



BULLETIN

A bimonthly newsletter for the members and friends of the VCOI

Nordic Champions

"Dillon" started his competitive career off by winning a Group 1 in a puppy match and added several more placements in AKC sponsored Best Puppy competitions. Dillon finished his championship at VCOI's supported entry show in conjunction with Wheaton Kennel Club going Winner's Dog this past January. He earned his Junior Hunter title last September along with his CGC certificate. His other interests include agility, in which he earned his UAG-Division 1 title with several placements and with one run 33 seconds under course time. He is working on his agility and obedience skills to hopefully be competing next year. He is in the process of being broken for further testing at the Senior/Master level. Dillon follows his mom's paw prints in his endeavors.



CH. NORDIC'S HOT DIGITY DAWG, JH, CGC, UAG-1

Sire: Intl' CH. DC Oakleaf's Everwhen Chances R,CDX, MH, NA, VC, ROM.

Dam: UACHX CH. Mehagian's Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah, CD, SH, OA, OAJ, OAP, NJP, VC, CGC

"Kelly" started her show career last June and finished her Championship at VCOI's supported entry at Wheaton Kennel Club show in January. Not to be outdone by her brother, Dillon, she went on to Best of Winners. Kelly has taken breed from the classes over some very nice, Top 10 dogs. At VCOI's 2002 specialty, she took Reserve Winner's Bitch. Only once has she been out of the ribbons. She was selectively shown towards her bench title taking time off last fall to finish her Junior Hunter title with five straight qualifying performances. Although she works in other areas of competition, she excels in the field. She is presently being broken for future competition at the Senior/Master level.



"DO IT TO DUAL IT"Ó

Bred and exclusively handled by Cheryl Peterson,
Nordic Kennels

CH. NORDIC'S LICKETY SPLIT, JH, CGC

Sire: Intl' CH. DC Oakleaf's Everwhen Chances R,CDX, MH, NA, VC, ROM.

Dam: UACHX CH. Mehagian's Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah, CD, SH, OA, OAJ, OAP, NJP, VC, CGC

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The VCOI endorses the efforts of the VCA and the OFA to eliminate hip dysplasia in dogs, and encourages it's members to use only normal breeding stock.

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All ads must be paid in full before printing and contain the full OFA rating of the sire and the dam. Copies of the OFA certificate must be sent with the ad.

Deadline for submission to the Bulletin is on the first of each even numbered month. Deadlines are non-negotiable! Cover stories are limited to one per family membership in a 12 month period.

All brags, articles, and submissions must be submitted in writing either through the minutes or directly to the Editor.

All photos submitted to the Bulletin must include a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope. Photos without return postage will remain the property of the VCOI. Exception to the cover photo, which will be returned at the VCOI's expense and include a computer generated color copy of the Bulletin cover.

Bulletin Covers

January 2004
~W. Berner

March 2004
~C. Gallagher

May 2004
~open

July 2004
~open

September 2004
~open

If your dog has completed a prefix title (CH, FC, AFC, CT, MACH etc.) and you want to reserve a cover, contact Michel Berner
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VCOI Website: www.vizslaclubofillinois.org
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The owner, John Ingram, also owns Vizslas and is able to answer any of your questions about fitting, etc.

SECRETARY REPORT

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by president Wanda Berner at the Pine Grove Restaurant in Rosemont, Illinois. 14 people were in attendance.

President stated there was no Board meeting, so nothing to report there. Minutes from the last meeting were accepted. Wanda thanked Linda for the new membership directory with the color cover, and she also thanked Jeff Parise and Cathy Gallagher who did a great job of running the Hunt Test in September.

Secretary's Report: No mail has come in, so nothing new to report.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer reported a favorable bank balance.

Committee Reports:

June Hunt Test – Motion made and passed to take back our second day of hunt test activities formerly with the Brittany club and turn it into a training session. It was agreed that we would like to have Mark Smith give his training session for new people. Jeff Engelsman volunteered to chair the weekend.

July Specialty – Kathy Harmer, standing chairman, not available to give a report. Wanda reported that new member, Tina Church, has volunteered to be in charge of the trophy table and provide a theme.

July Double Bubble weekend – Jeff Parise will chair the weekend activities. Rick Mitchell will run the field events, and Wanda Berner will be in charge of the Lake Superior Hunt Test seminar.

Hunt Test Sept. 1st, 2003 – Jeff Parise sent the information to Tony Ordonez to give the report. He stated that 52 dogs ran in one day. A profit of \$412.00 was made, but Denny Nowak noted that this is inaccurate as not all the expenses were taken into account. Not all the food was sold, and ribbons, bird deposit, and some postage was not taken into account when figuring the profit. Jeff would like to see the club decide on what type of compensation to give the hunt test judges. \$200 was lost on the food concession. \$350 was spent on printing and postage. Discussion regarding whether people not currently competing should still keep getting the premiums as it is costing the club money.

Winter Walking Trial – Teresa Curtis Chairman, Linda Busch Secretary. As

there was no time for committee meeting, Linda had gone ahead and secured judges for the trial and set the program for the weekend. Some of the info is into AKC online filing system already. Marshals, Captain of the Guns, and food people are needed.

Field Trial September – Discussion ensued around horse rental and whether or not the club should get involved with the wrangler in renting out horses. Decision was made to give the wrangler the option in the future to decide whether or not she wants to bring horses on her own for renting. Kevin Berta to call the wrangler. It was decided that more birds should be put out early and we would start at 7 am and stop at dark.

Awards Dinner – Larry Lykowski gave a report for his wife Cheryl who is the chairman. The Awards Dinner will be held at the Milk Pail in Dundee on January 17th. It is the same day as the Wheaton supported entry show. Menu will be the same as last year with Trout, Prime Rib, and Chicken.

February Hunt Test – Patty and Dennis Nowak will chair the event.

Futurity Report – Rodney Albin gave information to Tony Ordonez who gave the report. Tony stated Rodney got a few more entries, but there are currently only six pups nominated for 2004, and five litters have been nominated for 2005 with only one pup re-nominated so far. Discussion ensued regarding whether or not to keep running the Futurity as it may start costing the club money to have it. Trophies are extremely expensive and it doesn't make sense to keep having it if we run in the red and the VCOI has to foot the bill. Decision was made to go ahead and have it in 2004 and decide after that what to do for 2005. Several people mentioned they had dogs that could be entered, so there is a possibility of an increase in entries for 2004.

Spring field trial – Albin and Ordonez are Secretary and Chairman. Tony stated they have two judges confirmed and one is going to call back, but he needs one more.

Field Trial Clubs of Illinois – Greg Heden reported he doesn't know what has happened with the fence they were wanting help putting up.

VCOI Calendar – Wanda reported work is progressing on the calendar for next year. Cathy Gallagher is in charge of sales.

Pet Show – Tim Dyer has arranged for the VCOI booth to be next to his obedience club's booth and we can split the fee for electricity.

Sports Show – It was stated the show is believed to have shifted from the Rosemont Convention Center to McCormick Place in Chicago. Jeff Engelsman volunteered to be in charge for the VCOI.

It was noted that we should check with Carnegie to make sure we have enough birds available if we are going to have a field event at site M. Currently the alternate field trial slated for site M is at a standstill. The Minnesota Club was not interested in using one of their dates with the VCOI doing the work. Jeff Engelsman volunteered to help Carl Wilbur with activities for that site.

New Business –

Wanda Berner reported that Cheryl Peterson is in charge of trophies for the Nationals to be held in Texas in 2004 and would like the club to sponsor a trophy. Discussion ensued. A motion was made to donate to the event, but not seconded. It was decided not to donate to the national trophy fund until they start providing better trophies for the field events. Second, third, and fourth place field dogs are getting the same thing as some of the show classifications that do not hold the same significance.

New member Jennifer Maw was introduced to the group.

Wanda stated that Michel needs new articles for the Bulletin and articles on events before and after they happen. Tom Rowan volunteered to write something after the field trial. Jim Busch was bumped to get his "quote of the month" back in the bulletin. Wanda also noted that she and Michel need dates for events for the 2004 calendar. Linda volunteered to contact K. Harmer and get the specialty date.

Brags –

Chris Quaid recapped brags from the last Bulletin. Kathy Engelsman submitted brags about their dogs, found in the Bragging Rights on page 10.

Motion made and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted
Linda Busch

EDITOR'S DESK

The first thing you may notice is that Rodney's address has been removed from the MVFF ad on the back cover. For reasons unknown to the common editor, the post office decided to use that address for delivery. I guess the clearly placed return address, mailing label and stamp on the other side were too much to bear. So we changed it.

By the time you all receive this, Travis will have a new little sister in tow. Strider's Three Little Birds, affectionately known as "Marley". She's too cute for her own good. Uncle Trav will have to adjust to not being an only child anymore! I had her enrolled in puppy socialization at Patricia McConnell's facility two days after she was born. Classes begin in mid-November— I can hardly wait!

And for those of you that remember Magic (Tony Ordonez's old horse that I had for a few years), will also remember that I gave him to my Dad's friend Chris, who raises free range beef cattle on 3,500 acres in Dodge County, WI. Magic mostly free ranges with the cows, enjoying retirement from Field Trials. Chris called in mid-September to share the following story.

Chris had walked out into the pasture to check on one of the new calves, and the mother cow decided to charge him. Magic came rushing in to block the cow, receiving several blows in the process. Fed up with that nonsense, he reared and pummeled the cow with his hooves until it ran off, most likely saving Chris's life.

Who would have thought that Magic would become somebody's hero?

Michel, Travis & Marley

2004 VCOI CALENDAR ORDERS

Submitted by Michel Berner

The VCOI is once again offering a wall calendar featuring the photo contest winners. It will be a 12 month calendar with 13 color photos of VCOI Vizslas. A pocket calendar will also be offered this year featuring a color Vizsla photo on the front and back covers. Both versions will contain the list of dates for the VCOI and other Vizsla clubs nationwide.

The calendars should be ready by the November meeting and Wanda will also bring them to the January meeting. The cost is \$15 plus shipping and handling if mailed. If you order 3 or more the cost will be \$13 per copy. Please contact Cathy Gallagher, 1405 Surrey Lane, Algonquin, IL, 60102 phone: 847-458-5886 email: siennapointe@dls.net

DECEMBER WALKING FIELD TRIAL

Submitted by Michel Berner

Saturday, December 6, 2003- Sunday, December 7, 2003

Held at Ottawa Field Trial Grounds Inc , Eagle, WI
Entries Close: Thursday, November 27, 2003

Ms. Linda Busch, Event Secretary
2643 Keith Road
Winnebago, IL 61088
(815) 335-7673

Open Puppy Walking \$35.00
Open Derby Walking \$35.00
Amateur Gun Dog Walking \$40.00
Amateur Limited Gun Dog Retrieving (RET) \$40.00
Open Limited Gun Dog Retrieving (RET) \$40.00

BREED CLUB DO'S AND DON'TS

Written by Ellen Dresselhuis *Reprinted with author's permission. As appeared in the September 2003 AKC Gazette Boston Terriers Breed Column. Article submitted by Michel Berner*

Has this happened to you? Someone tells you, "I've been waiting for weeks to hear from 'so and so' from your club..." (about getting a puppy, adopting a rescue, helping with the upcoming show, or whatever). What do you answer? Do you say, "Oh, we've had a terrible time with 'so and so'- she never does anything she's expected to do"?

Wouldn't it be useful if, instead of criticizing, we encouraged each other to check directly with the person involved? Wouldn't it be helpful to call the person yourself and ask if there is anything you can do to help? Tensions in our clubs are exacerbated each time we criticize. Each club is helped by its members who help each other and communicate.

Often it may seem that your clubs breeder-members who show their dogs are indifferent to the people whose dogs are not as "pretty." On the other hand, it may seem that the club's pet owners are more active in activities than its breeder-members, perhaps because the club has an active rescue program.

These are not two different clubs but two different activities of the same club, both of which are very important to our breed. If the pet owners remain interested and active, they may become educated customers of the breeder-members. They may eventually have entries in specialties and all-breed shows. Meanwhile, these pet owners love our breed and are often willing workers at our specialty shows, and they must be appreciated.

With the complications of club dynamics in mind, I hereby offer the following do's and don'ts for dog club members.

Don't complain unless you have an idea, plan, or approach to the problem that you think will make the situation better.

Don't accuse unless you have verified the facts directly with the person involved by seeking an explanation, information, or clarification, and are absolutely sure that the situation warrants admonition and discussion.

Don't assume unless you are assuming that your club members are exercising their best judgment at the time and have good reasons for doing or saying what has been reported.

Do take responsibility. Each of us is responsible for the success of our clubs. Often the bravest action anyone can take is to say "I'm sorry."

Do offer solutions. Speak up with ideas to improve the situations that you don't like, but be realistic about what a volunteer organization can accomplish. Remember that any solution you offer in which you are not involved probably will not succeed.

Don't give up. What we are doing, whether it is breed rescue, breeding better dogs, showing our own pride and joy, or educating the public, is very important to our beloved dogs. Always remember that each members of your club loves these dogs as much as you do. We have that bond together.



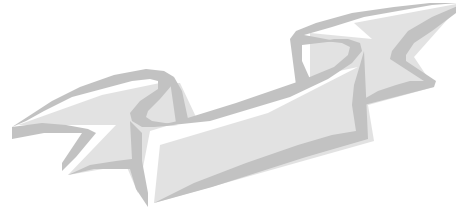
2004 VCOI Holiday Party and Awards Banquet

Good Times! Good Food! Great People!

Join with us for an evening of merriment and camaraderie on Saturday, January 17, 2004 as we come together to acknowledge and celebrate the accomplishments of this past year with our fellow club members at The Milk Pail Restaurant, located ½ mile North of I-90 on Route 25 in East Dundee, Illinois.

The evening's festivities will commence at 6:00 p.m. in the Terrace Room (formerly the Hunt Room), Cash Bar Available, with Dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

Following Dinner will be our Membership Meeting and the Awards.

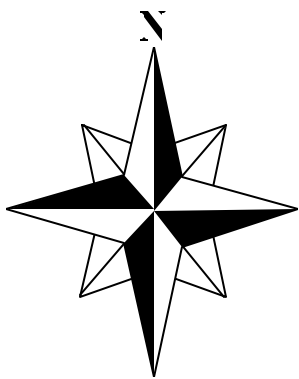


2004 VCOI HOLIDAY PARTY & AWARDS BANQUET

When: Saturday, January 17, 2004

Where: *The Terrace Room
(Formerly The Hunt Room)
The Milk Pail Restaurant
½ Mile North of I-90 on Route 25 (Dundee Ave.)
East Dundee, Illinois
(847) 742-5040*

Time: *Cocktails (Cash Bar) at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner Served At 7:00 p.m.*



SEPTEMBER TRIAL REPORT

Submitted by Wanda Berner

I want to thank everyone that came to the fall field trial and helped out. Robert Tomczak was Secretary and did all of the preliminary work. I was Chairing the event. Friday night Tom called me and told me that I had a really sick dog at home. I was going to have to leave Saturday morning as soon as I got things rolling, but he was able to go to the emergency vet and keep Zoë and her pups alive all by himself, and I was thankfully able to stay the whole weekend.

Colomba Barger was my right hand woman all weekend. Captain Colomba marshaled and cracked the whip to keep the guys going to the line on time. Victor Barger, Tony Ordonez, Greg Wegler, Jim Busch, Dennis Nowak, Kevin Berta, Bill Elliot, Jeff Parise, Greg Hedien, Paul Howard, and Mark Smith bird planted and marshaled, I am sure there are others I may have missed.

Our judges, Barry Peterson, Dean Nelson, Jim Couris, Jim Gingrich, Carl Wilbur, and Kim Kitchen worked above and beyond the call of duty. Judging a total of 71 dogs on Saturday and 53 on Sunday made for two long days in the saddle. While the weather was a little hot for the dogs, at least the judges had comfortable temperatures!

Michel Berner was there with her laptop computer and kept the trial organized. We had several people scratch dogs at the last minute and it threw the schedule into chaos. With Michel making adjustments on the computer and color coding the print-outs so that Colomba and I always had an up to the minute running order, we were able to manage the conflicts with only a few seemingly impossible and impassable problems. And we will hopefully never have to see a running order version 4.6 again!

We were not sure we could finish the trial on time, but ended up being done by 5PM on Sunday. I don't think any other club could have handled the problems as well as we did. Job well-done guys!

CHICAGOLAND FAMILY PET SHOW

Submitted by Tim Dyer

The Chicagoland Family Pet Show will be held March 19-21, 2004 at the Arlington International Racecourse in Arlington Heights, IL. For anyone who has never been to the Pet Show, it is an expo of pet related items, demonstrations and performances. Each year there is a variety of pets from dogs on down to mice and hedgehogs. Show attendees are able to shop at literally hundreds of booths containing thousands of different items relating to the pets of their choice.

VCOI has been a regular participant in the Pet Show for many years. We usually have our booth on the second level in the northeast corner by the stairs. 2004 will have us in the exact same location. As always, we will need volunteers to help out with the running the booth. It is a great way to meet other club members, show off your favorite companion, and best of all, get into the show for FREE (we'll have passes to get you in and to park). Please mark off those dates on your VCOI calendar (don't have one, talk with Wanda) and come out and join us. I will be taking names for those who wish to participate at a later time so keep watching the Bulletin for further details.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH



“The sun doesn't shine on the same dog's tail all the time”

If you can correctly identify the author of the quote above and where it was published, you may win a FREE TEN BIRD HUNT at Busch Farm. Either mail your entry to Michel Berner 308 E Prairie St, Boscobel WI 53805, or send it e-mail to miravizslas@mchsi.com, or hand deliver it to Michel or Jim Busch at the membership meeting prior to the meeting being called to order. Be sure to include your name if submitting via e-mail.

Winners from correct entries will be drawn at the January membership meeting.

2003 Most Potential Young Vizsla

Submitted by Michel Berner

Cherokee's Jazzmin of Shiloh owned by Robert Tomczak was awarded the Most Potential Young Vizsla Award after giving a stellar performance in the Amateur Gun Dog stake at the September field trial.

The award, established by Mark N Johnson in honor of his dog DC AFC Mehagian KRC's Phoenix Fridge, is given to a dog under the age of five that has successfully made the transition into gun dog. The award is accompanied by a beautiful traveling trophy that the recipient gets to keep for one year.

OFFICER & BOARD NOMINATIONS

Submitted by Michel Berner

It is time to think about nominations for Board and Officer positions.

The following positions are one year terms, and need to be elected annually:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer



There are also three Board positions to be filled. Board of Directors serve a two year term.

Please get any nominations for open positions to one of the nominating committee in writing or you may also attend the November membership meeting at the Pine Grove Restaurant to make a nomination from the floor.

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HOW TO MAKE A PROSPECTIVE PEDIGREE

Submitted by Michel Berner

If you are planning a breeding, the Prospective Pedigree feature on www.k9info.com is a useful, and easy, tool to combine two known pedigrees. For purposes of fairness, we are going to use two deceased Vizslas.

- Open Internet Explorer and direct to www.k9info.com
- In the search area, type in your prospective sire. In our case, it is DC Rebel Rouser Duke HOF. When his pedigree is shown, click where it says "Click here for printable pdf pedigree"
- Write down the sires ID number, in Duke's case it is: id=vz_sa358560. This will appear in the title bar as the URL address.
- Go to back to the search screen and select your prospective dam. We are using Brook's Amber Mist. You may have better results without punctuation. Select the correct dog from the results list. In our case it is DC AFC Brook's Amber Mist HOF. Also click to select the printable pdf pedigree.
- You will need to combine the two addresses to make your pedigree. Amber's information from the title bar will look like this:
http://www.k9info.com/pdfinfo.php?id=vz_sa360301
Double click on the address between "?" and "id" to insert "dam" to make it read:
http://www.k9info.com/pdfinfo.php?damid=vz_sa360301

Double click at the end of Amber's URL and add the word "&sire" to look like this:
http://www.k9info.com/pdfinfo.php?damid=vz_sa360301&sire
- Now type in the information you have written down for Duke id=vz_sa358560
- The new address will read: http://www.k9info.com/pdfinfo.php?damid=vz_sa360301&sireid=vz_sa358560
- Click "go" or hit "enter"

You now have a prospective pedigree to use in your breeding program

NOCI OBEDIENCE TRIAL

Submitted by Tim Dyer

Northwest Obedience will be having their annual obedience trial December 13th at the Northwest Obedience training facility located in Cary, IL. The following day there will be two UKC obedience trials at the same location hosted by NOCI's UKC sister club, Flying Paws. More information can be obtained by calling (847) 639-3377 or by going to the NOCI web site www.northwestobedienceclub.org.

SEPTEMBER FIELD TRIAL RESULTS

Submitted by Michel Berner

Open All Age (Judges: Dean Nelson, Jim Couris)

1. First place withheld
2. Onpoint's Tuff Stuff (Tuffy) Reid
3. Rebel Rouser T-Rex (Rex) Wilbur
4. Raany (Raany) Busch

Open Derby (Judges: Carl Wilbur, Kim Kitchen)

1. Chevee (Chevee) Busch
2. Crimson's Twenty Gauge Ruger (Ruger) Spurgeon
3. Take A Blue Roxanne (Roxie) Jagoda
4. Onpoint's Hitman (Sam) Reid

Amateur Gun Dog (Jim Gingrich, Jim Couris)

1. Kal-Cams Red Thunder (Thunder) Bassingthwaighte
2. Cherokee's Jazzmin Of Shiloh (Jazzmin) Tomczak & Most Potential Young Vizsla Award
3. Saginaw T. Jack (Jack) Johnson
4. Onpoint's Wilde Card Kate (Kate) Potter

Am. Walking Puppy (Jim Gingrich, Barry Peterson)

1. Shiloh's Absolute (Neissa) Tomczak
2. Winnesheik Thunder Storm (Boomer)
3. Melody Shiloh Luck O The Irish (Lucas) Tomczak
4. My 'Lil Mel-Annie (Annie) Duffek

Open Gun Dog RETRIEVING (Barry Peterson, Dean Nelson)

1. Onpoint's Fulluv Gusto (Kansas) Reid
2. Upwind Shiloh Mark of Zorro (Zorro) Tomczak
3. Kal-Cam's Calamidy Jane (Callie) Reid
4. Rebel Rouser Kemberly (Kember) Wilbur

Amateur Limited Gun Dog RETRIEVING (Jim Couris, Kim Kitchen)

1. Cherokee's Jazzmin of Shiloh (Jazzmin) Tomczak
2. Onpoint's Tuff Stuff (Tuffy) Bassingthwaighte
3. Raany (Raany) Busch
4. Saginaw Dandy Sue (Sue) Johnson

Open Limited Gun Dog (Dean Nelson, Jim Couris)

1. Saginaw Dandy Sue (Sue) Johnson
2. Feldihuhn Ding A Ling (Belle) Jagoda
3. Rebel Rouser Kemberly (Kember) Wilbur
4. Onpoint Deja Voo (Deja) Reid

Open Puppy (Barry Peterson, Dean Nelson)

1. Onpoint's Hitman (Sam) Reid
2. Berry's Taking Chances (Lotto) Syczylo
3. Shiloh's Absolute (Neissa) Tomczak
4. Shiloh Luck O The Irish (Lucas) Tomczak

Amateur Walking Derby (Carl Wilbur, Kim Kitchen)

1. Shiloh Luck O The Irish (Lucas) Tomczak
2. Crimson's Twenty Gauge Ruger (Ruger) Spurgeon
3. Strider's Ace (Ace) Barger
4. Winnesheik Thunder Storm (Boomer) Melody

BRAGGING RIGHTS

"BUCKLEY" **UAGI CH FOXFIRE PJ BUCKLEY JH CD CGC** POLLY POULOS AND JASON WALDRON UKC AGI TITLE, WAG-SPRING GROVE, IL 8/23 & 8/24 I AM SO PROUD OF BUCKLEY!! HE MADE HIS AGILITY DEBUT JUST TWO WEEKS SHY OF HIS 9TH BIRTHDAY AND COMPLETED HIS TITLE IN 3 SUCCESSIVE RUNS! HE ALSO HAD AN EXTRA QUALIFYING LEG TO BOOT. HE CAME HOME WITH ONE 1ST PLACE, TWO 2ND PLACES AND ONE 3RD PLACE. THAT'S MY BOY! SUBMITTED BY POLLY POULOS

CH PRIDEN JOY LORD OF THE RINGS (AKA RUGBY) EARNED HIS UKC AGI TITLE IN 3 STRAIGHT PASSES AT THE WAG AGILITY TRIAL 8/2-3. HE THEN EARNED 2 QUALIFYING LEGS TOWARD HIS AGII TITLE 8/23-24. RUGBY'S GOOD! BUT HIS SISTER'S EVEN BETTER! **PRIDEN JOY LADY BYRD** (AKA ROBYN) EARNED HER AGI TITLE IN 3 STRAGHT PASSES 8/2-3 AND HER AGII TITLE IN 3 STRAIGHT PASSES AND EARNED 10 POINTS WITH A PERFECT RUN TOWARD HER UACH (AGILITY TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP) ON 8/23-24. ACTUALLY ROBYN HAD 8/8 QUALIFYING RUNS IN 2 WEEKENDS OF AGILITY. AUGUST WAS ROBYN AND RUGBY'S AGILITY DEBUT AT THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 19 MONTHS OLD! PROUDLY SUBMITTED BY BREEDER/HANDLERS JOY SONSALLA & BILL QUANDT (YES BILL DOES AGILITY TOO AND QUITE WELL!)

ON SEPTEMBER 28TH AT THE K-9 OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB'S AKC AGILITY TRIALS IN MENOMONEE FALLS, WI, BUCKLEY (**UAGI CH FOXFIRE PJ BUCKLEY JH CD CGC**) QUALIFIED FOR HIS FIRST NOVICE STANDARD PREFERRED LEG AND FIRST NOVICE JUMPERS PREFERRED LEG, GETTING A SECOND PLACE IN EACH CLASS. THAT'S MY BOY! SUBMITTED BY POLLY POULOS

REBEL ROUSER KEMBER WON THE OPEN GUN DOG ON SUNDAY AT MICHIGAN. SUBMITTED BY CARL WILBUR

CRIMSON'S TWENTY GAUGE RUGER PLACEMENTS: MAR 8 2003 VCOI OPEN PUPPY 1ST PLACE 2PT, MAR 9 2003 VCOI AM PUPPY 1ST PLACE 2PT, APR 26 2003 MICH AM DERBY 2ND PLACE, MAY 4 2003 E-IOWA OPEN DERBY 2ND PLACE, SEP 7 2003 MIAMI HUNT DOG 4TH PLACE, SEP 20 2003 VCOI OPEN DERBY 2ND PLACE OUT OF 14, SEP 21 2003 VCOI AM DERBY 2ND PLACE OUT OF 10, SEP 26 2003 AF MIDWEST OPEN DERBY 2ND PLACE DERBY CLASSIC, SEP 27 2003 VCM OPEN DERBY 1ST PLACE OUT OF 14 2PT, SEP 28 2003 VCM AM WALK DERBY 1ST PLACE OUT OF 6 1PT, AND RUGER FINISHED HIS JUNIOR HUNTER TITLE., SUBMITTED BY PAM SPURGEON

WHAT A WEEKEND FOR JNEK VIZSLAS. SATURDAY IN FREEPORT, IL **JNEK'S COMMANDER IN CHIEF** (AKA JOEY) WAS BEST BRED BY. IN THE BRED BY SPORTING GROUP JOEY WON THE GROUP 1. WE COMPETED IN THE BEST IN SHOW-LOOKED GOOD, BUT NO CIGAR! SUBMITTED BY KATHY ENGELSMAN

BIS BISS CH. JNEK'S KING RALPH JH WAS AWARDED BEST OF BREED BOTH DAYS AND GOT THE SPORTING GROUP 2. ON SUNDAY HIS SON "HUNTER" WENT BEST OF WINNERS, OWNER HANDLED. WAY TO GO SCOTT. THEN WE HEARD THAT HIS DAUGHTER OUT EAST FINISHED HER SINGLE POINT FOR HER BENCH CHAMPIONSHIP. WHICH MAKES RALPH A ROM AT JUST 5 1/2 YEARS OLD. HIS OFFSPRING HAVE ACCOMPLISHED TITLES FROM 4 AREAS CONFORMATION-FIELD-OBEDIENCE (#1 IN JAN. VCA) AND AGILITY. WITH MORE TO COME! SUBMITTED BY KATHY ENGELSMAN

FALL HUNT TEST REPORT

We want to thank everyone who helped make the VCOI September 1 Hunt Test a success. Thanks to our judges who spent the whole day in the saddle in the rain and to all those who volunteered their time.

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Larry Lykowski
Cheryl Lykowski
Lindsey Lykowski
Patti Nowak
Cathy Gallagher
Jeff Parise

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Despite the inclement weather, we ran 52 dogs of several different breeds. We are happy to report that passing scores were given to 1 Master Hunter, 7 Senior Hunters, and 20 Junior Hunters. Congratulations!

Cathy Gallagher, Chairman

Jeff Parise, Secretary



IN THE KITCHEN WITH TRAVIS

Quail Casserole

4 quail, split down back
salt and flour
1/3 cup margarine
1/2 pound fresh mushrooms or one small can
2 tsp parsley flakes
2 cups white wine or water

Directions
Salt and dust quail with flour. Sauté in margarine in skillet until brown. Place quail in casserole and pour pan drippings over bird.

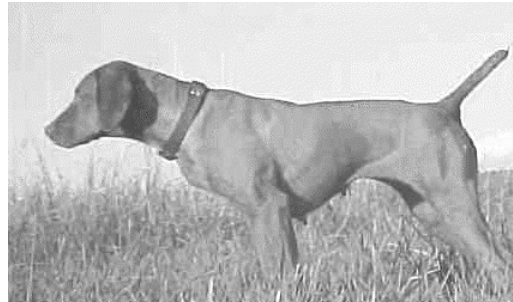
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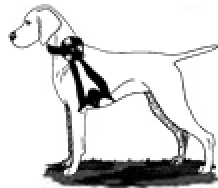


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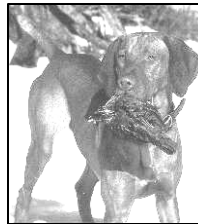
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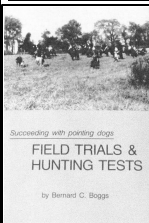
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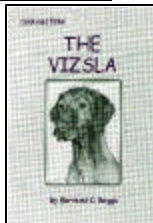
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