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## **LETTER FROM THE EDITOR**

Greetings:

The August issue included all the test data from our Spring 2017 Tests. The tables and figures contain a lot of data, but don't begin to communicate the dedication and hours of work that club members put forth to make it happen. If you are a new dog owner and going through your first tests, I hope that you will give serious heed to the call to pitch in and help at future tests. Consider becoming an apprentice judge, bird handler, photographer, Facebook editor, or GDS contributor. The club needs your help.

Please read the Breeding Committee Report. The committee outlines important steps for the future of our breed. In connection with that article, Jim Crouse describes the experience of being a first-time breeder. A lot goes into getting puppies ready for their new homes. We look forward to following the progress of the Buckeye "Valley A litter as they continue to grow and develop.

The Fall Tests are coming up soon and that means hunting season is just around the corner. Best of luck to you and your dogs. Hunt long, hard and often!

*Rem DeJong*, Editor

## **On the Cover:**

**Track of the Duck: Brady of Blackberry Briar** tops off his duck track with a retrieve to owner Mike Houge. Brady garnered a Prize I in IHDT in the Heartland.

(Photo by Rem DeJong)

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## **Report from the Breeding Committee: Part 2- Why We Working to Manage Genetic Diversity**

**by  
Laurie Connell**

The philosophy of breeding dogs has changed dramatically over the last decade, and utilizes genetic and data science to a greater and greater degree. Our club is in an excellent position to capitalize on these new approaches to help our North American breeding program move forward. In looking at the varied challenges we face, there are several key points to remember: 1) Worldwide, there is a very small gene pool of Český Fouseks. 2) Our domestically bred dogs are all very closely related. 3) Our domestically bred dogs are not currently recognized by any registration group. We are addressing this lack of official registration and are taking concrete steps towards FCI recognition.

To help you better understand our club's specific approach to tackling the difficulties of breeding within a very small and closely related dog population, please check out this short video on YouTube about another rare dog breed, the Leonberger, (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eXso2IlxMCY>). It is informative and only takes about 30 minutes. It is called "Safeguarding Genetic Diversity in the Leonberger Breed" and gives much of the background that will help you understand what we need to do for our club dogs. We are essentially in the same situation.

To manage their genetic diversity, the Czech Club had historically set up 10 distinct breeding lines, or lineages, named I-X. However, lines VI and VIII are now extinct. Generally speaking, to maintain their unique phenotype or character the Czechs breed dogs within each line to one another using a very loose form of line-breeding. On occasion, a deliberate breeding between lines or outcrosses is used to increase or manage genetic diversity or to improve characteristics in one of the lines. In North America, we have begun a similar approach. Our club has now set up three distinct breeding lines, roughly based on the Czech lines and using extended pedigree cluster analysis. These three breeding lines are called North American- A, B, and C (NA-A, NA-B, NA-C). Most of our dogs bred in the recent past fall into NA-B. We are now carefully selecting and importing puppies specifically to fill the gaps within these three lines. This calculated approach places a new and different level of responsibility and expectation on owners of imported puppies to do their best to get their dogs prepared for our club tests. Every individual dog is truly critical, especially at this point when our available gene pool is so limited!

The Board of Directors has agreed that our BWPGCA dogs should be recognized by an outside registration group. This will allow us to fully utilize dogs from abroad in our domestic breeding program, as well as return the favor someday by exporting North American puppies or semen when colleagues in other countries need support for their own breeding programs. To this end, we are strengthening our international ties, starting with the Czech club, so that our

club dogs can be registered with the Fédération Cynologique Internationale (FCI). It is a lengthy process and may take several years. Part of the undertaking began a few years ago when our two Clubs signed cooperative agreement designed to coordinate our efforts. Meanwhile, the BWPGCA must comply with breeding and record keeping rules set out by the FCI. These criteria have been previously discussed (GDS Oct 2016). In general, we will be integrating the Czech imports into our domestic stock, and we will no longer breed two domestically bred dogs unless they both have FCI or NAVHDA registered parents. All of the dogs we are importing have FCI registrations.

On the home front, our North American breeding program will continue to focus on three equally important components of health, performance, and conformation. Ethically, health is our primary concern, but all three need to be balanced for maintaining good hunting dogs and family companions. How do we balance all three elements? We will continue to use performance, conformation, and temperament criteria in our selection of breeding animals. We have added some additional mate choice and breeding criteria including the genetics of each dog with respect to population relatedness and rarity by using Mean Kinship analysis. In addition, we are monitoring for genetic disease markers, such as degenerative myelopathy (DM). We hope to be able to add shoulder Osteochondritis dissecans (OCD) and alopecia once the genetic markers become available.

Currently, the breeding committee chooses many of the sires from our collection of imported frozen semen. Our long-term goal is to eventually utilize more natural breeding within the club, or at the very least, use chilled semen from North American dogs and associated artificial insemination methods more frequently. We hope these changes will also increase our litter numbers and sizes and decrease cost to the breeders. Genetic diversity is of great importance in all aspects of both maintaining health and improving the breed by giving us the “raw material” needed to make changes. Last, to help with the performance aspect, we are also placing a heavier emphasis on coaching our new breeders and new puppy owners to help them develop the best dogs possible. It is only with the continued determination, dedication, and financial contribution of our members that we will continue to have the best, whiskered hunting buddies possible.

## Český Fousek World Cup

The first **Český Fousek World Cup** will take place in the Czech Republic September 2018! The test rules are posted on the BWPGCA website :

**<http://bohemiangriffon.org/cesky-fousek-world-cup/>**

Dogs from North America are invited to attend, but even if you don't bring a dog plan to make the trip to the beautiful Czech Republic and see the relatives of your dog at work! Meet great dog folks!

## Northeast Spring Test

by

Kurt Soneson B.H.E.

The Northeast Chapter held its spring test on May 6<sup>th</sup> in Winterport, ME at Oquassa Farm, home of Scott Craig and Laurie Connell. Judging for the test were Senior Judge Jim Crouse, Kevin Jester, Ted Silver, and Rick Molt. Apprenticing were Scott Craig and his faithful sidekick, Laurie Connell. Also in attendance was Phil Bennett, who was sidelined with a foot injury. We'll get to him in a wee bit. Bird Handlers Extraordinaire were Mark Canfield and myself. There were no photos by Tina Molt because Tina was off enjoying her new grandchild. Missed you Tina.

We were warned ahead of time that it was a banner year at the farm for ticks. When we all arrived, we were pleasantly surprised that there were no ticks or black flies to be seen because they had all drowned. It rained all day like a small calf peeing on a flat rock. The rain didn't seem to dampen anyone's spirits, except one whiney judge. We'll get back to him also.

On Saturday three dogs were tested: one NAT and two IHDT/Older Dog. One dog ran IHDT on Sunday.

Having poor typing skills, I love these Cesky Fousek dogs names. I can type them in wrong and even the owners can't remember if I got it right or not. Here we go. Saturday we tested **Ikar z Podhoranku** aka Rascal owned by Andy Torres NAT, **Aimy od Lesa Borkovniku** owned by Jeff Beauregard OD IHDT, and **Kaja od Vavrineckeho** owned by Andy Ogden OD IHDT. Sunday we tested **Adele od Terlicke hraze** owned by Jane McKenna IHDT. Silage od EiEi Oh owned by O. MacDonald had to cancel.

First up was Andy Torres and Rascal. Rascal is a fine looking fellow with plenty of get up and go with a nice affinity for water. Rascal's point was solid, but had a little trouble in the track. Andy and Rascal put in a nice performance netting a Prize II with 27 Pts. We're looking forward to seeing him run IHDT in the fall.

Bird Handlers fun fact: Chukars smell twice as bad when wet than dry.

Second to run field work was Andy Ogden and Kaja. Kaja has matured nicely. Very nice search, staunch point, great little hunter. Kaja took to the water nicely on the duck track and blind retrieve finding Mr. Duck and bringing him ashore. Kaja had one little snafu on a land retrieve but still brought home a nice Prize II 151 Points. Well done.

Bird Handlers fun fact: Andy is Dr. Andy. He once traded an Amish Gentlemen a baby delivery for a outhouse for his duck camp.

Judge still whining and taking it out on the bird handlers. Handlers thinking about forming a union.

Third to run was Jeff Beauregard and Aimy. Aimy had a good solid search and a very nice staunch point. She had a little problem on the duck search and dead drag but did a nice job locating Mrs. Mallard on the blind retrieve. The judges would like to look at her again after a little more training.

Aimy had 109 Points and no prize. Looking forward to seeing Aimy again.

Bird Handlers fun fact: After one nice point the chukar took flight and landed atop of a large manure pile, where he stood atop the pile taunting Rick. Bad move. Rick scaled the pile and engaged the taunting Chukar.... If we only had a Photo by Tina Molt.

We all gladly broke for lunch and warmth and found Phil Bennet, foot propped up, sitting by a warm fire. Whiney Judge was wondering if the foot brace was real.

Saturday night supper was down the road at Ted and Sandie Silver's house. After food and spirits Jim read the scores and filled us in on what was happening in the club. Jim fielded the barrage of questions better than Sean Spicer at a Monday morning press conference at the White house. Thanks Jim, sorry I made you cry.

Sunday the sun came out and it was time for Jane McKenna and Adele to show us their stuff.

Bird Handlers fun fact: Always place your bird crates in a contained area so that if you ever have an accidental escape, you can recapture them— just saying.

Adele is another good looking CF. She had stellar field work, and is a staunch pointer. Her downfall was the water. The judges are hoping Jane can work this out because they would like to see Adele again this fall. She finished up with 114 Points and no prize.

Well that's it. Thanks to everyone who helped put on the test and all who attended. We had some very nice dogs strut their stuff. Four dogs four points, four good noses, four dedicated handlers, and a group of enthusiastic club members, just doesn't get any better than that. I think we're all looking forward to seeing these dogs again after they have had a summer of more training under their collars.

Happy Hunting from the Northeast Chapter—home to some of the finest bird dogs and bird handlers.



**Angie Vallis Baptismi, IHDT.**

Tess makes a deep water retrieve for owner, Gary Pool at the Rocky Mountain Spring 2017 Test.

## Rocky Mountain Chapter Spring Test 2017

by  
**Angie McDunn**

On March 25-26, 2017, the Rocky Mountain Chapter tested three dogs in the Natural Ability Test, four in the Intermediate Hunt Dog Test and two in the Older Hunt Dog Test along at the Niagara Springs Wildlife Management area along the Snake River near Jerome, Idaho.

We started off the weekend with a dinner get together in the conference room at the Best Western Sawtooth Inn on a rainy Friday night. Those in attendance enjoyed homemade spaghetti made with venison Italian sausage donated by the McDunn's, noodles and gelato donated by the Esposito's, a wonderful salad, donated by Tawna Skinner and warm garlic bread curtesy of the Poole's and Mat-suoka's. After dinner, Rick Sojda gave a presentation on the difference between Cooperation and Obedience. It was very informative and those in attendance had an excellent question and answer period after the presentation. We heard many comments from those in attendance about how helpful that was to help understand what the judges are looking at during the test in regards to cooperation vs obedience.

On a cool overcast Saturday morning, two Cesky Fousek (CF) import pups, **Oliver z Malého Boubína**, owned and handled by Malcom Japp and **Brixie Vallis Baptismi**, owned and handled by Ned Enyeart plus a non-club Wirehaired Pointing Griffon (WPG), Wayfarer's Double T Rock Mountain Lupine, owned and handled by Gerald Garcelon completed the Natural Ability Test (NAT) and another non-club WPG, Maddie's Bonzi Queen, owned and handled by Mike Zobott completed the Older Hunt Dog Test (OHDT) with judging group one.

The rain from the previous night and cool temperatures combined to make excellent scenting conditions for the test. In group one, Oliver performed an outstanding search, pointed his bird, displayed great attitude and cooperation in the field and his affinity for water was exemplary. He did encounter some trouble in his track of the live bird which did not allow him to prize, however, he received a good score of 22 points.

Brixie and Ned took to the field next and due to a winter that started early and ended late with greater than average snowfall, giving them limited time in the field, Brixie had some areas where she had difficulty. Her search was wonderful and her affinity for water outstanding. She also had good attitude in the field. She had trouble with the track of the live bird and pointing, however, with another hunting season under her belt she will no doubt excel in these areas as she matures. Brixie came out of the field with a score of 17 points and the judges commenting on her potential with more exposure this next season.

Lupine and Gerald showed excellent team work in the field. Lupine's searching and tracking were good, the point was beautiful, she went into the water willingly and with no issues, she used her noise and her attitude and cooperation were wonderful to see. She ended her day with a score of 25 and a Prize III.

Maddie and Mike rounded out this group, she is an older dog with more experience in the field so the judges looked for more from her in the field that is ex-

pected of the younger dogs completing the Intermediate Hunt Dog Test (IHDT). Maddie performed very well in tracking the live pheasant, pointing and attitude. Her cooperation and nose work were good also. She experienced some difficulties in other areas of the test such as track of the live duck, retrieve of the duck, the blind retrieve and obedience. The judges found her to be a very good dog who was very obedient in some parts of the test but not in others. Maddie scored a 119 points with no prize.

On the other side of the test area, two CF imports, **Calina Rokycanská kotlina**, owned and handled by Mike Vance and **Cora z Ceceminských vinic**, owned and handled by Roger Fuhrman completed the IHDT while Corbet of High Desert, owned and handled by Greg Miyauchi completed the OHDT with judging group two.

Calina and Mike hit the field and the judges commented that Calina was 'first class and did all the difficult stuff well, just needs a little more obedience.' Calina's pointing and searching were outstanding and her cooperation and track of the duck were good. She had some difficulties with blind retrieve, retrieve of dragged game and retrieve of the duck, however, at the end of the day she received a Prize III with a score of 138.

Next up Cora and Roger hit the ground running. Cora did well searching and pointed her bird, which flushed in the tall sage brush. She went after it and came back about five minutes later with the bird. Cora had issues with everything duck. During the retrieve of the duck, the judges commented that, 'the dog does everything well, but has an aversion to ducks.' When the dead duck was thrown out into deep water and Roger got excited about it, Cora also got excited and went in the water, got the duck, brought it back and dropped it at Roger's feet. In the blind retrieve, Cora did find the duck, but would not retrieve it. Cora did not prize due to a zero on the blind retrieve, however, she received a nice score of 125 points.

The final pair, Corbet and Greg, tested in IHDT a year ago, but were retesting due to some issue in the water work the first time around. The extra exposure and training payed off and water work no longer presented any issues for Corbet. He come out of the field with a score of 163 and a Prize I.

Sunday also started out cool and overcast, but with no moisture as there was no rain on Saturday. We had two CF imports left to test, **Angie Vallis Baptismi** (Tess), owned and handled by Gary Poole and **Dorka z Podřipské stráně** (Dezi), owned and handled by Glenn Ross.

Tess and Gary took the field first with the judges commenting that 'she did some things very good and for others she didn't want to do the exercise.' They also stated that 'her retrieve of dragged game was the highlight of the day.' Tess scored a 99 with no prize.

When Dezi and Glenn took the field, the judges commented that, 'she was a fast dog and it was impressive to watch her go.' Like Tess, Dezi excelled in some areas and not in others. Her searching, retrieve of dragged game and live track were all excellent and her blind retrieve was very good. However, Dezi had a hard time with the track of the duck, only taking the track part way and not continuing. She ended the day with a score of 112 with no prize.



We would like to give a big thank you to all the judges, apprentice judges, bird handlers, photographers, lunch providers/preparers, individuals who brought food for dinner and lunches, those who ordered birds, picked up birds, set up the pen, fed and housed the birds, brought birds to the test site, brought and set up and took down the tent, tables and chairs at the test site and helped with cleanup so everyone could just pull out as soon as the last judges finished their presentations of the scores on Sunday. Also thanks to Cliff and Marety for storing everything at their place! We appreciate all of you and want you to know you make these tests successful!



**Brixie Vallis Baptismi; NAT. Owner: Ned Enyeart**

Ned Enyeart holds bird over a very interested Brixie during evaluation of pointing. Rocky Mountain Spring Test 2017.

## Heartland Chapter Spring Test 2017

by  
**Rem DeJong**

We had twelve dogs running in the Heartland Test plus the BOD meeting and Judges Seminar, so it was an especially challenging event for new Test Chair, Dave Read. Besides the normal headaches of putting on a test, Dave had to cope with a vehicle breakdown on the way to Wisconsin. In spite of the added troubles, the weekend event came off without a hitch, so Dave will probably be Test Chair for Life.

Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> was occupied with the Board of Directors Meeting and the Judges Seminar. An audio recording of the BOD meeting is available on the E&R website: <http://huntersgriffon.org/resources>.

The Judges Seminar included a presentation by Rick Sojda on obedience and cooperation, followed by a presentation by John Pitlo on canine structure, performance and measuring conformation. The club now uses standardized wickets for size and conformation measures, so it is important that judges gain experience in how to apply the tools.

Saturday, April 22 was the primary test day. We had three judging groups. In Group 1, **Boyd of Blackberry Briar**, owned by Mark Rasmussen, ran the Intermediate Hunting Dog Test; he delivered a quality performance in the field, but was stymied by the duck work. **Aron ze Straze**, owned by Curt Rapp completed the Natural Ability Test. Unfortunately, he would not do the pheasant track, which damaged an otherwise good performance. Another NAT pup, nine month-old **Arybykle Aus Bohmerwald**, owned by Scott Roemhildt, was withdrawn from the test. Scott said that the dog had a bad experience with cold water days before test. He was very dependant and wouldn't search. The judges decided to use the rest of day as an exposure experience. They got the pup to go in water after dead pheasant—chest deep. They let it see a running pheasant to get it enthused. The pup started to show more interest after that. This dog clearly needs lots of exposure before testing. The case also illustrated one of the unique features of our testing program—the fact that the judges don't simply dismiss the dog, but go out of their way to give a pup a chance to learn and grow.

Group 2 had two IHDT entries from the Blackberry Briar litter: **Brady of Blackberry Briar**, owned by Mike Houge and **Bila Packa of Blackberry Briar**, owned by Jim Hughes. Brady was a tad rough around the edges with his retrieving to hand, but he showed plenty of game desire and racked up a 159 point score for a Prize I. Great job, Mike and Brady! Littermate, Bila Packa is a sleek-coated dog. She performed just fine in the water, but like many dogs accustomed to wild birds, was reluctant to point the pen-raised, planted variety. That and the blind retrieve prevented a prize-winning performance, but she's a dog with a lot of promise. Long-time club member, Ed Challacombe, now owns a German Wirehaired Pointer, **Oliver vom Rainmaker**, and he brought the 13 month old to our test. Oliver turned in a perfect score of 28 for a Prize I. It's clear that Ed is a dedicated trainer and puts in time with his dogs. Nice work, Ed.

Group 3 included four Cesky Fousek imports, all running in Natural Ability. **Aris od Blatskeho Rybníka**, was handled by Roger Wegner. "Satch", as Roger calls him, has been a regular at our Michigan training days, where he showed great promise, even as a 12 week-old puppy. He did not disappoint, turning in a perfect score of 28 for a Prize I. Naturally, Roger took a lot of guff at the Saturday banquet about how all he could do from here on was screw it up! A second dog that has logged lots of time at the Michigan training days was "Hank", **Aron Z Jasnencina Podluzi**, owned by Joe Moeggenborg. "Hank" is a bit on the immature side. He stayed close afoot and did not search well. Otherwise he showed good potential, and we hope that he'll have worked out the kinks by fall for his IHDT. **Brita ze Stoprounskvch Vinie**, owned by Brian Johnston, did not prize, but showed potential to be a fine hunter with more exposure and training. Tony Meyers ran **ALMA z BRESOVE HRAZE**. This 15 month-old female did a great job, earning a score of 26 and a Prize I. She was dinged a little in attitude toward work and cooperation, but with more exposure and training, she has great potential.

On Sunday, we had two dog to test. Andy Yeast ran **Arika of Zumbro Valley** in IHDT. Arika is a sweet little dog that did very well in some elements of the test, but water work was not her forte on this day. Our second dog, was nine month-old **Ajax Aus Böhmerwald**, owned by Gerard Watras. This was a special test in a couple respects. Gerard's wife, Kelly Watras, had come to a Heartland test a number of years back with Artemus Zipper of Willow Springs. At the time, Gerard was deployed in Iraq, and Kelley, although totally green to bird hunting and dog handling, had done her best to prepare Zip. She may have been clueless about testing, but 50 yards into the search, Zip located a bird that was left over from another test, tracked it, pointed it and was off to a Prize I score before the judges could get out their clip boards. The story has been told and retold at Wisconsin tests. So now the heat was really on Gerard to deliver with Ajax. His test was a mirror image of his predecessor, Zip. Tentative in his search at first, Ajax picked up steam as the day went along. After bird contact, he began ranging out. Then he got a point. On the track of live bird, he was hesitant at first. But he didn't quit; he worked it over and over. When he got to the woods, he went back and forth, focused on the track and disappeared for some time, only to emerge with bird in mouth. When it came time for testing affinity for water, an over-confident Gerard tossed the dummy too far out in pond. However, two shorter throws got him swimming; Ajax then showed his stuff by swimming across the pond and picked up the first dummy. By the end of the day, the little nine month-old trotted off with his own perfect Prize I score of 28. A fine ending to a weekend of testing.

As usual, a successful test depends on a cadre of volunteers to do the work, many tasks behind the scenes like acquiring birds, securing test grounds, getting lunches, etc. Space doesn't permit listing everyone, but a special shout-out to Greg Hurtig for arranging the Coach House Restaurant in Rock Springs as our new venue for the BOD meeting and Saturday dinner. A round of applause also for Gary and Ann Pool and Rick and MaryAnn Sojda for making the long trek from Idaho and Montana respectively. We definitely needed the judging personnel. Monica Redmond got her first taste of apprentice judging. Thanks to everyone for helping.

**NATURAL ABILITY TEST, Spring 2017**

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	A	S	P	TB	W	N	AW	C	TP	C	CO	CT	T
GROUP 431 (Page 16)													
ARON Z JASNENCINA PODLUZI, M, WI	15	0	3	4	4	3	3	3	21				OK
GROUP 432 (Page 16)													
ALMA Z BRESOVE HRAZE, F, WI	15	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	26	I			OK
GROUP 433 (Page 17)													
OLIVER Z MALEHO BOUBINA, M ID	14	4	4	1	4	2	4	3	22				OK
GROUP 434 (Page 17)													
ARON ZE STRAZE, M WI	15	4	4	0	4	2	3	3	20				OK
GROUP 435 (Page 18)													
ARIS OD BLATSKEHO RYBNIKA, M, WI	14	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I			OK
GROUP 436 (Page 18)													
BRITA ZE STOPROUNSKVCH VINIE, F, WI	13	4	4	3	2	4	2	2	21				OK
GROUP 437 (Page 19)													
BRIXIE VALLIS BAPTISMI, F, ID	11	4	1	1	4	2	3	2	17				OK
GROUP 438 (Page 19)													
AJAX AUS BÖHMERWALD, M, WI	9	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I			OK
ARBYKL AUS BÖHMERWALD, M, WI	9	DOG WAS WITHDRAWN											*
GROUP 439 (Page 20)													
IKAR Z PODHORANKU, M, ME	12	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	27	II			OK

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GERMAN WIREHAired POINTER													
OLIVER VOM RAINMAKER, M, WI	13	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I			OK
WIREHAired POINTING GRIFFON													
WAYFARER'S DOUBLE T ROCKY MOUNTIAN LUPINE	11	3	4	3	4	3	4	4	25	II			OK

Editors Note: Readers will notice a change in one aspect of reporting in that no CONFORMATION score is given. We have found that many dogs are still in growth spurts at these young ages and the true length and height changes between the NAT and IHDT test. Also, jaws grow in spurts and a 12 month old dog may have a jaw that is misaligned—but it is OK at 2 yrs of age.



**Alma z Březové hráze – On Point!**

Natural Ability Test at Heartland Chapter with owner Tony Meyers

(Photo by Jon Coil))

## DOGS EVALUATED IN SPRING, 2017

### NATURAL ABILITY TEST

**ARON Z JASNENCINA PODLUZI**, M, 15 mos., whelped 12/28/2015. Owned by Joe Moeggengborg, 9669 S. Isabella Rd., Sheperd, MI 48883. Bred by Pavel Kael. Pedigree 431, Page 16.

**ALMA Z BREZNOVE HRAZE**, F, 15 mos., whelped 12/31/2015. Owned by Tony Meyers, 919 Shamrock Lane., Watertown, WI 53094. Bred by Jan Holicky. Pedigree 432, Page 16.

**OLIVER MALEHO BOUBINA**, M, 14 mos., whelped 1/10/2016. Owned by Malcolm Jaap, 3916 17th Ave., S. Great Falls, MT 59405. Bred by Jaromir Ourednik. Pedigree 433 Page 17.

**ARON ZE STRAZE**, M, 15 mos., whelped 1/27/2016. Owned by Curt Rapp, 3421 Pierce St., Sioux City, IA 51104. Bred by Soukal Lubomir. Pedigree 434, Page 17.

**ARIS OD BLATSKEHO RYBNIKA**, M, 14 mos., whelped 2/5/2016. Owned by Roger Wegner, 1254 Huff Ave., Niles, MI 49120. Bred by Milan Blatsky. Pedigree 435, Page 18.

**BRITA ZE STOPROUNSKVCH VINIE**, F, M, 13 mos., whelped 3/2/2016. Owned by Brian Johnson, 1698 170th St., New Richmond, WI 54017. Bred by Zdenek Dostal. Pedigree 436, Page 18.

**BRIXIE VALLIS BAPTISMI**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/8/2016. Owned by Ned Eneyart, 2189 NW 2nd Ave., Ontario, OR 97914. Bred by Drahomira Matejakova. Pedigree 437, Page 19.

**AJAX AUS BOHMERWALD**, M, 9 mos., whelped 7/7/2016. Owned by Gerard Watras, 7862 Cty Rd H, Fremont, WI 54940. Bred by Richard Schwerin. Pedigree 438, Page 19.

**ARYBYKLE AUS BOHMERWALD**, M, 9 mos., whelped 7/7/2016. Owned by Scott Roemhildt, 63036 174th St., Janesville, MN 56048. Bred by Richard Schwerin. Pedigree 438, Page 19.

**IKAR Z PODHORANKU**, M, 11 mos., whelped 5/25/2016. Owned by Andy Torres, 4 Ridge Rd., Sanyston, NJ 07851. Bred by Karel Kosak. Pedigree 439, Page 20.

**OLIVER VOM RAINMAKER**, M, 13 mos., whelped 3/23/2016. Owned by Ed Challacombe, 615 Autumn Oaks Ct., Eagen, MN 55123. Bred by Ned Sorley.

**WAYFARER'S DOUBLE T ROCKY MOUNTAIN LUPINE**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/27/2016. Owned by Gerald Garcelon, 73802 N Couture Loop, Aries, MT 59821. Bred by Terri Good.

### INTERMEDIATE HUNTING DOG TEST

**CORBETT OF THE HIGH DESERT**, M, 37 mos., whelped 2/9/2014. Conformation 4, 24" H X 23.5"L. : Coat 3, medium dense, medium harsh, slight curl, medium length, good belly coverage, medium furnishings. Temperament: calm, friendly, good game drive. Owned by Greg Miyauchi, Box 282, Grand Lake, CO. 80447. Bred by Bob Matsuoka. Pedigree 406, Aug., 2015 GDS.

**KAJA OD TRYSE**, F, 26 mos., whelped 3/1/2015. Conformation 4, 24.5" H X 24.5"L. : Coat 3, medium dense, medium harsh, could use more belly coverage, medium furnishings. Temperament: calm, friendly, good game drive, easy to examine. Owned by Andrew Ogden, 5791 B State Hwy 37, Ogdenburg, NY 13669. Bred by Jan Blazek. Pedigree 416, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**DORKA Z PODFIPSKIE STRANE**, F, 24 mos., whelped 3/15/2015. Conformation 3, 22.5" H X 22.5"L. : Coat 3, medium dense, medium harsh, good belly coverage, medium furnishings, slightly open on ears. Temperament: calm, happy, eager in the field., some reluctance to enter water. Owned by Glenn Ross, 129 Cooper Lane E., Cody, Wyoming 82414. Bred by Jiri Cerny. Pedigree 418, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**CALINA ROKYEANSKA KOTLINA**, F, 24 mos., whelped 3/16/2015. Conformation 3, 23" H X 23"L. : Coat 3, medium dense, medium harsh, slight curl, good belly coverage, medium furnishings, slightly open on ears. Temperament: happy, eager, good game drive. Owned by Mike Vance, 4551 Bannock Dr., Bozeman, MT 59718. Bred by Petr Matuska. Pedigree 419, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**ANGIE VALLIS BAPTISMI**, F, 23 mos., whelped 4/3/2015. Conformation 3, 24.5" H X 24.5"L, extra P1 upper left. Coat 2, medium dense with curl, slightly soft, slightly open on belly, medium furnishings, Temperament: friendly, calm, easy to examine, soft, immature. Owned by Gary Pool, 1791 Johnson Creek Rd., Council, ID 83612. Bred by Ing. Drahomira Matejakova. Pedigree 421, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**CORA Z CECEMINSKYCH VINIE**, F, 24 mos., whelped 4/5/2015. Conformation 2, 25.5" H X 25.5"L, extra incisor. Coat 3, medium dense, medium harsh, slight curl, good belly coverage, full furnishings, Temperament: happy, eager in field, shy of ducks. Owned by Roger Fuhman, 29 Rocky Rd., Horseshoe Bend, ID 83629. Bred by Ing. Pavel Horak. Pedigree 422, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**AIMY OD LESA BORKOVNIKU**, F, 25 mos., whelped 5/7/2015. Conformation 4, 24.5" H X 24.5"L. : Coat 3, medium dense, medium harsh, good belly coverage, full furnishings., Temperament: easy to examine, friendly, good game drive. Owned by Jeff Beauregard, PO Box 17, Eustia, ME., 04396. Bred by MVDr Alfa Truhlova. Pedigree 424, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**INTERMEDIATE HUNTING DOG TEST (CONTINUED)**

**BRADY MURPHY OF BLACKBERRY BRIAR**, M, 24 mos., whelped 4/13/2015. Conformation 4 , 24.5" H X 24.5"L: Coat 3, dense, medium harsh, slight curl, good belly coverage, medium furnishings,. Temperament: friendly, calm, lots of game desire. Owned by Mike Houge, 2310 39th St. SE, Minot, ND. Bred by Dave Finley.. Pedigree 425, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**BILLA PACKA OF BLACKBERRY BRIAR**, F, 24 mos., whelped 4/13/2015. Conformation 3 , 22.5" H X 22.5"L, extra P1 lower right and left: Coat 3, medium dense, short (\*shorthair type coat), flat lying, good belly coverage, no furnishings,. Temperament: friendly, calm, lots of game desire. Owned by Jim Hughes, 923 S 12th St., Cherokee, KA 66724. Bred by Dave Finley.. Pedigree 425, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**BOYD OF BLACKBERRY BRIAR**, M, 24 mos., whelped 4/13/2015. Conformation 4 , 24.5" H X 24.5"L: Coat 3, dense, medium harsh, good belly coverage, sparse furnishings,. Temperament: happy, eager for birds. Owned by Mark Rasmussen, 703 S 2nd St., Alma, WI 54610. Bred by Dave Finley.. Pedigree 425, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**ADELE OD TERLICHE HRAZE**, F, 24 mos., whelped 5/21/2015. Conformation 4 , 22" H X 22"L: Coat 4, dense, harsh, good belly coverage, medium furnishings,. Temperament: friendly, eager for game in the field, but has problems in mucky substrate even when game is present. Owned by Jane McKenna, 57 Pork Point Rd., Bowdenham, ME 04008. Bred by Jiri Vykrut.. Pedigree 426, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**ARIKA OF ZUMBRO VALLEY**, F, 22 mos., whelped 6/2/2015. Conformation: 3, crossbite. Coat 3, medium dense, needs more harshness, good belly coverage, full furnishings, soft on head. Temperament: good game desire, easy to examine, calm. Owned by Andy Yeast, 6325 Wilcot Ct., Johnson, IA 50131 . Bred by Dave Mickelson. Pedigree 429, Aug., 2016 GDS.

**MADDIE BONZI QUEEN**, F, 80 mos., whelped 7/7/2010. Conformation. Coat medium dense, medium harsh, slight curl, medium furnishings. Temperament: calm, friendly, easy to examine, businesslike in the field. Owned by Hattie Zobott, 4793 River Rd., Buhl, ID 83316 . Bred by Chris Florence.



**ARIS OD BLATSKEHO RYBNIKA**, M, 14 mos., Owned by Roger Wegner, is on his way to a Prize I score of 28.

(Photo by Ann Pool)

## INTERMEDIATE HUNTING DOG TEST, FALL 2016

**WATER**

TD = Track of Duck (5)  
 RD = Retrieve of duck (3)  
 BR = Blind Retrieve (4)  
 ++ = older hunting dog

**JUDGED THROUGHOUT**

N = Nose and Use of Nose (6)  
 AW = Attitude Toward Work (4)  
 C = Cooperation (3)  
 O = Obedience (3)

**FIELD**

S = Searching (5)  
 P = Pointing (4)  
 RB = Retrieve of Dragged Bird (3)  
 TB = Track of Live Bird (3)  
 \*TR = Track of Live Rabbit (3)  
 \*RF = Retrieve of Dragged Fur (3)

**OTHER**

TP = Total Prize  
 PR = Prize Classification  
 CO = Conformation  
 CT = Coat  
 T = Temperament  
 T\* = see write-up for notation

	TD	RD	BR	S	P	RB	TB	*TR	*RF	N	AW	C	O	TP	PR	CO	CT	T
<b><u>GROUP 406, (AUG., 2015 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>++ CORBETT OF THE HIGH DESERT, M, 37 MOS. ID</b>	4	3	4	4	4	3	4			4	4	4	3	163	I	4	3	OK
<b><u>GROUP 416, (AUG., 2016 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>++KAJA OD TRYSE, F, 26 MOS, ME</b>	3	3	3	4	4	2	4			4	4	4	3	151	II	4	3	OK
<b><u>GROUP 418 (AUG., 2016 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>DORKA Z PODHPSKE STRANE, F, 24 MOS., ID</b>	1	2	3	4	0	4	4			3	3	3	2	112		3	3	OK
<b><u>GROUP 419 (AUG., 2016 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>CALINA ROKYCANSKA KOTLINA, F, 24 MOS, ID</b>	3	2	2	4	4	2	4			4	4	3	2	138	III	3	3	OK
<b><u>GROUP 421 (AUG., 2016 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>ANGIE VALLIS BAPTISMI, F, 23 MOS., ID</b>	0	2	4	2	1	4	3			2	3	3	3	99		3	2	OK
<b><u>GROUP 422 (AUG., 2016 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>CORA Z CECEMINSKYCH VINIC, F, 24 MOS., ID</b>	4	1	0	4	4	4	3			4	3	2	1	125		2	3	OK
<b><u>GROUP 424 (AUG., 2016 (GDS)</u></b>																		
<b>++AIMY OD LESA BORKOVNIKU, F, 25 MOS., ME</b>	1	2	2	4	4	0	4			3	3	2	2	109		4	3	OK



	TD	RD	BR	S	P	RB	TB	*TR	*RF	N	AW	C	O	TP	PR	CO	CT	T
<b>GROUP 425. (AUG., 2016 (GDS))</b>																		
<b>BRADY OF BLACKBERRY BRIAR, M, 24 MOS, WI,</b>																		
	4	4	3	4	4	3	3			4	4	4	3	159	I	4	3	OK
<b>BILA PACKA OF BLACKBERRY BRIAR, F, 24 MOS, WI</b>																		
	4	4	4	4	1	2	4			4	4	3	3	148		3	2*	OK
<b>BOYD OF BLACKBERRY BRIAR, M. M, 24 MOS., WI</b>																		
	1	0	1	4	4	4	3			2	3	2	2	102		4	3	OK
<b>GROUP 426. (AUG., 2016 (GDS))</b>																		
<b>ADELE OD TERLICKE HRAZE. F. 24 MOS., ME</b>																		
	1	0	2	4	4	3	4			4	2	2	2	114		4	4	OK
<b>GROUP 429 (AUG., 2016 (GDS))</b>																		
<b>ARIKA OF ZUMBRO VALLEY, F, 22 MOS., WI</b>																		
	1	4	1	4	0	4	4			2	2	3	4	106		3	3	OK
<b>WIREHAIRED POINTING GRIFFON</b>																		
<b>++MADDIES BONZI QUEEN, F, 80 MOS, ID</b>																		
	1	2	2	4	4	2	4			3	4	3	1	119		4	3	OK



**Bila Packa of Blackberry Briar**, owned by Jim Hughes, didn't care for pointing pen-raised birds, but loved to retrieve them! Heartland IHDT 2017

(Photo by Rem DeJong)

**PEDGREE 431**

	Don od Frimlů
	Chán od Hlučálu
	Kora z Nolkopu
Don z Dočkalova dvora	
	Car ze Sběřského háje
	Borka od Bošické skály
	Arka Bohemia Karlín
Aron z Jasněččina Popluží	
	Aris od Prosné aleje
	Gyrr od Vavřineckého rybníka
	Bora od Lejnarů
Jasněnka od Pitné vody	
	Fešák od Pitné vody
	Dorka od Růvra
	Aza z Malé Volavky

**PEDGREE 432**

	Cit od Bublavé jedle
	Char z Drňovek
	Jiskra z Mokřan
Ajax z Vobícek	
	Nestor z Těšínovských buků
	Afra od Strouhovce (57806)
	Flora z Třebotovických luhů
Alma z Březové hráze	
	Borek Panva
	Mak z Hvízdalky
	Hella z Hvízdalky
Hena z Podhoránku	
	Geret z Miroslavského dvora
	Cherry z Malého Boubína
	Desi z Netolických rybníků

**PEDGREE 433****Borek Panva****Mak z Hvízdalky****Hella z Hvízdalky****Brok z Lesní****Argo z Lesní****Alma z Koroptvárný****Dora z Bošovského revírů****Oliver z Malého Boubína****Dar z Tiské hájenky****Cid od Tří stromů****Alma od Tří stromů****Irry z Malého Boubína****Uran ze Zvíkovské bašty****Heddy z Malého Boubína****Desí z Netolických rybníků****PEDGREE 434****Brok z Dubňanských Kostelisk****Vax z Těšínovských buků****Cita z Jilkova Mlyna****Dyk z Oslavského údolí****Urik od Katovky****Carin Termánec****Cira z Křepických vrchů****Aron ze Stráže****Aron zpod Holovky****Dyk z Úlibického Páleníka****Tara z Nolkopu****Bonny z Kalovského údolí****Lesan z Hložku****Cilka z Chladné stráně****Besi Termánec**

**PEDGREE 435****Borek Panva****Mak z Hvízdalky****Hella z Hvízdalky****Brok z Lesní****Argo z Lesní****Alma z Koroptvárný****Dora z Bošovského revírů****Aris od Blatského rybníka****Cit od Bublavé jedle****Char z Drňovek****Jiskra z Mokřan****Nela z Drňovek****Nero od Těšínovských buků****Polly z Jedličáku****Miki z Jedličáku****PEDGREE 436****Alan z Včelínského lesa****Oskár z Březové stráně****Lena z Březové stráně (54879)****Frigo z Přerovska****Frigar z Kozlovských lesů****Dona Šimonův dvůr****Nina z Chlápčeny****Brita ze Stoprounských vinic****Cir Hrabické remízky****Emír z Ventova dvora****Darka z Ventova dvora****Exa z Lívy****Geret z Miroslavského dvora****Jannet z Křepických vrchů****Gita z Křepických vrchů**

**PEDGREE 437**

Alan od Hradiska  
 Fron z Křepických vrchů  
 Hera ze Strážného kopce  
 Idor ze Strážného kopce  
 Dan z Tiské hájenky  
 Asta od Ševcovy cihelny  
 Dela od Cikánské studánky  
 Brixie Vallis Baptismi  
 Cid od Tři stromů  
 Oskar od Jemiluk  
 Ira od Jeníků  
 Rouse z Hložku  
 Brok z Dubnanských Kostelisk  
 Nella z Hložku  
 Tera z Podleska

**PEDGREE 438**

Beno z Nolkopu  
 Dan Cerniky  
 Ara Cerniky  
 Barton de los Altos  
 Bojar z Burdovny  
 Axa od Pastrjiku  
 Cila z Strazneho Kopce  
 “A” AUS BÖHMERWALD  
 Ingo Vom Kastanienhain  
 Blue Mountains Brew  
 Glacier Cool DeeCee  
 Hilda of Dutchman’s Hollow  
 Baron od Kostilku  
 Ayla of Ancient Kennel  
 Tasi z Fesandy

**PEDGREE 439****Borek z Duskova dvora****Dar z Hutske Osady****Dorka z Dubove hraze****Eldorado z Tesinovskych buku****Bon z Chladne strane****Jery z Vilimova****Ara z Jetenovickych poli****IKAR Z PODHORANKU****Borek Panva****Mak z Hvízdalky****Hella z Hvízdalky****Hegy z Podhoranku****Gerit z Miroslavskeho dvora****Cherry z Maleho Boubina****Desi z Netolických rybníků**

**Ajax Aus Böhmerwald**, NAT Heartland 2017; Owner: Gerard Watras. Only nine months old, but Ajax did his owner proud, earning a perfect score Prize I .

(Photo by Rem DeJong)

## **New Book for New Puppy Owners**

**by**  
**John Pitlo & Anna Artz**

For some time now our club has been experiencing problems with transitioning a dog from the Natural Ability Test (NAT) to the Intermediate Hunting Dog Test (IHDT). Typically, we will see a pup that does very well in the NAT test (Prize I or II) but then does not do very well the following year in his/her IHDT. The problem usually comes back to retrieving or no exposure to the duck track or both. Retrieving problems with deep water retrieve, blind retrieve or the pheasant track are often a predictable result.

I cannot count how many times an IHDT dog has caught a pheasant after the track and retrieved that bird back beautifully over 100+ yards only to get within 15-20 yards of the owner/trainer and suddenly things change. The dog either drops the bird or begins running circles around the handler or begins playing with the bird. I'm sure many of you have witnessed this happening or even had it happen to you. It's very frustrating and disheartening for all involved. What can be done?

Our recommendation previously at training/exposure days prior to the IHDT test had been to always force train your dog for retrieving. To that end, I've given out many copies of Ed Bailey's method to force retrieve over the years. The problem seems to be that many owner/trainers do not use this method at all, or they do not stay with the force retrieve method once they begin it and never finish. If it is begun but never finished – the dog sours on retrieving birds – especially delivery to hand – which is exactly the problem we are seeing. If force retrieve method is not used, natural retrieving is relied upon and can be unpredictable at best, or so we thought.

One of our apprentices on the Breeding Committee – Anna Artz- recently read a book by Robert Milner (*Absolutely Positively Gundog Training*) on a positive approach to retrieve training. The author specifically discusses how to build a natural retrieve in the youngest of dogs with a joyful and reliable delivery to hand. Although Milner is a retriever guy and some of the book is heavy on getting a bird dog ready for the duck blind – he has an excellent approach on retrieve training based on a positive reward system. He has had much improved results with these methods, can begin a dog at a much younger age (starting at 10 weeks old) and spend less time in the process. The book also has warnings on specific things we might be doing with or around our young pup that may be detrimental to his/her retrieving instinct. It is a very interesting and easy read. The Breeding Committee is strongly recommending this book to all new puppy owners this year in a club-wide effort to improve on the retrieving results that we see in our tests. However – this book DOES NOT replace Joan Bailey's book (*How to Help Gun Dogs Train Themselves*). We still use this book as a guide for the pups first year of life.

## **Newbies at the Whelping Box: Raising the Buckeye Valley A Litter**

**by  
Jim Crouse**

We just sent our puppies to their new owners, and it is awfully quiet around here without them. For those of you who have never raised a litter of puppies, it is quite the endeavor. This being our first litter, it was also quite the learning experience.

First you have to find a sire. In our case, the Breeding Committee selected Ace of Wolf Fork Canyon. As ovulation time approached, we had to do progesterone testing to determine when Jena was ready, all the while coordinating with Victor Woodward to fly Ace from Seattle Washington to Detroit, Michigan. Meanwhile our two neutered male dogs, Bo and Benny, needed to exit the property because they might not take kindly to the arrival of an intact male on to their turf. So they took an extended vacation up north and waited out the breeding as guests of Rem DeJong and Burley. Meanwhile, we waited until the happy couple decided it was "time".

We flew Ace back to Seattle, picked up Benny and Bo, and then we waited to determine if the breeding was successful. Success! The ultrasound confirmed 3-5 puppies. Then we waited another 5 weeks for the birth, which came right on time as predicted. Raising 5 puppies is fairly easy for 2-3 weeks as the mother does most of the work; then it becomes increasingly more labor intensive as each day they grow, get stronger and become more adventurous.

The puppies definitely become the focus of your life. Day 3 through 16 you perform neurological stimulation exercises, weigh them, and find different challenges to stress and test them in order to become the great family/hunting dogs we all want. The pups rode to work from day one. They have met too many people to count. They went to a training day in Michigan; they attended their "Puppy Party" which included 44 humans and 7 adult dogs. The pups got to experience everything we did on a day-to-day basis. To say it was a joy is the understatement of understatements.

For novices like Monica, Emily and myself to do all this is a huge undertaking, but it was made possible by all the help available from club members and our breeding committee. Jim Seibel was our coach and our go-to when questions arose, and John Pitlo was a wealth of knowledge. Laurie Connell was right there with all the paperwork required, and she, as well as Anna Artz and Rick Sodja, were great cheerleaders and advisors re: puppy culture.

However, the biggest compliment to our club and its members is how we managed to get all the puppies to the new owners when the pups reached the ten-week milestone.

Ken Erb drove from Missouri to pick up our only female, Alibi, on Saturday. On



Sunday, we delivered the other four pups (Arthur, Aiden, Axel and Angus) to the Finley's in Indiana. Ted Coon with his better-looking brother, Tom, drove in on Monday and picked up the four pups and then drove to South Dakota and delivered three puppies to the Seibel's and proceeded to head for Wisconsin with Al.

Jim and Arlene then took the puppies home with them, where Jerry Silvey picked them up and drove to Bozeman, Montana. From there Arthur stayed with Jerry, and Aiden and Axel flew to Seattle where they were picked up by Victor who made sure that Angus got to Jake Kennedy and Aiden stayed with Victor.

That's a lot of cooperation and dedication from our club members and the biggest reason I am proud to be a member.

I doff my hat to everyone involved in any way. Thanks for your dedication to the club.

One last thing: as most of us know, John and Vivian Pitlo and Gary and Ann Pool have contributed, I believe 15 litters to our population! All I can say is Vivian and Ann should be nominated for sainthood.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and get your hounds ready for hunting season



### **Jena od Tyrše and her litter of five puppies**

At this stage, mom does most of the work, but that will change soon!

(Photo by Monica Cubas)



## **Angus of Buckeye Valley**

### **Mouthing Off to Mom**

As the puppies grow and teeth sharpen, Jena is more than happy to have the human pack take on more of the load.  
(photo by Monica Cubas)

### **Out for a Walk**

**Angus** and the kids take a stroll under the watchful eye of parent, Jake Kennedy.  
(photo by Jake Kennedy)



**Just Me and My Dad**

**Arthur of Buckeye Valley** stays close to his new guy, Jerry Silvey, as they explore the big sky grassland of Montana. Soon he'll be out cruising for sharptails. Jerry helped transport three of the pups from South Dakota to Montana.

(Photo by Jerry Silvey)

# What's Happening

## Fall Tests

**Heartland: Mazomanie Test Grounds near Sauk City, WI**

**Sept 8, 9,10, 2017**

Contact Dave Read, Test Chair

PH:(616) 836-5304

Email: readgriff@gmail.com

**Northwest: Silver Creek, WA**

**Sept 16 & 17, 2017**

Contact: Dennis Carlson

Tel: 541-386-4830

carlson@gorge.net

Check website for details and updates

**<http://bohemiangriffon.org/progeny-testing/>**

## Český Fousek World Cup

The first **Český Fousek World Cup** will take place in the Czech Republic September 2018! The test rules are posted on the BWPGCA website :

**<http://bohemiangriffon.org/cesky-fousek-world-cup/>**

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