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HAANS V SELLE
February 25, 1962 to July 25, 1969

ON THE COVER

Here at Windsweep we love all of our dogs, but none had worked his way so completely into our hearts as HAANS V SELLE. Haans "gave" in every way he knew how. He was a top hunter and was a good field trial dog. Had he had a better trainer as a young dog, he would have been a great field trial dog. Haans accumulated a total of 27 AKC field trial points, but never won that elusive major stake for his F. T. Championship. Six times he was 2nd in these stakes.

He was a good sire with offspring finishing both their field championships and bench championships. His pups have had a total of 15 placements in VCOA National Puppy and Derby Stakes.

Haans was shown on the bench three times and placed three times. He was judged Best In Match in the second VCOA "B" match - 1963, and placed 4th (Open Dogs) in the first VCOA licensed Specialty - 1965.

He will be missed for many hunting seasons to come.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

A note of thanks to Mrs. Hilda Boggs and Shirley Rothan for the great job they both did on the Specialty Show at Chagrin Falls in August.

In addition to being chairman of the Specialty Show the last two years Hilda Boggs can claim all the honors for nursing our first Futurity into being and seeing that it came off in a grand fashion!!

Our 1970 National Specialty is to be held in Central U. S. A. with Mr. Peter Wonser its chairman. Hopefully more information will be released immediately after the Board meeting in October at Bong Recreation Area.

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SPECIALTY

A full report of the VCOA Specialty Show and Bench Futurity has not yet been received. Both were held at Chagrin Valley Kennel Club, Ohio, on August 24. Best of Breed honors went to Timarka's Tsindee of Amber, owned by Peter O. Wonser, Neenah, Wisconsin. Bred by Tony Lucas, the winner was sired by Field Champion Jodi of Czuki Barat out of Ch. Brooks Amber Mist.

Best of Opposite Sex went to Ch. Szekeres Kelet Szel, owned by Bernard C. and Hilda R. Boggs. He was sired by Ch. Hunor out of Ch. Szekeres Kezdet and bred by John and Pricilla Carter.

The winner of the first VCOA Bench Futurity was Magyar's Lady Patricia, owned by John C. Blair. Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity was Oury's Alfi Staraza, owned by Harvey and Carolyn Oury, Ohio.

Below is a list of class winners, sent by the two showmen from Muscatine, Harold Wingerter and Allan Hahn:

VCOA Board Meeting

Wing and Finn Club

2:00 P. M. October 10

Antioch, Illinois

VISZLAS. Puppy, Dogs

1 425 Al Sulesky. **Peter Fun Galore.** SL311295. Feb. 1, 1969. Breeder, Owner. By Fld. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo—Lady-Fun-Galore.

2 426 Ben L. Kresnye. **Lobo Genghis Khan.** SA632299. Feb. 1, 1969. Breeder, Al Sulesky. By Fld. Ch. Weedy Creek LoBo—Lady Fun Galore.

VISZLAS. Bred by Exhibitor, Dogs

2 427 Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. **Magyar's Aranjos Vadasz.** SA584581. May 16, 1968. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Count Jonish Mignotte—Ch. Aranjos Virag v Magyar.

1 428 Willard E. Sherman. **Bundle's Red Dude.** SA635040. July 1, 1968. Breeder, Owner. By Jodo Red—Ripp Barat's Bunde.

VISZLAS. American-bred, Dogs

1 430 Elmer J. and Margaret J. Thomasko. **Cigany Csillag, CD.** SA478936. July 16, 1966. Breeder, Dr. I. S. Osborn. By Osborn's Norstar—Lady Rakk.

431 Samme Allada Cuthbertson. **Ridgeland's Red Baron.** SA535110. May 19, 1967. Breeder, Gerald Pittro. By Rozsdas Antal—Pittro's Smart Girl.

432 Jerome R. and Sharon L. Cleary. **Ozbak** SA549674. Sept. 13, 1967. Breeder, Bernard C. and Hilda Boggs. By Futaki Hont—Behi Heves Hanos.

4 433 Irene M. Landefeld. (Winn Suck, handler). **Kacagas Selle of Laurel Ridge.** SA562570. Nov. 23, 1967. Breeder, William J. Watts. By Miklos Sandor Selle—Vig Ozavegy Selle.

434 Susan L. Williams. **Sajat Barat of Laurel Ridge.** SA566768. Jan. 6, 1967. Breeder, Irene M. Landefeld. By Ripp Barat—Tanya Mojave.

3 435 Marion and Rodger Coffman. **Glen Cottage Talisman.** SA621477. Nov. 16, 1966. Breeder, John Strauz and Jos. Cunningham. By Ch. Puerco Pete Barat—Ch. Glen Cottage Diva.

2 436 Harvey M. and Carolyn R. Oury. (Carl W. Amweg, handler). **Oury's Afi Staraza.** SA649329. Nov. 25, 1968. Breeder, Jerry and Sharon Cleary. By Ch. Rohan's Betyar Gaza—Fawn.

WO 1 **VISZLAS Open, Dogs**

(430) Elmer J. and Margaret J. Thomasko. **Cigany Csillag, CD.**

RO 2 438 Harold R. Wingerter. (Carl W. Amweg, handler). **Fld. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo.** SA296067. Oct. 3, 1964. Breeder, Jane Graff. By Weedy Creek Skol—Weedy Creek Merya.

439 Allan D. Kleinschmidt. (Wally Larson, handler). **Rino Gad Ga'a** SA427740. Oct. 14, 1966. Breeder, Al Sulesky. By Shayo Fun Galore—Gemma Fun Galore.

ab. 440 Joan M. Smith. **Glen Cottage Adam.** SA504738. July 11, 1967. Breeder, John X. Strauz and Jos. F. Cunningham. By Ch. Puerco Pete Barat—Ch. Glen Cottage Diva.

441 Leon M. and Frances Thompson. **Sirius of Triple Raven.** SA531447. July 17, 1967. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Holloways Red Victor—Ch. Fenyes Leany.

3 443 Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar. **Magyar's Paprika.** SA578585. Dec. 8, 1967. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Wilson's Pal Joey—Princess of Carlstadt.

444 Bernard C. and Hilda Boggs. **Behi Csintalan.** SA596945. Sept. 13, 1967. Breeder, Owner. By Futaki Hont—Behi Heves Hanos.

4 445 Elmer R. Heisel and Marianne Borsag. **Ficko.** SA633752. Nov. 25, 1968. Breeder, Sharon L. and Jerome R. Cleary. By Ch. Rothan's Betzar Gaza—Fawn.

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VISZLAS. Puppy, Bitches

2 446 Mr. and Mrs. James R. Pemberton. **Rozsam Gyorgyi.** SL309194. Dec. 21, 1968. Breeder, George Donges. By Pems Ezust Harczmen, CD—Zenzie.

RB 1 447 Dr. John Arthur Williams. (Harley E. Plummer, handler). **Williams' Kapraztato Tanczos.** SA629752. Nov. 25, 1968. Breeder, Sharon L and Jerome R. Cleary. By Ch. Rothan's Betyar Gaza—Fawn.

3 449 Dr. Cecil E. Allf. **Cyquet Tasha.** SA631734. Nov. 25, 1968. Breeder, Jerome Cleary. Betyar Gaza—Fawn.

4 450 John X. Strauz and Jos. F. Cunningham. **Glen Cottage Alena Diva.** SA634578. Nov. 16, 1968. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Puerco Pete Barat—Ch. Glen Cottage Diva.

ab 451 C. Malcolm Cox, Jr. and Nancy Cox. **Cox's Miss Cinnamon.** SA650911. Nov. 25, 1968. Breeder, Jerome and Sharon Cleary. By Ch. Rothan's Betyar Gaza—Fawn.

452 Al Sulecky. **Tinka Fun Galore.** SA674435. Feb. 1, 1969. Breeder, Owner. By Fld. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo—Lady Fun Galore.

VIZSLAS. Bred by Exhibitor, Bitches

4 453 Anthony J. Lucas. **Brook's Banchi.** SA571377. Feb. 28, 1968. Breeder ,Owner. By Fld. Ch. Jodi of Czuku Barat—Ch. Brook's Amber Mist.

3 454 Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. **Magyar's Aranjos Vidam.** SA584582. May 16, 1969. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Count Jonish Mignotte—Ch. Aranjos Virag v Magyar.

455 Dr. and Mrs. B. McGivern, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. S. Fischler. **Abra Maccabbee.** SA588180. Dec. 25, 1967. Breeder, Dr. and Mrs. Bernard E. McGivern, Jr. By Ch. Count Jonish Mignotte—Ch. Diane's Golden Karratz.

1 456 Martha Davis Coody. **Jumey's Chula.** SA631852. Apr. 25, 1968. Breeder, Robert J. and Martha Ann Coody. By Mantike—Ch. Sintex Jumey Vinn, CDX.

2 457 Sharon L. Cleary. **Cleary's Irish Woods Fawn.** SA657381. Nov. 25, 1968. Breeder, Jerome R. and Sharon L. Cleary. By Ch. Rothan's Betyar Gaza—Fawn.

VIZSLAS. American-bred, Bitches

2 459 Harvey M. and Carolyn R. Oury. (Carl W. Amweg, handler). **Szep Dixie Szekeres.** SA540373. Sept. 13, 1967. Breeder, Bernard C. and Hilda Boggs. By Futaki Honi—Behi Heves Hanos.

1 460 John C. Blair. **Magyar's Lady Patricia.** SA585047. May 16, 1969. Breeder, Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. By Ch. Count Jonish Mignotte—Ch. Aranjos Virag v Magyar.

3 461 Holly Jo Fisher. **Miss v Jake.** SA634269. Breeder Bill D. Fisher. By Jake Jacaranda—Miss v Claus.

BB VIZSLAS. Open, Bitches

BW/WB 462 Peter G. Wenser. **Timarka's Tsindee of Amber.** SL233795. Feb. 28, 1968. Breeder, Anthony J. Lucas. Fld. Ch. Jodi of Czuki Barat—Ch. Brooks Amber Mist.

463 Bernard C. and Diana Boggs. **Behi Heves Hanos.** SA395369. Jan. 20, 1966. Breeder, Bernard C. Boggs. By Ch. Szekeres Kelet Szel—Lady Vizsla, CD.

ab. 465 Kathryn I. Heindel. (Peggy Kepler Roush, handler). **Mica KL Lajos Kossuth.** SA404916. May 30, 1968. Breeder Janice L. Kehler. By Caesar v Halalos Gyors—Ilse v Hunt.

4 466 Dr. and Mrs. Paul L. Rothan. (Carl W. Amweg, handler). **Rothan's Rozsda Kisanya.** SA474300. Apr. 17, 1967. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Szekeres Kelet Szel—Ch. Csinos v Hunt, CD.

2 467 John C. Blair. **Magyar's Long Tall Sally.** SA526638. Nov. 13, 1967. Breeder, Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar. By Ch. Csopi v. Hunt—Ch. Magyar's Tundor Karratz.

3 468 Dr. and Mrs. Bernard E. McGivern, Jr. **Karratz' Special Edition.** SA564814. Dec. 25, 1967. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Count Jonish Mignotte—Ch. Diane's Golden Karratz.

469 Richard and Carolyn Bakotic. (Robert S. Eldreidge, handler). **Chuba of Czuki Barat.** SA584941. Nov. 24, 1967. Breeder, Richard Olsen. By Fld. Ch. Ripp Barat—Czuki of Lake Catherine.

470 R. Clayton and Martha G. Hutchins. **Hutchins' Csakitumi Hun.** SA584163. Apr 25, 1968. Breeder, Robert J. and Martha Ann Coody. By Mantike—Ch. Sintex Jumey Vinn, CDX.

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VIZSLAS. Field Dog Class

1 480 Ronald M. Dobry. **Good Upland Jet.** SA544007.May 19, 1967. Breeder, Jerry Pittro. By Roszdas Antal—Pittro's Smart Girl. Dog.

VIZSLAS. Field Bitch Class

1 484 Bernard C. and Hilda R. Boggs. **Ch. Behi's Csinos Csiny, CD.** SA265803. Feb. 12, 1964. Breeder, Robert H. Perry. By Haans v Selle—Fld. Ch. Futaki Juliska.

VIZSLAS. Best of Breed Competition

BOS 471 Bernard C. and Hilda R. Boggs. **Ch. Szekeres Kelet Szel.** SA287253. Nov. 12, 1964. Breeder, John A. and Priscilla Carter—Ch. Hunor—Ch. Szekeres' Kezdet. Dog.

472 Beth Ann Novotny. **Ch. Ridgeland's Cigany v Selle.** SA341776. Feb. 16, 1965. Breeder, J. H. Cuthbertson. By Rusty Red—Ridgeland's Olcaselle. Dog.

473 Karl A. Snyder. **Ch. Fenyes Vadasz.** SA345692. Apr. 21, 1965. Breeder, Lawrence R. Ludt. By Ch. Hunor—Ch. Zlatna Devojka v Hunt. Dog.

474 Anthony J. Lucas. **Ch. Brook's Amber Mist.** SA380301. Sept. 23, 1965. Breeder, J. H. Cuthbertson, Jr. By Ridgeland's Copper Gypsy—Ridgeland's Olca Selle. Bitch.

476 Aimee D. Whitman. **Ch. Kiraly z Rokudvar.** SA398776. Apr. 2, 1966. Breeder, Ralph W. Wilson. By Ch. Wilson's Pal Joey—Princess of Carlstadt. Dog.

477 Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. **Ch. Aranjos Virag v. Magyar.** SA410076. Apr. 2, 1966. Breeder, Ralph Wilson. By Ch. Wilson's Pal Joey—Princess of Carlstadt. Bitch.

478 Al Sulesky. **Ch. Klasik Fun Galore.** SA440942. Oct. 14, 1966. Breeder, Owner. By Shayo Fun Galore—Gemma Fun Galore. Dog.

479 Roger C. Paluska. **Ch. Old Weird Harold.** SA499695. June 26, 1967. Breeder Arthur D. Hermann. By Pike of Duke—Velma. Bitch. Dog.

(480) Ronald M. Dobry. **Good Upland Jet.** Dog.

482 Dr. and Mrs. Bernard B. McGivern, Jr. **Ch. Karratz' Amber Edition.** SA564843. Dec. 25, 1967. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Count Jordan Mignette—Ch. Diane's Golden Karratz. Bitch.

483 Joan E. Perry. Char-Mi Kennels (Handler). **Kocka Cukor of Windsor Forest.** SA [illegible] Apr. [illegible], 1968. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Szekeres Sarga Rigo—Golden Mimi of Windsor Forest. Bitch.

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VIZSLAS. Brood Bitch Class

2 (463) Bernard C. and Diana Boggs. **Behi Heves Hanos.**

1 (474) Anthony J. Lucas. **Ch. Brook's Amber Mist.**

3 (477) Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. **Ch. Aranjos Virag v Magyar.**

VIZSLAS. Futurity, Dogs, 6 mos. and under 24 mos.

3 (427) Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. **Magyar's Aranjos Vadasz.**

2 (428) Willard E. Sherman. **Bundle's Red Dude.**

1 (436) Harvey M. and Carolyn R. Oury. **Oury's Alfi Staraza.**

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VIZSLAS. Futurity, Bitches, 6 mos. and under 24 mos.

2 (449) Dr. Cecil E. Alff. **Cyquet Tacha.**

wd (451) C. Malcom Cox Jr. and Nancy Cox. **Cox's Miss Cinnamon.**

4 (454) Louis J. and Margaret A. Magyar and Ralph Wilson. **Magyar's Aranjos Vidam.**

3 (457) Sharon L. Cleary. **Cleary's Irish Woods Fawn.**

1 (460) John C. Blair. **Magyar's Lady Patricia.**

(461) Holly Jo Fisher. **Miss v Jake.**

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Best in Futurity 460

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VIZSLA CLUB of AMERICA

FIELD TRIAL

Enclosed with this issue of the News there should be a premium list and entry form for the VCOA fall field trial which will be held October 11 and 12, 1969, at Bong Recreation Area, Kansasville, Wisconsin. The first VCOA Field Futurity will be held on Sunday, October 12, beginning at 7:00 A. M.

The Bong grounds have a large oil and gravel parking lot which would accommodate cars, horse trilers and campers. Tent campers will have to set up in one of the camping areas nearby. There are ponds for watering dogs and horses and there is a nice corral handy to the parking lot and cast offs. Restrooms have been installed at many of the picnic and camp grounds and a new well was dug on the field trial grounds.

Horses

Horses will be available by reservations made before October 1. Prices are not yet available.

Trophy Fund

Donations are being solicited for the trophy fund. Rates for advertising will be the same as for the News. Also included will be a list of boosters, people who wish to support the trial without placing a specific ad. Please send money and orders to Kathy Hartl, Box 758, Durant, Iowa 52747.

Bong Recreation Area is located at the intersection of Routes 43 and 75 in southeast Wisconsin. Signs will assist people in finding the right area.

Motels

Following is a list of motels in the area, all of which request that only well-mannered dogs be taken into the rooms:

Bong Motel, Routes 45 & 43; Route 2, Box 33A, Union Grove, Wisconsin 53182; phone 414 - 878 - 1245. 10 units. Rates: $7.00 single; $10.00 double; $12.00 triple.

Herb's Motel, Route 45, 2 miles south of Route 43; Bristol, Wisconsin 53104; phone 414 - 857 - 2396. 12 units. Rates: $6.50 single; $9.00 double; $10.00 triple; $13.00 four.

State-Line Motel, Route 83, Illinois-Wisconsin State Line Route 4; Box 328, Antioch, Illinois 60002; phone 414-396-9561. Rates: $9.00 double; $10.00 triple.

Midlakes Motel, Route 173, 1 mile west of Route 83; Antioch, Illinois 60002; phone 312- 395 - 1527. 10 units. Rates: $9.00 double; $11.00 triple.

Mars Castle Motel, Routes I-94 and 43, Kenosha, Wisconsin 53140; phone 414-859-2221. 21 units. Rates: varied.

La Rayne Bo Motel, Routes I-94 and 43, Route 3 Box 317A, Kenosha, Wisconsin 53140; phone 414-859-9583. 10 units. Rates: varied.

Esmond Motel, Route 45, 2 miles north of Route 43, Route 2, Box 12, Union Grove Wisconsin 53182. 6 units. Rates: $9.00 double; $10.00 triple.

Janssen's Motel, Route 83, 4 miles north of Antioch, Salem, Wisconsin 53168; phone 414-843-2336. 5 units. Rates: $9.00 double; $11.00 triple.

High Country's Natasha, owned by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Worthington, was awarded Best Adult at the " A " Match Show of the Vizsla Club of Northern New Jersey held August 17th at the grounds of the Burjan Vizsla Kennel, Neshanic Station, New Jersey. Best Puppy honors went to Tigris Aprod, owned by Mrs. C. A. Beling. The judge was Mr. Joe Dainty.

Although hampered by a lack of eligible puppies at this time, a surprisingly large turnout of older dogs helped assure a successful day.

The day was hot and humid, and alive with bees and bugs; but these annoyances failed to dampen the enthusiasm of the large number in attendance.

Mrs. Jean McCabe again took on the duties of Show Chairman, assuring a minimum of problems. Assisting were Steve Wyssling, Joyce Burjan, Al and Marge Mentes, Doc and Gen Wolfe, Anton and Ginny Tinnesz and Mr. & Mrs. Lew Bates.

Following are the results:

PUPPIES, 6-9 months. Bitches.
1. Holly, Anthony Pavascando

PUPPIES, 9-12 months. Males.
1. Tigris Aprod, Mrs. C. A. Beling

PUPPIES, 9-12 months. Bitches.
1. Jobi's Gremlin Tina, Mrs. Joan Worthington
2. High Country's Buffy, Barbara & Fred Roth

AMERICAN BRED DOGS
1. Sir Lancelot, Wm. Goodman
2. Gold Star's Doktor, Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Tinnesz
3. Nimrod Laszlo, Al Norbe

AMERICAN BRED BITCHES
1. Olca Barat Gunner's Mate, Dr. & Mrs. Maynard Wolfe
2. Rozsda's Amber Wendi, Ray Riley
3. ZsaZsa, Thomas Hilberth
4. Iluska, Denes Burjan

OPEN DOGS
1. Count Duna, Joe Urso
2. Thunderbolt of Great Notch, Ray Damiano
3. Rusty, Robert McCray
4. Aprod, Jr. Bob Fedele

OPEN BITCHES
1. High Country's Natasha, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Worthington
2. Miss Gay-Jo, Joe Urso
3. Liz, Edwin Barry Jr.
4. Twiggie, Leon Kasper

BEST ADULT - High Country's Natasha

BEST PUPPY - Tigris Aprod

WATER TRIAL

The GWP Club of America held an AKC sanctioned water trial August 3 at the Thunderbird Hunt Club in McHenry, Illinois. Only two Vizslas were entered, both in the open gun dog stake. In a field of 15 starters, Pittro's Smart Girl placed 2nd and Ch. Brook's Amber Mist placed 4th. This shows the versatility of the Vizsla.

DUAL CHAMPION

F. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo finished his bench championship, pending AKC approval, to become the only living AKC Dual Champion Vizsla. He finished his field championship at the 1968 VCOA fall field trial and has been campaigned on the bench this summer. He is owned by Harold Winerter, Muscatine, Iowa. (More next issue)

The following dogs, being over 30 months of age, have permanent approval:

Trincal of Distelfink, Carl H. Gawenus, Box 377, North Norwich, New York
Jan of Misty Hills, Carl H. Gawenus, Box 377, North Norwich, New York
Wilsons's Most Happy Fella, C. M. Smith, Jr., R. R. #1, Box 18, Chester, N. H.
Brahms Golden Exodus, DeVerne W. Taylor, Spokane, Washington
George of Windsweep, J. W. O'Boyle, Dallas, Texas
Ch Miss Nessi, Jim & Carolyn Arbaugh, Waukee, Iowa
Heidi Von Chappel, Robert L. Miller, Pebble Beach, California

The following dogs, being under 30 months of age, are approved as shown:

Zsuzsi of Ditelfink, (3-31-70), Carl H. Gawenus, Box 377, North Norwich, N. Y.
Distelfink's First Raitt, (5-27-70), Carl H. Gawenus, Box 377, North Norwich, N. Y.
Distelfink's Weedycreek, (5-27-70), Carl H. Gawenus, Box 377, North Norwich New York
Tisza Z Debreceny, (2-16-69), Ladislaus Sorokowski, 2732 Doverton Sq., Mountain View, California
Juliana's Aranya, (2-25-70), Julie Fischback, 308 Beach St., Anaheim, California
Peanut of Windsweep, (6-18-70), A. F. Lawrence, Scottsbluff, Nebraska
Honey of Holzworth Farm, (4-8-70), Dr. Paul Holzworth, Des Moines, Iowa
Mr. Sam, (7-2-70), James Brooke, Bettendorf, Iowa
Dipana Ara, (2-2?-69), Mrs. C. A. Beling, Essex Fells, New Jersey
Rusty Aru Bellyan, (1-23-69), Mrs. C. A. Beling, Essex Fells, New Jersey
Nadervarnas Nord, (6-13-70), Denes Burjan, Three Bridges, New Jersey

reprinted from the American Brittany:

TRIAL *Tactics*

Nowhere is there a book on "How to judge a field trial," though interest is great in this subject. A group of judges were contacted some years ago and gave their opinions on various points of judging. This was printed in a booklet, most recently made available by the Gaines Company, but now out of print we understand.

Perhaps neophytes at the field trial game and those who aspire to judge would be interested in the how and why of the judge's decisions. The following opinions are based on a survey made by the American Brittany some years ago, the writer's experiences in over 20 years of trialing and judging, and verbal opinions given by several qualified judges. As in any inexact science there can be a great variance of opinion so the ideas expressed here may not be those of the next judge who judges your dog!

Most judges who are highly spoken of judge in a positive manner. This is in opposition to the judge who looks for faults to throw a dog out on—he judges in a negative manner. The positive judge will look for the good work, the class and quality, and will forgive this class dog some errors perhaps. He is looking for the dog who will benefit the breed, not the mechanical perfectionist. This is the type of judge and judging that is usually encountered in a Classic or a Championship stake.

The good judge looks at the overall picture. He does not throw out a dog for a minor infraction of a rule and place a dog who shows no initiative—who does nothing—and therefore who makes no mistakes.

Here is how a judge may consider some of the faults that a dog will show.

TRAILING—If one dog continually follows the other this is trailing. If one dog continually swings in front of the other dog and baits him to follow this is head-on trailing. Both are serious faults. At times, especially in young dog stakes the dogs will race away

shoulder to shoulder and try each other out before breaking off and each hunting his own race. If this lasts for the first cast only it can be ignored but the longer it continues the more serious the fault becomes until one does not place a dog that trails over the entire back-course.

If the trailing dog is interfering the judges may request that his handler bring him in to hand and cast him off in a different direction. If he continues to go out and chase his bracemate he may be ordered up. This is seldom done except when a dog is actually running into, shouldering or bumping his bracemate.

The judge may do nothing about it. Then the handler may request that the other dog be picked up if he wishes. However, it may be an advantage to the dog who is being trailed. He may go wider with another dog pushing him. Consider this before requesting to have a bracemate picked up. Your request may be refused if the judges think that interference is not too great. Or the judges may wish to observe further to see which dog is at fault as a clever head trailer will sometimes be hard to detect.

Trailing is seldom seen in grown dog stakes though a version of it is common where one dog continually hunts in the same general area as his bracemate—not following on his heels but keeping an eye on him to see where he is going to go next—and then working the same general territory.

A combination of dog and bitch may cause a trailing problem. In this case the judges may ask to examine the bitch for signs of being in heat—or the handler of the dog may request the bitch be examined. The opinion of the judge is final here and must be taken in good sportsmanship even though they may be very wrong.

BACKING—Failure to back is a serious fault in an All-Age Stake. Derbies should not be required to back. A dog should stop and honor his bracemate's point as soon as he sees him.

A judge should be sure that the dog sees his bracemate on point. A conscientious judge will have gotten down to dog level in many different circumstances so that he is familiar with the "dog's-eye view." If there is any uncertainty that the dog has not seen his pointing bracemate he should be given the benefit of the doubt.

It should not be necessary for a dog to back in order to win except perhaps in championship stakes. If the opportunity should present itself however, the dog should honor his bracemate's stand. A back on command is acceptable but all things being equal a natural sight back is preferred.

STOP TO FLUSH—A dog should stop at the flight of a bird. He should be given due credit for manners when this happens IF the flush is through no fault of his own. He may stop with credit on a bird that flushes downwind, one that is flushed by his bracemate or ridden up by the gallery. However, if he is working a bird and crowds it he should be penalized for bumping the bird. This is especially important in planted bird trials for planted birds stick tighter than the wild ones and a dog that bumps a planted bird is definitely getting too close, a lack of nose being suspected here or poor training.

LOCATING DOGS—The handler may ask permission to go and look for his dog at any time that he suspects the dog may be on point. The judge should show common courtesy and call the handler's attention to a dog on point. Anyone in the gallery may call attention to a dog on point if neither handler nor judge see the dog. This is courtesy that should be extended to any handler. The correct procedure is to call "The dog is stopped" or "Your dog is standing." Neither gallery or judge should say "Here is your dog pointing." It is up to the handler to determine if the dog is pointing or is stopped because birds have gone or for some other reason. The handler approaches the dog and either calls "Point" or raises his arm in the air or goes in front of the dog to try and flush. Any of these actions indicates that he is announcing that his dog is pointing. If he decides that birds have left prior to his arrival he will inform the judge "I think his birds have left and I am going to send him on."

(continued next month)

SUPPORT THE THE VCOA FIELD TRIAL BY CONTRIBUTING TO THE TROPHY FUND.

Ads will be accepted at the same rates as the Vizsla News. Miscellaneous donations will be listed as boosters.

Send money and ads to Kathy Hartl, Box 758, Durant, Iowa 52747.

Support the VCOA

The following items are available from Bill Fisher, treasurer of the VCOA:

The Vizsla in Training and Afield: The only book available which gives comprehensive advice about training a Vizsla in the field. Cost is $1.50 per copy or it is available to clubs as a money-making project at $1.00 each for 25 or more.

Pedigree and Information Flyer: A history of the Vizsla is included along with the standard, a short history of the VCOA, and space for medical and point records. The cost is $.25 each or $1.00 per dozen.

VCOA PINS AND PATCHES: The large pin is $5.00. The smaller one, which is also available as a tie tack, is $2.00. The VCOA patch is also $2.00.

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