

That season of rushing about is here once again but the anticipation of warm, trimmed houses, the sense of pleasure when these tasks are all completed make it well worthwhile. Christmas spirit (and spirits) is something which all of us can share, irrespective of creed, so take time to enjoy the hope, love and courage of the holidays and have a most happy Christmas!

Congratulations to Buck and Laverne Stines who finished another Triple Titled Irish Setter. The Irish Setter Club of the Pacific lists Dual Ch. County Cork's Red Knight U. D. of the Stines of San Francisco as the third such winner. This I believe however is the fourth such coveted honor. Others are the Ed McIvors Dual Ch. Tyrone's Mahogany Mike CDX, the Larry Heist's Dual Ch. Red Arrow Showgirl UDT and the Everhardt's Dual Ch. Titian Duke C. D. Red Knight finished at the ISC Pacific Trial in September.

Member Elmer Brese of Fort Wayne writes regarding the Irish: "If the advocates of the Irish Setter breed expect to win widespread acceptance they're going to have to show their dogs in mixed company. Win or lose their dogs show their stuff in the field. Restricted Irish trials are fine, but the open trial is the only way to give the breed back its proper place in the sporting dog class". "Casey" his Irish doesn't wan as big or as good as his English Setter and Pointer but he doesn't believe the Irish is that type of dog. However he goes on to say that he will proudly run or show him anytime for anybody. Casey has only been

him three months and was purchased from Ira Griste, We'll be interested in noting progress and are always glad to hear readers views.

In reply I would like to note that Jim Flythe enters in many allbreed trials; Minnesota Irish Setter Club trial was an open event; Dale
Bruns' Rusty Hobo placed 3rd in Indiana Field Trial Assoc. trial with
24 entries and his the only Irish! Cliff Bean, Ed Schnettler have been
winners with Irishmen many times to list but a few but it is a up-hill
climb in most sections. Regarding looks of some of these winners which
was mentioned but one reader recently I think many fail to realize that
as Pres. Schnettler has stated we are now on the upward trip of the cross
breeding program used to bring back the hunting Irish. Ed's recent open
wins were with the Northwest Field Assoc. Shooting Dog stake and Double
Jet, a Brit. Sp. and Schnet's Darky took the wins in a 21 entry listing:
Finished Irish are hard to come by yes, as another commented, but we do
have some. To get one you have to realize the work and money it takes to
do the job.

Dale Bruns, Millhousen, Ind., has a stud pup by Bruns Red Ike out of a bitch that is a littler mate to Hobo's Sal for \$50.00 is you're in the market for starting out your own winner. This male was whelped Oct. 11, 1964.

Or contact Lt. Col. E. L. Schnettler, 1002 10th Ave., St. Cloud, Minn. for any of the following:

l M and l F whelped July 5, 1964. Sire Schnet's Joe C; dam-Schnet's Joanie. Background is Hellfire, Hollywood Hills, Double Jack, Cloister (Berol) \$75. (gundogs)

F whelped Jan. '63 Sire Cooper's Tenn. Riley; Dam, Schnet's Tara. Untrained but birdy, stylish, dark coat and eye; proven bitch. \$50.

2 F whelped June 11, 1964. Sire Jimmy K; Dam Schnet's Blip. Bold, strong, birdy, trial prospects. \$125.

1 M whelped June 1963 Sire is Schnet's Joe C; Dam is a good LeGrande bitch. Large, large show type manner for a good gun dog. \$150.

1 male whelped June 1963. LeGrande-O'Cloister strain, med. size, stylish, nice moving, handles pheasants. \$175 as sire and dam are in my kennel the man says.

Now I've cleaned out the Minn. kennel (must be that snow is too much for certain people after the soft life of North Carolina) we also have pups for sale from the John Clarks, 524 E. State St., Ft. Wayne, Ind. They have 2 males, dark red; third generation of combined Ardee and Kendrick linebreeding.

Rev. Murray Sleeper invites any of the fraternity vacationing up Benzonia, Michigan way to stop by to talk dogs or work them with him. In this part of the state the woodcock flight he says was terrific this fall. He's seen nothing like it since the year before the "big freeze" in the 30's when he was in Massachusetts, He hopes he has a real bird dog from a Christmas Eve litter of last year. We do too!

I see I missed listing another open shooting dog stake winner of October when the Sussex Field trial was held. "Valli Hi Counselor" owned by J. J. Lamb, Esq., and David J. Hasinger of Philadelphia placed in the second spot and was the only Irish entered. He impressed with his ground work and bird work while handled by Dominick Welch for the purpose of campaigning in the major Eastern Open stakes. "Casey" as he is called received his basic training under Joe Cannon, then was handled for a year by George Stymiest.

Changes of address for member Richard L. Swanson should be made on your membership list. He is now in Cohoes, N. Y. on Forts Ferry Road, Route 1 (Albany area). Dick writes that he now has more time to help out N. R. S. F. T. C. so lets think of something, quick, Ed? Some of our New York members should look up the Swansons, nice people!

Another address change is for John G. Stapleton who is at 7591 Oak Hill Drive, Chesterland, Ohio. 44025 (And thanks for the kind words regarding the Whip).

Duluth, Minn. 55801 and has offered to make available through the club an annual trophy in the memory of Fred Kremer to be called the "Duke" trophy to be awarded at the spring trial meeting prefably. The trophy would be offered to the NRSFTC member in good standing whose dog or dogs (Irish only) have acquired the most placements in FDSB trials only during the previous year. In order to avoid confusion the placements would be placed on a point basis, i. e. first place to rate 3 points, second, 2 and third, 1 point. In case of a tie, the total number of dogs defeated will be taken into sonsideration. In order to be an eligible placement, two or more dogs must have competed. The major thing to be considered from her point of view is that the trophy be offered in the hopes that is will help attain Fred's hope of drawing into the field more persons interested in placing the Irish Setter back where it belongs, and will give them something to work towards during the year.

The reason for only FDSB trials being applied is because she feels that any AKC trial does not offer or will not in the future offer the type of Irish Setter competition the NRSFTC membership including herself is seeking. Therefore it is her wish that the trophy be restricted to those persons interested in running stylish CLASS bird dogs in stakes containing worthy competition, be they all Irish FDSB or all breed.

Legacy Kendrick but has now reacquired his brother, Lord Kendrick and he has run twice this fall, placing 2nd in a stake of 8 and 3rd in a stake of 13. Third was actually the top as it as an AKC event with the two top placements withheld. She applauded their doing this as she said it was an apparently mediocre group that ran poorly under adverse conditional hopes to run this son of Ike Jack Kendrick at our spring classic.

Further communications will have to be done another year as I found the Nov. issue overweight by a dog's hair. I trust you will have a most Merry Christmas. (Eat, drink and be merry, tomogrow you may diet;