

COUNTY CLARE'S SHANDY -- FDSB 673198
Whelped July 5th, 1961

SIRE: MR. O'LEARY FDSB 543749 (Sire - Willow Winds Hobo - FDSB 516558
(Dam - F.Ch. Askew's Carolina Lady
(FDSB 423735
(AKC S-744906

DAM: WINDYRIDGE TAMMY (Sire - F.CH. Ike Jack Kendrick
(FDSB 469340
(AKC S-790833
(Dam - F.CH. VAN'S CINDY
(FDSB 528761

D.H.L. Shots - 10/28/61; 3/28/62; 4/26/63; 6/4/64; 6/4/65; 3/24/66

Rabies - 10/28/61; 4/6/63; 9/19/63; 10/2/65

Shandy was bought, sight unseen, from F. C. Bean of Athens, Ohio. He was one of a litter sired by Mr. O'Leary. Stan Head and I had largely followed the advice of Bill Thompson, of Minneapolis, who felt that at the time O'Leary was near, or at the top among the Field Trial Irish; Askew's Carolina Lady is in the blood lines of both O'Leary and the dam Tammy; and Ike Jack Kendrick and his sire Ike Kendrick are in Tammy's pedigree. All three of these dogs have been outstanding Irish Setter Field dogs, so one of the puppies was well worth a gamble.

While on the subject of pedigrees. Shandy cannot be registered with the AKC because in the third generation back Rusty's Jinx appears in the pedigrees of both his Dam and his Sire. His offspring will be acceptable, however, as there will be three generations between Rusty's Jinx and Shandy.

Shandy was shipped out to me on March, 21st, 1962. He was 8 1/2 months old. There was never such a frightened, wild dog as he was upon arrival. I picked him up late in the evening at the L.A. airport. Fortunately I had a helper with me. Shandy had no collar or choke chain on him and I am still wondering how we ever managed to get one on him, put on a leash and get him into a crate in the car. When we took him out later to exercise him he fought us with everything he had. He was afraid to let us put a hand on him. Had he slipped his choke I would never have seen him again.

We left him in the station wagon all night to be sure he'd be around in the morning. I took him out to Hidden Valley Gun Club the next day. He would come near no one, Stan Head or the Byrds or me. It was weeks before we could get a kz leash on him just to walk him. Stan had grave doubts about ever being able to train him. But nevertheless Stan took him to Canada for training, along with other dogs, in July and August, 1962. He was still difficult to bring under control and finally managed to run away. He was gone the better part of a week. Stan, and others, scoured the country-side to no avail. Then he apparently decided being with people who fed him was better than foraging on his own, and, believe it or not, he found his way back to camp!

But maybe that was the turning point for him. He's never run away since, and though he is still shy with strangers he has come to know, thanks to Stan Head's patience, that there are some people who are nice to dogs.

Shandy was bred to Nancy's Taffy, owned by John Getman of Gardena, California and on July 4th, 1966, one day before Shandy's fifth anniversary, she whelped eight puppies. Taffy too comes from fine Field Trial stock. In her pedigree are to be found Mr. O'Leary, Askew's Carolina Lady and other great dogs.

Earlier this year we came to the conclusion that Shandy had spent enough of his life in a kennel. He was already a National Champion and it was time he had a chance to live in a home, particularly if there was a young boy around. And about that time the Haws showed up. It seemed too good to be true that Shandy could be so lucky. So we ran him again in the National Championship, which he won again with his new master watching him, at Watsonstown, Penna.

And when he got back he moved in with his new master, Ryan David Haws, and Ryan's family. He may win more Field Trials, maybe even more Championships, but most important he is now a member of the Haws family, and I'm sure they will come to love him as much, and be as proud of him as I am. E. J. Lewis

SHANDY'S FIELD TRIAL RECORD

Sept. 22/23, 1962. Stanley Head entered him in the German Shorthair Pointer Trial at Fort Ord. Placed 2nd in the Open Puppy Stake and won a trophy, which had to be returned because of his non-registration with the A.K.C. Exhibit 1.

Mid-December, 1962. Setter and Pointer Club of California. Bakersfield. Outstanding ground heat for 25 minutes; let up badly during final five minutes.

April 9-10, 1963. Southern Ohio Field Trial Association. Open Derby. Kildeer Plains, Ohio. One hour heat; faulty ground; heat; some trailing; some back casting; inadequate range for this event. He was one of two dogs that found birds in a field of twenty. One bird booted and chased; one solid point and one flash point. The point, altho solid and intense, lacked style.

April 14th, 1963. National Open Derby Classic- National Red Setter Field Trial Club, Inc. - Kildeer Plains, Ohio. WON THE DERBY AMONG ELEVEN ENTRIES. Ran well at medium range working objectives to the front. Relatively the best ground heat of the Stake. He had two finds on a single quail, one pointed solidly and one flash pointed. Both points with good style. Exhibit 2.

October 12/13, 1963. American Red Setter Field Trial, Kildeer Plains, Ohio. Entered in Open Championship Stake. Altho he was picked up after 35 minutes he was highly complimented for his effort. He was over-running the birds and driving them all out of the bird field because he didn't know how to handle them. Because of extreme heat and very poor ground conditions Championship was withheld altho Fawn was awarded first place among the ten dogs running.

April 12th, 1964. American Red Setter Field Trials, Kildeer Plains, Ohio. Entered in the Championship Stake. Picked up after 19 minutes. During his running he earned this praise from Fern David, "He was poetry in motion". And from Lil Lewis, "Shandy had the most thrilling race, but he forgot his schooling entirely!"

October 17th, 1964. American Red Setter Field Trials, Richmond, Kentucky. One of nine dogs in Championship Stake. Ran well but because of the drouth scenting conditions were poor and there were no notable performances except that of The Mighty Fawn. She was outstanding and won her Championship.

December 5/6, 1964. Willamette Amateur Field Trial Club, Camp Adair, Oregon. See Exhibit 3.

February 13, 1965. Golden Gate German Shorthair Pointer Club of California. At Grizzly Island, Calif. See exhibit No. 4.

October 16/17, 1965. National Red Setter Field Trial Club, Lee's Summit, Missouri. Shandy won his Championship. See Exhibit No. 5.

April 9/10, 1966. National Red Setter Field Trials, Kildeer Plains, Ohio. His running got too sharp, not good, not bad.

October 1/2, 1966. National Red Setter Field Trials, Watsonstown, Pennsylvania. Won the Championship again among 13 dogs. See Exhibit No. 6.