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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **CBC Fall Field trial** will be held on November 5-6 at California City.
- **Handmade Brittany/Quail Rag Quilt to be raffled at the Fall Field trial.** Remember to buy your tickets from Linda McDonald.
- **Next Newsletter Publication** will be January 15th 2006. **Deadline is January 1st** Send ideas, brags and info to Sharon Kalionzes, see address & phone number info on back.

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CBC AWARDS BANQUET BY ROZANNE WOELM

Cool ocean breezes were a welcome addition to the picturesque McKenna's On The Bay and the lovely Balboa Room where, on July 24th, members and guests gathered to enjoy the celebration of accomplishments by our much loved Britts and their owners. After dining on an excellent lunch of Salmon, Chicken and Steak (your choice) served with all the trimmings, we got down to

the pleasure of honoring our members. As it has been noted, many times, the CBC is proud of its members and loves to talk about their hard work, dedication and accomplishments.

We acknowledged the achievements of: **FC Shiloh's Man About Town** and owner Linda McDonald, **FC Tule River's Traveling Sam** for owners Jerry Rosenberg and Barbara

Robben, **Smokey's Tequila Rose** and **Mega Chip** owned by Tom White and Margaret Horstmeyer, **San-Dee's Cuervo Gold** owned by Paul and Peggy Doiron, **Redline's Tequila Moon** owned by Bill and Cindy Leffingwell, **Rocking RM Hanging J's Big Gun** and **Rocking RM Jose's Red Ball** with owners Ed and Linda Dixon, **Dakota's Booker T** with owners Brad and
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CBC WILLI MATCH BY RICH HARBOUR

We must begin by thanking all of those who helped, not only at the match, but getting us going in the right direction in preparation. We couldn't have done it without you.

The 2005 Willi Match went off as smooth as silk. With moisture on the ground, we (Rich and Helen Harbour) arrived shortly after 7:00am and

met Rozanne and Bob Woelm, and Sharon Kalionzes. We staked out the area and soon Pennie



Pennie and Lynda giving their grooming seminar.

Peterson arrived with Lynda Evans. These two put on a great grooming seminar, and if you missed it, you really missed out. They clipped nails, trimmed between toes, shaved the flags from tails, and thinned hair and groomed several lucky Brittany's into looking their show time best. The juniors did hands on
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Dakota Renfree as well as **CH Burford's Delta Flyer** owned by Beve Bemis. We acknowledged Maddie Renfree's accomplishments and wished her "Good Luck" as she embarks on her Jr. Handling career. All had a GREAT 2004 ... winning and placing in the show, field and ABC sponsored events such as the Futurities and Summer Specialty Show.

We took delight in honoring our newly titled Britt's and their proud owners. They are:

CH Tantara's A Walk In The Park JH



"Walker" for completing his JH title. He is owned and handled to all his achievements by Nancy Hewitt. Watch for him in the Obedience and Agility competitions.

CH Swift River's Surfer Girl JH,

"Gidget" who earned her Show Championship as well as her JH title in the same year. She is owned and handled by her proud owners Rich and Helen Harbour.



FC Quail Rock Tough Enough



"King" finished his FC under the very capable whistle of Paul Doiron and his trusty scout

Peggy Doiron. He placed and or won 8 times during the 2004 season. His owner is Ellen Weinfurter.

FC Terra's Cabo Wabo "Sammy"

finished his FC for owners Tom White and Margaret Horstmeyer.



2xAmFC FC AFC Redline's Te-



quila Smoker "Smoky", owned by Bill and Cindy Leffingwell won an-

other AmFC by winning the Western Open Regional Championship for the THIRD time.

CH Remington's Arctic Legacy

earned her show title at the prestigious Santa Barbara K.C. show. Myra-Dawn expertly handled "Lacey". She is owned and bred by Myra-Dawn and Dale Ellis.



CH Loki's Blizzard of Mischief



finished his show championship in April of 2004. Toni Avedissian, Nancy Schmeider and Linda McDonald own him.

Linda lovingly showed him to his championship.

CH Lone Oaks Sovereign Delta

"Sally" owned by Ron and Beve Bemis finished her show championship with several



BOS along with the points. She was 1st Money Female AND Best in Futurity at the 2004 Western Futurity Show.

Oh!!! But we couldn't stop there ... We still wanted to acknowledge the WINNERS of the Show, Field, Hunt Test, Agility and junior awards. We had really nice "2nd Limited Edition" sweatshirts, with flying Pheasant and standing Britany embroidered across the front and the award entwined in the field grass, to present to the winners of each category. These hard working members and their dogs are as follows:

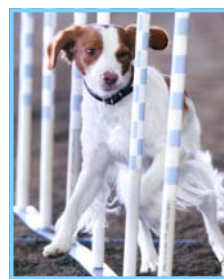
FC Shiloh's Whoa Nellie MH

"Nellie" finished her MH in March, had a litter of puppies in June and



completed her FC title in October. Yes...all in the same year...2004. Karen handled her to her MH title and Paul Doiron handled her to her FC. We congratulate Karen and Nellie for their great successes this past year and are proud to present them with the "Hunt Test Dog" of the year award for 2004.

CH Swift River's Destiny's Child



JH "Ellie" is a girl of all trades. She has competed in show, field and agility. Already being a CH she was awarded her JH title in December

of 2004. Sharon and Ellie have been working very hard in Agility. All that hard work seems to be paying off as we were able to "SURPRISE" Sharon with the "Agility Dog of the Year" award (That surprise wasn't easy either.....the lies I told). Sharon has

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2004 CBC Award's Banquet



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handled her to all of her accomplishments. She is owned by Sharon Kalionzes and co-owned by Pennie Peterson. Congratulations!!!!!!

Don and Margaret Waite own **Oxbow's Bounty Hunter** "Hunter".



He is handled in the field by Paul Doiron and that same trusty scout, Peggy,

to 10 wins and placements. It was a great pleasure to award him the "**Juvenile Dog of the Year**" for 2004 and wish him and his owners much success in the future.

FC Redline's Tequila Twist finished her Field Championship in grand style.

"Twister" won an OGD stake, with an entry of



34, to make it official. Among her 9 wins/placements in 2004 she earned 4 points toward her AFC title. Bill and Cindy Leffingwell own her. We are very proud to present her with the 2004 "**Gun Dog of the Year**" award and wish her and her owners continuing success.

Tom White and Margaret

Horstmeyer own **DC AFC Traveler's Reign of Terra**.



Among "Terra's" many accomplishments are placements in

the Western Regional Shooting Dog Championship as well as the ABC sponsored Chukar Classic. Both are 1-hour stakes. She was handled to those placements by Paul Dorion and Guess Who???? That trusty

scout again Peggy. The other 17 or so wins/placements she earned in 2004 were with her owner/handler Tom White. If you haven't guessed by now ... Terra has garnered the CBC Awards for "**Field Dog**", "**All-Age Dog**" and "**Amateur Handled Dog of the Year**". Congratulations to Tom and Margaret.

Katelyn Ford is the winner of this year's "**Junior Show Handler**" award. She has

done a great job in the Jr. Showmanship competitions. She earned a Best Jr. Handler from



the Open Jr. Class as well as a placement in the Open Senior Class at the ABC Summer National Specialty Show. The CBC joins me in congratulating Katelyn and wishing her continued success.

CH Sandbar's Curtain Call JH, "Jonnie", finished his JH title in the same stylish manner that he is known for in the show ring. He entered 4 HT and won 4 qualifying



scores in 2 weekends and was right back to his winning ways in the Breed and Group

rings. Member Agnes Rodrigues along with Polly West, Barbara Scott and Ralph Fagan own him. Joe Rodrigues handled him to his JH title. In 2004 Jonnie won many, many BOB competitions. Of the breed wins that were in the region (CBC counts the Western Region only when gathering points for its various awards) he had 57 group wins and placements. 11 group wins resulted in 11 BIS. He finished the year as the #11 All Breed

Show Dog, #3 Sporting Dog and #1 Brittany Show Dog for 2004. We were very proud and happy to present Jonnie with the CBC "**Show Dog of the Year**" award. Congratulations to Joe (field handler) and Agnes Rodrigues.

Dakota Renfree, who was also awarded the "**Jr. Field Handler**"

for 2004, is a very busy girl. Along with school classes and homework, she helps with conditioning



all the dogs that her and her grandfather (Ed Dixon) own and compete with. EVERY MORNING!!! Dakota has handled her "Booker T" in the show ring. His wins included 1st Jr. male in the 2004 Futurity. She handled him in OD and AGD stakes, pretty successfully I might add, as the only Jr. handler among adult handlers. It is nice to see the younger generation taking an interest in and doing so well in our great sport of "Field Trialing". For the 2nd year in a row the CBC was very, very proud to award Dakota the "**Dual Jr. Handler**" award. We all wished her continued success and congratulations in all of her future endeavors. The CBC presented her with a signed Brittany print by artist Beth Hickman.

Tom White and Margaret Horstmeyer own **DC AFC TJ's Single Shot of Scipio**, they are no stranger to the winner's circle.

"Emme" finished her show championship in August of 04 making another DC for the proud White/Horstmeyer household. She garnered several nice wins while showing to include BOW and BOS from

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the classes. In November of 04' she finished her AFC for owner/handler Tom. Among her many accomplishments in the field were



Runner Up status in both the Western Regional Shooting Dog Championship and the American

Brittany Club Chukar Classic. They are both one-hour stakes. She was one of the "posted" dogs in the 2004 ABC National Open (All-Age) Championship, an honor in its own right. She is truly a Dual Brittany and we, the CBC, were very happy to present her owners with a signed, limited edition print by art-

ist Beth Hickman with an engraved plate naming her the "CBC Dual Dog of the Year" for 2004. To Emme and Tom and Margaret we wish continued success and hearty congratulations.

Our day would not be complete without a huge THANK YOU to all of the CBC members for their support, in so many different ways, throughout the year. We gifted several members with the orchid and shell centerpieces as a special THANKS for their years of continued hard work and dedication. Taking home those special thank-you's were Myra-Dawn Ellis, Linda McDonald, Jerry Rosenberg & Barbara Robbin, Rich & Helen Harbour, Margaret Horstmeyer & Tom White, Jerry & Carolyn Cape,

Sharon Kalionzes, Karen Nelsen, Brad, Shannon, Dakota & Maddie Renfree, Bill Landress, Ed & Linda Dixon and Joe & Agnes Rodrigues.

I, personally, would like to commend my committee for a job very well done and thank them for the many hours of thought, leg work and labor they so generously gave. They are Sharon Kalionzes, Helen Harbour and Myra-Dawn Ellis.

There will be an Awards Banquet next year around the same time (hopefully on July 23, 2006) to honor all of CBC for their 2005 accomplishments. I hope the membership, keeping points or not, will turn out for what is always an enjoyable day.

CBC WILLI MATCH (CONT.)

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while many interested adults took mental notes

Right at 10am with the sun out and temps hanging around in the upper



Best of Breed - Ellie

70's, our judge Ms. Sharon Zaker arrived. She was a Junior handler, a professional handler, and is now a qualified AKC judge of

Pugs, Rottweilers, and Doberman Pinchers. Sharon is a staunch supporter of the Junior Handler pro-

gram and I must say that she impressed us with her unselfish help with not only the Juniors, but of the Novice handlers. She really knew her stuff.



Best Opposite Sex Vegas

Some of the entries included Booker and Cruiser handled by Dakota Renfree, Bud, handled by Madison Renfree, and Ashley and Flash handled by Katelyn Ford, all three are junior handlers. The Schmeider-Hacker's nieces, Caitlin and Mary handled dogs for the very first time in our Junior's class. To guide young people into the love of

Brittanys and to expose them to the thrill of showing is one of the purposes of the match. These girls were outstanding, with Katelyn Ford going on to win the Junior Showmanship award showing Pen-nie Peterson's "Flash". Katelyn will have the Junior Showmanship trophy for a year.

A new class was added last year. Since there is no AKC sanction or points, and there are plenty of beautiful Brittanys out there that are too tall to meet AKC standards, it was decided that it



Best Jr Handler Katelyn Ford

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would be fun to have a special class for them. It was called "Trop



Trop Grand
Booker

Grand", (pronounced Trawh Grawn) which in French (these dogs are all of French de-

cent aren't they?) means "Too Tall". This year's Trop Grand award went to Booker

handled by Dakota Renfree. A perpetual trophy was donated (by Rich and Helen Harbour in memory of their "Too Tall Jack" Ed. note) and our last years winner Bill Landress' Wicket was engraved on it. Now Dakota takes it home to have her name and Booker's engraved on it.

Best of Breed went to **Swift River's Destiny's Child** "Ellie" handled by Sharon Kalionzes. Sharon won this event in 2003 and will get to take the Willi trophy home again for a year. Best Opposite Sex went to **Roja's Gambling Chips** "Vegas", handled by Bill Landress. Linda Langford takes home the BOS Trophy for a year and she and Vegas will have their names engraved on it.

Best of Breed

Ellie

Sharon Kalionzes
& Pennie Peterson

Best of Opposite Sex

Vegas

Linda Langford

Best of Winners

Liza

Doreen Kearney

RESULTS:

Best Junior Showmanship

- 1st Flash with Katelyn Ford
- 2nd Booker with Dakota Renfree
- 3rd Bud with Madison Renfree
- 4th Cleo with Caitlin
- 5th Sparrow with Mary

3-6 Month Puppy Dogs

- 1st Ace - No name on entry

6-9 Months Puppy Dogs

- 1st Spot - Leah Shirokoff

12-18 Months Junior Dog

- 1st Speedy - Vicki Rittner

Open Dogs

- 1st Bud - Madison Renfree
- 2nd Copper - Don Echavarria

3-6 Month Puppy Bitches

- 1st Zoie - Frank Bianchini
- 2nd Jada - Vickie Rittner
- 3rd Ivy - Vickie Rittner

6-9 Month Puppy Bitches

- 1st Chrissy - Pennie Peterson
- 2nd Cloud - Linda Langford
- 3rd Lucy - Vicky Rittner

12-18 Month Junior Bitches

- 1st Abby - Karen Nelsen
- 2nd Cruiser - Dakota Renfree

Novice Bitches

- 1st Kessie - Doreen Kearney

Open Bitches

- 1st Liza - Doreen Kearney
- 2nd Cleo - Linda Langford

Field Trial Dog

- 1st Vegas - Linda Langford

Field Trial Bitch

- 1st Kismet - Linda Langford

Veteran Bitch

- 1st Kenzie - Nancy Hewitt

Trop Grand Dog

- 1st Booker - Dakota Renfree
- 2nd Bandit - Diane Dale

Winners Dog

Ace - No name on entry

Reserve Dog

Bud - Madison Renfree

Winners Bitch

Liza - Doreen Kearney

Reserve Bitch

Crissy - Pennie Peterson

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WHY AFTCA?

Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America Website:
You might wonder why the Amateur Field Trial Clubs of American website is important to Brittany enthusiasts. All American Field Amateur field trials are run under the AFTCA and the AFTCA records the amateur wins! If the AFTCA does not record an amateur win, then that win may not have been recorded. Address is: www.aftca.org, check out the information on the website.

Willi Match 2005





CBC GENERAL MEETING - 8/21/05

PRE-APPROVED MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 pm following the Willi Match held at Rush Park in Rossmoor, CA.

President Bill Hacker thanked Helen Harbour and her committee for putting on a great match.

The minutes of the previous general membership meeting were read by Barbara Robben sitting in for Margaret Horstmeyer. Under New Business, Linda Langford. Linda said that the wording should be "DNA research that promises to benefit the Brittany" not "will definitely benefit the Brittany". The minutes were approved as corrected. (Motion by Bill Landress, 2nd by Frank Bianchini)

There was no Treasures report due to the absence of the Treasurer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Field Trial Chairman Karen Nelson reported that the Fall field trial will be held on November 5 & 6th. She is in the process of getting judges and most of the other details have been worked out due to a very productive field trial committee meeting on July 2.

She also reported that we will again hold a **hunt test** in late February along with one held by the San Diego Brittany Club.

Specialty Show Chairman Sharon Kalionzes reported that she is working with the Antelope Valley

Kennel Club to have input in the selection of judges for next year's specialty and Mission Circuit shows.

As **Newsletter** editor she reminded everyone to get in their brags for the next newsletter. The deadline is September 15.

There was no old business.

New business:

Agnes Rodrigues brought up the ABC Summer Specialty show. It should be the West Coast region's turn to host this in about 3-4 years. If we would like to host it we should be starting to work on it now. Vickie Rittner said that we would get complaints if we were to hold it in conjunction with the Mission Circuit due to the rings all being on asphalt. Nancy Hewitt said that there are some areas of grass that might be explored. Obedience rings are often the grass. Linda Langford brought up the possibility of going in with Long Beach Kennel Club. Bill Landress suggested forming a committee to start looking into hosting the Summer Specialty show when next it is due to be held in our region. A number of people volunteered to serve on the committee. Our Willi match judge had some suggestions about venues and knew some contacts that she was willing to share. President Hacker called for a vote if we were interested in pursuing a change of venue. We were.

Bill Landress told us that the people we get birds from are going

out of business and suggested that we might buy some bird boxes from them. This matter was tabled until the upcoming board meeting.

Diane Dale told us about Rattlesnake vaccine. She related a story about a dog that was bitten and had minimal effects due to having had the Rattlesnake vaccine.

Diane also brought up Brittany rescue and the need for volunteers.

Vicki Rittner suggested that we establish a position in opposition to the PAWS legislation that is currently being considered in the US congress. Pennie Peterson gave a synopsis of the issue. There was much discussion. Vicki moved and Linda Evans 2nd that we oppose the proposed legislation as long as it doesn't affect our non profit status and that we write a letter to the author of the bill and put it on our web site. The motion carried.

Karen Nelsen moved and Linda Mc Donald 2nd that we adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

(Minutes were taken and submitted by Barbara Robben ... Thanks !)





LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

BY SHARON KALIONZES

Greetings! Instead of my letter this issue, please read the following article I asked Rhonda Carlson for, and she happily agreed to send. It's about the Dale Ellis Memorial Fund at American Brittany Rescue, and the good works happening when we contribute to Dale's passion. This fund is used only for rescue Brittany's in Southern California. We also have a timely article about ways to help you find your lost Brittany, also from ABR.

Oops! You can't trust me it seems ... one other thing. Our wonderful photographer, friend, member, and soon to be 3rd VP of the CBC, is now the Official Photographer for the CBC and its newsletter. We want to acknowledge the very special contributions **Rich Harbour** makes to the club. His talents are so appreciated, and now the newsletter team has stuck him with another title! Congrats, and THANK YOU so much, Rich!!!

Sharon Kalionzes



DALE C. ELLIS MEMORIAL FUND
By Rhonda Carlson

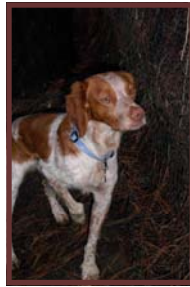
Danny and Dexter were two dogs that were saved by Dale's Fund at ABR:

Both of these dogs turned out to be such great dogs! Dogs like these would always have been lost in the past. But these guys have both proven themselves more than worthy of the money it took to get them well! These dogs were sponsored by Dale's fund, and we

wanted to keep everyone updated on the good works their donations do.

Danny - We got a call from that base down by Bakersfield (?) I know there used to be field trials there. Someone called us to say there was a young dog running loose and they wanted us to go catch him. Well we couldn't, but evidently, neither could animal control. They tried for 3 months. We kept in touch with them - telling them that we'd take him if they ever caught him. Finally, he got interested in a Chihuahua who was in season and someone caught him.

When we got him we realized that



1) he was VERY fearful, but even though he was afraid of absolutely everything, he would never have considered biting!
2) his front leg had been broken and

never set. You can see it in the "Danny full" picture. He didn't use it. In fact, he carried it up like you see it.

He was about 6 mo old and we took him to 2 different orthopedists - got the same answer from both, but a much better deal from one of them. We had his leg repaired. He can't

move the joint, but he's no longer in pain - both vets told us that he



had to be in a lot of pain. With that fixed, his personality just bloomed. What a wonderful dog he turned out

to be!! We get thank you letters from his new home and he's definitely been a wonderful addition to their family!

Dexter - Dexter was surrendered with his sister. They were 18 mo old and the owners "didn't have time for them." They were getting divorced and nobody wanted the dogs. I felt very bad because dad brought their young son with him to leave the dogs.

Dexter ran around the yard playing, but I could tell something was wrong with his legs. I took him to a vet who has helped us with rescue dogs, we



x-rayed him and found that actually there were NO good joints in his whole body. If Dexter had been any other dog, I'd have just put him down. But this dog has a heart as big as all outdoors!! We all agreed that he must be in pain - walking couldn't be easy. And he tired out pretty quickly. But nothing could keep him from playing and he loves EVERYBODY. So we opted to operate on his worst back hip. We're thinking of still doing the other one.

He was adopted by a single mom and her 8 y/o son. She had been thinking of putting in a pool, but when she found out about Dexter, she did it just for him. Swimming is part of his everyday exercise. Dexter got them through some touchy times! Everywhere they go, Dexter makes new friends. They've been to our ABR picnics and they're very strong supporters of rescue!



TATTLE TAILS

Please, it's up to you to let us know when your dog does something wonderful. If you don't tell us... we can't print it!

DC/AFC Terra's Cabo Wabo,



"Sammy" (DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila Smoker X DC AFC Traveler's Reign of

Terra) is now a **Dual champion!** He finished his show championship at the Channel City Kennel Club in Ventura on 7/ 8/05 handled by Linda McDonald. His AFC title was earned with a first place finish in the Northern Nevada BC AAA stake on 5/8/05. He was handled by his proud owner, Tom White and cheered on by Margaret. Congratulations!!!

New Dual Champion: DC AFC 2xAmFC Redline's Tequila

Smoker, "Smokey" finished his show championship Aug. 7th, '05 at the Mount



Palomar KC show going WD and BOS (over a Special). He had taken WD/BOW at the Alamo BC Specialty, and at the Bexar County KC. Both shows were in Texas, 6/13-14th, earning points and an-

other major. This makes the 4th DC for father DC Tequila Joker! Congratulations to Bill and Cindy Leffingwell on this well deserved honor!!!

Smokey has a great "show team" in four people who believed in him, and brought him to this new title ... Cindy Leffingwell, Linda Langford, Margaret Horstmeyer and lastly, Jessica Carlson, who came in from AZ to show him to his last major and points. Well done ladies!!!

Smokey's wins in the field this year include a 3rd in the ABC Chukar Classic 4/19/05, and 3rd in the AKC Pointing Breed Gun Dog Championship Retrieve stake on 4/25/05 (a 91 dog pointing breed entry).

Smokey is handled in the field by Paul Doiron and scouted by Peggy Doiron. He is supported from the heart and pocketbook by Bill Leffingwell ... Congrats to Bill & Cindy, the ladies, and the Doirons!!! What a team...

Dakota Renfree placed 1st in Jr. Showmanship in her division at the San Diego BC Specialty 5/14/05 with Dakota's Booker-T, owner Brad & Dakota Renfree. (*Dakota and Madison Renfree's wins and*

placements at the Willi Match are noted in the write up, Ed. note.)

Dakota's Sparky Survivor,



"Sparky" passed her beginning obedience class on 8/25/05 with owner/handler Dakota Renfree. Congratulations!!

Rocking RM California Cruiser,

"Cruiser," took 2nd in puppy 9-12 mo Sweeps and 3rd in puppy 9-12 class at the San Diego BC Specialty 5/14/05. Dakota handled, owners are her Grandparents, Ed and Linda Dixon.

Megasmoke Grand Finale , "Al,"

took 1st in Open Puppy at the Oregon BC FT 9/2-



3/05 for 2 pts. Al is proudly owned by Myra-Dawn Ellis and handled by Paul Doiron and scout Peggy. Well done!!!



IN MEMORY OF SMOKEY'S TEQUILA ROSE AUGUST 17, 2002 - AUGUST 5, 2005

We lost our sweet little happy girl, Rosie, on August 5, 2005 to a presumed snake bite. She'd just come in from a fabulous run with multiple wild pheasant finds and the prairie rattler must have gotten her with a full dose of venom as she ran through the brush near the Milk River in the wilds of Malta, Montana. While Rosie hadn't had the accolades that her more notorious kennel mates have had, she was on her way and this promised to be her year. She won the Amateur Gun Dog stake at the Northern Nevada Brittany Club trial in May and won a 5 point major at the Alamo Brittany Club Specialty in San Antonio, TX in July. Her animated happy personality always made us smile. She was a clone of her mother, Terra, and we had to



look really closely to tell them apart. We'll miss her so – it's so sad to lose such a young dog who had so much promise.

Tom White & Margaret Horstmeyer



AMERICAN BRITTANY RESCUE

LOSS PREPAREDNESS

SUBMITTED BY KAREN PILLION (ABR VOLUNTEER)

WRITTEN BY CJ (ABR VOLUNTEER)

We recently had our youngest dog from our yard. After several weeks, several dozen fliers, newspaper adds, etc., and many hours spent searching ... we found him. Thankfully, we were prepared (not emotionally, but logistically) for such an event. At one of our local club meetings, we had discussed things that you should do before and do after a dog goes missing. I thought I would share some of that information with the ABR community in the event that it happens to someone else.

1. **ID tags:** Every dog should have one. A tag riveted to the collar seems to work best.
2. **Chips/Tattoos:** One or both of these will help identify your dog if other ID/collar comes off.

However, it is imperative that you register the chip or tattoo.

3. **Pictures:** Have good pictures (digital preferred) of your dog to use on a flyer/poster. Have at least one profile and one head shot. Update the photos as your dog ages or has changes in weight.
4. **Note unique features:** Make note of tail length, scars, dew claws, dental deformities, any other oddities. Current height/weight is good also. Detailing your dog's identifying features is easier when all is well versus trying to remember during emotional trauma of your dog missing.
5. **Networking:** Get to know the dog clubs (other breeds, too) and vets in your area. Take note of folks that sponsor local dog

events. Add your name to each club's emergency distribution list. If your dog is stolen or lost while hunting, these contacts can prove invaluable.

6. **ABR Lost & Found:** Be sure to post to this site immediately www.americanbrittanyrescue.org/lostfound/lostfound.html

Being proactive and prepared NOW will save you a lot of grief if your dog is missing. The best/cheapest idea to protect fliers are plastic sleeves from an office supply store to hold them. Hang them at every intersection within several square miles, at local grocery stores, pharmacy, and stop & go gas stations. (Edited for space)

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CBC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – 8/31/05 PRE-APPROVED SUMMARY

Field trial entry fee discussion: An increase in fees due to increased fuel, bird & judges costs was recommended but the decision was made to keep the entry fee at \$42.

Club trailer update: The trailer now has 2 new tires and a new spare after a tire separation/blow out that knocked off a fender. Repairs and replacement were covered under warranty.

Motion made that the CBC 2004 Dog of the Year Award Ad in the ABC magazine be a 2 page color ad at the cost of \$540. A tie vote resulted so the motion was tabled until all members of the BOD could participate in the vote via email.

Motion made and passed that CBC purchase 6 bird boxes at \$30 each

from TDC Gamebirds who is going out of business.

CBC needs a generator to run the lights, coffee pot, etc under the tent. A Honda 2000 watt generator would cost less than \$1000. More information to follow.

Motion made and passed to donate \$500 to Hurricane Katrina Relief and rescue efforts. Donation will be made to The Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association.

Discussion of a letter of opposition to PAWS legislation: President Bill Hacker will draft a letter stating that CBC is adamantly opposed to the PAWS legislation. Individual club members were also encouraged to send letters via US mail to individual senators and representatives for better recognition.



PREGNANT PAWS

Puppies coming!

“Sally,” **CH Lone Oak's Sovereign Delta JH**, has been bred to DC AFC Roja's Gambling Chips. Litter expected around Oct 19. Reservations and inquiries to Beve Bemis at 661-822-4064, or bemisx2@msn.com



REMEMBRANCES

Condolences to **Pennie Peterson** on the loss of her Dual Champion Shiloh's Blazing Shadie Sadie on July 15th. “Sadie” was one of the few liver and white dual champions in the breed and has contributed much to the Brittany world through her winning prodigy. She has produced multiple field champions, show champions and dual pointed dogs in her 12 short years and 3 litters. Sadly, we are unable to publish a memorial at this time.

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