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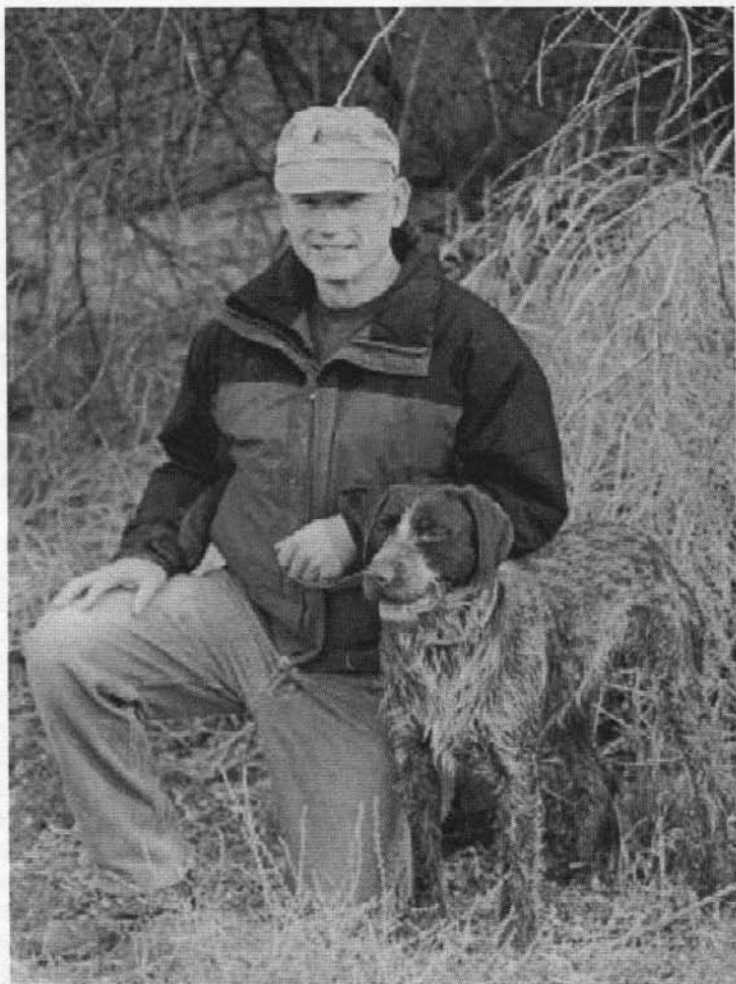
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**"THANKS, JOAN"**



**GRATONE OF AUGER FALLS, with owner Bryan Rowder, at their fine IHDT in Idaho,  
where he earned a Prize I (Photo Gary/Ann Pool)**

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This test issue is devoted to test write-ups, test results, and dogs evaluated at the spring tests. The photos are taken from our website, but there are no photos of the fine **Nichols Creek** and **Marsh Stream** dogs. Only one of the **Banded Peak** dogs is shown. Two qualified dogs, **Annie of Aux Lake** and **Beauguy of High Desert**, also are missing. Clearly, we need more photos.

In selecting photos for the issue, I have usually tried to emphasize the versatility of the Wirehaired Pointing Griffon that has been produced by the breeding program. Thus, you should see dogs in most areas of the test, with an emphasis on those who qualified. Occasionally, you will see people, too, for we are producing dogs that are cooperative, friendly, family dogs. However, I have also selected photos of dogs that did not qualify, for it is important that owners test their dogs so that the club knows what it is producing. Finally, knowing well the challenges of training, I have recognized some dogs that tested at the advanced levels.

The other focus of this issue is Joan Bailey. Thus, the cover thanks. Bryan Rowder may not have said it, but three long-time Griffoniers do. Dick Austin (ex-president), Lee Fulton (ex-GDS editor), and John Lundberg (ex-president) agree.

Thanks, also, go to those who have helped on this issue, especially John Pitlo.

### NEGC SPRING TEST By Rick Molt

On May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> the Northeast Chapter of the WPGCA held its annual spring test. We all assembled at the Gerald Foster Farm in Bristol, Maine where the day greeted us with cloudy skies and a few black flies (depending on your point of view). Gary Pool and Rick Molt were our judges and Gary acted as senior judge for the day (John Pitlo could not judge due to a conflict). There was much interest in apprenticing for the weekend as we had six apprentices (Phil Bennett, Peter Meyer, Ted Silver, Eric Anderson, Tim Schwagger, and Nate Newman).

There were two NAT's on Friday out of the Silver litter (**MARSH STREAM**). Jane McKenna handled her dog **ARUNDEL** and Ken Marek with his male **AJAX**. Both dogs did fine in the field, but we could not get them into the water so no prize was awarded. Phil Bennett ran his female, **ELIZA OF DUTCHMAN'S HOLLOW** in UFT. Everything was fine, exceptional water work, but lacking in obedience. So, no prize awarded. It was a difficult day, but one well spent for the apprentices. As it is very easy to judge dogs that do things perfectly, it is another thing when they don't. But, that is when we all learn the most about dogs and judging them. Friday night, there was a call to go to the sea. So, some of the folk (those from away; Idaho, Iowa, Vermont, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New Hampshire) had to have **LOBSTA** and **CLAMS**. It seems to be a custom when the test is in Bristol that we all go to New Harbor and raid Shaws Wharf. Job well done by those in attendance.

Saturday morning looked somewhat like the Sunday morning during the Wisconsin test (an ugly day). There was a cold rain all day except for the time it began to snow. But that would not keep senior judge John Pitlo and his judges Gary Pool, Rick Molt and the six apprentices from doing their job. Shannon McDermott ran his dog **AUDREY OF VALLEY HOUSE** in NAT. She had a staunch point, but exhibited immaturity, tentativeness and dependency, which kept her from entering the water and therefore no prize awarded. But, with patience and work she will come along by test time in the fall. Jim Willis who was violently sick and had been up all night, ran his dog **AROOSTOCK OF MARSH STREAM**. She showed great desire in the field, but could not take that one more step to get her swimming. So, no prize awarded. Our third dog was owned by Chris Leary, **AXEL OF VALLEY HOUSE**. Since Chris had to be out of the Country on business, his wife Jennifer started to

run the dog. We ran into trouble, **AXEL** thought he was at the park. We decided to have a judge run the dog. Rick Molt became the handler and through a pep talk this young duo did very well. The dog earned a very nice prize II. What really impressed the judges was the cooperation that **AXEL** showed. Here, with a total stranger, this dog went out and showed his stuff. Very impressive for a young dog. Well, we dried off and went to the Sheepscott River Inn for dinner, reading of the scores, fund raising and just getting together with old and new-found friends. John Pitlo (Breeding committee member) informed the gathering of our status in the planned breedings for the year and what direction we need to go to insure the best for our dogs. Gary Pool (National President) talked of how early members, primarily Joan Bailey, worked to get us as to where we are now with such great dogs. He also informed the gathering that during the Wisconsin Spring Test Dinner, Joan had decided to retire, knowing that the Club was in great shape and in good hands. Speaking of stepping down, Rick Molt has handed the helm to Andy Goode the new president of the NEGC. Andy will be looking for a new secretary and treasurer as Ralph Stuart and Christie Dysart are also looking for new careers.

Andy Goode filled in for our fundraiser, Sandy Silver. Sandy was up to her ears in puppies and having a rough time of it. We all hope that things will go more smoothly for her and "Bristol". So, our somewhat impromptu fund raiser made @ \$1000 thanks to the following: Paul Schonart (hand carved decoy), Andy Goode (cigars and t-shirts), Orvis Co. (trout print), The Anthonys (hat and t-shirt), Kaufmanns (leash and collar), Sherrards (gold and pearl necklace), Jane McKenna (jams and jellies), Canfield's (money and a blackmail photo of our National President), Bob Hinckley (leatherman), Silvers (two bottles of wine), Pitlos and Seibels (Czech jaeger lead), John Diller (ski tickets), Meyers (pickled garlic), and the Sonesons for a case of shotgun shells. Hope to see you all in Bristol this fall Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>.

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER SPRING TEST By Anita Andrus

With only four dogs to judge, the one-day test, Saturday, March 23, of the Rocky Mountain Chapter proved short and sweet. Judges participating were Gary Pool, Tawna Skinner, Anita Andrus, Senior Judge/Field Test Chair Vic Jaro, and apprentices Andy Rupp and Bob Matsuoka. Bill Bennett (MT) brought **AUSTIN OF BANDED PEAK** who earned all 4's and a Prize I in her NA test. It was great to see a 13-month pup enter the water so readily on a cool, windy day. **AMY OF VALLEY HOUSE**, a 13-month female owned by Tom Attermeier (NV), was not as eager, but a dead chukkar proved just the enticement. She plunged into the pond several times. **AMY** showed some gun sensitivity in the field, but the judges felt it could be overcome. It did not affect her attitude in other parts of the test, and the judges predicted she would make Tom a fine hunting companion with more exposure. **GRATONE OF AUGER FALLS** was run in his IHDT by owner Bryan Rowder (ID) and earned a Prize I. This dog exhibited good persistence on the track in very windy conditions, as well as being both eager and very cooperative in his field work. **WAYFARER'S PRINCE TRUTZ** showed good concentration on the duck track in water and eagerness in his field search for handler/owner Glen Johnston (MT). The land track of live game and drag proved more difficult as **TRUTZ** preferred searching instead of switching gears and focusing along the scent trail.

A BIG thank-you to Dave Checketts (NV) for the tasty, deep-fried, Cajun turkeys he cooked for lunch. Thanks, also, to Carolyn Matsuoka, Lynn Messman, Kanako Vance, Bob Matsuoka, Mike Vance, Ann Pool, and J. J. Conner for help with lunch, dinner, or in the field. It takes all of us to put on a successful test.

## HEARTLAND SPRING TEST By Kathy Rackouski

The old saying goes: "If you don't like the weather in Wisconsin, wait five minutes." In Baraboo, the Thursday before the test was an unseasonable sunny and 80 degrees. By the time Sunday arrived, we were looking for snow flurries, with brisk winds and temperatures in the low 40's.

Even so, the testing proceeded as well as can be expected, with 17 dogs tested in Natural Ability, and three in the Older Hunting Dog Test. Weather notwithstanding, all the test goers and participants made sure that everything ran smoothly. Thanks to everyone who helped out; judges, handlers, bird and gun handlers, and especially those people who forgo some of the testing to make sure the rest of us have breakfast and lunch available. On Friday, the Heartland Chapter hosted the annual judges seminar. Henriette Schmidt, a long time breeder of Springer Spaniels, and an AKC conformation and hunt test judge, was on hand to share her expertise on conformation, especially how a dog's gait can display faults in its physical makeup.

Saturday's testing began bright and early at 7:30 am at the Mazomanie Wildlife Area. Fourteen dogs and handlers divided between 3 judging groups were tested. In spite of the large number of dogs, Saturday night's dinner at the Farm Kitchen was almost on time! At the dinner Joan Bailey announced her 'retirement' from the WPGCA. We will miss her, and wish her luck in all her future ventures. Of course, scores were read, and then new officers were elected and appointed for the Heartland Chapter. Ken Hurtig stepped down as chapter president. Ken helped to develop, grow, and run our strong Heartland chapter. He has helped cultivate new members, and has always been available for advice on training your dog, or putting a field test together. Together with Stan and Lynn Sukup, Ken and his wife Karen do whatever it takes to ensure that we have a test site appropriate to our needs, and make sure things like lunches and dinners happen. A big thanks to Ken on behalf of all the Heartland members.

Andy Yeast was chosen as the next chapter president, with Sid Siefken as vice president. Hank Carriger is the new treasurer. Bob Kasworm continues as chapter secretary, and Jon and Judy Coil remain Field Test Chairmen.

Sunday's testing also started at 7:30 am. Six dogs were tested in very cold and windy conditions. Once again, everything went well, no one contracted hypothermia, and we even had a hot lunch.

Since the author missed a lot of the goings on at the test, (She was frantically trying to locate warm clothes for herself and her toddler in Baraboo) I had to rely on undisclosed sources for the following reports of mishaps at the test:

Larry Semmens came all the way from Alaska to the test only to have the bad weather blamed on him. Stan Sukup took a bad tumble for apparently no reason.

Greg Hurtig was our walking wounded, with his arm in a sling due to an injury. Not to be outdone, Vivian Pitlo sustained a big conk on the noggin attempting to put up a wind-screen on Sunday.

Mike Rackouski attempted to release a pheasant for a live track, and it quickly ran back between his legs and behind him. This happened twice (!) before the judges had someone else try.

Thanks to all who participated, especially the handlers and their dogs.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: one of the delights from this test is certainly the performance of **AMOS OF BANDED PEAK**. Most of us remember that harrowing tale of AMOS in the April 2002 Gun Dog Supreme. It has an even happier ending now. Congratulations, Phil.]



**KDK-USA VERSATILE HUNTING DOG CLUB TEST** By Rolf Benseler

In contrast to the past few years, we had sunny and mild weather for our annual Test and Training Weekend, February 23-24, 2002 at the Oroville Wildlife Area, California. Unfortunately, our distinguished senior members, Sally and Harold Baskin, Klara and Joe Nadeker, Sheryl and Jack Dallimore were not able to be with us this year. Also missing were Herb Hasemann, Steve Fischer, the Don Johnsons and Scott Davis, but Griffoniers were ably represented by Rick Barrett, John Sanders, Warren Webster, and Dennis Carson; Dennis, of course, did a lot of judging as well as run **CZECHERS**. GWPers Silke Alberts and Sharon Jahn were also put to work judging and joining us again after missing last year were Teresa and Gary Bonnini. GSPers David Wieland and Rolf Benseler ran their new pups, as well as helping out in general. Our wonderful hosts, Helen and Warren Webster ramrodded the whole shebang, assisted by everyone else.

Saturday morning started with natural ability dogs. First up was a young male pup, **VIC**, handled by Dave Wieland, both eager workers, Prize I. Next a wild female pup, **BRANDI**, at times with Rolf Benseler, yet managed 28 points. Following the shorthairs, came **BEAU-GUY** and John Sanders, in the IHDT; they did well in natural ability subjects, but had problems in retrieving, Prize III. Lunch was hosted by Helen Webster and Donna Benseler, featuring Helen's 'phantastic' pheasant and lentil soup. Good food, lots of chatting and visiting which continued Saturday night, at C.L. & Harry's restaurant, excellent dinner and wine; Warren assigned Silke the score reading duties this year.

On Sunday morning we started with a very young, handsome, wirehair pup, **KY**, owned by Mildred Revell and handled with great skill by Sharon Jahn (let the dog do it). **KY** lacked exposure yet did everything expected, learning with each positive experience, demonstrating excellent potential. Lots of fun; this is what it's all about. Hope to see **KY** in the IHDT next year. We then shifted gears and did UFT testing with **CZECHERS** and Dennis Carlson. Through the long, grueling process, the pair were productive hunters, seemed to be having a good time, but then problems arose in control and steadiness. Well anyhow, **CZECKERS** seemed to be enjoying herself; good guy Dennis kept his cool.

Testing completed, tired old guys packed their trucks and headed home; young folk let their dogs out and training ensued in the field and the pond.....as the sun slowly in the west. Hope to see everyone next year.

With best wishes and *Waidmannsheil*, (Silke Alberts, Warren Webster, Rolf Benseler).



**ACE OF VALLEY HOUSE, NAT Prize II, Wisconsin** (Photo Mark Canfield)

**NATURAL ABILITY TEST, SPRING 2002****Key to tests**

IA = Iowa CA = California  
 WA = Washington  
 ID = Idaho  
 ME = Maine  
 \* = Temperament problem, see write-up  
 ++ = Over age, Evaluation only (E)

	Age in Months	Nose and Use of Nose	Searching	Affinity for water	Pointing	Tracking Bird	Attitude Toward Work	Cooperation	TOTAL POINTS	CLASSIFICATION	Conformation	Coat	Temperament
	A	N	S	W	P	TB	AW	C	TP	C	CO	CT	T
<b>GROUP 302</b> (Aug., 2001, GDS, Repeat breeding)													
BAY OF NICHOLS CREEK, F, (WI)	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	4	3	ok
BAXTER OF NICHOLS CREEK, M, (WI)	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	3	3	ok
BECK OF NICHOLS CREEK, F, (WI)	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	3	3	ok
BROGAN OF NICHOLS CREEK, M, (WI)	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	3	3	ok
BEKA OF NICHOLS CREEK, F, (WI)	11	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	27	II	4	3	ok
BANDIT OF NICHOLS CREEK, M, (WI)	11	2	3	4	0	2	3	2	16		4	3	ok
<b>GROUP 307</b> (Feb., 2002, GDS)													
APRIL OF VALLEY HOUSE, F, (WI)	15	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	4	3	ok
ALPHONSE OF VALLEY HOUSE, M, (WI)	15	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	4	3	ok
ABIGAIL OF VALLEY HOUSE, F, (WI)	15	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	27	I	4	3	ok
ALFFIE OF VALLEY HOUSE, F, (WI)	15	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	27	I	4	3	ok
AXEL OF VALLEY HOUSE, M, (WI)	15	4	3	3	4	4	3	4	25	II	3	3	ok
ACE OF VALLEY HOUSE, M, (WI)	15	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	23	II	3	3	ok
AMY OF VALLEY HOUSE, F, (ID)	14	4	4	3	4	3	3	3	23		4	3	*
AUDREY OF VALLEY HOUSE, F, (ME)	16	4	2	0	4	2	1	2	15		3	3	ok
<b>GROUP 308</b> (Page 10)													
AMOS OF BANDED PEAK, M, (WI)	14	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	4	3	ok
AUSTIN OF BANDED PEAK, F, (ID)	13	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	4	3	ok
<b>GROUP 309</b> (Page 10)													
ADMIRAL DOZER OF MARSH STREAM, M, (WI)	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I	4	4	ok
ALGERNON OF MARSH STREAM, M, (WI)	11	4	4	2	4	4	3	3	24	III	4	3	ok
AXEL OF MARSH STREAM, M, (WI)	11	4	2	3	4	4	3	4	24	III	2	3	ok
ANNIE OF MARSH STREAM, F, (WA)	11	4	4	2	3	4	3	3	23		3	4	*
AROOSTOOK OF MARSH STREAM, F, (ME)	13	4	4	1	4	4	3	3	23		4	3	ok
AJAX OF MARSH STREAM, M, (ME)	13	4	3	4	0	3	3	2	19		4	4	ok
ARUNDEL OF MARSH STREAM, F, (ME)	13	4	2	1	0	4	2	2	15		3	2	ok
<b>GROUP 310</b> (Page 12)													
ANNIE OF AUX LAKE, F, (WI)	9	3	3	4	4	4	4	3	25	II	4	2	ok
<b>GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTERS</b>													
UPWINDS HELLS CANYON VICTOR (CA)	9.7	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I			ok
BRANDI V. BAUERNBERG (CA)	14	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I			ok

<i>Natural ability—continued</i>	A	N	S	W	P	TB	AW	C	TP	C	CO	CT	T
<b>GERMAN WIREHAIRED POINTERS</b>													
WEIDENHUGEL KYOKO V. VICTOR (CA)	8.5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28	I			ok

## INTERMEDIATE HUNTING DOG TEST, SPRING 2002

### WATER

TD = Track of Duck (5)

RD = Retrieve of duck (3)

BR = Blind Retrieve (4)

### 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 Live 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

Key to tests (index number) \* = Optional test ++ = Over age, Older Hunting Dog

TD	RD	BR	S	P	RB	TB	*TR	*RF	N	AW	C	O	TP	PR	CO	CT	T
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### GROUP 289 (Aug., 2000, GDS)

++BATHSHEBA OF AGASSIZ LOWLANDS

F, 24 mos (WI) 1 0 0 3 0 1 4 3 2 0 1 64 4 3 \*

### GROUP 299 (Aug., 2001 GDS)

++GRATONE OF AUGER FALLS

M, 25 mos (ID) 3 4 3 4 4 3 4 4 4 4 3 157 1 4 4 ok

### GROUP 300 (Aug., 2001, GDS)

BEAUGUY OF HIGH DESERT

M, 22 mos (CA) 4 2 2 4 4 2 4 4 3 2 2 136 III 2 3 ok

### GROUP 301 (Aug., 2001, GDS)

++MERRYMEETING'S BAILEY

M, 25 mos (WI) 1 2 2 4 3 1 2 2 3 2 1 93 4 3 ok

++MERRYMEETING'S BROOKES BONUS

F, 25 mos (WI) 1 0 0 1 2 4 4 2 2 1 1 68 4 3 \*

### GROUP 306 (Aug., 2001, GDS)

WAYFARER'S PRINCE TRUTZ

M, 23 mos (ID) 4 2 2 4 4 2 1 3 3 2 2 121 3 2 ok



ALFFIE OF VALLEY HOUSE, NAT Prize I, Wisconsin (Photo Mark Canfield)

**UTILITY FIELD TEST, SPRING 2002**

Key to tests: \* = Optional test CA = California

**INDEX\***

TD = Track of Duck (5)	RS = Retrieve of Shot Bird (3)	N = Nose and Use of Nose (6)
SWD = Search without Duck (3)	WD = Whoa or Down (3)	AW = Attitude Toward Work (4)
BR = Blind Retrieve (3)	TB = Track of Live Bird (4)	C = Cooperation (4)
SB = Steady at Blind (2)	SW = Search in Woods (4)	O = Obedience (3)
RM = Retrieve of Marked Fall (3)	H = Walk at Heel (2)	TP = Total Points
S = Searching (5)	RDG = Retrieve of Dragged Game (3)	PR = Prize Classification
P = Pointing (4)	*F = Find/Retrieve of Dead Game (3)	CO = Conformation
SWS = Steady to Wing and Shot (3)	*B = Blood Track (4)	CT = Coat
		T = Temperament

*\* Numbers in parenthesis are the index values for each category.*

TD	SWD	BR	SB	RM	S	P	SWS	RS	WD	TB	SW	H	RDG	*F	*B	N	AW	C	O	TP	PR	CO	CT	T
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**GROUP 262, June 1997, GDS**

ELIZA OF DUTCHMAN'S HOLLOW, F, 5 yrs, 11 mos (ME)

4	4	4	1	3	4	2	0	1	2	3	4	1	2			4	3	3	1	129		4	3	ok
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**GROUP 280, June 1999, GDS**

CZECHERS OF IAMONIA, F, 3 yrs., 10 mos (CA)

4	3	4	4	4	4	3	0	3	1	4	4	3	4			4	3	2	2	205		4	3	ok
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**APRIL OF VALLEY HOUSE, NAT Prize I, Wisconsin (Photo Mark Canfield)****ABIGAL OF VALLEY HOUSE, NAT Prize I, Wisconsin (Photo Mark Canfield)**



**DOGS EVALUATED IN SPRING 2002****NATURAL ABILITY TEST**

- BAY OF NICHOLS CREEK**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/30/01. Conformation: 4, 22"H x 22.5"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, not flat-lying, medium furnishings, medium dense. Temperament: friendly, eager for birds, somewhat immature. Owned by Pete Engman, 557 160th Ave., Turtle Lake, WI 54889. Bred by Steve and Debbie Schuette. Pedigree 302, (August 2001, *GDS*)
- BAXTER OF NICHOLS CREEK**, M, 11 mos., whelped 4/30/01. Conformation: 3, 24.5"H x 24.5"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, flat-lying, sparse furnishings, medium dense, good belly coverage. Temperament: friendly, eager, no defects observed. Owned by Jeff Braun, 8001 Bancroft Ave., Lincoln, NE 68506. Bred by Steve and Debbie Schuette. Pedigree 302.
- BECK OF NICHOLS CREEK**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/30/01. Conformation: 3, 22.5"H x 22.5"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, flat-lying, sparse furnishings, medium dense. Temperament: friendly, eager, intense. Owned by Eric Westra, 5481 County Rd J, Nelson, WI 54756. Bred by Steve and Debbie Schuette. Pedigree 302.
- BROGAN OF NICHOLS CREEK**, M, 11 mos., whelped 4/30/01. Conformation: 3, 24.5"H x 25"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, flat-lying, sparse furnishings, medium dense. Temperament: friendly, no defects observed. Owned by Tim and Kathy McCarthy, 6720 Southcrest Dr., Edina, MN 55435. Bred by Steve and Debbie Schuette. Pedigree 302.
- BEKA OF NICHOLS CREEK**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/30/01. Conformation: 4, 23"H x 23"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, not flat-lying, medium furnishings, medium dense, good belly coverage. Temperament: happy, eager, no defects observed. Owned by Andy Yeast, 8923 Long Meadow Dr., Johnston, IA 50131. Bred by Steve and Debbie Schuette. Pedigree 302.
- BANDIT OF NICHOLS CREEK**, M, 11 mos., whelped 4/30/01. Conformation: 4, 24"H x 24"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, flat-lying, sparse furnishings, medium dense, good belly coverage. Temperament: friendly, no defects observed. Owned by Glenn Fischer, 420 Vermont St., Oswego, KS 67356. Bred by Steve and Debbie Schuette. Pedigree 302.
- APRIL OF VALLEY HOUSE**, F, 15 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 4, 24.5"H x 24.5"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, not flat-lying, medium dense, lacks density on belly. Temperament: calm, easy to examine, level, no defects observed. Owned by Hank and Linda Carriger, 3306 Birchwood Dr., Bellevue, NE 68123-2385. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307, (February 2002, *GDS*)
- ALPHONSE OF VALLEY HOUSE**, M, 15 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 4, 24"H x 24"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, flat-lying, dense, needs more coverage on belly, medium furnishings. Temperament: eager, friendly, great game desire, calm, no defects observed. Owned by Robert Reed, 6221 Coulson Ct., Lansing, MI 48911. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- ABIGAIL OF VALLEY HOUSE**, F, 15 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 4, 23"H x 23"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, not flat-lying, medium dense, good belly coverage, full furnishings. Temperament: friendly, eager, no defects observed. Owned by Dan Walsh, 80 Alto Relievo Way, Marshall, MI 49068. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- ALFIE OF VALLEY HOUSE**, F, 15 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 4, 23"H x 23"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, curly, belly coverage lacks density, full furnishings. Temperament: eager, calm, easy to examine, no defects observed. Owned by Mike Branigan, 5600 Cross rd., Concord, MI 49237. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- AXEL OF VALLEY HOUSE**, M, 15 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 3, 25"H x 25"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, not flat-lying, dense, good belly coverage, sparse furnishings. Temperament: cooperative, no defects observed. Owned by Chris Leary, 3 Wynn Lane, Greenwich, CT 06830 (handler was unable to attend, wife brought dog and judge Rick Molt handled the dog during test). Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- ACE OF VALLEY HOUSE**, M, 15 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 3, 24"H x 25"L, very fine boned for a male. Coat: 3, medium harsh, flat-lying with slight curl, medium dense, open on belly coverage. Temperament: very friendly, eager, easy to examine, no defects observed. Owned by Bill Goodwin, 11809 Windville Ln., Aledo, TX 76008. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- AMY OF VALLEY HOUSE**, F, 14 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 4, 24"H x 24"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, not flat-lying, medium dense, good belly coverage, medium furnishings. Temperament: calm, friendly, gun sensitive. Owned by Tom Attermeier, 707 Anne Lane, Henderson, NV 89015. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- AUDREY OF VALLEY HOUSE**, F, 16 mos., whelped 1/21/01. Conformation: 3, 22"H x 22"L, canine misaligned, corrected with braces. Coat: 3, harsh, slight curl, medium dense, open on ears. Temperament: immature, tentative, dependent, easy to examine. Owned by Shannon and Tammy McDermott, 27 Fifteenth Ave., North Tonawanda, NY 14120. Bred by Mark Canfield. Pedigree 307.
- AMOS OF BANDED PEAK**, M, 14 mos., whelped 2/17/01. Conformation: 4, 24"H x 24"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, slight curl, medium furnishings. Temperament: eager, friendly, easy to examine, no defects observed. Owned by Phil Tennes, 1661 Bryant's Creek, Martinsville, IN 46151. Bred by Jane Webb. Pedigree 308,

**PEDGREE 308****BENO Z NOLKOPU (CF)****DAN CERNIKY (CF)****ARA CERNIKY (CF)****BARTON DE LOS ALTOS (CF)****BOJAR Z BURDOVNY (CF)****AXA OD PASTEJRIKO (CF)****CILA ZE STRAZNEHO KOPEO (CF)****"A" OF BANDED PEAK****DAN CERNIKY (CF)****PRAIRIE STORM'S BEAU (A)****BRITANNY OF DUTCHMAN'S HOLLOW (CF)****BINTI OF CLOUDY SKIES****BLUE MOUNTAIN'S BREW (A)****CHAMPAGNE BLAZE OF DUTCHMAN'S HOLLOW****AVAJ OF IAMONIA (A)****PEDGREE 309****BENO Z NOLKOPU (CF)****DAN CERNIKY (CF)****ARA CERNIKY (CF)****CHIPPER DE LOS ALTOS (CF)****BOJAR Z BURDOVNY (CF)****AXA OD PASTEJRIKO (CF)****CILA ZE STRAZNEHO KOPEO (CF)****"A" OF MARSH STREAM****ALAN Z MACHOVA (CF)****CHYT ZE ZAPLAY (CF)****LADY OD TESINOVSKYCH BUKU (CF)****BRISTOL OF ALDERBROOK (A)****ERIK OD JEZAREK (CF)****BAILEY OF OCEAN HOUSE (A)****AMY OF DUTCHMAN'S HOLLOW (A)**

**AUSTIN OF BANDED PEAK**, F, 13 mos., whelped 2/17/01. Conformation: 4, 23"H x 23.5"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, not flat lying, sparse belly coverage, sparse furnishings. Temperament: calm, eager, friendly, no defects observed. Owned by Bill Bennett, 159 McGee Drive, Bozeman, MT 59715. Bred by Jane Webb. Pedigree 308, Page 10.

**ADMIRAL DOZER OF MARSH STREAM**, M, 11 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 4, 24"H x 24"L, Coat: 4, medium harsh, medium dense, not flat lying, medium furnishings, good coverage throughout. Temperament: very eager with strong game desire, no defects observed. Owned by Rick and Tina Molt, P.O. Box 115, Bristol, ME 04539. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silvers. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**ALGERNON OF MARSH STREAM**, M, 11 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 4, 23"H x 23.5"L, Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, flat lying, medium furnishings, good belly coverage. Temperament: eager, lots of drive, good game desire, hard to examine. Owned by David Dreiling, 208 W B St., Phillipsburg, KS 67661. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silvers. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**AXEL OF MARSH STREAM**, M, 11 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 2, 24"H x 24"L, severe overbite. Coat: 3, medium harsh, lacks density, flat lying, medium furnishings. Temperament: friendly, no defects observed, dog has been with new owner for 2.5 months. Owned by Mark Anderson, 7180 Sinnia Ct., Grand Rapids, MI 49508. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silvers. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**ANNIE DOZER OF MARSH STREAM**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 3, 21.5"H x 21.5"L, severe overshot. Coat: 4, harsh, dense, medium furnishings. Temperament: friendly, calm, easily distracted, slightly dependent, immature, gun sensitive. Owned by Brendan Woodward, 15600 NE 173rd St., Woodinville, WA 98072. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silvers. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**AROOSTOOK OF MARSH STREAM**, F, 11 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 4, 22"H x 21.5"L. Coat: 3, harsh, medium dense, flat lying, sparse furnishings, good belly coverage, open on ears. Temperament: eager easy to examine, no defects observed. Owned by James S. Willis, P.O. Box 435, Winterport, ME 04496. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silvers. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**AJAX OF MARSH STREAM**, M, 13 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 4, 23.5"L x 23.5"H. Coat: 4, harsh, dense, flat-lying, medium furnishings. Temperament: friendly, eager, no defects observed. Owned by Kenneth Marek, 2 Sunset Lake Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silver. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**ARUNDEL OF MARSH STREAM**, F, 13 mos., whelped 4/26/01. Conformation: 3, 23"H x 22.5"L. Coat: 2, curly, not flat-lying, soft on head, needs more harshness, good belly coverage. Temperament: friendly, immature, no defects observed. Owned by Jane and Gene McKenna, 57 Pork Point Road, Bowdoinham, ME 04008. Bred by Ted and Sandie Silvers. Pedigree 309, Page 10.

**ANNIE OF AUX LAKE**, F, 9 mos., whelped 7/2/01. Conformation: 4, 24"H x 24"L. Coat: 2, lacks harshness and density, soft on head, curly, full furnishings, open on belly and inside of back legs. Temperament: friendly, no defects observed. Owned by Larry Woodward, Box 117, Belvue, KS 66407. Bred by Kevin Crisp. Pedigree 310, Page 12.

#### GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER

**UPWINDS HELLS CANYON VICTORY**, M, 9.7 mos., whelped 5/03/01. Conformation: . Coat: dense, harsh. Temperament: eager, friendly. Owned by Dave Wieland, 14784 Charmeran Ave., San Jose, CA 95124. Bred by Fred Bruneel.

**BRANDI vom BAUERNBERG**, F, 13.5 mos., whelped 1/04/01. Conformation: . Coat: dense, harsh. Temperament: eager, friendly. Owned by Rolf Benseler, 7 Lost Valley Drive, Orinda, CA. Bred by David W. Peasley.

#### GERMAN WIREHAIRED POINTERS

**WEIDENHUGEL KYOKO v. VICTORY**, M, 8.5 mos., whelped 6/03/01. Conformation: . Coat: dense, harsh. Temperament: normal. Owned by Mildred L. Revell, 505 E. Railroad Ave., Cotati, CA 94931. Bred by P. Roberts/ C. Stahle.

#### INTERMEDIATE HUNTING DOG TEST

**++BATHSHEBA OF THE AGASSIZ LOWLANDS**, F, 24 mos., whelped April 20, 1999. Conformation: 4, 23"H X 22 1/2"L. Coat: 3, harsh, dense, sparse furnishings, flat lying. Temperament: friendly, eager, calm, disqualified for prize classification for game mutilation. Owned by Dave Seibel, 11320 Vail Dr., Guthrie, OK 73044-0072. Bred by Jon/Judy Coil. Pedigree 289 (August 2000, *GDS*).

**++GRATONE OF AUGER FALLS**, M, 25 mos., whelped Feb. 3, 2000. Conformation: 4, 24"H X 25"L. Coat: 4, harsh, dense, sparse furnishings, flat lying, medium belly coverage. Temperament: eager, calm, cooperative. Owned by Bryan Rowder, 14000 E. Ranger Rd., Athol, ID 83801. Bred by Gary and Ann Pool. Pedigree 299 (August 2001, *GDS*).

**BEAUGUY OF HIGH DESERT**, M, 22 mos., whelped April, 8, 2000. Conformation: 2, 22"H X 22"L, undershot. Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, medium furnishings, not flat lying. Temperament: eager, friendly, no defects observed. Owned by John Sanders, 949 Sand dunes Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953. Bred by Bob Matsuka. Pedigree 300 (August 2001, *GDS*).

**++MERRYMEETING'S BAILEY**, M, 25 mos., whelped March, 1, 2000. Conformation: 4, 25.5"H X 25.5"L. Coat: 3, lacks harshness, medium dense, sparse furnishings. Temperament: eager, bold, friendly, easy to examine, not obedient. Owned by Scot Gorney, 214 N. Elmwood Ave., Traverse City, MI 49684. Bred by Jane McKenna. Pedigree 301 (August 2001, *GDS*).

**++MERRYMEETING'S BROOKES BONUS**, F, 25 mos., whelped March, 1, 2000. Conformation: 4, 24"H X 24"L. Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, sparse furnishings, short, good belly coverage. Temperament: tentative, temperament interferes with ability to be a hunter, friendly, easy to handle, turned off game in water. Owned by Ken Hurtig, S 3831 Hwy 12, Baraboo, WI 53913. Bred by Jane McKenna. Pedigree 301 (August 2001, *GDS*).

**WAYFARER'S PRINCE TRUTZ**, M, 23 mos., whelped April, 27, 2000. Conformation: 3, 24"H X 24.5"L. Coat: 2, soft, dense, full furnishings, not flat lying, curly on head, belly well covered. Temperament: eager, friendly, independent. Owned by Glen Johnston, 3500 Summer Cutoff Road, Bozeman, MT 59715. Bred by Jane McKenna. Pedigree 301 (August 2001, *GDS*).

#### UTILITY TEST

**CZECHERS OF IAMONIA**, M, 3 yrs., 10 mos., whelped May 2, 1998. Conformation: 4, 25"H X 25"L. Coat: 3, medium harsh, medium dense, slight curl, sparse on belly, full furnishings. Temperament: friendly, eager, calm, easy to handle. Owned by Dennis Carlson, 3801 Barrett Dr., Hood River, Oregon 97031. Bred by Dr. Tom Whitley. Pedigree 280 (June 1999, *GDS*).

**ELIZA OF DUTCHMAN'S HOLLOW**, F, 6 yrs., whelped June 3, 1996. Conformation: 4, 23"H X 23"L. Coat: 3, medium dense, slight curl, good belly coverage, full furnishings. Temperament: friendly, eager, calm, no defects observed. Owned by Philip Bennett, PO Box 898, Southwest harbor, ME 04679. Bred by John and Vivian Pitlo. Pedigree 262 (June 1997, *GDS*).

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**WAYFARER'S JASPER JAX**

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WAYFARER'S EBONY

WYAFARER'S NEWLINE

**AUX LAKE ANNIE**

FRIEDRICH VON TRENDELBURG

WAYFARER'S BRISTLE FACE

FRAULEIN VON HERRENHAUSEN

**WAYFARER'S DENALI**

GRIF VON POINTER

WAYFARER'S NEWLINE

TUCKER'S SPOOKY HOLLOW



**AUSTIN OF BANDED PEAK, NAT**  
Prize I, Idaho (Photo Gary/Ann Pool)



**WAYFARER'S PRINCE TRUTZ,**  
IHDT, Idaho (Photo Gary/Ann Pool)



**ALPHONSE OF VALLEY HOUSE and Rob Reed, NAT Prize I, Wisconsin**  
(Photo Mark Canfield)



**JOAN BAILEY ---- THREE AND A HALF DECADES OF SERVICE TO WPGCA**

By C. Richard Austin

Recently I discovered that Joan Bailey has resigned from the Board of Directors of the Griffon Club, bringing to an end a span of three and a half decades of service and leadership to our organization. It is hard to imagine where the Griffon Club would be today, without Joan's numerous years of dedicated work and loyalty. Certainly we would not be the strong and knowledgeable organization we are today. Joan gained and shared much of her knowledge about Griffons by judging in over 150 field tests and conducting scores of training clinics and seminars throughout the United States and Canada. She has traveled over 200,000 miles while educating our membership, much of this at her own expense.

I first met Joan Bailey in 1972, at a NAVHDA Field Test, in Yarmouth, MI. I knew then that Joan Bailey was a special person, and have found out over those thirty years, how special she is to our Club. Joan has devoted her adult life to the betterment of the Griffon Breed and the WPGCA. She has been successful in this endeavor because of her leadership and ability to unite people to a common cause. Joan led the effort to have all of our Griffons tested for hip dysplasia. Today we are one of the few breeds of hunting dogs that are nearly free of this once common problem.

Joan Bailey has honorably served the WPGCA in many capacities over the years. She served as Secretary from August, 1967 to December, 2000, Breeding Committee member from March, 1974 to April, 2002, Editor of The Gun Dog Supreme August 1967 to April 1992, Field Trial Chairperson, Field Test Judge, and organizer of the 100th Year Anniversary Griffon Breed Celebration, which took place in Wolferszell, Germany in 1988, just to mention a few. But not only has Joan's responsibilities been monumental, over the past thirty-eight years, her quality of service has been outstanding. As editor of The Gun Dog Supreme, Joan has received numerous Awards from the Dog Writers Association of America. She won the "Best National Breed Club Publication" in 1971, 1981 and 1984. As a writer, she received the "Best Article in a National Breed Club Publication" in 1971, 1973, 1977, 1980 and 1984. And, as a photographer, was awarded the "Best Black and White Photo" in a National Breed Club Publication in 1984.

Joan Bailey is an astounding woman. She is a successful writer, having authored two books; Griffon: Gun Dog Supreme: The History and the Story of How to Save a Breed 1996; and How to Help Gun Dogs Train Themselves 1992. Joan is also an accomplished dog trainer. She conditioned and successfully handled **ALF OF LAMONIA** to a perfect Natural Ability Prize I score in Oregon, five days after being discharged from the Rehabilitation Institute of Oregon. I remember well that day in Oregon, and the courage Joan Bailey exhibited while handling ALF. Joan has also shown courage in recognizing and acknowledging the fact that we, as a breed, were not producing "sound hunting dogs," this, back in 1983. Joan also had the wisdom, and a plan, for the restoration of the breed. Collaborating with Joe Nadeker, the Czesky Fousek Infusion Program was developed. Today, we see the benefits of this very important restoration project. Larry Mueller, hunting dog editor of Outdoor Life, called Joan Bailey "one of America's great dog people."

As I wrote to Joan when she stepped down as secretary, "...I do want to thank you for all your hard and devoted work on behalf of the Griffon breed. Certainly, no one in the Griffon group has done more to improve and promote the breed as you. Notwithstanding all the wonderful people you have worked with such as Joe [Nadeker], Ed [Bailey], John [Lundberg], Bodo [Winterhelt], Jack [Dallimore] and Warren [Webster], just to name a few. It has always been a pleasure, and sometimes an adventure, working and judging with you over the past several decades, with memories I will not soon forget, and cherish forever. You have been an angel to all of us Griffioniers..." Thank you Joan Bailey, for coming our way

and enriching our lives. We, and our dogs, are all better for having known you. Joan, you have been our rudder and our oar, you will be missed.

### ON JOAN BAILEY'S RETIREMENT By John Lundberg

I read in the New York Times about a test of "versatile hunting dogs" to be held over the weekend on Long Island. It was about 1975 and I had recently begun to think about resuming the bird-hunting I had learned with my dad on the high plains of northeastern Colorado. It turned out to be a NAVHDA test being run by Ed and Joan Bailey. I watched the test and listened as they explained the scores to the dogs' owners. I was impressed. These were thoughtful, knowledgeable people who were very serious about the dogs. And the point was not to see who had the best dog. It was to identify the dogs who were worth breeding, those who might improve the breed.

That day began my association with the WPGCA and Joan Bailey. Twenty-seven years later, the club's name and Joan's are for me inextricably linked. I was on the club's board of directors for a number of years and then its president for six years. I apprentice-judged many tests, from Maine to California. My wife, Bonnie, and I had the great good fortune to share our home with **ERIK OD JEZAREK**, the best dog I have run across. In short, I had a bird's-eye view of the club for many years. For me, it is impossible to overstate how much Joan Bailey has meant to the club. She has been the glue holding together our organizational fabric and the intellectual guardian of our testing and breeding principles.

**Organizational Glue.** Her title might have been Secretary or Editor, but it was misleading. She was the leader. She led because, one, she knew more and, two, she gave more of herself than anybody else. She single-handedly created each issue of The Gun Dog Supreme for many years and during her tenure as editor, it was the best publication of its kind. It had both substance and humanity, qualities that helped to bind the membership together and give it the shared knowledge necessary eventually to take the bold step of the Fousek outcross.

**Intellectual Guardian of Testing and Breeding Principles.** Joan's two books, How to Help Gun Dogs Train Themselves and Griffon: Gun Dog Supreme, put Joan in a league by herself. They educate, document and tell the story of our club's journey. They will be the historical foundation for our testing and breeding programs for many years. Her love of the dogs facilitated her encyclopedic memory of individual dogs and their test results, allowing her to provide precious insights on breeding decisions.

It is not possible adequately to thank someone for such selfless and sustained contributions. But I am grateful for the opportunity to at least take note of them.

### DEAR JOAN, A LETTER FROM LEE FULTON

Could hardly believe what I read in the June GDS! My initial shock and disbelief (The WPGCA without Joan Bailey? Unthinkable!) quickly turned to thoughts of gratitude for all that you have done for the club. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Thank you for candidly letting me know during my first field test visit that I should avoid puppies from a soft coated bitch that had temperament problems. Thank you for suggesting that I get the back issues of the GDS and review the test results of potential sires, dams, and their offspring; using this information to guide me to a particular breeding.

Thank you for the honest words of evaluation you have given to all the dogs and their handlers. Thank you for doing yeoman's work for no wages. Thank you for being the glue that helped hold this unique group of dogs and their owners together when times were

tough. Thank you for recognizing abilities in others and encouraging them to become a central part of this unique organization. Thank you for educating me in more ways than I can count. Thank you for your vision that helped us avoid a genetic dead end.

And finally, thank you for ducking when the designated gunner swung on that quail in Nebraska so many years ago!

I'm gonna miss you lady, you're a class act!

## FALL TESTS

KDK-USA (Klub Deutsch Kurzhaar-USA) Oroville, CA **No Test**  
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Vic Jaro (208) 736-9381

Northwest Chapter Silver Creek, WA Sept. 28  
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Heartland Chapter Spring Green, WI Sept. 20, 21, 22  
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Northeast Chapter Bristol, ME Sept. 27, 28, 29  
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## BREEDING FOR FRIENDLY COMPANIONSHIP, TOO



**AMY OF VALLEY HOUSE**, with Tom Attermeier, at her NAT in Idaho: "the judges predicted she would make Tom a fine hunting companion." A "calm, friendly" dog. (Photo Gary/Ann Pool)

**ABIGAL OF VALLEY HOUSE**, with Aimee Walsh, at her NAT in Wisconsin: an "eager, friendly" family dog. (Photo Mark Canfield)





**BATHSHEBA OF AGASSIZ LOWLANDS, Dave Seibel, MERRY MEETING'S BROOKES BONUS, Ken Hurtig, IHDT, Wisconsin (Photo Ann Pool)**



"Thanks, again, Joan." This is what she has been working for: a great day with versatile hunting dogs. Some of the "A" litter of **VALLEY HOUSE** and their owners, in Wisconsin. **APRIL**, Hank Carriger, **ALPHONSE**, Rob Reed, **ALFFIE**, Mike Branigan, **ABIGAL**, Dan Walsh, and **ACE**, Bill Goodwin (Photo Ann Pool)