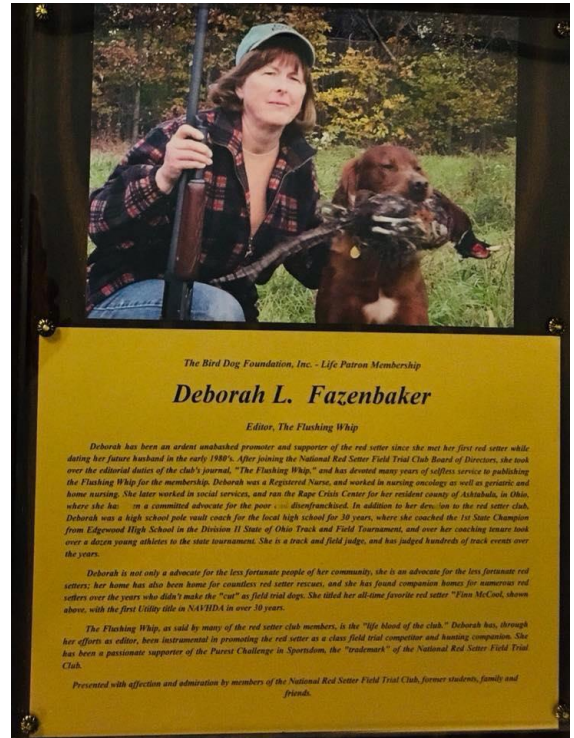


Deborah Lynn Fazenbaker, long time editor of the Flushing Whip, was honored during the Hall of Fame Inductions at the National Bird Dog Museum in Grand Junction Tennessee as the recipient of the Lifetime Patron Membership of the National Bird Dog Foundation. The honor was bestowed upon Deborah by members of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club, former students, friends, and former work colleagues, who collectively raised over \$1200 in support of her membership. Deborah received one of two plaques (the other is on display at the Bird Dog Museum), which reads as follows... *“Deborah has been an ardent and unabashed promoter and supporter of the red setter since she met her first red setter while dating her future husband in the early 1980s. After joining the National Red Setter Field Trial Club Board of Directors, she took over the editorial duties of the club’s journal, “The Flushing Whip,” and has devoted many years of selfless service to publishing The Flushing Whip for the membership. Deborah was a Registered Nurse, and worked in nursing oncology as well as geriatric and home nursing. She later worked in social services, and ran the Rape Crisis Center for her resident county of Ashtabula, in Ohio, where she has been a committed advocate for the poor and disenfranchised. In addition to her devotion to the red setter club, Deborah was a high school pole vault coach for the local high school for 30 years, where she coached the 1<sup>st</sup> State Champion from Edgewood High School in the Division II state of Ohio Track and Field Tournament, and over her coaching tenure took over a dozen young athletes to the state tournament. She is a track and field judge, and has judged hundreds of track events over the years. Deborah is not only an advocate for the less fortunate people of her community, she is an advocate for the less fortunate red setters; her*



*home has also been home for countless red setter rescues, and she has found companion homes for numerous red setters over the years who didn’t make the “cut” as field trial dogs. She titled her all-time favorite red setter “Finn McCool,” shown above, with the first Utility title in NAVHDA in over 30 years. The Flushing Whip is, as said by many of the red setter club members, is the “life blood of the club.” Deborah has, through her efforts as editor, been instrumental in promoting the red setter as a class field trial competitor and hunting companion. She has been a passionate supporter of The Purest Challenge in Sportsdom, the “trademark” of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club. Presented with affection and admiration by members of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club, former students, family, and friends.”* Of special note, the plaque was presented to Deborah by Bernie Matthis, long time editor of The American Field. As Mr. Matthis noted, “from one editor to another.” On a personal note, having seen Deborah and her labor of love, which is the best way to describe her work with

the National Red Setter Field Trial Club, she is most deserving of this honor. Her countless hours spent in not only writing articles, but doing research, compiling and organizing the mailing operations, as well as serving as an ambassador to the many members and prospective club members who routine contact her for information, often seem to go unnoticed. She is a selfless servant for the membership, and a great example of what service as a Board member should be about. Congratulations to a very deserving recipient!

Allen Fazenbaker, President