

National Red Setter Trials

By BEN W. JONES

AFTER fourteen of the best Irish setters in the nation had shown their abilities during the running of the Midwestern Red Setter Championship over the multiple courses of the Delaware Dam Area near Delaware, O., Double Jay, owned and handled by R. C. Baynard of Dover, Del., was named Champion.

The Central Ohio Bird Dog Club served as host to the fanciers of the Red setter April 13-14, and gracious hosts these men are. Fred Cameron served as chairman and was well assisted by Bill Pachy, Mack Triplett, Jack Kramer, Dick Brown and Bill Smith. These gentlemen not only offered the use of their own fine horses for the two days of grueling riding over the boggy terrain, but also handled every detail in such a manner that everything moved as they can only be made to move by experienced field trial men.

The 7,000 acres that are contained in the Delaware Dam Recreation Area serve as an ideal testing ground for good bird dogs—wide open, rolling fields broken here and there by small clumps of woods, sprinklings of multiflora hedges, and dikes creating little lakes from which many pairs of mallards erupted. This is running country for any dog and there is an adequacy of native quail and pheasant to test any dog that accepts the challenge.

It was indeed a pleasure to be paired with Edward Van Tassel of Detroit, Mich., in the judicial saddle; not only is Ed a good horseman, a sharp observer, and a keen analyst but he also is most considerate

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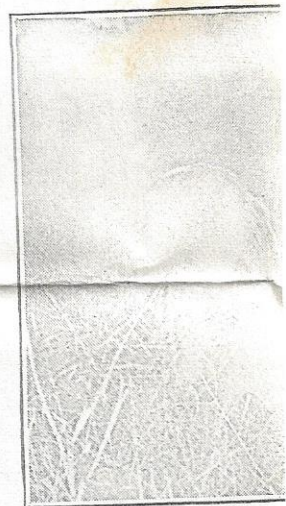
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of the newcomer and his young dog. Tom Moffat of Dearborn, Mich., teamed with Francis Warner of Columbus, O., as judges of the Puppy Stake and we are indebted to them for their comments.

Much has been written about the National Red Setter Field Trial Club—its problems and its progress—but we were amazed by the enthusiasm shown by competitors from Minnesota, Missouri, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Delaware. The Club is officered by R. C. Baynard, president; Ray Hagan, vice-president; and Mrs. Carl Schollenberger, the very able and efficient secretary-treasurer; with directors, Fred Kremer, Tom Moffat, Herm David, William Cooper, John Van Alst, Ned LeGrande, G. Wood Smith, DeWhitte Davis and John Cassidy.

OPEN PUPPY STAKE

All of the puppies showed better than average range, good animation, and were all quite birdy. Sis, a snappy little bundle, showed a desire to stay in front and completed some nice casts. Ivor Glen Gun Moll ran as wide as Sis but was prone to check back. Windyhill Nubbin kept knocking at the edges all the way.

Delaware, O., April 13

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the high point to observe Jay making his swing up around a wooded strip when suddenly the dog's fast pace was arrested as Jay slammed into point, belly deep in water, with head and tail high as he stood with extreme intensity. Baynard proceeded toward his charge and as he dismounted to approach Jay, a pheasant took wing from a hummock about ten feet directly in front of the dog's nose. At the shot, Jay



AUTUMN HILLS QUEEN
Second in the Open Derby

kept his head high and stepped out of the water, but stopped and remained tight at command, showing no anxiety nor an inclination to want to move out but rather to plant his feet on higher ground. Sent on, he proceeded diligently and both dogs cut up weed patches and thickets with zeal. At 35 minutes, Double Jay headed into extreme edge of a feed patch or feed strip and was working his way down the middle of the narrow strip when a single lifted about 75 yards ahead of him and, at the point of the bird's flight, Jay jacked up tightly on a high headed point. Baynard made an attempt to flush what might have been the remainder of a covey, then sent Jay on to relocate. Jay's efforts, though fruitless, certainly showed the mark of wide experience under the gun. D'Or, meanwhile, continued to pour it on. At 54 minutes Double Jay hit a swath of cut hay and was about to head into field beyond when he wheeled and froze, head leaning into hay and tail cocked to the side, straight and taut. The call of "Point" from the gallery brought Baynard riding hard up to high ground, gallery crowding up to see the action, and in the distance the road riders could be seen stepping up onto car bumpers and horse trailers the better to see this exciting moment. Jay batted not an eyelash as his handler brushed into hayfield, thrashing about as he succeeded in putting the well located pheasant to flight. The shot was fired and Baynard strode confidently back to his charge to send him on. Both Double Jay and D'Or finished going away and showing little or no effect of their arduous hour. Just before take-up, we casually remarked to a popular field trial patron riding in gallery, and one who incidentally campaigns only English setters and pointers that we had looked at a fine brace of dogs. His reply was most gratifying when he said, "Man, you'd have to look at that pair in any stake."

From the standpoint of the judges, the win of Double Jay was clean-cut and outstanding, yet there were several other dogs who had made their presence felt and undoubtedly on another day will be heard from. It is always an easy task to second guess a handler yet we find it difficult to dismiss the splendid effort of Willow Winds Hobo and what might have resulted had Hobo been given his head. Hobo was braced with Higgins Gay Patrick and both stepped out in a sprightly manner, Hobo inclined to reach into the more birdy pockets. At twelve minutes, Patrick scored on a pheasant in weedy field and Hobo swing down hill in his direction. LeGrande cautioned Hobo and when he hove in sight of Patrick, Hobo promptly and mannerly honored and stayed put, even when his bracemate broke a few steps. At nineteen minutes, Hobo feathered along brushy edge of pasture and worked his way up to corner where he pinned what appeared to be a feeding bevy, which flushed as handler approached the fence. Hobo was steady. After this point, LeGrande was loathe to let Hobo step out and do it on his own. Under restraint, the dog lost some of his earlier attractiveness. At 38 minutes, Hobo pointed in pocket near gravel bed and roaded up to road edge, piled high with cut brush. Judge Van Tassel sighted his quarry running from brush to cross road and taking wing well beyond the pointing dog. No shot was fired.

Cooper's Hollyberry Scarlet and Jeffrey of Kenilworth proved a hard going brace and, in spots, Jeffrey was almost too much dog for class shooting dog stake. At fifteen minutes, Jeffrey came a cropper with a running pheasant and his opportunity was

lost. At sixteen minutes Jeffrey had a stop to flush of a pheasant. Scarlet was putting a lot of punch and determination into her effort and moving in an extremely attractive manner. Scarlet swung into weedy growth and when she failed to appear on edge beyond, Cooper rode in with Judge Van Tassel and found her nicely styled up. At the approach of handler and judges, a cock pheasant took off, registering his indignation with a raucous cackling. Cooper dismounted and made a further attempt to produce game directly ahead of his still pointing dog and pushed out a hen pheasant which took off in the direction of her mate. Scarlet remained steady.

Red Starr II charted a good race, finished strong but had a touch-and-go incident with a pheasant at twenty minutes. Braced with Starr was Michael Burnham with an acceptable race in the early stages but required some urging to go the route. Happy Valley Clem and Bridget set out in a most attractive manner when an early contact with a couple of touchy hen pheasants proved Bridget's undoing. Shortly thereafter, Clem did a masterful job of locating a pheasant that had been seen running across roadway, and when he finally seemed to have it pinned, the bird took off over an open patch of ground and this young hopeful succeeded in catching the bird, whereupon his handler asked permission to take the dog up. Tyrone Mahogany Mike proved attractive for the early half of his race and scored a find on single quail. Barcarole, Mike's bracemate, was taken up at fifteen minutes because of persistent efforts to trail and, thereafter, Mike slowed perceptibly. Ike Jack Kendrick moved out smartly, as did his bracemate, The Dude. At nine minutes Jack pointed and was required to relocate. The running bird proved too much of a temptation, as Jack waded through it and moved out under its flight. The Dude put down a hard-driving race, gith with the exception of a point on rabbit, was not successful in showing his wares on feathered game.

RED SETTER MIDWESTERN CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats]—14 Irish Setters

Winner—DOUBLE JAY, 514167, dog, by Rusty's Jinx—Willow Winds Eve. R. C. Baynard Jr., owner and handler.

Merrimack County Trials

By DR. H. C. PLAISTED

THE Merrimack County Field Trial Club held its 27th annual trial at Pembroke, N. H., on April 27-28, taking advantage of two beautiful days.

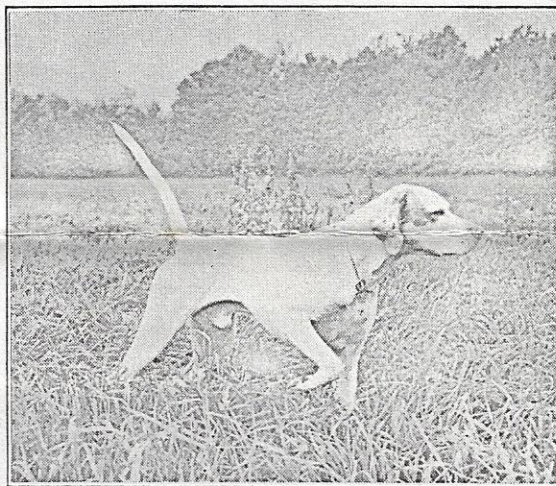
The William Dobbins' family, Joe Parenteau, Larry Merritt, and your scribe, Dr. H. C. Plaisted of Manchester, N. H., were the wheelhorses.

Under the supervision of Henry Willey, chief warden, the State of New Hampshire liberated strong-flying pheasants for the trial.

The judicial assignments were handled by Michael Woznac of Granitville, Mass., B. J. Callery of Lowell, Mass., Elphege Parenteau of Keene, N. H., Maurice Holden of Franklin, N. H., Benjamin Adams and your scribe.

OPEN PUPPY STAKE

Richhaven's Betsy ran a perfect race for a puppy. Sunny Sky was a close second. Hillsboro Jet impressed.



RAEBROOK BOURBON

Second in the Open Shooting Dog Stake

Pembroke, N. H., April 27—One Course

Judges: Elphege Parenteau and B. J. Callery

OPEN PUPPY—3 Pointers and 4 Setters

1st—RICHHAVEN'S BETSY, unreg., setter bitch, breeding not given. Wayland Richardson, owner and handler.

2d—SUNNY SKY, 567210, setter bitch, by Sky Streak—Tangerine. F. J. Harrigan, owner; Maurice Holden, handler.

3d—HILLSBORO JET, unreg., pointer dog, by Village Doctor Brownison—Peace Dale Chimpy. J. N. Gardner, owner and handler.

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This stake brought out so and it was difficult to select

Judges: Elphege Parenteau

OPEN DERBY—8 Point

1st—TANCANHOSEN HIGH Schoosen Brook's Boy—Tickler; Maurice Holden, handler.
2d—ODIE'S SKYLINE IS, 5551 heel's Tornado—Palmer's S owner; Patrick Palmer, handler.
3d—PISCATAQUA SAM, 546174, Diamond—Miss Sadie Thon handler.

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Judges: Maurice Holden

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DOUBLE JAY

Winner of the Red Setter Midwestern Championship

race and was scored with a stylish point but moved in on his bird when crowded by his brace-mate. Jeffrey of Kenilworth ran a big race but wouldn't anchor when asked to back. Bridget delivered a solid race and ended up with a fine point but her brace-mate moved in and grabbed her bird. Sulhamstead Norse D'Or's score was a hard hit point which had to be charged as an unproductive.

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RED SETTER MIDWESTERN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

In writing of the accomplishments of the winner and now a two-time Irish Setter Champion, we are tempted to paraphrase that great British statesman Sir Winston Churchill and say, "This was his finest hour." We say this because Double Jay pounded his way to victory over a group of worthy contenders in a clean-cut fashion and scored two perfectly handled finds on pheasants which had proved particularly hard to handle for many of the field and caused no end of trouble to many of the more experienced contenders. Double Jay also pointed at lower end of a feed strip, where a single quail had lifted perhaps a minute before Jay came into the vicinity. We shall not treat the running on a brace-by-brace basis but prefer to highlight the race of the Champion and happenings of each contestant in order of the interest created.

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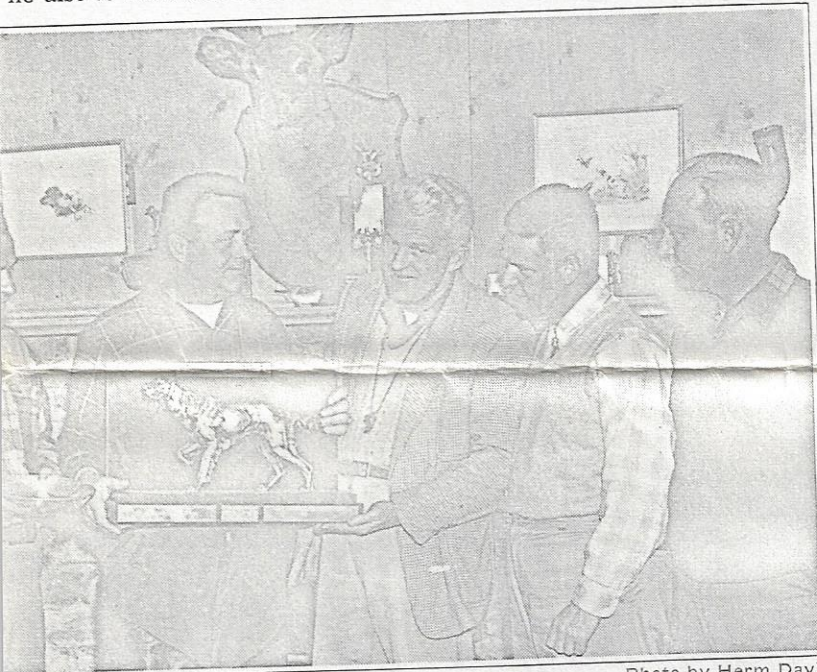


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COOPER'S HOLLYBERRY SCARLET

First in the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake and Third in the Open Derby

Sulhamstead Norse D'Or, broke off to right, with Double Jay to left. Both showed little regard for the heavy footing in low spots, nor any of the rough cover encountered, as they moved with complete independence. Both ran hard and with purpose. At 31 minutes, we swung our horse onto the breast of a small dam at turn in course taking advantage of