bleckley who acted as Hands On Secretary!

Much appreciation to our many APC members and Canadian friends who took time out from their busy schedule to bring Pointers for the hands-on session.

On Saturday morning during the judging of the Pointer classes, 8 prospective judges sat for ringside observation and mentoring .Many thanks to Marjorie Martorella who assisted mentoring the group of prospective judges

APC will also be participating in Judges Education in the Rose City Classic on January 21, 2024 in Portland, OR at 11:00 am. Volunteers are still needed for the hands-on portion. Please contact me if you are able to be present.

Danny Seymour
Judges Education Chair

AKC Delegates Report

AKC Delegates Report December 15, 2023 Orlando, Florida

The forum for the delegates meeting was an introduction and Q&A of candidates running for Board of Directors positions. Four candidates are running for Board seats of which three shall be elected. The election occurs at the annual meeting in March 2024.

Following the introduction of Board candidates, Christopher Bromson , the new CEO/Executive Director of the AKC Dog Museum was introduced and spoke briefly of the future plans for the Dog Museum.

The Delegate's meeting was called to order by CEO, Dennis Sprung and the first order of business by the delegates was to vote on the addition of new member club, Barbae Club of America, which was admitted without opposition.

CHAIRMANS REPORT: (Dr. Thomas Davis)

- AKC National Championship Dog Show – 9,801 total entries (largest to date) 5,672 are conformation and include Puppy Stakes, OB., Jr. Handling, NOH and Fast Cat.
- New AKC development:
  "DNA + Help" / test for 200 markers, genetic identity with results in four weeks
  Pet pharmacy launched / "AKC Pet Rx" (on line) with free incentives for new customers.
  Royal Canin has renewed their contract with AKC for the National Dog Show.

PRESIDENTS REPORT: (Dennis Sprung)

Addressed the various awards to people that AKC presents with encouragement to clubs to help recognize deserving people. Inclusive was the AKC Visionary Award for those people with outstanding practices to improve AKC and the world of purebred dogs.

FINANCIAL REPORT: (Ted Phillips)

- Third quarter report/ YTD & Key Performance Indicators

  Litter registrations down by 8.7% Dog registrations down by 14.7% which equates to 39% 0f total revenue.
  Sport events are down by 7% and entries are down by 5%
  Total assets are 9.6 % higher than 2022 with a 6% return on investments.

VOTE ON AMMENDMENT & RULES CHANGE

All proposed changes were approved as presented inclusive of:

Chapter 16, Section 1 – which allows breed clubs the option to offer a 3-point major to Reserve Winners at any specialty shows. (Previously "Parent Club" & "National Specialty)

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm

Next meeting: March 12, 202

Respectfully submitted,

Danny D. Seymour

APC SUPPORTED ENTRY RESULTS

December 16, 2023 – AKC National Championship, Orlando Florida

Breed Judge: Ms. Lisa Weiss

BOB – GCHG CH Tahari N Clearcreek Spirit in the Night Owners: Linda Cayton, Jen Irwin, Frank DePaulo

BOS/BOBBBE – GCHG CH Daykeyne I Have a Secret Owners: D Nimmons-Marvin, Tabatha Buckley-Bettis, Mark Bettis

BOW/WD – Monarch's Danger Zone Owner: Suzzanne Bambule

SELECT DOG – GCH CH Penpoint Bugatti Owners: Lee Ann Stagg, Kayla Hony, Sierra Wilson

SELECT BITCH – GCHS CH Aspyre Cat Got UR Tongue Owners: Karen & Howard Spey, Dr. William & Tina Truesdale

AOM – Seasyde Rapture of Zephyr Owners:B Carella, K Carella, J Griffith, H Medeiros

AOM – GCH CH Creeksyde's Simply Marvelous JH CA BCAT Owners: Lydia Frey, Tina McDonnell

AOM – GCHB CH Southern The Good in Goodbye Owners: Dr. S Vaughan, K Vaughan, L Frey, Tina

McDonnell

AOM – Seasyde's Mist Demeanor Owner: Theresa Thoden, Scott Thoden, Christine Pinkston

RWD- Dynasty Port Orange Owners: C Grandorff, J Szwalek, M Moskal, K Grandorff

WB – Avalon's The After Party Owners: Leslie Puppo-Rogers, Richard Rogers III

RWB – Monarach's Playin' With the Boys Owner: Suzzanne Bambule