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FIELD TRIAL

by Kathy Hartl

The week-end of October 24 and 25, 1970 found a very congenial group of people attending the fall field trial of the Vizsla Club of America at the Branched Oaks Field Trial Area near Raymond, Nebraska. This month's cover shows the signatures of most of the group. The week-end was crowned by the Limited All-Age win of Ch. Brooks Amber Mist, the same bitch that won the Specialty in May. Congratulations to owners Tony and Ann Lucas of Westmont, Ill.

Amber's daughter, Amber's Windy Autumn, impressed the judges in the Open Gun Dog stake and finished with the blue ribbon. She is owned by Phil and Dorothy Rosenberg, also form Illinois.

The Amateur Gun Dog was won by Ch. Nik V. Romarlin, owned by Ron and Bobbie Holmes of Davenport, Iowa. He showed early promise by winning the Puppy stake at the VCOA fall trial in 1967 and put everything together this time to give the judges what they liked.

The Puppy and Derby stakes were both won by the same dog, Dudley, owned by Harold Wingerter, Muscatine, Iowa, and handled by Hank Rozanek. Hank also handled and owned the last dog to win both of these stakes at the same VCOA trial in 1964, Dudley's grandmother, F. Ch. Weedy Creek Dutches.

The four dogs placed in the Derby were also the four dogs that placed in the Futurity run on Friday under different judges, which speaks well for the quality of the dogs. Winner of the 1970 Field Futurity was Lobo's Lucky Lad, owned by Jack Bodin, Illinois.

Field trial chairman Bill Fisher (as F. T. chairman as well as VCOA President, Bill was definitely THE BOSS!), F. T. Secretary Betty Rozanek and their committee are to be congratulated on the smooth running of the trial. Other members of the committee were Bob Ekeler, Dick Reinhardt, Sylvester Armstead, Bud Graff, and Kathy Hartl.

Above is a group of people near the birdfield for one course. Hiding his face is President Bill Fisher. With dog in front is Bob Freyermuth; behind him with dog is Ron Holmes. To Bill's left are May Carpenter & Bobbi Holmes. My apologies to the others whom I can't identify.

The judging assignments were very capably handled by Jim Rose, Boulder, Colo.; Leon Sienkowski, Bellwood, Illinois; Dean Tidrich, Cedar Falls, Iowa; and Woody Ross, Waterloo, Iowa. They had to suffer only a little rain and not much sun. Saturday was cool and overcast; Sunday was over-

cast with a little rain about noon and the sun finally coming through in the afternoon.

Especially welcome guests were the Wes Baslers and the Harold Brachmans from Winnipeg, Canada. May Carpenter had several people from California to introduce. The William Wallaces drove up from Texas. (I understand someone else from Texas was also there for a while, but I didn't meet them or get their names. Sorry.) Bud McGivern and William Goodman represented the East; Carl Gawanus attended the Futurity. Bud provided a highlight of sorts by getting thrown from the same horse twice. After finding out that Bud was not seriously injured, Will Sherman provided a little medicine and everyone felt a little better.

The banquets on Friday and Saturday evenings were both held at the Colonial Inn with much good food and good fellowship. Dick Reinhardt was the master of ceremonies Saturday night while Bill Fisher announced results and auctioneered a Calcutta. The judges were presented with portable bars for their week-end work.

A special presentation was made on Sunday to Kathy Hartl, who is retiring as editor of the Vizsla News. She was given a life membership in the VCOA.

The weather was not good for pictures until later on Sunday when many people had left. Following are the judges comments on the placed dogs, with available pictures.

OPEN LIMITED ALL-AGE--Judges Ross and Tidrich; 13 entries.

We were sorry not to have had four placements, but we had four touchy situations that threw out the other possibilities.

1. CH. BROOK'S AMBER MIST -(Ridgeland's copper Gypsy--Ridgeland's Olca Selle) B/J.H. Cuthbertson, O/H Tony Lucas
   Amber went to the objectives and hunted with a lot of freedon. She was completely trusted, without being hacked once. Some things happed with her bracemate that should never happen to a dog. A covey of quail on the backcourse she handled beautifully. She also found a couple of pheasants and then went on to demonstrate the style on the callback that she had all the way through the brace.

On the left is Tony Lucas with Ch. Brook's Amber Mist, first place in the Open Limited All-Age. On the right, Harold Wingerter with D. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo, second.

2. DUAL CH. WEEDY CREEK LOBO--(Weedy Creek Skol--Weedy Creek Merya) B/Jane Graff, O/Harold Wingerter, H/Hank Rozanek.
   Lobo ran a hard-driving course but lacked the luster that Amber had. He worked a pheasant and quail on the backcourse before finding a wild hen pheasant that had to be relocated. He pinned it and handled it well. He also had one nonproductive.

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OPEN GUN DOG - Judges Rose and Sienkowski; 25 entries.

1. AMBER'S WINDY AUTUMN - (F. Ch. Jodi of Czuki Barat - Ch. Brook's Amber Mist) B/Tony Lucas, O/H Phil Rosenberg.
Windy ran a good, wide-ranging gun dog course, hitting the cover real well in a satisfactory pattern. She had one nice backcourse find, a quail that landed about 10 yards from her, which she then handled well. Her two birdfield finds were handled well under difficult conditions. She was real high on point, exhibiting more style than any of the other dogs. The callback for a back she handled under difficult circumstances.

2. DUAL CH. BOBO BUCK SELLE - (D. Ch. Futaki Darocz - Konya V Selle) B/Dick Reinhardt, O/H Sylvester Armstead.
The backcourse was about the same as the first place dog; the difference was that he looked for directions more. He had a pretty backcourse find, handled well. He also had one birdfield find and two of the best backs seen all day.

Phil Rosenberg with Amber's Windy Autumn, first place in the Open Gun Dog.

D. Ch. Bobo Buck Selle, second in Open Gun Dog, third in Amateur Gun Dog.

3. CHUBA OF CZUKI BARAT (F. Ch. Ripp Barat - Czuki of Lake Catherine) B/Richard Olsen, O/H Richard Bakotic
This dog began the backcourse very slow but opened up well on the second half. He had three birdfield finds, with good style on point. He had one unproductive and a command back without the style of the first and second place dogs.

4. REDSTONE'S REVENGE - (D. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo - Ridgelands Iska Selle) B/Richard Gengler, O/Robert Freyermuth, H/Mel Uhlenhopp.
Rocky was a mechanical dog on the backcourse. He had one backcourse find with good manners and two birdfield finds. This dog just turned two years old and will be hard to beat in another year when he gains a little confidence.

OTHER COMMENTS - Ch. Miss Nessi ran the best backcourse with the classiest performance seen all day until she got into trouble. There were several others who also did very well in the backcourse but lacked manners on birds. All of the dogs run were very good gun dogs.

On the left is Richard Bakotic with Chuba of Czuki Barat, third in the Open Gun Dog, fourth in the Amateur Gun Dog. On the right is Bob Freyermuth with Redstone's Revenge, fourth in the Open Gun Dog.

Ron Holmes with Ch. Nik V. Romarlin, first place in Amateur Gun Dog, left. Right, Tom Pratt with F. Ch. Bullet V Selle.

AMATEUR GUN DOG - Judges Tidrich and Ross; 14 entries

1. CH. NIK V ROMARLIN - (Ferro V Hunt-Honey Toots) B/Len Hartl, O/H Ronald Holmes.
Nik ran a good gun dog race, never too wide or short, always in the right place at the right time. He hit objectives with zeal and didn't avoid any because of heavy cover. This honest gun dog had two pieces of bird work with fine style.

2. F. CH. BULLET V SELLE - (Lehs Duke Selle-Nickla) O/H Tom Pratt
Bullet ran his usual hard - driving course, but his class and style were just under first place, with a couple minor faults. He covered the ground with the wisdom of an old field trial dog and had one bird which he handled respectably.

3. D. CH. BOBO BUCK SELLE - (Given, second place, Open Gun Dog)
His backcourse was comparable with the second place dog - he worked hard, hit birdy spots - but he lacked the coverage of the first and second place dogs.

4. CHUBA OF CZUKI BARAT - (Given, third place, Open Gun Dog)
The backcourse race was a little bigger than some, covering the ground well and hitting good spots. Two birds were handled in good gun dog fashion.

OPEN DERBY - Judges Tidrich and Ross; 10 entries.

(I was unable to take a picture of the derby/futurity winners, but there were several taken which Carole may be able to publish later.)

1. DUDLEY - (D. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo-Luckie Dutches Selle) B/Bill Fisher; O/Harold Wingerter, H/Hank Rozanek.
He had four birds with nice style and staunch points. He responded to his handler's commands and finished stronger than

he started. He hit all the objectives and covered the ground well. He seemed to put everything together to get a completely classy win.

2. LOBO'S LUCKY LAD - (D. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo - Czuki's Lucky Barat) B/Richard Olsen, O/H Jack Bodin.
This dog made nice big casts showing good all-age potential. He was more consistent than the third place dog. He found a couple of birds, handled in nice derby style. He responded well to his handler.

3. LUCKY LOBO'S RELENTLESS - (D. Ch. Weedy Creek Lobo - Czuki's Lucky Barat) B/Richard Olsen, O/H Richard Bakotic.

The races of the second and third place dogs were comparable, but Relentless died a little in the middle. She found two birds, one with a nice relocate in finished dog fashion.

4. BUZZ BUCZ OF WEEDY CREEK - (F. Ch. Jacke Jacaranda - F. Ch. Weedy Creek Dutches) B/Hank Rozanek, O/H James Bush.
He had two nice finds, plus another after time was called before his handler could catch him. He was a very busy dog, not quite as wide as others.

COMMENTS - This was a real class derby stake, with six dogs that could have won in any trial on a given day. We were very pleased with the amount of birdwork from these derby dogs. All of them put run together with bird work. Only one had a good backcourse but went birdless, It was a class stake all the way.

OPEN PUPPY - Judges Rose and Sienkowski; 10 entries.

1. DUDLEY (Given, First place Derby
He started slow, but after about one-third, he began to open up with a quail find; after another quail about halfway, he really began to roll. He also had one nice Pheasant find.

2. RIPPI OF WEBSTER WOODLANDS - (F. Ch. Jodi of Czuki Barat - Ch. Brooks Amber Mist) B/Tony Lucas, O/H Ken Crago

3. ARRAS MR. JAKE - (F. Ch. Chip Odysseus - Ch. Miss Nessi.) b/O/H James and Crolyn Arrasmith.
Both the third and fourth place dogs ran close to medium gun dog backcourses. They were both hard - driving dogs with a poor pattern.

4. ARRAS MISS TASHA - (F. Ch. Chip Odysseus - Miss Nessi) B/O/H James and Carolyn Arrasmith.

COMMENTS - This was a disappointing stake possibly due to the age of the puppies. Most of them will still be running in puppy next spring.

Judges Tidrich and Ross commented that they have watched Vizslas for many years and like the improvement they see. They hope Vizsla owners keep breeding for good dual dogs.

OPEN PUPPY WINNERS - 1st - Dudley, Harold Wingerter; 2nd - Rippi of Webster Woodlands, Ken Crago; 3rd - Arras Mr. Jake, Jim Arrasmith; 4th - Arras Miss Tasha, Carolyn Arrasmith.

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★ From the retiring Editor:

Carole Smith will be the editor of the Vizsla News beginning with the December 1970, issue. Her appointment was approved by the Board of Directors at their fall meeting.

I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation during the last three years. I have enjoyed the many letters from people all over the country. I would also like to again than Bobbi Holmes for the help she provided during most of these three years and to publicly thank my husband, Len, for the unfailing support he has given in running errands, lending advice and encouragement, and even taking over completely a few times when the going got rough.

I hope that Carole will be given the support of the entire club as she takes over the News.

Futurity

by Tony Lucas

12 Litters nominated
80 pups born
21 dogs paid third forfeit
2 dogs paid lateness penalty
12 dogs paid final entry fee

$605.00 total monies received
$181.50 expenses
$136.12 1st place - Jack & Jane Bodin
$ 81.67 2nd place - Harold Wingerter
$ 54.45 3rd place -Richard & Carolyn Bakotic

$105.87 Breeder -1st & 3rd place, Richard Olsen
$ 45.37 Breeder - 2nd place, Bill Fisher

The futurity committee wishes to thank the Judges, Jim Rose and Lee Sienkowski, for a first-class job of judging our field futurity. We would, also, like to thank the Nebraska Vizsla Club for making all the necessary arrangements to run the trial. Following are the judges comments concerning the placed dogs:

1. LOBO'S LUCKY LAD - Lad was definitely an all-age prospect, running independently with no support from his handler. He was a good bird finder, always in front.
2. DUDLEY - He ran a big gun dog race, was the most mature dog seen all day. He began and ended hard and strong.
3. LUCKY LOBO'S RELENTLESS - This was an all-age prospect, but she checked back more than the first two. If she hadn't just been coming out of season, we felt she would have done better;she slowed down before the finish.

Honorable mention - BUZZ BUCZ OF WEEDY CREEK - He began slow, but once he got started, he really showed all-age potential.

COMMENTS- All the dogs showed good bird work, finding birds and holding staunch points.

Dual Champion Szekeres' Kis Szerto

"BRATT" is the first bitch to become a Dual Chamption in the history of the Vizsla Breed. Bratt became a show champion in July of 1968, having been shown by her owner in twelve shows. Her bench record includes a 5 point major, two 3 point majors and three Best of Breeds. She was chosen Best of Winners at every show.

"BRATT" is an outstanding field dog with 41 wins and/or placements out of a total of 45 field trials since the spring of 1967. Her AKC field wins are listed below. With the exception of her first derby win, all of Bratt's points toward her Championship were obtained in all breed competition in open stakes.

VCOA - Bllomfield, Iowa; Spring 1967; 1st Open Derby; 4 points.
Weimaraner Club of America, N. E. Region Connecticut; Fall 1967; 1st Open Derby; 3 points
I. S. Club of N. E., Falmouth Mass; Fall 1969; 1st Open Gun Dog; 4 points
Conestoga Vizsla Club, Clarksville, Maryland; Fall 1969; 1st Open all-Age; 3 pts.
I. S. Club of N. E., Westboro, Mass.; Fall 1970; 1st Open Gun Dog; 4 points.

"BRATT" is owned by Mrs. Carole Smith, Futaki Kennels, Chester, N.H. She has been handled in the field by Chauncey M. Smith Jr. Bratt was born on February 4, 1966 -- Her sire is Dual Ch. Futaki Darocz, her dam is Ch. Szekeres' Kezdet.

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PROPOSED REVISIONS of the POINTING BREED REGULATIONS for FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Board of Directors of the VCOA agreed to the following changes in the Blue Book except the water test. The changes have not yet been approved by the AKC Board but the following revisions are expected to be approved by them at their November meeting. If so, these are the rules under which Vizsla clubs will be operating, except that a Vizsla will not be required to pass a water test for a field championship.

In a November 6 letter to Len Hartl, John Brwonell, AKC vice president, advised that some changes have been made in the revisions. The German Shorthair Pointer will be added to the list of breeds which will be required to pass a water test before being recorded as Field Champions.

The only other changes were to change the word "shall" to "should" in the sentence that is being added to PROCEDURE 2-F, and to revise the wording describing the retrieving requirements in a Shoot-to-Kill Derby Stake in PROCEDURE 7-I. The revised wording will read "in a Shoot-to-Kill Stake the dog must also retrieve, but steadiness to wing and shot and a finished retrieve are not required for placement."

People who want to have a copy of "Registration and Field Trial Rules," commonly called the Blue Book, may request one copy free of charge from The American Kennel Club, 51 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010.

CHAPTER 18.

SECTION 5. (renumbered SECTION 6). Delete the wording which now appears in italics at the end of this SECTION, and substitute in italics:

FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP

At present a dog of one of the Pointing Breeds will be recorded a Field Champion after having won 10 points under the point rating schedule below in regular stakes in at least three licensed or member field trials, provided that 3 points have been won in one 3 point or better Open All-Age, Open Gun Dog, Open Limited All-Age, or Open Limited Gun Dog Stake, that no more than 2 points each have been won in Open Puppy and Open Derby Stakes, and that no more than 4 of the 10 points have been won by placing first in Amateur stakes;

EXCEPT THAT a German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner, shall not be recorded a Field Champion unless it has won at least 4 points in Shoot-to-Kill Stakes at trials held by German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla or Weimaraner clubs;

EXCEPT THAT a Brittany Spaniel shall not be recorded a Field Champion unless it has won a 3 point or better Open Gun Dog, Open All-Age, Open Limited Gun Dog, or Open Limited all-Age Stake that was open only to Brittany Spaniels;

AND EXCEPT THAT a German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner, shall not be recorded a Field Champion unless it has also been certified by two of the approved judges to have passed a Water Test at a licensed or member field trial held by a Specialty club for one of these three breeds; or, in the case of a Weimaraner, unless it has been certified by the Weimaraner Club of America to have passed an All-Age Water Test, or to have been given the rating of Retrieving Dog or Retrieving Dog Excellent.

Championship points shall be credited only to dogs placed first in regular stakes. The number of points shall be based on the actual number of eligible starters in each stake according to the following schedule:

4 to 7 Starters	1 point
8 to 12 Starters	2 points
13 to 17 Starters	3 points
18 to 24 Starters	4 points
25 or more Starters	5 points

AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP

At present a dog of one of the Pointing Breeds, except for Brittany Sapneils, will be recorded an Amateur Field Champion after having won 10 points under the point rating schedule below in regular Amateur stakes in at least three licensed or member field trials, provided that 3 points have been won by placing first in one 3 point or better Amateur All-Age, Amateur Gun Dog, Amateur Limited all-Age, or Amateur Limited Gun Dog Stake;

EXCEPT THAT a German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner, shall not be recorded an Amateur Field Champion unless it has won at least 4 points in Amateur Shoot-to-Kill stakes at trails held by German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner clubs;

AND EXCEPT THAT a German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner, shall not be recorded an Amateur Field Champion unless it has also been certified by two of the approved judges to have passed, with an amateur handler, a Water Test at a licensed or member field trail held by a Specialty club for one of these three breeds; or, in the case of a Weimaraner, unless it has been certified by the Weimaraner Club of America to have passed an All-Age Water Test, or to have won the rating of Retrieving Dog or Retrieving Dog Excellent, with an amateur handler.

Amateur Championship points shall be credited to dogs palced first, second, or third, in regular Amateur stakes in accordance with the following schedule based on the actual number of eligible starters in each stake:

	Placement		
	1st	2nd	3rd
4 to 7 starters	1 point		
8 to 12 starters	2 points		
13 to 17 starters	3 points	1 point	
18 to 24 starters	4 points	2points	
25 or more starters	5points	3 points	1 point

Championship points from first placements in Amateur stakes that are credited towards a Field championship, will also be credited towards an Amateur Field Championship.

WATER TEST

If a German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner club wishes to hold a Water Test in conjunction with its licensed or member field trial, request for approval of the Water Test should be included on the date application for the trial. If approved, the Water Test must be specified on the questionnaire form and announced in the premium list.

The Water Test shall be judged by two of the judges of the field trial. The dog shall retrieve a live or dead game bird from water after a swim of about 20 yards to the bird. The handler shall stand 6 feet from the water, and the dog must demonstrate its willingness to enter the water, to swim, and to retrieve, at the direction of its handler without being touched or intimidated. Style shall not be considered. The dogs shall not be placed, but shall either pass or fail. The judges shall certify on the judging sheets provided, the particulars of each dog that passed the test.

PROPOSED REVISIONS of the POINTING BREED PROCEDURES

PROCEDURE 1-A Delete the entire PROCEDURE and substitute:

1-A Puppy Stakes. Puppies must show desire to hunt, boldness, and initiative in covering ground and in searching likely cover. They should indicate the presence of game if the opportunity is presented. Puppies should show reasonable obedience in their handlers' commands, but should not be given additional credit for pointing stauchly. Each dog shall be judged on its actual performance as indicating its future as a high class Derby dog. Every premium list for a licensed or member trail shall state whether or not blanks are to be fired in a Puppy Stake. If the premium list states that blanks will be fired, every dog that makes game contact shall be fired over if the handler is within reasonable gun range. At least 15 minutes and not more than 30 minutes shall be allowed for each heat.

PROCEDURE 1-B Delete the present wording and substitute:

1-B DERBY STAKES. Derbies must show a keen desire to hunt, be bold and independent, have a fast, yet attractive, style of running, and demonstrate not only intelligence in seeking objectives but also the ability to find game. Derbies must point but no additional credit shall be given for steadiness to wing and shot. Should birds be flushed after a point by handler or dog within reasonable gun range from the handler, a shot must be fired. A lack of opportunity for firing over a Derby dog on point shall not constitute reason for non-placement when it has had game contact in acceptable Derby manner. Derbies must show reasonable obedience to their handlers' commands. Each dog is to be judged on its actual performance as indicating its future promise. At least 20 minutes and not more than 30 minutes shall be allowed for each heat.

Add a new PROCEDURE 1-E to read in full as follows:

1-E BACKING IN GUN DOG, ALL-AGE, LIMITED GUN DOG, AND LIMITED ALL-AGE STAKES. If a dog encounters its brace mate on a point is should back on sight, preferably without caution from its handler. Failure of a dog to back when it sees its brace mate on point must be penalized, and a dog that steals its brace mate's point shall not be placed. A backing dog shall not be sent on by its handler until after it has demonstrated complete steadiness to wing and shot, unless directed by a judge in case of an unproductive find; nor until after the retrieve has been completed, if game is killed. A backing dog shall receive no less credit if its brace mate's point was unproductive.

PROCEDURE 1-E Delete the present wording and substitute a new PROCEDURE 1-F to read in full as follows:

1-F In a Gun Dog, All-Age, Limited Gun Dog, or Limited All-Age Stake held by a German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla or Weimaraner Club, any dog placed 1st or 2nd must have demonstrated backing in addition to the basic requirements for hunting and pointing as described above. If a dog that is being considered for either 1st or

2nd placement does not have an opportunity to back naturally, the judges must set up a brace or braces for this purpose after all braces in the stake have been run. The judges will then select a dog from among those that have run in the stake, and shall have it placed on point in an open location on a live planted bird. The dog to be tested for backing shall be cast off not less than 100 yards from the dog on point, and shall be permitted to hunt freely until it has established a back. It must back until it has demonstrated complete steadiness to wing and shot. In a Shoot-to-kill stake the dog must back until the retrieve has been completed. A dog for which a back is set up in this manner shall receive the same credit as a dog that has demonstrated equal quality in a natural back, even if the point in the natural back was unproductive.

PROCEDURE 1-C Delete the present PROCEDURE and substitute:

1-C GUN DOG AND LIMITED GUN DOG STAKES. A Gun Dog must give a finished performance and must be under its handler's control at all times. It must handle kindly, with a minimum of noise and hacking by the handler. A Gun Dog must show a keen desire to hunt, must have a bold and attractive style of running, and must demonstrate not only intelligence in quartering and in seeking objectives but also the ability to find game. The dog must hunt for its handler at all times at a range suitable for a handler on foot, and should show or check in front of its handler frequently. It must cover adequate ground but never range out of sight for a length of time that would detract ground but never range out of sight for a length of time that would detract from its usefulness as a practical hunting dog. The dog must locate game, must point staunchly, and must be steady to wing and shot. Intelligent use of the wind and terrain in locating game, accurate nose, and style and intensity on point, are essential. At least 30 minutes shall be allowed for each heat.

PROCEDURE 1-D Delete the entire PROCEDURE and substitute:

1-D ALL-AGE AND LIMITED ALL-AGE STAKES. An All-Age dog must give a finished performance and must be under reasonable control of its handler. It must show a keen desire to hunt, must have a bold and attractive style of running, and must show independence in hunting. It must range well out in a forward moving pattern, seeking the most promising objectives, so as to locate any game on the course. Excessive line-casting and avoiding cover must be penalized. The dog must respond to handling but must demonstrate its independent judgement in hunting the course, and should not look to its handler for directions as to where to go. The dog must find game, must point staunchly, and must be steady to wing and shot. Intelligent use of the wind and terrain in locating game, accurate nose, and style and intensity on point are essential. At least 30 minutes shall be allowed for each heat.

PROCEDURE 1-G Reletter as 1-H and add the words "(not a .22 cal. Crimp)" after the word "cartridge" in the third line.

PROCEDURE 1-H Re-letter as 1-I and delete the word "partial" in the second line

PROCEDURE 1-I Re-letter as 1-J, and add the following at the end of the procedure:

The limit shall be given in the premium list either as a specific number of dogs for the trail, or for each or any stake, or as the number of dogs that can be judged within the daylight hours that will be available on the date or dates of the trail.

PROCEDURE 2-B. Add the following at the start of the procedure:

The judges may place the dogs 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in each stake. They should withhold placement from any dog if its performance does not merit the crediting of any championship points.

PROCEDURE 2-D. Delete the present procedure and substitute:

Any additional running of the dogs after the first series of heats has been completed, or after completion of any further series specified in the premium list, shall be entirely at the discretion of the judges. The judges shall determine the length and scope of the subsequent series, as well as the bracing of the dogs, conforming with any specific requirements for subsequent series that may be described in the premium list.

PROCEDURE 2-F. Add the following at the end of the procedure:

If an official observer is appointed he shall be identified to all participants.

PROCEDURE 4-D. (1) Delete the present wording and substitute:

In the case of a scratch or absentee the brace mate of the absent dog shall be run with the dog from the next incomplete brace or, if there is no other known incomplete brace, with the bye dog or, if there is no bye dog and no knowledge that any subsequent brace will be incomplete may, at the discretion of the judges, be run alone in the running order drawn for its brace, or as the bye dog.

ADD a new PROCEDURE 5-A (4) to read in full:

(4) A stake may be run on Continuous Courses for first series, with a second series consisting of nothing but bird field work for the dogs selected by the judges, provided this is specified in the premium list.

PROCEDURE 5-C. Delete the present wording and substitute:

No released bird shall be removed from the course or from the bird field unless dead or crippled.

PROCEDURE 5-E. Add the words "and should not hold birds against their bodies." following the word "gloves" in the 10th line.

PROCEDURE 6-D. Add a new sentence at the end of the present procedure, to read in full as follows:

If time is called when a dog is on point in the bird field, its brace mate shall be stopped.

PROCEDURE 6-H. Delete the present wording and substitute:

6-H Any intimidation or blocking to restrain a dog from breaking wing or shot shall be severely penalized. In a Gun Dog, All-Age, Limited Gun Dog, or Limited All-Age Stake at a licensed or member trial held by a German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Vizsla, or Weimaraner club, the handler is prohibited form controlling the dog by the collar at any time, and may not touch the dog in such a manner as to restrain or control it; except that he may tap the dog lightly on head or body to release it in any situation.

PROCEDURE 6-K. Delete the present wording and substitute:

No person shall in any manner assist the handler in controlling his dog. The judges may disqualify a dog if a handler receives such assistance or if the dog receives direction of any kind from anyone except its handler.

Add a new PROCEDURE 6-L to read as follows:

Any scouting shall be done only by a scout or scouts appointed by the judges and acting solely under the direction of one or both of the judges.

PROCEDURE 6-S (relettered 6-T). Delete the second paragraph and substitute:

The handlers shall remain on the specified course in front of the judges and in the judges' line of travel.

Delete the last sentence of the second paragraph and substitute:

Mounted handlers must keep their horses at an ordinary walk at all times unless otherwise authorized by a judge.

PROCEDURE 7-G. Re-letter as Procedure 7-I. Delete the present section and substitute:

7-I. Retrieving is required in all Shoot-to-Kill stakes and counts as an important part of a dog's performance. After the shot the handler shall not command and/or signal the dog to retrieve until the dogs steadiness to wing and shot has been positively demonstrated. The dog must retrieve promptly and tenderly to hand. In Shoot-to-Kill Derby Stakes retrieving will also be required, but the dog is not required to be steady to wing and shot. Every dog considered for 1st and 2nd place in any Soot-to-Kill stake must have demonstrated a retrieve. If any such dog has not had an opportunity to retrieve, the judges must set up a retrieve for the dog after all braces in the stake have been run. A live bird shall be planted and the dog set up on point. The handler shall flush the bird, and there shall be a back-up gunner.

From Miami Valley Newsletter:
By Bernard C. Boggs

"Frustration can Lead to Innovation"

For those who might think that I am a good trainer, or that I have success with my dogs in competition, or just whatever is thought, I want to set the record--maybe not straight--but at least set it. I have ruined several Vizslas. I hope that this statement is limited to those that I own and none that you own- ed.

Some ruining is caused by my inability to put down pigeons, chukars, and pheasants such that they will stay until my pottering dogs eventually get there. It is very frustrating to plant a bird and bring your dog in five, ten, or fifteen minutes later to find it no longer there. Besides all this it is expensive! Trump has always defied every effort I have made to keep a bird down when he smelled it and walked up to it, then turned around and smiled at me or chased it to kingdom come. He just plain refuses to point planted birds--at least when I plant them at home. All due to previous training errors. After several years working with him he caused me to think of an innovation that is destined to improve every trainers pocketbook and shorten his training time, but it may not have solved his problem. I reasoned that if putting a hood on a falcon would keep him from flying, why not a pheasant? So I used an old dirty boy's sock and it works!

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