

Freeland Kennel Club

By CARL BERGEN

THE spring weather was unpredictable, as usual. The weatherman had forecast rain for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, then changed his forecast three or four times during the week. We had a nice day Saturday and rain all day Sunday.

Grace Ecker prepared breakfast and lunch both days. As usual the food was fantastic. For all her hard work she was greeted with a flat tire on her car. Mike Galada and Jim changed her tire and she was back on the road again.

In the Open Shooting Dog, Breakstone, Roger Boser's Irish setter, placed first. Second was Porter Meadow Elroy, Jim Bush's pointer handled by Robert



PATINA

First in the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake

placement in our trial. Cowboy is always very competitive and is usually in the placements at any field trial.

We held a Walking Shooting Dog Stake and John McMurry handled his Brittany Almac's Brownie to first. Robert Hughes handled his setter Champaign Spirit Walk to second.

The judges deserve our gratitude for volunteering to sit in the judicial saddles. Ernie Saniga and Keith Thomas judged all the Open stakes. Keith volunteered after advertised judge Jim McDuff notified me he made a mistake and accepted to judge the same day for another trial. He apologized to everyone. Thanks again, Keith, for filling in on short notice. Larry Craig and Mike Penn had to judge all day in the rain. Dedicated men who love field trialing. Their decisions were well received.

Bird releasers John McMurry and Carl Bergen did a great job on Saturday. Dom Preite brought his Polaris and volunteered to plant birds. We gladly accepted.

R. B. Powell supplied his string of horses. Liz did an excellent job having them saddled and ready to go.

We are always grateful to everyone



PORTER MEADOW ELROY

Second in the Open Shooting Dog Stake

Ecker, Jr., the only pro to support our trial. Champaign Bosox, setter male (Carl Bergen), was third.

In the Open Derby, Carl's setter Champaign Stryker won the blue. Carl was ecstatic. Merv Eisenhart's Maple Valley Cowboy is always in the ribbons and he won the red. Closing out the placements was Richfield Gypsy Rose, Harry Blaine's pointer handled by Robert Ecker, Jr.

The Amateur Shooting Dog broke away in the rain and it continued the rest of the day. The waterlogged quail didn't fly very well but the dogs did a great job pointing and handling them. The winners—Patina, Fox's Blue Angel, and Annabull—had multiple finds.

It was still raining for the Amateur Derby. Bo Mamounis showed us what Tenacious D could do and captured the top honor. David McKay handled his Star's Mr. Tuff to second; their first field trial placement. Congratulations to both. I hope they will continue field trialing and also winning from time to time. Third was Maple Valley Cowboy, handled by Merv Eisenhart for his second

who supported our trial. Without your support you know what would happen.

Weatherly, Pa., April 24 — One Course

Judges: Ernie Saniga and Keith Thomas

OPEN SHOOTING DOG — 10 Pointers, 8 Setters, 2 Brittanyans and 1 Irish Setter

- 1st—BREAKSTONE, 1582163, Irish setter male, by Sharpton—Chantilly. Roger W. Boser, owner and handler.
- 2d—PORTER MEADOW ELROY, 1585630, pointer male, by Beaver Meadow Benjamin—Swiss Miss. James Bush, owner; R. J. Ecker, Jr., handler.
- 3d—CHAMPAIGN BOSOX, 1568909, setter male, by Bergen's Cadillac Jack—Shameless. Carl Bergen, owner and handler.

OPEN DERBY — 4 Pointers, 1 Setter and 1 Irish Setter

- 1st—CHAMPAIGN STRYKER, 1611355, setter male, by Barbaro—Trachaven Gracie. Carl Bergen, owner and handler.
- 2d—MAPLE VALLEY COWBOY, 1605655, pointer male, by Strut—D's Elhow Shadow. Merv & Arlene Eisenhart, owners; Merv Eisenhart, handler.
- 3d—RICHFIELD GYPSY ROSE, 1606026, pointer female, by Second To None—Richfield Abbey. Harry Blaine, owner; R. J. Ecker, Jr., handler.

Judges: Larry Craig and Mike Penn

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG — 5 Pointers, 2 Setters, 2 Brittanyans and 1 Irish Setter

- 1st—PATINA, 1606940, Irish setter female, by Aiken—Solitaire. Roger W. Boser, owner and handler.
- 2d—FOX'S BLUE ANGEL, 1562178, setter female, by Grid Iron—Maple Valley Diamond. Michael Fox, owner and handler.
- 3d—ANNABULL, 1595568, pointer female, by Bulltown—Impressive Lady Sue. Ernie & Karen Saniga, owners; Ernie Saniga, handler.

AMATEUR DERBY — 3 Pointers, 1 Setter and 1 Irish Setter

- 1st—TENACIOUS D, 1613635, pointer male, by Chasehill Little Bud—Richfield Kate's Candy. George Mamounis, owner and handler.
- 2d—STAR'S MR. TUFF, 1607089, setter male, by Woodland Star—Shooting Star Kate. David McKay, owner and handler.

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG — 2 Pointers, 1 Setter and 1 Brittany

- 1st—ALMAC'S BROWNIE, unreg., Brittany male, by RJA Positraction—Almac's Sparkle. John & Carol McMurry, owners; John McMurry, handler.
- 2d—CHAMPAIGN SPIRIT WALK, 1546734, setter male, by Bergen's Cadillac Jack—Shameless. R. W. Hughes, Jr., owner and handler.

Hudson Valley Brittany Club

By DARLENE DOW

THE Hudson Valley Brittany Club spring trial was held in conjunction with the 2010 Eastern Futurity. We had some very competitive stakes, got some dogs qualified for nationals and the girls ruled. Six of the eight stakes were won by the girls.

We'd like to thank all who made this a successful four-day event starting with the Futurity show and the Hudson Valley Brittany Club specialty folks Tony and Nancy Morabito who also always come and help at the field trial.

Thanks to Linda and Drew Holcomb for keeping the stove going, John Kozlowski and Zachary Kostka for bird planting and road guarding. Ed Kostka fulfilled his chairman role by keeping the trial moving and manning the dog truck.



FOX'S BLUE ANGEL

Second in the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake