



CALIFORNIA BRITTANY CLUB

“The Brittany Forever a Dual Dog”

THE BRITTANY: AN INDEPENDENT SPIRIT...

Developed in France as a new breed during a period of rebellion and independence, the Brittany as a breed is a great representation of our great Nation as well. Full of spirit, energy and a sense of loyalty, our four-legged companions make great partners as we commemorate our Nation's Independence Day. Celebrating with our best friends and we honor the freedoms we have, take time to enjoy the liberties our Brittany's share with us. Whether it's at a show, a field event, a performance event or just playing at the park or beach, our Brittany's love to spend time with us whether working or playing. Take time to enjoy your holidays and include your pets as well. It's hot during the summer so safety is an important part as well. Don't leave your pets locked up in cars or kennels where they don't get cool fresh air. Make sure they have plenty of water and if possible air conditioning or cooling from misters or fans. This is a great time of year to love on and have fun with our amazing Brittany's...share your pictures with us that we may include them here throughout the year.



WILLI MATCH

This year's Willi Match will be held at the home of Nick and Christa Wedel, in McFarland, Ca. on August 3rd at 9:30 am. As usual it will be pot luck so bring a dish to share and whatever you'd like to drink. It will be hot so wear something cool and comfortable. The pool will be open for anyone who would like to cool

Here's a short little clip from "The Animal Planet Channel" featuring the Brittany. Enjoy this small video and pass it on to your family and friends.

<https://youtu.be/tqaF3Gq6toU>

off so bring swimwear if you would like to jump in. There is room to park RV's for anyone who would like to bring one for the day or overnight, just let them know so they can direct you to the right area. For directions and to RSVP please call Christa at 661-912-5186 or email clwedel@yahoo.com by July 20th so we will have an idea of how many to expect. We are ¼ mile "EAST" of the 99, on Sherwood. The first farm on the left after you leave town. Horse pastures in front, almond orchards on both sides, sign on rock entrance says Sherwood Forest.

31794 Sherwood Ave., McFarland, Ca 93250 (See map at bottom of News Letter)

FALL FIELD TRIAL

This year's 3-day Fall Field Trial will be returning to the Spanish Ranch in New Cuyama, October 12-14, 2019. Paul Doiron, the Field Trial Chair, invites everyone to come out to the amazing trial grounds with beautiful vistas for an amazing event. Saturday night will be exceptionally special with a band providing an evening of great entertainment. Come out and enjoy the competition, the friendship and fun. As a bonus, the Southern San Joaquin Brittany Club will be hosting their 4-day trial starting the following Thursday, October 17-20. Premiums will be sent out when published. (Map included below)

PERFORMANCE BRITTANYS

It seems like all the Brittanys in the performance arena took the month of June off, or maybe they just forget to send me their brags. I did get a nice note from Stephanie with a fun story about Nero that all you field people can probably relate to, and the rest of us can chuckle about.

It seems that in the midst of all their scent work and camping (sometimes in the snow), Matt and Stephanie have been thinking about trying a new sport. Here's what she said about their experience:

"There was a Fast CAT 100 yard dash in Orange, CA this past weekend. Nero loves to run and he's super fast too. So we figured, why not try it out! We did some "practice" in some of the ball fields near us, but didn't have access to any lures so it was just me calling him. But he seemed to get it no problem. WELL... one thing we forgot is Nero is a Brittany and therefore a pointer. His instinct is to freeze and point when he sees prey, and we've reinforced that with training. So when Nero got up to the start line and they ran the lure, he did just what he was trained to do... he ran about 30 feet and then froze and pointed at it and wouldn't move. LOL They of course stop the lure when the dog stops running too, so then it was just a pointing showdown. I don't know why that didn't

dawn on either of us when we were talking about trying it out. We just figured, he loves to run and he's fast, he'll do great!"

There's no doubt that Brittany's know their jobs and will do them even when their handlers just can't seem to focus. I once stopped at a carwash put on by the military dog handlers from Vandenberg AFB, and had my Brittany (who had just turned two and had about six weeks of scent work training at the time) with me. We got out of the car and went to stand off to the side and I was having an interesting discussion with one of the handlers about their training program. She started laughing and pointed to Rowan, who was standing behind me. Eager to show off her new skills, Rowan was doing a textbook vehicle search on the next car in line, including behind the license plates, in the wheel wells, and along all the seams in the body. She even remembered that we don't put our paws up on the paintwork!

There are plenty of obedience, rally, and scent work trials coming up, so hopefully there will be new wins, points, and qualifying runs to share next month. Don't forget to send me your stories and brags about those great performance Brittany's at jeanganton@aol.com .

- Jean Anton, Performance Chairman <jeanganton@aol.com>

BRAGS

FROM Christa Wedel - At Mission Circuit, Ch Sherwood Forest's High Speed Pursuit JH (Jaxon) was awarded BOS in Puppy Sweeps under Judge Ms. Sandy Garlinger. In regular classes he was awarded WD finishing his Championship from the Bred By class under Judge Mrs. Virginia Murray, then went on to win an Award of Merit in the BOB class and BOBOH/OHG2



Jaxon



Molly

FROM Dan Methe - Not to be totally overshadowed...We are pleased to announce new Champion Ory's Catch The Rhythm!! Molly finished going Best of Opposite Sex for a 5 Point Major from the 12-15 Bitch Class at the Western Michigan Brittany Club Specialty!! She then went Best Of Winners at the Michigan Sporting Dog Association show for a second 5 Point Major!!! Congratulations to Dan Methe on your girls spectacular achievements!!

FROM Jeri and Kurt Conklin – Dice is on a roll and we'd like to brag on our very own CH Camelot's Coppers Rollin' Four Dice JH for his BEST OF BREED wins last month. On June 29th, Dice took BOB under Judge Barbara G Pepper, on the 30th under Judge Mr. Johnny R Shoemaker and at the Channel Islands KC Show under Judge Dana Cline on July 5th. And pending AKC confirmation, he completed his Grand Champion Title under Judge Ronald Freeman on the 6th at Channel Islands. Many thanks to all our supporters and Team Cabral, especially Emily Montoya to whom we are eternally thankful.



Dice

UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting	July 17, 2019	7:00 pm Via Telecon (See below)
Willi Match	August 3, 2019	Wedel Home, McFarland, CA
General Membership Meeting	August 3, 2019	Wedel Home, McFarland, CA
2019 Fall Field Trial	October 12-14, 2019	Spanish Ranch, New Cuyama, CA
Board of Directors Meeting	October 16, 2019	7:00 pm Via Telecon (See below)

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER

We are always looking to brag about our accomplishments...I can't brag on you if you don't first brag to me. So, please send me your accomplishments, victories...adventures. Also, if you'd like to share something with our fellow members, feel free to become a contributing editor/author. Pass on your great stories to our members.

v/r Kurt Conklin, President
California Brittany Club

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Kurt Conklin, President
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Vacant, Treasurer

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