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THE VISSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS, INC. endorses the efforts of organisations such
as the Vissla Club of America, and The Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA)
to eliminate hip dysplasia in dogs, and encourage all of it's members to use

ONLY CERTIFIED NORMAL BREEDING STOCK AT ALL TIMES!

CLUB MEETINGS are held every third Wednesday in the months of January, March,
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WHERE: The Home of The Pecora's, 237 So. Judson St., Bensenville, Ill.
Phone (312-595-0349)

TIME: 8:30 P.M.

DRESS: Casual & Refreshments are Served

NEW VISSLA OWNERS AND GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov.	17	V.C.O.I. General Membership meeting	
	28	Michiana K.C. Dog Show, So. Bend, Indiana	(Jones)
Dec.	10	V.C.O.I. CHRISTMAS PARTY (see article)	
	11	Stone City K.C. Dog Show, Crete, Ill.	(Webb)
1977			
Jan	22	Wheaton K.C. Dog Show, Wheaton, Ill.	(Webb)
	23	Wisconsin K.C. Dog Show	(Webb)

FALL FIELD TRIAL DATES

Sept.	25-26	Miami Valley Vizsla Club	
Oct.	16-17	Vizsla Club of West. Mich. Sanct. trial	
	16-17	Nebraska Vizsla Club	
	30-31	Vizsla Club of Gr. Cleveland	
Nov.	6-7	Vizsla Club of Eastern Iowa	
Oct.	23-24	Hawkeye Vizsla Club	
		also	
Sept.	25-26	Ft. Dearborn GSP	
Oct.	2-3	GWP of Illinois	
Nov.	6-7	Gateway GSP, Rend Lake	

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

M/M Art Ciolkowski, St. Charles Jared Cohen, Carbondale
M/M Ron Wiseheart, Villa Park
M/M Ray Merlin, Chicago

Presidents Corner

Looking back on some of our old club Bulletins I found an article that mentioned the fact that November 1963 was the club's first official meeting. So that makes this month our club's 13th. Anniversary.

The year 1968 boasted of at least six show Champions, one Field Champion and several Obedience titles. That was when the club was five years old.

Thirteen years has brought us many more Champions and Obedience titles, and in the field we have on record:

- 1 National Field Champion who is also a Dual and Amateur Field Champion
- 4 Dual Champions who are also Amateur Field Champions
- 1 Field Champion who is also an Amateur Field Ch.

We also have had our share of National Specialty Winners and National Futurity Winners. We also boast of having the top producing bitch in the country.

It has been 13 years of our members working with dedication and determination to see that the Vizsla shall be recognized and honored as the excellent bird dog that it is!

Happy Anniversary!

Your President,

Phil Rosenberg

Secretary's Report by Ann Lucas

The bi-monthly meeting of the Vizsla Club of Illinois came to order Sept. 15th at 8:55pm with 18 members present.

Betty Solberg volunteered refreshments for the Nov. meeting. Thanks to Dorothy Rosenberg for the fantastic cheese cake and other goodies.

The Secretary gave report and was accepted as read. Treasurer gave report Dorothy Rosenberg made motion to accept, 2nded by Betty Solberg. COMMITTEE REPORTS: Show-Maryann Ingrassia said a lady from the GRKC brought her 2 trophies owed to her.

Fall Field Trial-Jim Busch reports had approximately 91 entries and made a little over \$200. We had entries from the Vizslas, Brittanys, GSPs, GWP, Weimaraners, Gordon Setters, Irish Setter. Many thanks were given to the hard working members of the committee, everyone who entered and the Judges who did a super job.

CHRISTMAS PARTY-Iris Pechota reports the GWP Club of Ill. is going to combine their party with ours and share expenses and there is nothing more fun than partying with fellow trialers and dog-people.

Old Business -President appointed Dorothy Rosenberg, Iris Pechota and Maryann Ingrassia as the nominating committee for 1977

New Business-Spring field trial chairman volunteer is Tony Lucas and secretary is Ann Lucas. Committee is John Ewers, Phil and Dorothy Rosenberg, Jim and Linda Busch, Mike Florian and Pete Ingrassia.

FEB. 20TH FUN TRIAL at DesPlaines-Rosenbergs volunteered to handle....Secretary reported an letter received from the Professional Handlers Assoc. asking to vote on new ruling to allow Pros. to judge specialties. Club voted against..... President said the VCOE Nationals is Oct. 8,9,10 with Spec. show, Field Trial, Obedience trial in Medford, N.J....Field Trial Clubs of Illinois minutes were read, had a disappointing turnout at summer meeting, discussed was medical ins., Mr. Delich said any club without liability ins. will not be allowed to use grounds in Ill....Western Pointer club is having an AEC stake on Oct.10, at DesPlaines.....Jim Busch said American Field has Hall of Fame. They honor deceased dogs and people who have contributed to their breed. Suggested it for our club. Board of Directors will meet and discuss...Also suggests a Parade of Champions for Ill. club. Ann Lucas made motion the VCOI, Inc. have a congratulatory ad in the VCOA News for Illinois dogs and owners who earned a title or had a major win in '76. Passed.....Linda Busch introduced Sue Sprandel who asked a question about carsick dogs. Several people had the problem at some time. The dog either outgrew it or tranquilizers from the Vet. were used.....Associated Kennel has new catalogues available at the meeting....John Pecora made a motion to adjourn.

Top Sires, Top Dams, Best in Show Vizslas, Vizslas awarded highest score in Obed. etc., read about it in "A Decade of Vizslas". \$11.50 available from Ann Lucas

PICK OF THE LITTER MALE PUP FOR SALE BORN 3/15/76
SIRE: DUAL & AM. F.CH. JODI's JUMP N BING BANG BUCZ
DAM: FURGE SZELLO

GREAT NOSE-READY TO HUNT THIS SEASON \$250.00
Call Jim Busch 815--765-2934

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| 1. FC & AMFC Randy Duke, Bart Boglioli, N.J. | 172 |
| 2. DC & AMFC Rippl of Webster Woodlands, K. Crago, Ill. | 76 |
| 3. NFC,DC & AMFC Brooks Willie Whompus, T. Lucas, Ill. | 72 |
| 4. DC Sir Amber Sam, Hank Schultz, Md. | 60 |
| 5. El Joe Pirooska Papricka, M. Fowler | 59 |
| 6. Renbroks Drucker Schuh, Jim Beard, N.J. | 43 |
| 7. DC & AMFC Jodie Jump N Bing Bang Bucz, J. Busch, Ill. | 41 |
| 8. Ch. Bratts FK Gippen, K & F Milekikis | 37 |
| 9. FC Rebel Rouser Rusty, D.Darr, Colo. | 32 |
| 10. Amber Dukas Dandy, Del Seelye, Md. | 31 |

Top-Ten Puppy/Derby

Points

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| 1. Rebel Rouser Cherokee, Jim Rose, Colo. 8-23-74 | 201 |
| 2. SnL's Cas See Mez, Lucas & Seelye, Md. 8-23-74 | 80 |
| 3. Freemans Chief Joseph, Carl Freeman | 58 |
| 4. Clines Olympia Blitz, J & C Cline, Ia. 1-15-75 | 57 |
| 5. Rotkops Sam Spade, R & B Stephenson, Ca. 9-3-74 | 54 |
| 6. Clines Roughette Blitz, J & C Cline, Ia. 1-5-75 | 53 |
| 7. Popple Dungeon Tolgyfa, F & E Zezza, Vt. 1-6-75 | 49 |
| 8. Randy Bee, Joe Manning Jr. | 38 |
| 9. WD Regina, G & D Roscoe, Md. 3-5-75 | 37 |
| 10. Rebel Rouser Dezi, W & L Woodward, Ca | 33 |

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Santa Claus is coming to town, only three weeks away till the night of the "BIG PARTY".

DATE: FRIDAY, DEC. 10, 1976

PLACE: SHARKO*S RESTAURANT,
in Villa Park, Ill.
located on Route 38(Roosevelt Rd)

COST: \$9.00 per person
(does not include liquor)

TIME: 7:00 P.M.
Dinner served at 7:30 P.M.

Hours of good eating, drinking, dancing, entertainment and some surprises:

FAMILY STYLE DINNER
MENU

- SOUP - MOSTACCIOLI - COLESLAW
ROAST SIRLOIN OF BEEF ----- FRIED CHICKEN
POTATOES -- COOKED VEGETABLES
ROLLS -- DESERT --- COFFEE
ALL YOU WANT TO EAT !!

We have our own private room in this elegant restaurant including our own bar, which will serve any preference of alcoholic beverage. Entertainment will feature "The Esquires", music for dancing. There will be prize winning games, featuring "Bingo" for those who don't care to dance. A fun filled evening has been well planned, this would be a good opportunity to treat that someone who has everything as a Christmas gift. Members and Friends are welcome. Reservations along with the full amount of \$\$\$ have to be in by December 4th. For additional information call me at 627-8739. Mail checks now to:

MISS IRIS PECHOTA
1 S-721 Fairfield
Lombard, Ill. 60148

You can also give Iris your check at the next meeting 11/17/76.

VIZSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS FALL FIELD TRIAL
by Chairman, Jim Busch

The weekend of September 11-12 was such a spectacular success at the Des Plaines Wildlife Area for the VCOI that you must bear with me while I attempt to wax eloquently. The five stake program included Open Derby and Amateur Gun Dog for Vizslas only. -- each stake had 17 entries. The Open Gun Dog, Open Ltd. Gun Dog, and Open Puppy were for all Continental pointing breeds and they all showed up! We ran in the three open stakes 26 Vizslas, 12 GSP's, 8 GWP's, 5 Irish Setters, 2 Brittanys, 2 Weimaraners, and one Gordon Setter (and a Partridge in a pear tree). Every breed had a Field Champion entered except the GWP's and the Brittanys. If you include Honorable Mentions, every breed placed except the Gordon (a 9 year of F.Ch.), and the Britts (one pup and one 20 mo. old gun dog) Of the three placements given in the Amateur Gun Dog, one went to Piri, an Ohio dog, one to an Illinois Vizsla, and one to an Iowa Vizsla. In the Derby, Cline's Roguette Blitz blitzed them all by winning 1st and this in the last brace and hottest temperatures of the stake. Agin the ribbons were spread between 3 states, 1st, 3rd, and H.M. to Iowa, 2nd and 4th to Illinois, and H.M. to Ohio. In the 22 dog all breed Puppy Stake, an Illinois Vizsla placed 3rd. and an Ohio Vizsla placed 4th...truly outstanding accomplishments. The 14 dog Ltd. Gun Dog was a mini championship. i.e., a 1/2 hr 1st series on continuous courses, while all braces ran over the same 250 acres, no brace was run exactly over the same course as any other. The heat mitigated against any definitive bird work during the first series and the judges were free to call back any and all placeable dogs for the second series of a short back course and a full eight minute bird field with gunner handler. Seven dogs were called back, 2 Vizslas, 2 GSPs, 1 Irish, 1 Weim, 1 GWP. Only 2 dogs were lost in the second series and VCOA Nat. F.Ch. of 76 Dual Ch.Am.F.Ch. Brooks Willie Whompum walked away with top honors. Dual Ch. & Am.F.Ch. Jodi's Jump-N-Bing Bang Bucz garnered 3rd in this stake. On Sunday the 20 dog single course with bird field and official guns Open Gun Dog stake ran. At the conclusion of the stake, the judges commented that they had 11 clean dogs and six of the eleven could have placed 1st anywhere any time. Dual and Am.F.Ch. Jodi's Jump N BingBang Bucz topped the field with a cerebral course of high proportions and flawless bird work. His out-on-the-limb styled find of a pair of pheasants impressed even his owner, me, Jim Busch, who should be used to his doing amazing things. And just to keep it in the family, Bing's half brother, Dual & Ama. F.Ch. Rippi of Webster Woodlands running also a cerebral course featuring an out-on-the-lumb find placed third. I must mention that Rippi finished his 1/2 hour in the Ama. Gun Dog on Sat. on three legs. Keith Crago, Ken's son and a fierce competitor, got up early Sunday and massaged Rippi's leg for two hours to remove the stiffness. He then got Ken out of bed and made him bring Rippi to the trial. Special thanks to all who worked to make the VCOI fall trial a success. Our gunners Tim Stapleton and Jim Valukas are great--only one missed bird all day. Look for Jim in the trials in the future for he is already building a kennel for his little Judy B & Bing Banger pup. Young Jimmy Busch, Keith Crago, John Busch, plus many adults planted birds for two days and at best it is a thankless task. In the heat we endured all weekend it's torture.

field trial continued.....

The placements follow:

Amateur Gun Dog - 17 Vizslas

1. F.Ch. Behi*s Piri Csiny, O/H Jerry Feder
2. D & AFC Rippi of Webster Woodlands O/H Ken Crago
3. Pride of Holzworth Farm O/H Paul Holzworth

Open Derby - 17 Vizslas

1. Cline's Roguette Blitz, O/H Jim Cline
2. Webster Woodlands Cassie, O/H Ken Crago
3. Tawny Tokau, O/H Bob Freyermuth
4. Red Rogue's Relentless, O/H Frank Gattuso
H.M. Sam O/Wayne Bakotic. H/ Harold Wingerter
H.M. Behi Paprika, O/H Cliff Boggs

Open Puppy - 11 Vi, 3 GSP, 3 GWP, 4 I.S., 1 Britt.

1. Stonecres Streaker, GSP O/H Bob Kwiatkowski
2. Ivor Glen Jake Kendrick, I.S. O/H Bob Littig
3. Willie*s Bushwak Barney McGee, Vi. O/H Mke Florian
4. Behi Csecse Gyors Lab, Vi. O/H Cliff Boggs

Open Limited Gun Dog 5 Vi., 4 GSP, 1 GWP, 1 Gordon 1 Irish. 2 Wi.

1. VCOA Nat FC '76, D & AFC Brooks Willie Whompum Vi O/H T.Lucas
2. AFC Big Oaks Lawman GSP O/H Wayne Rienke
3. D & AFC Jodi's Jump N Bing Bang Bucz, Vi. O/H J. Busch
4. Michael's Shag Bark, GWP O/H Mike Allen
H.M. D & AFC Lillith Von Hirschhorn, Weim. O/H H.Hirschhorn

OPEN Gun Dog - 10 Vizslas, 4 GWP, 5 GSP, 1 Britt.

1. D & AFC Jodi's Jump N Bing Bang Bucz Vi. O/H James Busch
2. Beau James Patton GSP O/H Phil Rosenberg
3. D & AFC Rippi of Webster Woodlands O/H Ken Crago Vi.
4. San Diego Charger, GSP O/H Bob Vernol



Gunners:
(left) Tim Stapleton
(right) Jim Valukas

Winner of the C.B.
Radio (Polish)
Mke Allen



COMING MATCH.....

The Goldcoast Kennel Club will hold its Fourth AKC sanctioned Match on Nov. 14, 1976. The Match will be held at the University of Illinois, Chicago Circle Gym. Judging Vizslas Nelson R. Radcliffe Pre entries \$4.50 - entries close Oct. 27 no gate entries.

Illinois Members wins and placements.....

FIELD TRIAL RESULTS..Miami Valley V.C.,Sept. 24-25.,Ohio
Open Limited Gun Dog-1st pl. Doh. & Afc.Rippi of Webster
Woodlands O/H Kenneth Crago

Open Gun Dog-2nd pl. VCOA Hfc.,Doh.& Afc. Brook's Willie
Whompum O/Tony Lucas H/Ann Lucas --3rd pl. "Rippi"
Amateur Gun Dog-1st pl. "Willie"--2nd pl. "Rippi"

GWP Club of Illinois..Oct.2..29entries

Open Gun Dog - 1st pl. "Willie" O/H Tony Lucas

Vizsla Club of America National Field Trial..Oct. 9-10,
Medford, N.J.,Open Limited Gun Dog-4th pl. "Willie",

HM "Rippi"
Amateur Gun Dog-4th pl. "Willie" - Open Puppy- 3rd pl
Willies Bushwak Barney McGee O/H Mike Florian

FIELD FUTURITY - 8 entries

1st pl. Popple Dungeon Tolgyfa-O/Carlo & Betty Zezza
Sire: Doh.Pirolin ex Ch.Uropuyka CD-Breeder-Elizabeth
Walton..2nd pl.Windy Duke's Rex-O/A.R.Seelye, Sire: Dgh
Rebel Rouser Duke ex Doh.& Afc. Amber's Windy Autumn,
Breeder Phil and Dorothy Rosenberg...3rd pl W.D.Regina
O/H George Roscoe - same as 2nd pl. dog

SHOW FUTURITY - 6Dogs, 6 Bitches - Judge-Margaret Meminger

1st pl. Ch. Renbrok's Only One Son of a Gun O/Spence Brown
2nd pl. Ch. Piper's Tijuana Red O/Kareft-Coffee
3rd pl. Popple Dungeon Tolgyfa O/Carlo & Betty Zezza

FUTURITY BITCHES

1st pl. Renbrok's Greta Hegyi O/Carol & Andrew VolamD
2nd pl. W.D.Regina O/George Roscoe
3rd pl. Ch. Renbrok's Sand PebbleO/Linda Promavlayka
4th pl. Piper's Sunburst Abigale O/John Banes
Best in Futurity-Ch. Renbrok's Only One Son of a Gun
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity-Renbrok's Greta Hegyi

VCOA SHOW SPECIALTY - Puppy Bitches 6 entries 2nd pl. Popple
Dungeon Narcisz O/Carlo & Betty Zezza

Novice Bitches-1st pl. Amber N'Duke's Arocep Flame O/John &
Beverly Pecora, Field Trial Dog Class-2nd pl. Ch. Futaki Yir
of Popple Dungeon O/Carlo Zezza 3rd pl. Popple Dungeon Tol-
gyfa O/ Carlo & Betty Zezza

International Kennel Club Dog Show - Judge Frank Haze Burch
Oct. 30, 1976 entries 3-2-1

Puppy Dog

1. Cariad's Cimar Ron O/H Milo Defolley

Open Dog

1. Carmel Sage O/H B & Michael Letscher Winners Dog(BOW)

2. Apollo O/ James Busch H/ Bob Eldridge

Open Bitches

1. Puff the Dragon O/H Joyce Smith Winners Bitch

2. Lori's Piros Tyuk O/H Ken Fales

B.O.B. Diamond K's Lusty of Hanover O/ K.Lowers & D.Stoeke

B.O.S. Puff the Dragon



"WILLIE" finished in the field before the age of 4 with a minimum of training.

FIELD & SHOW PUPPIES-
RESERVATIONS BEING
TAKEN NOW!

'74, '75, '76 Top Ten
All-Age/Gun Dogs

VCOA NFC., Dch. & AFC.
BROOK*S WILLIE WHOMPUM
&

Dch & AFC. Rothan's
Rozsda Kisanya CD
(due end of November)

Also

"WILLIE" and "TINA" female out of Dch. & AFC Rippi of Webster
Woodlands - 5 males 5 females CONTACT TONY LUCAS
(312--964-1219)

Taken from the American Dog Owners Association Bulletin

The Illinois Animal Welfare Act makes anyone who owns or harbors more than five breeding females a kennel operator. It matters not whether the dogs were bred ever or never, only that a person owns them.

In the past, responsible dog owners, people who maintained their dogs well and were not a nuisance, remained hidden from such laws. The point must be emphasized that the ADOA is not only not opposed to regulation, but favors it. However, most ordinances and laws do not differentiate between the hobbyist and the commercial operator and place the hobbyist in conflict with his zoning laws and that is the problem.

Unfortunately, the days of dog people remaining hidden may be about over and defense of the right to own dogs is becoming increasingly important. There occurred recently a situation involving a request by Illinois, for AKC records pertaining to dog ownership in that state. Certain information was made available to the State of Illinois by the AKC. Further, the ADOA is aware of other planned requests for such information.

As a result, the ADOA held discussions of the this matter with the AKC. It is interesting to note that ADOA attorneys believe the section of the Illinois law under which the request was made, prohibited the request as it was made. In other words our attorneys are of the opinion that the AKC could have simply said "no". But, also unfortunately, apparently the AKC did not subject the Illinois law to legal review to determine the necessity to comply.

However, this situation clearly emphasizes the necessity to look very carefully at the legal aspects and details of each and every such case. No longer will opinion or non-legal logic prevail. No longer can we depend upon the seeming rightness of position as dog owners. It's down to the nitty-gritty where highly sophisticated legal arguments of a constitutional nature must be presented and argued, and this must be done by the most competent people available.

The ADOA should have already pursued a Federal court case in this area. Unfortunately, resources necessary were not available. It is planned to initiate such action shortly.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.....

Golden Hills Kennel
Marlene Peck, Owner
Dorr, Michigan 49323

8/26/76

Dear Maryann,

First of all I would like to say I always enjoy your Bulletin. Second, I was quite surprised to read that one of your members had his dog's ear tattooed for identification purposes. Isn't any one aware of the newer and far more permanent way to tattoo? An ear can be cut off and the dog sold to a research lab or to a hunter....Dog had bad accident, sir!
I've been doing the tattooing in connection with the National Dog Registry for 2 years and I've done about 70 dogs from the size of a Maltese to an Irish Wolfhound. Some of the dogs had to be tranquilized slightly, but that's all. Some Vets will tell people that it is so painful that the dogs have to be put under completely. The owners Social Security No. is put on the inner right flank with an electric needle that slightly scratches the skin. That in turn can be sent to the (recorded) National Dog Registry, which has a 24 hour answering service.. Nationwide....For more information: Dagmar S. Swanson, R.D. 1 Box 227, Carmel, New York 10512.
(Marlene tells us she had a puppy bitch out of her Zsa Zsa that has been doing some winning with..Good going, Marlene.) I sincerely hope that your club will look into the tattooing. I got Zsa Zsa back through this. She was gone for 4 days. The people that had her thought she was a nice big, brown dog. 45lbs, 22". Injuries prevented them from seeing the tattoo. When they read my Ad and checked,they called me immediately. There was "ONE BIG REUNION" I shall never forget and hope I never have to have again. This was really one of the most agonizing experiences I've ever had.
Good luck to you all,

Sincerely,
(signed Marlene Peck)

PS:

I took the time to help you protect your dogs, please don't think that there is any money or promotion for me.

I would like to thank Marlene on behalf of members of the VCOI for her concern, and very informative letter. The photo on the right was taken 10 minutes after the tattooing was done.

It's not only later
than you think--its
sooner than you suspect



Letters to the Editor (continued).....

The following was written by 8 year old Jennifer Cilokowski daughter of Andie & Art, VCOI members. Thanks Jenny, we'll be looking forward to hearing from you again.

We do not have ~~vizsla's~~ but I like these kind of dogs so Tony and Ann Lucas have a dog called Bigger She is my favirt vizsla But I also like Phil and Donthy Rosenber's dog Wendy she always trys to get my gum!! And when I leave I get to give her my gum!!!

FROM YOUR EDITOR:

Now that trial season is over and hunting season here in Illinois is about open, we wish all you people good luck; and enjoy your hunting companion, your favorite Vizsla. May all your shots be right on target, and your game bag full. Remember the extremely cold season is upon us, take precaution in zero temperature, frostbite in not uncommon in hunting dogs.

For those of you that have been Showing, please send in your wins. Haven't been to a show in 6 months, therefore, cannot report for you. Help...we want to hear from you.....

The first open season in the U. S. was held in:
Idaho in 1887 Oregon in 1891
New York in 1898 Massachusetts in 1907

Oregon opened the first season in 1891. The 21 pheasant released a decade earlier must have been the world's sexiest game birds because that first harvest was estimated at 50,000 ringnecks. In short order a number of other states, from Utah and Idaho to Massachusetts, New York and New Hampshire, established pheasant populations for their hunters.

How many pheasant do U.S. hunters harvest annually nowadays?
10 million 12 million 15million 17 million

Again according to the Midwat Pheasant Council, the yearly take averages 12-million birds. (Which means that in terms of pheasant hunting alone, sportsmen pump \$216 million a year into the nations economy.)

Hi! Thank you for your request for information about NAVHDA. We have had many gratifying letters from hunters all over the Wisconsin and Northern Illinois area who want to know more about NAVHDA. Our local group, the Wisconsin Chapter, has training sessions with our dogs, informative meetings, sanctioned NAVHDA trials, and just plain dog talk. We meet one week-end a month.

NAVHDA is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to foster, improve, and promote the versatile hunting dog breeds in North America. It does this by sponsoring field tests for the versatile breeds that truly test their versatility, and by offering training clinics.

NAVHDA sanctioned tests are open to all hunting dogs registered (or eligible for registration) with a recognized kennel club or breed club. This includes Brittany Spaniels, German Shorthair Pointers, German Wirehair Pointers, Griffons, Pudelpointers, VIZSLAS, Weimaraners, and others.

The Natural Ability test is for dogs 16 months and under. It covers seven different hereditary characteristics which should disclose the latent natural abilities that are required to develop the specimen into a versatile hunting dog. These 7 characteristics are: nose, search, water work, pointing, tracking, desire to work and cooperation.

The dogs are tested individually in the field for not less than 20 minutes over a random course on native or liberated birds. This test determines pointing instinct, search pattern and scenting ability. All dogs are given a test for gunshyness. This takes place during the search. A gun of conventional gauge is fired twice by the gunner. No birds are shot over the dogs in this test.

For the water work, a dummy is thrown into deep water and the dog must enter the water and show no fear or dislike of cold water. No retrieve is required.

Each dog is also given a tracking test with a live pheasant. The dog must display eagerness and perseverance on a track. The dog may point or retrieve, just so he follows the track. An intelligent dog knows when to lower his head to follow the track of a cripple, and when to use air currents for body scent.

Another function of NAVHDA is to help owners of versatile hunting dogs enjoy their dog more, through proper training. One day training clinics are held in conjunction with sanctioned NAVHDA trials. Whoa, retrieving, water work and tracing are covered. Clinics are open to dogs of any age.

The utility test is designed to test a hunting dogs' usefulness for the on foot hunter in all phases of hunting. Cooperation and control are essential ingredients of the overall performance. The test itself, as well as the individual tests, simulate, as nearly as possible, actual hunting conditions. Details of each test and scoring method are in the NAVHDA Field Test Standards booklet, which contains not only descriptions of each test, but also pictures and diagrams, plus a history of the versatile hunting dog breeds. You can order this booklet from me for \$2.00.

Membership in the Wisc. Chapter of NAVHDA is \$10.00 per year. If you are interested, or if I can answer any questions or help in any way, please let me know. Sincerely, NAVHDA

Tom Novinska

R.R. 1, Box 18A
Pennimore, WI. 53809

PUP'S ONLY AS GOOD AS ITS BEHAVIOR

Excessive aggressiveness or shyness, chewing and biting, barking, house soiling, digging, and general disobedience are common complaints among dog owners. To the point where, "This dog has to go....."

Although these problems can't always be predicted when a dog is young, there are certain behavior characteristics a prospective dog owner should consider when selecting a puppy, says William Campbell, a California animal behaviorist. He recommends a few puppy behavior tests.

An aggressive pup, as determined by these tests, is often unsuitable for homes with small children or senior citizens. If it's in a calm adult household and trained by nonphysical teaching methods, it, however, may become a fine pet capable of aggressive protective actions.

Independent pups that show no social attraction, no following response, and walk away during the social dominance test often interact poorly with children. Also, they may not socialize, quickly and may be difficult to train. Those with a positive social attraction follow responses without aggression and tolerate restraint. Social and elevation dominance fits well in most environments.

But finally, before going on to the test, it must be remembered that any dog may become a behavior problem if it is not favored by all household members or is subjected to an inconsistent environment and confusing or irregular training methods. However, a dog selected for specific behavioral tendencies has a better opportunity to become a loved and respected member of the family.

It is best to select a 6 to 8 week old animal, and to consider the size and health of the puppy and the reputation of the seller. Take the puppy to an isolated area, relatively free from distraction. Gently place the pup in the center of the room or space and move several steps away in the opposite direction. Kneel and gently clap your hands. How readily (if at all) the little guy comes to you, Campbell, says, tail up or down reveals its degree of social attraction, confidence or independence.

Next, stand beside the pup and then wait away. How well it follows reveals its degree of following attractions. If you are sure the puppy sees you walk away, failure to follow indicates independence. And biting at your ankles may indicate aggressiveness.

Another test is to gently roll the pup onto its back and hold one hand on its chest for 30 seconds. How well it accepts or rejects your dominance indicates its degree of submissive of dominant tendencies.

Now gently stroke the puppy from the top of its head downward along the neck and back to see if it accepts or rejects your social dominance.

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Cut pheasant into serving pieces and pat dry with paper towels. In a saucepan combine the giblets, excluding the liver, 1 carrot and 1 stalk of celery, both halved, 1 onion, and a bouquet composed of 3 sprigs of thyme, parsley, and 1 small bay leaf and add chicken stock of broth to cover. Simmer, skimming froth as it rises, for 1 hour. Strain and reserve.

Sprinkle pheasant with salt and pepper. Brown in 3 tablespoons bacon fat over high heat and transfer to casserole. Add 1 cup unpasteurized apple cider to the skillet and cook the liquid over high heat, stirring in the brown bits clinging to the bottom and sides of the pan, until it is reduced to $\frac{1}{2}$ cup. Stir in 1 cup of reserved stock, bring liquid to a boil and pour it over pheasant. Braise pheasant covered in a preheated 325°F oven for 1 hour and 15 mins., or until it is tender. Transfer pheasant to heated serving dish. Stir 1 teas. arrowroot mixed with 1 tbl. cold water into the pan juices and cook the sauce, stirring until smooth and thick. Add salt, pepper to taste, pour over pheasant. Serves 3 or 4.

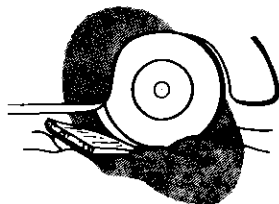
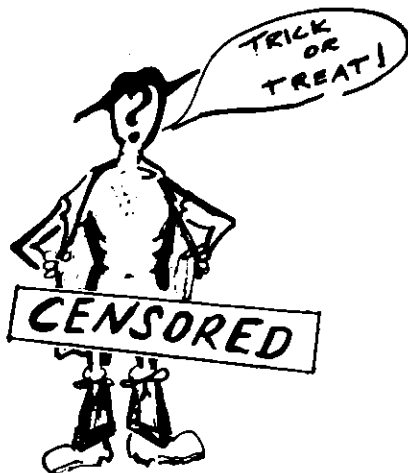
PHEASANT WITH SOUR CREAM

Cut pheasant in pieces as for fired chicken; Shake pieces a few at a time with seasoned flour (salt, pepper and paprika) in a brown bag. Brown pieces slowly in one-half cup hot fat, turning only once. As pieces are browned, remove to roaster or casserole.

Over the pheasant, sprinkle 1 finely chopped apple, one-third cup minced celery and a small onion, chopped fine. Pour from the skillet all but 1 tablespoon of fat. Add 1 tablespoon of flour to the fat in the skillet and stir well over heat. Stir in 1 cup sour cream and 1 cup dry white table wine or water. Season with salt and pepper. Pour sour cream mixture over browned pheasant. Cover and bake slowly at 300 or 325 degrees for one to one and one-half hours or until tender.

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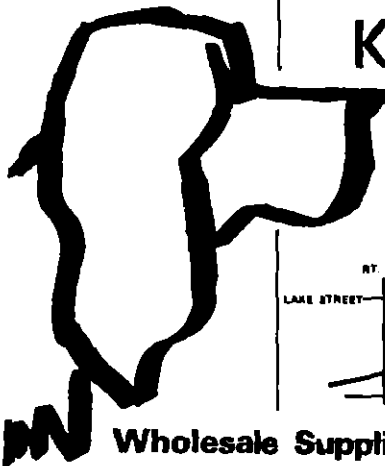
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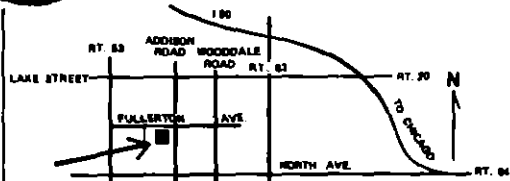
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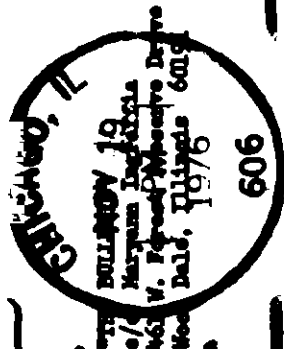


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