

California Brittany Club



ON POINT



Letter from the Editor

Sharon Kalionzes

Cold and blustery April greetings! We have just completed three major events for our club ... hosting the ABC Chukar Classic, the CBC Spring Field Trial and the Hunt Tests. Putting on events for members and friends of our club entails so much planning and hard work by those who volunteer to do it. Not enough is said about these people. How they give up their time, their gas, endless hours on the telephone making sure everything is covered to make the event run smoothly. There are piles of paperwork after the event to make sure our winners get their points correctly and their praises in

our written account of the event. Chair people volunteer their expertise, or they stick their necks out and learn how to put on the event ... scary, but fun! People who volunteer to become officers in the club ... who work for the continued success of the CBC and our functions are to be appreciated and supported.

I would like to acknowledge all the hard work these people do, and let them know we appreciate the sacrifices they make. I have heard, via the grapevine, what wonderful jobs our "team leaders" for these latest events have done. Congratulations!! Linda and Ed Dixon, Karen Nelsen,

Linda McDonald, Bill Landress, and their teams of helpers. Thank you to Rich Harbour ... our very own Photographer for documenting our events so wonderfully. You make sure we all look great and those dogs are beautiful "in motion"! Thank you all for your selfless contributions to the successes of our CBC events. Thank you for your hard work ... and thanks to all who have volunteered for the Spring/Summer/Fall events to come! Thank you for your service to the CBC!



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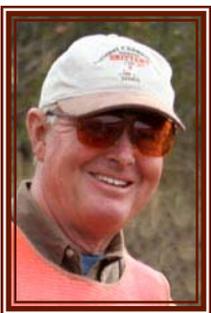
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Special points of interest:

- ☉ Turn in your Points for the Brittany of the Year Awards
- ☉ **Next Newsletter Publication will be July 1st 2006**—Deadline is June 15th. Send ideas, brags and info to Sharon Kalionzes. See address & phone number info on back.

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2006 American Brittany Club Chukar Classic

January 18 & 19, 2006 - California City, CA

By Tom White

The American Brittany Club 2006 Chukar Classic was held January 18 and 19th, 2006 in the Mojave Desert at an area known as Castle Butte Well, near

California City, CA. The California Brittany Club hosted the event which was generously sponsored by Purina and Tri-Tronics. Purina provided all participants with a supply of Purina Pro Plan dog food.

Tri-Tronics awarded the winner a G2 Pro Series Dog Training System. This year's Champion performance was by **Oxbow's Bounty Hunter** in the 7th brace. Hunter is a 2 and a

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Chukar Classic (continued)

half year old male, owned by Don and Margaret Waite and handled by Paul Doiron. The third brace on day 1 produced the 2nd Place Winner; **Maxwell's Charismatic**, owned and handled by Terry Maxwell.

The weather, and the desert, this time of the year was beautiful. For those unfamiliar with this part of the country, the grounds are part of the Mojave Desert. This arid region of southeastern California and portions of Nevada, Arizona and Utah, occupies more than 25,000 square miles. The Mojave's desert climate is characterized by extreme variation in daily temperature and an average annual precipitation of less than 5 inches. Almost all the precipitation arrives in winter. Freezing temperatures occur in winter, while summers are hot, dry

and windy. If there is moisture, the desert can turn into a gorgeous display of color. We were lucky this year - it did.

For the hour, a single course has been laid out that runs thru the hills, flats, mountains, washes, and rock ledges (Figure 1). The course starts on the left side of camp and moves clockwise for about 5 miles. There are flats to the left that continue into the desert for miles with nothing to stop a dog with travel on its mind. A ridge to the right parallels the travel of the course with the highest point starting at 5 stories above the desert floor and decreases to about 2 stories. With horses at a flat walk, there is about 7 minutes travel to what we refer to as "Chukar Alley". Dogs that cast to the left and stay

left, eventually must travel through an area referred to as the "grease woods". In this area it difficult to see a dog until they go high into the two mountains that are forward, the higher of the two we refer to as Limb Find Mountain. If the dog casts right, they can climb to the top and look great running the top of the ridge parallel to the line of the course. Chukar Alley is a series of 3 medium height rocky ridges (with the highest about 7 stories) and valleys where a dog has many opportunities to find Chukar. After Chukar Alley the challenge really begins. There is a series of flats and the course calls for a slow 90 degree turn to the right to head over a series of rocky ridges and a flat area that takes about 10 minutes at a flat walk to cross. This can be a problem if you don't have your dog here. If the dog continues straight after Chukar Alley, or goes left, there are miles and miles of desert ahead. If the dog has gone into the ridges to the right you should be able to seem them periodically as they hunt the rocks and ledges. The trip across the flat to the next landmark, a large bald mountain that raises 15 stories above the desert floor, can be a handling challenge. If the dog makes large casts to the left, more desert beckons. To the right in the crossing are ridges and hills to keep a dog hunting. As the large bald mountain is approached (Prospect Mountain - about 15 stories above the desert), time should be about 30 minutes. Experienced dogs will climb the bald mountain and explore the surrounding rock cropping for

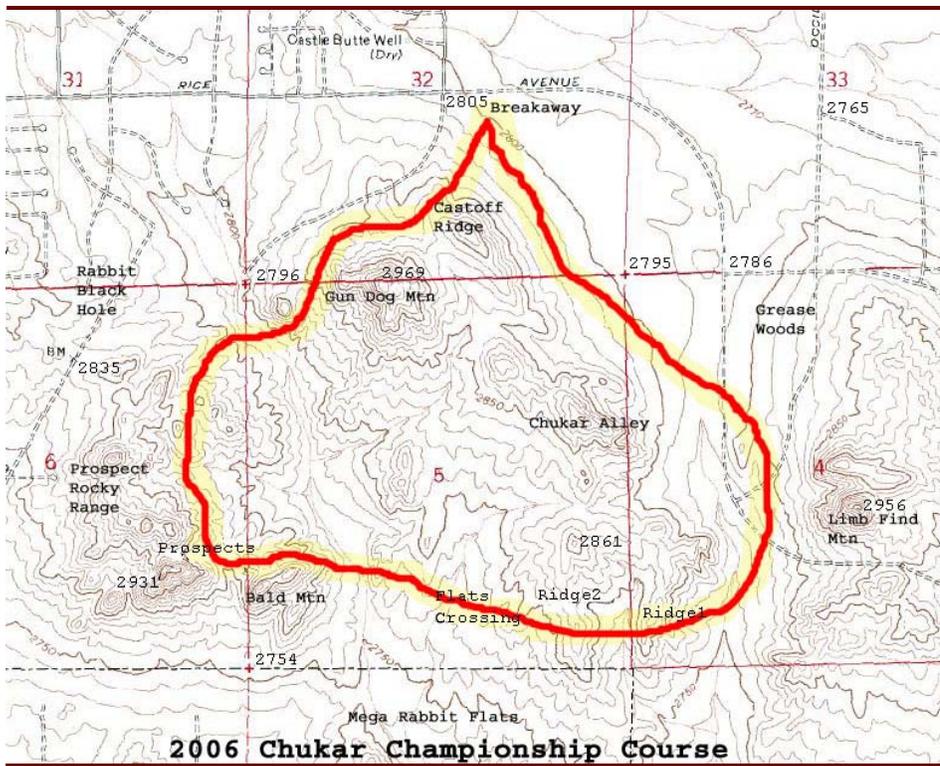


Figure 1

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Chukar Classic (continued)



Front Row, left to right: Paul Doiron with Winner **OXBOW'S BOUNTY HUNTER**, Terry Maxwell with **MAXWELL'S CHARISMATIC**, Margaret Horstmeyer with **TJ'S SINGLE SHOT OF SCIPIO** and Jim Berneathy Sr with **KOLICKO'S CUERVO JOKER**; Back Row: Judge Roger Borine, Peggy Doiron, Judge Paul Katzel, Bill Landress, Ed Dixon, Tom White, Ed Tillson and Jimmy Berneathy.

Chukar. The course moves on thru a series of rock hills that rise and fall from 2 to 15 stories in height completing the loop toward camp. The best prize your dog can provide you is to finish with a cast to the top of "Gun Dog Mountain", point the covey at the top and stand the birds within sight of the handler and judges as you climb to the top of this 15 story mountain for the flush. From the top, down to camp, it is about a 10 minute ride completing the loop.

Our judges were Paul Katzel from Plainsfield, IL and Roger Borine from Bend, Oregon. Paul has many years of experience in judging and running Brittanys in the Midwest and South. He had not judged in this part of the country and expressed his awe at the power of the dogs that worked the mountains and

ridges in their hunt. Roger runs Brittanys in the West and is an avid Chukar hunter. He was very familiar with Chukar dogs that need to examine the rocks at the top. They were the perfect judges; knowledgeable, attentive to the action, patient and a lot of fun. Their decision was well received.

The trial was well attended. The out of the area attendees included Jimmy Berneathy from Vinita, OK, Ed Tillson from Albuquerque, NM, and Terry Maxwell from Wilcox, AZ. Paul Doiron, Wayne Down, Ed Mayhew and Tom White supported the event from the local area.

The running environment was unique this year. Usually we see many coyotes on the course at the beginning of the running. These sly characters celebrate when they see the first brace on course which marks

the beginning of a feast. They were missing in action - I think someone saw a single coyote. The theory is that the motorcycle traffic has dramatically increased in this part of the Mojave and the coyotes have relocated. In their place we have many, many jackrabbits - some as big as a Brittany. A couple of times I believe a rabbit was claimed by a handler when it was moving in a favorable direction, distance and speed. When you consider that half of the dogs competing this year were lost, you can see what a factor rabbits probably were. In my own case, my dogs have perfected the stealth pursuit of rabbits with the "yip yip yipping" at a minimum.

Another factor that dramatically affected a dog's performance was

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Chukar Classic (continued)

the wind. At times there were gusts up to 60 mph, with average winds 35 to 45 mph. If the dog was downwind you had a slight chance of being heard - if upwind, you were singing to yourself. So, with the combination of jackrabbits and wind you felt you competing on some strange reality show to get a dog around. The factor of "luck of the draw" was clearly an important com-



Judges Roger Borine of Bend, OR and Paul Katzel of Plainsfield, IL

ponent in a performance. On the second day afternoon, the winds started to subside and more dogs were getting around.

The Running

The 2006 winning performance came from the 7th brace, **Oxbow's Bounty Hunter** (Hunter) owned by Don and Margaret Waite and handled by Paul Doiron. The brace mate was **Gunrunner's Lady's Man** (Lutie) handled by Jimmy Bernethy. Both dogs broke nicely to the front with Hunter moving right, climbing to run the top of the ridge. Lutie continued his cast at one o'clock into the ridges of Chukar Alley and then crossing toward Limb Find Mountain. Hunter went on point in the second ridge of Chukar Alley and looked good while a Chukar was produced. Hunter then cast to the left and headed toward the

rise south. He was found on point in greasewoods and a small covey was produced. Hunter was cast right to begin the crossing of the flats toward the Prospect Mountains. On the first ridge of the crossing Hunter went on point and birds were flushed for him. Lutie was not seen again after his travel to Limb Find Mountain and beyond. Hunter made the flats crossing working the right side ridges and climbed Bald Mountain hunting. He was found on point on the west side of the mountain by the scout Peggy Doiron and a Chukar was produced with his style maintained. Hunter worked the ridges and mountains of the Prospects on the remainder of the course and finished strong to the front.

The American Brittany Club 2006 Chukar Classic Winner is **Oxbow's Bounty Hunter**, Owner: Don and Margaret Waite, Handled by Paul Doiron and 2nd Place when to **Maxwell's Charismatic**, Owned & Handled by: Terry Maxwell, 3rd Place to **TJ's Single Shot of Scipio**, owned by Margaret Horstmeyer and Tom White and handled by Tom White, with 4th Place going to **Kolicko's Cuervo Joker (CJ)**, owned by Dave Munson and handled by Jimmy Bernethy.

BRACE 1

Jalo's Chief MH (Chief)

handled by Paul Doiron

TJ's Apache (Bandit),

handled by Ed Tillson

Both dogs broke well and did a great job working the ridges and mountains on both sides of the course. At 50 minutes as the dogs were working Prospect Mountains

they disappeared and were not seen at time.

BRACE 2

Tequila Joker's Jose Cuervo (Jose), handled by Jimmy Bernethy

Traveler's Reign of Terra (Terra), handled by Tom White

Both dogs worked the first one third of the course well but disappeared after the turn to cross the flats toward the Prospect Mountains. Neither dog was seen at time.

BRACE 3

2nd Place, Maxwell's Charismatic (Jack), handled by Terry Maxwell
Tule River's Traveling Sam (Sam), handled by Paul Doiron

Jack and Sam both worked the ridge on the right and continued into Chukar Alley. They moved across the desert floor to Limb Find Mountain and hunted the ridges on the left of the course, mostly out of sight. The dogs were finally gathered for the turn to cross the flats toward the Prospects. Sam moved across the valley and was not seen again. Jack worked well forward in the crossing and was found on point in the rocks west of the Prospect Mountain. After working the covey with great style he was cast into the hills on the left. Again he was found on point about 10 minutes later high in the rocks. He finished strong into Gun Dog Mountain and was seen moving forward at time. The performance well deserved the 2nd placement.

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BRACE 4

4th Place, Kolicko's Cuervo Joker (CJ), handled by Jimmy Berneathy
Bluewater Pink (Pink), handled by Wayne Down

CJ and Pink both moved onto the right ridge to work the top. At 3 minutes Pink was seen moving in the same direction as a Chukar in flight. CJ continued to work Chukar Alley, the Ridges and Prospect Mountains producing 4 finds.

BRACE 5

Bluewater Guns A Blazen (Gunner), handled by Wayne Down
Tucalota's Blazn Ocho (Ocho), handled by Ed Mayhew

Gunner and Ocho work the right side of the course down to Chukar Alley. Ocho went on point at 6 minutes but unfortunately he took a few steps that did not please his handler and was picked up. Gunner continued to work the course with speed and style. Gunner went on point at 48 and the handler worked the situation with several relocations until a bird was produced.

BRACE 6

Shady's The Price Is Right (Steele), handled by Paul Doiron
Maxwell's Blew By You (Chuck), handled by Terry Maxwell

Both of these fine dogs worked the first one third of the course with speed and power. However, they were so far to the front when the handlers reached the point of the 90 degree right turn, neither dog received the communication to turn right. Both dogs were lost at time.

BRACE 7

Gunrunner's Lady's Man (Lutie), handled by Jimmy Berneathy
WINNER, Oxbow's Bounty Hunter (Hunter), handled by Paul Doiron

Hunter's winning performance was discussed above. Lutie cast to the right ridges, moved steadily to the front and was lost in the hills at 20, never to return to consideration.

BRACE 8

Redline's Tequila Moon (Taq), handled by Paul Doiron
Make My Day Dude (Dude), handled by Ed Tillson

Both dogs worked the right side ridge after the breakaway. Taq moved across Chukar Alley working the top ridge. Dude also work Chukar Alley and was rewarded with a covey find. After the turn to the flats Taq continued south and was not seen again. Dude continued a fine performance only interrupted by a non-productive the Prospect Mountains. Dude had a strong finish up Gun Dog Mountain at time.

BRACE 9

Lane's End Jess N Time (Jess), handled by Wayne Down
Redline's Tequila Smoker (Smokey), handled by Paul Doiron

Both dogs worked the front part of the course well. Smokey had a nice covey find in Chukar Alley that demonstrated his style on point. Neither dog was seen again after the crossing of the flats toward Prospect Mountain.

BRACE 10

Terra's Cabo Wabo (Sammy), handled by Tom White
Shady's Tia Maria (Tia), handled by Jimmy Berneathy

Sammy broke well to the front, was seen again near the turn to the flats and he apparently continued to the south in pursuit of a rabbit. He was not seen again. Tia demonstrated her outstanding hunting style but was upset by a few hot spots on course.

BRACE 11

San Dee's Cuervo Gold (Josie), handled by Paul Doiron
TJ's Prairie Blizzard (Blizzard), handled by Ed Tillson

Josie and Blizzard moved to the right side of the course. Josie had the first of her 5 finds and handled it well. Additional finds for Josie occurred at 8 in Chukar Alley, 17 at Ridge 1, 23 at Ridge 2, and 44 in the Prospect Mountains. Josie had a great bird finding performance but the activity infringed upon her race. Blizzard worked the course well but had no finds.

BRACE 12

3rd Place, TJ's Single Shot of Scipio (Emme), handled by Tom White
Tequila With A Twist (Taryn), handled by Ed Tillson

This last brace presented two great performances. Emme and Taryn broke to the right and worked the ridges. After both dogs worked thru Chukar Alley they crossed the flats to hunt Limb Find Mountain. Ed had Taryn gathered up and moved down course across the flats. Emme had climbed the 15 stories of the mountain and disappeared. Both Tom and his scout Margaret Horstmeyer searched the ridges and hills in the surrounding area. Emme was found on top, in a rock crevice, pointing a covey. The birds were flushed and the party moved on across the flats toward the Prospects. Emme was not seen for several minutes but was eventually found on point in the rocks on the west side of Bald Mountain. Emme worked the rock ledges for the remainder of the course and had one additional find coupled with a good finish. Although Taryn did a diligent job in hunting the course, no birds were pointed.



CBC Field Trial Report

By Karen Nelsen, Field Trial Chairman

The CBC Spring (Spring???) Field Trial was held at the end of January

following the ABC Chukar Championship. Fortunately for us, the weather improved over that experienced mid-week, but not to the point of pristine conditions. (Is there any such guarantee for a field trial?)

We were happy to have a circus-sized tent under which we could congregate out of the elements for meals, deals and camaraderie. Thanks to Ed Mayhew and the NSTRA group for providing this most-welcome piece of equipment.

Thanks go to Linda Dixon who served, not only as secretary of the Chukar Championship, but also the Field Trial, for getting information entered into the computer database, labels for judge's books, coordinating the American Field paperwork and generally, for completing any other assignment thrown her way. She was a tireless worker who made sure the tiniest detail was taken care of.

Thanks also go to our judges who spent long hours in the saddle judging a total of 119 starters! Special thanks to Paul Katzel for subbing for Ed Dixon in the Puppy Stake, as Ed had his hands full with other chores. We appreciate the judges who took the time to evaluate the performances of the dogs and reward them for their efforts. Dou-

ble duty was served by several of the judges (Terry Erickson, Lou D'Alessandro, Carl Babb and Gregg Knight). The All Age stake entries were larger than anticipated (hurray!), but the judges had to spend more time in the saddle. Thanks to Eldon Bouchie and Ed Mayhew for their tireless efforts here. As mentioned, Paul Katzel jumped in to help out in the Puppy Stake along with Jerry Rosenberg. And long time trialer, Ellis Herz worked the Open Gun Dog stake along with Gregg Knight. Again, we appreciate your time and humor, especially when the running orders needed to be adjusted!

Thanks to our course "managers" Tom White (on the All Age side) and Bill Landress (on the Gun Dog side) for making sure that handlers were to the line, that birds were planted, that water was on the course, and that the judges' needs were taken care of. You both made everything run very smoothly and without complication.

The café of Lois Mayhew and Sally Jordan provided some scrumptious lunches for the event. Everything was prepared during breaks in the action, in an extremely efficient assembly line-like fashion. The ingenuity and creativity in their menu was enjoyed by everyone.

What can we say about Frank Bianchini and Joe Ramondetta for the fabulous Italian specialties they whipped up for dinner on Saturday evening? Lasagnas, tossed salad, appetizers were only part of the

menu. Dinner was followed by cheese-cakes brought by Cindy Lef-fingwell. Joe and Frank's "Ristorante Bianchini" had everyone standing in line awaiting the bubbling lasagnas...who ever thought that eight of them could be kept hot and served banquet style in the middle of the cold, windy desert. Joe and Frank are new to the field trial game, and this was their first effort at providing the dinner for participants. Judging by the satisfied appetites of everyone, I'm hoping it won't be their last.

Thanks to Linda Mc Donald for the great job in rounding up raffle items. As usual, this part of the trial is looked forward to, and again, did not disappoint. Many walked away with goodies for their dogs, horses and themselves. Thanks to not only her, but her "ticket selling" crew as well.

Again, we'd like to thank everyone for participating, for being willing to help out and jumping in where needed. The event would not have been the success it was without everyone's cooperation and most importantly, their senses of humor... which is sometimes hard to have when running as many dogs as we did! Thanks so much...I appreciate each and every one of you.

And the placements are:

Open All Age 27 Starters

1 - FC Bluewater Pink

Sire: FC Boom Sha Boom

Dam: Suzies Flash

Owner/Handler: Wayne Down

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2 - DC AFC Shady's Tia Maria

Sire: NFC DC AFC Tequila's Joker
 Dam: Shady's Chik-N-Little
 Owner: Clem & Marilynne Little
 Handler: Jimmy Berneathy

3 - DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila Smoker

Sire: NFC DC AFC Tequila's Joker
 Dam: Smarteyes Microbean's
 Owner: Bill & Cindy Leffingwell
 Handler: Paul Doiron

4 - Oxbow's Bounty Hunter

Sire: AFC Lea's Running Jay Hawk
 Dam: NFC DC AFC Micro Chips of Nutmeg
 Owner: Don Waite
 Handler: Paul Doiron

Open Puppy

14 Starters



Smokey's Amazing Grace
 and owner/handler
 Sabrina Arney
 1st place Puppy

1 - Smokey's Amazing Grace

Sire: DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila Smoker
 Dam: Redlines Till Tomorrow
 Owner: Sabrina & Gregg Arney
 Handler: Sabrina Arney

2 - Mt. View's King Maxillius

Sire: DC AFC The Whiz Kid
 Dam: Mountain View's Princess Mia
 Owner: Brent & Lisa Horton
 Handler: Jimmy Berneathy

3 - Shadow Attack

Sire: NFC AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow
 Dam: FC AFC The Prairie Tornado
 Owner/Handler: Ed Tillson

4 - Tualota's K-Nine Mojo

Sire: K Nine's Beeline Bullet
 Dam: Tualota Wookstock Roxy
 Owner/Handler: Ed Mayhew

Open Gun Dog

18 Starters



FC Quail Rock Tough Enough
 and handler Paul Doiron
 with the CBC Perpetual OGD trophy.

1 - FC Quail Rock Tough Enough

Sire: DC Jordean Tough Stuff MH
 Dam: FC Repeat's San-Dee
 Owner: Ellen Weinfurter
 Handler: Paul Doiron

2 - AFC I M A Birdfindin' Babe JH

Sire: NFC FC AFC Highbrow's Red
 Dam: Homeacres Gold Dust
 Owner/Handler: Craig Lewis

3 - Megasmoke Grand Finale

Sire: DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila Smoker
 Dam: NFC DC AFC Microchips Of Nutmeg
 Owner: Myra-Dawn Ellis
 Handler: Paul Doiron

4 - CH Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT

Sire: DC AFC Awards Rusty Ridge Jake MH
 Dam: CH Tantara's Remington Hunter CD
 Owner: Dale & Myra-Dawn Ellis
 Handler: Myra-Dawn Ellis

Amateur All Age 18 Starters

1 - FC Hideaway Red's Bess Bet

Sire: FC AFC Jalo's PHD, MH
 Dam: Hideaway Cedaridge Lucy
 Owner: Roger & Deb Borine
 Handler: Roger Borine

2 - FC AFC Make My Day Dude

Sire: NFC DC AFC Tequila's Joker
 Dam: FC AFC Jim De Bob's Super Star
 Owner/Handler: Ed Tillson

3 - Paladela's Calif Jack (EP)

Sire: Romona Calif. Sonny
 Dam: Paladela's Lill Bit
 Owner/Handler: Sal Satallante

4 - Sal's Romona Shadow (EP)

Sire: Canadian Bum
 Dam: Stinger's Zena Snoop
 Owner/Handler: Sal Satallante

Open Derby

23 Starters

1 - I M A Pocket Rocket

Sire: FC AFC I M A Runnin' Bandit
 Dam: AFC I M A Birdfindin' Babe JH
 Owner Handler: Craig Lewis

2 - Breton's Truckee River Gold

Sire: FC AFC Hi-Scor Jac D Ruffian
 Dam: DC Chikamin's Tub O'Gold
 Owner: Gordon Theilen & Christine Zink
 Handler: Paul Doiron

3 - Wholly Smoke

Sire: DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila Smoker
 Dam: Redline's Till Tomorrow
 Owner: Jerry Cape
 Handler: Paul Doiron

4 - Buckaroo's Candy Dee-Lite

Sire: FC Sam-Dee's Buckaroo
 Dam: FC Repeat's San-Dee
 Owner: Barbara Robben & Jerry Rosenberg
 Handler: Paul Doiron

Amateur Gun Dog

19 Starters



CH Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT
 and owner/handler Myra-Dawn Ellis
 with the CBC Perpetual AGD trophy.

1 -CH Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT

Sire: DC AFC Awards Rusty Ridge Jake MH
 Dam: CH Tantara's Remington Hunter CD
 Owner: Dale & Myra-Dawn Ellis
 Handler: Myra-Dawn Ellis

2 - Hideaway Hank

Sire: FC AFC Jalo's PHD, MH
 Dam: Hideaway Cedaridge Lucy
 Owner: Roger & Dee Borine
 Handler: Roger Borine

3 - Hurry On Moon Smoke Jake

Sire: DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila Smoker
 Dam: DC Tule River's Full Moon Maggie
 Owner: E. Bouchie, S. Jordan, L. Langford
 Handler: Eldon Bouchie

4 - FC Shiloh's Man About Town

Sire: FC Sam Dee's Traveler
 Dam: DC Shiloh's Blazin Shadie Sadie
 Owner/Handler: Linda McDonald



CBC Hunt Test Report

By Linda McDonald, Hunt Test Secretary

The California Brittany Club just completed another successful

double-hunt test held in conjunction with the San Diego Brittany Club. On February 25 and 26, club members and pointing dog enthusiasts gathered in the Mojave Desert in California City at Castle Butte Wells to enjoy nearly perfect spring weather and test our dogs' hunting abilities in a double hunt test. Handlers ranged from John Morrison, at something over 80 years old, but very young in spirit, to our two junior handlers, Katelyn Ford, 15 years, and Dakota Renfree, 14 years old, whose energy and enthusiasm we need to bottle

Sunday, Carl Babb and Russ Settell expertly judged the dogs' performances.



Rocking RM Hanging J's Big Gun and Diane Dale at breakaway

On Sunday, tasty continental breakfasts and yummy deli sandwich lunches were planned and prepared by Lois Mayhew, Rozanne Woelm, and Helen Harbour with handy assistance by Bev Bemis-Purdue. Our marshal, Tom White, kept the courses running smoothly on both days. Rich Harbour was everywhere bouncing about taking memorable pictures of everything and everyone. The hunt test chairman, Karen Nelson, was everywhere taking care of any detail, large or small. Her long hours of preparation prior to the event was evident, especially since, she had to step in with her computer expertise when the hunt test secretary's computer crashed and burned just prior to the event. Linda McDonald, the hunt test secretary, faithfully kept the scores tallied and recorded and the qualifying ribbons passed out.

The San Diego Brittany Club kept their hunt test going simultaneously, preparing barbecued hamburgers on Saturday for lunch and battling a Mojave green rattlesnake on Sunday that decided to come up to their secretary's table to check out the action. (Boy, was I ever

happy that one didn't try to check out CBC's secretary's table as well!) Saturday night, club members and participants treated themselves to Bill Landress' amazing tri tip barbeque with all the fixing's. A good time was had by all socializing by the fire that evening. Bill Landress, also, came through in a pinch and hauled the club trailer up to the grounds so course could be set up and the event organized on Friday.

Many thanks to the club members of CBC and SDBC for without everyone's assistance and cooperation, these events would not have taken place. Thanks to everyone, club members and participants for making these hunt tests an enjoyable, fun success!



John Morrison, at something over 80 years old

and sell. Both days, we had representatives, experienced handlers and newcomers, from most of the pointing breeds testing on the quail and chukar planted by our superb bird planters and gunners, Bob Woelm and Charlie Licitra.

On Saturday, our judges who hailed from Utah, Kent Forbush and Zack Miller, tirelessly judged the stakes. On



Covey of Chukar stayed in camp the entire weekend.

Brittany Qualifiers
Saturday, Feb. 25, 2006:

Senior Hunter:

-Richard's Little Guy Jake, by El Bandido of the Foothills & Foothills Sunquest Kat Ballou, o Richard Denham

Junior Hunter:

-CH Cimmarron's Mustang Sally, by CH Roylart's Whiter Russian & Cimmarron's Absolut Lee Gypsy, o Bruce and Laurie Blanton

-Desert Autumn Blaze, by CH Booker's Northern Legacy & CH Shiloh's Uptown Girl, o Don and Peggy Echavarria

-Shiloh's Tru Believer, by Ch Booker's Northern Legacy & FC AFC Shiloh's Mad

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CBC Hunt Test

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About You, o Linda McDonald, Lynda Evans, Pennie Peterson
-**Clare's C-Ya Later**, by Whetstone's Copper Doc & Tocalota Creek Picabo, o Tom Clare

Brittany Qualifiers
Sunday, Feb. 26, 2006

Senior Hunter:

-**Rocking RM Hanging J's Big Gun**, by FC AFC Jake's Son of a Gun Runner & JJ Tequila Sunrise, o Dan and Diane Dale

Junior Hunter:

-**Castle's Sleeping Beauty Zoei**, by Ch Castle's Tangerine Dream JH & CH Castle's Magic Moments JH, o Joseph Ramondetta

-**Desert Autumn Blaze**, by CH Booker's Northern Legacy & CH Shiloh's Uptown Girl, o Don and Peggy Echavarria

-**Ch Burford's What Was I Thinking**, by CH Booker's Northern Legacy & CH Shiloh's Uptown Girl, o Lynda Evans & Katelyn Ford

Willi Match Update...

Frank Bianchini will be Chairing the **Willi Match** this year along with Joe Ramondetta. *They would appreciate anyone who has old trophies to donate for the match to please bring them to the Brittany Specialty in May, or call them so trophies can be picked up before the Willi Match Event. Those who won the Perpetual Trophies (BOB, BOS, Junior Handler & Trop Grand) please bring them back! We need to share them with the new winners to be.* The match will be held at Rush Park in Rossmoor again, and the date is **August 20th**. Anyone who would like to volunteer is welcome!! Please contact Frank at 714-423-4678 or Frankbian@aol.com. We will have a lot of fun.



Pregnant Paws



Litter Due...

Oops! Litter Here!!!

"Emme" aka **DC AFC TJ's Single Shot of Scipio** (NFC DC AFC Tequila Joker X NFC DC AFC Microchips of Nutmeg) delivered a litter of 3 males and 3 females in the wee hours of Wednesday morning 3/15/06. They are white/org and some org/white. Father is "Sammy" aka **DC AFC Terra's Cabo Wabo** (DC AFC Redlines Tequila Smoker X DC AFC Travelers Reign of Terra). For information contact Margaret Horstmeyer or Tom White. Competition homes are preferred. (909) 880-2818 or tomimaging@aol.com. *Thanks Emme for making our newsletter deadline (Ed. note)!!!*



Puppies Available

Repeat breeding of **CH Sandbar's Casanova** x **CH Gaitway to Infinity** has produced a litter of 7 males and 3 females, born February 23, 2006. Many of these will be show potential as this litter appears consistent as was the last litter. Please contact Leah Shirokoff at ke6mmu@earthlink.net or 818/896-0839 for information.

Remembrances

He's gone... he was:

CH Millette's Ursa Major JH. Born April 8, 1992 and died February 27, 2006. He was a fun show dog in the ring. He was handled by Shari Hacker (Now Linsley), Lori Sternola (Now Alejian) and Amy Rodrigues. He was always "ON". (He liked to jump up on his handler and bark in the ring) He even locked on point in the middle of the ring in his first sweeps in San Diego at 6 months old. (He didn't care that they were just dickie birds!) He provided probably the funniest entertainment at a National's Obedience Trial. - He bounded around the ring and barked at everyone all the while wagging his tail furiously! (Much to the dismay of his handler - Shari). In his later years, he suffered with a bad heart and pretty serious dysplasia in one of his hips with nary a complaint. His favorite treats were tissue and cardboard - the more the merrier. He was also my first dog and my first Brittany. We will miss him.
Bill Hacker & Nancy Schneider

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Tattle Tails

Dakota's Booker-T JH earned his first Senior Hunter leg

at the SDBC hunt test on 2/26/06 for owner and handler Dakota Ren-free. Congratulations to you both!!

New Junior Hunter! **Desert's Autumn Blaze JH**, "Copper" earned 3



Desert's Autumn Blaze
with owner Don Echavarria
New Junior hunter

qualifying scores at the CBC & SDBC Hunt Tests in Castle Butte Wells 2/25-26/06. He earned his final qualifying score on 3/4/06 at the GSPCSD Hunt Test in Oak Grove Valley. Copper is proudly owned by Peggy & Don Echavarria and was handled by Don. Congratulations to you all...

"Lance" aka **MegaChip** (NFC DC AFC Microchips of Nutmeg x NAFC FC AFC Leas Running Jayhawk) went BOS to earn a 4 pt major at the Superstition Kennel Club show in Scottsdale, AZ on 3/5/06 He is owned and bred by Margaret Horstmeyer & Tom White. Congrats on his nice win!

MVP SHILOH TOUGHACTTOFOLLOW JH, "Jill", took 1st in OD at the Central California Brittany Club FT. Jill is owned and bred by Karen Nelsen, and was handled by Paul Doiron. Congratulations on the win, and Derby points!!

CH Swift River's Destiny's Child, JH, NA, NAJ, "Ellie", earned her first leg towards her Open Standard Agility title on Sunday, 3/5/06 at the Belgian Tervuren Club of So. CA trial, taking 2nd place in the 20" jump height class. Ellie is owned & handled by Sharon Kalionzes and co-owned by Pennie Peterson.

Castle's Sleeping Beauty Zoei, "Zoei" took 1st 6-9mo., WB & BOW for a 5pt major at the Brittany Specialty in Tucson for owner Joe Ramondetta (Frank Bianchini). She went 1st 9-12mo. and RWB at Scottsdale Dog Fanciers on 3/3/06, and went on to take 1st 9-12mo., WB and BOW at Superstition KC on 3/5/06 for another major win. On 3/6/06 she took another 1st and WB at Superstition. She was handled to



Castle's Sleeping Beauty Zoei
5 point major

these wins by Cathy Grayson. Frank took her to Apple Valley KC show on 3/11/06 where she took 1st 9-12mo., WB and BOW with Frank on the lead! Zoei is looking forward to that

final point she needs to complete her "CH" ... Congratulations to Joe and Frank!!! Have FUN with that finishing point.

CH Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT took 1st in AGD and a 3 pt. major at



CH Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT
with owner/handler Myra-Dawn Ellis
& their fantastic scout, Sheri Harder.

the High Desert BC trial 2/29-30/06, AND 1st in AGD at the CBC trial 2/5-6/06 for a 4 pt. major win! She also took a 4th in OGD at the CBC trial. Sheri Harder is scouting for this winning team. "KT" and Myra-Dawn are having just too much fun at the field trials lately. In Feb '06 at the SDBC Hunt Test, KT also earned the first leg for her MH title. Myra-Dawn is breeder/owner and handler. KT and Myra-Dawn were "trained" by Paul (and Peggy) Doiron ... what a great team! Congratulations to you all!!!

Megasmoke Grand Finale, "Al" earned a 3rd place OGD at the CBC Spring FT 2/5-6/06 for owner Myra-Dawn Ellis. Al was handled by Paul Doiron.

CBC SPECIALTY SHOW

COME FOR 4 DAYS OF SHOWS OR JUST FOR ONE DAY

MAKE YOUR PLANS
FOR MEMORIAL DAY
WEEKEND WITH THE DOGS

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIRPLEX, POMONA, CA

4 days of Conformation Competition, Junior Handling, Obedience and Rally, Agility, Demonstrations, Scent Hurdle Races, Fly Ball Competition, BBQ/Potluck, a General Membership Meeting, and lots of time to mingle with your fellow Brittany enthusiasts. If you've never been to a dog show before, this is a great opportunity to bring the whole family and see what it is all about. (Please note, only dogs that are entered will be allowed on the show grounds) Plan to spend the day with us on Sunday and watch our wonderful breed, try your luck in our raffle, enjoy a relaxing BBQ, and participate in the general membership meeting.

Wrap up the day with a shopping spree. There are plenty of dog specialty vendors to keep you occupied as you spy the latest from essential grooming equipment to fine jewelry, to eccentric doggy fashions! Grooming equipment need sharpening? There are vendors to help you sharpen those tools rather than replace them!

05/26/06 (Friday) San Gabriel Valley Kennel Club

05/27/06 (Saturday) Los Encinos Kennel Club

San Diego Brittany Club Specialty

05/28/06 (Sunday)

Antelope Valley Kennel Club &

California Brittany Club

SPECIALTY SHOW

05/29/06 (Monday) San Fernando Kennel Club

A General Membership Meeting

will be held at the CBC Club Headquarters on the grounds immediately following the Breed Judging on Sunday, May 28th, we estimate it will be around 12:30pm. The meeting will be followed by a Tri-Tip BBQ & POT LUCK Luncheon with Raffle.

Plan to join us for loads of fun.

ENTRIES CLOSE AT NOON, MAY 10, so don't delay!

The California Brittany Club is supporting the entry of Brittans all 4 days with special trophies, but our designated specialty is Sunday May 28, 2006. Regular Specialty Show Classes will be judged by Mrs. Carol Tobin Murray. We will host both Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes, judged by Ms. Gretchen Schultz. Puppies entered in the Puppy Sweepstakes are required to be entered in the regular classes, however the Veterans may be entered in Veteran Sweeps only, allowing our spayed and neutered veterans to compete.

If you are not on the mailing list for premiums from Jack Bradshaw, Dog Show Superintendent, and you would like more information about the Memorial Day Weekend, we encourage you to call them at: 323-727-0136 or visit their website at www.jbradshaw.com

Cindy Leffingwell has put together another delightful selection of prizes to be awarded at the specialty show and Rozanne Woelm has graciously offered to solicit the club members and friends for donations to offset the costs. She is putting a list of donors together for publication in the catalog, so please hurry and contribute. You can advertise your kennel or offer a memoriam. Contact Rozanne by phone at 562-430-8938 or email rwoelm@socal.rr.com or simply send your contribution, made payable to California Brittany Club to 2631 Salmon Dr, Los Alamitos, CA 90720-4927

Details regarding overnight parking and catalog advertising are specified in the Premium List. We encourage you to specify BRITTANY as your main breed to ensure parking as near as possible to the club headquarters. (We won't know where headquarters will be until we get closer to the actual show date, so for the latest information, please monitor our website: www.californiabrittanyclub.org as the event date draws near.)

Day of Show Parking will be \$7, and there is usually an admission fee. Exhibitors should be provided admission tickets with their entry confirmations. If you have a friend or breeder who you suspect may have extra admission tickets, you may want to contact them.

Look up Travel Directions for the Los Angeles County Fairplex in Pomona California. Enter through Gate 17.

CBC ANNUAL AWARDS RULES

Eligibility:

1. Only Brittany's are eligible
2. Points may be earned in the following events:
 - a. American Kennel Club licensed shows, field trials, hunt tests, obedience trials and agility tests occurring in the Western region as laid out by the American Brittany Club.
 - b. American Brittany Club licensed events occurring in the Western region as laid out by the American Brittany Club.
 - c. The American Brittany Club Nationals. (National All Age, National Amateur All Age, National Gun Dog, National Amateur Gun Dog, National Specialty, National Summer Specialty and National Obedience trial.
 - d. American Field trials – Within the ABC Western Region (NASTRA trials are NOT included.)
 - e. Designated California Brittany Club events (Willi Match and Club Championship Fun trial).
3. The highest point total in each category determines the winner.
4. The dog must be owned or co-owned by a member or associate member of the CBC, or a minor member of their immediate family.
5. The point year runs from January 1 to December 31.
6. It is the dog owner's responsibility to compile and submit a list of their dog's points to the club secretary. If there is a problem for any member finding the correct number of dogs defeated in any event, the club secretary is the official statistician and has the AKC results publication in which they can look up this information.

MAJOR AWARDS

Show Dog: The Show Dog Award will be determined by the highest total of dogs defeated in the show ring. Dogs and bitches can be awarded points if they place Reserve Winners or better. Futurity Show wins are counted in the same manner as regular show wins, 2nd money winner or better.

Example: Total Brittany's shown was 32; 10 class dogs, 11 class bitches, 7 male champions and 4 female champions.

- Winners Dog gets 9 points (10 class dogs less self = 9)
- Winners Bitch gets 10 points (11 class bitches less self = 10)
- Reserve Winners Dog gets 8 points and Reserve Winners Bitch gets 9 points
- Best of Winners if won by the Dog would add the Bitch entry to his 9 points giving him 20 points. If won by the Bitch she would add the Dog entry to her 10 points giving her 20 points. To those who win Best of Winners when the other class winner takes Best of Opposite Sex over Specials, be sure to add those specials defeated to your total.
- Best of Opposite Sex if won by a Bitch Special gets 14 points (sum of all Bitch entries less self: 11 + 4 – 1 = 14). If won by Dog Special, he gets 16 points (sum of all Dog entries less self: 10 + 7 – 1 = 16). If won by Winners Dog, add the count of male specials to his point total. If won by Winners Bitch, add the count of bitch specials to her point total.
- Best of Breed gets 31 points (sum of all Brittany's less self).
- Group placements (1st thru 4th) get points for total entry of each breed defeated.

Field Dog: The Field Dog will be the highest scoring dog of either the All Age Dog or the Gun Dog. In the event that the dog competes in both categories the scores will be added together.

Dual Dog: The Dual Dog is required to compete and place in both the Field and the Show. At least one-third of the pts must be earned in adult field stakes, one third in the show ring, and the remaining one third may be comprised of adult field or show wins or a combination of both.

Bonus points in the Dual Category: A finished show champion actively competing in the field may add 5 points (in the Dual Category only) for each show it was shown in. If the champion takes BOB or BOS the number of dogs defeated in this show OR the 5 the 5 points (whichever is greater) may be counted for the show – not both.

AWARDS

Field events: There will be three field events; All Age, Gun Dog and Juvenile Dog (to include both Puppy and Derby placements). These events will be calculated as follows:

- 30 minute stakes – 1st through 4th place – Number of dogs defeated. (10 dog stake, 1st place defeated 9 dogs, 2nd place defeated 8 dogs, etc.)
- Hour stakes – 1st through 4th place – Number of dogs defeated times 2 (10 dog stake, 1st place defeated 9 dogs times 2 = 18 points, 2nd place doge defeated 8 dogs times 2 = 16 points.)
- **Other Performance Events:** There will be three performance awards; Obedience, Agility and Hunt Test.
- The Obedience winner will be determined by taking the average of the three highest scores for the year. The dog with the highest average will be the winner. In case of a tie, the highest individual score will be the winner.
- The Agility winner will be determined by adding up all of the qualifying scores and the number of seconds under standard time for those qualifying scores.
- The Hunt Test winner will be determined by awarding points for each qualifying score as follows:
 - o A Junior Hunter earns 5 points for each qualifying score up to a maximum of 20 points in a year.
 - o A Senior Hunter earns 15 points for each qualifying score up to a maximum of 75 points in a year.
 - o A Master Hunter earns 50 points for each qualifying score with no maximum.

Junior Handler: There will be a Junior Handler award in both the field and the show categories.

- The Show Junior Handler points will be tabulated on the number of handlers defeated in Junior Handler events.
- The Field junior will be based on the points earned by the dog(s) handled and they will get a 5 point bonus for every event in which they participated.
- Dual Junior Handler will be determined the same way that the Dual Dog is determined. One-third of the points must be earned in the field, one third in the show and the remaining third can be comprised of field points, show points or a combination of both.

Amateur Handled Dog: This award will go to the dog that earns the most points while being handled by an amateur in an adult field event.

Special Awards: When deemed appropriate a dog or person may receive an award for a particularly special accomplishment. (Examples – OTCH and MACH) This will be decided by a vote of the board of directors. Recommendations for a Special Award should be submitted to the president Any dog earning a title during the year will also be recognized at the Awards Banquet.

This system of awards will become effective with the 2003 calendar year.

Deadline for submitting score sheets is June 30, 2006



CBC AWARDS SCORE SHEET

Year Ending **2005**

Please complete and return to: Margaret Horstmeyer
3760 W. Meyers Road
San Bernardino, CA 92407
909-880-2818

Dog's Name _____ Dog's Sex _____

Owner's Name _____ Dog's Date of Birth _____

Breeder _____

Sire _____

Dam _____

Please list any titles this dog has earned during the year and the name and date of the show/trial/test at which it earned this title.

Obedience _____

Show _____

Field _____

Hunting Test _____

Other _____

Please list any titles this dog has earned during the year and the name and date of the show/trial/test at which it earned this title.

Please list any other accomplishments from the year. Let us know what you and your Britts are up to, especially if you don't get out to compete much. If your dog had an exciting hunting season, or something you are proud of let us know. Also be sure and brag about the accomplishments of any puppies that your dog produced.



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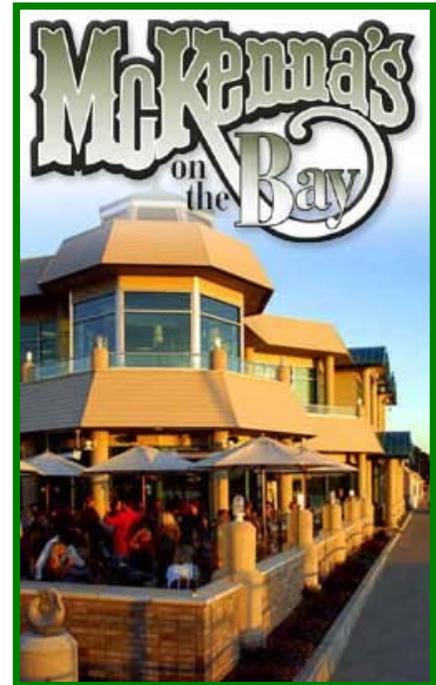
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On Sunday, July 23, 2006
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By Tuesday, July 18, 2006
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Application for New Membership, Renewals and Address Changes
(Look on the mailing label for your membership expiration date.)

I, _____ am enclosing dues
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\$30.00 (one year)

\$60.00 (two years)

\$90.00 (three years)

& hereby apply for ____ year(s) active membership in California Brittany Club.

Send your membership to:

Margaret Horstmeyer, 3760 W. Meyer Road, San Bernardino, CA 92407

Name: _____

Street: _____

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Check box to be **excluded** from the club directory.

Note: **Associate Memberships** are \$3.00 per person per year

Please print clearly