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Mr. Bob Sprouse, Editor THE FLUSHING WHIP 16607 West Moline-Martin Road Graytown, Ohio 43432

Dear Bob,

I am enclosing the following items:

- 1. Well, I wasted precious time trying to set up a new database in Alpha 5 for the membership list, only to have it crash on me; so I give up -- I'm sticking with my good old reliable Nutplus for the time being. Here's the 1998 membership up to date. We got a whole rash of late dues as a result of your mailout. One lady (from New York, of course, said, "I never got the first notice!" You could almost hear the accent.) But it made me think that we might get more dues up front if we did the same thing in January. What do you think? You're the one doing all the work.
- I am enclosing financial statements for the six months ending June 30, 1998. This reflects trial results for both Fall 1997 and Spring 1998. I hope Tim understands that we did not make an \$872.25 profit from the trial because, even though he received a check for the American Field, we paid the ad! That's not to denigrate the fact that he made a nice healthy profit, as long as no one wonders what I did with half the money. Their reports do not reflect my expenses. Do you think we should wait until I put my two cents worth in before we publish them? Unfortunately, some of this stuff doesn't come in until months after the trial, i.e., the Amateur Trophy for the Fall 1997 championship. Your call, Bob.
- I am enclosing some the the notes that came with the dues to do with as you will. Kathleen has requested that the subscription to her trainer, Don Swann, be marked "a gift from 'Jake'". Also enclosed is a note from Suzann Steele that looks like an ad but had no money, except the dues. Come to think of it, she paid \$15.00 when she only owed \$7.50, so maybe that will cover it. Culver and Hammons sent copies of their checks. I think they fell on that intermediate May list, fortunately short, which should now be corrected on the new list. Check for some other corrections -- "Stem" is now "Stern". Reul Pietz underlined his street number, but I have him as a new member.

I talked to Mary Ann Gustafson, who has a Mac, and she tells me that if you have Truman's book on your computer, copy it to a disk and she can convert it straight into a Windows Word Perfect file -- I can start typing from there and everything back to send to you when we finish.

I've been getting a little E-Mail. Allen Fazenbaker said he talked to you about tidbits for the Irish Setter Club of Ohio, and you were very helpful. I told him you were the only person I knew who probably had a complete set of Flushing Whips. And they were the best source for stories about field Irish Setters. Nice guy, and he says the same about you.

I need to get an ad in the next issue to advertise some young hunting dogs for sale. I'll try to get that out as soon as possible. I got zero response from the *Field* but will try again closer to fall. At least with the *Flushing Whip* I can afford to put in pictures!

Sincerely

Georgia G. Brown, Secretary/Treasure

cc: Bob White