



Sunflower State Open Shooting Dog Championship Winners. From left: Marvin McDowell with Fearless Little Bit and R. J. VanLerberg with Kaw Valley Sam. Standing: Judges Harry Gillmore and Don Duckworth.

Sunflower State Field Trial Association

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SINCE 2001 the Westfall brothers ranch near Elk City, Kan., has been the home of the Sunflower State Field Trial Association trials. A special thanks to Bill Westfall for the use of the ranch. We would like to thank Purina for their support for the last eight years.

This year's trial started on Friday afternoon with Nemaha Taxi topping the Derby for owner Dr. Pat McInteer. Second was Lamppost Mindy Lou with one find for owner Gary Collins. Richard Lewis put down Bocomo Cowgirl Up; she was named third with a good race. Judges for the Derby and the Scott Wilnerd Classic were Marvin McDowell and Gordon Hazlewood.

The Scott Wilnerd Shooting Dog Classic drew 20 hopefuls from Arizona, Missouri, Nebraska and Kansas. The winner came from Missouri in the name of Westfall's Red Line, pointer female owned and handled by Richard Lewis. She ran the second hour course on Sunday morning with a snappy up front race and one nice find. The runner-up came from Kansas in the form of Aiken, Irish setter male owned and handled by Don Beauchamp. Aiken ran the third hour course on Friday afternoon with two good finds.

Judging this year's Championship and Derby were Don Duckworth of Morganfield, Ky., and Harry Gillmore of Murphysboro, Ill.

In the Open Derby, first was Bocomo Cowgirl Up (Richard Lewis) with a good performance on the front end. Second was Hailey's High Dollar (Jerry Hailey). Placed third was Spider Back Rip (Dean Lord). All Derbies were

placed on race in very warm and windy conditions.

This year's Sunflower Championship winner was Fearless Little Bit, pointer female owned by Carol Fox of Licking, Mo., and handled by Marvin McDowell. Bit ran Wednesday morning with a strong up front race, one unproductive just past the flat pond. At times she was not seen by the judges, then at 63 point was called by Marvin along the east fence before the corrals, a wild covey all in order. Kaw Valley Sam was named runner-up. Owner Robert VanLerberg of Shawnee, Kan., was on hand to scout and help McDowell with his dog.

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AIKEN
Runner-Up in the Scott Wilnerd Memorial Shooting Dog Classic

Elk City, Kan., October 16

Judges: Gordon Hazlewood and Marvin McDowell
OPEN DERBY — 8 Entries

- 1st—NEMAHA TAXI, 1609456, male, by Nemaha Free Style—Nemaha Tinker Bell. Dr. Pat McInteer, owner and handler.
2d—LAMPOST MINDY LOU, 1613816, pointer female, by Westfall's Black Ice—Westfall's Quicksilver. Garvin Collins, owner and handler.
3d—BOCOMO COWGIRL UP, 1608865, pointer female, by Bocomo Cowboy—Bocomo Pearl. Richard Lewis, owner and handler.

SCOTT WILNERD MEMORIAL SHOOTING DOG CLASSIC [One-Hour Heats] — 20 Entries

- Winner—WESTFALL'S RED LINE, unreg., pointer female, breeding not given. Richard Lewis, owner and handler.
Runner-Up—AIKEN, 1561812, Irish setter male, by Rockfish—Chantilly. Don Beauchamp, owner and handler.

Judges: Don Duckworth and Harry Gillmore
OPEN DERBY — 6 Pointers

- 1st—BOCOMO COWGIRL UP, 1608865, female, by Bocomo Cowboy—Bocomo Pearl. Richard Lewis, owner and handler.
2d—HAILEY'S HIGH DOLLAR, 1612967, male, by High Dollar Trip—Teague's Surprise. Jerry Hailey, owner and handler.
3d—SPIDER BACK RIP, 1615728, male, by Rock Acre Gitterdome—San Jacinto Misty. Jennifer Wade & Dean Lord, owners; Dean Lord, handler.

SUNFLOWER STATE OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP [One-Hour Heats] — 24 Pointers

- Winner—FEARLESS LITTLE BIT, 1545492, male, by Jordan's Elhew Mike—Gold Dust Sassy. Carol Fox, owner; Marvin McDowell, handler.
Runner-Up—KAW VALLEY SAM, 1583821, male, by Cypress Gunpowder—Westfall's Hot Dot. R. J. VanLerberg, owner; Marvin McDowell, handler.

ILLINOIS OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

(Special Bulletin) Chandlerville, Ill.

The Illinois Open Shooting Dog Championship was concluded on Friday, March 5. Lock N Load, white and orange pointer female, was named champion for owner Bob Reynolds of Kansas City, Mo., and handler Chuck Stretz. Earning the runner-up spot was Lawless Liz, white and black pointer female owned and handled by Jim Lawless of Sparta, Ill.

Judges were Jon Lam of Makanda, Ill., and Don Wiggins of Mt. Vernon, Ill.

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ABHA NATIONAL OPEN SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP

(Special Bulletin) Crawford, Tex.

The ABHA National Open Shooting Dog Championship held in Crawford, Tex., drew a field of 25 dogs.

Judges Ray Black and Larry Cox named pointer female Nemaha Butterfly as the champion for owner Albert Lee and handler Adrian Jackson. Runner-up was pointer female Roberts Hill Bootie for owner Ty Sparks and handler Tim Wright. The Championship featured an hour initial series and a one-hour callback.

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