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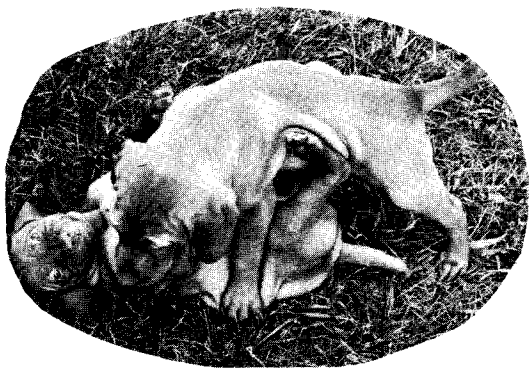
MY VIZSLA MAKES ME TEN FEET TALL

When first I saw my puppy,
how I loved him from the start
He snuggled up and kissed my ear
and crept into my heart.
So warm and soft, he loved the world and though
he was so small...
My tiny, little Vizsla made me ten feet tall.

Whenever I have shown him,
my heart swells up with pride
The day they gave him "Best of Breed",
my tears I couldn't hide,
And when I see the ribbons now
that decorate my wall
My very pretty Vizsla makes me ten feet tall.

Each time I see him pointing
and he flushes out a quail
No wonder that I feel so proud
because he'll never fail
To find the game, retrieve the bird
and answer to my call...
My keen-nosed, hunting Vizsla makes me ten feet tall.

A member of my family --
and now that he's full grown
I know that he'll protect me too,
whenever I'm alone.
He's loving, faithful, loyal;
true friend -- best of all.
My own dear Vizsla makes me ten feet tall!



Poem by Genevieve Wolfe

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WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK!!!

...that was, the Fall 1965 meetings and field trial held in southern Illinois October 8 - 10. For most people attending these three days were the high-light of two or three days enroute to and from this semi-annual field event. To set the stage for the trial report, meeting and club reports let me list the names of the people signing the rostrum sheet on Friday and/or Saturday evening:

C. M. SMITH, North Hamption, New Hampshire
ALICE HADIK, Chester, N.H.
CAROLE W. ABBOTT, Newmarket, N.H.
ROBERT L. PERRY, Acton, Mass.
JAYNE HOLCOMB, Englewood, Colorado
GENE & AGNES GOSNEY, Cincinatti, Ohio
JOYCE HAHN
ALLAN C. HAHN, Muscatine, Iowa
JOHN A. JOHNSON, Annandale, Minnesota
PAT CARTER, Manchester, N.H.
BELA HADIK, Chester, N.H.
R.V. VANCAMP, Colby, Kansas
ERNEST WOLF, St. Louis, Missouri
M.D. & JANE GRAFF, Seward, Nebraska
WAYNE LAMBRECHT, Chicago, Illinois
RICHARD M. OLSEN, Antioch, Illinois
LEWIS & SHARON SIMON, Antiock, Illinois
BILL & DORIS KITTLE
DONNA LAMBRECHT, Chicago
GEORGE A. PETER
GEORGE & BETTY SOLBERG, Chicago, Illinois
JOE & HELEN MALICEK, Chicago, Illinois
LARRY LUDT, Youngstown, Ohio
CHRIS WALSH, Chardon, Ohio
KENNETH & PEGGY ZACK, South Euclid, Ohio
ROSS EGGESTEIN, Annandale, Minnesota
STEVE DEPETRO, Omaha, Nebraska
JUDY HOLCOMB, Englewood, Colorado
DAVID CHAPMAN, Casey, Illinois
JIM STRAIN, Greenup, Illinois
RONALD L. BEASLEY, Charleston, Illinois
MILBURN E. ARD, White Heath, Illinois
PAUL & SHIRLEY ROTHAN, Cincinati, Ohio
DON LOGAN, Logansport, Indiana
W. C. MEMINGER, Erie, Pa.
PAUL SABO, Waynsboro, Georgia
JOE CRABILL, Fremont, Michigan
I. S. OSBORN, LeSueur, Minnesota
WARD M. DONOR, Centerville, Pa.
L. CANNADY, Logansport, Indiana
BOB HOLCOMB, Englewood, Colorado
ROBERT MOTSINGER, St. Joseph, Illinois
VERN E. CLAUSEN, Aberdeen, So. Dak.
TOM PRATT, Clarion, Iowa
JACK & VIRGINIA MCHANEY, Enon, Ohio
BILL FISHER, Lincoln, Nebraska
HAROLD WINGERTER, Muscatine, Iowa
R. J. BUHMAN, Milon, Illinois
LEN HARTL, Muscatine, Iowa
THOMAS F. PURDON, Iowa City, Iowa
GORDON & WILMA SCHNEIDER, Chicago, Illinois
O. E. BORST, Wachegan, Illinois
PAT & PEG WALSH, Chardon, Ohio
AL & MARY SULESKY, Cleveland, Ohio
LARRY WALTERS, Champaign, Illinois
BERNARD C, & HILDA BOGGS, Springfield, Ohio
FRED WHITE, Chillicothe, Illinois
BRAD JORGENS, Clara City, Minnesota
DICK & SHIRLEY REINHARDT, Scottsbluff, Nebraska
JACK POMERENING, Brookfield, Wisconsin
ROBERT MEISENHEIMER, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
J. R. VAVRA, Brookfield, Wisconsin
(and several judge's wives)
W. G. & DOROTHEA KLINE, Garden City, Kansas
JOHN RUSIN & daughter, PAT, Lorain, Ohio

AND several more, I know, who were present at the trial but apparently did not sign a list!

Now, with that as a starter, you might as well brace yourself for reports filled with "record" numbers in each and every department!
FIRST -- in length: The "Kick-Off Dinner" Friday night proved to be a big addition to the event. The Board of Directors, Regional Governors, and Committee meetings that had filled the big room at the Cumberland County Sportsman's Clubhouse from about noon on, adjourned and the table was spread with a red and white checkered cloth. The food was delicious! The fellowship of new acquaintances and old was almost overwhelming. With introductions all the way around the people representing Vizslas from all over the nation visited with one another more like that heard at a "family reunion" than usually heard at a convention! Perhaps a quote from one of our members best expresses the way that most Vizsla owners feel: "I came to this country as a stranger, knowing no one -- and then through these miserable little red dogs I have met the most wonderful people in the world." The excellent film, POINTING DOGS AFIELD, opened the doors to a most helpful discussion for new-comers to the trialing game. Fred White, the only judge in attendance that night, gratuitously accepted to answer "a few questions", especially where rules for handling differed in an AKC Trial against that of the Pointers and Setters shown under AF rules; this man holds up well under fire and did get even with us the next evening during the Judges' Dinner when he had every one in stitches and poor George Solberg in tears! Breakfast at the clubhouse was a fine addition to the schedule and management.

SECOND -- work accomplished: The Regional Governors met with their coodinator, Bob Holcomb, for a good round-table discussion of ideas and suggestions. The Breeders Approval Committee, all present, spent several hours in advance of the Board Meeting with their herculean task of boiling down the great amount of dysplasia information they had gathered and start the process by which the club can formulate a practical method in the education of the membership and the control of dysplasia in our breed. The Board of Directors then worked through all the committee reports, set dates and places for spring events, and moved ahead on a number of items up for action. A meeting was called and the members present elected the members of the Nominating Committee. Officers and members alike have shouldered the responsibility for the management of this club. It is magnificent to see.

THIRD -- the field trial: A record ninty-one entries! All of them Vizslas, and in only 5 stakes. If there is one thing that stands out in front for this national event -- it would be: YOU, the membership came forth; attended and participated in this event more than proving your sincere interest in the Vizsla and the Vizsla's place in America.

A REPORT from the Breeders Approval Committee is anxiously awaited by many of you across the country. It is the first concrete foundation set forth by this club (or any breed club, I believe) for the elimination of undesirable or detrimental congenital traits. I urge every individual to read this carefully, thoughtfully, and then again! It is presented factually and objectively; with the preceding "emotion" out of the way, it is without a doubt the most complete report ever presented. My sincere thank you to all who helped bring this matter into perspective -- from the first letter to the last -- all have played a part. ejg

The Vizsla Club Of America, Inc.

October 22, 1965

Dear Jane,

I am submitting the following for publication in the Vizsla News.

As Chairman of the Breeders Approval Committee I feel the time has come to attempt to advise the membership of this committee's goal and its function to date. First, I want to make clear the fact that I do not consider myself an authority on canine hip dysplasia or any other fault which may have infiltrated our breed. I further believe that no member of this committee considers themselves an authority on such subjects. It is the purpose of this committee to bring facts to the membership, to make recommendations to the Board of Directors, members and breeders, as to the known methods of reducing and or eliminating such faults. At present the main controversy appears to be that of canine hip dysplasia. Actually, the only thing which makes it controversial is the fact many are,either, misinformed or refuse to admit there is a problem of hip dysplasia in our breed.

This committee has contacted eighteen Universities who have Schools of Veterinary Medicine. To date I have received letters from fourteen of them. We have also contacted individuals known for their work and research with canine hip dysplasia. Without exception they indicate, either directly, or through reference to other works; that canine hip dysplasia is a matter of prime importance to most breeds and particularly to those of sporting or working breeds; canine hip dysplasia is a hereditary trait; that radiograph is the only way to diagnose hip dysplasia in a vast number of cases; that breeding only those who are clear of dysplasia, as evidenced by radiograph, will markedly reduce the incidence of dysplasia; that a small percentage with "normal" joints will produce dysplastic progeny, these must be eliminated by test breeding. I consider the doctors associated with the Veterinary Schools and other research institutions as authorities on this subject. The following are letters received by this committee from such authorities. There are many others, the text of which are along the same general lines. Due to space limitation I have selected these as a representative example.

From The University of Minnesota

Dear Mr. Kline:

Dean Thorp has referred your letter of inquiry regarding canine hip dysplasia in Vizsla's to me. We have been conducting experiments with this condition for the past five years and summarized our findings on 1 January 1965. I am sending you a copy of this summary along with this letter. Our whelping data for the Vizsla is noted on page 18 of this monograph. One hundred eighty six Vizsla pups were born prior to 1 January 1965.

Specific questions mentioned would be answered as follows:

(a) Our project in canine hip dysplasia is based primarily on the German Shepherd breed; however the Vizsla has been used to determine effects of this hereditary condition on two varying genetic backgrounds. Motivation to maximum performance is likewise more readily obtained with a hunting breed.

(b) Hip dysplasia is in fact of primary consideration in a hunting breed of dogs since they are still utilized as functional individuals, particularly in field trials.(I am an active member and attend each Chicken Championship Trial of the Northern States Amateur Field Trial Association which is held at Solon Springs, Douglas County, Wisconsin in the fall).

(c) Programs have been established which markedly reduced the incidence of hip dysplasia in German Shepherds in Sweden. Thus we know that breeding

programs are available which have been successful in obtaining this objective.

(d) A positive diagnosis of hip dysplasia is very readily made when it is present in any individual dog. Freedom from hip dysplasia by radiographic means is more difficult to access. The age factor is of critical importance when determining freedom from hip dysplasia.

The monograph sent along with this letter will enable you to more thoroughly evaluate the possibilities of diagnosis by radiographs at given age intervals. The Vizsla in particular tends to delay the age of positive identification of the normal dog for longer periods than does the German Shepherd.

The radiograph is the best single means of identification of the dysplastic which is available at this time. However the performance behavior of any individual is always of importance in selection of animals to be radiographed.

There are those in the German Shepherd breeding groups, particularly in Germany, that substitute the bicycle running or following ability of the dog for radiographic evaluation. However these tests are not satisfactory in eliminating dysplastic indivuduals with genetic capabilities for reproducing dysplasia. The age factor is of importance in these trials also.

I will be glad to work with your organization in any way possible to reduce the incidence of dysplasia in this fine hunting breed.

I do not think that establishment of a negative radiograph as a requisite for registration is the most satisfactory way to begin. Identification of the individual as dysplastic, undetermined or normal would possibly be an initial step. I suspect that this should have to be done outside the American Kennel Club registration activities.

Vizsla breeders and myself have had many discussions as to the best possible way to approach this problem in the Vizsla breed. We have computer systems available at University of Minnesota which would facilitate this program. I would be interested in helping in any manner possible to reduce the incidence of dysplasia in the Vizsla hunting dog.

We are considering production of a monograph on proper positioning of the dog for pelvic radiographs taken to determine canine hip dysplasia. Photographs and radiograph reproductions will be used. This would be a first step in any program of indivudual identification.

signed,

Francis A. Spurrell, D.V.M., Ph.D.

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From Cornell University

Dear Mr. Kline:

Your letter to Dean Poppensiek has been referred to me for reply. Actually, the reply to your primary inquiry can be stated very simply, that is, that hip dysplasia is a hereditary disease, and therefore, any animal with this condition should not be used as breeding stock. Furthermore, the parents and litter mates of this animal would be questionable breeding stock until checked individually. This answer applies to any dog of any breed, and whether one has had experience with a particular breed is of little importance. The main point is that all breeds should be scrutinized in the same way if we are to bring this condition under control. Too much indiscriminate breeding has already been done, and the condition of hip dysplasia is widespread in many breeds. It will now require a rather ruthless program in order to eliminate hip dysplasia.

Many breeders are interested in the elimination of this condition until they realize how costly the remedy is or until they realize that some of their own dogs are suffering from this disease. I presume that this is only a typical reaction, but we have witnessed the breeders' reaction to a diagnosis of hip dysplasia so many times that we now expect a long list of excuses as soon as the diagnosis is revealed following examination. A radiographic examination is the most reliable test that we have, and frequently by this test we are able to "weed out" some pups as early as two to four months. Others will not show definite radiographic signs until later. In most breeds we can be fairly certain of individuals that show no radiographic signs at 12 to 14 months.

We, therefore, usually recommend that a breeder radiograph a litter of pups fairly early so that he can eliminate any individuals that develop early signs of dysplasia. This means quite an economic saving to the breeder.

I would like to make one further point in closing. If an animal shows radiographic signs of hip dysplasia it is of no consequence from a breeding standpoint whether these signs are slight or well developed. In other words, a grading system of hip dysplasia only tends to confuse the issue. A dysplastic individual is dysplastic and will produce dysplastic offspring, regardless of the degree of dysplasia which he presents. Therefore, it is absolutely essential that all breeding stock be pronounced normal at maturity in order to eliminate dysplasia from the offspring.

signed,

Ellis P. Leonard, D.V.M.

In view of the aforementioned facts regarding hip dysplasia this committee made recommendations to the Board of Directors and those recommendations were discussed and acted upon. The official Club policy in reference to hip dysplasia and advertising in the Vizsla News is briefly outlined as follows: DOGS AT STUD - Before an advertisement will be accepted and run in the Vizsla News a current radiograph of diagnostic quality, accompanied with the identification certificate and the fee for the diagnosis of the radiograph, shall be submitted to the Breeders Approval Committee. Each radiograph shall have the date and an identification number photographed in the film. The veterinarian or x-ray technician shall certify in writing that he has radiographed a specific animal(giving age, name of dog and owner) and that the radiograph(designated by number) is of that animal. The Committee shall then submit the radiograph to the University of Minnesota for diagnosis. No dog diagnosed as dysplastic shall be eligible for advertisement. PUPS FOR SALE - The same provisions apply to both sire and dam. MATURE DOGS - The same provision will apply to that particular dog. KENNEL ADVERTISEMENT - No kennel advertisement shall be accepted until it has been proven to the committee that the breeding stock of that kennel has qualified under the above requirements. It is the Club policy that all breeding stock be radiographed and only those showing no sign of dysplasia be used for breeding purposes.

At this time I am unable to advise of the exact fee for the diagnosis of a radiograph. I expect this information shortly and will, at that time, advise you through the Vizsla News. The proper positioning of a dog for radiographic evaluation is of utmost importance. Many radiographs are returned as not of diagnostic quality due to improper positioning. At this time the committee does not have the proper positioning requirements available, however, it is hoped that this information will be available in the near future. This information shall also, either, be carried in the Vizsla News or instructions as to where it can be obtained.

It is not the intent of this committee to imply that breeding should be done on the basis of hip joints only; this is just one of the determining factors. Dogs used for breeding should be picked for all their good qualities not just one. However, in many incidents, one bad fault is sufficient reason not to use that animal for breeding purposes. It is not the purpose of this committee to endorse or criticize any individual breeder or breeders. We do not believe we should or could sit in judgement of another.

This is your committee and its effectiveness and function is controlled by you the members. Your ideas and recommendations are needed. Please feel free to contact me. I wish to appeal to each of you to use the services of this committee. I sincerely hope each of you, whether you have one or several Vizslas, will have them radiographed and send the x-ray to me even though you may not desire to use the advertising facilities of the Vizsla News. Actually, there are no known records indicating the degree to which this fault has infiltrated our breed. This information is badly needed. I feel that with all of us working on this project and cooperating with each other we can help make a fine breed even better.

Helma Kline

Chairman, Breeders Approval Committee

*** As Editor of the Vizsla News, I wholeheartedly agree with the policy approved for the advertising of dogs in this publication. Since the element of time necessary for setting up the processed list is considerable, no listings will be carried in the November or December issues. For many, the process is merely that of sending the x-ray (s) of your dog (s) to the Breeder's Approval Committee, 801 North 1st, Garden City, Kansas. For others, x-rays will have to be taken. Every owner should take this opportunity to add essential data to the research in this area. Proceed, then, as you will -- but not on the hypothesis or hope of soundness, but upon knowledge there of.

There have been many more letters received -- pro and con -- on this subject of dysplasia. Some have been returned for the writer to approve (or disapprove) editing of them; some are re-statements of points already made; others may be used at a later date as space allows. There is one, however, that sets forth something of the "awakening" process that was experienced by a member. This is a typical letter received on the subject -- and because it was sent to president, Dick Reinhardt, and not to the office of the V. News as an open letter, it is quoted here anonymously:

"In a way I am glad Mr. Davies wrote his letter, as I now have a clearer insight into the problem and measures needed to help eradicate this disturbing condition found in so many dogs.

"After I set the material for our ad in (a recent) V. News, Jane Graff wrote that I would have to have my dog x-rayed first. I called to tell her that he had been x-rayed before we got him, when he was a 10 week old pup. She said he would still have to be x-rayed as an adult dog. I called my Vet; he didn't have the equipment so he made arrangements for me to get it done at a Vet some 80 miles away (who had the finest x-ray equipment in the state,) To get an x-ray, a dog must be placed properly and completely motionless, so he must be given sodium pentathal, thus it involved two trips; one to take him then again to bring him home. I must admit I thought the whole thing was rather foolish.

"When I called for my dog, the Vet had me look at the x-rays, commenting that it was one of the soundest rear structures he had seen in a large dog. He also said that it was a splendid idea of the Club to insist on these x-rays; it was a great service to the breed. He added that if I had seen the cases of H. D. he had seen in so many breeds (Shepards, Labs and Irish Setters in particular) I would be delighted our Club was doing something about it.

"I now feel so strongly about this problem, I am going to insist that any bitches bred to my dog in the future have the same clear bill of health."

Your BOARD OF DIRECTORS was asked to lead out in this department, getting all the dogs they use in breeding x-rayed and recorded. A most gratifying reponse is being made; not all are in complete accord with the attachment to advertising -- but they ARE getting x-rays. The assumption that because one has not had a dog drop to the ground and unable to get up, one is safe in line-breeding, in-breeding, or even out-crossing with another "good looking" dog is an attitude that can do more to spread the condition than anything else.

Let us ALL accept the challenge! Let us speak from KNOWLEDGE, not supposition; let us utilize the tools that science developed since it is we who hold the destiny of this breed in our hands. If then, you choose to disagree with the scientific findings in this field -- and set out to prove your own theory -- you do so knowing that you are producing not Vizsla puppies but Guinea-pigs for whose existence you are responsible. Kyle Onstott says in his book The Art of Breeding Better Dogs, "There is no denying that good dogs have been produced by breeders ignorant of the laws and principles of heredity ... but many more good dogs could be bred by substituting scientific procedure for the rule-of-thumb practices which even yet determine the breeding of dogs in all too many cases."

Only this one additional tip: If you dabble in the stock market -- BUY X-RAY PLATE STOCK!

A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR, that got past the proof-reader in the rush to get the October issue of the News to the printer should be noted and corrected: on page 6, 2nd paragraph of the letter from Dick Reinhardt, the last sentence should read, "Our Breaders Approval Committee is now taking steps toward this end." The letter "t" was incorrectly struck instead of the "w", making quite another word -- the article went on to discribe some things that they were doing, so probably you made the mental correction yourself, but it should be stated lest improper implications be read into the statement.

The statement that "dysplasia cannot be confirmed until a dog is 30 months of age" is NOT, as you can see, correctly worded. Haste makes waste -- and all that jazz. It should not, therefore, be construed that x-rays from say 9 months on up are of no value. Please review the more complete statements made on this by Dr. Spurrell and Dr. Leonard in this issue.

A few people insist that there is one breed of dog that is not effected with H. D., that being the Greyhound. I don't know of what particular value this is to a Vizsla owner (unless perhaps he is planning some way-out out-crossing along those lines) but on the basis of the talk given at the Fall 1964 meeting, state that the Greyhound is least effected with H. D. because of the generations of breeding with only ONE thing in mind -- the run. Breeders, therefore, eliminated weaker stock before it could contribute to the breed. In this light, perhaps we should add the test of racing to that of show and field!

Speaking strictly as a student of genetics and a layman in the field, I would say that the club and therefore the Vizsla breed has covered a lot of ground this past six months... ground that probably should have been fathomed four years ago ... that was strived for by a very few at that time, but not understood or practiced by the majority. WILL WE FAIL NOW?

As a Vizsla owner, member of the Vizsla Club of America, you cannot always get to meetings, participate in field or show events, or contribute one iota to the breed or national image -- yet in this instance you, with one or one hundred dogs; young, old or inbetween; can contribute valuable links of knowledge. How dysplastic puppies can be produced can be proved in the laboratory, the number of clean dogs -- in production or not -- is an unknown factor. The responsibility for this is squarely on every individual member's shoulders.

Truly, the Vizsla Club of America is leading out in uncharted waters. The object is not to make history -- although that is perhaps what is being made -- but to insure the fine qualities of the Vizsla breed for future generations. Will you do your part?

VIZSLA CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

FIELD TRIAL

October 9 - 10, near Greenup, Illinois, the Vizsla Club of America made history. This was the first all Vizsla trial ever attempted on a national scale for this, the newest hunting breed to arrive in the western world, since being authorized to license field events under the American Kennel Club. Owners and members turned out by the score, bringing with them many excellent entries. It was thrilling to see, exciting to participate in and pleasing to recall in memories. With record numbers entered in each and every event, the competition -- at times -- more than the places would allow; many handlers, therefore, felt as I did, "It was mighty good company to be running with, and no skin off my nose to tie for 5th place with the likes of these!"

The grounds across from the club house, described in the September issue, were not suitable for trialing early in October -- this is farming country, and crops were not harvested or grounds laid out for such sport at this time of the year. (I recall that in 1960, the National Fun Trial was held there over Thanksgiving weekend.) Arriving a week before, and seeing the problem, Chairman Paul Sabo checked out other possible sites, finding a large enough farm about 4 miles away with more available hunting cover. It was far from ideal for the running of a national trial of this proportion, but it was the best that could be obtained in that area and time; those arriving early worked long and hard with the local sportsmen to lay out a course, mow and mark the bird fields, arrange for getting the horses and birds there. The rains that came mid-week (making the road to the grounds impassable) fortunately dissipated, leaving behind them fresh, cool fields; sunny skies and a pleasant breeze.

The order of running was somewhat different than in years past: Derby entries heading out in one field, Gun Dogs in the other. The fine addition of catalogs which were again printed and assembled by the field and trophy committees add immensely to the running of the stakes -- everyone knows when he is to run and where -- and there was very little delay at any time.

The trucking of the fine mounts provided for this trial imposed a delay, the only one of any consequence, and it was quite a sight to see 20 or so horses jump from the back of a semi, then get saddled by the many eager trialers waiting to get to the grounds (around the truck that was blocking the road). The time was also used to good advantage at the grounds, I understand, in orienting participants with the layout, among other things. (After years of attending trials, I am convinced that a field trial with no problems will have to be run on streets paved with gold ... so long as they are run on plain old dirt, I'm glad that people are understanding of human frailties and most generally helpful and patient.) In any event, once underway, this trial proceeded with excellent management.

From a spectator's point of view, this trial had the advantage of almost continuous action in either the junior or senior birdfield -- both of which were visible from the parking area. The many horses were always out with each brace, and while it was more of a trail-ride than observation point, it added much to the knowledge of field trialers, new and old.

Judging in the Derby were two experienced men, Fred Z. White from Chillicothe, Illinois, and J. R. Vavra of Brookfield, Wisconsin. The puppy-derby course started through a harvested soybean field with a strip of clover down the center, continued across the bare soybean field to a standing corn field, then through a narrow cut along an access trail with fence row adjacent to corn, into another harvested beanfield with a narrow strip standing next to the fence, then on to a short patch of cover -- alfalfa -- between two corn fields, then to the bird field. It was a nice walk, if that is what you were looking for; very little backfield work available. Commenting on the running, overall, the judges said that they would like to see more attention paid to the natural instincts of the dogs -- "let them hunt naturally rather than work for a controlled dog at this age!" It is, of course, a common fault of a novice to overhandle his dog, but it is good to get out and observe at other trials and re-read the definition of a derby dog... they are to show drive, desire and hunt; they are to establish a point but not necessarily be steady. Let him cast naturally, never call a dog when he is going away... as long as he is out there looking for birds, don't bother him. There is no need in steadying a puppy at all... and the derby should point only long enough for the handler to try to get up the bird, then an intense chase indicates the birdyness that is desired in dogs at this age. The desire, sparkle and bounce just cannot be built into a dog -- if he has it, KEEP IT; if it is taken out, "you don't hardly never get it back."

The Derby stake was first out with "Pumpkin Fun Galore" the only one that sustained an independent run throughout, and had two nice finds in the birdfield steady to wing and shot. Behi's Csinos Csiny ("Trixie") was fair to good on the back-course with the only one to turn in a back field find in the stake -- a bevy of quail. She ran with desire, had one staunch point in the birdfield and was steady to flush. Jodi of Czuki Barat ran a good course with one find in the birdfield. Zlatna Devojka V Hunt had three finds in the birdfield but was lacking in back course consistency for a higher placing. Many other entries showed promising moments, and perhaps on more natural hunting grounds could have put together a placing run.

OPEN DERBY STAKE (22 entries)

1 PUMPKIN FUN GALORE (M) (Shayo Fun Galore-Gemma Fun Galore) O/H Al Sulesky, Ohio
2 BEHIS CSINOS CSINY (F) (Haans V Selle - Futaki Juliska) O/H Bernard C. Boggs, Ohio
3 JODI OF CZUKI BARAT (M)(Ripp Barat - Czuki of Lake Catherine) O/H Lewis Simon, Illinois
4 ZLATNA DEVOJKA V HUNT (F)(Jakkelfalva Peter-Szutyi Kislony) O/H Lawrence Ludt, Ohio

Al Sulesky and his winner, "Pumpkin-Fun-Galore"

Judging in the other field were a couple of other well versed field men, Jack Pomerening also from Brookfield, Wisconsin, and Bob Meisenheimer from Milwaukee. They both agreed that the grounds were not conducive to show off the best running in a dog, (more than one handler came back shaking his head) but before the two days were over, some did put out a good course. The cover was extremely tough in places; the course was difficult to negotiate because of the many turns and narrow alleys that cramped the natural run of these gun dogs (Many times about half way around the dogs would give their handler a questioning look as if to say -- "I've tried; do you have a suggestion?" They usually did!) One judge commended the Vizsla for their ease of handling; adding that other breeds could not have been controlled enough to maneuver and finish the course. As for lacking in range -- all handlers concurred, this due to the terrain, generally. "Overall the work was fine and many of the dogs demonstrated that they are polished bird handlers," they added. 'Many dogs were birdy and didn't mind the cover. The ones we placed hunted hard, showed style on birds, had good noses, and for the most part were quite mannerly. The cover was bound to slow up dogs, but they shouldn't stay slowed; when we got to a clearing they should open up again. We weren't judging these dogs as shorthairs or pointers or vizslas or anyother individual breed -- but as GUN DOGS, and there were some very acceptable ones. These Vizslas have attributes that are lacking in other breeds," they concluded.

Giving an account of the Open Gun Dog Stake, Ripp Barat's Rippy had a busy, medium course, liked cover, dug in hard on essentials all the way around, had one non-productive in very high cover but showed real good style with complete staunchness on two bird field finds, and was steady to shot with retrieve to hand. Haans v Selle ran a very consistent back course, had no great speed, but hunted cover well without any urging, some of his casts were bordering on strong with one back course find. He had two bird field finds with good style and had a good retrieve to hand, he did have a slight delayed chase on his one find on the backcourse. Piri was very earnest, although a short running bitch, she hunted cover extremely well. She had two backcourse finds on quail on which she showed style and staunchness, her birdfield find and retrieve to hand was mannerly. Jancsi Futaki ran short and hunted in cover well. He had one steady find in the birdfield with a rather poor retrieve; on his second find he was very stylish, completely staunch, steady and retrieved suitably.

The older dogs' break-away was across another barren harvested bean field, showing the effects of the recent rain, with a few mud holes but the courses were only spongy not muddy. The adjoining fencerow proved some cover for birds, but the course turned into some very tough cover -- brittle weed spears over clover --then across the end of the patch, then paralleled a winding stream, and filed through an unpicked corn field with trees and underbrush on the right into a weed field and on into the birdfield which was partially in heavy cover and the other portion across the access road was matted alfalfa and clover mowed about 12" high with a deep green color.

With eighteen entries and handlers feeling out this unique trail in the many conditions uncommon in hunting and training, these dogs would also represent those able to adjust to the situation most rapidly.

OPEN GUN DOG (18 entries)

1 RIPP BARATS RIPPY (M)(Ripp Barat - Sissy Selle) O: J. R. Holcomb, Colorado, H: Paul Sabo
2 HAANS V SELLE (M)(Kosa v Selle - Konya v Selle) O/H Dick Reinhardt, Nebraska
3 PIRI (F)(Urfi of Goncoltanya - Dgin) O: Bela Hadik, New Hampshire, H: C. Smith
4 JANCSI FUTAKI (M)(Ch. Humor - Piri) O: Hannibal DeSchmertzing, O: C. Smith

Ripp Barat's Rippy pointing native game on the plains in Canada.

Following the Derby, the Vizsla puppies took to the field and worked their way through the 4th brace before twilight was upon us. The Amateur's, too, got in a few braces as a rather cool, stiff breeze covered the valley. The trek from the grounds to the club house for the dinner was made via the motel (with a hot shower for trialers and a hot meal for their rust-gold friends in order), for most of us.

As for the report that your editor got her nose broken, well, yes it's true. I'll admit that I thought that perhaps someone might take a punch at me, but didn't expect it from a horse -- one unguarded moment while dismounting "Dopey" (a most appropriate name) left me with a permanent momento of Greenup.

The Judges' Dinner Saturday night was a wonderfully warm and happy occasion. People were all getting better acquainted, had had a taste of the field and now enjoyed a fine meal together. Brad Jorgens, from Minnesota, served as Master of Ceremonies... getting the festivities off to a good start. The confessions of this contrite handler were picked up and compounded by Fred White, in his few well-chosen words; followed by J. R. Vavra who dared to don a white shirt and tie, all of which had the whole house litterally rocking with laughter. Judges Pomerening and Meisenheimer also offered their comments of the day, and all were presented with their gifts.

The awards for the Derby and Gun Dog stakes were announced and the trophies presented. A report of the board meeting and the election of the nominating committee (listed in the report) constituted the serious work for the evening. A very special honor was extended to two pioneers of the

Vizsla breed in America. Lifetime honorary membership was awarded to CHARLES HUNT and ROY HAWKINSON. Charlie, founder of the Vizsla News publication, secretary and editor from 1954 to 1957, then again from 1960 through the spring of 1962 when ill health forsed a curtailment of this time consuming activity. Roy, active in club activities during the same period of time, 1954 to 1963, served as president and in a behind-the-scenes post that kept us "solvent". Both men, each in their own way, kept the spark of life going for the VC of A during the early, faltering days of this young club.

A picture snapped by Pete Czura at our 2nd AKC Sanctioned Field Trial in Lincoln, Nebraska, 1962, (l to r: Le (Mrs. Bill) Olsen, Sylvia Chatfield, (also lifetime honorary member for her 10 years as treasurer), Charles Hunt, Ivan Osborn, and Roy Hawkinson.)

An added surprise treat was supplied by a member, Ernie Wolf from St. Louis, who had taken slides of the first Vizsla Specialty held August 29th at the Chagrin Valley Kennel Club Show. He had them with him, and showed them following the dinner. It was interesting to see the number of dogs that took their turn around the ring that day, and were also doing their breed proud in the field there at Greenup.

SUNDAY MORNING, the Amateurs pushed off again, with a heavy ground fog still hanging over the fields. By mid-day, the high ground heat coupled with the humidity and warm Indian-summer sun added to the handicap of the handlers, but by late afternoon, the cooling currents again made the scenting conditions more advantageous for the later braces.

In the Amateur Shooting Dog Stake, Dual Champion Futaki Darocz ran a very strong course and was consistent all the way. He put out one of the better course runs of the trial in this go-around. Darocz had a staunch find in the birdfield with a miss by the gunners on the kill, and a second stylish find, staunch and a retrieve to hand. Ripp Barat had an excellent strong course, hunted the cover well, but handled out when handler wanted him in the open. He had a good find on the course at the "end of a limb" with a slight delayed chase, with another good find on a dead quail where he was more stylish than the situation indicated. He also had two good finds in the birdfield, one was missed by the gunner with a slight delayed chase, but the handler was able to call him off. The other was handled in the approved manner. Maggie's Muvelten Gazember ("Amber") had an earnest short course with two stylish birdfield finds in which she was steady and retrieved to hand. Soni Brook Selle had an erratic course at times, but showed strength in going to objectives. He had one good find in the birdfield, staunch and steady, with a slow retrieve to hand.

AMATEUR SHOOTING (GUN) DOG STAKE (19 entries)

1 FIELD CH., CH. FUTAKI DAROCZ (M)(Ch. Hunor-Piri) O: Bela Hadik, N.H. H: C. Smith
2 RIPP BARAT (M)(Brok-Olca - Rata z Povazia) O: Betty Kenly & W. C. Meminger, H: Meminger, Pennsylvania
3 MAGGIE'S MUVELTEN GAZEMBER (F)(Pepper Olca - Maggie z Selle) O/H M. D. Graff, Nebr.
4 SONI BROOK SELLE (M)(Osborn's Red Rebel - Duchess v Vltava) O/H M. D. Graff, Nebraska

Field and Show Champion Futaki Darocz, in the point that won him his championship last spring.

The Puppy Stake was also completed before noon on Sunday, "Over all, the puppies gave a better run than did their older cousins, showing a more intense desire and drive than the derby dogs. It is much better to have too much hunt and too much drive than controlled hunting -- that can come with training," commented White and Vavra.

Pirolin was independent throughout and reached out to objectives with a lot of drive and stamina remaining at pickup time; he was all over the bird field and out -- almost to the all-age field on a couple of chases. He had no soft spots -- just hunted hard all the way, looking for birds. Weedy Creek Lobo had a good course looking for birds in likely spots; he worked the birdfield and found more than any other dog -- pointed the whole crate full at the side of the field! Jumping in at it, one bird escaped and he chased it through the gallery and out the other side; he then returned and hunted with real drive. Szekeres' Aranyos Heja ("Hawk") and Szekeres' Kelet Szel ("Trump") littermates, also braced together... gave a very happy, energetic run, with much of the same drive and tempo -- Hawk had a birdfield find, while Trump did not. Many pups with more bird contact in the birdfield did not put together a good hunt for the first 20 minutes out; puppies like to play -- part of the job of training is going to enough trials so they learn to hunt no matter who they are put down with. Mr. White suggested that running a pup with an older, experienced dog teaches them in a way they won't soon forget that field is for work -- not play.

OPEN PUPPY STAKE (20 entries)

1 PIROLIN (M) (Dual Ch. Futaki Darocz - Wag's Inn Kedish) O: C. F. Zezza, H: Bela Hadik, N.H.
2 WEEDY CREEK LOBO (M)(Weedy Creek Skol - Weedy Creek Merya) O/H Harold Wingerter, Iowa
3 SZEKERES' ARANYOS HEJA (M) (CH. Hunor - Ch. Szekeres Kezdet) O/H Priscilla Carter, N.H.
4. SZEKERES' KELET SZEL (M) (Ch. Hunor - Ch. Szekeres Kezdet) O/H Hilda Boggs, Ohio

Pirolin, after his impressive run at Greenup sits majestically (for a moment) with Alice Hadik at the edge of the birdfield.

By 1:00 Sunday, the Amateur and Puppy Stakes were concluded, and the trialers again adjourned to the Clubhouse, some 4 miles away, for another fine hot meal, and the announcing of the winners of these two stakes.

Three Traveling Trophies were also awarded: The Bill Olsen Memorial Trophy for best Vizsla Puppy went to PIROLIN, Bred and owned by C. Zezza of Chester, Vermont, and accepted by his handler, Bela Hadik.

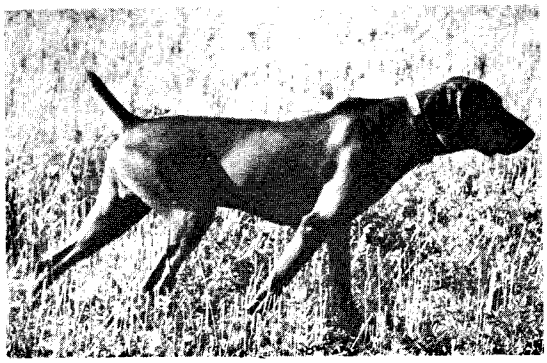
The Canadian Plaque was presented to PUMPKIN-FUN-GALORE , Bred, owned and handled by Al Sulesky, Cleveland, Ohio.

The new trophy awarded to the Best Woman Handler, went to PAT CARTER, Manchester, New Hampshire, handling her dog, "Hawk" in the puppy stake. In accepting the trophy, Pat gave her "teacher" Bela Hadik the credit for what she has learned about field trialing.

Three dogs qualifying for the limited stake at this trial were added to the list, and braces were drawn; Then trialers returned to the grounds for the final stake, the Limited All-Age. The sun was quite warm and long strands of silvery webs floated on a gentle breeze. With twelve top-notch dogs running, there was still a lot of action to be seen! The ground and air conditions were not at their best, and several of these "finished" dogs goofed off just long enough to "cut their throats"...there was a lot of action, indeed! When the running was completed, Ripp Barat had turned in the strongest course in the stake, was an objective caster, held a good pace and consistent drive throughout. He had one back course find "out on a limb" -- a stylish find, a stylish point, the quail was lost, however, in the alfalfa. He had a nice find in the birdfield, but it was not shot because it was a quail, so another bird was planted for a retrieve, and in bringing him in to it, he found a Chukar, handled it beautifully, was steady and retrieved to hand. Piri ran a consistent, earnest course, but short. She was very busy and consistently in the tough cover, hunting all the way. She had two stylish finds in the birdfield, was staunch and retrieved to hand, and a third, not killed, but handled correctly. Maggie's Muvelten Gazember had a short, busy, but somewhat erratic course with an occasional good cast. One find in the tough cover on the backcourse could not be produced, had a stop to flush in the unpicked corn field, then made a long cast ending in a beautiful point half way across the birdfield, on a running Chukar, holding it for what seemed like hours (someone in the gallery timed it, and it was really only a little over 4 minutes.) She handled it well, and had another find that was stylish, staunch and she retrieved to hand. Fourth place was withheld, as all other entries errored before their 30 minutes were up.

OPEN ALL AGE LIMITED STAKE (12 entries)

1 RIPP BARAT (M) (Brok Olca - Rata z Povazia) O; Betty Kenly & W. C. Meminger, H: Paul Sabo
2 PIRI (F)(Urfi of Goncoltanya - Dgin) O: Bela Hadik, H: C. Smith
3 MAGGIE'S MUVELTEN GAZEMBER (F)(Pepper Olca - Maggie z Selle) O/H M. D. Graff
4 Withheld



Ripp Barat on the beautiful Canadian prairie

The Count Lazslo Esterhazy Traveling Trophy for the most outstanding female Vizsla of the fall field trial, considering both the hunting talent and conformation, was awarded to PIRI, bred by Hannibal De Schmertzing, owned by Bela Hadik and handled by both Bela and Chaunsey Smith. This 8 year old bitch is a credit to the breed, not only to run with the best of them, but to have children and grandchildren competing with her.

Piri, on native birds near her home in the White Mountains of New Hampshire.

Some fancy figuring on states represented and number of entries, 21 entries from three eastern states were handled by 4 from New Hampshire; 19 entries were brought by 9 Ohio handlers; Illinois was next with 16 entries for their 10 handlers; 4 handlers from Nebraska had 13 entries; then Iowa with 7, Minnesota with 6 and many new states represented. It was a fine, fine trial, indeed!

"GRANDMA" TAKES TOP STAKE IN TRIAL.
by Pat Carter

The Vizsla Club of New Hampshire ran their second field trial, under the minimum requirements of the American Field, on September 11th on the grounds of The Clockery, in Chester, N. H. and the highlight of the trial was the winning of the top stake by "PIRI", the 8 year old bitch, owned and handled by Bela Hadik. Piri put her children and grandchildren in the shade with her magnificent back course and excellent bird work - topping an entry of 5 Vizslas and 3 GSHP. This grand old dame of "Vizsladom" proved to her many offspring that they have a long way to go to top her!

OPEN GUN DOG (5 Vizslas 3 GSP)
1 Piri, O:/H Bela Hadik
2 Futaki Juliska, O: Bob Perry, H: Thelmar Page
3 Futaki Jansci, O/H Tim Smith

OPEN DERBY (5 Vizslas 2 GSP)
2 Futaki Jocko , O/H Robert Perry
3 Jeluska Count Bala, O: A Webster, H:Thelmar Page

OPEN PUPPY (8Vizslas 1 GSP)
1 Pirölin, O: Carlo Zezza, H; Thelmar Page
2 Zsuskar Kis Viraq, O/H Tim Smith
3 Grapevine Hill's Rusty, O/H Wyn Hilton

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (5 Vizslas 4 GSP)
1 Ceasar, O/H Max Holland
2 Futaki Jancsi, O/H Tim Smith
3 Snook, O/H Chauncey Smith

A Vizsla, Futaki Juliska, owned by Bob and Nancy Perry handled by C. Smith, also placed 2nd in the Open Shooting dog stake, in a class of 5 Vizslas 3 Pointers and 1 Setter.

The judicial saddles were filled by Robert Sibley of Haverhill, Mass; Sidney Low of Wilbraham, Mass; Dr. Peter Debye of Sudbury, Mass; and A. Marshall Helmrath of Summit, New Jersey.

The judges dinner was held on Saturday evening at the Wayfarer Motel Inn and was attended by over 40 guests. Each judge was presented with a lovely leather travelling bar with compliments and thank you's from the Vizsla Club of New Hampshire.

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more REPORTING FROM THE EAST

At the Mayflower German Shorthaired Pointer Club's Fall AKC Field Trial, held in Pepperill, Mass. on October 16-17, our VIZSLAS scored again! Pointing up the fact that the Vizsla can run, place and win with the best of the GSHPs ...

In the Open Puppy, with only 5 of the 17 starters Vizslas, "Pirolin", owned by Carlo Zezza and handled by Bela Hadik took the first place; "Zsuzska's Kis Viraq," owned and handled by Tim Smith came in 3rd. The Open Derby was topped by a Vizsla, "Futaki Jocko," going over 17 GSP and another Vizsla. Jocko is owned by Robert Perry and handled by C. Smith. The biggest win of the day went to "Piri", owned and handled by Bela Hadik, for a 3 point win in the Amateur Gun Dog Stake. "Futaki Juliska" also placed 4th in the Open All Age stake with all the other entries field trial champions.

A fine showing for these "new" hunters!

ONE PICTURE WORTH 1000 WORDS.....

"DINNER IS SERVED" says this fine Vizsla after his first hunting trip. He presented his owners each with a limit of ruffed grouse taken at Benzonia, Michigan. The name of the dog and owner was not included, but the picture was sent by Frank Engstrom, Greyeagle, Minnesota.

VIZSLA CLUB OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY
by Joe Cunningham

The first attempt at a field trial in this area, October 16, 1965 was a great success. The trial was held under the most beautiful weather conditions and 24 dogs turned out for our judges, Jasper Briggs of Circleville and Jack Evans of New Jersey. The trial was held at a wonderful Preserve, Brae-Burn, in Circleville, N. Y.

PUPPY STAKE
1 Aprod Hubertus, Denes Burjan
2 Gold Star's Pride , Anton Tinnesz
3 Gold Star's Valdar, Anton Tinnesz
4 Rudi ex-Selle, Al Mentes

DERBY STAKE
1 Ajay's Delight, Anthony D'Angelo
2 Zsuzsi v Rozda, W & R Anderson
3 Rusty , R. Damiano
4 Aprod Hubertus, Denes Burjan

AMATEUR STAKE
1 Ch. Rok of Rozda, W & R Anderson
2 Rex of Round Valley, W & R Anderson
3 Puerco Pete Baret, Joe Cunningham
4 Ch. Glen Cottage Max Selle, Strauz & Cunningham

No placement was made in the Open All-Age, although the judges felt that both of the dogs that ran did some nice birdwork, they did not perform as a true all-age dog at this time.

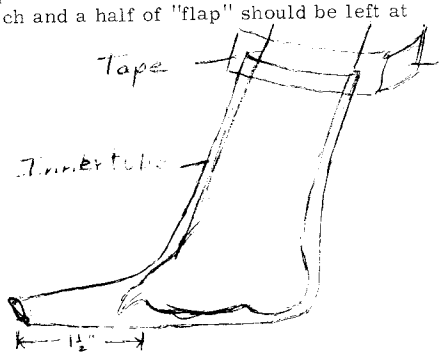
Both judges were suitably impressed with the Vizslas and the way they worked. Our puppies ran like the wind and covered the ground with great vigor. Many people were impressed with the work of the so-called "show dogs" in the field, proving again that our golden friends are equally at home in the bird field as well as in the show ring.

LATEST FASHION IN SHOES....

by Len Hartl

If you live in sand or grass burr country like I do, your Vizsla might appreciate the latest thing in "hunting shoes".

Using a regular sized bicycle innertube, cut sections of from 4" to 6" in length (depending on the size of the dog). Slip them over the dogs feet as shown in the drawing; then using regular tape, attach to the legs below the joint -- leaving the ends open so sand or stones can drop out. At least an inch and a half of "flap" should be left at the front.



Some hunters are even getting so fancy as to put a tire patch on the bottom of them so they will last longer.

This is a cheap and excellent solution to an age old problem.

TOPS A PUPPY MATCH

Steimar Cselszi v Hunt, five months old bitch owned by Lt. Col Bob Olsen of Wilmington, North Carolina, went Best Puppy at the annual Fall Fun Match sponsered by the Hannover Kennel Club on October 10th. "Shack" Schackleford of Fayetteville, N. C. judged the event. This was Czelezi's first ring experience.

A Match, while not sanctioned, is an important part of the show picture, bringing out and giving experience to promising puppies and novice adult dogs (and people). While this is not the first Vizsla to top a match (this was in California in 1963) it is the first Vizsla puppy to top the Puppy Age at a Match that has been reported. Czelszi (Ch. Csicskas of Goncoltanya - Elsa v Hunt) bred by Joan Hunt, Tennessee, owned and handled by Bob Olsen, North Carolina.

VIZSLA CLUB OF OHIO
FALL FUN FIELD TRIAL - September 26, 1965
Cherrybend Pheasant Farm
Wilmington, Ohio

The weather was clear and pleasant with a heavy early morning dew, and the cover was quite heavy. Holly and Mary Hollister own and operate the hunting preserve that contains 368 acres with a variety of cover. This was their first time to host a field trial. They furnished the birds, horses, bird planters, a gunner, marshals, pony carts, breakfast, refreshments, snacks, and one-half pheasant barbecued with all the trimmings for $1.50.

Because of the dense cover it was difficult for the dogs to put the pheasants to flight, but there was no shortage of birds on the backcourse. This was good experience for dogs and handlers to run in a trial with so many birds on the course.

There were several Vizsla owners that entered for the first time at this trial.

Riding the judges saddles were Ted Stiefel, Jackson Center, Ohio, and Jack Meredith, Kettering, Ohio. They performed a commendable job for the club under very difficult conditions and were helpful to the novice. This was their first opportunity to judge the Vizsla.

OPEN PUPPY (8 Vizslas, 1 GSP)
1. Flick Pheasant Wood (M) Vizsla
   O/H Patrick Walsh, Chardon
2. Rusty Royal Ruler (M) Vizsla
   O/H Kenneth Zack, S. Euclid
3. Rustic-Fun-Galore (M) Vizsla
   O/H Al Sulesky, Cleveland

OPEN DERBY (4 Vizslas, 1 Brittany)
1. Behi's Csinos Csiny (F) Vizsla
   O/H Bernard C. Boggs, Springfield
3. Pumpkin-Fun-Galore (M) Vizsla
   O/H Al Sulesky, Cleveland
4. Szekeres' Kelet Szel (M) Vizsla
   O/H Hilda Boggs, Springfield

AMATEUR SHOOTING DOG (5 Vizslas, 1 Pointer)
2. Csinos v Hunt (F) Vizsla
   O/H Paul Rothan, Cincinnati
3. Shayo-Fun-Galore (M) Vizsla
   O/H Al Sulesky, Cleveland
4. Yoreflow Senoj Jinxe(F) Vizsla
   O/H John Virag, New Lebanon

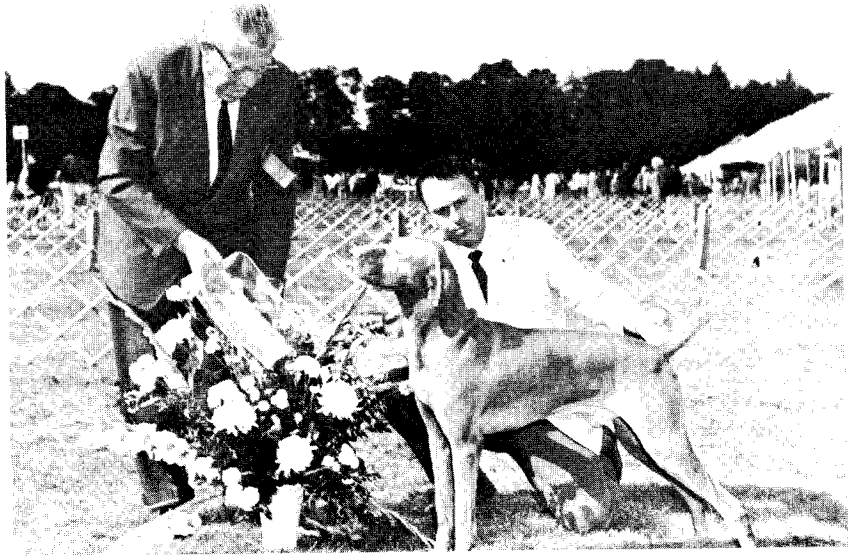
OPEN GUN DOG (2 Vizslas, 4 GSP)
4. Pumpkin-Fun-Galore (M) Vizsla
   O/H Bill Sulesky, Cleveland

CHILDREN'S TRAINING STAKE (4 Vizslas, 1 Setter, 1 GSP)
1. Lady Vizsta, C.D. (F) Vizsla
   /H Diana Boggs, Springfield
3. Csinos v Hunt (F) Vizsla
   /H Mark Rothan, Cincinnati
4. Kisanya' (F) Vizsla
   /H Robbie Goetz, Covington, Ky.

The Children's Stake was run to interest more of the family in field trialing. While this was primarily an experiment, it proved interesting and enjoyable, and will be a regular addition to our future trials. Some of these kids looked like seasoned veterans and they were serious in their work.

Bernard C. Boggs,
President

VIZSLA SPECIALTY BEST OF BREED "GYPSY'S BRONZE BOMBER"



Winning Vizsla at the Chagrin Valley Kennel Club Show, August 29th, pictured here with judge Kenneth McDonald, of California, handled by Jack Funk, of Chicago. Since this was taken, "Trigger" as he is affectionately known by his owner, Mrs. Harriet Anderson also of Chicago, reports that he has become a show Champion, and went Best of Breed at Far Hills, New Jersey, Westchester, New York, Queensboro, Kentucky, Skokie Valley Northbrook, Illinois, and on October 24, 1965, he took FIRST PLACE IN THE SPORTING GROUP, at Kokomo, Indiana!

"At first, Trigger did not like to have strange people handle him at shows," Mrs. Anderson confided... "so, every night after work, I would take him for a long walk, to every shopping center and filling station within walking distance, and 'set him up' and let everyone pet him and talk to him. He finally got so he liked it, and pranced along happily." Winning dogs in the show ring take training just as winning dogs in field or obedience -- and joy is the reward in all cases!

SEND A CHRISTMAS GREETING ....

VIA The Vizsla News

Glossy prints, (black and white, please), and greetings from people to people accepted -- no x-rays needed.

With the printing of the December issue, The Vizsla News will have marked a record 12 issue in 12 months. Let's celebrate!

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The Vizsla News has increased its "staff" to include two assistant editors, who will aid in the work load and assist in the contents and management of this publication. Pat (Mrs. John) Carter, of Manchester, N.H. and Sharon (Mrs. Lewis) Simons, of Antioch, Illinois, have consented to help.

The first order of business will be the job of readying the copy for the Vizsla pamphlets on Field, Show, and Fun, awaited by the membership (compiled from back issues).

An objective "Process Paper" has been prepared pertaining to the content, printing, and mailing of the Vizsla News. With Pat's and Sharon's help, I hope that your V. News will become a "class" publication worth to represent the Vizsla.

The report of the National Field Trial was made in association with the four judges, B. Clif Boggs, and Dick Reinhardt.

ADVERTISING in the pages of The Vizsla News for 1966 is now being processed through the Breeder's Approval Committee, 801 North 1st Street, Garden City, Kansas. Contact them directly for forms and details. Thank you.

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