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SPRING CLASSIC -- KILDEER PLAINS -- MARCH 25 and 261

Headquarters will once again be the Evergreen Motel and Rest. at Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Trial chairman is Cliff Bean and Jim Flythe has appointed Ed Schnettler as trophy chairman and procurer. (What do you have on him Jim?)

Entry blanks and details will be in March Whip for you but do want you to be planning on joining us!

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DUKE MEMORIAL TROPHY contenders are still headed by Warren Johnson's Double Jet with a 385 scoring. Henry and Mary Taylor's Whiraway Chief is in second; Bob and Lavonia Harrison's Timmy's Baby Bean is third & Dr. Van Wye's Vanita's Wild Gael is fourth. Remember the deadline for getting in placements is March 1!

Now it seems necessary to give a little background on the Whip. Dues and new memberships are coming in real well (to the tune of about 50 assorted pieces of mail for January that I mailed something for). Our primary purpose for having a club is the opportunity for you to see and profit we trust from our two trials not the Whip. This was first circulated in February of 1955. It was a news sheet and an invitation to the club's Spring trial at Welden Springs, Missouri. Its originator was honorary member and former president. Rusty Baynard who at that time was sec .- treas. His effort was well received and it was decided it was a good permanant feature of club activity especially since membership is so scattered. Herm David I believe took over in the April of '55 and it became supported from club funds rather than private subsidy. As you know Herm is now with Hunting Dog magazine and is a capable writer by profession who did a fine job for the Club for many years. When he was no longer able to give the time of which it took a great deal, John Mires of The Toledo Blade took over. John is also a former college professor.

John continued until April of 1964 when he too felt he could no longer give the time to the club. Along the way various means of trying to spread the work load with Ned LeGrande, Lucy Jane Myers and the Frank Neilsons doing various things such as addressing, folding etc. but no one felt they wanted to do the entire bit. With no Whip the club was going down and it was felt that some communication was necessary to keep us together for trials and between trials even if it was no more than a mimeographed newsletter. So with no takers and such qualified predecessors a nursery school major with one year on a social desk began. Oh yes, we also tried a few months of Denlinger Publishing with a fine finish magazine but no news to speak of and lots of filler. The point of all of this is to plea for understanding of what the situaton is and to please not hold the National responsible for any statements printed just me! I'm well aware that the pickings are plentiful! Any of our members with experience but mainly more time that would be interested in putting the Whip together please contact us!

Now to a statement in one of the state publications: The National doesn't lower its standards nor mean to suggest that our calibre of judges has gone down nor do we conduct a trial without telling them of what we want in a Champion. Reference actually came from a list of suggestions that was printed when it came from another club stating their ideas. It was not the directors nor our own membership"s list. Judges are hard to get that we feel are qualified being another thankless job in this trialing business. Our chairman have done their best to see that we had the finest available though some have proved perhaps otherwise & shall continue to try and have good men in the saddle!

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Notes from mail:

Dr. Daniel Kelly, 7244-101 Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada is interested in the ages and breeding of some of our Trish competing in trials here. He has a bunch of Red ones himself with excellent noses, industrious hunters but pour tail actions as a whole and is perhaps a potential buyer of a good male or female trained or partly that is a wide ranger for the prairies. Any information any of you have that might help or interest him would be appreciated.

Dr. Kelly's request of breeders is typical of what I have had a lot of lately so if you have a stud available it would be wise to

let me know and give breeding etc.

Mrs. Ann Whiteside, 6203 Seabrook Rd., Seabrook, Md. 20801, is looking for a 3 to $3\frac{1}{8}$ month pup for a friend in their area. They have none left. He is interested in a female at around \$75. Can you help?

Irish Setter Club of Michigan has a new editor, Joseph L. Rea of Harper Woods. Marvin Carlisle field chairman lists their dates as the same as ours again which is unfortunate. Being ARC it doesn't interest us a great deal except as a wonderful opportunity to give a dog experience and any good ones they come up with also miss out in a chance of running with the American Field bred in Ohio. President James Clark is hosting a series of field training sessions at his home in New Baltimore which is wonderful! I hope people take advantage of it!

We were sorry to learn of the death of Donna Greimel at only 33. Donna was a popular obedience judge in Michigan, an early el teacher and the founder of "Animals on Call" an agency which supplied animals for ad purposes, shows, etc. She will be greatly missed by the Michigan Club.