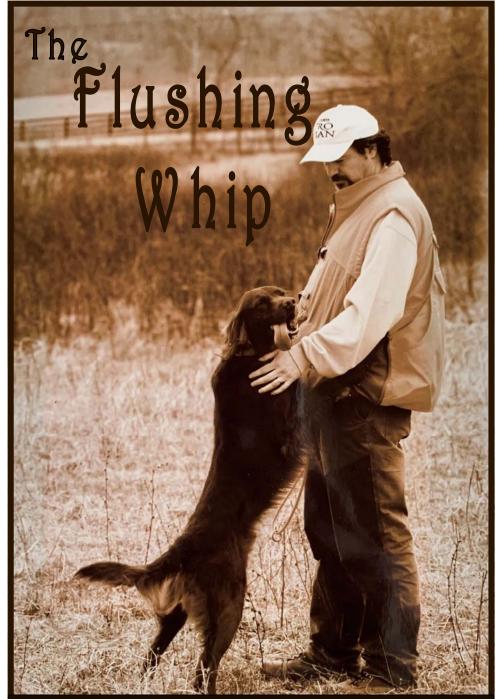
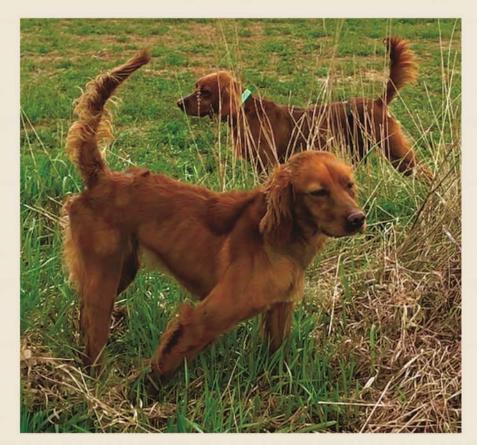
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We've lost an important member of our Board. Here's Mike Jacobson and his beloved dog Jack. Mike got this first red setter from Iron Fire Kennels (Roger & Toni Berg.) He loved the dog and worked with him through NAVHDA and later brought him to his first trial in Berea KY. Our club mourns the loss of this kind and gentle soul. They say you can learn a lot about a person by how they treat their dog. This picture pretty much says it all! BTW, MY "goal in life is to be as good a person as my dog thinks I am." I know that's who Mike was ! Hunt well in the Heavens Mike! You'll be missed!

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# Presidents Page by Al Fazenbaker

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Our club is devastated at the loss of our fellow Board member and longtime friend Michael Aaron Jacobson. Michael died unexpectedly on August 30, 2019. His loss is immeasurable. Michael was a many faceted man; although most of us knew him as a red setter person and member of our Board of Directors, this part of his life only begins to scratch the surface of who he was and how much he contributed to his community. First and foremost, Mike was a family person. Mike was devoted to his wife Tracy and their

three children, Reese, Tessa, and Shaye. Last year I had the opportunity to spend a week with Mike and his family in Wisconsin. The major activity was grouse hunting, but Mike was insistent on making sure he had time for his family and children. We spent evenings with his daughter Shaye, going to the local school to watch her play basketball, or hanging out watching movies with the family. Shaye and her red setter Rudy traveled with us to Mike's cabin and spent several days grouse hunting. Family was first with Mike. His life revolved around his family and when his children participated in soccer, tennis, basketball, and dance, Mike and Tracy were right there with them- helping, coaching and giving support. He also was dedicated to serving the youth of his community, through coaching, teaching, and as a benefactor. I thought it was so appropriate that this issue of the Flushing Whip carries an article about a youth trial that Deborah and I attended this past month in western PA; Mike would have loved that experience, and would have wanted us to think about doing something like that. We had talked about it on several occasions during our phone calls over the past couple of years. Maybe

we should. Mike was an Eagle Scout, the highest rank one can achieve in Scouting. He loved scouting, and recognized the good things that scouting has done for millions of youth. As an Eagle Scout, Mike lived the core values of the Scout Oath ...duty to God and Country, obedience to the scout Law, willingness to help others, and working to be physically fit, mentally awake, and morally straight. And, the Scout Law... trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, brave, clean, and These were not simply reverent. words for Mike... his life epitomized these core values of scouting. Mike





loved his red setters. He loved them like family. Being in his house during the times I visited Mike and his family illustrated that love. If you were at Mike's home, you were with red dogs. It was a comfortable and warm experience. Mike was an involved community member. He served in multiple community ventures and Boards, because he knew it was important to give back to his community. Mike was a teacher, not only in the formal sense as a professor, but in the real sense, as a person who was committed to making opportunities for his students. Mike was an exceptionally intelligent and perceptive human being; engaging in conversations with Mike was always enlightening, entertaining, and fruitful. Mike was one who saw the good side of things, when others often saw only the bad. He was funny, with a witty sense of humor that was often spontaneous but always joyful. On a personal level, Mike was a dear, dear friend to Deborah and me. We are saddened by his leaving, and our hearts go out to his family and friends who know so much of his love and affection. As an Eagle Scout myself, I feel a special kindred spirit with Mike, and wanted to close by sharing a poem that not only describes what it means to be an Eagle Scout, but also what it meant to be Michael Aaron Jacobson. Rest in peace, fellow Eagle.



# The Eagle



By Tom Layor written for Jonathan Lint

Twas the Eagle they chose, as a symbol of strength for a new and mighty land. That was forged in Truth, and Liberty; delivered By God's own hand. That Eagle stands for Integrity and Pride Throughout our age. To remind us of the wars we've fought for Freedom and the price we've paid. And so it was when Lord Powell called on his troop of boys to be men, That this symbol so strong, so pure and so proud Was called to serve again. Not every Scout can wear this badge, in fact they are but few Who rise above their peers today to remind us of What is true. That Loyalty and being good will always be our aim, That Courage and Faith are the best of us, that The Eagle knows no shame. These honored few who wear this badge walk Among us to this day. To exemplify the very best that we strive for, So now we pray; That God will bless and keep these Scouts always In His sight. For it is they, not us who know it best, the Eagle Stands for Right.

# Rambling from Red Setter Run

Hi Everyone— This issue comes right on the heels of the last issue. I started out with an idea of a theme to have an issue all about getting kids more interested in Field Trials, Hunting and the great outdoors. Bob Kerans, a former Editor of *The Flushing Whip*, had visited Ed Liermann in search of a new puppy for his grandson. It was my plan to



put a picture of the the young teen and his four week old puppy on this cover... But what was it that John Lennon said? "Sometimes life happens while we make other plans." It is my very sad and devastating job to tell you that my dear friend and colleague, Michael Jacobson, died this past week. He was only 48 years old and it is indeed a devastating loss for his wife Tracy, their three children and his parents, grandmother and all who knew and loved him- including the NRSFTC. It was Mike and his friend Brad Guinn who donated their time and expertise to successfully set up our Red Setter Foundation, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization incorporated in the state of Wisconsin. Our club is deeply indebted to him for that service. I wanted to make room for Mike in this issue so you'd all be aware of his death. I'm sure his family would appreciate receiving cards and notes of support. In a way, including Mike in this "Whip" fits perfectly with the theme of teaching our children about field trialing/ hunting and dogs; Mike's daughter Shaye enjoyed hunting and attending trials with him— and she and her dog Rudy won Gun Dog at our Spring trial a few years back. He shared his love of outdoors with his whole family! Send them cards:

The Jacobson Family 1273 142nd Street, New Richmond, Wisconsin 54071 Our deepest sympathy and condolences are extended to Mike's loved ones. It's tragic to have such talent cut so dramatically short. My own father died at the age of 48. He's been gone now for longer than his own 48 years but I'm still not "over it" and don't imagine I ever will be. The same will be true of Mike. It's truly a gift when God blesses you with someone who is a "real connection" to you and you never forget how special that relationship was. I was the one who brought him into the

Oppps! Looks like I'm outta room. Enjoy your Whip!!

everyone who no longer pays. PLEASE!



NRSFTC. He was in NAVHDA and we corresponded about dogs for months. We finally met face to face in Berea KY. We rode braces together like old friends. Mike had me laughing the whole time. It was a great friendship. As a Board, we've talked about how the club has changed over the years. We were founded as a Horseback Field Trial Club but today, very few of our members compete in horseback field trials. There are a wide variety of reasons. Sometimes it's too expensive to keep and maintain horses. In some cases there are not available lands where the horseback members can train. It's difficult to get a good pattern on your dog if you cannot practice and train off a horse. Whatever the reasons, we'd like to get more people interested in what we do. It occurs to us that having young people involved in youth trials gives them first hand experience in what it's all about. To give you an idea what I'm talking about, I've told you about a couple different youth trials and added pictures besides. Enjoy it. Speaking of kids, Bob Kerans who was active with the club in the mid 70's has teamed up with his grandson and daughters to get involved in the NRSFTC. He is giving the grandson a brand new puppy. That story is in this issue as well as a historical letter Bob wrote long ago. His letter became a hot topic but eventually evolved into adding Amateur Championships to our agenda of available games to play in the National Red Setter Field Trial Club.

There's an article about Hot spots that drive your dog to distraction. This time of year with the hot weather, increased bugs and biting and the dogs dry skin, you may have an itching scratching chewing canine at home. Check it out.

Finally, if you haven't paid your dues yet for 2019, please help us out by doing that. We are more than halfway through the year and our bills become more expensive as the year continues. In November we will have the Fall trial in Grove Spring, Missouri. In March we will run a trial in Petersburg Illinois. This issue of *The Flushing Whip* is the 5th issue— the next one is the Christmas issue. The printing and mailing of these issues costs money. The more issues I write the more money it takes to print the booklet up and then mail it out. Many people get the Whip but do not pay the dues. Please take a look at the label on your envelope. If the date that follows your name is NOT 2019— please help us out. For instance if your date says 2017 it means you didn't pay dues in 2018 nor in 2019. Please help your club! After next issue we plan to cut off

# Bob Kerans returns to the NRSFTC Holds important spot in our History

I recently received a call from an old friend of mine— Robert Kerans who at one time was Editor of *The Flushing Whip*. Bob and his grandson wanted to purchase a puppy because they intended to train it and get back into the game. But before I tell you about all that, let me explain who Robert Kerans was to the club. In those days the newsletter was hand typed on an old Underwood typewriter— and copies were made from the original work. Bob was the typist and I imagine the whole family was busy helping him copy and collate ever issue. The year the club celebrated its 25th anniversary, Bob put out a special issue of The Whip. It had a silver color to signify the importance of the event.

During his tenure much important history went by- and Bob noted the importance and recorded it well. In our historical documents we have a series of letters he wrote. The documents are old and difficult to read because of the type quality. But I wanted to share them here to give you an idea of his dedication to the club and his part in making things happen for the future; that future is where we are today. One interesting facet of the correspondence is that back in the olden days the club gathered twice a year for an Open Championship. We didn't run Amateur Championships back then but it was Robert Kerans who laid the groundwork for that to happen. He and Bill Brown at the American Field were friends and they communicated frequently. In the midst of the discussion regarding the Amateur Championships, Bill Brown stuck in a note about how the Irish Setter Club of America had decided to no longer offer registration reciprocity to FDSB registered Irish Setters. Such a decision would limit breeding programs between FDSB Irish Setters and AKC registered Irish Setters.

Kerans' letter is quite a historical piece and these were hot topics for sure. I am including it here for you to read and review. I bit further back I will tell you about Bob and his grandson Zach and the pup they purchased from Cedar Creek Kennel. But for now, check out what I call the Kerans' Correspondence.

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## November 20<sup>th</sup>, 1975 Officers and Directors

#### Gentlemen:

After the recent Fall Championship and supporting stakes, I felt it would be the proper time to reconsider the programs involving the National Red Setter Field Trial Club. This even becomes more apparent with the seemingly definite split and separation regarding F.D.S.B and A.K.C. Ai one time I felt that the cross breed issue might be the issue that might destroy our National Club- - I no longer feel that way. To me, the overriding conflict concerns the locations of our two trials that we sponsor each year. If we are on the east coast, folks in Midwest and west are concerned; if on the west coast, vice versa. If centrally located, the same people always end up doing the driving. Now I realize the primary thing to consider in selecting trial sites is to select the site that would be most beneficial to the dogs, however we all know that in a club which is national in scope, other considerations must be dealt with.

With these concerns in mind, I thought it might be time to offer an alternative program. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND that this is simply offered for discussion and consideration for those in the know. Quite frankly, I cannot say at this time where I would vote or stand if the program to be discussed did reach the voting stages in the National organization. This, due to the most obvious negative point to the alternative, too many championships might be the result or it might detract too much from the more centrally located open type of championship. On the other hand, if the program was properly run and administered, the results could be beneficial to the F.D.S.B type Red Setter. Perhaps I am getting ahead of myself, we'll proceed right to the "nitty-gritty" of the following manner.



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#1 Following is a letter I sent to Bill Brown of the American Field on October 21, 1975;

"Dear Bill.

I may be attempting an undertaking which may eventually be initiating more discourse than I wish to do so. However, I feel the following to be important enough that I must take the next step. Prevailing on your patience and understanding, I would like to proceed as follow:

As you know Bill, the National Red Setter Field Trial Club is primarily interested in returning the Irish Setter to the field. The year 1976 will mark 25 years of this endeavor. As with all endeavors, there have been many ups and downs. However the end result of much work, study and concern by many individuals has resulted in a certain degree of respectability for the red setter. This is evident by the number of red setters being run in all breed trials, as well as the growth in various regional clubs devoted to the red setter, and the growth in membership, now in excess of 300 in the National Red Setter Field Trial Club.

As frequently happens Bill, this growth and interest over the past years may eventually lead to a splintering of the group which is largely responsible for its own success. Being s "National" club, we have members in almost every state of the US as well as Canada. Our club sponsors two championships per year. In the fall we have the National Red Setter Shooting Dogs Championship and in the spring we have the Red Setter National Championship. Both are open stakes with appropriate placements in open stakes, a prerequisite for entry. The problem which seems to be growing, concerns sites or grounds for these two stakes. The supporters of the Red Setter movement are as scattered as leaves in the wind, and consequently, (with energy situations as well as gasoline prices) a suitable site, accessible within reach or reason for all to attend is most difficult to come by. Yet, most are interested in attending championship caliber competition. Most are also interested in the Championship being under the jurisdiction or recognition of the A.F.T.C.A., F.D.S.B. and/or the American Field Publishing Company rather than the A.K.C. type championship.

With all of the above in mind, would you please give me your thoughts, suggestions, or comments concerning the feasibility of the following plan:

The National Red Setter Field Trial Club continues to sponsor the two "open" championships as we are presently doing, perhaps in a centrally located region such as Green River in the fall and Fort Campbell in the spring.

The addition of an amateur status championship program to be initiated with the January 1977 field trial season, pertaining to the fall trials. While particulars would need to be worked out, in general, I am thinking in terms of an amateur championship along the divisions of three regions; East, Midwest, West. This would divide the United states into three (3) regions and permit attendance and participation into a championship stake within the reach of all red setter supporters. All rules and regulations insisted by your organization would be rigidly followed and adhered to. Perhaps the direct supervision of such a program could be un the direction of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club, though the amateur trial itself would be hosted by the clubs in a particular region.

This would present the following picture regarding Championships devoted to the Red Setter as being in existence in 1977:

Spring: Red Setter National Championship (Open) and Futurity Fall: Red Setter National Shooting Dog Championship (Open) Region East: Red Setter Amateur Championship Region Midwest: Red Setter Amateur Championship

Region West: Red Setter Amateur Championship

My apologies Bill for such a lengthy letter. As you are aware, I am very interested in continuing the program initiated 25 years ago for the Red Setter. I really hate the thought of strong division or splintering of the National Club. It is also possible that I am seeing more danger than is really there, but I don't really think so. Please consider my alternate plan and offer any suggestions you might have concerning it. Sincerely, Robert Kerans, Editor of *The Flushing Whip*"

#2 A letter, dated October 23<sup>rd</sup> received from The American Field "Dear Bob:

In reference to your plans for the Open National Red Setter Championships, these can be carried out successfully as you outlined. Pertaining to the Amateur Championship, you will have to get the sanction from the Amateur Field trial Clubs of America, as the American Field had the regional set up worked out with the proviso that no Amateur Championships would be recognized without the approval of the AFTCA. The AFTCA has a special arrangement for breed events and you can communicate directly with Miss Leslie Anderson. Describe the program you have in mind fully. I just received a notification from Roy Carlberg, Vice President AKC in reference to red setter registrations in AKC. The Irish Setter Club of America had the directors adopt a resolution than an Irish Setter registration in the Field Dog Stud Book would not be used for purposes of registering in the AKC. This because of Red Setters. We suggested to Carlberg that the AKC use the Red Setter breed title for registrations of such, but do not know what will come of it. We told him it would be important to notify officials of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club and he said it would be done. The AKC procedure should not have any great effect on your breeding programs, etc., and the established FDSB regulations will continue to be adhered to by us. If there is any way that we can be helpful at any time Bob, simply let us know.

Best Wishes, Bill Brown of the American Field"

#3 On October 28, 1975 the following letter was sent to Miss Leslie Anderson of AFTCA. (Much is a repeat of Bill Brown's letter that I mailed to him and I won't repeat that portion again here.)

### "Dear Miss Anderson:

On the advice of Bill brown of the American Field, I am contacting you in hope that I might soliciting your assistance in a program of action which I feel will ultimately lead to the betterment of the red setter and the continued life of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club. Before proceeding, Miss Anderson, I wish to make clear that I am not writing as a representative of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club and depending on your response I will then contact the officers and directors of this organization regarding my thoughts and alternate plan. -same here as the letter mailed to the American Field-

There it is Miss Anderson, a program that may help preserve the efforts of those before us in regards to returning the red setter to the field as a class hunting and horseback shooting dog. It may cause more problems that I can foresee at the present time, but I also see a serious need for regrouping in regards to our group. The reply received from Mr. Brown was most favorable, he stressed that I would need to contact you in regards to the amateur championships but did seem to give the impression of some hope as he mentioned some other "regional championships."

As I mentioned earlier Miss Anderson, I have not mentioned my program to any other officer or director of the National Club, with the exception of its President Faunt Eckey, as I did not want to have to wait and have your reply as well as Bill's. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely, Robert Kerans, Box 11, Newton, Illinois"

#4 Following is the reply of Miss Leslie Anderson dated November 14<sup>th</sup> 1975.

### "Dear Mr. Kerans:

May I apologize for delaying an answer to your letter, but I wanted to talk with Dr. Gray, AFTCA President, and he is in Oklahoma for the Quail Futurity. Dr. Gray is familiar with the Red Setter Club and I believe said he talked briefly with Bill Brown about your interest in an Amateur Championship for the red setters. First, there is no problem about getting recognition for an Amateur Championship for a breed club, the breed club applies for the championship, pays a fee of \$150.00, and agrees to run the trial according to the minimal requirements and any other requirements for entry or restrictions on the trial are set by the breed organization and run by that organization. I'll enclose a copy of the bylaws for you on this.

In my opinion you are going about this in the right way in wanting to set up some regions for the championships, thus giving owners a fair chance to compete without costing a fortune in time and money. If after the original plan for the three regions is set up and the championships are successful, you might venture into a national championship but I like the idea of starting slow and working into that part of the program.

The AFTCA would be willing to assist in all efforts, we could help you with requirements and keeping a record of eligible dogs or in any way you might wish. Would you like the Trustees to put this on the Agenda for

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their annual meeting? There is no real need to do this since the regulations for sanctioning breed championships is already established. Sincerely, Leslie Anderson"

Note: Article VII Breed Championships is quoted as follows: "For recognition of a breed championship where a parent organization represents the breed and its region for approval to hold an Amateur Championship, the parent organization will accept conduct for this event as approved by the AFTCA committee and regulations. Fee for recognition of such a championship event will be \$ 150.00 annually.

-End of attachments followed by the summary to Officers/Board-

There it is Gentlemen. An alternative plan. It is being sent to the officers and directors of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club as well as to those individuals involved with permanent type jobs within the national club. Please use your own judgment in discussing with any "involved" individuals in your area.

I have talked with Faunt Eckey and have his permission for individuals to contact him as to personal pros or cons regarding this plan. I sincerely believe it needs careful study regarding the organization and administering of something of this magnitude as well as the possible resulting consequences of it were it put into operation.

I trust that it will be viewed and considered as an alternative plan and not a proposal......

Sincerely Bob (perhaps rebel rouser) Kerans, PO Box 11, Newton Falls, IL

#### Editorial note: Two questions:

#1How did the Board react to Kerans' proposal?

While Bob's letter initially caused a few members to react with controversy, Ernie Lewis felt it had great merit. He got behind the idea and supported it. The end result was that the trial was moved to the pristine Green River Grounds and NRSFTC Amateur championships were initiated.

*#2 What impact did the ISCA resolution to deny reciprocity to FDSB Irish Red Setters have?* 

The ban remains in place today but it has had no negative impact on the FDSB setters. ISCA Irish setters were struggling to compete with the FDSB dogs in 1975 and today (with our performance based conformation standard) that STILL seems pretty much the case. It may be that the ISCA hoped to improve their odds to win, but in the end, what REALLY continued to improve was our FDSB breeding program and exceptional Irish Red Setters.

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# Field Trialing: Keeping the game going... Get the kids involved !!!

Some of the members of our Board were talking about ways to keep people interested and involved in Field Trials. The numbers of folks who actively participate in field trial are decreasing all the time. Here in Ohio our horse back training areas have virtually been eliminated and many horseback trialers have gone to walking trials simply out of necessity. Even when the adults are active in a club like the NRSFTC, the kids don't seem to be following in their parents footsteps the way they would have 50 years ago. It's a different world for today's youth who thrive on 1-phones, laptops, tablets, I-pads, and a whole variety of gaming machines. Kids seem to have little interest in shutting it off and going outside to play or explore. I'll bet if Norman Rockwell was alive today, his picture of Thanksgiving dinner would show a table full of people with their heads bowed— not to give thanks for their blessings but to text, twitter, and instagram across the world.

Anyhow, it occurred to me that perhaps it might be helpful if we took the time to show kids what field trialing is all about— and how much fun it can be. Our Red Setter foundation is based on educational goals and a youth trial would be the perfect venue. Back in 2006 Bass Pro Shops began partnering up with the AFTCA and put on a very successful "youth trial" at Wippoorwill Plantation. It was written up in the Field and caught the attention of many who support this great sport of ours. It was a great plan- no entry fees or restrictions on number of entries. You didn't even have to own a dog. Kids would be assigned to teams and would get a crash course in how to handle their bird dog on point. Each person would then be matched up with a well trained bird dog- one who would be very willing to allow a child to command them about. Then, each youth-and-dog team got a chance to hunt for dogs and find birds. The first year this event took place the results were exceptional. I recall reading on a gun dog forum some comments from Brad Harter. It's been over a decade ago but I can still remember how excited Brad was after helping out with the event. Although he needs no introduction, Brad is an exceptional teacher and horseman who taught at a vocational college in southern Ohio for many years. Today he is well known for his exceptional video graphic work at the National Championship every year.

This is what Brad Harter said after participating a Youth Trial:

"What an event...! No words could describe it! The first annual Bass Pro Shops Youth Trial, held this last weekend on Whippoorwill Plantation, was indeed one of the highlights of the year. If any of you readers ever begins to forget why we are all so thrilled to be in the field with bird dogs, all you need to do is attend a trial like this one. If I ever had more fun at a field trial in the last 35 years, I can't remember it. I heard that same comment from many of the adults in attendance. Both days were spectacular. A walking stake was held to kick off the event and then a horseback event was run on both Sat. and Sun. Of course, the stars of the show were the scores of kids that came to participate, but the stars were the dogs. All of the dogs seemed to sense the importance of their jobs and their performances were spectacular. One example would be Wippoorwill Big Shot, Huffman's big motor, all-age dog who turned into a foot-hunting, bird-finding cover dog machine for two days, Tip, as he is called, ran for at least 8 different kids over the two days and he pointed more than 40 coveys.

A number of other dogs also did double and triple duty, running for one kid and then another. A dog named Shoestring from Fitch Farms and in the string of Randy Downs, ran one brace for five young girls that called themselves the Dixie Chicks. What a scene, to see all five flushing birds for this stylish young pointer. Shoestring ran both days for a number of different kids putting down a great performance every time.

The more than three hours of video I captured is nothing but priceless. Some of this footage may appear on Bass Pro Shops TV show during the next year and other featured pieces will appear in the upcoming 2005 National Championship Tape. A write-up and photo layout will also be sent to the American Field and a related story with lots of pics will appear in the May issue of Covey Rise..... Bobby Alexander, his entire family, Rick & Kay Carlisle with others from the plantation like Mark Shires & Ryan Bradoc came to assist and all were a great help. Larry Garner and his charming wife were present for the entire trial and they had all the kids involved with a Tracker scavenger hunt. The entire Huffman clan, numbering more than a dozen, combined with Linda and Bill Hunt to make this one of the most wonderful events I have ever attended. The o ne thing I learned for certain is that if these kids and this event are any indication, the future of field trials is indeed very bright. Brad "

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Of course columns like Brad's (and others) caught the attention of all kinds of folks in the Field Trial world. One of the members of the NRSFTC was a walking trialer named Jim Ashby. Jim and his wife Jeanne live in Robards Kentucky and they had some very successful red setters. When Bass Pro went back to sponsor the second youth day, Jim volunteered to go down with two of his dogs: Lakeview's



Hondo Muldoon and Lakeview's Moonshine Runner. The NRSFTC was so enthusiastic about Jim going to participate that they donated 200 dollars to help fund the event. The second year was even MORE successful than the first year and EVERYONE— from children to senior citizens had a wonderful time. As an aside— Jim was a member of the Board back then. It was a sorry day for

the National Red Setter Field Trial Club when Jim's work situation changed and he was no longer able to remain active with the organization. He and Jeanne are terribly missed but I spoke to them just today – they send their best wishes and then added: "Go RED!! " Being a national club with members spread out in nearly every state of the USA and also in Canada, it is hard to put together these kinds of events and have enough staff on hand to run them and succeed. Perhaps the best way is to team up with other groups doing it, the way Jim did in representing our club. Perhaps it might be possible to incorporate a smaller scale event- running a youth stake the week end of our spring championship in Illinois. If the membership indicated an interest in such a thing, we'd certainly want to work hard to plan it and make it happen. If you are interested in helping out or bringing a child to a Youth Trial- let us know. To make it work, we'd need club members to bring the kiddies- children, or grandchildren, to come join us for some great fun. Just look at the pictures on the following page and you'll see that the one thing everyone had in common was FUN! Thanks Jim for your part in making that happen!!



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Incidentally, AI and I belong to Beaver Valley Pointer and Setter Club in Rochester Pennsylvania. This past week-end the club celebrated its 70th anniversary. We ran a regular trial schedule all week end but THIS year we ALSO INCLUDED A YOUTH STAKE. Kids came and took turns handling and hunting with trained bird dogs of all breeds. It was awesome. The youngest child was six years old— and the oldest was about 15. The kids had an exceptional time and great fun but really, the adults seemed to enjoy themselves as much as the young folks. Here's a shot of the Beaver Valley junior handlers who participated

# **Junior Handlers and Judges**



Clockwise from top left: Miguel, Mateo, Reese, James and Judges Eric Munden of Lion Country Supply and Sarah Gomes, Madison, Sadie, William, Mya and Finn



Everybody spent the day outdoors. Here's Reese, Sadie and James enjoying the rides

# What a Great Day for Kids !





Mateo all smiles

William enjoys dinner



Finn calls POINT !!!





Nat. Hall of Famer Dave Hughes gently shows the kids how to handle the dogs



Good handling and nice bird work for 13 year old James & dog

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Michael Aaron Jacobson, age 48, of New Richmond died Friday, August 30, 2019 at Westfields Hospital. He was born the son to Mark and Marge (Backes) Jacobson on December 26, 1970 in K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base, Gwinn, MI. Mike attended Lourdes High School in Rochester, graduating in 1989. He earned his B.S degree at UW-River Falls and his Juris Doctorate from U of MN Law School. On September 17, 1994, he married Tracy Kreibich in Spring Valley, WI. Mike practiced law for 23 years. Five years ago, he became Associate Business Law

Professor at UW-River Falls. He was blessed with 3 amazing daughters, Reese, Tessa and Shaye as well as an honorary son, Samuel Charbonneau. Mike was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed fishing for muskies and bird hunting with his dogs. He was on the Airport Commission, Board member of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club, The Red Setter Foundation and a tennis, basketball, soccer and dance dad. He achieved Eagle Scout and proudly supported the Boys Scouts of America. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Ray and Charlotte Backes and Keith Jacobson. Mike is survived by his wife, Tracy; daughters, Reese (Sam Charbonneau), Tessa and Shaye; parents, Mark and Marge Jacobson; grandmother, Patricia Jacobson; brother, Matt and niece, Abigail Jacobson; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Larry and Laurie Kreibich; brother-in-law, Cory (Sara) Kreibich; nephews, Trae and Caeden and niece, Drew Kreibich; the Pat and LouAnn Becker families and Brad Guinn Family and Marilynn Guinn Family all of New Richmond as well as the Peter and JoAnn Martin families of River Falls. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 4:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church (151 S Washington Ave) in New Richmond. Memorial visitation will be held Tuesday, September 3, 2019 from 4-8 pm with a prayer service at 7:45 pm at Bakken-Young Funeral & Cremation Services (728 S Knowles Ave) in New Richmond and on Wednesday from 3-4 pm at the church. Private family interment will be at a later date. Arrangements are with Bakken-Young Funeral & Cremation Services.

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# Itching to find a Remedy for Hot Spots

Have you ever come home to find your dog obsessively licking, chewing or scratching a spot on their skin?? This is the season for it— that's for sure! If so, she may have a hot spot. Hot spots are skin irritations also known as moist dermatitis, that are created when your dog's natural bacteria overpopulates the skin as a result of damage to its surface.

Anything that irritates the skin, such as an allergic reaction, insect bite, mites or poor grooming can cause a hot spot. A bath, jog in the rain or quick swim in the lake can also create the perfect dirty, damp and warm environment for bacteria to multiply.

Hot spots start off pretty innocuous; it's when your over zealous dog begins to "work" at the spot that oozing, inflamed infections occur.

If the spot is small, not painful and caught early, you may be able to treat it at home, but it's always best to consult a veterinarian to find out if your dog needs antibiotics or prescription-strength medication to treat the lesion. Sometimes they can order antibiotic ointment, a course of steroids or special anti itch medications. First and foremost, your vet will need to determine the underlying cause for the hot spot to get it stopped and prevent any further infection.

# Things you can do to help stop the itch!

To relieve your dog's itch and pain in the meantime, here are some steps you can take at home.

# Trim around the infected areas

You will need to trim the area around the lesion with animal clippers. This will allow the infection to breathe and for the medicine to do its work. If you don't have animal clippers handy, you can use electric clippers. You may need a muzzle or a friend to hold your dog's head while you work. First, fill the wound with a water-soluble liquid. Cut the fur back around the wound until you have about a one-inch border. The height of the hair should be cut down to about half an inch.

After you've finished trimming, rinse the area thoroughly with warm water. Pat it dry!

# Cleanse the infected area

Clean the infected area with a non-irritating solution, such as an antiseptic liquid soap, antiseptic spray or a mild soap, and warm water. Pat dry and allow to dry completely before applying medication.

You'll also want to apply a warm compress three times daily to keep the area clean and encourage good circulation.

# Apply a soothing treatment

After the wound is clean, you can apply a soothing treatment. Avoid using anything with stinging or astringent properties on an open wound. For a natural approach, try raw aloe or apply a cool chamomile tea bag to the infected area. Some club members have told me they use a strong dose of black tea in a spray bottle to "dry up" the area. Tea contains tannic acid and it works well on itching skin.

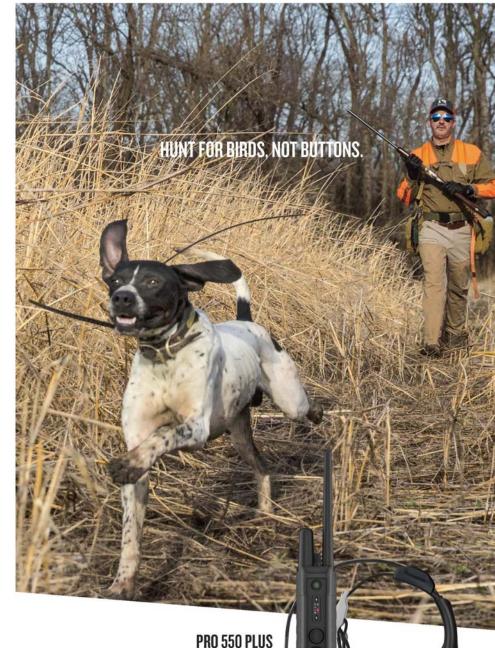
If you choose to use a cream or spray, make sure it's pet-safe and veterinarian approved,. There are several hot spot sprays available in local pet stores that are guaranteed to be PetSAFE!

# Protect the hot spot

In order to heal, hot spots need to breathe so you don't want to wrap or bandage the area. You do, however, need to protect the area from your dog. There are sprays available that have a bitter taste and may discouraged your dog. Bitter Apple has worked really well at our kennel. I keep it on hand all the time— to discourage chewing of irritated areas. (As an aside, Bitter Apple works well to keep puppies from using my antique rocker as a chew toy, or from tearing apart their bed pillows.)

But, back to the itching dogs, if the dog remains determined to "get at "Yep, you got it: the cone of shame You can purchase a recovery cone at your local pet store. Watch your dog closely and don't allow him to lick, scratch or itch the area while it's healing.





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# A Boy and his Dog

As mentioned earlier, we have two new members in the club— Bob Kerans and his grandson Zach Hollis. To tell you a bit about each of them, Bob Kerans and his wife Lolly were active in the club almost half a century ago. Bob worked as a High School Principal and also a coach. He and his wife Lolly have been married 59 years now. They are strong believers in family involvement and it has proved to be a recipe for success.

Bob and Zach enjoy the same kinds of outdoor activities and it's a good fit. He and Zach already enjoy fishing together. In fact, last year they took the Illinois Boater Safety course together— including the follow up test. Zach scored a perfect paper on his test. Bob did well and passed his test but his grandson loved taking the higher grade. This year they will take the Illinois Hunter's Safety test and Zach plans to score a perfect paper again. No matter what Zach tries, he enjoys competing and he loves to win!

Since they plan to start "bird hunting" together, Bob wanted to find a perfect hunting/trial dog to give to Zach. Zach had owned a rescue dog in the past but had never yet experienced the sweet smell of a "his own" nine week old puppy. It's such an amazing experience to raise a pupping from the very beginning; allowing the tiny animal to bond to its master, and meanwhile discovering that in the process, that little pup has stolen YOUR heart too.

They did some research and eventually decided to visit Cedar Creek Kennels. Bob brought Zach, his mom and his aunt on the outing and they had an exceptional time. The pictures on the following pages pretty much tell the story themselves. Ed welcomed them to his home and did his best to educate the teen about the quality of today's red setter. He brought out some older dogs and showed the Kerans Clan how glorious the dogs look on point.

Ed had a four week old litter of pups on the grounds there and it didn't take long before everyone was infected with a contagious case of puppy love. Check out the pictures on the following pages. It's a love story bound for success. I want to stay tuned and watch it all unfold!



Bob Kerans and his grandson Zach Hollis drove up to Wisconsin to meet Ed Liermann and purchase a pup

Walking back to the kennel building— a world is about to open for Zach that he probably cannot yet even imagine





Ed takes the time to show Bob and his grandson how the dogs have progressed since 1975 when Bob was a member

Zach tries his hand at working with an older dog that they can take out to the field to show them his mettle



# A Boy and His Dog

By Edgar Albert Guest A boy and his dog make a glorious pair: No better friendship is found anywhere, For they talk and they walk and they run and they play, And they have their deep secrets for many a day; And that boy has a comrade who thinks and who feels, Who walks down the road with a dog at his heels. He may go where he will and his dog will be there, May revel in mud and his dog will not care; Faithful he'll stay for the slightest command And bark with delight at the touch of his hand; Oh, he owns a treasure which nobody steals, Who walks down the road with a dog at his heels. No other can lure him away from his side; He's proof against riches and station and pride; Fine dress does not charm him, and flattery's breath Is lost on the dog, for he's faithful to death; He sees the great soul which the body conceals— Oh, it's great to be young with a dog at your heels!





# All Breed Honor Roll by Tom Norton As reported in the American Field Vol. 291, No. 5 dated February 2, 2019 through Vol. 291, No. 26 dated June 29, 2019



Dog & Placement	Owner Handler	Sire	Dam	Trial Name	Competition
Come Back Lady Soul places 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Joe Edwards O/H	Come Back Cutter	Come Back Bee Gee	Hoffman Amateur Field Trial Club, 12/7/18, ASD	8 entries
Roses Are Red takes 1 <sup>st</sup>	Tim Hammons O/ H	Time To Rock	Red Rush	Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club, 12/9/18, AAA	2 P, 2 S, 2 IS
Little More Shine is #2	Kristine Hammons O/ Tim Hammons H	Red Rock	Covered In Red	Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club, 12/9/18 AAA	2 P, 2 S, 2 IS
Roses Are Red seizes 1st	Tim Hammons O/ H	Time To Rock	Red Rush	Tennessee Valley Field Trial Club, 12/9/18 ASD	5 P, 5 S, 2 IS
From the report shooting dog rac		d won this stak	e with six find	ds, a back and a g	great
Roses Are Red places 1 <sup>st</sup>	Tim Hammons O/ H	Time To Rock	Red Rush	Buck-Tuck Field Trial Club, 11/24/18 ASD	2 P, 2 S, 2 IS
Little More Shine is 3rd	Kristine Hammons O/ Tim Hammons H	Red Rock	Covered In Red	Buck-Tuck Field Trial Club, 11/24/18, ASD	2 P, 2 S, 2 IS
Little More Shine places 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kristine Hammons O/ Tim Hammons H	Red Rock	Covered In Red	West Tennessee Field Trial Association, 1/10/19 ASD	4 P, 2 S, 2 IS
Celtic's Sally takes the win!	Paul Ober O/ H	Not given	Not given	Dubois Beaver Meadow Field Trial Assoc., 8/24/18 OP	7 entries
Roses Are Red is #2	Tim Hammons O/ H	Time To Rock	Red Rush	Georgia Field Trial Assoc., 2/8/19 ASD	18 entries



# All Breed Honor Roll continued by Tom Norton

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Dog & Placement	Owner Handler	Sire	Dam	Trial Name	Competition			
Lucy Reddog Taylor places 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brad Taylor O/H	Aiken	Dynamic Dancer	South Central Kansas Bird Dog Club, 2/23/19, NBHA OD	8 entries			
	From the report: Lucy had a great find and good style. She ran a medium race but ended up getting bigger towards the end of her run.							
Oakleaf's Quite Man is #3	James Baker O/H	Comanche Moon	Brownhave n Steel Magnolia	Fort Worth Brittany Club, 12/14/18, ASD	20 entries			
Waycross Takes 1 <sup>st</sup>	Roger Boser O/H	Justified	Redstone	Cock-N-Fire Field Trial Club, 1/31/19 ASD	12 P, 1 S, 2 IS			
Gratitude places 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Roger W. Boser O/H	Come Back Cutter	Come Back Doodle	Cock-N-Fire Field Trial Club, 1/31/19 ASD	9 P, 1 S, 1 IS			
Roses Are Red places 3rd	Tim Hammons O/ H	Time To Rock	Red Rush	Bear Pond Field Trial Club, 3/16/19 ASD	5 P, 1 S, 2 IS			
Roses Are Red grabs 1 <sup>st</sup>	Tim Hammons O/ H	Time To Rock	Red Rush	Buck-Tuck Field Trial Club, 2/16/19 AAA	5 P, 4 IS			
Little More Shine gains 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kristine Hammons O/ Tim Hammons H	Red Rock	Covered In Red	Buck-Tuck Field Trial Club, 2/16/19 AAA	5 P, 4 IS			
Raintree Blue Moon Takes 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Catherine Lewis & Dean Reinke O/ Tom Waite H	Zansett Simply Red	Foxy's Lil Red Missy	NBHA Northern Regional OSD Championship, 4/3/19 NBHA OD	1 P, 1 S, 4 IS			
From the report: Raintree Blue Moon (aka Friday) is only a puppy and has a bright future ahead of him. He had multiple contacts, showed good tendency to run, handle and find birds.								

# All Breed Honor Roll continued by Tom Norton

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Dog & Placement	Owner Handler	Sire	Dam	Trial Name	Competition
Gratitude places 1st	Roger W. Boser O/H	Come Back Cutter	Come Back Doodle	Sandlapper Field Trial Club, 2/21/19 AD	10 P, 1 S, 4 IS
Flame'n Red Epilogue places 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mary A. Gustafson O/ H	Flame'n Red Legacy	Setter Downs Brown Sugar	Centex Bird Dog Club Trial, 3/30/19 ASD	2 P, 1 S, 2 IS, 2 GS
Oakleaf's Quite Man places 3 <sup>rd</sup>	James Baker O/H	Comanche Moon	Brownhave n Steel Magnolia	Centex Bird Dog Club Trial, 3/30/19 ASD	2 P, 1 S, 2 IS, 2 GS
Brae Val Bearcat Laddie wins championship	Gregor McCluskey O/ H	Justified	Redstone	International Amateur Woodcock Championship, 3/29/19 CH	31 entries
Gratitude earns 1st	Roger W. Boser O/H	Come Back Cutter	Come Back Doodle	Mid Atlantic Red Setter Club, 4/5/19, AD	4 P, 2 IS
Windfall Takes the #2 spot.	Roger W. Boser O/H	Touchstone	Redstone	Gamecock FTC, 3/1/19 ASD	9 entries
Gratitude is 3rd	Roger W. Boser O/H	Come Back Cutter	Come Back Doodle	Gamecock Field Trial Club, 3/1/19 AD	6 P, 2 IS
Raintree Blue Moon places 2nd	Catherine Lewis & Dean Reinke O/ Tom Waite H	Zansett Simply Red	Foxy's Lil Red Missy	Southern Wisconsin FTC, 4/13/19 NBHA OD	8 entries
Little More Shine gets 1st	Kristine Hammons O/ Tim Hammons H	Red Rock	Covered In Red	Kentucky Field Trial Assoc., 3/9/19 ASD	4 P, 6 S, 1 IS
Windfall takes 3rd	Roger W. Boser O/H	Touchstone	Redstone	York Pointer and Setter Club, 4/27/19 ASD	18 entries



# All Breed Honor Roll continued by Tom Norton



Dog & Placement	Owner Handler	Sire	Dam	Trial Name	Competition		
Iskote Animkee places 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Spero Manson O/ Steve Bailey H	C C Amos O'Liery	Firefly's Tesla Coil	Colorado Pointer Club, 3/30/19 OSD	13 entries		
Braeval Skye seizes 1 <sup>st</sup>	Connor McCluskey O/ Gregor McCluskey H	Setter Club of New England, 4/13/19 AP	10 entries				
From the rep	ort: Winning fir	st was the exc	iting Irish Set	tter female Braeva	al Skye.		
Restless Red Toolman secures 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Katherine Gove O/ Bob Gove H	Silver Creek's Wanted	Restless Red Cedar	Northwest FTA. 4/26/19 OSD	5 P, 5 S, 1 IS		
Buckaroo's Hand Made takes 1st	Mary Pavelko & Greg Dixon O/ Greg Dixon H	Brophy's Butler Buckaroo	lskote Dimii	Minnesota Brittany Club, 5/25/19 OSD	12 entries		
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Roses Are Red	F	Tim Hammons	Time To Rock	Red Rush	726
Little More Shine	F	Tim & Kris Hammons	Red Rock	Covered In Red	640
Rendition	М	Roger Boser Touchstone Solitaire		238	
Waycross	М	Roger Boser	Justified	Redstone	150
Windfall	М	Roger Boser	Touchstone	Redstone	91
		High Performance uns January 1st 2019 three			
Name	Sex	Owner	Sire	Dam	Points
Roses Are Red	F	Tim Hammons	Time To Rock	Red Rush	270
Little More Shine	F	Tim/Kris Hammons	Red Rock	Covered In Red	180
2		Open Walking Sho uns January 1st 2019 thro			
Name	Sex	Owner	Owner Sire		Points
Braeval Laddie	М	Gregor McCluskey			990
NRSFT		uns January 1st 2019 thro			9
Cardo's Red Bull	М	Steve Card You Too Soldier Creek		Soldier Creek Sissy	240
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The Duke, Derby and Puppy Awards currently have no entries for the new season. Come on! If you are a paid member, send in your wins!

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