

California Brittany Club



ON POINT



President's Corner

By Sheri Harder

Howdy,

It's time for another piece of my mind. I would like to thank all the people and dogs (of course) who made the field trial and hunt season a huge success this year. We have had several new members step up and pitch in along side the many "long timers." Everyone's efforts have made our CBC events not only successful, but enjoyable. The walking trial was a wonderful event and I must commend Karen Nelsen and committee for another job well done. It was so exciting seeing all the amateurs out running their dogs in the field, and everyone had a great time. However, we were all a little worried about Paul...how many times did he walk that course?

Spring has now

sprung and we are on our way into the summer show circuit. Soon members will be driving up and down our California coast with their perfectly groomed Britts hoping to earn points toward those championships. Please note the CBC specially is taking place over Memorial Day weekend at the Mission Circuit which is held at the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds in Pomona. Come one, come all to participate and/or help Linda McDonald. Give her a call to see if she could use an extra hand as she is not only in charge, but will be one of the many people running two breeds of dogs from show ring to show ring. We will have our annual pot



luck, club meeting, and the opportunity to catch up with everyone you haven't seen in awhile. Besides, what better way to spend the weekend than watching our beautiful Brittanys strut their stuff in the ring?

On a final note, please plan to attend the CBC Awards Banquet. Ed and Lois Mayhew have graciously opened their home and will be our hosts for this event on July 12th, 2009. So, don't forget to submit your dog's points and achievements for 2008 to Margaret Horstmeyer. Her email address is: tomi-maging@aol.com.

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Special points of interest:

- ☺ See you at the CBC Specialty May 22-25, 2009 at the LA County Fairgrounds!
- ☺ **Next Newsletter Publication will be July 2009** - Deadline is June 15th. Send ideas, brags and info to Sabrina Arney. See address & phone number info on back.

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Spring Field Trial



New Field Champion
Wholly Smoke

Reported by Margaret Horstmeyer

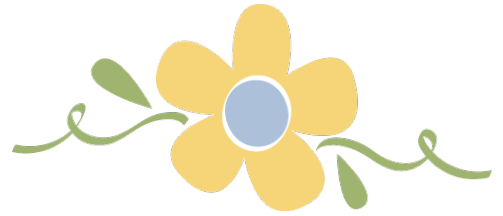
Prologue by Karen Nelsen

The Prologue: I arrived in Camp early on Friday afternoon, after having one of my GWP's put down that morning. I was looking forward to a great weekend filled with chaos, camaraderie and fun! After having set up my motor home and my dogs, I meandered through camp passing out bracing sheets and just chatting up folks I hadn't seen in a while. It has become a tradition of sorts to go into "town" to the local Mexican restaurant to "kick off" the start of our trials. Friday night was no exception. In fact, there were thirty of us that evening. As we were finishing up, I wandered to see what the folks at the "far end of the table" were doing, and suddenly felt light headed...very light headed. To keep a long story short, and spare the gory details, I lost consciousness four times before being carted off in the ambulance to the emergency hospital. I spent the next 2-1/2 days in the hospital, where I underwent every known heart and brain test known to God and man! Finding nothing wrong in either department, the doctors determined that I must have had some sort of food poisoning! I can't thank everyone enough for taking care of me (Peggy, Sabrina, and Nancy), my dogs (Linda and Toni), and my motor home (Dennis and Paul) - and everyone for getting the trial off and running! Now, here's the part that I missed...

The California Brittany Club's Spring field trial was held at Camp H, California City, CA in the Mojave Desert January 24-25, 2009. On Friday we were treated to an aerial display of the B-2 Stealth Bomber from nearby Edwards Air Force base. Saturday afternoon Mother Nature arrived with her most unwelcome desert winds that persisted through Sunday's running. Due to an emergency Friday night, our field trial secretary and camp boss was absent so the troops really had to rally Saturday morning to get the show on the road. And rally they did!!! Peggy Doiron and Cindy Leffingwell were up early to start the coffee and soon all the tasks were handled. Barbara Rosenberg, Linda McDonald and Toni Avedissian got everyone to the line in a timely manner. Bird bags were kept filled so that Cindy Leffingwell, Gregg Arney, Sheri Harder and Bill Landress could keep the courses planted. Delicious lunches were prepared by Sabrina Arney and Lois Mayhew. Bill Landress pleased the hungry crowd with his famous tri tip. Our happy hour honored the recent championships of Quail Rock Tough Enough (Dual CH), Wholly Smoke (Field CH) and Hurry On Moon Smoke Jake (Amateur Field CH).

Thanks also to Mary Reynolds from Loyall Pet Foods. She was on hand to answer questions and share some of her products with the competing dogs.

A true evaluation of a club's dedicated workers is who's there to help break up camp on Sunday afternoon!!!! You should have seen the team work shown taking down the tent in the gale force winds! Luckily, no one got blown away! Thanks to everyone who helped! Thank you to our judges who donated their time and expertise in evaluating the competitors. Congratulations to all the winners!



New Dual Champion
Quail Rock Tough Enough

And the Result Were:

Open Puppy (6Starters)

J. Kita Morris & Russ Settell

- 1- **Breton's Lil Texas Smile** (D) by A Texas Crisscross X Breton's Mon Petit Sourire; o/h Kyle Tetlow
- 2- **Breton's Crisscross Sierra Sage** (B) by A Texas Crisscross X Breton's Mon Petit Sourire; o/h HM Bickett
- 3- **Wishful Thinking** (B) by Redlines Tequila Smoker X Adios Little Jane; o/h Paul Doiron
- 4- **Paige VI** (B) by KB's Shadow Dancer X Trasa's Little Ann; o William Lim, h Paul Doiron

Open Derby (14 Starters)

J. Jerry Rosenberg & Linda Sanders

- 1- **Redlines Ranch Hand** (D) by Redlines Tequila Smoker X Redlines Tequila Twist; o/h Bill Leffingwell
- 2- **Brigade's Oscar de la Britt** (D) by Burford's Booked First Class X Maison de Chasse Magnifique; o/h Michael Frane
- 3- **Brigade's Hi Hopes Rocket** (D) by Burford's Booked First Class X Maison de Chasse Magnifique; o/h Michael Frane
- 4- **Redlines Twist of Smoke** (D) by Redlines Tequila Smoker X Redlines Tequila Twist; o Sabrina & Gregg Arney, h Paul Doiron

Open Gun Dog (28 Starters)

J. Russ Settell & Kita Morris

- 1- **Buckaroo's Candy Dee-Lite** (B) by Sam-Dee's Buckaroo X Repeat's San-Dee; o Jerry & Barbara Rosenberg, h Paul Doiron
- 2- **Evolution's Snowy Seraphim** (B) GSP
- 3- **Good Luke Hunting** (D) by Sam-Dee's Buckaroo X Lady Elizabeth Anne Burnett; o Brian Burnett, h Paul Doiron
- 4- **JMA's Sweet Kute D** (B) GSP

Amateur Gun Dog (17 Starters)

J. David McCormick & Jeff Davis

- 1- **Hurry On Moon Smoke Jake** (D) by Redlines Tequila Smoker X Tule River's Full Moon Maggie; o/h Eldon Bouchie
- 2- **Cactus Maximus** (D) by Hanging Jaze Giant Killer X Kolicko's Mighty Misty; o/h David Kirk
- 3- **Loki's Blizzard of Mischief** (D) by Hope's Autumn Sno Storm X Loki's Mischief In The Night; o Linda McDonald, T. Avedissian, N. Schmeider h Ed Mayhew
- 4- **In It For The Fun** (D) by RJ River's Bend X Miss Fontenella Big Cheese; o/h Wayne Hale

Open All Age (17 Starters)

J. Gregg Knight & Linda Sanders

- 1- **Quail Rock Tough Enough** (D) by Jordean Tough Stuff X Repeat's San-Dee; o Ellen Weinfurtnner h Paul Doiron
- 2- **Megasmoke Grand Finale** (D) by Redline's Tequila Smoker X Microchips of Nutmeg; o MyraDawn Ellis, h Paul Doiron
- 3- **Traveler's New Twist** (D) by Sam-Dee's Traveler X Redline's Tequila Twist; o Carolyn & Jerry Cape, h Paul Doiron
- 4- **MTB CaboRita de Scipio** (B) by Terra's Cabo Wabo X TJ's Single Shot of Scipio; o T.White & M. Horstmeyer /h Tom White

Amateur All Age (15 Starters)

J. David McCormick & Jeff Davis

- 1- **Terra's Cabo Wabo** (D) by Redline's Tequila Smoker X Traveler's Reign of Terra; o T. White & M. Horstmeyer, h Tom White
- 2- **MTB CaboRita de Scipio** (B) by Terra's Cabo Wabo X TJ'S Single Shot of Scipio; o T. White & M. Horstmeyer, h Tom White
- 3- **Jericho's Call Back Jack** (D) by Gunrunner's Lady's Man X Desert RoseIV; o/h Cary Crum
- 4- **Huachuca High Lonesome** (D) GSP

Spring Hunt Tests

By Mary Brown

The fourth annual jointly sponsored Hunt Tests, held by the California Brittney Club and the San Diego Brittney Club in California City were close to the best So Cal could offer in the dead of winter. Cold clear evenings and nights, with day times clear and warm was the fare. Snow and rain, though forecasted, thankfully never materialized. Each club held their hunt tests adjacent to the other club's event so that participants could test at four different events; several participants achieved their title in this one weekend.

Delicious lunches were prepared and served daily by a dedicated crew, and there was a fantastic tri-tip dinner on Saturday evening. Special treats from the "bakery" of Debra Frane were served in special recognition of the President's Day holiday and these delicious cakes were enjoyed by all. Time around the campfire with tales to share ended a wonderful Saturday in the high desert.

A large entry of Brittanys and several other pointing breeds was well managed by the very competent judges and HT committees. One piece of excitement and worry was the loss of a young dog, "Bruiser," who somehow evaded all search parties for half a day and was eventually found 7 miles away on the roadside exhausted, but none the worse for wear. It was Bruiser's first event



and one not long forgotten by the owners, Doreen and Tom Kearney.

A special thanks to the many who helped in the search. We were all so thankful and all breathed a sigh of relief when our Spinone contingent drove up with "The Seven Mile Dog," as he was nicknamed, in tow!



"Bruiser" the Amazing 7 Mile Dog! Notice that here, on day two, he has on a tracking collar!

Another bit of excitement was when one of the San Diego judges, Colleen Scruggs, injured her ankle on Saturday before having to judge the Sunday event; she bravely judged half a day with a "broken" ankle. Pennie Peterson came to her aid most graciously and completed the judging assignment.

The experienced gunners, Bob Woelm and Charlie Licitra for California BC, and Justin D'Alessandro and Guy

Ward for SD, were consistently on the mark throughout the two days of tests. Sheri Harder assumed the duties of HT Marshall and kept all in good order. The Secretaries, Linda McDonald of CBC and Laurie Blanton of SDBC completed the necessary official details using a new computer program compliments of Myra-Dawn Ellis. A few glitches with both computers and printers were managed with the expectation that next year all processes should be much more efficient. The chair persons were Sheri Harder of CBC and Mary Brown of SDBC. Those on the HT committees



Handler, Sheri Harder, attempts to kick up one of those dreaded "RUNNING CHUCKAR!"

were hard working and diligent in meeting the needs of such an event. Special thanks to Gregg and Sabrina Arney, Mark Ambre, and the Blanton Family. Debra Frane was the official photographer. The dogs of course enjoyed the weekend and are looking forward to next year's repeat performance.

Results for Saturday, February 14th California Brittany Club Junior Qualifiers

GOLDEN SPIRIT OF BRIDGETTE SCOUT, BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Michael Argirakis, h Michael Argirakis

JUST A SCIP OF JACK, BRITT by Redline's Flasback Jack x Redline's Just A Little Smoke; o Bob & Rozanne Woelm, h Sheri Harder

GOLDEN SPIRIT OF BRIDGETTE K.T., BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Michael Argirakis, h Michael Argirakis

MIDAS MUDSLIDE SLIM, BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x FCAFC Redlines Tequila Twist; o Sean Lavelle, h Sean Lavelle

San Diego Brittany Club Junior Qualifiers

JUST A SCIP OF JACK, BRITT by Redline's Flasback Jack x Redline's Just A Little Smoke; o Bob & Rozanne Woelm, h Sheri Harder

TK'S GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY, BRITT by CH Millette's Major League of TK's x CH TK's Dancing Across The Sky; o Carl Miller, h Carl Miller

REDLINE'S HUNTING FOR MY HALO, BRITT by DC AFC Redline's Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Doreen & Tom Kearney, h Sheri Harder or Linda McDonald

MIDAS MUDSLIDE SLIM, BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x FCAFC Redlines Tequila Twist; o Sean Lavelle, h Sean Lavelle

Senior Qualifier

TRU'S JUNP N FOR JOY JH, BRITT by FC AFC Shiloh's Blazin Tri'd N Tru x Shale Valley's Finesse MH; o Michael Frane, h Michael Frane

Results for Sunday, February 15th California Brittany Club Junior Qualifiers

JUST A SCIP OF JACK, BRITT by Redline's Flasback Jack x Redline's Just A Little Smoke; o Bob & Rozanne Woelm, h Sheri Harder

GOLDEN SPIRIT OF BRIDGETTE SCOUT, BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Michael Argirakis, h Michael Argirakis

GOLDEN SPIRIT OF BRIDGETTE K.T., BRITT

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by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Michael Argirakis, h Michael Argirakis

MIDAS MUDSLIDE SLIM, BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x FCAFC Redlines Tequila Twist; o Sean Lavelle, h Sean Lavelle

MUSTANG'S EIGHT SECOND RYDE, BRITT by CH Cimmarron's Set-Em Up Joe x CH Cimmarrons Mustang Sally; o Bruce & Laurie Blanton, h Laurie Blanton

SWIFTRIVER'S FLASHBACK N' TIME, BRITT by CH Somewhere In Time x CH Swiftriver's Hot Ticket JH ; o Pennie Peterson, Katelyn Ford and Lynda Evans , h PENNIE PETERSON

REDLINE'S HUNTING FOR MY HALO, BRITT by DC AFC Redline's Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Doreen & Tom Kearney, h Sheri Harder or Linda McDonald

TK'S GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY, BRITT by CH Millette's Major League of TK's x CH TK's Dancing Across The Sky; o Carl Miller, h Carl Miller

San Diego Brittany Club Junior Qualifiers

JUST A SCIP OF JACK, BRITT by Redline's Flasback Jack x Redline's Just A Little Smoke; o Bob & Rozanne Woelm, h Sheri Harder

MUSTANG'S EIGHT SECOND RYDE, BRITT by CH Cimmarron's Set-Em Up Joe x CH Cimmarrons Mustang Sally; o Bruce & Laurie Blanton, h Laurie Blanton

TK'S GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY, BRITT by CH Millette's Major League of TK's x CH TK's Dancing Across The Sky; o Carl Miller, h Carl Miller

SWIFTRIVER'S FLASHBACK N' TIME, BRITT by Shiloh's Somewhere In Time x Swiftriver's Hot Ticket; o Pennie Peterson, Katelyn

Ford and Fran Phillips , h Pennie Peterson

MIDAS MUDSLIDE SLIM, BRITT by DCAFC Redlines Tequila Smoker x FCAFC Redlines Tequila Twist; o Sean Lavelle, h Sean Lavelle

REDLINE'S HUNTING FOR MY HALO, BRITT by DC AFC Redline's Tequila Smoker x CH Loki's Angel On A Carousel; o Doreen & Tom Kearney, h Sheri Harder or Linda McDonald



California Brittany Club & San Diego Brittany Club Hunt Test
Molly has 3 Junior Hunter Legs
February 14 - 15, 2009

Welcome New Members



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Tattle Tails...

Show News from Zoei

Chastles Sleeping Beauty

Zoei won best Opposite Sex at Eucanuba in Long Beach. Zoei also won best of breed in Yuma three out of the four days beating the top five Brittanys in the country. At the Shoreline show, she received Best of Breed two out of four days again beating the top Brittanys. Zoei also took Best of Breed one day at the Long Beach shows. Zoei is owned by Joseph Ramondetta and is handled by Kathy Grayson. Way to SHOW Zoei!

On the Frane Front

"Oscar," Brigade's Oscar De La Britt JH, from FC AFC Burford's Booked First Class and Maison De Chasse Magnifique won his first two Open Derby points at the Sahuaro Brittany Club Field Trials with all other placements withheld. Ed Mayhew was one of the Open Derby judges.

"Rocket," CH Brigade's Hi Hopes Rocket JH placed first in Open Derby earning his first point, Oscar followed with 2nd place with all other placements withheld in the Greater Phoenix Brittany Club Field Trial. Rocket finished the weekend with 3rd place in Amateur Walking Derby.

In the show ring, "Rocket," CH



CH Brigade's Hi Hopes Rocket JH handled by Roger Kibbee.

Brigade's Hi Hopes Rocket JH handled by Roger Kibbee placed Best of Opposite to Frank and Joe's Zoei who won Best of Breed at the Sahuaro Brittany Club Specialty in March. His sire is FC AFC Burford's Booked First Class owned by David and Lynda Evans and his dam is Maison De Chasse Magnifique owned by Deborah and Michael Frane. This is Rocket's first placement as a special.

Not to be outdone, on March 21st the boy's "sister," Tru's Jump N for Joy JH took third in Amateur Walking Gun Dog at the High Dessert Brittany Club's FT.

Master Groomer

Congratulations to Leah Shirokoff for becoming certified as a Master Groomer with International Professional Groomers Inc. "It's a pretty big deal in the grooming world with four practical and four written tests, with one of those four being the Master Exam that has 400 questions. It was easier for me though having purebred dogs in my life for so long, but still stressful and grueling," commented Leah. "I'm getting older you see and think it'll look good on my obituary," she joked!

Have You Heard About AI?

FC AFC Megasmoke Grand Finale "AI" earned third place in Open Limited Gun Dog at the Vizsla Club of So. CA at CA City on 01/09-11/09. On 01/24-25/09 at the California Brittany Club FT at CA City, he earned a second place in Open All Age. At the So.

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Letter from the Editor

By Sabrina Arney

Field trial and hunt test season are over and I think my horse is thanking his lucky stars and is looking forward to a break from having me in the saddle for hours at a time. This year, I spent quite a few days judging both trials and hunt tests and as always, I learned so much sitting atop Cinco's aching back!

Every time I judge, I learn something new about handling a dog and sadly, my education is often at the expense of a handler's frustration. It is an odd dance that we ask our dogs to perform with us. When it goes right, it is oh so beautiful. When it goes wrong...YIKES!

Sometimes WE do everything right and for some odd reason, that day our faithful friend doesn't remember any of the steps that we taught him. "Here mom, let me get that bird for you," and "BAM," they snag it right out of the bush! Turn your back on them for a nano-second and they'll take three extra steps just in case you can't locate that bird yourself. "Boom!" goes the gun. "Fetch!" goes the handler, and it seems that since you paid your \$45 entry fee, all of a sudden your "Always-Retrieves-To-Hand" buddy can't stand the way that bird tastes and spits it out ten times as he meanders back to you. So, maybe it's time to hit the training table again!

But sometimes it is we who are off step! We make mistakes when we handle and our mistakes cause our

dogs to falter. There is so much to remember...so many different scenarios that can take place...so many things that can go wrong. All that runs through our heads is, "What do I do? What do I do?" Practice, practice, practice! We have to hit the dance floor so often that we hardly have to think about the steps any more. We have to set up as many scenarios as we can so we know just how to handle ourselves in each one. We need to make it as seamless and second nature to us as we can...then, it will be MAGIC!

So set aside some time this summer to hit the fields and spend some time with your special partners! Maybe then, you'll be like those who make it look so beautiful, and you too will be *Dancing With a Star!*



Save the Date JULY 12 2009

CBC Annual Awards Banquet

Start sending those points to Margaret Horstmeyer...it's that time of year again! The rules and score sheet are on pages 14, 15 and 16. They are also available on line at: www.californiabrittanyclub.org. The annual CBC Awards Banquet will be held on Sunday, July 12th, 2009 at Lois and Ed Mayhew's. Their address is 32655 Priscilla St. in Winchester, CA which is near Temecula. Lois and Ed are graciously opening their home to us, and they invite you to bring your rig if you'd like to stay over on their property. Dinner will be catered and more information including the cost of the meal will be mailed out at a later date. If you'd like to RSVP or need more information, please call Lois or Ed at 951-696-0032 or email them at: tucalotaranch@verizon.net.

San Joaquin Valley Brittany Club FT at Maricopa, CA he placed first in Open All Age on 02/21-22/09. He is owned by Myra-Dawn Ellis, handled by Paul Doiron and scouted by Peggy Doiron.

Al sired a litter of pups that recently turned six month old on Feb. 23rd. Look for the brags from Darcy, Moki and Larry!

And Here Are Those BRAGS from Al's Kids!



Finale's Flyin' Colors
"Darcy" at the CBC Walking FT at San Jacinto, CA on 03/07-08/09 earned first place in Amateur Walking Puppy. It was her first trial and she got one

point! She is owned and handled by Myra-Dawn Ellis.

Smokin' Grand Finale "Moki" ran at the Central California Brittany Club FT on 02/28-03/01/09 at Santa Nella, CA. He earned a Judges Award of Merit in Open Puppy and a second place in Amateur Puppy. At the CBC Walking FT on 03/7-8/09 at San Jacinto, CA he earned a fourth place in Open Walking Puppy and a second place in Amateur Walking Puppy. Moki is owned and handled by Mark Ambre.



Midas Smoke's A' Blazin' "Larry", bred, owned, and handled by Dale Shores won 1st place in Amateur Walking Puppy at the Central

CA Brit Club FT on 2/28-3/1. It was his first trial and he was just six months old. The next weekend, at CBC Walking FT, 3/7-8, he took 1st place in open puppy and a 3rd in amateur derby.

NEW AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION CH AFC Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT MH



"KT" finished her AFC at the CBC Walking FT on March 8, 2008 with a second place in Amateur Walking Gun Dog. She is owned by Dale and Myra-Dawn Ellis and was handled to her championship by Myra-Dawn.

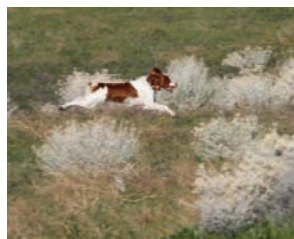
KT wants to thank Paul and Peggy Doiron for all the time and effort they put into her training and care. They are the greatest!

AFC CH Loki's Blizzard of Mischief New Amateur Field Championship

"Luke", AFC CH Loki's Blizzard of Mischief, owned by Linda McDonald, Tony Avedissian, Nancy Schmeider and trained and handled by Ed Mayhew, finished his Amateur Field Championship with 13 points with his 1st place win at San Diego BCFT on January 17. He took his open Brittany major in Open Gun Dog at the Greater Phoenix BCFT on January 6-12. He also took 2nd place in Amateur Gun Dog at the Sahuaro BCFT on January 2, 2nd place in Amateur Gun Dog and 2nd place in Open Gun Dog at CBC Fall FT on November 1-2. He won 3rd place at CBC Walking FT in Open Gun Dog on March 7 and 3rd place in Amateur Gun Dog at CBC Spring FT on Jan 24-25. He took 4th place in Open Gun Dog at SDBC FT on January 17-18 and 4th place at the GWPC of SC FT in Open Limited Gun Dog on November 15-16.

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Congratulations to Dale Shore and *Midas Blazin' Amber Skies*. Amber took second place in Open Gun Dog at the SSJBC with 16 starters and 2nd again at the NCBC trial in the Amateur All Age stake. His Rebel Doggs Mini Me placed 4th at the NCBC FT in the Amateur All Age stake.



**Congratulations
Master Hunter
Sandbars Rusty
Iron Oxide (Rusty)**

Sire: Champion Sandbars Casanova
Dam: Sandbars Angelique
Breeder: Sandra Jaqua
Proud Owners: Ed and Linda Wagher

From the Nelsen Camp

Shiloh's Whoa Nellie, MH (Nelle) placed 4th in Amateur Walking Gun Dog at the CBC Walking Field Trial. Nelle is owned and handled by Karen Nelsen. At the Northern California Brittany Club, Nelle also placed 2nd in the Open All Age.

**All In the Horstmeyer-
White Family**

The Horstmeyer-White family has certainly had an impressive season with many placements being taken by the entire family!

At the Sahuaro Brittany Club in Arizona, in the Open All Age stake with 27 starters, first place went to **FC/AFC Megasmoke Limited Edition "Ted"** and second place to **FC/AFC MTB CaboRita de Scipio "Rita."** In Amateur All Age with 22 starters, first place went to **DC/AFC MTB Emme's Cabo de Scipio "Cabo,"** second place was taken by **FC/AFC MTB CaboRita de Scipio "Rita,"** third place went to **DC/AFC TJ'S**

Single Shot of Scipio "Emme," and fourth place was captured by Tucolata's **Abby "Abby,"** owned by Ed and Lois Mayhew and handled by Ed. This is most impressive when you realize that this grand slam was won by a mother and three of her offspring who are litter mates! In Open Puppy **MTB Scipin the Breeze "Scip"** took first place.

At the Greater Phoenix Brittany Club_West-



New American Field Champion,
DC/AFC TJ's Single Shot of Scipio

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**DC/AFC
TJ'S Single
Shot
of Scipio
"Emme"**

took first
and became a
new American

Field Champion! Fourth was captured by **DC/
AFC Terra's Cabo Wabo "Sammy."**

At the Arizona Amateur All Age Championship with 20 starters, the Horstmeyer-Whites did it again. They swept all four placements! This time, **DC/AFC MTB Emme's Cabo de Scipio "Cabo,"** took first. **DC/AFC TJ'S Single Shot of Scipio "Emme,"** took second, while **DC/
AFC Terra's Cabo Wabo "Sammy"** came in third, and **FC/AFC MTB CaboRita de Scipio "Rita"** took fourth. This represented two littermates, their sire, and their dam!

In Open Puppy **MTB Scipin the Breeze "Scip,"** took first. All these fine dogs were bred, owned and handled/scouted by Tom White & Margaret Horstmeyer (except for Tucolata Abby who is owned & handled by Ed & Lois Mayhew).

Walking Field Trial

By Karen Nelsen

The California Brittany Club held its first-in-a-long-time walking field trial the weekend of March 7th-8th at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area in Lakeview. The weather couldn't have been better...not too hot, not too cold! Scott Sewell, the area's DFG supervisor, went out of his way to ensure that the trial was a "sure thing." He was most pleasant and easy to work with. Thanks to Tom Clare for taking the initiative in dealing with DFG and laying all the groundwork.

We ran a single course with no bird field and all birds were blanked. This arrangement made for a minimal number of helpers, as we did not need gunners, only bird planters. This worked perfectly for we only ran a total of six stakes. The Open stakes were held on Saturday, with the Amateur stakes on Sunday. Thanks to Mark Ambre for helping out with bird planting. He found out quickly that planting off horse-back is a lot easier than walking the course! Thanks also goes to Gregg Arney and Cindy Leffingwell for getting birds planted.

Thanks to Paul Doiron for getting the club trailer to the grounds and for getting the course set up. A big round of applause to Paul for also bringing water each day for the judge's horses as well as for the dogs.

Our lunch on Saturday consisted of sub-sandwiches ordered from a local deli, as well as potato salad, fruit and all kinds of extra goodies.

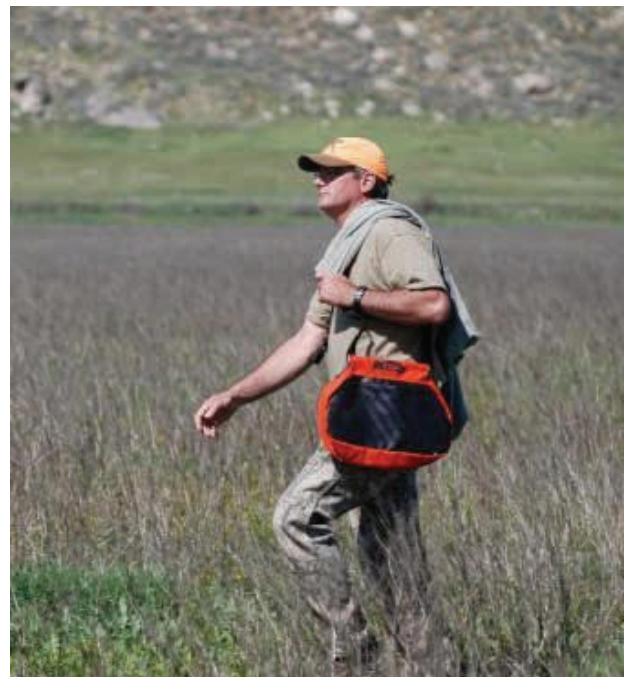
Deborah Frane did an awesome job on the dinner Saturday night! Wow! We were treated to some of the best spaghetti this side of Italy! Along with the 'sgetti, there was a fabulous green salad, garlic bread and super-tasty desserts. Delicious fine wines were also part of the fare. Deborah's trusty helper, husband Mike, made



CBC President, Sheri Harder celebrates a perfect Southern California day aboard her Icelandic, PJ and displays her enthusiasm for our successful Walking Field Trial.

sure that the food was delivered from the cooking area (their Airstream) to the dining location while still hot and bubbly. Gregg Arney made a great taco salad for lunch on Sunday.

Eldon Bouche brought his trusty "washing machine fire pit" which was perfect for the ambiance on Saturday night. Participants brought out their chairs, gathered around (Continued on page 12)



Mark Ambre plants bird on FOOT. Later he borrowed a horse and found that much easier!

the fire-pit, ate their dinner, had a few cocktails and talked and talked and talked. The camaraderie was wonderful. No one left! It was a great opportunity for new trialers to sit and talk with the "old guard."

Our judges were wonderful: Tom White, Bill Leffingwell, and Leslie Smeder judged the Open stakes. Sabrina Arney and Gregg Knight saw all the action on Sunday during the running of the Amateur stakes. The Amateur Gun Dog stake resulted in the completion of not one, but two dogs' Amateur Field Champion titles. Leslie Smeder finished her GSP Sophie, and Myra-Dawn Ellis finished her Brittany KT! Congratulations to both!

Thanks to everyone who helped out, to those who participated, and to those who want to do it again! (Same time, next year!) Check out Deborah Frane's video of the trial at: www.YouTube.com/BrigadeBrittanys

And the placements are as follows:

OPEN WALKING GUN DOG: (14 Starters)

1st: **Good Luke Hunting** (FC Sam-Dee's Buckaroo x Lady Elizabeth Anne Burnett) O/Brian Burnett H/ Paul Doiron

2nd: **HVK's High Flying Kyte** (DC AFC 2X AmFld Ch Redline's Tequila Smoker x Timberline Scip-o-Dee-Do-Dah) O/Dan Doiron H/Paul Doiron

3rd: **Ch Loki's Blizzard of Mischief** (Ch Hope's Autumn Sno Storm x Ch Loki's Mischief in the Night) O/Linda McDonald, Toni Avedessian & Nancy Schmeider H/Ed Mayhew

4th: **AFC Jaferhof's Bar E Hot Flash** (GSP) O/H Cathy Reifschneider

OPEN WALKING DERBY: (8 Starters)

1st: **MB's Make Mine a Double** (DC/AFC



Karen Nelsen and Bob Woelm at the break away. Note the beautiful carpet of yellow flowers that blanketed the valley that perfect spring day!

2xAmFld Ch Redline's Tequila Smoker x Timberline Scip-O-Dee-Do-Dah) O/Charles & Rhonda Nosler H/ Paul Doiron

2nd: **Lone Oaks Smokin Masked Ranger** (DC/AFC Redline's Tequila Smoker x Ch Lone Oak's Sovereign Delta, JH) O/Linda McDonald & Dale Shores H/Dale Shores

3rd: **Mikey's Spice Girl** (FC/AFC Clyde's Micro-Breeze x DC/AFC TJ's Single Shot of Scipio O/Jerry & Carolyn Cape H/Paul Doiron

4th: **Brigade's Hi Hopes Rocket** (FC/AFC Burford's Booked First Class x Maison De Chasse Magnifique (O/Deborah & Michael Frane H/Michael Frane

OPEN WALKING PUPPY: (8 Starters)

1st: **Midas Smokes A Blazin'** (FC/AFC Megasmoke Grand Finale x Midas Blazin' Amber Skies O/ Dale & Rosalie Shores H/Dale Shores

2nd: Paige VI (FC KB's Shadow Dancer x Trasa's Little Ann, JH) O/William Lim H/Paul Doiron
3rd: Wishful Thinking (DC/AFC 2xAmFldCh Redline's Tequila Smoker x Adios Little Janie) O/Paul & Peggy Doiron H/Paul Doiron
4th: Smokin Grand Finale (FC/AFC Megasmoke Grand Finale x Midas Blazin' Amber Skies)
O/Mark Ambre H/Paul Doiron

AMATEUR WALKING GUN DOG (14 Starters)

1st: Wendig Haus' Major Conclusn, MH (GSP)
O/H Leslie Smeder
2nd: Ch Remington's Rusty Ridge QTKT, MH (DC/AFC Awards Rusty Ridge Jake, MH x Ch Tantara's Remington Hunter, CD) O/H Myra-Dawn Ellis
3rd: Outdoors Life of Riley (Weim) O/Anne Taguchi H/Jack Altura
4th: FC Shiloh's Whoa Nellie, MH (FC Sam-Dee's Traveler x DC Shiloh's Blazin Shadie Sadie)
O/H Karen Nelsen

AMATEUR WALKING DERBY: (8 Starters)

1st: Brigade's Hi Hopes Rocket (FC/AFC Bur-

ford's Booked First Class x Maison De Chasse Magnifique) O/Deborah & Michael Frane H/Michael Frane

2nd: Chip's Hazelnut Twix (Vizsla) O/H Christine Henry

3rd: Midas Smokes A Blazin' (FC/AFC Megasmoke Grand Finale x Midas Blazin' Amber Skies)
O/Dale & Rosalie Shores H/Dale Shores

4th: Wishful Thinking (DC/AFC 2xAmFldCh Redline's Tequila Smoker x Adios Little Janie)
O/Paul & Peggy Doiron H/Karen Nelsen

AMATEUR WALKING PUPPY (6 Starters)

1st: Finale's Flyin' Colors (FC/AFC Megasmoke Grand Finale x Midas Blazin' Amber Skies) O/H Myra-Dawn Ellis

2nd: Smokin Grand Finale (FC/AFC Megasmoke Grand Finale x Midas Blazin' Amber Skies) O/H Mark Ambre

3rd: Russet Leather Red Cat (Vizsla) O/H Betty Meadows

4th: TK's Good Golly Miss Molly (Ch Millette's Major League of TKS x Ch TK's Dancing Across the Sky) O/H Carl Miller



Remembrances

Our deepest condolences go out to Bill Landress in the loss of his mother.

We also send our condolences to Karen Nelsen and Myra-Dawn Ellis in the recent loss of their long time companions and friends. Although Myra-Dawn's Sheltie Mikey was not a Brittany, he was a constant at Brittany events.

He had his Companion Dog Excellent title, his Canine Good Citizen, and his Therapy Dog certificate. Mikey had a big heart and loved to visit people at the Children's Home. In addition to his love of people, Mikey earned many titles for herding sheep. Myra-Dawn fondly remembers that the "bigger the herd, the more Mikey liked it."

CBC ANNUAL AWARDS RULES

Eligibility:

Only Brittany's are eligible

Points may be earned in the following events:

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.

American Brittany Club licensed events occurring in the Western region as laid out by the American Brittany Club.

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.

American Field trials – Within the ABC Western Region (NASTRA trials are NOT included.)

Designated California Brittany Club events (Willi Match and Club Championship Fun trial).

The highest point total in each category determines the winner.

- 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.
- The point year runs from January 1 to December 31.
- 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 points 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 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 dog defeated 8 dogs times 2 = 16 points.)

Other Performance Events: There will be three performance awards; Obedience, Agility and Hunting 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 Hunting Test winner will be determined by awarding points for each qualifying score as follows:

- A Junior Hunter earns 5 points for each qualifying score up to a maximum of 20 points in a year.
- A Senior Hunter earns 15 points for each qualifying score up to a maximum of 75 points in a year.
- 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 20, 2008

CBC AWARDS SCORE SHEET

Year Ending 2008

Score sheet available on line at www.californiabrittanyclub.org

You can fill out the form on line then print it and mail 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 breeding that occurred during the year. Include the name of the partner, the number and sex of the puppies and the date of birth.

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.

2008 CBC Score Sheet

Please use a separate score sheet for each dog. Use additional pages when necessary. If you do not know the number of dogs defeated contact Margaret Horstmeyer with the date and name of the event and she can look it up.

Dog's Call Name: _____

Date	Name of Event	State	Class	Placement	# of Starters	Points

Total Show Dog Points _____

Total Junior Handler Field Points _____

Total Junior Handler Show Points _____

Average Top 3 Obedience Scores _____

Total Agility Qualifying Scores _____

Total Agility of Seconds Under Standard Time for Those Qualifying Scores _____

Total Dual Dog Points _____

Total Field Dog Points _____

Total Gun Dog/All Age Points _____

Total Juvenile Field Points _____

Total Amateur Handled Dog Points _____

Total Hunting Test Points _____

California Brittany Club Hosts *Specialty Show 2009*

Memorial Weekend at the LA County Fairgrounds!

<p>Friday, May 22, 2009 Los Encinos Kennel Club Supported Entry By Southern San Joaquin Valley Brittany Club</p> <p>Judge: Dr. Donald Sturz</p>	<p>Saturday, May 23, 2009 Antelope Valley Kennel Club California Brittany Club Specialty</p>  <p>Judge: Mr. James M. Brown</p> <p>Sweepstakes Judge: Mr. Henry Nave</p>
<p>Sunday, May 24, 2009 San Fernando Kennel Club Supported Entry By California Brittany Club</p> <p>Judge: Mrs. Susan St. John Brown</p>	<p>Monday, May 25, 2009 San Gabriel Valley Kennel Club</p> <p>Judge: Mr. Terry Stacy</p>

California Brittany Club Raffle

Bring Raffle Donations

Questions? Contact: Toni Avedissian ♦ Phone: 928-854-3215

CBC Specialty Trophy Donations

Contact: Deborah Frane ♦ 310-316-2062 ♦ e-mail brigadebrittanys@verizon.net

Activities:

- **Pot Luck** following show on Saturday. If you have any questions, contact the Echavarria's at 714-871-1268
- **General Meeting** following show on Saturday. Contact Sheri Harder if you have an item you want on the agenda.

Superintendent for all shows: Jack Bradshaw,

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Application for New Membership, Renewals and Address Changes

(Look on the mailing label for your membership expiration date.)

Date: _____

I, _____ am enclosing dues
in the amount of *(check an amount)*

- \$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

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State: _____ Zip+4: _____

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Work Phone: () _____