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Here come the cabinets! David Smith met us at the door and helped carry in every single piece. Pictured here (front side) David Smith and Al Fazenbaker. In back Don Beauchamp and Zach Fazenbaker balance their side of the load. We are grateful to the Long Island Bird Dog Club, Andy and Deb Agnew, Rich Stumpf, Paul Ober, Bonnie and Dennis Hidalgo, Bob Schweiger and John Zochol for their generous part in making this happen! Thank You folks!

## Rambling from Red Setter Run



Hi Everyone:

Can you imagine we are already at the fall weather? I feel like for the last few months I have lived in my office down here in the basement while time slips by. I've been working real hard to track down relatives of

the founding officers of our club. We want to notify them that their family will be honored at the National Bird Dog Museum Hall of Fame Induction on February 9, 2012. In some cases I had little more than a name to get me started. But bit by bit I have broken through the years and discovered the family members from those founding officers. Meanwhile the voting ballots kept piling in to select another distinguished dog and individual to also be honored on that day. We will announce the final results on our website and in the American Field sometime after mid September. We hope you will mark the date and join us at the Bird Dog Museum next February. Please be there as this part of our important history unfolds.

As part of our mission towards education, I have included a couple important articles for you this issue. First, Purina shared an exceptional article on reducing Paw Pad injuries in Athletic dogs. We thank them for allowing us to share it here. We've also got vital information about lethal algae blooms in response to this year's HOT summer weather. Take the time to read through these articles and protect the animals you love!

The fall trial ad is included in this issue— it is held in Grovespring, MO. The grounds there are among the finest in the nation; a great place to showcase our gorgeous dogs. The ladies group has a blast in Branson Missouri during that trial so, whether you ride the braces or join the ladies you're guaranteed a good time. And speaking of trials, the spring trial has been moved to the Jim Edgar Wildlife management Area in Illinois. It is a new area for our club— and it is just now being developed. We're getting in on

the ground floor and we hope by moving the trial further west we can make it easier for more folks to be able to join us.

In July I escaped from my office long enough to travel to Grand Junction to deliver the display cabinets to the Bird Dog Museum. They look fabulous and I've included a couple photos to show you how it went. Our President, Don Beauchamp was delivering a new pup near the museum so he and Linda met us there and helped get things set up, at least temporarily. Next February we will do some fine tuning and finally complete the job! What a difference this is all going to make for our club!

I apologize that I had to skip the Honor Roll this issue and also Spotlight on club Member, Anthony O'Neil. I promise they will both be included in the Nov-Dec. *Flushing Whip*. This issue is packed to the gills because I had to cut back on the number of pages last time in because of the weight of the voting ballots we stuffed in. Less pages meant having to put off articles that were lined up ready to. One of those was a trial report from the North West Irish Setter Field Trial Club. Our western club members do a great job as they showcase their red setters and I'm happy to finally be able to include it. We thank Fran for the great write up on their trial!

Meanwhile, we do have the summer award winners. Breakstone captured the Duke for the 4th time and Rendition took the NRSFTC Derby of the year. Roger Boser owns and handles those dogs. The puppy of the year was won by LV Timely Treasure owned by Lance Carver and Lauren Hensley. Finally, Joe Edwards won the Jim Fike Award for Amateur Handler of the Year. Well done everyone!

Mike Jacobson is getting a NRSFTC hat because he "whipped the puzzle." Mike didn't actually solve the puzzle himself; his daughter Tessa's solution was the winning ticket. Mike gets a hat but we're going to have to send something special to Tessa for her efforts. I've gotta get some kid friendly prizes— it's great to have children involved! There's a new puzzle this issue— so good luck. The next prize could be yours. Ooops. Outta room. Enjoy your Whip!

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## REDUCING PAW PAD INJURIES IN ATHLETIC DOGS

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For athletic and sporting dogs, it is important to be sure their paws are healthy and without injury, says Robert Gillette, D.V.M., M.S.E, director of the Sports Medicine Program at Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

"If injuries to the paw aren't taken care of immediately, they may result in the need for prolonged therapy, which can be very detrimental," Gillette explains. "First, the injuries could lead to extended downtime. As downtime goes up, a dog's overall body condition goes down. Second, the dog will adapt its movements to compensate for pain. The altered movement could create secondary musculoskeletal issues that could impede performance."

Dogs' paws are designed to withstand a lot of wear and tear because of the keratin epithelium that covers the pads. This thick layer of skin provides protection for the foot's tendons and ligaments, acts as a shock absorber and provides traction. As trainers and breeders of sporting dogs know, however, the pads aren't impenetrable.

"Once the surface of a pad is opened, the protective barrier is broken," Gillette says. "The impact of continued movement can push foreign bodies up into the tissue underneath the pad. If the pad closes over that material, a secondary infection may occur."

### Types of Paw Pad Injuries

Although paw pad injuries are relatively common, they aren't as frequent as might be expected from the activity level of sporting dogs. "Most dogs trot at a stride frequency of about two to two-and-a-half strides per second," Gillette says. "At two strides a second, that means a trotting dog's foot has impacted a surface 120 times in a minute, and 1,200 times in 10 minutes. Taking that into consideration, the number of actual pad injuries is low compared to the potential for injury that exists."

Four types of injuries to dogs' pads are the most frequent: abrasions (an irritation caused by wear, grinding or rubbing), bruises, cuts and puncture

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Minor Abrasion seen on dog's paw can worsen if it is not recognized and treated promptly

wounds (a hole or perforation made by a pointed object). Of these, abrasions are probably the most common in sporting dogs.

"This is especially true for dogs that run in rocky country where there is rough lava rock or granite or where the soil is sandy," says John Rabidou, breeder and trainer of German Shorthair Pointers. "It's almost as if you're running the dogs on sandpaper. The action of the

foot on the rough surface keeps wearing away skin until that tough covering is gone."

Rough terrain also can cause bruised pads, usually the least serious of the injuries but one that can be misdiagnosed. "Bruising can cause a dog to be lame on that foot, and the dog may show pain when you press on the pad," says Arleigh Reynolds, D.V.M., Ph.D., DACVN, Purina Nutrition Scientist and avid sprint dog competitor. "But you have to be careful and make sure you're not dealing with a puncture wound that's covered over and infected. The two injuries are hard to tell apart, but feeling the paw for heat or taking the dog's temperature to see if it's above 102.5 degrees Fahrenheit are good ways to check for infection."

Puncture wounds can become infected because the depth of the injury allows foreign substances to remain in the wound and cause infection. But Gillette says cuts can be the most severe type of injury since deep lacerations may cause damage to tendons or ligaments. These injuries often occur in areas close to water, hiking trails or other places where people leave behind broken glass.

Another area of the paw sensitive to injury is the webbed skin between the pads. "Hounds tend to have what I call open feet, meaning they

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have fairly long toes and a long slope to their foot,” Reynolds says. “This means when they take a step, their toes fan out, which can cause problems. For

instance, when a hound runs on fresh

snow, the snow can be abrasive and cause painful fissures in the skin. How much hair and the type of hair a dog has between its toes makes a big difference in how well protected the webbing is.”

Reynolds explains certain breeds like Huskies have a lot of hair that tends to be oily between their pads, thus preventing snow from balling up. On the other hand, retrievers and setters usually have fine paw hair that isn’t as oily, which results in snowballs between the dogs’ toes.

“A soft wax applied to the paws helps prevent snow from balling up in the foot and allows dogs to hunt without being booted,” Reynolds says.

“Although boots protect the feet, they also decrease traction. If a dog is running and happens to run over slippery surfaces, they can slide out and injure a shoulder.”

Paw shape and color are two other factors that determine whether dogs are more prone to pad and webbing injuries. “If dogs have long toes and a long slope to their foot, it means the paw is going to flair out more when it trots,” Reynolds says. “By contrast, dogs like the German Shorthair Pointer have what we call ‘cat feet,’ where the paw is tight because there is little webbing in between the toes, which provides less chance for injury.”

#### Identifying and Treating Injuries

“Too often the physical examination of a lame dog will bypass palpating the pads of the paws,” Gillette says. “Initial treatment will address the major problems of the shoulder or carpus, and the pad

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problem will be overlooked. A dog might get better with treatment, but the problem will return because the primary injury was never addressed.” A good examination of the pads includes digital pressure applied to the bottom and sides of each pad, inspection of the webbing, and close observation of the surface of the pads. A good look at the nails is also warranted, checking for discoloration (for example, a white nail with a brown center) and swelling or redness where the nail goes into the toe, both conditions that could indicate infection. Gillette and Reynolds agree that paws should be checked before a workout to ensure there are no lesions that could be exacerbated by activity, as well as following the workout to check for a new injury.

“Obviously, there are variations of injuries according to the type of surface, amount of time and activity of the dog,” Gillette says. “The decision by owners or trainers to treat injuries themselves or to seek veterinary help should be carefully weighed, always erring on the side of seeking veterinary help.”

“A trip to the veterinarian is always needed when there are deep puncture wounds or gashes because of the damage that may have occurred underneath the pad,” Reynolds says. “But generally whenever a dog is limping, I think it is a good idea to have the dog evaluated by a veterinarian because it may be more than just the foot causing the problem. If there’s a joint or muscle involved, you have to be really careful bringing that dog back into service.”

Modern medicine as well as time-tested remedies can speed healing of paw pad injuries, Gillette says. Cleansing wounds with soaps like Nolvasan or Betadyne and applying antibiotics may be used in combination with aloe and Epsom salt. As important as treatment, however, is allowing dogs time to heal.

“Injuries such as an abrasion have such an effect on the movement of the dog,” Gillette says. “Often it is better to pull the dog out of its working routine, use a product that reduces healing time – maybe even splint the foot so the pad doesn’t touch the ground for five to seven days – then bring the dog back to work. In general, this technique allows better healing than applying something daily to a wound and continuing to work the dog.”

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### Conditioning to Avoid Injuries

Paw pad injuries cannot always be avoided, but conditioning dogs' paws to the terrain in which they most often work does help. "There is a biophysical law that the body will adjust itself to the forces placed upon it. This means if you increase the force placed upon the tissue of the dogs' pads, the pads will alter themselves somewhat so they can handle a higher level of impact or greater number of impacts over time," Gillette says.

Reynolds explains that you can make dogs' pads more resistant to injury by putting them on dry, mildly abrasive surfaces such as fine gravel, concrete or sand or working the dogs on rough terrain for short periods of time. A consultation with your veterinarian will help you determine the safest method. Reynolds cautions against placing dogs in situations where their paws are often wet, since moisture causes softer pads. "A dry foot is a healthy foot," he says.

Booting is another way to protect dogs' feet, although there are varying opinions about its effectiveness. "While some handlers feel the boots prevent injuries, others think dogs may sustain more injuries because the dogs can't feel the ground," Gillette says. "That means they can't feel sharp or pointed objects. Instead of drawing their foot back, they put their full weight down, forcing the object deeper into the paw."

Rabidou compares the importance of healthy paws to that of well-tended hooves on horses. "If you're going to work or run a horse, you won't get much if it has unsound feet," he says. "Sporting dogs are running, working dogs, and they are only as good as their feet – which means you'd better keep your eye on those pads."

### The Case Against Long Nails

Although some dog owners and trainers feel long nails give dogs better traction, Gillette and Reynolds advocate short nails to keep dogs' paws healthy. "The pad plays a much greater role in gripping surfaces than the nail does," Gillette says. "So keeping the nails long has little benefit but a lot of potential for injury."

He explains that a longer nail acts like a fulcrum, which increases the

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detrimental forces placed upon the paw's bone and ligaments. This predisposes the toes to fractures, dislocations and nail injuries. Another problem is how a long nail affects the foot itself, changing its angle and putting dogs too far back on their heels,



Keeping nails trim is better for your dog's gait

which can be hard on their pasterns. Other problems associated with long nails are lateral splits in the nails, exposing the quick, and the potential for dogs tearing off or splitting nails by catching them on objects, which can lead to nail bed infections.

Some active dogs wear their nails down naturally and don't require a lot of nail care. Most dogs, however, need their nails clipped frequently. Reynolds suggests keeping the nail trimmed to within two millimeters of the quick. On dark nails where the quick is not visible, this can be accomplished by looking at the underside of the nail. The part of the nail containing the quick is grooved. Where the two sides of the groove come together is the section of the nail without quick.

A practice suggested by Gillette and Reynolds is to begin handling dogs' feet when they are puppies so they don't become "foot shy." Otherwise, trimming the nails of an adult dog can become a "real rodeo," Reynolds says. In any case, prior to trimming a dog's nails for the first time, you should first talk to your veterinarian to learn the safest method.

Thank you Purina for this informative article. Remember, for athletic and sporting dogs, monitoring the paws and feet protects them and keeps them healthy—your dogs are only as good as their feet!!



## **NRSFTC to move the National Championship to: Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area, Illinois**

Over the past several years, our Board and officers have had considerable discussion about the grounds used for our National Championship. The NRSFTC National Championship is supposed to be run as an All Age venue. Ideally, that means the course should be wide and open, giving the dogs the opportunity to cut loose and go. It's the best way to showcase the dogs and their potential.

Unfortunately, the Berea grounds don't lend themselves to that kind of arena. The courses twist and turn in such a manner that it's difficult for a dog to catch the edge and run with it; dogs with All Age potential are frequently lost during the trial because their natural flow, to follow the edge, takes them off the "course" and out of competition. Aiken is a perfect example of this problem. He competes very successfully on the Kansas prairies and has the wheels to do it. But every time Don Beauchamp put him on the ground last March, Aiken ran off course and out of competition. All Age dogs like Aiken are limited in Berea because they are trained and conditioned on true All Age grounds. Although Aiken was later found on point, it was too late; the honors went to other dogs who stayed within the limits of time for the course. It wasn't the first occasion to have such a thing happen. We know that in the past dogs have placed in the National Championship (in Berea) who actually only ran a moderate Shooting Dog race.

Brian Gelinas brought this up several years ago and suggested that the National Championship be moved to the fall trial at Grovespring and the Shooting Dog championships be run at the spring trial in Berea. Brian's motion made sense. Grovespring is one of the best trial grounds in the country; wide open areas with good visibility, Nice edges that the dogs can follow, it flows well with continuous courses— and no crossovers. A perfect place to showcase dogs with true All-age potential. The motion

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was seconded. During discussion there was a concern that we'd have to double back on one of the Championships but after checking with the American Field we were told it was allowable. The NRSFTC Board and Officers then voted to exchange the location of the National Championship with the Shooting Dog Championships. The motion passed and by all rights, the exchange should have happened about 18 months later. But then, when we met the following year at the fall trial, I asked for the revised schedule of events so I could correct *The Flushing Whip's* spring trial ad to reflect the switch. My question opened up renewed discussion and in the end the NRSFTC Board and Officers decided to continue the status quo—the National Championship would remain in Berea and the Shooting Dog Championships stay in Grovespring.

Going back on the decision didn't make sense and it certainly didn't solve anything either. Members continued to complain about the Berea grounds until finally, in March of 2012, Ed Liermann reopened the discussion. He made a presentation in regards to research of alternate trial grounds in Illinois and Ohio. Of the grounds presented, the only one that seemed feasible (to the board) was the Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area in Illinois. The NRSFTC Board and Officers appointed several persons to a committee and charged them with examining the possibility of moving our National Championship to the Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area in Chandlerville IL. The committee consisted of Don Beauchamp, Linda Beauchamp, Allen Fazenbaker, Deborah Fazenbaker, Ed Lierman, Bonnie Hidalgo and Tim Hammons. We scheduled our visit to the Jim Edgar grounds for the week-end of June 9-11. All of the committee was able to attend during that time except Tim Hammonds who bowed out because of a conflict.

The group had three distinct areas of concern they wished to address during our visit to Jim Edgar:

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- Quality of the grounds in comparison to our current championship location at Berea KY
- Status of the facilities in support of field trialing at the grounds
- Lodging, food, and local amenities in support of those attending the trial

Quality of grounds.



Our group was accompanied on a tour of the grounds driven by Jeff Waggoner, long time field trialer and currently the trial chair for the Illinois Open Shooting Dog Championship, which is run on the Jim Edgar grounds. The committee was also introduced to Mike Wickens, the site manager for Jim Edgar WMA. When we first scheduled the visit, we had hoped to use horses to ride the grounds and see each course. Since crops were growing on the grounds, our plans had to be changed; the courses were viewed and evaluated via truck in order to prevent any damage to the crops. In the way of explanation, the cropped areas are rotated annually, with a rotation of soybeans, corn, and winter wheat being the norm. In spite of not being on horseback, Jeff was able to describe each course and show us the natural path that the dogs would take. In some cases, he went ahead and drove up onto the land in order to give us better

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visibility. He also said that in areas where winter wheat is the crop, some variation in the course is sometimes necessary, as this crop is normally present and of significant height during the spring trial season. Jeff explained that in such cases, dogs would be run along the wheat edges rather than the wooded or grassy edges.

The grounds themselves are a mixture of cropland and woodlands, with woodlands being restricted to creek bottoms and other areas deemed unsuitable for cropping. Much of the area is in crops, and thus, would be open ground during the spring trial season. Cropped fields are bounded by grass areas, with some grass extending arms into the crop areas, depending upon the contour. Overall, the terrain is flat to gently rolling, with little or no areas of steep terrain. Water was available and visible on all three one hour courses, either as stream crossings, ponds, or small lakes. The three one hour courses are continuous, and with the exception of one section of courses two and three which run adjacent to each other for several hundred yards, are separate and have no crossover. The venue appears to be quite open, with edges on both sides for a large majority of the courses, permitting dogs to flow to one side or the other in a natural manner. There were a few locations on course two in which the dogs were “funneled” into a narrow area, but the edges were such that the dogs would seem to move forward in an approving manner. All three courses appeared to have a fairly equitable arrangement of edges and places that could hold birds, and therefore would seem to provide a fair venue for competitors to run their dogs in spite of the luck of the draw pertaining to course number. The courses tended to flow more naturally along edges, without the sharp turns typical of Berea. There were places in all three courses in which a very wide shooting dog or an all age dog could be shown and be permitted to make appropriate casts.

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One area of concern prior to our visit was that we heard there were several gravel or chip and seal roads bisecting the trial grounds. We didn't want our dogs endangered by being out on the roads. I recall a few years ago when Rupert's dog, Silvarado found his way to the road in Berea. Several trucks whizzed by before the dog wagon got there to take control of the situation. We didn't want to put our dogs into a similar situation where their welfare might be compromised. We looked specifically at these areas but noted that vehicle traffic on these roads was exceptionally minimal and didn't seem to be a concern. There is a county road running a north-south pattern along the eastern portion of the wildlife management area, but is not considered a problem to field trialers due to its distance from the actual course layouts. As it turned out, vehicle traffic throughout the area is very scarce, due to the remote location of the grounds and the extreme rural nature of the area. The grounds themselves are approximately 12 miles west of Petersburg, the nearest incorporated town.

We were quite pleased by what we saw. The quality of the grounds are such that the International Pheasant Championship and the Pheasant Futurity were (at that same time) trying to negotiate their use of this venue. They were hoping for a guarantee that the crops would be off the land in time for their fall scheduled trial. (Farmers currently lease the state game land for crops— thus giving income to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.) In the fall, prior to the crop removal, it would be difficult to keep your dog in sight and that was problematic for the International Pheasant Championship group. Fortunately, it would not be a problem for our trial which runs in the spring when all the crops (except the winter wheat) have been harvested. There was an open date giving our club the option of using the grounds the week-end of March 14-17. We liked that date because it was slightly later than the Berea trial

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and the time difference might ease us from the more severe weather. The date would also place our trial in the week following the Illinois Open Shooting Dog Championship. The advantage in that regard would be the probability of bird hold-over; the Illinois Championship typically releases approximately 250 quail during their trial.

In addition, there are native coveys of both quail and pheasant on the grounds. These birds are occasionally pointed during competition, although the pressure of weekly trials makes such occurrences erratic. The nature of the grounds is conducive to holding released birds; there is ample cover and feed throughout the courses, and some holdover birds from previous trials would be anticipated.

Our major interest was to view the Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area for All Age suitability and what we saw in that regard looked great. We also wanted to select an area of grounds for our club walking stakes. There were several large tracts of land available for use but due to the restrictions of our time and other appointments, our committee was not able to view those grounds directly during our visit. Ed Liermann followed up later with Mike Wickens to determine if walking stakes could be run concurrently with the horseback stakes and he learned that it was indeed possible. Along that same line, Jeff Waggoner pointed out that there are active NBHA and U.S. Complete organizations locally which perhaps might be of interest should our club elect to continue co-sponsoring all-breed walking events during our National Championship.

Status of facilities.

The physical facilities at Berea have never been in question. We knew by comparison that the Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area would not have such seasoned accommodations. As it happened, the Illinois field trial community had erected a new barn and parking area in 2011. It is located at the Course #1

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breakaway site. This barn has approximately 25 stalls with a hard gravel base. The barn is not currently supplied with electricity. There are plans to wire the barn within the year so that a generator can provide power to the barn as necessary. Electrical hookup to the grid is also being proposed.

There is also a small area in the north side of the barn that is utilized as a holding area for trailers, and includes several picnic tables. We were told that horses may be stabled in the barn and the owners are responsible for clean-up. Horses may also be staked out on the grounds in the vicinity of the barn. There is ample room and grass availability for this purpose.

In regards to the kenneling of dogs, no such facility exists at this time. Club members who bring dogs to the trial must plan on staking them on a "chain gang" or keeping them in their own cages. Our horse trailer, for instance, has a stack of dog kennels that we could use to house the dogs at night or in inclement weather if needed. There are dog owners who never utilize local club kennels at field trials because the exposure to parasites and disease is much higher in that kind of environment. So for many, the lack of kennel cages was not a big deal. Regardless of how you feel on the issue, remember, at this point, kennel facilities will NOT yet be available during the 2013 season.

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A third facility concern was in regard to water. There is no potable water at the site due to lack of a well. The state of Illinois DNR has provided several large water storage containers at the barn, which they fill as needed for use by field trailers. They will also fill personal water tanks on trucks and trailers if requested. Jeff assured us that water had not been a problem during their trials and that the DNR was diligent in resupplying the water daily. Long term plans also include hooking to a proposed county water supply that is being planned for the area. There is a large graveled parking area more than adequate to handle trailers and rigs; handlers are permitted to stay in their trailers should they so choose for a \$5 nightly fee. There are no electric hookups or accommodations for sewage at the site; owners are responsible for any cleanup. There is a concrete block restroom facility on the north side of the parking lot with pit-type toilets. There are developed camping areas on the grounds with hookups for campers; they are located within 2 miles of the trial grounds, and the cost for use of these facilities is minimal.

A clubhouse with heat, electric, and bathroom facilities is located approximately 2 miles north of the barn. This building would be available for use if desired. Field Trialers usually break for lunch and catered meals are served in that building.

A local bird supplier is available as well as a listing of local judges of suitable quality to judge our championship has been procured, and it is anticipated that procurement of local judges would not be an issue. The nearest fuel is located in Petersburg, IL (12 miles due east of the trial grounds).

Having the trial a few weeks later may be a benefit because of the weather but it's really the luck of the draw. The average high temperature in March for this area is 52 degrees F.; the average low temperature is 32 degrees F. Average precipitation for the month is 2.63 inches. The record high temperature for

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March was 91 degrees (1907) and the record low temperature for March was -12 degrees (1960).

#### Amenities.

There are several options for sleeping accommodations.

**Panther Creek Lodge** This is a very basic “bunkhouse” type accommodation with limited amenities. Rates are around \$30 per night. Users must provide bedding or sleeping bags.

#### River Bank Lodge



Riverbank Lodge in Petersburg, Illinois

This is a full service hotel located in Petersburg IL. Members of the committee stayed at this facility during the weekend and found the accommodations to be excellent. In addition to the rooms, there is a private meeting room that would be available for Board meetings, a banquet room with a complete kitchen, and a very comfortable lounge area in the center of the lodge with relaxing furniture. The lodge also has a complete bar with full liquor



Lounge area where folks can gather to talk

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license, and a short order kitchen serving pizza, wings, burgers, and similar fare. The prices are quite reasonable and the food is good. The banquet room will be offered free of charge to the club if there is a minimum of 8 rooms booked during the trial. The lodge also offers a “field trial championship” rate of \$55 provided a minimum of 8 rooms is booked for 4 days (normal rates are \$90+).

### Camping

Camping is also available on the grounds. This is a very basic accommodation, but is located less than 2 miles from the field trial grounds.

The actual town of Petersburg has a population of 2,299. GPS coordinates are 40°0'41"N 89°51'5"W (40.011503, -89.851505). The major industry in the area is agriculture. The racial makeup of the population is 97.78% Caucasian. Fuel for autos and trucks is available in the town. The town has a grocery store, veterinary clinic, several restaurants, feed/agricultural supply store, several hardware stores, a drug store, a library, courthouse, several antique shops and the usual amenities. My favorite place was the drug store which housed an old fashioned soda fountain. I had the best butter pecan sundae of my life there— bar none!! The NRSFTC has an active ladies group that loves to shop and explore during the trials. There will be plenty of opportunity for that in Illinois!! Check out tourism information for Menard County at the following site: [www.visitmenardcounty.com](http://www.visitmenardcounty.com).

Our group met with two catering agencies to obtain estimations of prices for possible banquet and luncheon provisions. The caterer indicated he could provide a home cooked meal with 2 meats (or 1 meat and 1 fish), potato, vegetable, roll, and dessert for \$14. A prime rib dinner is available for \$16. This meal could be delivered and set up at the River Bank Lodge. The Committee thought this was very favorable in comparison to the current practice at Berea, which is similar in cost and inferior in quality. The luncheon caterer offered several options for lunch,

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all of which could be delivered hot to the trial grounds. Prices varied depending upon the food provided.

#### Additional Information.

Just for additional information, we considered the distance of the grounds from our members. The Jim Edgar grounds are located just outside of Chandlersville IL and approximately 12 miles due west of Petersburg IL. As a gauge for travel times, the grounds are located in miles from the following cities:

York PA	806 miles	Boulder CO	923 miles
Charlotte NC	833 miles	Cleveland OH	533 miles
Chicago IL	218 miles	Berea KY	473 miles
Madison WI	267 miles	Wichita KS	500 miles
Macon GA	739 miles	Duck River TN	380 miles



Statue of Lincoln from Presidential Library

Local tourist attractions are plentiful throughout the area. Most notable is the city of Springfield, the state capital and home of former U.S. President Abraham Lincoln. Springfield is located approximately 25 miles from the grounds, and approximately 12 miles from Petersburg.

At the end of the week-end, our committee was faced with a making a decision. While we had some concerns regarding the extent of the facilities available to support the grounds (notably the lack of potable water at the barn, and the somewhat distant location of the clubhouse from the barn), it was the consensus of the Committee that the grounds themselves are much more suitable to evaluate the championship caliber of our dogs. It was also the opinion of

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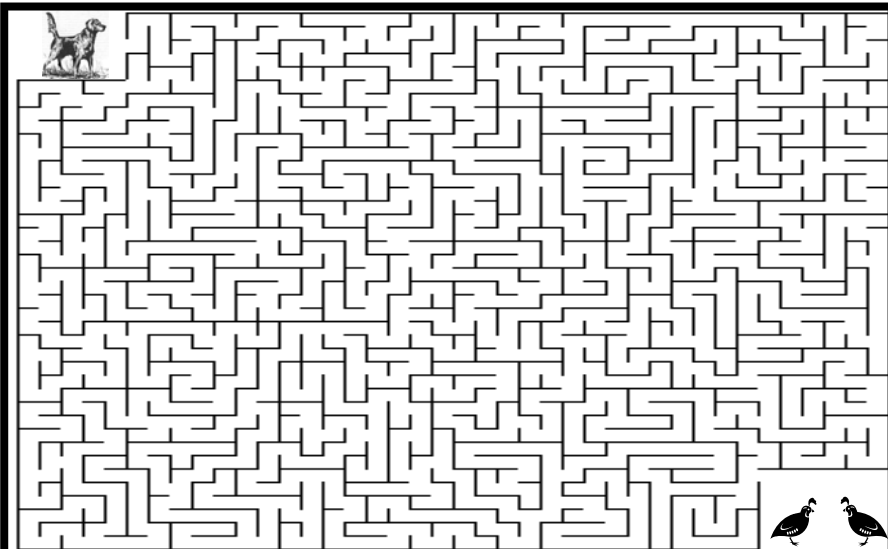
the Committee that these grounds will continue to be improved, as there seems to be momentum in that direction. There was also some concern that, as the facilities continue to be developed, the ability to procure dates will become problematic. The fact that several major Championships are making inquiries attests to this potential issue.

Finally, after considering all the pros and cons, the members in attendance recommended that we move the National Championship from Berea Kentucky to the Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area for the spring of 2013. The motion was voted upon and was passed, thus, our National Championship will be held at the Jim Edgar Wildlife Management Area in Chandlerville, IL. during St. Patrick's Week-end (March 14-17). Perfect time for the Irish for sure. It's a whole new adventure and we'd like you to join us there. It would be a nice opportunity to visit with old members from years gone by. So, if you're in the area, we hope you'll mark the date and come by and join us. We'd love to see you there with us as we celebrate our glorious Irish red setters!



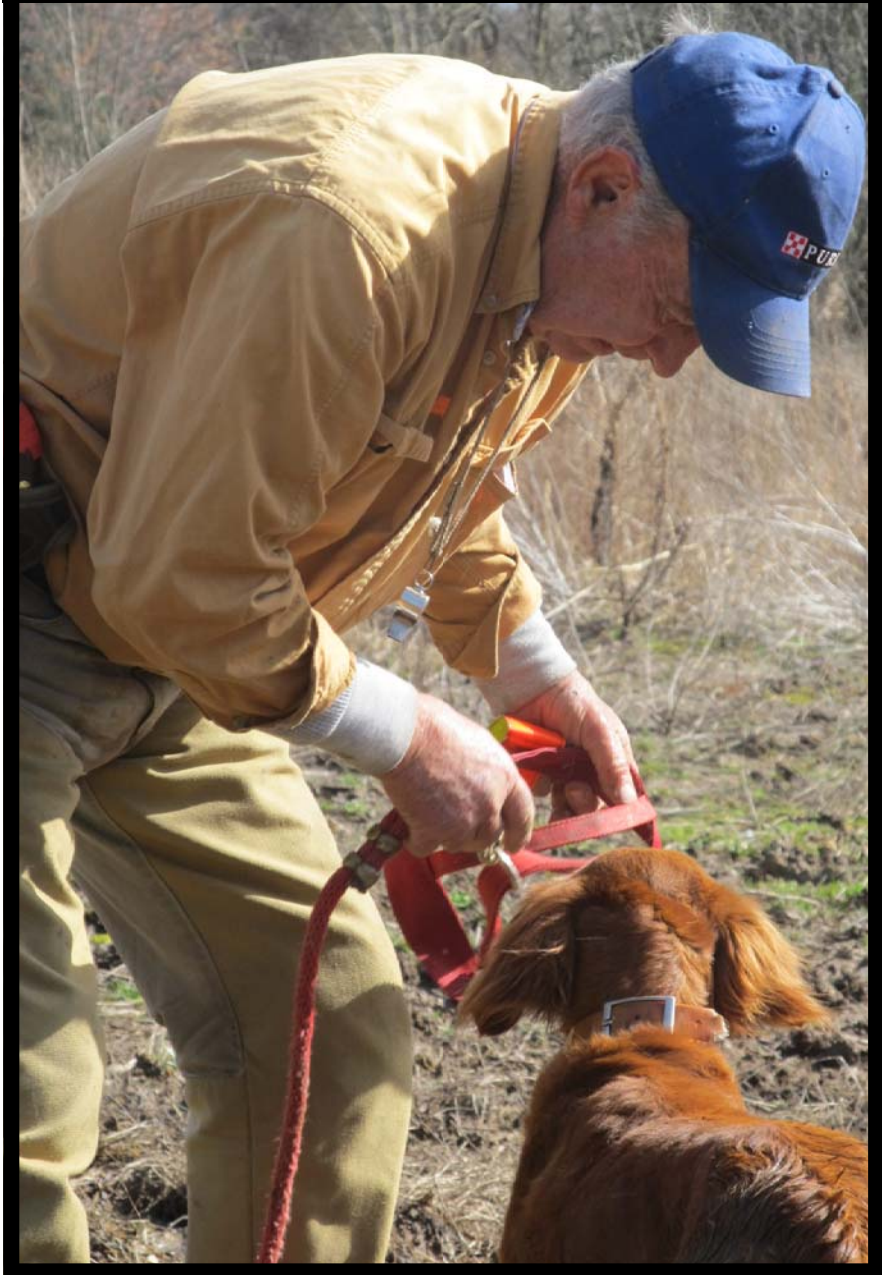
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**CH Breakstone wins the Duke for 4th time!**



**Rendition wins the NRSFTC Derby of Year**  
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CONGRATULATIONS TO YET ANOTHER AWARD WINNER



Puppy of the year  
Lakeview Timely Treasure (Dexter)  
with one of his owners, Lauren Hensley

## Cabinets make it to the Bird Dog Museum

In late July we traveled to Grand Junction to deliver our custom made cabinets at the National Bird Dog Museum. When I say “dropped off, it was exactly that. We were only in the museum about 2.25 hours. David Smith was kind enough to wait for us to get done so he could go home. In fact, if you look at the next page, he was better than that. He came right out to the trailer and helped lift them out of the truck and bring them inside.

We brought our materials from the old red setter site and moved it into the new area and cabinets themselves. As it turned out, the Brittany folks had been moving in too. They had hung quite a few paintings and displays. There is a railroad that travels adjacent to the museum and apparently when the trains rumble past, some of their painting shook around and selected a crooked way to hang. It’s caused them to rethink how things go up on the wall and, based on their experience, we didn’t hang anything yet. The Board wants to make a display on the wall that announces to museum visitors that we are the National red Setter Field Trial Club. We’re working on that and will also need to make a few adjustments to the cabinets themselves. They all have lighting but we want to change the switch to make it more convenient for the staff at the museum. We’ll get those things in place in February when we all go down for the Hall of Fame Inductions. Again, these beautiful cherry cabinets were made possible from generous donations by the Long Island Bird Dog Club, Andy and Deb Agnew, Rich Stumpf, Paul Ober, Bonnie and Dennis Hidalgo, Bob Schweiger and John Zochol. Thank you each so very much for helping make this lasting display. We still need donations for computer monitors to run a living history of our club and dogs. If YOU can help, send any donations to the Red Setter Foundation. Thank you so very much.



David Smith helps Don Beauchamp, Al Fazenbaker and Zach Fazenbaker unload the cabinets for the Bird Dog Hall of Fame



Cherry cabinets with interior lighting and adjustable shelves.  
At this point, nothing has yet been hung on the walls



Don Beauchamp stops to finally catch his breath after our marathon delivery and installation process.



Don & Linda Beauchamp. Al, Zach, and Deb Fazenbaker finally stop to pose once the cabinets were finally in place! Whew!

## Beware of Toxic Algae Blooms with HOT weather

By Gene Surber, Natural Resources Specialist, MSU Ext. Service

The dry conditions throughout much of Montana may be ideal for algae growth to appear on the limited stock water supplies. Algae growth usually occurs in late summer during the hottest times of year. Of greatest concern is that which is toxic to livestock.

There are many groups of algae in Montana, but only three members have species that produce lethal poisons to livestock. Only three poisonous microscopic species of the blue-green algae group are found throughout Montana (only one documented in Montana) and our neighboring states and provinces.

The most common visible signs will be water that is dark-green to blue-green and may even be greenish-brown to red, hence the name Blue-Green Algae. In order for these algae to bloom the right conditions of temperature, nutrients and light must be present. Lower water levels in ponds and reservoirs allow light to penetrate closer to the bottom of the water thereby providing the sunlight for photosynthesis necessary for growth. During dry conditions when the water levels are low there is bare soil around and above the water, which provides a solar collection area that increases soil temperature, which in turn increases the temperature of the water in the pond or reservoir. Water temperature around 72-80 degrees F for several days are adequate to stimulate growth. The low level of water increases the concentration of nutrients in these water sources, which also combines to provide the nutrients necessary for the algae to grow.

Toxic Blue-Green Algae blooms are toxic to all warm-blooded animals, including humans. Fish kills associated with Blue-Green Algae blooms are most likely from the depletion of oxygen in the water and not as a result of the toxin produced. The Montana

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Department of Environmental Quality indicated that fish taken from waters infested with toxic algae are not likely to cause secondary poisons if eaten in moderation, although they may taste “weedy.”

There is no known antidote to be affective at counteracting the effects of the toxin once it has been ingested. There are two types of toxins produced. A peptide type, which causes liver damage, but is rarely fatal. Symptoms are diarrhea, nausea, cramps or general lethargic and unthrifty animals. The other type is an alkaloid, which causes death in a relatively short time. Early symptoms from the alkaloid include staggering, muscle spasms, labored breathing and/or convulsions. Death is caused from respiratory failure and a very rigid neck observed at death.

Not all algae blooms are toxic. To determine if an algae bloom is of the toxic nature, look at several items. Mats of algae floating on or below the surface of the water, having a stringy texture that can be picked up are probably a harmless green algae. All toxic or potentially toxic blue-green algae present themselves as surface scums. These algae scums are not stringy or easily picked up. They are slippery, clotted masses of cells that readily fall apart when attempting to pick them up. Look for scum mats on the down wind side of the pond or reservoir. Observe all animals, including gophers, waterfowl, and others that rely on the water for survival. If there is a toxic bloom any animals making use of the water where the scum is present will show the effects.

#### Suggested management alternatives:

The best way to prevent algae poisoning is to be aware of the conditions that can produce the poisonous bloom and to prevent animals from drinking the surface scum when present. Producers should check all livestock watering areas in hot, dry weather for light to heavy green coloration of the water. If a surface scum is present, manage it as if it were a toxic bloom.

Keep livestock, wildlife and pets away from the bloom scum: use an alternate water source. If no other source of water is available, the next best thing is to allow animals to drink only on

the upwind side of the reservoir or pond where wind and water currents float the scums away from the shoreline. It is also possible to construct a floating barrier that sinks into at least the top 4 inches of water which will keep the surface scum away from the area where animals drink. This type of barrier can be built of logs, Styrofoam, or other floating materials. It must isolate the drinking area completely and not allow the surface scum to leak into the area. The barriers should be large enough and over deep enough water so animals will not be able to drink beyond it. Once scum has formed it is not practical to build an effective barrier to clear the scum away. If conditions are likely to favor a bloom, it is best to build the barrier before the scum develops.

Another option is to pump water via a waterline from a subsurface location in a deeper part of the reservoir to a water tank. Transferring the water to the tank can be done by one of several methods, gravity, solar, wind, electric or motorized pumps.

Chemical control with herbicides is an option and can be directly applied to lakes and ponds to control most algae growths of the colonial, filamentous, and single cell types. However, some are highly toxic to aquatic animals and should be avoided or used with extreme caution and use may require a special license. There are two basic herbicides used in ponds and lakes to control algae, copper sulfate products, and diquat.

Chelated copper complexes and copper sulfate (Bluestone) are the most effective at controlling algae. However, copper is a toxic metal that is long-lived (persistent) in the environment. Copper sulfate can be toxic to fish and aquatic animals when used at concentrations necessary to control algae, especially in soft water. (Copper toxicity increases as water hardness decreases.) Copper sulfate is not as safe to use as chelated copper compounds and it should not be used in soft waters (alkalinity values less than 50 mg/L). No water-use restrictions are associated with copper compounds. Regardless of any treatment or method used to divert the water, the important message during this very hot summer season is keep your dogs and livestock away from direct area algae blooms. Better to be safe than sorry!

## North West Irish Field Trial Club runs Amateur Walking Shooting Dog Trial

Fran Seagren reporting



Breele with Craig O'Brine, Diesel with Mark Leadbetter, Rhett with George Lutz

Our North West Irish Field Trial Club held an Amateur Walking trial on April 21, at Anderson's Sulphur Creek Ranch, in Sunnyside, Washington. It was open to all pointing breeds and I'm proud to report the winner of the Shooting Dog stake was one of our own. "Red Delicious Breele" is owned by Craig and Carolyn O'Brine, trained and handled by Craig.

Our judges for Shooting Dog were Larry Floyd and Don Fischer. We had a total of nine dogs entered (5 Irish setters, 3 English setters, 1 Gordon setter).

The day started out clear and warm with temps reaching the high 70s to low 80s by late afternoon. It was the warmest day most of us, including our dogs, had encountered since last fall. For dogs and certainly the walking handlers, it was a challenging course. Anderson's Ranch is stunning and beautiful, with hilly, steep and rough terrain.

Breele had a great ground race with four solid finds. She held

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high and tight while the birds were flushed and finished the brace strong. Second place was English setter, Diesel, owned and handled by Mark Leadbetter. Third place was Gordon setter, Rhett, owned by Amy and George Lutz, and handled by George.

Don Fischer, one of our judges, posted on *Gundog Forum* after our trial with a subject title, "The Other Setter." He also posted about our dogs on *The Pointing Dog Journal*. We received permission from Don to reprint his posts. Following is a compilation of comments Don made about our red dogs.

*"For the first time ever, I got to watch some Red setters run. Boy, good looking dogs, but is it anything other than pretty? You bet!"*

*The second brace was where I got my first glimpse of an Irish in the field. Two of them, and Craig's "Sierra" was more than impressive. Stayed out about 400-500 yards, never looped and never yo-yo'd. Unfortunately "Sierra" hit a snag on a bird. She made a really nice point but during the flush, she went with the bird.*

*In the 4th brace we had two Irish again. Breelie said, "watch me" right from the cast off. She blew away the Shooting Dog stake with a terrific ground race and four very nice finds. Thirty minutes later she got picked up going just as strong as she started. Breelie (as pictured on the Gun Dog Forum) is everything she looks and then some.*

*In the Shooting Dog stake in addition to the Irish there were three English setters and a Gordon, but Breelie simply blew them out. The English got second and the Gordon got third.*



IRS Robert backs GS Rhett on pt.

*There were five Irish*

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*running in the stake. All of them showed me that they DO have what it takes. Wonderful little dogs! These guys run, hunt, and point every bit as good as they look. I know that I'm gonna have to have one. These little dogs have overwhelmed me!"*

Our Derby and Puppy judges were Larry Floyd and Craig O'Brine. We had seven Derby dogs entered (5 English pointers, 1 English setter, 1 Irish setter). The winner was English pointer, Vicki, owned by Amy and George Lutz, handled by George. Second was English setter, Mach, owned and handled by James Emerson. Third was English pointer, JJ, owned and handled by Chris Potts.

We had only one puppy entered. A very nice English setter owned and handled by Holly Higgins.

Mike Eads released chukar for each brace. Carolyn O'Brine served



Around the table from left to right: Scott Christianson, Fran and Scott Seagren, Chris Potts and Craig O'Brine

as the trial's "Food Captain." Carolyn organized the meals from breakfast through dinner. The food was, (as usual) simply delicious!

Carolyn's efforts were appreciated by everyone in attendance. Buck Knives donated two Mini Alpha Hunter knives for our judges. They were beautifully engraved at the factory with the judge's names on one side of the blade and our club name and date on the other side. We appreciated their generous support. Please patronize these exceptional sponsors.

And, while I'm reporting, I've got a very nice Red Setter brag from the Northwest. "Red Delicious Breelie" won the AFTCA Region 10 Shooting Dog of the year award. Not just the Irish setter breed award, but ALL breeds! Love them red dawgs! Fran Seagren

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## Red Delicious Breelie Region 10 Shooting Dog of the Year



Here's a follow up to Fran Seagren's report of the Northwest Trial. The AFTCA Region 10 held their annual meeting June 15th and Red Delicious Breelie won the Region 10 Shooting Dog of the Year Award. Not believing Breelie had earned an "all-breed award," Craig emailed the Reg. 10 Secy for clarification. She responded with: "Yes "Breelie won *the* Shooting Dog of the Year - this was not a breed award. The two of you did a good job - she had the highest point total of all data sheet entries turned into Region 10." Guess it will take a while for Craig to stop smiling about this one! It's great to see such awesome dogs making their mark out west — it's just what the founding members wanted. BIG success in ALL BREED events! Congratulations Craig and Carolyn!



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This award runs 7-1-11 to 6-30-12

\*Duke: A new season is now in effect for the Duke Standings. The Purina Open Shooting Dog Points trials that count for this award are found on the inside cover (pg. 2) of the July 23, 2011 issue of the American Field. On the inside cover (pg.2) of the American Field July 30, 2011, issue is the list of the Purina Amateur Shooting Dog Points trials that count. In addition, all National Amateur Shooting Dog Invitational Points trials count toward this award.

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### Joe Edwards wins Jim Fike Amateur Handler's Award

Handler	Pts.	Handler	Pts.
Joe Edwards	32	Jim Baker	16
Jim Ashby	16	Susan Russell	13
Ken Ruff	13	Al Fazenbaker	12
Spero Manson	12		

**NRSFTC Puppy of the Year is LV Timely Treasure— Dexter**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler	Sire	Dam	Points
Lakeview Timely Treasure	M	Lauren Hensley O Lance Carver O/H	Hondo Muldoon	Lakeview Kant Katch Me	138
LVK Rondo Muldoon	M	Jim Ashby	Hondo Muldoon	Lakeview Kant Katch Me	60
LVK Lexi Muldoon	F	Jim Ashby	Hondo Muldoon	Lakeview Kant Katch Me	16

**NRSFTC Derby of the Year is Rendition**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler	Sire	Dam	Points
Rendition	M	Roger Boser	Touchstone	Solitaire	342
Colonnade	M	Roger Boser	Touchstone	Solitaire	126
Fidler's Firefly King Louis	M	Stephanie Fidler	Firefly's Solid Dollar	Firefly's Martina	32
Tornado Alley	M	Don Beauchamp	Aiken	Soldier Creek Babe	28
Kindle	F	Dennis /Bonnie Hidalgo	Breakstone	Applebee	24

**Breakstone takes the 2011-2012 Duke Award for #4**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler IF another person	Sire	Dam	Points
Breakstone	M	Roger Boser	Sharpton	Chantilly	267
Youtoo	M	Don Beauchamp	Aiken	Solitaire	56
Redstone	M	Roger Boser	Breakstone	Applebee	48
Jericho	M	Don Beauchamp	Chaparral	Sunset Silk	37

**2012 High Performance Award Standings as of 8/15/12**  
**January 1, 2012 through December 31st, 2012**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler IF another person	Sire	Dam	Point
Code Red	M	Tim Hammons	Silver Creek Show Biz	Silver Creek Illustrations	476
Aiken	M	Don Beauchamp	Rockfish	Chantilly	390

**2012 Le Grande Award as of 8/15/12**  
**January 1, 2012 through December 31st, 2012**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler	Sire	Dam	Point
Breakstone	M	Roger Boser	Sharpton	Chantilly	845
Code Red	M	Tim Hammons	Silver Creek Show Biz	Silver Creek Illustrations	476
Jericho	M	Don Beauchamp	Chaparral	Sunset Silk	396
Aiken	M	Don Beauchamp	Rockfish	Chantilly	390
Redstone	M	Roger Boser	Breakstone	Applebee	240
Justified	M	Roger Boser	Breakstone	Come Back Judy	196
Youtoo	M	Don Beauchamp	Aiken	Solitaire	192
Touchstone	M	Roger Boser	Breakstone	Applebee	98

**2012 National Shoot to Retrieve Award as of 8/30/12**  
**January 1, 2012 through December 31st, 2012**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler	Sire	Dam	Point
Cherry Bear Holiday	F	Steve Witz	Breakstone	Applebee	107
Pal Holiday	M	Steve Witz	King Cormac	FW Flash Edition	64

**2012 Walking Shooting Dog Award**  
**January 1, 2012 through December 31st, 2012**

Dog	Sex	Owner/Handler	Sire	Dam	Point
LV Kant Katch Me	F	Jim Ashby	Breakstone	Applebee	240
Roger Ramjet	M	Al Fazenbaker	Breakstone	FW Flash Edition	56

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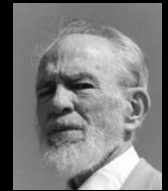
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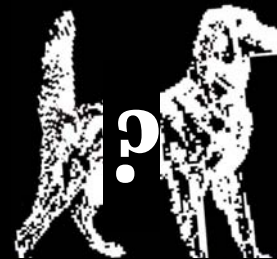


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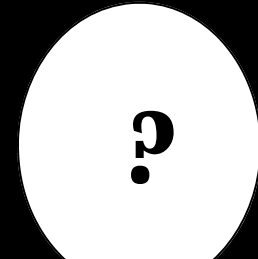
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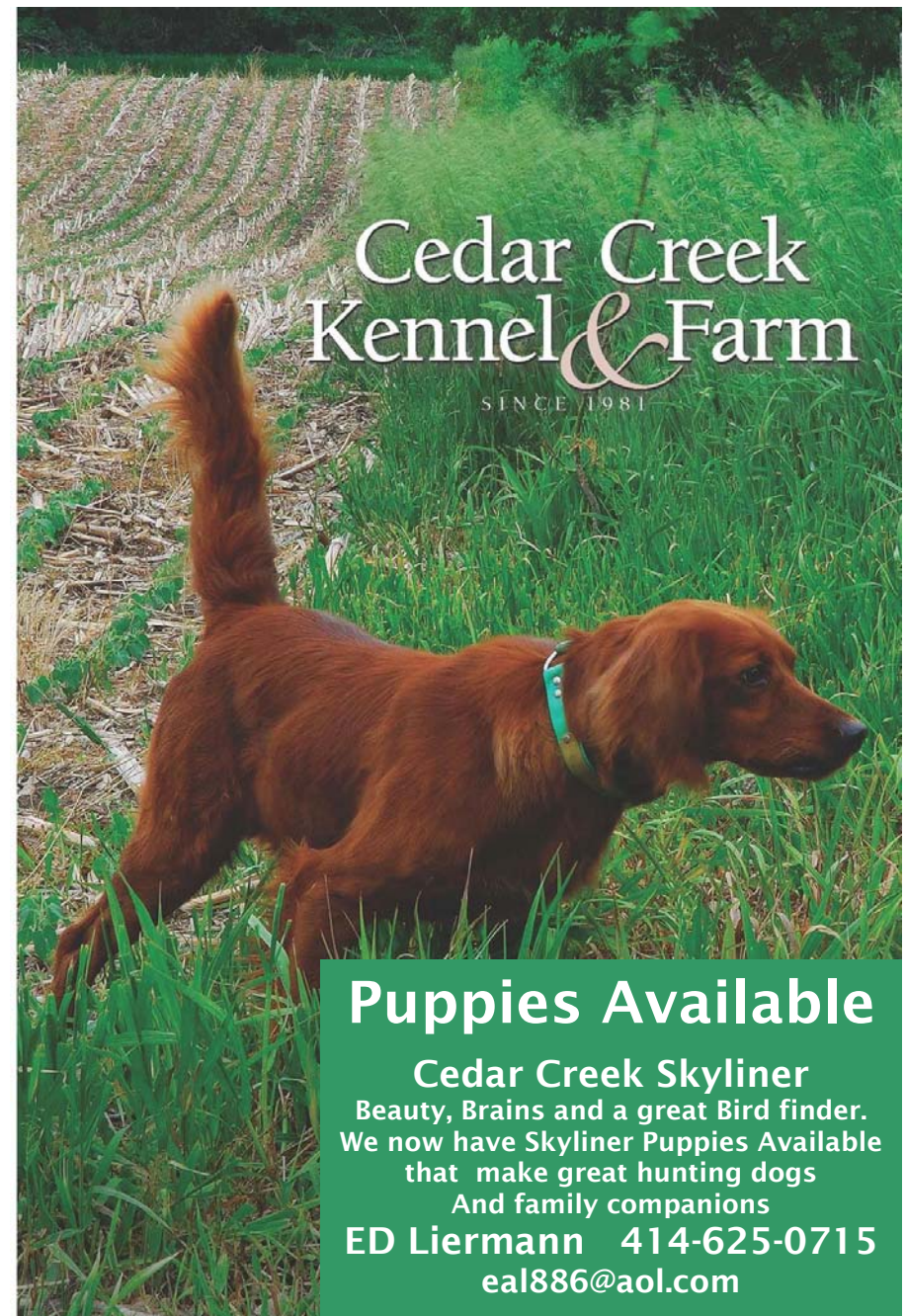


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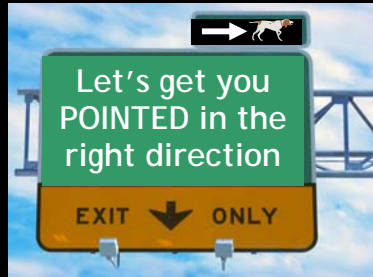


## Directions to Trial Grounds

To the Field Trial Sportsmen's Grounds, Grovespring, Missouri:

From I-44 @ Lebanon, MO take Hwy 5 south approximately 17 miles to Meadowlark Rd. (watch for the pointer sign) Turn right,

and follow the road ~.75 mile, keep to the right and continue another ~.75 mile. Then keep left on Parks Creek Rd. Travel another ~.5 mile to clubhouse which is located on right side of road. You made it!



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Dinner will also be served at the drawing. We will

announce additional evening programming information as

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## National Red Setter Field Trial Club

November 8-11, 2012

At the Field Trial Sportsmen's Grounds, Grovespring, Missouri

Drawing: Wednesday, November 7 @ 7pm CDT @Clubhouse (417-462-3626)

Stakes & Order of Running: Starting Thursday, November 8 @ 8 am CDT

*Only Manufactured Solid Barrel guns of .32 caliber or larger may be used. We reserve the right to alter order should unexpected circumstances occur. Entry fees include grounds fees.*

### NRSFTC Open Shooting Dog Championship (1 hr.)

Entry fee: \$125.00 Purse: \$500 divided 70/30.

Qualification: Open All Age, Open Shooting Dog or Open Derby placement in an American Field recognized stake.

Judges: Garvin Collins (MO) & David Taylor (IA)

### Red Setter Open Derby (30 min)

Entry fee: \$45.00 Awards to 3 placements.

Judges: Garvin Collins (MO) & David Taylor (IA)

### Red Setter Open All Age (30 min)

Entry Fee: \$55.00 Purse: 50% of fees (less grounds fee) divided 50/30/20.

Judges: Garvin Collins (MO) & David Taylor (IA)

### Red Setter Open Walking Shooting Dog (30 min)

Entry fee: \$45.00 Awards to 3 placements.

Judges: Garvin Collins (MO) & David Taylor (IA)

### Red Setter Open Puppy (20 min)

Entry fee: \$35.00 Awards to 3 placements.

Judges: Garvin Collins (MO) & David Taylor (IA)

### NRSFTC Amateur Shooting Dog Championship (1 hr.)

Entry fee: \$100.00 Champion: Tri-Tronics collar & possession of

Fountainhead trophy. Runner-up: Silver plate.

Qualification: Amateur or Open All Age, Shooting Dog or Derby placement with an Amateur handler in an Am. Field recognized stake.

Judges: Garvin Collins (MO) & David Taylor (IA)

Contact Bonnie or Dennis Hidalgo Trial Co-Chairs for further info/entries:



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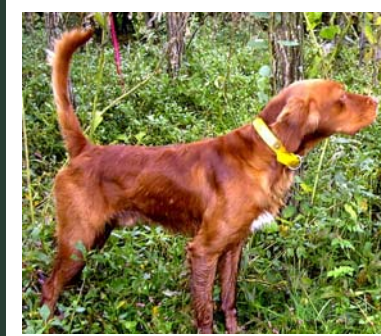
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