AMERICAN POINTER CLUB

Policy/Procedure/Guidelines Manual

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Excerpt from Roberts Rules of Order
Various Types of Governing Documents

Another set of rules that organizations find helpful are *standing rules*, which concern the administration of the organization. A main motion brings them into being, and they remain in effect until rescinded or amended. A common standing rule sets the time for a meeting.

Because main motions establish these rules, a majority vote adopts them. They can be suspended for the duration of a meeting by a majority vote, and they can be rescinded by a two-thirds vote without previous notice or by a majority vote with previous notice. These rules remain in effect until the assembly rescinds them.

When an organization adopts motions that are for a lasting duration, the secretary should add them to a book entitled "Standing Rules." Many standing rules are adopted by a *resolution* instead of a main motion. The secretary should record each motion or resolution in its final version as adopted, as well as the date that the rule takes effect. If the rule is adopted by resolution, then the "Resolved, that" phrase is dropped when recording it in the book. If the rule is later rescinded, the secretary should strike it out and make a notation stating when it was rescinded. By keeping a record of these motions, each new administration knows what they are required to do. A list of standing rules keeps continuity in the organization so that members do not need to perpetually ask long time member what to do and when.

If an organization does things "because that is always the way it has been done," the organization should write these customs down so that everyone knows what to do. A custom, whether it is written down or it is continual practice of the organization, becomes a force of law and needs a formal motion to rescind it, just as if the assembly had enacted it. Perhaps the assembly enacted a custom many years ago, but members have forgotten the fact.

Sometimes organizations have different names for their rules. Instead of naming the document "Standing Rules," they may call them "Guidelines" or "Policy Statements." To figure out what vote is needed to amend or rescind standing rules, use this principle:

If the document or individual rule deals with parliamentary procedure, such as the order of an agenda or rules of debate, it is considered a rule of order. A two-thirds vote can suspend it from a meeting. A two-thirds vote and previous notice can change it.

If the document or individual rule deals with administration, such as giving out awards for achievement, it is a standing rule. It can be suspended by a majority vote for a meeting. Members can rescind it without previous notice by a two-thirds vote or a majority vote with previous notice.

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Organizational

The American Pointer Club is organized according to the Constitution and Bylaws approved by the American Kennel Club and the general membership of the American Pointer Club. The Board consists of the Officers, President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and the delegate to the AKC, and the Directors. These positions have varying terms and re-election limitations. These positions are filled by nominations from the Nominating Committee or from the membership by separate nomination.

The Board also maintains a network of Standing Committees to assist in execution of Club business. The Committee list is as follows:

Agility Statistics
AKC Gazette Columnist
Audit Committee
Award/Plaques
Awards/Bench Statistics
Awards/Top Producers/Top Breeders
Awards/Field Statistics
Awards/Obedience & Rally Statistics
Awards/Scent Work
Awards/Versatility
Companion Events
Multi-Venue Pointer
Event Coordinator (Corresponding Secretary)
Field Futurity/Maturity
Finance Committee
Health & Research
Historian
Juniors Committee
Junior Scholarship Committee
Judges Education
Legislative Liaison
Multi-Venue Pointer
National Field Trial Standing Committee
National Specialty Guidelines
Policy, Procedures & Guidelines Manual
Public Education
Show Futurity/Maturity
Sunshine
Trophies - Annual/Perpetual Challenge
Veterinary Scholarship Chair
Ways and Means
Webmaster
Web Assistant
Website Update Chair

Operational

OFFICER JOB DESCRIPTIONS

The following motion was approved, effective January 2026. Anyone elected to the Board of Directors (also known as BOD, officers, and directors) has an obligation to attend meetings, including special meetings and the National Specialty. The Recording Secretary shall inform the BOD that any person who misses three consecutive meetings or four meetings per calendar year without a written absence due to personal health or family matters will forfeit their position on the board. If the person fails to forfeit, it will fall to the board to act for removal. Each meeting roll call will indicate whether participants are attending, excused, or have a non-excused absence. The minutes from the monthly meeting shall indicate whether all BOD members attended or had approved absence or non-approved absence. *20251014=36 PM*

PRESIDENT

General Requirements

To be eligible for the office of President, a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a Resident of the United States. *An Emeritus member of the APC may not be nominated or hold the office of President.* The term of office for the President shall be for one year. The President may not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms.

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Business may be conducted via an electronic or online process, conference calls, in-person meetings, in written correspondence through postal mail, or other approved means.

All officers and directors, when accepting any nomination, election or appointment to office, should read, understand, and abide by the APC Constitution and Bylaws, the APC Mission Statement, the Policy Procedure Guidelines, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship

Tasks Required in APC Bylaws

- Shall call Special Club Meetings if warranted.
- Shall designate the times and places for Board meetings to be held.
- Shall preside at all Club and Board meetings and shall have the duties normally appurtenant to the office of the President in addition to those particularly specified in the By-laws.
- Shall be advised of all checks in an amount over $500.00
- Shall be responsible for appointing officers and standing committee chairpersons, subject to the approval of the Board.
- Appoints Independent Parliamentarian, subject to the approval of the Board, in such cases that warrant Parliamentarian review and decision.
- Appoints Standing Committee chairpersons within thirty (30) days after the election of officers, subject to approval of the Board on an annual basis.
- Appoints any Special Committee, subject to approval of the Board, to fulfill a special commission and may exist only until said commission is completed.
- Following the hearing and recommendation of the Board or special committee, expulsion of a club member can only take place at the annual meeting of the Club. The President shall read the charges, findings, and recommendations to the Club members in attendance. The President shall then invite the accused, if present, to speak on his or her own behalf. The meeting shall then vote by secret ballot on the proposed expulsion. A two-thirds (2/3's) vote of those present and voting at the annual meeting shall be necessary for expulsion.

Tasks Required in APC Standing Rules Manual (PPG)

- The President and the Treasurer will have signature authority on all Club Bank accounts. When changing the signature authority on Club's Bank Accounts, you must have with you at the bank the following:
    1. Official letter from the Recording Secretary confirming your election to the office of President.

2. Information showing that the Secretary of State of New Jersey is, or will be, notified of the change of officers. The treasurer can provide that information.
3. Copy of Job Description showing you have signature authority on all Club Bank accounts.

- Shall include a President's Letter quarterly in Bits & Pieces.
- In recognition of a person or dog elected into the Hall of Fame, a person or the owners of the dog will be given a plaque and citation with their name or the dog's name, stating the reasons for selection into the Hall of Fame, dated and attested to by the signatures or names of the President and Recording Secretary of the American Pointer Club.

Additional Requirements

- Shall be familiar with modern parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order.
- The President shall provide a report to the annual meeting, submitted to the Recording Secretary, no later than two weeks prior to the annual meeting date.
- The President shall send a written contract to the Conformation judges' pertaining to the National Specialty. Performance and Companion event judges will be handled by the respective chair of those committees.
- Provides guidance to members of the Board and committee chairpersons to help them carry out their tasks.
- Prepares a proposed agenda for the annual Board meeting. The President should receive written reports from ALL committees two weeks prior to the Board meeting and ensure that the Recording Secretary has copies of the agenda and reports ready for each officer/director prior to the meeting.
- Forwards correspondence (with notations/recommendations) to the Corresponding Secretary for replies. Internal correspondence will be forwarded through the Recording Secretary to the proper Committee chairperson.
- Invite interested candidates for Directors and Officers in the Spring President's message. **20080929-47-B**

VICE-PRESIDENT

General Requirements

To be eligible for the office of Vice President (VP), a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a Resident of the United States. The term of office for the Vice President shall be for one year. A Vice President may not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms. *An Emeritus member of the American Pointer Club may not be nominated or hold the office of Vice President.*

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Business may be conducted via an electronic or online process, conference calls, in-person meetings, in written correspondence through postal mail, or other approved means.

All officers and directors, when accepting any nomination, election or appointment to office, should read, understand, and abide by the APC Constitution and Bylaws, the APC Mission Statement, the Policy Procedure Guidelines, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

Tasks Required in APC Bylaws

- The VP shall have the duties and exercise the power of the President in the case of the President's death, absence, or incapacity.
- The VP shall serve as the liaison officer to the regions and shall assist members, independent clubs, and regional groups as necessary.
- The VP shall serve as the Membership Committee Chair.

Tasks Required in APC Standing Rules (PPG)

- The VP will act as liaison between the National Specialty Show Chair and the Board.

Additional Responsibilities as Membership Chair

- Receives all membership applications. Sends an acknowledgment form letter to membership applicants, notifying them that their applications have been received and providing an approximate timeframe for when a vote on their application is expected to take place.
- Prior to presenting new members to the board for a vote, upload the membership application and letters to the board via currently used software for board preview
- Send application dues checks to the Treasurer for deposit immediately upon approval of membership.
- Sends "welcome" packets (welcome letter, Breed pamphlet, information regarding the APC website, and online membership login.

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

General Requirements
To be eligible for the above-referred elected office, a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a Resident of the United States. The term of office for the CS shall be for one year. *An Emeritus member of the APC may not be nominated or hold the office Corresponding Secretary*.

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Business may be conducted via videoconference, teleconference, mail, fax, or email in accordance with AKC policy provided it does not conflict with any other provision in the bylaws.

All officers and directors, when accepting any nomination, election or appointment to office, should read, understand, and abide by the APC Constitution and Bylaws, the APC Mission Statement, the Policy Procedure Guidelines Manual, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

Tasks Required in APC Bylaws
The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for all general Club correspondence from the public and other clubs and shall carry out such other duties as described by the Board. (Note: The Corresponding Secretary is not responsible for communicating with the membership regarding official club business such as meetings, voting, et cetera. Those duties belong to the Recording Secretary)

Tasks Required in APC Policy, Procedures, and Guidelines Manual

- Once the Event Coordinator (EC) has approved an event for APC's calendar, the EC will send the application to the APC Board. Once approved by the Board, the Corresponding Secretary will send the APC Supported/ Regional Club Entry approval for the event and for the sweepstakes (if sweepstakes are offered) to AKC, copies to the applying club/group's event contact, and to the EC if not the Corresponding Secretary. The event information, once approved by the Board, will be posted on the website.
- For APC Supported Entries with Sweepstakes, upon approval of the Board, the Corresponding Secretary will sign the application, with a letter of approval, and send it to AKC, with a copy to the APC Club contact for the event, and EC if not the Corresponding Secretary

Additional Requirements

- Forward all correspondence requiring Board action to the Recording Secretary and copy to the President.
- Respond to correspondence from the general membership to the board. Obtain Board input as appropriate.
- Receive and promptly respond to all correspondence from local Pointer clubs.
- Receive and promptly respond to all correspondence from the public through the Website or other means of communication. Correspondence requesting specific information may be forwarded to the appropriate Committee chairperson.
- Distribute the monthly and quarterly statistics received from the AKC to the chair of each respective committee chair.

General Requirements as Event Coordinator

The EC is the APC individual who receives all applications for the holding of APC supported or licensed regional club sponsored events. In addition, EC will upon receiving an event application:

- Make sure the application is received by the time frame mentioned on the application.
- Ensure that there is no conflict with other pre-approved events.
- Review all event applications for completed information and ensure that APC's event guidelines are followed.
- Immediately inform the submitter of the application that it will be presented to the Board at its next meeting.
- Present application at the next monthly Board meeting; send a copy to the Recording Secretary for the Board meeting agenda.
- Immediately inform the submitter of the approval or any questions that need to be answered before Board approval.
- If approved, inform the AKC of the Board's approval
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- **Regional club Specialty or Field Trial -** send a letter to the AKC that the APC approves the requested date and location with a copy of the letter to the Regional Club.
- **APC Supported Entry request with/without Sweepstakes -** Once a supported entry request is submitted and approved by the Board, a letter is sent to the club or person requesting the supported entry, who then forwards that approval letter to the All-Breed club.

- Contact with local Pointer clubs/groups at the end of each year to determine planned/upcoming events for the following year.
- Maintain the APC calendar of events and check dates for conflicts with other APC or Pointer-related events. No APC sponsored or Licensed Regional Club events can be held during the National Specialty or the National Field Trial Championship dates.
- Assist local Pointer clubs/groups with questions regarding events such as:
  - The approval process.
  - Communications with APC/AKC
  - Forms completion
- Communicate with APC's Board regarding any necessary Board approvals.
- Follow up with local Pointer clubs/groups after each APC-supported event to ensure all paperwork and financial transactions have been completed by the local club/group, and in a timely manner.
- Propose updates to APC's event guidelines, as appropriate. Ensure that current guidelines and appropriate information/forms are available through APC's media sources such as APC Website and Newsletter.

RECORDING SECRETARY

General Requirements

To be eligible for the office of Recording Secretary (RS), a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a Resident of the United States. The term of office for the Recording Secretary shall be for one year. The Recording Secretary may serve indefinitely. *An Emeritus member of the American Pointer Club may not be nominated or hold the office of Recording Secretary.*

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Business may be conducted via an electronic or online process, conference calls, in-person meetings, in written correspondence through postal mail, or other approved means.

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Tasks Required in APC Bylaws

Records of the Club

- The Recording Secretary (RS) shall keep a record of all meetings of the Club and of the Board, of all votes taken by voice vote, electronically, mail/email, of all matters which the Club shall order a record.
- The RS shall have the duty of notifying members of meetings, notifying officers and directors of their election to office, and keeping the current role of the Club's members in good standing with their addresses and phone numbers, if possible. This responsibility is shared with the Treasurer, as that office updates the membership following dues renewal.

Meetings

Annual Meeting

- A written roll shall be taken by the RS of all members in good standing who are present.

Special Club Meetings

- The RS shall call special meetings upon receipt of a petition signed by ten percent (10%) of the Club's members in good standing.
- Written notice of such meetings shall be provided by the RS at least fourteen (14) days and not more than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting.
- A written roll shall also be taken by the RS of those members in good standing present.
- In regard to both the Annual Meeting and Special Club meetings, the RS shall have the responsibility of providing notice to the Club's members in good standing, notifying them of the proposed meeting's time, place, and hour.

For Club meetings, the RS is responsible for preparing the order of business, which shall contain:

- Roll Call
- Minutes of the last meeting
- Report of the President
- Report of the Recording Secretary
- Report of the Treasurer
- Reports of Committees
- Election of new members
- Unfinished business
- New business
- Adjournment

Board Meetings

- Written notice of each such meeting shall be provided by the RS to each member of the Board at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting.
- The RS shall take a written roll of those Board members attending each meeting.
- The Board may conduct its business by electronic means, such as email, teleconference, and videoconference.
- The RS is responsible for preparing the order of business, which shall contain:
  - Minutes of last meeting
  - Report of President & Vice President (Membership Chair)
  - Report of the Recording Secretary
  - Report of the Treasurer
  - Reports of Committees
  - Unfinished business
  - New Business
  - Adjournment

<u>Correspondence</u>

The RS receives:

- Termination of membership via written notice from members in good standing who wish to resign. Reports from the Delegate to the American Kennel Club after each meeting as well as a copy of the minutes of such meeting for distribution to the Board.
- Proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws and Standard of the Breed that may be proposed by the Board or by written petition. Petitions must be signed by twenty-five percent (25%) of the members in good standing or by the By-laws committee.
- (Note: The RS is not responsible for general Club correspondence from the public and other clubs. Those duties belong to the Corresponding Secretary.)

<u>Nominations, Elections, and Ballots</u>

- The names of all the officers and Board nominees from the Nominating Committee are sent to the RS no later than September 1.
- The RS shall then email the list of nominees and the state where they reside to each member within 30 days of receipt or no later than October 1, whichever comes first.
- Additional nominations of eligible members may be made in writing addressed to the RS and received by her or him within thirty (30) days of the date of the emailing of the list of nominees proposed by the Nominating Committee, or November 1, whichever comes first. If the RS receives no valid additional nominations within thirty (30) days of mailing the committee's slate, said slate shall be declared elected, and all members shall be promptly notified.
- If the Recording Secretary receives one or more valid additional nominations, ballots shall be emailed to a list of eligible members within thirty (30) days of their receipt or no later than November 15.
- To ensure secrecy, all ballots shall include a list of the nominees for each position in alphabetical order, with the names of the states in which they reside
- All ballots must be returned to the Recording Secretary by December 31st.
- Results of the election shall be reported promptly to all members by the RS.
- The RS shall submit Proposed Bylaws or Breed Standard amendments to the members with the recommendations from the Board, accompanied by a ballot specifying a date not less than thirty (30) days after the date of the emailing by which the ballots are to be returned and counted.
- The Constitution, By-laws and the Standard may be amended at any time or by special meeting of the American Pointer Club by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3s) of the members present and voting, provided that a copy of

the proposed amendment had been mailed by the RS to each member in good standing on the date of mailing, accompanied by a ballot on which he or she may indicate his or her choice for or against the action to be taken.

Nominations and Election of National Specialty Judges

- The RS will prepare and send to the Web Master the guidelines for nomination of the Breed, Sweepstakes and Futurity/Maturity Judges, List of Qualified AKC Judges and the last five years of ineligible judges.
- 30 days will be allowed for the nomination process from the voting membership.
- The results of the nominations will be sent to the RS, who will determine the top 5 Beed and top 3 Sweepstakes and Futurity nominees.
- The results of the nomination will be sent to the Board in order of the number of nominations received for each candidate.
- The RS will follow the Election guidelines and request a bio from the Sweepstakes and Futurity/Maturity nominees to be received within 10 days. The Breed nominee's bio may be obtained from Info Dog or by contacting the judge directly within 10 days.
- The RS will send the list, in alphabetical order, along with the bios to the Webmaster to post on the Website, allowing 30 days to vote.
- The results of the election will be sent to the Board showing the number of votes received for each candidate.
- The Show Chair will contact the winners unless the role of the Show Chair has not been filled; the judges will receive communications from a generic APC email address. The sender will not include in the communication his or her name or any other identifying information but will contact the winner of each category to ascertain their acceptance of the assignment and compliance with APC stipulations. If, for any reason, they are unable to comply, they will be removed. 20230404-29 PM
- When all contracts have been received, the results will be communicated to the membership.

Discipline

- Written charges with specifications must be filed in duplicate with the RS together with a deposit of $50.00, which shall be forfeited if such charges are not sustained by the Board or a committee following a review of the charges.
- The RS shall promptly send a copy of the charges to each member of the Board or present them at a Board meeting.
- If there is a hearing, the RS shall promptly send one copy of the charges to the accused member by registered mail together with a notice of the hearing and an assurance that the accused may personally appear in his or her own defense and bring witnesses if he/she desires. Immediately after the Board or committee has reached a decision, its findings shall be put in written form and filed with the RS. The RS, in turn, shall notify each of the parties of the decision and penalty, if any.

Tasks Required in APC PPG

Committees

- For all committees of more than one person, the RS is to receive a copy of their notes within 30 days of any committee meeting.
- For any committee consisting of one person, any notes or records are to be sent to the RS within 15 days of a request.
- The RS is to make committee notes available in their entirety to the Board or shall provide the Board with a summary.
- All committee appointees will be sent instructions by the RS on how to apply for reimbursement and how to fill out a budget.
- Written applications for Board approval of an expense reimbursement are sent to the RS. These applications must state the identity of the payee, the purpose of the expenses, and the amount of the expense.
- Nominating Committee - The RS will send to the Chair, each member of the Nominating Committee and the alternates:
    - A copy of the Nominating Committee Guidelines.
    - A list of all members eligible to hold office.
    - A copy of the Constitutional requirements.

  The Chairman will forward received biographical sketches to the RS to be enclosed with the ballot that is sent to the general membership. Additional nomination candidates will also provide the RS with a brief biographical sketch. Biographical sketches are not to exceed 150 words.

Any letters in regard to Standing Rules of the APC (PPG) will be forwarded to the RS, who will confirm APC policy with letter writer to acquire approval before publishing. See motion **201905202-01-MM** **Discontinue the printing and mailing of Pointer Points**

Ballots

For all voting ballots:

- Officers & Board - RS will send nominations via the Website to the membership The voting membership will vote through the online ballot sent from Membership Works for 30 days. The Results will be reported to the officers and the board and announced to the general membership.
- National Specialty Judges. *See Nomination & Election of Judges.* The RS will send the results to the Show Chairman of that year's National Specialty unless the role of the Show Chair has not been filled; the judges will receive communications from a generic APC email address. The sender will not include in the communication his or her name or any other identifying information but will contact the winner of each category to ascertain their acceptance of the assignment and compliance with APC stipulations. If, for any reason, they are unable to comply, they will be removed. 20230404-29 PM
- Hall of Fame - All nomination letters must be sent to the RS in ample time for the Board to take a vote and publish the nomination on the Website for a vote by the voting members. 30 days will be allowed for the vote.
- RS prepares and signs the citation that is presented to HOF inductee(s) and orders the plaque.

Event Guidelines

- National Field Trial Standing Committee – The RS receives completed applications for each year's National Championships from the NFTSC and presents to the Board for voting.
- Host clubs/groups are to provide the RS with a copy of the premium list and Pointer tear sheets from the catalog within three (3) weeks of the event.

Additional Responsibilities

- Record the minutes according to the Bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (have a copy on hand for all Club meetings). A tape recorder may be used to record motions and voting during Board meetings to ensure the accuracy of the minutes at the discretion of the RS.
- Send rough draft of Minutes to each Board member for their correction and/or approval within fourteen days following official meetings. Make necessary additions and/or corrections based on Board input and send the Minutes Approval Ballot along with a copy of the corrected minutes for Board approval.
- Supervise annual elections in accordance with Bylaws procedures and deadlines. Maintain a record of the total number of votes cast and the number of votes received in each election. Release the actual vote counts along with the result of the balloting vote for the election of the Officers and Board of Directors, the selection of the judging nominees for National Specialties, and the actual vote count along with the result of the balloting for the final election of the National Specialty judges. Notify all current Officers, Board members, the AKC Delegate, and the APC Website Liaison and all nominees of the election results.
- Ensure that ALL APC committees provide reports for the Annual Board meeting. Include those reports in a consolidated form for Board review, and later review by the membership. An electronic copy of those reports should be sent for posting on APC's website with the minutes of the meeting(s) of the Board and of the membership.
- Maintain a list of all motions, and post them to the Website
- Keep RS files current and send "retired" minutes to the Historian (Archives) for storage. Forward correspondence received from the public to the Corresponding Secretary.
- Compose a "Task List" of items pertaining to assignments to/from the Board and committees and perform a periodic review and update of this list in order to ensure tasks are being completed according to schedule and meet the required deliverables.
- Send notification of appointment to all committee heads, including the Nominating Committee, along with the pertinent portion of the APC Bylaws and the Policy, Procedure Guidelines. The Nominating Committee should also receive the portions of the APC Bylaws and the Policy Procedure Guidelines. pertaining to the positions being filled.
- Incoming officers/directors will receive an orientation packet by either hard copy or e-mail as requested. Included will be board members contacts, membership list, bylaws, standing rules, current financials. 20080929-43-B
- Provide the AKC and the APC website the updated list of Officers/Board members.
- Provide the APC website with the current year list of Committee Chairs and emails.
- Review the website at the beginning of the calendar year to assist the Webmaster in locating all the pages with outdated information following the new Board/Committee Chair installation.

TREASURER

General Requirements
To be eligible for the office of Treasurer, a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a Resident of the United States. The term of office for the Treasurer shall be for two years. The Treasurer may serve indefinitely. *An Emeritus member of the American Pointer Club may not be nominated or hold the office of Treasurer.*

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Business may be conducted via an electronic or online process, conference calls, in-person meetings, in written correspondence through postal mail, or other approved means.

All officers and directors, when accepting any nomination, election or appointment to office, should read, understand, and abide by the APC Constitution and Bylaws, the APC Mission Statement, the Policy Procedure Guidelines, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

Operational

Tasks Required in APC Bylaws

- The Treasurer shall collect and receive all monies due or belonging to the Club and shall deposit the same in a bank approved by the Board in the name of the Club in a timely manner.
- The books shall at all times be open to inspection by the Board and the Treasurer shall report to the Board at every meeting the condition of the Club's finances and every item of receipt or payment not before reported; and at the annual meeting the Treasurer shall render an account of all monies received and expended during the previous fiscal year.
- The Treasurer shall be bonded in such amount as the Board shall determine. The Treasurer shall advise the President of all checks in an amount over $500.

Financial System Used

- With the new website operational, the Treasurer must have internet access with security on the computer and must be familiar with approved financial software online. Ideally. The APC Treasurer is expected to be familiar and comfortable with selected (or similar) software programs to provide current information and analysis. Any software which maintains the privacy of members funds or membership viability will be maintained by the Treasurer. 20220809-34 PM

Dues

- During November, the Treasurer shall send a statement of dues to each member for the coming year, reflecting the dues for that year as established by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting. This club's annual dues shall be payable on or before the first day of January of each year, the first day of the Club's fiscal year.
- Members who fail to pay their dues by February 15th shall be considered delinquent and not entitled to the rights and privileges of membership, such as voting at any meeting or by mail.
- Due's renewal forms will allow members of over 25 years to choose between **Legacy** (dues paid, and all privileges of regular membership) and **Emeritus** status (no dues paid, no voting privileges, and may not hold office). Member will choose status each year. The treasurer will maintain records to reflect each member's status. *20151217-60-BM*

Compensation and Reimbursement

- The Treasurer will compensate any officer, director, committee chairman or other member of the Club for duties performed or services rendered on behalf of the Club. Additionally, a committee chairperson, or an officer, director or other member of the Club may be advanced money for Club functions in the form of a Board approved budget. If a Board approved budget is not obtained:
- Detailed records and receipts must be maintained and presented to the Treasurer in order to be reimbursed. However, no member may be reimbursed for expenses without specifying the purpose of the expense including the reasons therefore and the records. All committee chairmen must present properly prepared and signed bills to the Treasurer to be presented for approval by the Board.

Meetings
The Treasurer is responsible for submitting a report for the General Membership Meeting and the Annual Board Meeting.

Tasks Required in APC PPG
Committees Guidelines

Any APC committee receiving income and/or generating bills not directly processed by the APC Treasurer shall have a copy of said income record and/or bill submitted to the APC Treasurer within 30 days of the transaction.

Reports are to be purchased annually from AKC for statistics for conformation/juniors, performance and companion events. These are to be distributed by the Treasurer to the appropriate statistical Chairs. **20120425-16-BM**

Procedure and Guidelines for Committee Budget and Reimbursement Applications

- The Treasurer will notify the committee Chairperson in writing as soon as approval is obtained. The Expense Reimbursement form can be submitted periodically throughout the life of the committee, or at the end of the function, and may be submitted by any member of the committee so affected by the necessity of reimbursement of expenses specifically incurred by service on this committee.
- These expenses will have been addressed by the Budget Request form and will be within the parameters of the original Budget Request amount.
- Completed Expense Reimbursement forms are submitted to the Treasurer.

Financial Policy

- The Treasurer and the President of the APC will sign on all of the APC's bank accounts. The original bank statements and canceled checks for each account are to be sent to the Treasurer quarterly, unless requested more frequently.
- Any extension of the APC (National Field Trial Standing Committee) may have their own bank accounts for convenience but are required to have Board approval prior to any expenditures; by either filing an estimated budget for approval, or by spending their own money and applying for a reimbursement after the fact.
- All requests for funds shall be on forms furnished by the club.
- Since the By-Laws require that the President be apprised of all expenditures over $500, this should be done in writing so that future audits will be very clear. This may be done via email.
- The audit committee will complete a full financial review every other year, beginning with the calendar year 2015. **20160811-43-BM**
- Motion for only one signature to buy, in the name of the American Pointer Club, 3 CD's at $10,000 each with the ability to roll over when CD's are due. **20240213-04 PM**

Junior Handler Award

Any Junior Handler who is a member of the APC and with a pointer qualifies and exhibits a Pointer at Westminster or AKC National Championship is offered a $100.00 donation. (Form to be submitted to Treasurer within 30 days of showing). **20080123-04-E, 2015114-03-BM, 20180111-03-BM**

Any junior who is a current member in good standing of the APC, qualifying for Crufts while handling a pointer, will be offered a stipend of $500, if they choose to attend and compete at Crufts. **20150312-17-BM**

National Specialty

- The Treasurer and the National Specialty Show Chairman will work together to develop a budget that will then be approved by the APC Board. The Treasurer will receive all show related income and will keep the Show Chairman advised as needed. Expenses may be reimbursed by the Treasurer or paid directly by invoice to the appropriate vendors. **20090922-57-CM**
- Money for hotel deposit and final billing will be distributed directly from the Treasurer. All bills incurred by committees must be reviewed by that committee chair before payment is made by the Treasurer
- Money for Trophy Donations from membership renewals will be distributed directly from the Treasurer.

Additional Responsibilities

- Maintain checking and investment accounts at a commercial FDIC insured bank with Treasurer as signatory and President as backup signatory.
- Provide all pertinent information on accounts such as account numbers, name and phone number of banks to President and Recording Secretary.
- Deposit all funds received in the appropriate account in a timely manner.
- Pay all bills and reimburse expenses incurred in the normal course of business required for Club business in a timely manner.
- Reconcile all bank accounts upon receipt of bank statements. Properly account for all income and expenses.
- Treasurer is responsible for submitting an annual club budget.
- Provide the Board with monthly financial report and the Membership with financial reports if requested.

- Prepare financial reports for the Board and the membership at the end of each Club year. Provide a Treasurer's report for the APC Newsletter quarterly.
- Treasurer will complete annual tax returns for both Federal and State filings as required (currently IRS990 and NJ CRI-200) and will provide copies to the APC Board for review. Sign and mail forms when due. President also signs on the NJ CRI-200.
- Treasurer will prepare 1099s as needed to comply with IRS regulations regarding payments to judges and others providing services to the Club.
- Provide outside auditors with any and all requested information.
- Ensure that insurance policies are maintained in force for general liability, directors' and officers' liability, events (field events might need additional insurance for use of horses and use of live ammunition) and fidelity bond. Pay premiums as they come due. Arrange for Certificates of Insurance as needed.
- Ensure that the Corporation's registration is maintained up to date. Corporation is currently registered in the State of New Jersey.
- Maintain an accurate, current listing of paid and Lifetime Emeritus members at renewal and ensure the APC online membership list is up to date.
- Maintain an accurate, current listing of paid breeder's listing and ensuring the APC website is kept up to date.
- Responsible for PayPal , Stripe and Square credit card processing and reconciliations.
- Prepares invoices for money owed to the APC.
- Treasurer maintains an inventory list of all items belonging to APC. A picture, cost, date purchased and description of each item with its serial number or adequate other identifying information will be included on a sign-out sheet for every item belonging to the Club. Before anyone can use Club property, it must be signed out to the person responsible. That person will be responsible for reimbursing the Club for the cost of such item if not returned within 30 days after their usage of such an item. **20090920-28-BM.**
- All contracts between APC and others will be presented to the Board for review prior to the signature by the Treasurer **20111213-50-PM.**
- Treasurer shall report to members on an annual basis the amount earned from the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program (PPCPP) as required by Purina. Report to be printed in the Newsletter.
- The Treasurer's Job Description be modified to include expectation of presence at National Specialties. **20210914-34 PM**

The following is to be used as financial resource information regarding club finances:

AKC Financial Best Practices Webinar

- Link to the Video

https://www.dropbox.com/s/ree35qm1lhh48bu/PCBP%2002072023%20Club%20Finances.mp4?dl=0

DELEGATE TO THE AKC

General Requirements

To be eligible for the office of AKC Delegate, a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least three (3) years prior to said election and be a Resident of the United States. The term of office for the Delegate shall be for two years commencing on the first day of January or until his or her successors are elected. The AKC Delegate may serve indefinitely. *An Emeritus member of the APC may not be nominated or hold the office of the Delegate to the AKC.*

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Expenses incurred in the course of Club business will be paid by the officer or director incurring them. Business may be conducted via an electronic or online process, conference calls, in-person meetings, in written correspondence through postal mail, or other approved means.

All officers and directors, when accepting any nomination, election or appointment to office, should read, understand, and abide by the APC Constitution and Bylaws, the APC Mission Statement, the Policy Procedure Guidelines, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

Tasks Required in APC Bylaws

Organizational

- The Delegate to the American Kennel Club shall represent the Club at meetings of the American Kennel Club and file a report with the Recording Secretary after each meeting.

- The Delegate will inform the board of all upcoming issues that will be voted on at the next delegate meeting. The board will direct the delegate as how he/she should vote. In cases where amendments are made at the Delegate Meeting, the Delegate will vote his/her conscience considering the best interests of the American Pointer Club. The Delegate will inform the board of their vote in these instances. **20071212-107-E**
- The Delegate should vote as instructed by the Board, or if not instructed by the Board, by his or her conscience considering the best interests of the American Pointer Club.
- He or she should make every effort to attend all the four (4) quarterly meetings.
- The Delegate shall be responsible for his or her expenses incurred in attending each American Kennel Club meeting and should also send a copy of the minutes of such meeting to the Recording Secretary.
- The Board of Directors will appoint another Delegate if the original delegate is refused by the American Kennel Club.

Tasks Required in APC Standing Rules

None noted.

Additional Responsibilities

- The AKC Delegate, within two weeks of each Delegate meeting, shall submit a written report of the meeting to the Recording Secretary, Newsletter, and the Website Liaison. If available a copy of the minutes of the meeting should also be submitted.
- If an issue arises that requires immediate attention of the membership, then the AKC Delegate will notify the Recording Secretary promptly and will ensure the membership is notified of the issue and the action that is required. The AKC delegate may correspond directly with local Pointer Clubs so that information and comments from the clubs can be considered.
- The AKC Delegate should attend other AKC events when attendance would be beneficial to the APC.
- Assist the Corresponding Secretary and other elected officials in interaction with the AKC as necessary.

DIRECTORS

General Requirements

To be eligible for the position of Director, a member must have belonged to the APC for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a resident of the United States. There are eight (8) directors. The terms for the directors shall be for a period of two years, one half (4), shall be replaced every two years. *An Emeritus member of the APC may not be nominated or hold the office of a Director..*

It is expected that all officers and directors will actively participate in the conduct of Club business and the voting process throughout the Club year. Expenses incurred in the course of club business will be paid by the officer or director incurring them. Business may be conducted via an electronic or online process, conference calls, in-person meetings, in written correspondence through postal mail, or other approved means.

All officers and directors, when accepting any nomination, election or appointment to office, should read, understand, and abide by, the APC Constitution and Bylaws, the APC Mission Statement, the Policy Procedure Guidelines, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

Tasks Required in APC Bylaws

Organizational

- The Board shall have the general supervision of the affairs of the Club between its business meetings, fix the hour and place of the meetings, make recommendations to the membership, and shall perform other duties as specified by the Bylaws.
- Set annual membership dues fees for all membership types at the annual meeting. Vote upon membership applications.
- Vote upon membership reinstatements.
- Vote upon other business presented to the Board, such as Officer budgets, committee budgets, committee appointments, disciplinary hearings, and proposed Bylaws and Breed standard amendments.

Tasks Required in APC Standing Rules Manual

Organizational

- Set the amount of the Treasurer's bond. Approve committee budgets and expenditures.
- Vote upon committee chairs proposed by the President.
- Vote upon Judges Education Committee

- Vote upon committee members.
- Review and approve any presentations and materials.
- Hall of Fame – Review and vote upon nominations for HOF.
- Lifetime Membership – Review and vote upon members eligible for this status.
- National Championships – Review and vote upon the National Field Trial Standing Committee's application to hold event.
- National Specialty – Review and recommend reasonable remuneration for all NS judging assignments
- National Specialty – At the current year's Specialty, vote on the site and date for the Specialty to be held two years hence.
- National Specialty – The Board of Directors have to take an active role on the committees for Board-run Nationals.
- Supported Entries – Review and vote upon any applications to hold Supported Entries. Vote upon any proposed Sweepstakes judge, if applicable.

The information contained herein is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and qualifications required of individuals performing the job. The qualifications detailed in this job description are not considered the minimum requirements necessary to perform the job, but rather as guidelines and may vary from position to position.

COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE GUIDELINES: GENERAL RULES

APC will cover the cost of any AKC results needed for the chairs of any APC committee requiring any official AKC publication to do their job. Should the member resign the position, the understanding that the material is club property and any publication received must be forwarded to the new chair.

RECORDING PRACTICES

All APC committees consisting of more than one person shall have a scribe or a system to maintain notes. Notes taken by this person or persons shall be made available to the committee members within 30 days of any meeting. A copy of these notes shall be sent to the APC Recording Secretary within 30 days of any meeting.

All APC committees consisting of one person shall maintain notes and/or records of club business conducted. Notes or records maintained by this person shall be sent to the APC Recording Secretary upon request of the club President and/or Recording Secretary within 15 days of the request.

The Recording Secretary shall make committee notes available in their entirety to the Board or shall provide the Board with a summary. If the club's Recording Secretary supplies the Board with a summary, upon the request of any Officer or Board member, the recording Secretary will make a complete set of the notes available to the Officer or Board member requesting this information. **20061230-34-E**

INCOME AND EXPENSES

Any APC committee receiving income and/or generating bills not directly processed by the APC Treasurer shall have a copy of said income record and/or bill submitted to the APC Treasurer within 30 days of the transaction.

INVENTORY

All items belonging to the APC shall be maintained on an inventory list by the Treasurer when purchased. A picture, cost, date purchased and description of each item with its serial number or adequate other identifying information will be included on a sign-out sheet for every item belonging to the Club. Before anyone can use Club property, it must be signed out to the person responsible. That person will be responsible for reimbursing the club for the cost of such item if not returned within 30 days after their usage of such item. **20090920-28-BM**

APC FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rationale:

- Committee to assist the APC Treasurer with budget development, review and analysis for the General Operating Fund and the National Specialty Fund.

- Committee to continuously review and recommend effectiveness of current financial and member services software programs.
- Utilize both financial and member data reports from the software programs to provide the BOD with updated reports to assist in making informed decisions.

Committee Structure:

- Chair to be the APC Treasurer with two additional members of which no more than one may come from the BOD
- The APC President shall recommend committee members to the BOD for annual approval.
- Committee members may serve unlimited terms. **20220809-34 PM**

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee will complete a full financial review every other year, beginning with the calendar year 2015. **20160811-43-BM**

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Procedure for submitting proposed Bylaws revisions:

1. Results of Bylaws Committee work to the APC Board for approval.
2. Board approved suggested revisions to go to the AKC for approval.
3. After AKC approval of proposed changes, final version goes to APC members for vote.
4. If AKC does not approve the proposed changes, the document is sent back to the Bylaws Committee for further revision. **20070914-70-B**

CHAT GROUP GUIDELINES

1. This group is for sharing our love of Pointers. Before you post: Is your post positive? Is it about Pointers? Is it supportive? Is it informative?
2. Remember that this group is for keeping up with other members and sharing your dogs. All official business and announcements are found on our website at https://www.americanpointerclub.org/.
3. Feel free to post your brags and accomplishments with your Pointers. Ask questions concerning the health of your dogs or share articles that relate to Pointers.
4. Be respectful and courteous to others. Allow for differing opinions with respect.
5. Posting by member clubs announcing their upcoming events and results is always appreciated by all of us.
6. Give your Pointers a hug! **20250708-21 PM**

COMPANION EVENTS

Companion committee chair is the governing person for all APC companion events. **20150312-13-BM**

HEALTH, RESEARCH, and EDUCATION

- To monitor the current landscape of issues in canine health with a focus on those specific to pointers.
- To conduct a quarterly meeting, by any currently approved method, to discuss critical issues in canine health, as well as disbursement of funds annually from the Purina Fund for the Canine Health Foundation.
- To promote member participation in the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program to ensure funds are available for participation in Canine Health Foundation research projects.
- A member of the Health Committee, preferably a veterinarian, shall be sponsored to attend the annual Canine Health Foundation Conference.
- Annually the Health Committee shall provide a written report to the Board and Membership summarizing the previous year's discussions, finding and concerns for the health of the breed.
- To keep the membership informed of health concerns and new studies that are being done to benefit the breed.

HISTORIAN'S GUIDELINES

The person appointed annually by the President and approved by the Board of Directors to serve as Club Historian has the following responsibilities:

Collect and take necessary steps to preserve items of history pertaining to the American Pointer Club and to the pointer in general. These items usually are in the form of paper memorabilia, but may also be books, posters, items of clothing, tack, medallions, etc.

The historian is solely responsible for the safekeeping of these items, and must keep an updated list of the archival contents belonging to the club. This inventory should be addressed to the recording secretary, who in turn must present it to the board of directors at their annual board meeting along with the annual committee report of the Historian.

The inventory should be updated promptly as new material of interest makes itself available to the club through the historian. The names of the persons making the donations should be properly noted at the end of the report and also whenever feasible on the item donated itself. Books, newsletters, or yearbooks make ideal places to use the “donated to the American Pointer Club by” self-sticking printed labels.

At times there will be an accumulation of duplicated items in the collection. Depending on rarity, it is up to the good judgment of the Historian to keep multiple copies of items or to send them periodically to the corresponding secretary for placement for sale in the club’s “store”, or to place them for bidding in the annual auction. Either way, the club benefit is monetary and members purchase pointer history.

The Historian is responsible for sorting through all of the information accumulated in the archives and putting it into an easily accessed form for retrieval when necessary (file folders/plastic file bins sorted by year, subject, etc). The scanning and cataloging of material to CD/Zip file by subject and year is a current undertaking by the Historian. It is an ongoing process as time permits. Photographs of National Specialty winners are sent to the Historian for archiving.

An annual budget should be made available to the Historian to allow for any expenses which may be incurred in the process of preserving club and pointer history. This would usually be in the form of oversize scrapbooks, printed labels, three-ring binders, archival plastic notebook sheets, index dividers, covered storage containers, hanging file folders, “archives” self-inking stamp, photocopying, etc. It is the prerogative of the Historian to provide these materials as a gift to the club or be reimbursed for them with proper presentation of receipts.

JUDGES EDUCATION

Criteria to Become a Mentor: 20070910-46-B 20140312-13-PM

1. Reside in the Division to be represented and willing to give a presentation within his/her division at special events and be willing to collate materials for distribution to attendees.
2. 12 years in the breed, produced a min of 5 litters, which produced a min of 4 Champions
3. Able to present “**Illustrated Standard.”**
4. Able to answer questions and entertain constructive criticism before small to large groups
5. Agree to: Sit ringside with the aspiring judge for the duration of the breed judging (except at National Specialties). The show must be a major in at least one sex.
6. Agree to: Attend APC National Judges Education Seminar at least once every 3 years.

Mentors must receive Board approval.

Appointments- The committee will consist of 1 representative from each Division, with one person serving as Chair, in the event there is no member meeting the criteria from a Division, a member residing outside their Division may serve on the committee, Committee Chair to be appointed by the APC President, and the committee shall be selected by the Chair with board approval.

Responsibilities- The committee shall develop presentations for Judges' Education, which shall follow the approved AKC standard of the breed. Presentation(s) shall be developed to present the breed in a constructive and positive manner with interpretation towards perfection of the approved standard. The committee may incorporate, as needed, various breed faults which may assist aspiring judges in recognizing undesirable aspects of the breed. All presentations must be reviewed and approved by the Board, and it is the responsibility of the committee to review, revise, and enhance all presentations, which shall require the Board of Directors' approval. **20201208-70-PM** The Committee shall also serve as

Coordinator of the Breeder's Seminar at the National Specialty each year. **20121211-48-PM**

Membership Presentation- The Illustrated Standard is a tool used to assist owners, breeders, and prospective and approved judges regarding the understanding in a visual & instructional format using the most descriptive form of the AKC-approved Pointer standard. It shall be the combined responsibility of both the BOD and JE Committee to review and recommend any changes for the IS no less than every five years. Any recommendations shall ultimately require BOD approval. **20201208-71-PM**
JE PowerPoint Presentation – The JE PowerPoint Presentation shall represent the AKC-approved Pointer written standard in a format containing verbiage and illustrations which best depict positive aspects of the breed. The presentation shall include but not be limited to; quality artwork of the breed in the field, photographs of Grand Champions and Champions as well as Dual Champions whose AKC records indicate achievement towards meeting the approved standard. Verbiage shall be written clearly and fluently with clear interpretation of the breed standard. The JE Committee shall review and modify or enhance the PP presentation as deemed necessary. All changes must be approved by the BOD. **20201208-72-PM**

Website – The Illustrated Standard will be placed on the Website under Breed information. **20070701-34-E**
Packet to Include: Articles by Tom Bradley III – Pointers and Wayne Cavanaugh – Power of Positive Judging **20081008-54-B**; Pointer outlines from Spring 2011 Pointer Points Article by Susan Bleckley **20110511-15-BM**; Articles published in Show Sight magazine authored by Marjorie Martorella **20120425-15-BM** Dog News article on versatility of the breed **20141008-61-PM**
Adopted April 2004

JUNIORS COMMITTEE

The goal of this Committee is to guide the APC in developing programs for Juniors. An email address, apcjuniorshowmanship@gmail.com is posted on the APC website for junior-related inquiries. New members will continue to receive a welcome letter and a membership sticker.

- Juniors should be encouraged to become responsible and contributing Club members. To this end, every Junior member who attends the National Specialty should have some job to do for the Club.
- Juniors should be encouraged to display good sportsmanship, kindness and consideration to all.
- Juniors should be encouraged to develop their handling skills and to help each other to do the same. **20120425-12-BM**

Apply the same rules as Westminster for a qualifying and participating Junior with a pointer and the AKC National Championship. **20150114-03-BM, 20180111-03-BM**

Any junior who is a current member in good standing of the APC, qualifying for Crufts while handling a pointer will be offered a stipend of $500 **if they choose to attend and compete at Crufts**. **20150114-04-BM, 20150312-16-BM, 20150312-17-BM**

Karen Blasche Memorial Juniors Scholarship

Scholarship Purpose:

The American Pointer Club, Inc. recognizes the importance of Junior Members participating in events involving Pointers and encourages their involvement **in any** AKC-approved event.

The American Pointer Club understands that education is a never-ending process and supports the growth of Juniors interested in the sport of dogs and the advancement of their education. There is no greater combination of skills learned by being involved with the sport coupled with academic achievement.

The Karen Blasche Scholarship offers Junior Members the opportunity to learn, grow, and continue to have lifetime involvement in the sport of purebred dogs.

The American Pointer Club supports the efforts of Junior members by:

- *Being involved in national and local Pointer clubs*
- *Participating in local conformation shows, field events, and the APC National Specialty*

- ➢ *Providing education for Junior Members in various aspects of the sport*
- ➢ *Encouraged to be involved with local and national club's various event tasks*
- ➢ *Marketing current and past successes of Junior Members as encouragement for future aspirants.*

Karen Blasche Memorial Juniors Scholarship

Scholarship Committee

The approved chair will pick his/her committee members.

Committee Responsibility:
The committee must ensure the following:

- ➢ Scholarship announcement is made within December of each year
- ➢ *An*nouncement includes all current and past Junior APC members and all APC media sources
- ➢ Prescribed time frame:

. Completed application returned to committee chair by February 10th of each year.
. All applications are circulated to the Scholarship Selection Committee via email between February 15th & February 20th.
. Selection of the winner made by March 31.
. The Scholarship Committee shall immediately forward the selected winner to the APC President to present to the APC, BOD to determine the official announcement of the scholarship winner.

Recommended reference for the selection process:

- The Chair will email all the applications to the committee members with a deadline for each member to rank their decision accordingly by 1st, 2nd 3rd, etc.
- The Chair will meet via a Zoom call on an agreed date to discuss the applications and vote on the recipient of the scholarship.
- The Chair will inform the APC President of the scholarship winner.

Scholarship Selection Criteria

- *Must have been an active Junior member of the American Pointer Club for a minimum of 1 year before applying for* the scholarship.
- Activities may include one or more of the following events: conformation, junior handling, Obedience/rally trials, agility trials, field trials/ hunt tests tracking and Canine Good Citizens tests.
- To be awarded to a student in college or graduate school.
- The American Pointer Club may award a $1000 scholarship annually to a full-time student with a minimum of 12 semester hours.

➢ Application Requirements:

Transcript / Personal Essay / Letters of Recommendation

Transcript:
Applicants are required to submit an official college or high school senior year transcript verifying the GPA
Previous college coursework is required for college freshmen.
A 3.0 minimum average is required with consideration of school and community.
involvement.

Personal Essay:
Applicants must submit a typed and signed essay not to exceed 800 words expressing originality, maturity, and the ability to clearly express their writing proficiency. The essay must include the following:

* Involvement in purebred dogs and areas of interest with Pointers
* Beneficial experiences
* Future aspirations regarding career and in the sport of purebred dogs

* Supportive information which is relative to academics, community, and the sport of purebred dogs.

Letters of Recommendation:
Two letters of recommendation must be received with the application, contained in a sealed envelope with the signature of the writer across the seal of the envelope. One letter of recommendation must be from an APC member in good standing for at least one year.

Letters from relatives or members of the same household will not be considered.

Letters must include why that individual believes the applicant is worthy of being awarded the scholarship.

The $1000 scholarship will be awarded for college/university tuition expenses only and paid directly to the institution the applicant is attending.
The winner will be publicly announced at the National Specialty or earlier depending on the date of the National.

Scholarship Application Form can be found in the Forms Section at the end of this document.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR – Part of the Duties of the VP

1. Receives all membership applications.
2. Send an acknowledgment form letter to membership applicants notifying them that their applications have been received and giving an approximate time frame when a vote on their application is expected to take place.
3. Application is to include sponsors' signatures (e-signatures are acceptable) and the sponsor's recommendation letters, plus the applicant's letter of introduction.
4. Scan the membership application to the RS to include on the upcoming agenda for a vote.
5. Sends application dues checks to the Treasurer for deposit.
6. Sends "welcome" packets (welcome letter, APC information brochure, information regarding the APC website and online membership login, and APC Pin to each new member. For those new members who do not indicate an email address, the VP shall also send a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws. **20140213-09-PM**
7. Ensures that the Treasurer updates APC's online membership database with new member info from each application.
8. If an ex-member applies for reinstatement within 5 years of lapse of membership, he/she can be reinstated by submission of a Membership Application and payment of annual dues, without sponsors. If the lapse is over 5 years, a new Membership Application, with sponsors, is required; **20220614-23 PM**

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. 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:

- 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 other event 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.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

SECTION 3. NOMINATIONS AND BALLOTS. No person may be a candidate in a Club election who has not been nominated in accordance with these By-laws. **A nominating committee shall be nominated and elected by the Board NO LATER THAN July 15th of each year by a plurality vote**. The committee shall consist of five (5) members from different areas of the United States, and two (2) alternates, all members in good standing, no more than one (1) shall be a member of the current Board. The Board shall name a chairman for the committee. The APC President shall arrange and conduct an orientation meeting with the entire nominating committee before the first scheduled business meeting of the Nominating Committee; of which the sole purpose is to review the Nominating Committee Policy, Procedure Guidelines within the Policy, Procedure & Guidelines manual **20220913-46 PM** The committee may conduct its business via videoconference, teleconference, mail, fax, or email, in accordance with AKC policy provided it does not conflict with any other provision in these bylaws.

The procedure to appoint a Nominating Committee should start on or about June 30 of each year.
ARTICLE IV ~ THE CLUB YEAR ~ VOTING, NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS ~
SECTION 3. NOMINATIONS AND BALLOTS.

Time Table: Search for Nominees July 15 – September 1
Notify General Membership September 1 – September 30
General Membership can nominate October 1 –October 31
Election sent by November 15, due back December 15

(a) It shall be the duty of the nominating committee to nominate one (1) candidate from among the eligible members for each office and for each position on the Board, secure acceptance of the nominees and ***submit the names of all the nominees to the Recording Secretary, no later than September 1st, who shall then mail the list of nominees and the state in which they reside to each member within 30 days from their receipt, or no later than October 1, whichever comes first and post the list on the Club's official website.*** **To be eligible for the above-referred elected office, a member must have belonged to the American Pointer Club for at least two (2) years prior to the election to such office and be a Resident of the United States**
(b) Additional nominations of eligible members may be made in writing addressed to the Recording Secretary and received by her or him within thirty (30) days of the date of the mailing of the list of nominees proposed by the Nominating Committee. The additional nominations must be signed by five (5) members and accompanied by a written acceptance of each additional nominee, including the nominee's bio, if they wish it included in the ballot. No person shall be a candidate for more than one (1) position.
(c) If no valid additional nominations are received by the Recording secretary within thirty (30) days of the mailing of the committee's slate, or by November 1, whichever comes first, said slate shall be declared elected and all members shall be promptly notified.
d) If one or more valid additional nominations are received by the Recording Secretary ballots shall be electronically transmitted in accordance with AKC's procedure and in accordance with Federal and New Jersey State laws on electronic balloting for AKC parent clubs or mailed to a current list of eligible members within thirty (30) days of their receipt or no later than November 15, whichever comes first. To ensure secrecy, all ballots shall include a list of the nominees for each position in alphabetical order with the names of the states in which they reside. The mailing shall include the ballot envelope with a signature line(s) and an envelope addressed to the independent tabulator. All ballots must be returned to the tabulator by December 15th. Results of the election shall be reported promptly to all members upon the Recording Secretary receiving the results of the election from the independent tabulator. Additionally, the Recording Secretary shall post the results on the Club's website within fifteen (15) days of receipt. **For More Information See "General Balloting Procedures" in the PPG.**

Nominating Committee Instructions

The Recording Secretary will send to the Chair, each member of the Nominating Committee and the alternates:

1. A copy of the Nominating Committee Guidelines
2. A list of all members eligible to hold office
3. A copy of the Constitutional requirements

The Committee Chair will begin the initial correspondence by requesting nominations for each available Office and Board

position. Committee members should be given 15 days from the date of the Chairman's letter to respond. Any member of the Nominating Committee may not be nominated unless they resign from the committee. **20210914-35 PM**

The Chairman will compile a list of all candidates nominated for each position in the form of a ballot. The ballot will be sent to each Committee member so that the members can vote for one person per position. Should there be a position that does not have a majority vote, another vote should be taken

Should the candidate securing the majority vote decline the position, the Committee members should be informed so that the members may re-nominate for the position. A new vote should be taken for that position.

The Committee shall provide sufficient time to respond to nominees while adhering to the nomination timeline.

All nominees should provide the Nominating Committee Chairman with a brief biographical sketch, not to exceed 150 words, outlining their qualifications to be considered for the position. This sketch should be sent to the Chairman at the time of their acceptance of the nomination. The Chairman will forward these to the Recording Secretary to be enclosed with the ballot that is sent to the general membership.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee will notify all committee members of the final results of their efforts.

Additional Nomination candidates will also provide the Recording Secretary with a brief biographical sketch, (not to exceed 150 words) with their nomination.

PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Purpose: Educate the public about the Pointer breed and the American Pointer Club.

Scope: Nationwide education through approved events such as AKC member club "Meet the Breeds" events, high-profile events, and local/regional events. Regional Clubs should be contacted for help in getting APC members to participate if an event is held in their area.

Committee member: The committee will consist of the committee chair.

Reports to: The chair will report to the Board yearly with a budget request and end-of-the-year report for the Annual Meeting. The chair will also inform the Board of upcoming "Meet the Breeds," high-profile events, and local/regional events and their results.

Responsibilities: The public education chair will provide the educational material for all public education events. All APC members in good standing are able to and encouraged to facilitate local educational events, but they must get approval from the Public Education Chair. The chair must preapprove all presentation costs and ask the Board for pre-approval if the cost exceeds the yearly budget request**.**

Evaluation and Feedback: After each event, the Chair is to receive a report on the success of the educational event, and the chair must report the results to the board.

PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

Event Request: The APC Public Education Chair will provide the resources needed to make a presentation at approved events as follows:

- Information on the event must be submitted to the PE chair. Information submitted for approval must include the Name of the organization holding the event, the purpose of the event, the name(s) of APC club members giving a presentation, and any costs involved. Only APC members may give presentations.
- Presenters must complete a report at the end of each event and submit it to the chair, along with any related paperwork or receipts.

Materials Provided: The Public Education Chair will provide the following materials for use at approved educational events:

- Brochures- The official APC brochure will be given to the public.
- Coloring/activity sheets for children need to be printed. Contact the PE Chair to determine the availability of materials.

- AKC educational brochures—The AKC provides educational brochures covering various public education topics. The chair should contact the AKC to find out what materials are available.
- Any other materials the APC board decides to provide the Public Education Chair for distribution or use at approved events.

Pointer Ambassadors: It is essential that whenever possible, Pointer ambassadors are present.

a. They should be Even-tempered and able to handle being petted by hundreds of people of all ages. At least two or more ambassadors should be given some resting time, as it is very tiring.
b. Try to have as many of the colors represented as possible.
c. Make sure they are freshly bathed and brushed so they feel good to the touch.
d. Requests from the public for Breeders must be referred to the list of Breeders on the APC Website, americanpointerclub.org > Find a Pointer> Find a Breeder. Personal referrals are not allowed.
e. Pointer ambassadors should always be available to the public under the positive control of a handler. "Free range" (x-pens or similar) set-ups are a liability to the ambassadors and the APC. These shall not be used for interactions between dogs and visitors to the booth. The "free range" areas may be used to provide the pointer ambassadors with a break from the pressure and stress of the booth interactions.
f. Other Suggested Items to have on hand at the booth:
   Dog treats and hard candy for people (BOTH OF THESE ITEMS ARE FOR AMBASSADORS ONLY AT AKC EVENTS – NOT ALLOWED FOR PATRONS!)
   Facial tissues.
   Antibacterial hand wash.
   Pens.
   Water for presenters and ambassadors.

APC VETERINARY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

American Pointer Club

Veterinary Student Scholarship Program

Dear Dean,

The American Pointer Club has established a **scholarship program for veterinary students**. Funds are accrued throughout the year from our programs. However, we need your help to identify and give this application to an eligible postgraduate student. (See Eligibility below.)

If you have postgraduate students who are interested in applying for the scholarship, please have them complete the application and send it to the co-chairman of the scholarship committee (below). If the student receives the scholarship but changes address for the Dean or financial office, please tell our co-chairman. Please retain this scholarship application package indefinitely until revoked by the American Pointer Club.

Co-Chairmen's Address is: Diana Henry, APC Scholarship Co-Chair, 28 Lawrence Brook Drive, East Brunswick, NJ, 08816 (email address is whycuz1825@aol.com).

Eligibility and Award

A scholarship of $1,000.00 will be awarded to a qualifying student. The student must be entering their third or fourth year of a post-graduate veterinary program of an accredited university or veterinary school. The scholarship is available to any **veterinary student** attending the veterinary school. The deadline for applications every year will be December 22nd and every December 22nd thereafter. Please retain for your files and update your address whenever it changes.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

American Pointer Club Scholarship Committee

Process for selecting a winner

The scholarship committee will meet by mid-January every year to determine the winner.

1. The committee will accept ***completed*** applications that are received by December 22nd of each year. A completed application includes:

   a) Application ***completely*** filled out – additional sheets may be attached if needed.
   b) Two letters of reference - one should be personal, and one should be of an academic nature – (school, administration, faculty, etc).
   The personal reference should not be from the members of the applicant's family.
   c) Official veterinary school transcripts (with explanations of any breaks in school attendance on the application).
   d) **Two Essays: See application for topics**

2. The committee will consider the applicant based on the documentation received re: the following categories/criteria for evaluation:
   a) Essays
   b) Academic excellence **(3.0 min.)**
   c) Letters of reference
   d) Community service and volunteer activities
   e) Career goals
   f) Demonstrated financial need

3. The committee will arrive at a consensus winner and present the winner's name to the American Pointer Club in February of every year. The winner will be notified after the selection is made and a certificate will be sent. The committee will send a bio and a photo to the editor of the newsletter and the website liaison to be posted. The check will be issued to the bursar's office. The winner will be responsible for forwarding school information to the club treasurer no later than March 1st.

Scholarship Application Form can be found in the Forms Section at the end of this document.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Establish Ways and Means Committee to solicit major gifts and explore APC sales items/APC website merchandise unrelated to the National Specialty. **20120425-21-BM**

STATISTICS

20170504-02-MM – Annual Statistics and awards to be printed in the National Specialty Catalog

OTHER CLUB BUSINESS PRACTICES

FINANCIAL POLICY/GUIDELINES

1. The Treasurer and the President of the American Pointer Club will sign on all the American Pointer Club's Bank accounts. The original bank statements and canceled checks for each account are to be sent to the Treasurer quarterly, unless requested more frequently.

2. The Treasurer shall be bonded, as required in the By-Laws. The amount of the Bond shall be determined by the Board.

3. Any extension of the APC (examples being: Pointer Points and/or the Field Trial Committee) may have their own bank accounts for convenience but are required to have Board approval prior to any expenditures; by either filing an estimated budget for approval, or by spending their own money and applying for a reimbursement after the fact.

4. All committee appointees will be sent instructions by the Recording Secretary, on how to apply for reimbursement

and how to file a budget.

5. The Treasurer will include reports of all Club accounts on all the Treasurers reports.

6. All requests for funds shall be on forms furnished by the club.

7. Since the By-Laws require that the President be apprised of all expenditures over $500.00, this should be done in writing so that future audits will be very clear. This should be done on a voucher form.

8. It is the Show Chairman's responsibility to coordinate the financial affairs of the National Specialty and to be responsible for reporting the same.

9. All contracts should be presented to the Board for review prior to signature by the Treasurer. **20111213-50-PM**

The Officers & Board adopted the following forms #apc789gl, #apc789bgt, #apc789re, #apc988gl and the above guidelines on July 13, 1989.

To: ALL COMMITTEE APPOINTEES From: APC TREASURER

Subject: PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES FOR COMMITTEE BUDGET AND REIMBURSEMENT APPLICATIONS.

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Two financial request forms are to be used by your committee.

The Budget Request form should be prepared by the Chairperson prior to any work or expenditures. This should be realistically planned and submitted as expeditiously as possible so that Board approval may be obtained, and the committee may proceed. The club Treasurer will notify the committee Chairperson in writing as soon as approval is obtained.

The Expense Reimbursement form can be submitted periodically throughout the life of the committee, or at the end of the function, and may be submitted by any member of the committee so affected by the necessity of reimbursement of expenses specifically incurred by service on this committee. These expenses will have been previously addressed by the Budget Request a form and will be within the parameters of the original Budget Request amount. These forms will be provided to you when you are notified of your committee appointment. Submit completed request to the club Treasurer.

SUBMITTING A BUDGET OR APPLYING FOR EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

In accordance with the By-Laws of the American Pointer Club, the Board of Directors recognizes the following procedures to comply with the requirements for disbursement of club funds.

1. Upon your appointment to Chair a committee, or upon your election to an Office or to the Board of Directors, or as otherwise needed; you may submit a budget to the Board of Directors for approval. This budget should outline your plans for your work and an estimate of what you anticipate your expenses to be. Upon Board approval, you may then apply directly to the Club Treasurer for reimbursement for the approved budget items by writing the Treasurers and providing him or her appropriate receipts or documentation. **Please use the budget request form found in the "Forms" section of this document.**

2. You can apply for Board approval of expenses by making a request in writing to the Club Recording Secretary; stating the identity of the payee, the purpose of the expenses including reasons therefore, and the amount of the reimbursement being requested. After Board approval, the Treasurer will make reimbursement upon possession of receipts.

Below you will find the Articles, and Sections of the By-Laws of the American Pointer Club, Inc.

Article III, Section 6. COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

An officer, director, committee chairman and other member of the Club shall be reimbursed for expenditures on behalf of the Club. However, a committee chairperson, or an officer, director or other member of the Club may be advanced money for Club functions in the form of a Board approved budget. Detailed records and receipts must be maintained and presented to the Treasurer and Board. No member may be reimbursed for expenses without specifying the purpose of the expense including the reasons therefore and supplying the appropriate documentation.

Any member of the club that is owner or co-owner in a business that could provide a service for reimbursement to the club may do so providing that a competitive bid has been presented, was approved by the Board and the bid is not more or less than the provider usually charges other clients.

Article V, Section 2. COMMITTEES

The chairman of the committee shall present plans for work and special projects to the Board for approval and shall in no way spend more than the budget allows without first getting approval from the Board. If such approval is not obtained, the chairman is solely responsible for the expense incurred. All committee chairmen must present properly prepared and signed bills to the Treasurer to be presented for approval by the Board.

Any APC committee receiving income and/or generating bills not directly processed by the APC Treasurer shall have a copy of said income record and/or bill submitted to the APC Treasurer within 30 days of the transaction.
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GENERAL BALLOTING PROCEDURES

The APC Constitution and Bylaws approved by the membership in 2016, allow for electronic voting. Gravity Forms, approved by the Board of Directors in 2023 is the method used for nominations and voting. **20230214-11 PM** Motion to approve the expenditure of no more than $450.00 to have Gravity Forms develop the ability to send survey's etc through Membership Works.
Some examples would be:

- Annual Election for Officers, Board of Directors and Delegate (whose two (2) year term has expired)
- Amendments to the Constitution and By-laws
- Amendments to the AKC Pointer Breed Standard
- Judges Nomination for National Specialty (Breed, Sweeps, Futurity) Electronically or by mail
- Judges Election for National Specialty (Breed, Sweeps, Futurity) Electronically or by mail.
- APC Hall of Fame election

NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES SELECTION

NOMINATION GUIDELINES

- The nomination form must include the current guidelines and a list of names of all people who have judged the breed, sweepstakes, and futurity/maturity in the past five years, as they are ineligible.
- Guidelines for judges' selection will be sent with the nomination form electronically.
- Nominations for specialty judges will be for a 1-year period.
- AKC licensed Pointer judges will be included with the form
- The Recording Secretary will receive the nomination results electronically.
- Conformation – Top 5 individuals will be listed with the person receiving the highest number of votes.
- Futurity/Maturity and Sweepstakes – Top 3 individuals will be listed with the person receiving the highest number of votes to be listed first.
- Judge's nominations are handled as a secret ballot electronically.
- The nomination form must include the current guidelines and a list of names of all people who have judged the breed, sweepstakes, and futurity in the past five years, as they are ineligible.
- Any nominee who qualifies in more than one judging category shall be placed for a vote in the category for which he or she received the highest number of nominations. *In case of a tie, the nominee shall be contacted and given the option to choose the category for which he or she wishes to run.
- All nominees must be in good standing with the American Kennel Club
- No provisional judges.
- Foreign Judges are eligible to judge the breed only once every five years. Canadians and Mexicans are considered Foreign
- The 5-year judges' restriction is for breed only. Any conformation judge, for any class, for which they are selected, will be eligible to judge only once every five years in their category
- Members nominate their choice in all three categories.
- The top 5 nominees for confirmation and the top 3 nominees for Sweepstakes and Futurity will be listed on the election Ballot.
- A nominee must receive a minimum of three (3) nominations to appear on the election ballot.
- Names of qualified members can be added to the nomination form for APC Nationals, along with all AKC-approved Pointer Judges.
- Requirements for approval of a non-licensed individual to judge the APC National
  a) Any eligible individuals, including, but not limited to, professional handlers, may be approved on a case-by-case, event-by-event request from the Parent Club for approval to judge a specialty in its breed.
  b) Must be 21 years of age.
  c) Must be occupationally eligible, except that professional handlers must be approved under this policy.
  d) Should be knowledgeable, with success in breeding/exhibiting/handling in the breed for 15 years or more.
  e) Procedure and anatomy test required, and if applicable, scale or wicket test required.
  f) A $35 per breed fee is required for non/approved judges.
  g) Individuals may not be approved for more than one specialty per calendar year and no more than five specialties cumulative.
  h) Only one unlicensed person can judge an APC National every five years.
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NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGE'S BALLOT FOR VOTING

NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGE'S BALLOT FOR VOTING

ELECTION GUIDELINES

- Conformation –Top 5 individuals will be listed on the ballot with the person receiving the highest number of votes.
- Futurity/Maturity and Sweepstakes –Top 3 individuals will be listed on the ballot with the person receiving the highest number of votes to be listed first.
- The judge who received the most votes will be contacted first, if unable to accept, the next qualifying person on the list is contacted until the assignment is filled.
- Judges' elections are handled electronically as secret ballots.

- Any nominee who qualifies in more than one judging category shall be placed for vote in the category for which he or she received the highest number of nominations. *In case of a tie, the nominee shall be contacted and given the option to choose the category for which he or she wishes to run
- Judge's bios to be included on Judges Ballot for National Specialty Selection.
- The Recording Secretary will receive the election results electronically.
- After the results of the election are tabulated, the Recording Secretary will notify the APC Officers and Directors.
- The Show Chair will communicate with the National Specialty judges. If the role of the Show Chair has not been filled, the judges will receive communications from a generic APC email address. The sender will not include in the communication his or her name or any other identifying information but will contact the winner of each category to ascertain their acceptance of the assignment and compliance with APC stipulations. If, for any reason, they are unable to comply, they will be removed. 20230404-29 PM
  a) No conflict with Westminster Kennel Club.
  b) Agrees not to judge Pointers in the continental U.S. for (12) twelve months prior to the National.
  c) "Nat Spec Conformation Judges Compensation: 1. The National Specialty judge can charge no more than $300 per day of judging. 2. All travel expenses will be paid, such as Air Travel, mileage, meals, hotel, and transportation to and from the hotel.
  d) Sweepstakes and Futurity/Maturity judges may be compensated up to a total of $250.00
  e) Junior Judges, if separate, will be offered a gift in place of expenses paid.
- The Companion Chair & his/her committee shall select the judges for Obedience, Rally & Agility with Board approval. Total judge's expense may not exceed $250.00 without prior board approval. Approve National Specialty agility judge fee and expenses not to exceed $500 before additional Board approval is required.
- Where AKC approval is required, no event or information about an event will be published in any format without stating the event as "Pending" until the APC has AKC approval.
- Hunt Test and Field Trial judges will be approved by NFTSC for field events held in conjunction with the National Specialty) Total judge's expense may not exceed $250.00 without prior board approval. 20240409-13 PM

POLICY/PROCEDURE/GUIDELINES & STANDING RULES

Policy/Procedure/Guidelines & Standing Rules will be updated with motion number which coordinates with listing on website. **20080123-06-E**

Registered Parliamentarian at the General Membership Meeting optional at the discretion of the Board. **20111213-44-PM**

DUES

Memberships approved after November 1 will not be charged dues for the following year - to be included in PPG Manual. **20100220-05-APM**

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

The APC makes charitable donations each year. These donations are for health and research for dogs, help for humans involved in the sport of dogs, veterinary and other scholarships, and education, etc. The money for these donations comes from our participation in the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program and individual APC membership donations. The APC donations vary in amounts, usually based on a small percentage of the club's net profit for that year. If there is no profit, there may be no donation that year. In emergency situations the Board should make the decision.

When charitable donations are being considered, it is the Boards fiduciary responsibility to be sure the charities are legitimate and that the total, or almost total donated monies go to the cause being supported rather than to salaries, advertising, etc. One resource to evaluate charities is **CharityNavigator.com**

AWARDS

Plaques and Awards are given by the APC for accomplishments achieved each year. In order to be eligible to receive a new title plaque, an owner or co-owner must have been an APC member for at least 30 days before the date on which the award is earned (i.e., the date of the new title). In the case of annual statistical rankings achieved by the end of the year, the owner/co-owner must have been an APC member for more than half that year. All points earned towards rankings will count only while the dog is owned/co-owned by an APC member. Only those points earned while showing a Pointer will count towards APC awards. ***20120425-11-BM***

Reports are to be purchased quarterly from AKC for statistics for conformation/juniors, performance and companion events. These are to be distributed by the Treasurer to the appropriate statistical Chairs. **20120425-16-BM**

The bench statistician keeps records attained from the *AKC New Titles* and the *AKC PDF link for Pointer Conformation Results* electronic subscription files for the calendar year January 1 – December 31 in the following categories:

Champions and Titleholders List; Dog's name, sex, and owner(s) name(s)
Top Ten Group Placing Pointers
Top Ten Breed Pointers
Breeder (most Ch's) and Merit Breeders (3 or more Ch's) of the Year – Conformation
Pointer Sire (most Ch's) and Merit Sires (5 or more Ch's) of the Year – Conformation
Pointer Dam (most Ch's) and Merit Dams (3 or more Ch's) of the Year – Conformation

FINAL membership list should be kept up to date with their addresses and phone numbers online by the Recording Secretary with a shared responsibility with the Treasurer, as that office updates the membership following renewal of dues, to determine who qualifies for the above APC annual awards. and keeping a current roll of the members of the Club in good standing.

Recent Policies & Procedures changes indicate a person must have been a Club member for more than six months of the year to qualify for top or merit breeders, sire, dams, etc awards, and a member must have owned or co-owned a Pointer for the year in question to be eligible for APC awards.

Upon completion of all statistics, files must be forwarded to the Awards/ Plaques & Certificates Chairmen for preparation of annual awards. A *detailed* breeder, sire and dam list is then compiled to be posted on the website and complete statistics will be emailed to all members.

The statistics are calculated for EVERY show in which a pointer competes, listed in a ledger, kept by month as it appears in the *AKC Pointer Conformation electronic Quarterly Reports.* Headings for each month are: NAME of Best of

pointer; line info found on; SHOW name; DATE of show; POINTS won (total pointers entered in breed minus itself; i.e., if 15 competed, BOB gets 14 points; if pointer entry is 1, BOB gets 0, but is listed anyway toward that dog's total times BOB in Top Ten statistics. A space is left in the heading row in case a dog places in a group or wins BIS; i.e. GR-3, 122 points…meaning all points in Sporting Group EXCEPT those earned by the breeds finishing 1 & 2 in the group ahead, and minus 1 (itself) in the pointer totals. A GR-1 would get all of the Sporting Group breed totals, minus 1 (itself) in pointers. BIS would get total number of dogs entered in show, minus 1 (itself).

Corrections are no longer issued, therefore any Pointer errors, or any Sporting Group placement errors in which a pointer figured by winning a group placement and then adjusted accordingly can no longer be noted in the ledger.

At the end of the CALENDAR year (January 1 through December 31), each dog's totals are added by BEST OF BREED points and arranged 1 through 10. If there is a TIE in points, the dog with FEWER times Best Of Breed would place AHEAD of the other because he won his points in greater competition.

TOP TEN GROUP placing pointers are figured the same way, with the list showing total group (& BIS/BISS) points, plus how many Best In Show/Specialty Best In Show, Group 1, Group 2 , Group 3 and Group 4 placements for informational value. Note: In this listing, if a dog wins BIS, he would also be credited with winning a Group 1, which of course, he did. Should he win an independent national specialty or specialty show, it would be marked as a BISS AND given all the breed points (minus one, itself) as well as be counted toward the Group Points total under BISS.

AKC OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWAR

In the American Kennel Club's ongoing efforts to recognize and celebrate its volunteer club members, the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award program was established in 2006 to provide each member club with an AKC Medallion to award to one of its own on a yearly basis.

This award honors those individuals who deserve special recognition and have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club. Medallions are awarded solely at the club's discretion.

NOMINATIONS & VOTING:

- Nominations: AKC Sportsmanship Award will be solicited in the newsletter (Bits & Pieces) before the February 1st deadline. The person nominating must include a letter of recommendation.
- The Board may submit one name at the February meeting or the first meeting after February 1st.
- The nominees' names will then be placed on a ballot for a vote by the membership. If there is only one nominee, there will be no voting ballot.
- The deadline for the vote by the voting members is 14 days,
- The winner will be announced at the annual meeting.
- The AKC will be notified of the name of the Outstanding Sportsmanship Award.

Voting: Each board member may vote for one name only. If there is a tie there will be a second vote to break the tie. If no names are submitted by the membership or board, it is not mandatory that the award be given. Voting of the Board will be by a closed vote. **20090922-63-CM**

The candidate nominated must demonstrate some of the following qualities:

- Promotes goodwill among others
- Supports the activities/wins of others, extending good wishes
- Has the "good of dogs" at heart
- Encourages others who may need encouragement
- Is courteous, friendly and kind, especially to newcomers
- Volunteers time to educate people about dogs, the club and club activities Shows interest regarding other breeders' ideas and thoughts on breeding, their litters and their dogs
- Offers ideas for breeding, dog care, grooming, handling, training, etc
- Displays integrity, fairness and honesty. **20081008-57-B**
- Outstanding Sportsmanship Award to include paragraphs from AKC description of the award. **20090922-62-CM**

Deadline for submission of nominee along with letter of recommendation is February 1st yearly
Submission of nominee is to be sent to the recordingsecretary@americanpointerclub.org

AGILITY AWARDS – RULES AND PROCEDURES

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question in order to be eligible for APC Agility Awards.

- Pointers are ranked 1st-5th in the categories of Novice, Open, and Excellent.
- Each category combines Standard, Jumpers with Weaves, Preferred classes and jump heights.
- The Pointer with the most overall points is the Top Agility Pointer in each class. Pointers earn points based on the number of dogs in their jump class and the placement.
- For example, in a class of 10, 1st place = 10 pts, 2nd place = 9 points, 3rd place = 8 points, and 4th place = 7 points.
- Qualifying scores without a placement = .5

The AKC/APC Top Dogs Ranked in Agility Events is calculated using the AKC Top MACH/PACH Dog formula: (Double Q's x 10) + MACH/PACH (Master Agility Championship/Preferred Agility Championship) points that dogs have earned during the qualifying period. Dogs must have competed

and qualified in Master (formerly: Excellent B) classes to be eligible for both APC and AKC Agility Top Dog ranking.
Dogs running in the Masters classes, Regular or Preferred, MUST receive perfect scores of 100 - in order to qualify, therefore, the point totals for each dog reflect the total of all MACH/PACH points earned for each qualifying run during the period. One MACH/PACH point is awarded for every full second that the dog runs under the Standard Course Time in the Masters Standard and Masters Jumpers with Weaves classes.

Please note: Only dogs owned by current APC members are eligible for the APC Top Dog awards for each level. Eligible dogs, and their APC ranking are bracketed in bold face type, as a separate distinction from the numerical rankings of each registered Pointer currently competing and, therefore, ranked by AKC.

Also note that the APC point qualification period for all levels is based on the actual calendar year: January 1st to December 31st.; while the AKC qualification period for Top Invitational Dogs is July 1st - to June 30th of the following year.

APC Top Dogs in the Excellent, Open and Novice levels - Regular and Preferred, are determined by totaling the dog's scores for each qualifying run - in the Standard and Jumpers with Weaves classes, at that level of competition. Dogs competing in these levels may earn qualifying scores with faults, which are deducted from the perfect score of 100. No speed (MACH/PACH) points are accumulated in these levels.

Please note: Scores earned in the "games" classes: FAST and T2B, as well as the new Premier Classes, are NOT included in the point totals for any level

CHIC/APC CHAMPION OF HEALTH AWARD

ANNUAL AWARD PROGRAM

CHIC Award -The Health Committee will send a club certificate to new dogs that complete the CHIC requirements (Hips, elbows, eyes, thyroid). Each dog that has completed the testing for a CHIC number will receive a certificate, and a list of all the dogs that have completed the requirements for the year will be published in the club's yearly statistics.

Program Description:

HUNT TEST & FIELD TRIAL BREEDER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

20200714-37-PM

Hunt Test Breeder of the Year

Eligibility – The breeder of any dog attaining a hunt test title must be a member in good standing with the American Pointer Club during the year the title is achieved.

- A minimum of two dogs must achieve titles.
- A minimum of two titles must be achieved.
- One of the titles must be an advanced title (Senior Hunter or Master Hunter)
- A minimum of four total points must be achieved.

Hunt Test Point Schedule

Master Hunter	5 Points
Senior Hunter	3 Points

Junior Hunter	1 Point

Field Trial Breeder of the Year

Eligibility – The breeder of any dog attaining a field trial title must be a member in good standing of the American Pointer Club during the year the title is achieved

- A minimum of two dogs must achieve titles.
- A minimum of two titles/points must be achieved. (Multiple Derby, Gun Dog or All-Age wins on the same dog only counts as one (1 or 2 points) win.
- One of the titles must be an advanced title (titles valued at 4 or 5 points)
- A minimum of six total points must be achieved.

Field Trial Point Schedule

Grand Field Champion/ Grand Amateur Champion/ Field Champion/ Amateur Champion	5 points
National Field Champion/National Amateur Field National Gun Dog Champion/National Amateur Gun Dog Champion/National Walking Gun Dog Champion	4 points
1st place in Gun Dog or All-Age Stake	2 points
1st place in Derby Stake	1 point

FIELD TRIAL AWARDS – RULES AND PROCEDURES

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question in order to be eligible for APC Field Trial Awards.

For each placement, points are determined by the number of starters defeated multiplied by the weight number for that placement.

CALCULATION FOR FIELD DOG OF THE YEAR AWARD

PLACEMENT	POINTS
1st place	4
2nd place	3
3rd place	2
4th place	1

There is a multiplier of 2 for the following:

A. APC National Championship (Open & Amateur NC)
B. AKC Gun Dog Championship
C. APC Classic, if an hour stake

FAST CAT

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question in order to be eligible for APC the Fast Cat Award.

The eligible Pointer must also be ranked in the top seven of Pointers in Fast Cat on AKC website for the year. The best average of the top three runs for the calendar year will be used to determine the fastest Pointer. These averages will be obtained from the AKC website and all dogs competing must also meet all requirements set forth by AKC.

HALL OF FAME GUIDELINES

The American Pointer Club, at its 1973 annual meeting, established a Hall of Fame for persons and Pointers that have distinguished themselves over the years by their contributions to the promotion and welfare of the Pointer in America.

GENERAL POINTER

An individual Pointer can be accorded the honor of being elected to the American Pointer Club Hall of Fame according to the eligibility requirements.

ELIGIBILITY

Any *deceased* Pointer who has made a highly unusual and significant contribution to bring distinction to himself and the Pointer breed, because of one or more of the following, can be considered to be eligible for consideration to the Hall of Fame of the American Pointer Club.

(a) any deceased Pointer who completed his conformation, agility & tracking, obedience or field championship and has sired or produced an unusual number of champions in proportion to the total number of get.

(b) any deceased Pointer who completed his conformation, agility, obedience or field championship and has accumulated an unusual number of wins (Best in Shows, Agility, Field Trial firsts, Obedience Trail wins.)

(c) any deceased Pointer who has made a heroic effort on the behalf of saving human life, property, or other animals.

(d) any deceased Pointer who has made a highly visible, well-known contribution to bring distinction to himself because of a highly unusual event or because of the first-time occurrence of an unusual event.

GENERAL PERSON

Any person who has made a highly unusual and significant contribution to bring distinction to the Pointer breed and himself, because of one or more of the following can be considered to be eligible for the consideration to the Hall of Fame of the American Pointer Club.

ELIGIBILITY

Any Pointer person who has been eminently successful, well-known and recognizable, distinguished by having his dogs or dogs bred by his kennel bring recognition to him on the basis of wins in the conformation ring, at field trials, or in the obedience ring.

(a) any Pointer person who has made a highly visible and well-known contribution to bring distinction to himself or the Pointer because of a highly unusual event or because of the first-time occurrence of an unusual event concerning the pointer breed.

(b) any Pointer person who has been continually energetic in promoting the Pointer breed, or who constantly has given encouragement to others to benefit the Pointer.

PROCEDURE

Dogs or persons will be elected to the Hall of Fame: "BALLOTS FOR DOGS AND /OR PERSONS NOMINATED TO THE HALL OF FAME MAY BE MAILED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH ANY SECRET BALLOT WHICH TALLIES THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP

Nominations for consideration, must be made by a letter (one person or dog per letter), presenting the reasons for considering the dog or person, signed by at least five club members in good standing, and addressed to the Board of

Directors and members of the American Pointer Club. PROCEDURE: THE SIGNED LETTER OF NOMINATION MUST BE SENT TO THE CLUB RECORDING SECRETARY IN AMPLE TIME FOR THE BOARD TO TAKE A VOTE AND PUBLISH NOMINATION IN THE NEWSLETTER.
The Board will review all nominations. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW ALL NOMINATIONS AND MUST APPROVE ALL NOMINATIONS BEFORE BEING PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERSHIP
Election of a person or dog to the Hall of Fame: ELECTION OF A PERSON OR DOG TO THE HALL OF FAME WILL REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF AT LEAST 75% OF THE MEMBERS WHO RETURN A BALLOT. DOGS MUST BE DECEASED TO BE CONSIDERED.

The suggested wording to be placed on the commemorative Hall of Fame plaque will accompany the letter and will be approved or changed and approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Failure to receive required approval will preclude any further consideration of the request until the next annual vote. At that time, a new request can be made.

RECOGNITION

Persons or the owners of the dogs elected into the Hall of Fame will be given a plaque and citation with their name or the dog's name, stating the reasons for selection into the Hall of Fame, dated and attested to by the signatures or names of the President and Recording Secretary of the American Pointer Club.

INTENT

It is the intent of these guidelines to recognize outstanding Pointers and Pointer persons to the extent that only a very, very, few are to be considered. Only a total of Two (two dogs, or two persons, or one dog and one person) may be elected into the Hall of Fame annually. Therefore, just because there is an annual election of officers, does not mean that there should automatically be recommendations on every annual election ballot for a person or Pointer to be accorded the honor of election to the Hall of Fame.

Approved Nov 90, amended June 94, amended 2001, Amended 2005 **20070512-27-E**

JUNIOR HANDLER AWARD

Any Junior Handler who is a member of the APC and with a Pointer who qualifies for Westminster or the AKC National Championship is offered a $100.00 donation. Any junior who is a current member in good standing of the APC, qualifying for Crufts while handling a pointer, will be offered a stipend of $500, if they choose to attend and compete at Crufts. Form for reimbursement can be found in the Forms section of this document.

A junior handler that meets the criteria may submit a request for the appropriate award to the Treasurer by December 31.

Approved 2001/Amended 20080123-04-E, 20150114-03-BM, 20150114-04-BM, 20150312-16-BM, 20150312-17-BM

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership: Life members are defined as set forth above in Article I SECTION I of the American Pointer Club By-Laws. LEGACY MEMBER: After twenty-five (25) years of membership (not necessarily consecutive), a member will be allowed to elect Legacy membership. Legacy members shall have all the rights, privileges, and membership fees as regular members.

EMERITUS MEMBERS: After twenty-five years (25) of membership (not necessarily consecutive), members shall have the right to elect Emeritus status, which will no longer require them to pay membership fees, however, they will be prohibited from voting and holding office.

APC Lifetime members will receive a pin designating the Lifetime Membership status.
Article 1 Section 3 of the By-Laws, RULING OF PARLIAMENTARIAN Lifetime membership is *not* automatic. It is up to the Board to elect such a person to this level of membership. The Lifetime member is not considered the same as a Hall of Fame individual.

MULTIPLE VENUE POINTER (MVP)

20090922-55-CM

MISSION STATEMENT

In acknowledgement of the versatility of the Pointer and of the dedication of Pointer owners, the APC desires to recognize the Pointers who can, and happily do, compete in multiple venues. The APC Multi Venue Pointer ("MVP") Program is designed to acknowledge the versatility of Pointers specifically at the APC National Specialty. The primary goal of the MVP Program is to highlight and encourage the participation of Pointers in multiple venues. The MVP Program also rewards those dogs who excel with wins or qualifying scores in multiple venues. The venues offered at each National Specialty include conformation, hunt tests, field trials, obedience, rally and agility. All Pointers entered and competing in two or more venues at the APC National Specialty are eligible to participate in the APC MVP program.

Every Pointer who participates in two or more venues shall be eligible to receive a medallion.
There are 3 total venues: Field (Field Trial & Hunt Test), Companion (Obedience/Rally/Agility), & Conformation.

MVP-Venue Pointer- Bronze for 2 venues
MVP-Venue Pointer- Silver for 3 venues
MVP-Venue Pointer- Gold for 4 venues

In addition, any Pointer that participates in at least two venues & qualifies in at least 1 event is eligible to receive the MVP rosette. Supplemental ribbon tabs will be added to the rosette for dogs who earn a Q/placement per each venue qualified. A maximum of 1 qualifying ribbon tab per venue will be added.
Qualifiers are defined as:
Field venue: Placement in a field trial class or qualifying score in the Hunt Test
Obedience/Rally/Agility: Qualifying score
Qualifying Score Conformation: BOB, BOS, SD, SB, AOM, WD, WB or winning any conformation class (with competition) at the National Specialty.
MVP Participants must register each dog during the APC National Specialty with one of the committee members to track each dog's participation and achievements. Awards will be available for pickup at the Annual Awards dinner.
Any questions feel free to contact Susan Bleckley – vicepresident@americanpointerclub.org

OBEDIENCE AWARDS

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question in order to be eligible for APC Obedience Awards.

Every time a pointer QUALIFIES in obedience competition, the dog will be allotted APC points according to this scale.

SCORE	POINTS
200	8
198 - 199.5	7
195 - 197.5	6
190 - 194.5	5
185 - 189.5	4
180 - 184.5	3
175 - 179.5	2
170 - 174.5	1

Additionally, Bonus points are awarded for placements 1-4 in any class assigning one point for each dog defeated in that class, based on total class entry. {For example, in a class of 25 dogs, 3rd place would receive 22 bonus points.} A High in Trial will receive a bonus point for each dog entered in the trial, less one. The records are calculated on the calendar year. (Gazette editions are usually March – March.)

Obedience Breeder of the Year

Eligibility: The Breeder of any dog attaining an AKC obedience title is eligible for the Obedience Breeder of the

Year Award. The breeder must be a member in good standing with the American Pointer Club during the year the AKC title is achieved. In regards to co-breeders; separate records will be kept for each breeder. For example: Breeder A breeds dogs with Breeder B, Breeder C and Breeder D. Breeder D is not a member. Separate records will be kept for Breeder A, B and C but no records will be kept for Breeder D. The Breeder must have a minimum of two dogs achieving titles with one of the titles being a CDX or greater. UDX points maybe awarded more than once, for dogs that earn Multiple UDX titles. All Points will be awarded the year the dog earns the title. A minimum of 3 points must be achieved. CD (1 point) CDX (2 points) UD (3 points) UDX (4 points) OTCH (5 points) In a year where no breeder meets the above criteria the Obedience Breeder of the Year will not be awarded. If there is a tie the award is to be shared. **20071022-79-E**

PLAQUES AND CERTIFICATES

A Plaque Application form should be sent to the membership, as part of the monthly newsletter no later than three months before the National Specialty with a deadline for requests no less than four weeks prior to the date of the event. When possible, letters confirming each request should be sent to the membership. The Plaque Application can also be found on the APC Website in the About APC – Applications and Forms tab.

Plaques for titles will be provided to members only for the year in which it was earned. **20160406-27-BM**

Confirmation new "title holder - per owner request -

1. New Title Holders 1st title (5x7) 2nd title (6x8) 3rd title (7x9) "The Plaques should be made of a quality wood base with Pointer Logo.
2. Awards Plaque to contain Dogs Name and titles(s) and year Carried
3. Awards Plaque to contain all AKC recognized titles earned in the same calendar year on the same plaque
    a. Offer a plaque to members that earn an official AKC CGC title. **20150409-20-BM**

Motion that a person requesting a new title plaque; the person pays for the plaque 20190502-04-MM
Motion to eliminate the certificates for 2nd thru 5th unless specifically requested by winner to the Plaque Chair for up to three months after the National Specialty. 20190502-06-MM

Statisticians for Breed, Obedience, Rally, Agility, Field, Versatility, Tracking and Scentwork check their statistics against the April edition of the *Gazette Results* and have a finalized version available by mid-April.

PLAQUES	SIZES	CERTIFICATES
Top Conformation	8x10	2nd through 10th Conformation dogs
Top Overall Obedience	8x10	
Top Obedience Novice	5x7	2nd through 5th Novice Obedience
Top Obedience Open	5x7	2nd through 5th Open Obedience
Top Obedience Utility	5x7	2nd through 5th Utility Obedience
Top Overall Agility	8x10	
Top Agility Novice	5x7	2nd through 5th Novice Agility
Top Agility Open	5x7	2nd through 5th Open Agility
Top Agility Excellent	5/7	2nd through 5th Excellent Agilitu
Top Rally	8x10	
Top Rally Novice	5x7	
Top Rally Advanced	5x7	
Top Rally Intermediate	5x7	
Top Rally Excellent	5/7	
Top Rally Excellent	5x7	
Top Scentwork Dog	8x10	
Top Scentwork Novice	5x7	
Top Scentwork Advanced	5x7	
Top Scentwork Excellent	5x7	
Top Scentwork Master	5x7	
Top Scentwork Detective	5x7	
Topl Field Trial Dog	8x10	
Top Gun Dog	5x7	2nd through 5th Gun Dog
Top All Age Dog	5x7	2nd through 5th All Age Dog
Top Derby Dog	5x7	2nd through 5th Derby Dog
Top Puppy	5x7	2nd through 5th Puppy Field
Top Hunt Test Breeder	8x10	
Top Field Trial Breeder	8x10	
Tracking	5x7	2nd through 5th tracking dogs

New Title Holder	5x7	
Top producing sire	8x10	2nd through 10th sires of merit
Top producing dam	8X10	2nd through 10th dams of merit
Top Conformation Breeder	8X10	
Top Obedience Breeder	8x10	

RALLY AWARDS

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question to be eligible for APC Rally Awards

Ranking Pointers competing in Rally for year-end awards: 5 points for a score of 96-100 4 points for a score of 91-95 3 points for a score of 86-90 2 points for a score of 81-85 1 point for a score of 70-80 Plus: 4 pts. for 1st place in class 3 pts. for 2nd place in class 2 pts. for 3rd place in class 1 pt. for 4th place in class

No additional points are awarded for High in Trial - it does not have to be awarded at all trials.

Approve new Rally award for National Specialty: High Scoring Dog in Rally (Adv B & Exc B) Combined. **20121106-41-PM**

Point Schedule

Points for scores	**Points for Placements**
5 points score of 96-100	1st place 4 points
4 points score of 91-95	2nd place 3 points
3 points score of 86-90	3rd place 2 points.
2 points score of 81-85	4th place 1 point
1 point score of 70-80	

SCENTWORK AWARDS

A pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question to be eligible for APC Scentwork Awards

Ranking Pointers competing in AKC Scentwork for year-end annual awards: 1 point awarded for each qualifying score. Bonus points will be awarded for each class placement.

1st place: 5 points
2nd place: 4 points
3rd place: 3 points
4th place: 2 points

No additional points will be awarded for High in Trial since it is not required to be awarded at every trial, Dogs will be ranked (1-5) at each level: Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master, and Detective A plaque will be awarded for top dog and a certificate for dogs 2-5 at each level and a Top Overall Scentwork Award will be given to the dog with the highest total number of points earned from qualifying scores in all levels.

TOP TEN POINTERS, BREED & GROUP

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question, in order, to be eligible for APC Breed & Group Awards.

The TOP TEN POINTERS for a given year shall be calculated by using the AKC link for Pointer Conformation Results electronic subscription Quarterly Reports (1st Quarter is delivered in April but contains actual show date records of Jan 1 thru March 31). The 4th Quarter is delivered in late January and contains October through December Pointer show results, completing the CALENDAR year.

Every show in which a Pointer competes shall be listed in a ledger, kept by month it appeared in the Quarterly Report. Headings for each month are: NAME of Best of Breed pointer: LINE found in Quarterly Report: SHOW name; DATE of Show: POINTS won, Pointers defeated in breed. If BOB is the only entry, zero (0) points are earned but dog is listed anyway as part of TIMES B.O.B. in Top Ten statistics. A place in ledger heading line is left open in case Pointer placed in group or won BIS; i.e. GR-4, 134 points…meaning all points in Sporting Group breeds except for the breeds placing in GR-1, GR-2, Gr-3. A GR-1 would get all Sporting Group's breed points. Best in Show would get total number of dogs in show. At the bottom of each month's ledger page, the number of BIS, BISS, GR-1, GR-2, GR-3 & GR-4 are tallied to be combined with other months for year's totals in TOP TEN statistics. For bookkeeping ease, a separate page in ledger will name those Pointers placing in a group to be counted at year's end. Another separate ledger page will list those winning BIS w/dates, while another section of that page names those winning a BISS along with club name & date. Corrections are no longer issued by AKC, therefore any Pointer errors, or any Sporting Group placement errors in which a Pointer figured by winning a group placement and then adjusted accordingly can no longer be noted in the ledger.

At the end of the CALENDAR year, each dog's totals are added by Best of Breed points and arranged 1 through 10. If there is a tie in points, the dog with FEWER times Best of Breed would place AHEAD of the other because he won his points in greater competition.

Top Ten Group Placing Pointers are figured the same way, with the list showing total group (& BIS) points, plus how many Best in Show/Specialty Best In Show, Group 1, Group 2, Group 3, Group 4 placements for informational value. Note: In this listing, if a dog wins BIS, he would also be credited with winning a Group 1, which of course, he did. Should he win an independent National Specialty, it would be marked as a BIS/SS AND Breed Points. There would be no Group 1 in this case only.

TROPHIES

APC PERPETUAL AND CHALLENGE TROPHIES

All trophies are perpetual unless specifically stated as challenge and will be displayed at the National Specialty and awarded at the American Pointer Club National Awards Dinner. **These awards should "not" be listed in the American Pointer Club Premium List.**

Modify Perpetual/Challenge Trophy contract to include requirement for winner to engrave trophy or pay APC to have the win engraved in the amount not to exceed $25, in the event the winner chooses not to take trophy. Rogers/Petrequin Carried **20121211-46-PM**

No longer to accept any new Challenge Trophies **20190711-15-BM**
APC will no longer accept any Perpetual Trophies **20190711-17-BM**
Once a Challenge Trophy has been won by the primary owner three times, that trophy is retired. **20190711-16-BM**

Best of Breed: The Judith Goodin Memorial trophy, silver-plated punch bowl and tray offered by Robert Goodin.

Breeder of Best of Breed: The Ry-Hi trophy, bronze Pointer on marble/mahogany base offered by John Proctor & Beryl Hirschberger.

Best of Opposite Sex (Challenge trophy): The Bukany Challenge Trophy, an engraved Camille bowl. retired in 1980 & redonated by the Estate of Robert F Parker DVM, Truewithem Pointers.

Best of Winners: The Woodcock Saddler (Challenge Trophy), antique engraved wine cooler offered by Kenmure Kennels.

Winners Dog (Challenge trophy): The Shandown trophy, wine cooler, retired in 2007 and redonated in 2008 by Karen & Howard Spey, Bookstor Kennels.

Winners Bitch (Challenge trophy): The Emerydon Kennels Reg trophy, large antique silver-plate tray on wooden base, offered by Robert D. & Judith A. Goodin.

Best Bred By Exhibitor: The Beryl L. Hirschberger trophy, large antique English Sheffield silver-plate tray on

wooden base, offered by the South Florida Pointer Club in memory of Beryl Hirschberger.

Best Brood Bitch: The Mr. & Mrs. N. J. Reese trophy, silver-plate repousse bowl on ebonized drum base, offered in memory of CH Truewithem A Taste of Triumph.

Best Veteran Dog (Challenge trophy): Silver-plate tray offered by LTC (Ret) Don & Betty Castle in memory of CH Crookrise Jesse.

Best Veteran Bitch (Challenge trophy): The Ivy Hills trophy, Silver-plate tray offered by Lorrie & David Ford in memory of CH Humble Acre Point Blank.

Best in Futurity: Bronze Pointer head on wooden base offered by Beagood Kennels in memory of CH Beagood Sooner or Later.

Best Junior Handler: Silver-plated champagne bucket on wooden base offered by Solivia Kennel.

APC ANNUAL AWARD TROPHIES

All values are meant to be "not less than" for the purpose of damage assessment and/or replacement at this or future time. All trophies are perpetual and will be displayed at the National Specialty and awarded at the APC Annual Dinner.

TOP BEST IN SHOW DOG for the most Group Placement/Best In Show Points accumulated in the calendar year. Paul Revere Bowl offered by Frank & Paula Nykiel

TOP BREED DOG/BITCH for most Breed points accumulated in the calendar year. Paul Revere Bowl offered by Frank & Paula Nykiel

BEST OF BREED AT WESTMINSTER KC English Sheffield plated toddy bowl, offered in the memory of Michael Zollo & Ch. Marjetta National Acclaim offered by Marjetta Kennels.

CHALLENGE TROPHY GUIDELINES

No longer to accept any new Challenge Trophies 20190711-15-BM

Once a Challenge Trophy has been won by the primary owner three times, that trophy is retired. 20190711-16-BM

A trophy offered by the American Pointer Club on a three time win basis. For permanent possession only by an APC member upon winning the trophy three times, not necessarily with the same dog or at consecutive shows. identical ownership/co-ownership,

Individuals, with APC Board approval, should continue to be allowed to donate Challenge Trophies. Offerings of Challenge Trophies will be submitted to the APC Board of Directors for acceptance for any APC sponsored event. These trophies should be of significant value to warrant the privilege of being offered as a challenge trophy by a national breed club. The monetary value of such trophies should be at least, if not more than $600.00 (by 2011 Standards.) **20110511-16-BM**

These trophies should be offered in honor or memory of a person, kennel (which is no longer active) or dog that has made a significant contribution to the breed. It must also be stipulated that the donor be in good standing with the AKC and APC.
These trophies may be retired after being won three times by the same owner.

The person retiring the trophy will be allowed to either re-offer that trophy in its original form, adding inscription "Retired by.... and Re-donated 20..., or they may donate an entirely new trophy.

The individual donating the challenge trophy must realize that they relinquish all rights to the trophy once it is given to the APC. A release form will be executed stating these conditions when the donor offers the trophy. The trophy becomes the property of the American Pointer Club.
It should be clearly stated that all trophies are offered through the generosity of.... by the APC. The trophy should be named after the person, kennel or dog being honored, not the individual or individuals donating the trophy. The inscription should tastefully state the donor.
Only American Pointer Club members should have the right to acquire physical possession of the trophy they have won for the particular year.
The winners of these challenge trophies will sign a form of acceptance at the time they are awarded at the Annual Dinner, accepting the full responsibility for the safe keeping of the trophy while in their possession. If the trophy is damaged or lost while in possession of a member, it should be properly repaired or duplicated by the member responsible at his or her expense. The form will state the trophy's value.
All trophies will have durable travel boxes to insure their safety while in transit. The box should be supplied by the donor of the trophy when the trophy is first donated to the APC.
It is the responsibility of the APC to examine each trophy prior to the annual awards dinner to ascertain that it is in proper condition.

Two Challenge trophies can be accepted for each category.

Engraving expenses should be paid for by the APC if the winner is a non- member. If the winner is an APC member, that member should pay to have the trophy engraved.

* Winners/Recipient must sign APC Trophy Agreement to take Challenge trophy into their possession. (1999)

Rev. 9-95

The Board will not act on its motion regarding challenge and perpetual trophies **20050427-B11** until there has been time to find a viable solution to this situation.
20050430-X-03 General Membership Vote

PERPETUAL TROPHY GUIDELINES

APC will no longer accept any Perpetual Trophies 20190711-17-BM

These are trophies which the American Pointer Club expects to be able to offer for time immemorial.

Members winning the Perpetual Trophies may accept possession of the trophy at the Annual Awards dinner 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.

All trophies will have durable travel boxes to insure their safety while in transit. The boxes should be supplied by the donor of the trophy when a trophy is first donated to the American Pointer Club.

It is the responsibility of the American Pointer Club to examine each trophy prior to the annual awards dinner to ascertain that it is in proper condition.

* Winners/Recipient must sign APC Trophy Agreement to take Perpetual Trophy into their possession. (1999)

Rev. 3-95

The Board will not act on its motion regarding challenge and perpetual trophies **20050427-B11** until there has been time to find a viable solution to this situation
20050430-X-03 General Membership Vote

APC VERSATILITY AWARDS

A Pointer must be owned or co-owned by a member of the APC for the year in question to be eligible for APC Versatility Awards.

The APC Versatility Award (VA) & Versatility Award Excellent (VAX) shall be a 2 ½ inch medallion with the APC logo on the front.

There are two levels: VA and VAX. The point values assigned take into account the relative effort and training required of both Pointer and owner to achieve each title. The VA level is designed to be within reach of most Pointer owners and to recognize those dogs that have some achievement in **each** of three major areas (Conformation **AND** Performance **AND** Companion); plus something more than the minimum in at least one area (hence the requirement for a total of six points).

The VAX level is to designate those dogs of exceptional achievement. Probably less than one in twenty VA qualifiers will go on to VAX. Whether a CH-UD-SH or an OTCH-TD-SH with 5 bench points, or any other of the many possible combinations—these are truly versatile Pointers, with dedicated owners.

Points to remember:

1. The owner must apply to the APC for the VA or VAX award and must supply the required proof of the dog's achievements. Acceptable types of documentation are listed below.

2. This program is **open to APC members only** must own the dog in whole or in part.

3. Owners must be a current member in good standing with the APC at the time of application **AND** must have been members in good standing at the time the dog earned its **last** qualifying title for the VA or VAX.

4. Only one medallion per dog shall be awarded at each level (i.e., only one VA, only one VAX) regardless of how many owners it has.

5. ONLY **AKC** titles or awards will be considered—**NO** CKC, UKC, NAVHDA, NADAC, American Field, or other organizations.

6. The "VA" & "VAX" is an unofficial (not AKC-recognized) suffix. It can be used on pedigrees and advertising, but not in catalog listings for official AKC competition.

7. APPLICATION FORMS may be obtained from Versatility Chair or online at www.americanpointerclub.org.

8. Awards shall be handed out once a year at the National Specialty during the Annual Awards dinner. **If you are unable to attend the National Specialty to pick up your award, please send $5 to cover shipping and handling, made payable to APC, Versatility Chairperson and your award will be mailed.**

Requirements needed for the VA award:
The dog must have at least 1 point in EACH area (Conformation **AND** Performance **AND** Companion). The VA requires a minimum of **6 points**.

Requirements needed for the VAX award:
The dog must have at least 1 point in EACH area (Conformation **AND** Performance **AND** Companion). The VAX requires a minimum of **10 points**

Points are not cumulative within a category. Only the highest point value is recognized.

VERSATILITY AWARD
The following are acceptable as documentation for titles/awards required for VA/VAX purposes:

For all AKC titles, any of the following:
Photocopy of AKC title certificate.

Photocopy of "New Title" listing in AKC Awards publication.
Photocopy of any page in APC National Specialty catalog that lists annual statistics and awards.
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For show awards (major/minor points):
Photocopy of show results in AKC Awards publication.
Photocopy of "Certified List of Awards" extracted from the event records of AKC.
Printed page from AKC Events calendar site (http://www.akc.org/dic/events/search/index.cfm).
For field trial/hunt test:
Photocopy of show or trial/hunt test report in AKC Awards publication.
Photocopy of trial report in Field Trial News publication.
Photocopy of dog's official show or trial/hunt test record provided by AKC.
Printed page from AKC Events calendar site (http://www.akc.org/dic/events/search/index.cfm).

ALSO: For any of the titles that have been published in the APC National Specialty catalog or the APC Newsletter *that lists annual statistics, you may give the date of earning the title (year and month, if* possible), if photocopies of the records listed above are not available. However, this may mean a delay, while such listings are verified. There may be occasional cases where other types of documentation, would be acceptable, but the above should serve the great majority of cases.

Points	Conformation	Performance		Scentwork & Companion				
		Field Trial	Hunt Test	Scentwork	Obedience	Rally	Agility	Tracking
5	All Breed BIS/ National Specialty BISS	FC, AFC	MH	SWM	OTCH	RACH	MACH/PACH	CT
4	CH			SWE	UDX	RM	MX, MXJ, MXP, MJP, PAX	VST
3		Major pointed in a Gun Dog or All Age Stake	SH	SWA	UD	RAE	AX, AXJ, AXP, AJP, TZB, TZBP, MXF, MFP	TDX
2	10 Bench pts including a major win	1st place in Gun Dog or All Age Stake		SWN	CDX	RE	OA, OAJ, OAP, OJP, XF, XFP	
1	5 Bench points	1st place in Puppy or Derby Stake	JH	2 Novice level titles 1 Novice & 1 Advanced	CD	RA	NA, NAJ, NAP, NJP, OF, OFP	TD/TDU
0.5						**RN**	NF, NFP	

EVENTS GUIDELINES

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

COMPLETE EVENT GUIDELINES ARE CONTAINED IN THE SEPARATE PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES DOCUMENT.

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 Pointer Champion of 20__ and National Amateur Pointer Champion of 20__.

NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL STANDING COMMITTEE

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 Recording Secretary 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; and stakes judging should also be submitted so the BOD can make an informed decision.
- AKC required information for the application

EASTERN & WESTERN CLASSIC

COMPLETE EVENT GUIDELINES ARE CONTAINED IN THE SEPARATE PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES DOCUMENT.

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.

NATIONAL SPECIALTY FIELD EVENTS

COMPLETE EVENT GUIDELINES ARE CONTAINED IN THE SEPARATE PERFORMANCE AND NATIONAL SPECIALTY GUIDELINES DOCUMENTS.

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:
  - Currently APC members
  - Approved by the NFTSC
- All other Hunting Test (HT) and Field Trial (FT) committee members must 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.

20081008-49-B Amend verbiage: NFTSC to be governing committee of APC Field Events
20070910-52-B NFTSC to run all APC hunt and field events
20070913-03-X Regions from 3 to 2 - General Membership Approved

NATIONAL SPECIALTY

COMPLETE EVENT GUIDELINES ARE CONTAINED IN THE SEPARATE PERFORMANCE, COMPANION AND NATIONAL SPECIALTY GUIDELINES DOCUMENTS.

A completed application, according the National Specialty Guidelines (found under separate cover), to hold a National Specialty be submitted two years prior, at the Annual Board meeting. **20131120-54-PM**

NATIONAL SHOW & FIELD FUTURITY RULES

RULES FOR 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 who 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.

The bitch and litter nomination and the first puppy nomination, if nominated in the field futurity, will be split between the bench and field futurities.

1. 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).

2. 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).

3. 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).

4. 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)

ENROLLMENTS – To remain eligible for the Show or Field Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually enrolled TWO (2) times by the dates specified. Puppies to be nominated need to be entered separately for the Bench and Field Futurities. Late First 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.

1. **PUPPY "FIRST" NOMINATION – Nomination must be postmarked prior to the birth of the litter. ENROLLMENTS – Individual puppy enrollments** To remain eligible for the Show or Field Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually enrolled two (2) 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.

2. **PUPPY 'FIRST" NOMINATION FEE $15.00 ð 20260210-04 & 20260210-05**The First Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) must be paid on the website or accompany the First Enrollment Form and be submitted before the puppy is three (3) months of age. The First Enrollment/Second Enrollment Forms may be obtained on the website.

Field: The Second Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) 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).

1. **PUPPY "FINAL" ENROLLMENTS – Individual puppy enrollments** To remain eligible for the Show or Field Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually enrolled TWO (2) times by the dates specified. Puppies to be nominated need to be entered separately for the Bench and Field Futurities. Please notify

the Futurity Chairperson promptly of any changes in ownership and/or address for owners of enrolled puppies.**PUPPY 'FINAL" ENROLLMENT FEE $15.00 FINAL ENROLLMENT BENCH ð FIELD ð**The Final Enrollment Fee of FIFTEEN dollars ($15.00) 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.

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.

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.

1. 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, 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.

2. ADDITIONAL RULES – Pointers that have completed their Championships are allowed to compete in the Show & Field Futurity Stake event. Professional handlers may show in the Show & Field Futurity Stakes. 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** Based on the advice of the Parliamentarian for member motion 20140411-32-MM regarding professional handlers in the futurity/maturity classes, this rule change will be effective for Futurity classes beginning at the 2016 National Specialty and for both Futurity and Maturity classes at the 2017 National Specialty. **20140514-37-PM**

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.

1. 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.

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

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

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.
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. **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**
PRIZE MONEY
A 1. SHOW POOLED 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 will be divided as follows:

Best in Futurity Winner 20%
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity 10%
Breeder(s) of the Best in Futurity Winner 10%
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: Best in Field Futurity Winner (1st place) 40% Second Place 30% Third Place 20% Fourth Place 10%
Breeder of Best in Futurity receives $50% of 1st place prize money.

1. 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.

1. If only one is entered in the Class, 1st Place will receive 100% of the class money.
2. If two are entered in the Class, 1st Place will receive 60%, and 2nd Place will receive 40% of the class money.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.

2. 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.
Approved 6/26/97 & 12/13/11 **20080123-05-E, *20111213-47-PM 20260210-06 PM***
ENROLLMENTS – *Individual puppy enrollments*
To remain eligible for the Show or Field Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually **enrolled TWO (2) 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.

1. **FIRST ENROLLMENT & LATE FIRST ENROLLMENT**

The First Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) 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).

SECOND ENROLLMENT & LATE SECOND ENROLLMENT – NO LONGER APPLICABLE

2. **FINAL ENROLLMENT**

The Final Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) 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.

MATURITY GUIDELINES

Eligibility: The Maturity Stakes is open to all individuals who have complied with the following rules.

1. All Futurity-eligible dogs/bitches (final enrollment paid) will be eligible for nomination to the following year's Maturity Stakes.
2. Eligible dogs/bitches may or may not have been shown in the previous year's Futurity Stakes.
3. Each dog/bitch entered in the maturity must also be entered in one of the regular classes of the National Specialty with which the maturity is held, EXCEPT the senior entry does not have to be entered in a regular or non-regular class.
4. Owners that acquire puppies from Futurity-nominated litters are not required to be APC Members to maintain eligibility for the Maturity Stake.

Nomination and Payment of Fees:

Maturity nomination where the dog is owned by all APC members – one-time enrollment fee $20.
Maturity nominations where the dog is owned by any or all being Non-members – one-time enrollment fee $40**.**
Nomination must be made within 30 days prior to the current year's maturity.
Additional Rules Changes:

1. Maturity entry where the dog is owned by all APC members – one-time enrollment of $20. **20260210-06 PM** nomination within 30 days prior to the current year's Maturity.
2. Where the dog is owned by any or all being non-members – one time enrollment of $40.**20260210-06 PM** nomination within 30 days prior to the current year Maturity

Additional Rules:

1. Maturity to be judged by Futurity Judge.
2. Dogs and Bitches compete together in one class. Only Best in Maturity winner to be selected.
3. Professional Handlers may exhibit in Maturity if they personally own or bred the dog.
   Disallow 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**

Prize Money: All fees collected go to the Maturity winner, APC not to withhold any Maturity monies.
– Amended 2003, 2025, 2026

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2. **PUPPY 'FIRST" NOMINATION FEE $15.00 ð 20260210-04 & 20260210-05**The First Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) must be paid on the website or accompany the First Enrollment Form and be submitted before the puppy is three (3) months of age. The First Enrollment/Second Enrollment Forms may be obtained on the website.

3. **Field**: The Second Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) 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).

4. **PUPPY "FINAL" ENROLLMENTS – Individual puppy enrollments** To remain eligible for the Show or Field Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually enrolled TWO (2) times by the dates specified. Puppies to be nominated need to be entered separately for the Bench and Field Futurities. Please notify the Futurity Chairperson promptly of any changes in ownership and/or address for owners of enrolled puppies.

   PUPPY 'FINAL" ENROLLMENT FEE $15.00 FINAL ENROLLMENT BENCH & FIELD The Final Enrollment Fee of FIFTEEN dollars ($15.00) 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.
   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.

FIRST ENROLLMENT & LATE FIRST ENROLLMENT
The First Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) 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).

SECOND ENROLLMENT & LATE SECOND ENROLLMENT – NO LONGER APPLICABLE.
FINAL ENROLLMENT
The Final Enrollment Fee of ten dollars ($15.00) 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.

APC SUPPORTED ENTRIES

Notify the APC Event Coordinator (EC) of your intentions, so he/she can determine whether there are any other events which might conflict with your supported entry. You can check APC's website, APC Recording Secretary, for the name of the current EC and his/her contact info. **20090922-60-CM**

Contact the Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator at the all-breed club in your area where you are interested in supporting the entry.

From the all-breed club Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator, determine if they are interested in having a supported entry. Is the all-breed club willing to provide any of the following: some examples might include returning $1.00 (or more) per entry to APC, providing rosettes for top placements, a larger ring, a ringside trophy table, or allowing input foe a judge or choice of contracted judge?

The Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator will determine the deadline for trophy descriptions to the all-breed club, for inclusion in the Premium List. This date can frequently be up to six months before the Show date. Include APC-supported entry trophies (including sweepstakes and obedience, as appropriate) in the Premium List.

The Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator will determine the deadline for inclusion of trophy donors in the catalog. This date can frequently be up to three months before the Show. Include the APC trophies in the catalog.

The Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator will determine when Puppy (and Veteran, if applicable) Sweepstakes rules are to be provided to the Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator.

Event Coordinator notification of the all-breed club, location and dates are required. An application should not be submitted if your event dates conflict with any other APC event. The EC will let you know if there is a conflict with any other event. Your dates may NOT conflict with the American Pointer Club National Specialty or Westminster, Morris & Essex or National Field Trial Championship.

After obtaining all the information needed, submit an APC-supported entry application to the APC EC no later than six (6) months before the closing date of the show. The APC Board must approve all applications.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. The American Pointer Club, Inc. (APC) may support the entry of Pointers at all-breed shows that are held in conjunction with its National Specialty.

2. The APC will consider any request for two supported entries (conformation) per local Pointer club or group per year.

3. The supported entry should be held at a venue with good spectator attendance. It is preferred that the site remain the same from year to year so that the exhibitors and spectators can identify the show as an APC supported entry. Hosting clubs/groups must indicate in the premium and the catalog that the American Pointer Club, Inc. is the sponsor of the supported entry (not the hosting club or group).

4. If two or more applications for APC supported entries are received for the same ***dates***, they can all be approved ***if they are in separate APC divisions*** and/or are geographically distant from each other (greater than 200 air miles in distance). *** Check with the AKC for current milage rules**

5. Applications for supported shows should be received by the APC Event Coordinator (EC), no later six (6) months prior to the scheduled event – this helps to ensure that the show information is posted on APC's website in a timely fashion, and that the host club/group has time to prepare with the all-breed club, judge(s) and AKC for the event. **Applications received within six months of the closing date risk not being approved**! Preference for a particular date will be given to a club/group that hosted an APC supported entry on that date in the previous year and submitted an application for the following year's event prior to six months of that date.

6. Upon request, an email list/mailing labels of your area's membership may be available from the Recording Secretary, for announcing the supported event to the region. The APC will encourage, via advertising on its website and newsletter when possible, its members to support the supported entries as they exist – thus good lead times for event scheduling allow broader promotion of the event in APC's advertising media.

7. Once the EC has approved an event date for APC's calendar, the EC will send the form to the APC Board for approval. Once approved by the Board, the Event Coordinator will submit the appropriate application, with judges if there is a sweepstakes, to either the Show Chairman or Specialty Coordinator, if required, and the approval letter to the submitting group.

   The supported entry may:
   - a. Support the entry in the regular classes only, or
   - b. Support the entry in the regular classes and hold a Puppy Sweepstakes, or (Sweepstakes guidelines must be followed)
   - c. Support the entry and hold a Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes. (Sweepstakes guidelines must be followed)—
   - d. Support obedience entries at that show (along with any of the above)

   The APC, at their supported entries, will donate a plaque/trophy with APC emblem for BEST of WINNERS. The EC will contact APC's Awards Chairperson to order the APC-emblem trophies. The Awards Chairperson will have the APC-emblem trophies sent to the hosting club/group's event contact.

It will be the hosting club/group's responsibility to purchase and deliver trophies for any other placements. Whenever possible, a Pointer-related trophy should be offered

8. APC encourages participation of Pointers in obedience and other companion events.

9. When Sweepstakes are offered, the APC Board will be responsible for final approval of the proposed Sweepstakes judge. Upon approval of the Board, the Event Coordinator will submit the application online or by mail.

10. However, when securing/suggesting a supported entry judge, Sweepstakes or Regular, it must be understood that APC provides no compensation to supported entry judges.

11. Hospitality: Ringside hospitality is encouraged and appreciated by exhibitors.

12. Results: The event contact must submit a copy of the results to the EC within one month of the event. The event contact must submit results of the BOB, BOW, BOS, Select Dog/Bitch, WD, RWD, WB, RWB, AOM and Sweepstakes winners to the newsletter (see report sheet). Future approval will be granted as warranted based on entries and conduct of the event – including timely submission of required post-event materials and monies/receipts to the Treasurer. At least a three-point major in each sex is desired. The event contact should also provide a completed Supported Entry Event Report to the Board after the event.

13. The host club/group is responsible for timely submission of all required documentation, receipts, reports, distribution of monies to APC for sweepstakes and incentives – as appropriate and return of monies and APC trophies not awarded or expended. A final expense report must be submitted to the APC treasurer within one month of the conclusion of the event. All monies paid by or to the APC must be accounted for and have appropriate receipts/documentation included. A supported entry budget template spreadsheet is available for your use. It can be modified as needed for your event.

14. Note that APC **must** give its written approval to AKC for any local Pointer club AKC event where points and/or titles can be earned **except for hunting tests and non-APC supported entries** – all local club specialties, obedience trials, field trials, etc. must have approval by the sponsoring breed club's AKC breed parent club. In addition, all APC-hosted or supported events – such as APC conformation shows, APC field trials, APC hunting tests, etc. -- must have APC approval.

15. Local Pointer clubs are encouraged to send information on their upcoming club events to the APC EC for inclusion on APC's website. Also, local Pointer clubs are encouraged to send timely reports/results of local club events to the newsletter editor for inclusion in next edition.

For additional information regarding the APC supported entry process, please feel free to contact the APC Event Coordinator. Enjoy your supported entry!

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SWEEPSTAKES RULES

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PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES

Puppy Sweepstakes is open to all Pointers who are 6 months but less than 24 months old on the day of the sweepstakes. Dogs must also be entered in one of the regular classes at the regular entry fee.

Dog 6-9 months	Bitch 6-9 months
Dog 9-12 months	Bitch 9-12 months
Dog 12-15 months	Bitch 12-15 months
Dog 15-18 months	Bitch 15-18 months
Dog 18-24 months	Bitch 18-24 months

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES

Veteran Sweepstakes is open to all Pointers who are at least 7 years of age on the day of the Sweepstakes. Entrants may be altered and need not be entered in a regular class.

Veteran Dog 7-10 yrs. Veteran Bitch 7-10 yrs.
Veteran Dog 10 yrs and over Veteran Bitch 10 yrs and over

DISTRIBUTION OF SWEEPSTAKES PRIZE MONEY

The American Pointer Club, Inc. will retain 25% of total entry fees for expenses. The remaining 75% (for each Sweepstakes: Puppy & Veteran) will be awarded as follows:

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES 10% of total Sweepstakes entries
BEST OPPOSITE IN SWEEPSTAKES 5% of total Sweepstakes entries

Placements receive a percentage of the remaining entry fees of the class entered.
First place 20% - Second place 15% - Third place 12% - Fourth place 8%
All cash prizes are rounded to the nearest dollar amount. Undistributed funds revert back to the club.

SWEEPSTAKES RULES

Allow Professional Handlers, regardless of ownership, to exhibit dogs in Futurity/Maturity and Sweepstakes – **20150521-38-MM**
Indicate the Sweepstakes Class, with age division, in the space provided for Additional Classes on the entry form. Champions of record are eligible to compete.

(if classes are offered) (note: this information must appear in the supported entry premium/catalog)

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES
Summary of conditions and requirements: Planned classifications:
Veteran Dog 7-10 yrs. Veteran Bitch 7-10 yrs.
Veteran Dog 10 yrs and over Veteran Bitch 10 yrs and over

BEST VETERAN IN SWEEPSTAKES
BEST OPPOSITE VETERAN IN SWEEPSTAKES

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES DIVISION OF MONEY
The American Pointer Club, Inc. will retain 25% of total entry fees for expenses, or in the case of supported entries, may be held by the show Secretary/Superintendent to supply Ribbons for the classes.

FUTURITY/MATURITY

FUTURITY

The (INSERT YEAR) Futurity Slake is for properly nominated, enrolled, and entered Pointers that were whelped between the dates beginning September 2, 2024 , and ending September 1, 2025. 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. **No refunds will be given**.

Detailed nomination enrollment and entry instructions are provided on the APC website or may be Obtained by contacting the Futurity Chairperson, Angela Schillereff, sikennels@aol.com, 503-803-0994.

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 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 be charged.

Enrollments: To remain eligible for the Futurity Stake, puppies from nominated litters must be individually enrolled 3 times by the dates specified. Late First and Second Enrollments of individual puppies will be accepted, but higher fees will be charged. No late Final Enrollments will be accepted.

Entries: Entrants in the 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. The same official entry form must be used,stating both 'Futurity' and the appropriate class division (i.e., 'Futurity, Senior") in the space designated for Additional Classes. Champions of record are eligible to compete. There are no restrictions requiring that the handler must be an owner or breeder: professional handlers may exhibit entrant.

The class divisions for dogs and for bitches are determined by age as of March 1, 2026:
Puppy (6-9 month) - Birthdates 6/2/2025 to 9/1/2025
Junior (9-12 month) - Birthdates 3/2/2025 to 6/1/2025
Intermediate (12-15 months) - Birthdates 12/2/2024 -3/1/2025
Senior (15-18 months) - Birthdates 9/2/2024 to 12/1/2024
Advanced Senior (18-24 months)
The ten class winners compete for Best in Futurity and Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity.
All monies from nominations, enrollments, and entry fees (less 25% withheld for APC expenses) will be divided as follows:
Best in Futurity 20%
Breeder(s) of Best in Futurity 10%
Best of Opposite sex to Best in Futurity 10%
Allocated to the classes 60%
The prize money awarded for each class is determined by dividing the allocated money by the total number of Futurity entries, then multiplying that amount by the number of entries in the class.
Entries First Second Third Fourth

One 100%
Two 60% 40%
Three 50% 30% 20%
Four 40% 30% 20% 10%
Any Futurity money that was allocated for 1st through 4th place prizes in the classes, but could not be awarded due to absentees, will be retained by the APC.

MATURITY

The Maturity Stakes is open to all eligible Pointers who have been nominated for the Maturity.

Nominations: All Futurity eligible dogs/bitches (final enrollment paid) will be eligible for nomination to the following year's Maturity Stakes. Nominations are to be made within 6O days after the National Specialty preceding the Maturity.
If the dog is owned by all APC members, the nomination fee is $20.
If the dog is owned by ANY non-APC members, the nomination fee is $30.
Nomination forms can be obtained from the Futurity/Maturity Chairperson. The completed form 9, along with fees (checks made to APC), is to be returned to the Chairperson.
Eligible dogs/bitches may or may not have been shown in the previous year's Futurity Stakes. Owners that acquire puppies from Futurity-nominated litters are not required to be APC Members in order to maintain eligibility for the Maturity Stake.

Entries: Each entrant in the Maturity Stake must also be entered in one of the regular classes of the National Specialty with which the Maturity is held, EXCEPT a previous Senior class Futurity entry does not have to be entered in another class. Professional handlers may exhibit eligible entrants.

All Maturity entrants compete together in one class for Best in Maturity.

Prize money: All APC fees collected go to the Best in Maturity winner; no monies are withheld by APC.

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AMERICAN POINTER CLUB

BUDGET REQUEST & REIMBURSEMENT FORM

Name of Committee or Person: _____

Purpose of committee or expense:

_____

_____

_____

_____

Proposed budget or expense request amount:

$_____

Describe below your anticipated expenses (attach sheet if extensive):

_____

_____

Date Submitted:_____

Submitted by:_____
Committee Chairperson/Individual

Please return with receipts and any back-up documentation that will assist in processing. Retain a copy for your records. Send to:

Susan Bleckley, Treasurer
327 Lugonia St.
Newport Beach, CA 92663
treasurer@americanpointerclub.org.

Reviewed and approved as indicated by APC Officers and Board:

Approved: _____ Disapproved: _____ Reason:

APC EVENT APPLICATION FOR LICENSED POINTER CLUBS

Application to the American Pointer Club, Inc., Corresponding Secretary/Event Coordinator, for **Specialties MUST be submitted at least six (6) months before the closing date of the scheduled event. Field trial applications must be submitted at least four (4) months prior to the closing date of the scheduled event.**

All regional clubs are now required to obtain annual approval from the parent club. 20180111-01-BM Send to: correspondingsecretary@americanpointerclub.org
AKC requires any licensed Pointer club to receive Parent club approval before applying for their event where points and/or titles can be earned, **except for supported entry and hunt tests.**

Please fill out the form below to apply for either single or multiple events

Check club
□ Colorado Pointer Club (CPC)
□ Ohio Hall of Fame Pointer Club (OHFPC)
□ Pointer Association of New England (PANE)
□ Greater Delaware Valley Pointer Club (GDVPC)
□ Pointer Club of Southern California (PCSC)
□ Wilderness Pointer Club (WPC)

Check Event(s)
☐ Conformation - Location: _____ Date _____
Check one: Concurrent _____ Designated_____ Independent _____
☐ - Check this box if Sweepstakes is being offered
☐ Obedience - Location: _____ Date _____
☐ Rally - Location: _____ Date_____
☐ Agility - Location: _____ Date_____
☐ Field Trial - Location: _____ Date_____
☐ Hunt Test - Location: _____ Date_____

Contact Person(s):_____/_____

Phone:_____/_____ Email:_____/_____

I am an Officer of the above-designated club. I have read and agree that the club is applying for dates that may not directly conflict with the American Pointer Club National Specialty, Westminster, AKC National Championship, or Morris & Essex.

The APC Event Coordinator will send a letter of approval for the event to the Regional Club contact person. **The applying club will be responsible for submitting its AKC application and approval letter to the American Kennel Club's Events Department at the same time.**

Sign and print the name of the Regional Club Officer/Director making the request.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____Date: _____
*****Additional Information for the APC Website
Location: _____
Judges: _Breed _____ Sweeps_____
Show Chairman: _____
Show Secretary: _____
Contact Person's Phone Number: _____

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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 prior to the birth of the litter.
Form B - Litter Registration must be postmarked 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: Angela Schillereff, 23818 Oak Island Rd., Portland, OR 97231

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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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JUNIOR HANDLER REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST

Any Junior Handler who is a current member in good standing of the APC and qualifies and participates in the Juniors competition at Westminster or AKC National Championship while handling a pointer will be offered a $100.00 stipend.

Any junior current member in good standing of the APC who qualifies and participates in the Juniors competition at Crufts while handling a pointer will be offered a stipend of $500.

Name of Junior: _____

Address: _____

Name of Pointer Qualified with: _____ Year Qualified for: _____

Event Qualified for:

Please submit this form if you competed at Westminster or Crufts to the APC Treasurer no later than April 1 of the year in which you competed.

Please submit this form if you competed at the AKC National Championship to the APC Treasurer no later than December 31 of the year you competed.

Please submit this form if you competed at Crufts to the APC Treasurer no later than April 1 of the year you competed.

Send to: treasurer@americanpointerclub.org

Payable to: **Name** _____
Address_____
_____
_____

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APC Karen Blasche Memorial Juniors Scholarship Application

The American Pointer Club, Inc. is pleased to offer **current or former** Junior members of the American Pointer Club the opportunity to apply for the annual *Karen Blasche Memorial Scholarship* in the amount of $1000.00 to be used for tuition expenses only.

The applicant must be a current member in good standing of the American Pointer Club for at least one year prior to applying and meet the **Scholarship Selection Criteria** which is printed below.

The American Pointer Club encourages current or former Junior Members who meet the stated criteria to apply annually and re-apply whether they are successful or unsuccessful in being awarded the annual scholarship.

Please type or print the following information:

Applicant name: _____

Home Address:_____

City:_____State:_____Zip Code:_____

Mobile#:_____Alternate#:_____

Date of Birth:_____Age:_____

Indicate APC Member Status: _____ (APC Treasurer will confirm membership. If family member indicate name and address listed on membership)

If you have not graduated from high school, indicate the school name you are currently attending and anticipated date of graduation: School Name:_____ Anticipated date of graduation:_____

Have you ever been on probation, suspended, or dismissed from school or college? Yes___No____(If yes, please explain)

Name of institution you have been accepted to and plan to attend or are currently attending

_____

I have read and understood the *Scholarship Selection Criteria* as indicated on the reverse side of this application and have met all necessary criteria for applying. I certify the information provided to the best of my knowledge, is accurate and if for any reason any information is false or incomplete, my application will not be processed.

___ Proof of institution acceptance and full-time enrollment

___ High School transcript or first semester freshman or graduate school coursework and grades which require a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

___ Two sealed letters of recommendation containing signature across the back of the envelope

___Typed essay not to exceed 800 words which include the Scholarship Selection Criteria

DATE:_____SIGNATURE:_____***APPLICATION and all material must be contained in one envelope and postmarked on or before February 10 of each year. Karen Spey, PO Box 149, Oldwick, NJ 08858***

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Karen Blasche Scholarship

Scholarship Selection Criteria

- *Must have been an active Junior member of the American Pointer Club for a minimum of 1 year prior to applying for the scholarship.*
  Activities may include one or more of the following events: conformation, junior handling, obedience trials, agility trials, field trials or hunt tests and Canine Good Citizens tests.

- *To be awarded to a student in college or graduate school*

The American Pointer Club may award a $1000 scholarship annually to a full-time student with a minimum of 12 semester hours.

- Application Requirements:

  Transcript / Personal Essay / Letters of Recommendation

  Transcript:
  Applicants are required to submit an official college or high school senior year transcript verifying the GPA
  Previous college coursework is required for college freshman.
  A 3.0 minimum average is required with consideration of school and community involvement.

  Personal Essay:
  Applicants must submit a typed and signed essay not to exceed 800 words expressing originality, maturity, and the ability to clearly express their writing proficiency. The essay must include the following:

  * Involvement in purebred dogs and areas of interests with Pointers
  * Beneficial experiences
  * Future aspirations regarding career and in the sport of purebred dogs
  * Supportive information which is relative to academics, community, and the sport of purebred dogs.

  Letters of Recommendation:
  Two letters of recommendation must be received with the application, contained in a sealed envelope with the signature of the writer across the seal of the envelope. One letter of recommendation must be from a APC member in good standing for at least one year.

  Letters from relatives or members of the same household will not be considered.

  Letters must include why that individual believes the applicant is worthy of being awarded the scholarship.

The $1000 scholarship will be awarded for college/university tuition expenses only and paid directly to the institution applicant is attending.
Winner will be publicly announced within 90 days of the decision of the Selection Committee

APC Veterinary Scholarship Application

Deadline: Yearly by December 22

NAME AGE SEX

PRESENT ADDRESS

PRESENT TELEPHONE

HOME ADDRESS

HOME TELEPHONE EMAIL

PARENTAL INFORMATION:

NAME: TELEPHONE

ADDRESS

EDUCATION:

HIGH SCHOOL YEAR GRADUATED

COLLEGE No. YEARS COMPLETED

GRADUATE SCHOOL No. YEARS COMPLETED

PRESENT SCHOOL STATUS

PLEASE FURNISH ANY INFORMATION AS TO:

A--HONORS OBTAINED OR PAPERS PUBLISHED

B--VETERINARY RELATED COMMUNITY SERVICE AND/OR VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES AND/OR POSITIONS HELD

(Must **clarify difference** between Volunteer (non-paid positions) with dates and Professional (paid positions) Related Activities.

C. RESEARCH EXPERIENCE: (Be specific re: types and time spent performing)

APC Veterinary Scholarship Application

D--APPLICANT'S INCOME INFORMATION:

YEARLY SALARY: $ OTHER SOURCES: $

EDUCATIONAL INDEBTEDNESS: $

CAREER GOALS: TYPE OF VETERINARY PRACTICE PLANNED AND WHY AFTER GRADUATION AND LOCATION?

WHY DOES THE APPLICANT NEED AND DESIRE THIS SCHOLARSHIP?

Two Essays: Feel free to attach extra sheets if needed. (Your responses should reflect your views and not research)

"Compare and contrast animal welfare vs. animal rights. Then discuss your view as to the responsibility veterinarians have to respond to their clients' wishes regarding a variety of elective surgeries."

"Given the current trends in animal legislation, describe how you feel these trends will affect the future of the veterinary world, as well as that of animal owners."

Official transcripts of graduate and veterinary credits and grades must be forwarded to the scholarship committee Co-Chairperson to complete the application. Also, any breaks in school attendance should be explained.

Two letters of reference **with phone numbers** must also be sent to the Scholarship Committee Co-Chairperson, **one should be personal,** and **one should be of an academic nature** - school administrator, faculty, etc. The personal reference should not be from members of the applicant's family.

Resume submission would be helpful in the application process.

The scholarship is valued at $1,000.00

Send all information ***by December 22nd*** to: Kate Hornick
APC Scholarship Chairperson
10090 Thwing Road
Chardon, Ohio 44024

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APC SUPPORTED ENTRY REQUEST FORM

List names of APC Event Chair and 5 supported entry workers. All must be members of the American Pointer Club.

Event Chair: _____

Committee Members: _____

_____

Date of Show: _____ Day of Week: _____

Name of All-Breed Show: _____

Actual Site Location: _____

Entry to Support: Regular Classes ☐ Puppy Sweeps ☐ Veteran Sweepstakes ☐

Obedience ☐ Rally ☐ Agility ☐

Name of Pointer Breed Judge: _____ AKC# _____

Address: _____

Name of Proposed Sweepstakes Judge: _____ AKC# _____

Address: _____

All-Breed Show Secretary or Show Chairman

Name: _____ Email: _____

Superintendent: _____

Supported Entry Incentive: $_____ per dog

Supported Entry Incentives & Undistributed Sweepstakes Funds Revert to the American Pointer Club, Inc.
Mail to: Current American Pointer Club, Inc. Treasurer

Future approval will be granted as warranted based on entries and conduct of the event – including timely submission of required post-event materials and sweepstakes monies. At least a three-point major in each sex is desired. Hosting clubs/groups must indicate in the premium and the catalog that the American Pointer Club, Inc. sponsors the supported entry, and sweepstakes as applicable (not the host club/group). All income or return of undistributed monies should be sent to the APC's Treasurer within one month after the event.
Applications received late run the risk of not being approved. Send applications to:
correspondingsecretary@americanpointerclub.org

APC SUPPORTED ENTRIES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE APC BOARD YEARLY AND RECEIVED BY THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL NO LATER THAN 21 WEEKS BEFORE CLOSING DATE OF THE EVENT

APC SUPPORTED ENTRY POST EVENT REPORT

(use the reverse of this form for additional space as needed)

Date of event:

Location:

All-Breed Club who held the event:

Total entry in Pointer conformation classes (excluding sweepstakes)

Dogs:

Bitches:

Best of Breed:

Other classes (field trial, hunting test, veteran, etc.):

Was puppy sweepstakes offered?

How many entries, total:

Was veteran sweepstakes offered?

How many entries, total:

Did any Pointers enter in obedience, if obedience offered?

Were there any issues that needed to be addressed with the all-breed club, superintendent, etc.

Please send the following results to the Newsletter Editor for admission in the next newsletter:

BOB
BOS
BOW
SELECT DOG **SELECT BITCH**
WD
RWD
WB
RWB

Sweeps – BOB
Sweeps - BOS

Comments:

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Return this form to the Event Secretary no later than one month after the Supported Entry

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TROPHY AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into this ____day of_____, 20___ between the American Pointer Club, Inc (Hereinafter the "Club") and _____(Hereafter the "APC Member Recipient").

WHEREAS, the Club is affiliated with and sponsors various dog shows and events;

WHEREAS, it is the practice of the Club to award the possession of the _____Trophy/Trophies (hereinafter the "Trophy") to the winner of a certain event which the Recipient acknowledges has an appraised value as determined by appraisal on May 2011. This report will be mailed.

WHEREAS, the Club allows possession of the Trophy in consideration for the Recipient's fulfillment of its obligations described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises described herein, and other valuable consideration the sufficiency and receipt of which is acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. POSSESSION: The Club grants the Recipient the exclusive right to possession of the Trophy. However, the trophy will not be allowed to leave the United States.

2. CARE: The Recipient shall exercise the highest degree of care in handling, transportation, storage and display of the Trophy. This includes but is not limited to cleaning and polishing the Trophy.

3. TITLE: The title of the Trophy shall remain vested in the Club. Accordingly, the recipient shall have no right to sell, exchange, repair or alter the Trophy in any manner without the express written approval of the Club.

4. RISK OF LOSS: The Recipient agrees to bear all risk of loss from loss, theft, damage to or destruction of the Trophy from any cause whatsoever from the time of receiving possession of the Trophy until the Trophy is delivered to the Club.

5. RETURN OF TROPHY: The Recipient shall ship to the Club, or its designated representative, at the Recipient's sole cost and expense the Trophy at least five (5) weeks prior to the 20__ American Pointer Club, Inc. National Specialty or hand delivered prior to judging. Recipient shall give the Club two (2) weeks written notice of its intention, if any, to hand deliver the Trophy. Recipient shall double box and insure the Trophy if shipping. The Club shall notify the Recipient (at the address indicated below Recipient's signature here below) at least 45 days prior to the Trophy's said return due date of the address in which the Trophy should be delivered.

6. CONDITION OF TROPHY UPON DELIVERY TO RECIPIENT: As of this date, the Trophy contains the following damage: _____

7. INSURANCE REQUIREMENT: The Recipient agrees to provide insurance coverage equal to the appraised value of the Trophy while it is in their possession. Proof of insurance is to be sent to the Trophy Chairman within 3 weeks of notification of appraisal.

8. COST OF COLLECTION: The Recipient shall bear the costs, including attorney fees and court costs, of the Club enforcing its right under this Agreement.

9. JURISDICTION: The parties hereto consent to the jurisdiction of any Court of the State of ___ as well as the construction and interpretation of this Agreement in accordance with the laws of said State.

10. ENGRAVING COST: Recipient shall cover cost of engraving, not to exceed $25, even if the winner chooses not to take trophy from Club possession. **20121211-46 PM**

11. The Recipient acknowledges that if he should not comply with the terms of this Agreement he will forfeit his membership and standing in the organization and will not be allowed to participate in any activities of the Club including but not limited to shows, field trials and hunting tests and will forfeit his right to any awards or honors not distributed by the date of default.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands the day and year first written on duplicate originals.

RECIPIENT:_____RECIPIENT'S SPOUSE_____

ADDRESS:_____ EMAIL:_____

By: TROPHY CHAIRMAN_____WITNESS_____

RETURN OF TROPHY:_____DATE:_____Witness:_____

Contact <trophy chairperson> for shipping instructions: 20110511-18-BM

The American Pointer Club, Inc.
Versatility Award (VA) & Versatility Award Excellent (VAX) Application

Dog's Registered Name_____

AKC Registration Number: _____ Sex:_____ DOB_____

Breeder:_____

Sire:_____

Dam:_____

Owner:_____

Address:_____

Phone:_____ Email:_____

Please indicate the **highest** achievement earned in each **AREA.** The dog must have **at least 1 point** in **each** area. (Conformation **AND** Performance **AND** Companion). The **VA** requires a minimum of **6 points** and the **VAX** requires **10 Points**

Please see the requirements for documentation below. Points are NOT cumulative within a category. Only the highest value is recognized.

Points	**Conformation**	**Performance**		**Scent Work & Companion**				
		Field Trial	**Hunt Test**	**Scent Work**	**Obedience**	**Rally**	**Agility**	**Tracking**
5	All Breed BIS/ National Specialty BISS	FC, AFC	MH	SWM	OTCH	RACH	MACH/PACH	CT
4	CH			SWE	UDX	RM	MX, MXJ, MXP, MJP, PAX	VST
3		Major pointed in a Gun Dog or All Age Stake	SH	SWA	UD	RAE	AX, AXJ, AXP, AJP, TZB, TZBP, MXF, MFP	TDX
2	10 Bench pts including a major win	1st place in Gun Dog or All Age Stake		SWN	CDX	RE	OA, OAJ, OAP, OJP, XF, XFP	
1	5 Bench points	1st place in Puppy or Derby Stake	JH	2 Novice level titles 1 Novice & 1 Advanced	CD	RA	NA, NAJ, NAP, NJP, OF, OFP	TD/TDU
0.5						**RN**	NF, NFP	

Total Conformation Area Points_____ Total Performance Area Points_____ Total Companion Area Points_____

I hereby affirm that the above statements and the attached documentation are true to the best of my knowledge.

_____ _____

Signature Date

REV: 5/31/20 Send Application to: Kathy Shorter, 7277 Belroi Rd., Gloucester, VA 23061 or kbshorter@verizon.net

Requirements needed for the VA award:
The dog must have at least 1 point in EACH area (Conformation **AND** Performance **AND** Companion). The VA requires a minimum of **6 points**.

Requirements needed for the VAX award:
The dog must have at least 1 point in EACH area (Conformation **AND** Performance **AND** Companion). The VAX requires a minimum of **10 points**

Points are not cumulative within a category. Only the highest point value is recognized.

VERSATILITY AWARD
The following are acceptable as documentation for titles/awards required for VA/VAX purposes:

For all AKC titles, any of the following:
Photocopy of AKC title certificate.
Photocopy of "New Title" listing in AKC Awards publication.
Photocopy of any page in APC National Specialty catalog that lists annual statistics and awards.
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For show awards (major/minor points):
Photocopy of show results in AKC Awards publication.
Photocopy of "Certified List of Awards" extracted from the event records of AKC.
Printed page from AKC Events calendar site (http://www.akc.org/dic/events/search/index.cfm).
For field trial/hunt test:
Photocopy of show or trial/hunt test report in AKC Awards publication.
Photocopy of trial report in Field Trial News publication.
Photocopy of dog's official show or trial/hunt test record provided by AKC.
Printed page from AKC Events calendar site (http://www.akc.org/dic/events/search/index.cfm).

ALSO: For any of the titles that have been published in the APC National Specialty catalog or the APC Newsletter *that lists annual statistics, you may give the date of earning the title (year and month, if*
possible), if photocopies of the records listed above are not available. However, this may mean a delay, while such listings are verified. There may be occasional cases where other types of documentation, would be acceptable, but the above should serve the great majority of cases.

AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

In the American Kennel Club's ongoing efforts to recognize and celebrate its volunteer club members, The AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award program was established 2006 to provide each member club with an AKC Medallion to award to one of its own on a yearly basis.

This award honors those individuals who deserve special recognition that have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club.

TO NOMINATE:
Nominations: AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award will be solicited in the "To the Point" newsletter issue before the February 1st deadline. At the annual meeting submitted names will be presented to the board. Board members may submit one name at the meeting.

The candidates nominated must demonstrate some of the following qualities:

I. Promotes goodwill amongst others.
II. Supports the activities/wins of others, extending good wishes
III. Has the "good of the dogs" at heard
IV. Encourages others who may need encouragement
V. Is courteous, friendly and kind, especially to newcomers
VI. Volunteers time to educate people about dogs, the club and club activities.
Shows interest regarding other breeders' ideas and thoughts on breeding, their litters and their dogs
VII. Offers ideas for breeding, care, grooming, handling, training, etc
VIII. Displays integrity, fairness and honesty

Deadline for submission **February 1st yearly**

Nominations for this prestigious award should be sent to:
correspondingsecretary@americanpointerclub.org

AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award established 2006. The following are APC recipients.

Kristie Reisenweaver
Susan Bleckley
Karen Spey
Debra Freidus DVM
Karen Blasche
Susan London
Patricia Lillesand
Phyllis Kroll
Susan Kissik
Karen Gaupp
Valerie Stern
Pam Waitman
Diane Townsend

AMERICAN POINTER CLUB, INC

NOMINATION FORM for YEAR NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES ASSIGNMENTS

BREED:

SWEEPSTAKES:

FUTURITY & MATURITY:

Nominate only one in each category.

- **The nomination form must include the current guidelines and a list of names of all persons who have judged the breed, sweepstakes and futurity in the past five years, as they are ineligible.**

THE FOLLOWING ARE INELIGIBLE: UPDATE YEARLY

	Conformation	Futurity/Maturity/in this catagory	Sweepstakes/ in this catagory
2021	Souix Forsyth-Green	Annie Westermann	Patty Lillesand
2022	Steve Herman	Megan Johnston Lane	Julie Pullan
2023	Steve Rose	Hailey Griffith	Laura Heidrich
2024	Wayne Cavanaugh	Cheryl Buchanan	Tammy Albee
2025	Danny Seymour	Suzzie Bambule	Hayley Thompson

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATING – Insert Date

NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES NOMINATION- GUIDELINES/BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

- **Guidelines for judge's selection will be sent with the nomination ballot electronically.**
- **Nominations for specialty judges will be for a 1 year period.**
- **AKC licensed Pointer judges will be included with the ballot.**
- **The Recording Secretary will receive the nomination results electronically.**
- **Conformation – Top 5 individuals will be listed with the person receiving the highest number of votes.**
- **Futurity/Maturity and Sweepstake – Top 3 individuals will be listed with the person receiving the highest number of votes to be listed first.**
- **The judge who received the most votes will be contacted first, if unable to accept, the next qualifying person on the list is contacted until the assignment is filled.**
- **Judge's nominations are not handled as secret.**
- **Selection for judges' elections will be handled as a secret ballot annually electronically. The nomination form must include the current guidelines and a list of names of all persons who have judged the breed, sweepstakes, and futurity in the past five years, as they are ineligible.**
- **Any nominee who qualifies in more than one judging category shall be placed for vote in the category for which he or she received the highest number of nominations. *In case of a tie, the nominee shall be contacted and given the option to choose the category for which he or she wishes to run.**
- **All nominees must be in good standing with the American Kennel Club**
- **No provisional judges.**
- **Foreign Judges are eligible to judge the breed only once every five years. Canadian and Mexican are considered Foreign**
- **The 5-year judges' restriction is for breed only. Any conformation judge, for any class, for which they are selected will be eligible to judge only once every five years in their category**
- **Members nominate their choice in all three categories.**
- **The top 5 nominees for confirmation and the top 3 nominees for Sweepstakes and Futurity will be listed on the election Ballot.**
- **A nominee must receive a minimum of three (3) nominations to appear on the election ballot.**
- **Requirements for approval of a non-licensed individual to judge APC National**

  a) **Any eligible individuals including, but not limited to, professional handlers may be approved on a case-by-case, event-by-event request from the Parent Club for approval to judge a specialty in its breed.**

  b) **Must be 21 years of age.**

  c) **Must be occupationally eligible, except that professional handlers must be approved under this policy.**

  d) **Should be knowledgeable, with success in breeding/exhibiting/handling in the breed for 15 years or more.**

  e) **Procedure and anatomy test required and if applicable, scale or wicket test required.**

  f) **A $35 per breed fee is required for non/approved judges.**

  g) **Individuals may not be approved for more than one specialty per calendar year and no more than five specialties cumulative.**

  h) **Only one unlicensed person can judge an APC National every five years.**

The names of qualified members can be added to the nomination ballot for APC Nationals along with all AKC approved Pointer judges. Only one unlicensed person can judge an APC National every five years. 20240409-13 PM