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## Field Trial Report

We'd like to thank everyone who attended the 2021 Chesapeake National Field Trial Specialty at beautiful Pine Tree Farm in Americus, Georgia and hope you enjoyed our Southern hospitality! Bruce and Betty Hall's amazing grounds and the glorious Georgia fall weather made for a picture-perfect setting for our trial and our great judges, challenging tests, great help, great people, great dogs and great food made for a wonderful and enjoyable event!

A very big thank you to all of our judges- Open & Derby: Bruce Hall (GA) and Rich Deeds (GA), Amateur & Qualifying: Jim Houldridge (GA) and Shawn Graddy (AL) and Puppy Stakes: Mike Moroz (GA) and Bill Landau (GA). Huge thanks to all our committee members: Kelly Bromelkamp, Mel Phillips, Andrew Hanley, Robert & Beverly Post, Brian Newman, Rae Lewis, Heidi Henningson, Jody Smith and Edgar Johnson, to our wonderful Marshals: Teresa Tebbens, Heidi Henningson, Beverly Post, Barbara Adams and Becky Mills, to our great gunners and workers: Robert Post, Fil Fina, Gordon Dorsey, Greg Terranova and Nick Bryant, Bob Tebbens, Alan Luthy, Edgar Johnson, to Merchandise chairs: Andrew Hanley, Robert & Beverly Post, to Gale Frana for help with dinners, to Suellen Appellof for help with the website, to Barney & Sally Bromelkamp for making and donating our beautiful trophy plaques, and to so many people who pitched in to help make the FTS a success. A big thank you

to all of our auction item donors and our auctioneer Brian Newman. Our raffle was great success and we thank everyone who participated, either buying or selling tickets. Andrew Hanley deserves a very special thank you for posting great diagrams, photos and videos of all series, and Kelly Bromelkamp & Gina Downin posted callbacks and results to the FTS Facebook page and website in record time so those following from home could stay updated.

We kicked off the Specialty Monday night with an Italian dinner at the lovely and historic Plains Community Center, we held a short meeting and a silent auction.

Tuesday started the trial bright and early with the Open and Qualifying. Dinner was again at the Plains Community Center with silent auction items as well as a spirited live auction of some really special donations.

Wednesday the Amateur and Derby began after the conclusion of the Open and Qualifying stakes. Dinner was a barbeque at Bruce's barn, and we awarded trophies and ribbons for the Open, Qualifying & Derby placements.

Thursday was the conclusion and awards for the Amateur and Puppy Stakes, and the conclusion of our trial.

We just can't thank Bruce and Betty Hall enough for being our very gracious hosts, and for all their generosity and support throughout, we couldn't have done it without y'all!

The 2021 Specialty is 'in the books'! We hope you all enjoyed it and hope to see you next year in Oregon!

Laurea Griggs & Adam Levy



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# Open

## Open Report

Judged by Bruce Hall and Richard Deed, started Tuesday morning at 8:30 AM under clear, cool conditions. Like the rest of the FTS Specialty, the Open was held on Pine Tree Farms, a beautiful property owned and developed by Bruce. Noting this fact, one contestant remarked that it was unlikely that competing dogs would run a mark or blind that Bruce had not run with his own dogs. The first series was a triple, shot counterclockwise, with one retired bird and a flyer. The setting was a natural field with some scattered oak trees and few large bushes, beyond which was a large hay field. The line was elevated a bit, giving the dogs an excellent view of all throws. The right-hand retired gunner threw to the base of an oak tree about 100 yards from the line and retired behind a large bush. The middle stand-out gunner, positioned 175 yards from the line, then threw a bird in front of a large oak tree. These two birds were thrown in a converging manner. The left-hand flyer, shot last, was thrown to the right about 220 yards from the line. Most handlers recovered the flyer and then tried to retrieve the short retired check-down bird second. This was difficult for some dogs, given that the longer middle stand-out gunner was in plain view. A few handlers sent for the middle stand-out bird second and then went for the short retired bird third. Several dogs had clean work on all three birds. However, both memory birds produced some large hunts and a few failures, giving the judges plenty to look at. Twenty of 29 starters survived this challenging but fair test and were called back to run the second series land blind.

The land blind was run from the same line as the first series land marks. The correct line was between the two converging memory birds from the first series, extending out into the hayfield, about 220 yards from the line. The rolling terrain, trees, and proximity to old falls made a good initial line difficult to obtain and hold. Several dogs got loose at the end of the blind, requiring additional whistles. Generally, however, the work was good, and all 20 dogs were called back to run the third series water blind.

The water blind was run in the same general area as the first two land series. A dry-pop gunner, positioned in the same location as the retired gunner from the first series, fired a gun and sat

down. The dog was then released to run the blind. The line to the blind was to the right of and tight to the bush that was used as the hiding place for the first series retired gunner. From that point, the dogs ran down to a small pond. The blind was planted near a grove of trees on the far side of the pond. In all, the dogs were required to run about 125 yards to the edge of the pond and then swim 75 yards to complete the blind. The long run up to water combined with the dry pop gunner caused many dogs to lose momentum before entering the water. Some were convinced to enter the water and continue on. Others insisted on hunting the phantom dry pop bird. Most of the dogs that got wet were able to finish the blind; however, several tried to beach early on the far shore and required additional whistles. This deceptively simple looking blind again gave the judges plenty to consider. Nine dogs were called back to run the fourth series water marks on Wednesday morning.

The water marks were run from a grove of pine trees out across a pond. The test was a water triple, consisting of two retired birds and a flyer, followed by an honor. The order of throws was clockwise from left to right. The left-hand retired gunner threw to the base of a large mound about 200 yards from the line and retired into a brushed-in blind. The middle gunner threw second to the base of a large tree about 200 yards out and retired into a blind that was positioned toward the end of a long row of round bales. Both retired birds were thrown to the left. The flyer was then thrown to the right and up a hill, 115 yards from the line. All three birds required the dogs to swim a portion of the pond and then push up and out to the fall area. Successful dogs completed the test in 8-10 minutes. Multiple swims, combined with technical features of the pond and an abundance of open ground to run around in produced some large hunts. The left-hand bird was particularly difficult to do well. Most handlers elected to take the middle bird second and the left-hand retired bird third. All but one dog completed this challenging test in some manner.

Respectfully submitted,

John N.

## Abby



Two months before the Specialty began, Abby came out of season and couldn't do anything right in training. Her marking was off, her blinds were chaotic and any attempt at a retired mark looked like a

6 month old puppy chasing butterflies. Nonetheless, we entered her in a couple of Qualifying stakes at trials in New England that we were attending as part of Sam's Derby training schedule. With over 30 dogs in each, we didn't expect much, but the experience would be useful. Quite to our amazement, Abby not only did well in the Qualifying stakes, she won both of them earning blue ribbons in back-to-back weekends. Across both trials, Abby stepped on 9 marks, including one short retired mark, picked up four retired marks cleanly and ran 4 blinds with a total of only 6 whistles.

With two Qualifying wins, Abby couldn't be entered in the Specialty Qualifying stake, so we entered her in the Open stake to get some All-Age experience before running the Amateur the next day. The Open test designed by Bruce Hall and Rich Deeds started with not one, but two retired birds and a long flyer. One retired bird was thrown at the base of a tree in shadows, with a pond behind it, the other thrown away from a tree in shadows, with a large field behind it. "Welcome to All-Age", we said to ourselves, "let's just get to the land blind". Abby apparently felt differently, stepped on the flyer, and made short order of both retired birds. She had to wait in the truck while Sam ran in the Qualifying and she came back to the land blind with enthusiasm, which is not always a good thing. A moderately long blind, she ran a very nice initial line to about the halfway point, took a nice cast towards the area of the old fall and stopped on a dime when whistled to halt. "Who was this dog and how did they get her into my truck". Abby rarely stops so well and she took the cast straight away from the danger zone, finding the blind marker in short order.

Back to the Qualifying stake for Sam, then back again for Abby to run the water blind. "Certainly, the wheels would start coming off at this point", we thought. The water blind required a diagonal run down a slope, tight past a large evergreen tree into some running water and then some swimming water to the far shore. Throw in a white coat and "dry pop" on the other side of the tree just for fun. Precision was definitely required for the initial line, with little room for error around the tree. Abby ran a nice initial line slightly to the right, where we wanted her to be on the first whistle. A cast to the left sent her straight to the danger zone around the tree. A quick stop and a precise cast away from the tree were essential and Abby delivered on both counts. Running water is always an adventure with Abby and a couple whistles were needed to settle her down, but she carried the last cast all the way across the pond to the blind.

The next morning we arrived to find another pair of retired water marks and a flyer across the pond. The rotation had Abby running first, so we only got to see the test dog run. Abby's focus was good, but she moved around on the line more than usual. A nice line to the flyer got her started. Abby focused well on the left retired bird, but a little push more to the left was needed to ensure she'd hit the proper spot on the far shore. She accepted the offered advice and took a nice line to the area of the fall, finding the bird with only a small hunt. "One last bird to go ... handle if you have to .... just finish", a little voice said. (Or, as put more succinctly by Mitch Patterson "Don't F### Up"). Abby returned pretty jacked up, as indicated by a slight stickiness on the bird, but she released it unharmed. "Find your mark" snapped her back on target, but a slight adjustment was needed to ensure that she took the best line to stay out of trouble. Again she accepted the advice and took a beautiful line under the arc, with a quick turn left to find the bird.

After dinner, we were delighted to hear that Abby won the blue ribbon in her first All-Age stake and, with it, the Best Bitch award for the trial. Over a 5 week period, Abby earned two Qualifying 1st places, one Open 1st place and an Amateur 4th place to cap off two years of training since her Derby season ended in 2019. As Abby's breeders, owners, trainers and handlers, we couldn't be more pleased with her accomplishments so far and we thank all of the breeders, trainers, handlers and friends who have helped us along the way.

Frank & Linda Pittelli

# Open



(L to R)- 4<sup>th</sup> Jake with William Burks, 1<sup>st</sup> Abby with Frank Pittelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> McQueen with Linda Harger, 3<sup>rd</sup> Willow with Linda Harger

## Open Results

**1st – Church Creek Abigail Von Duckslayer CD SH**  
(Abby) Female (Grand Oaks He's No Boy Scout X CH HRCH Pond Hollow Otter Point UD MH)  
Bred by Frank & Linda Pittelli  
Owned and handled by Frank Pittelli

**2nd – AFC Fireweed's The King Of Cool (McQueen)**  
Male (CH Clipper's Frozen Assets X AFC CH Fireweed's Poison Ivy CGC)  
Bred by Brett Crow  
Owned by Linda Harger and Tom Ivey  
Handled by Linda Harger

**3rd – Ivy's Arctic Willow (Willow) Female**  
(CH Clipper's Frozen Assets X AFC CH Fireweed's Poison Ivy CGC)  
Bred by Brett Crow  
Owned by Brett Crow, Sharon Walen and Linda Harger  
Handled by Linda Harger

**4th – K-City Jake (Jake) Male**  
(AFC Red Dog's Anything Goes X Get Back)  
Bred, owned and handled by William Burks

**RJAM – CH Vee's Zeus Of Lzy Mtn QA2 (Zeus) Male**  
(AFC CH Lzy Mtn Piper's Revenge X Sundog's Venus Rising Ablaze QA2)  
Bred and owned by Todd & Barbara Adams  
Handled by Todd Adams

**JAM – Cote's Simba MH (Rouge) Male**  
(Shalcross Lake's Little Rascal MH X CH Pond Hollow Congaree MH)  
Bred by Harvey Drelbelbis  
Owned and handled by Thomas Mclaughlan

**JAM – Cam Of Cold Harbor (Cam) Male**  
(AFC DC Westwind's Rudy Of Nordais X JJ's Rachel)  
Bred by Billy Smith and Linda Patterson  
Owned and handled by John Nichols

**JAM – Grand Oaks He's No Boy Scout MH QA2**  
(Scout) Male (Lind's Northcreek Magnum MH X CK's Pay Piper MH)  
Bred by Craig Klein  
Owned and handled by Tom Lind



## Open Candid Photos



## Amateur Candid Photos



# Amateur

## Amateur Report

The judges set up a good Amateur test that truly tested a dog's marking ability and control on the blinds and didn't rely on deceiving dogs. As a competitor this was a great test to run.

The first series was a triple with two guns retired. It was run from a tall mound with good visibility of all guns and shot "around the horn" from left to right. The field had numerous large hay bales to navigate in route to the birds.

The left bird was shot first and was thrown from right to left at 187 yards in light cover, the gunner stood in front of a large mound and retired behind that mound. The middle bird was next and shot from right to left at 259 yards in light cover, the gunner retired behind a large hay bale. The flyer was the last bird down and was shot from left to right at 180 yards in light cover. Of the dogs I saw, some picked up the birds - flyer, left, middle and others flyer, middle, left. The bird placement on the middle and outside birds allowed dogs to bounce off hay bales, over run or hunt bales before the area of the fall. Well designed.

The second and third series were run the next day together and from the same mound as the land marks. The land blind was first and was placed outside and deep of the left mark from the first series and was 305 yards long. Again, navigating the hay bales was key to success on this blind. Some dogs were influenced by the area of the fall from the marks run the day before. Upon successful completion of the land blind, you turned almost 100 degrees and ran the water blind. The line to this blind was a long entry into a narrow perpendicular channel then over a small dike into a larger piece of water. There were decoys near the left bank of the pond as well as a point. The line was right of the decoys and past the point to get out at the blind clearly marked with a small tree in a field at 178 yards.

The water marks with an honor were last and run from another location on the property. It was a triple with two retired guns. The angle between the birds was over 90 degrees from the right bird to the left

bird with the middle bird being a long punch bird almost in the middle of the 90. Again, excellent bird placement made this a good, fun test to run. The test was run close to the water's edge. The short right bird was thrown first from right to left into a corner of the pond behind a bush growing in the water at 91 yards. This bird landed in the water with a splash and the gunner retired backwards into a holding blind. The straight line to this bird was an angle water entry, cross a narrow point into a larger piece of water, and stay wet all the way to the bird. The middle bird was thrown next and was thrown left to right, downhill in the middle of a large side hill in medium cover at 275 yards. This gun retired back up the hill into a well concealed holding blind. The correct line to this bird was a long swim, cross a point, swim past a large island, and then a further punch up the side hill past a mound on the right side. The flyer was the last bird down and thrown right to left. The gunners were positioned in front of a large hay bale at the intersection of two field roads on a side hill. The flyer landed in medium cover at about 140 yards. The correct line to this bird was mostly in water with the final 30 yards being on land.

Thanks to Wade Scroggins for his Map Marks App indicating the yardages.

Todd Adams



## Cletus



The Amateur started off with a triple in a field of large round hay bales. Shooting left to right the first two marks were retired. Cletus came to the mat eyeing all the gunners and sat quietly as the action began. He quickly returned all three birds with a short hunt on the left one.

The next series included a back-to-back land blind and water blind. Cletus easily keyholed the land blind with three whistles and set up nicely for the water blind. He had a delay when a white-coated person walked from one shed to the other in the background, but quickly refocused on the task at hand. He carried a perfect line in and out of two pieces of water and did not need a whistle until he was in the final part of water on the way to the blind. He stopped nicely and took every cast.

The last series was a very difficult water triple with an honor. The left bird shot as a flyer shot to the left. From the mat the line was an extreme bank running angle water entry. The right bird retired. From the mat, the duck was once again thrown with a severe bank running angle entry and back into a small cove with a peninsula on the way to the bird. The middle bird retired. From the mat dogs had to once again cross a peninsula into big water and out onto ground. Once on the ground, they needed to continue up a large hill with the duck thrown down the hill to the right. He came back from each retrieve focused on the next and left the line like he knew where he was going . . . and he did know! Cletus honored like a gentleman.

This Amateur was difficult and could have been run in any all-breed field trial. The judges knew the grounds and good bird placement.

Cletus is a phenomenal marker and is highly intelligent. He made the National Derby list and QAA 2. He obtained both by running and winning All Breed Field Trials in the Midwest field trial circuit.

Cletus has a wonderful disposition and personality. He loves to be petted and will give plenty of “licks” to show his gratitude. He is quiet on the line and focused on the work. He takes any corrections as a positive and does not hold grudges. He is a “natural” and loves to retrieve and willingly works with the handler.

Jackie and Gerry Brenner



# Amateur



(L to R) - 4<sup>th</sup> Place Abby with Frank Pittelli, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Cletus with Jackie Brenner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Fanny with Erik Borg 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Zeus with Todd Adams

## Amateur Results

**1st – Cut Me Loose Cletus** (Cletus) Male  
(AFC Red Dog's Anything Goes X 3-D'S All Round Ruby)  
Bred by Matt Backus and Bill Burks  
Owned by Jackie & Gerry Brenner  
Handled by Jackie Brenner

**2nd – HR Rudy's Fat Bottomed Girl SH** (Fanny)  
Female (AFC DC Westwind's Rudy Of Nordais X Hope Springs Dowry MH MNH)  
Bred by Alan Sandifer  
Owned and Handled by Erik Borg

**3rd – CH Vee's Zeus Of Lzy Mtn QA2** (Zeus) Male  
(AFC CH Lzy Mtn Piper's Revenge X Sundog's Venus Rising Ablaze QA2)  
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(AFC DC Westwind's Rudy Of Nordais X JJ's Rachel)  
Bred by Billy Smith and Linda Patterson  
Owned and handled by John Nichols

**JAM – HRCH TC's What Was Mama Thinkin' MH**  
(Tink) Female (AFC CH Lzy Mtn Piper's Revenge X Sundog's Venus Rising Ablaze QA2)  
Bred by Todd and Barbara Adams  
Owned and handled by Cathy Scroggins

**JAM – Cold Harbor's Reyna B** (Reyna) Female  
(AFC Red Dog's Anything Goes X Get Back)  
Bred by William Burks  
Owned and handled by John Nichols



# Qualifying

## Qualifying Report

The qualifying stake took place on Tuesday morning. The test dog went to the line at approximately 8:25 a.m. Cool temperatures were in the 40's when the event started and slightly overcast. 29 dogs entered, and 27 dogs started.

The first series was a land triple. From the mat, the dogs looked out over a flat to slightly rolling hay field that was covered in round hay bales. The first mark thrown was the center mark of the set up. It was approximately 195 yards and was thrown left too right. When sitting on the mat, the dog could partially see the gunner as some of the bales blocked the view. This mark, later retired. After being thrown, the handler and dog would turn 45 degrees to right. The second mark was then thrown left to right, and landed in some knee high grass. It was approximately 170 yards to the mark.

The handler and dog would then swing to the left, approximately 90 degrees from the second mark, and past the first, to see a flyer being shot. The flyer came from beside a pine tree, and would be traveling right to left. It would fall just short of round bale that was in the area. Approximately 110 yards to the fall of the mark.

The second series was a land blind. Handlers and dogs ran from the same mat, as the first series after the first call backs had been announced. Approximate length of the blind was 200 yards. Dogs would be asked to run a straight line through a field a hay bales, past where the first mark had landed in the first series, and across a gravel road to where the blind had been planted.

The third series was a water blind. Handler and dog would start at the top of a mound, run approximately 40 yards before hitting a pond. They would then swim 35 yards, get out on a point of a peninsula that was out in the pond. They were then cast back in, swam across the rest of the pond, come out on land, then went 40 more yards before coming to where the blind had been planted. 160 yards total.

After three series, the trial was called for the day, and would be continued the following morning due to daylight.

At approximately 8:30 am, Wednesday, the first dog was called to the line for a water triple for the fourth series. The first bird would be thrown right to left and splash in the back corner of the technical pond that was being used. When the dog went after this mark, it would race 60 yards down a hill, enter the water, cross a piece of land, water again, a piece of land, then another body of water to reach it at approximately 180 yards. This mark was retired. After this mark fell, the handler and dog would turn 45 degrees to the left. This mark would land up on a hill in knee high grass being thrown left to right. The dogs would run 50 yards on land, enter and swim 30 yards of water, across a piece of land, enter another body of water, then out and up a hill to the mark. The third mark of the triple, and go bird, would then be 90 degrees to the right of this mark and past the first one. It would be on the edge of the pond, being thrown right to left, and landing on the dam of the pond. The gunner stood right on the edge, which was very enticing for some dogs to cheat the bank when traveling to get this bird. The correct route would be to run 80 yards, hit the water, across a small piece of land, then another small piece of water, out the bank and right to the mark.

Brian Newman

## Ruger

Ruger is a handsome boy who is bred, owned, trained and handled by Tom and Dawn Lind.

He had to represent his Mom (Pistol) at the Specialty as she came into heat right before and was unable to run in any stakes. He did his Mom and Dad (Scout) proud by taking home the blue ribbon in the Qualifying stake.

Ruger is a total momma's boy in the house but is all business when training and hunting. He will run blinds with as much enthusiasm as marks and has a great water entry. We are hoping to go south a few times this winter to keep up with training.

We look forward to running Master hunt tests and all breed Qualifying stakes with him next summer.  
Dawn Lind



# Qualifying



(L to R) - 4<sup>th</sup> Barrett with Jane Pappler, 1<sup>st</sup> Ruger with Tom Lind, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sam with Frank Pittelli, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annie with Brian Newman

## Qualifying Results

**1st – Grand Oaks Son Of A Gun SH (Ruger) Male**  
(Grand Oaks He's No Boy Scout MH QA2 X Grand Oaks Packin A Pistol MH QA2)  
Bred by and Owned by Dawn & Thomas Lind  
Handled by Tom Lind

**2nd – Ricky Hooks JJ S Play It Again (Sam) Male**  
(FC Topsail's Good Time Buddy QA2 X JJ's Chi-Town Jazz)  
Bred by Mitch Patterson  
Owned by Marston Jones  
Handled by Frank Pittelli

**3rd – CH BRF Little Sure Shot SH (Annie) Female**  
(GCH Chestnuts Hills Windjammer SH X CH BRF Soar To The Sky JH)  
Bred by, Owned by, and Handled by Brian Newman

**4th – Can CH Redlion's Come Back Barret TD JH DS (Barret) Male**  
(CH Redlions Come Back Hank X Redlion's Bee Notorious JH)  
Bred by Jane Pappler and Darren Sausser  
Owned by Jane Pappler and Leighann Barnes  
Handled by Jane Pappler

**RJAM – Southern Flight's Summer Breeze (Breeze) Female**  
(FC Topsail's Good Time Buddy QA2 X Southern Flight's Delta MH)  
Bred by, Owned by and Handled by Greg Windham

**JAM – Bittersweets One More NGD Missey MH**  
(Missey) Female (Next Generation's Smooth Operator X Coventryhills Go Go Jasmine MH)  
Bred by and Owned by Edgar Johnson and Janet Huenergardt  
Handled by Edgar Johnson

**JAM – Chessar's Bob Fire Lake (Bob) Male**  
(Prairie Sky Patterson QA2 X Chessar's Crackshot Chic)  
Bred by Sharon & Jim Batte  
Owned and Handled by David Hailey

**JAM – Chesamos Katahdin Spirit (Odimo) Male**  
(Sugarcreek's Thundering Shellcracker X Chesamos Steaming Hot Cocomo MH)  
Bred by, Owned by and Handled by Susan Aygarrn

**JAM – Southern Flight's Red Red Wine MH (Redds) Female**  
(FC Topsail's Good Time Buddy QA2 X Southern Flight's Delta MH)  
Bred by, Owned by and Handled by Greg Windham

**JAM – Cold Harbor's Reyna B (Reyna) Female**  
(AFC Red Dog's Anything Goes X Get Back)  
Bred by William Burks  
Owned by and Handled by John Nichols

## Candid Photos



# Derby

## Derby Report

There was a nice entry of seventeen dogs in the derby, with one scratch. The opening series was a land double with the memory bird shot to left at about a hundred yards, and the flier was on the right, shot down a tree line to the right at about a hundred and fifty yards. The first series saw a couple of very eager dogs break and a couple returned to the memory bird. Twelve dogs were called back to the second series water double. The go bird was thrown left to right with a splash across the pond to the left at the water's edge. The memory bird was down the hill into the water, angled across the pond, up the hill where the bird was thrown to the left across the road at the end of a row of round hay bales. The pond had a number of duck and goose decoys that the dogs had to swim through to make their retrieves. This series took a toll on the field with only four dogs being called back for the third and last series. The final series was a single mark thrown across the pond with a slight angle entry and again through decoys. All four dogs in the last series successfully completed this mark.

Heidi Henningson

## Sam

Sam is the product of two excellent parents (Bud x Jazzie) and four high-quality grand-parents (Magnum x Piper and Rudy x Rachel) who represent some of the best Chessie lines bred over



the last few decades by Linda and Mitch Patterson, Billy Smith, Craig Klein, Mario Beauregard, Maggie Hoagland, Dyane Baldwin, and Carole Andersen, among others. A strong genetic background is a great starting point and there's no doubt that Sam carries many of the traits of those that came before him.

Even as a young pup, Sam showed excellent marking skills, intense focus, a desire to please, and a level of composure well beyond his age. Training expanded and fine-tuned his abilities, with the help of many veteran handlers & trainers, but the raw talent has always been evident to even the casual observer.

One week before the Specialty, Sam ran in the National Derby Championship, a 5-day, 10-series trial for dogs less than two years old. Over 50 dogs competed in the event, requiring the judges to come up with difficult marks to "get some answers" in such a large field. Sam was the only Chesapeake entered in the event and was watched closely by judges and spectators not only for his performance, but also how he carried himself. Over the 5-day event, Sam delivered beautifully on both accounts. Although each new day brought more challenging tests and higher anxiety levels, Sam's attitude never faltered. While other dogs were noticeably shaken, Sam remained relaxed in the holding blinds and well focused on the mat. Sam's unflappable personality allowed him to become the first Chesapeake to be a National Derby Finalist. (The last Chessie to be a National Finalist was DC Fireweeds Jasmine, bred by Linda Harger & owned by Carol Andersen, in the 1984 National Amateur. Not coincidentally, Jasmine is one of Sam's great-great-great-grand-mothers.)

Sam's success in the National Derby carried over to the Specialty just a few days (and 800+ miles) later. He ran his first Qualifying stake on the first day of the Specialty to gain some experience and he performed better than expected. He picked up a retired mark in the first series without a problem and ran very nice land and water blinds. The retired mark in the water series required some handling, but his performance was good enough to earn 2nd place. We couldn't have been more pleased with his performance, making him All-Age Qualified at 22 months of age. Sam's performance in the Derby stake was a joy to behold. Despite constantly looking around for the "third" gun, Sam focused well on his marks and ran nice lines to each of them. He was one of only four dogs brought back after a difficult water series. After almost three weeks of solid trialing and training,



(L to R) - 4<sup>th</sup> Place Jesse Jane with Jeffery Wilson, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Sam with Frank Pittelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Maddy with Jane Pappler, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Quigley with Gary Kavan

## Derby

**1st – Ricky Hooks JJ S Play It Again (Sam) Male**  
 (FC Topsail’s Good Time Buddy QA2 X JJ’s Chi-Town Jazz)  
 Bred by Mitch Patterson  
 Owned by Marston Jones  
 Handled by Frank Pittelli

**2nd – Redlion’s Madeleine JH TKN (Maddy) Female**  
 (CH Redlion’s Come Back Chipotle CDX RE JH X  
 Redlion’s One Ring Circus)  
 Bred by Jane Pappler  
 Owned by Clair McCall  
 Handled by Jane Pappler

**3rd – Bur Oaks Quigley On The Road From Valhalla**  
 (Quigley) Female (FC Topsail’s Good time Buddy QA2  
 X Valhallas Artic Sea)  
 Bred by Shawn Ward  
 Owned Heidi Henningson and Gary Kavan  
 Handled by Gary Kavan

**4th – Delaware River Little Dixie (Jesse Jane) Female**  
 (FC Topsail’s Good time Buddy QA2 X Long Ponds  
 Tight Knit Henley MH)  
 Bred by Lucas Bellanceau  
 Owned by Jeffery Wilson  
 Handled by Marc Patton

## *Sam Continued*

Sam won his third Derby blue ribbon. Less than 10 days later, Sam ended his Derby career by earning a Derby 2nd at the Women's FTC fall trial, in a strong field of 24 that included four dogs who ran well in the National Derby. With a total of 32 Derby points, Sam is ranked #7 on the All-Time Chesapeake Derby Points list.

We are extremely grateful to Linda and Mitch Patterson for not only breeding such a fine dog and entrusting us with his care and development, but for providing advice and support during both the National Derby and the Specialty.

Frank & Linda Pittelli and Marston Jones

## Derby Candid Photos



# Puppy Stakes

## Puppy Stakes Report

The Puppy Stakes at our Field Trial Specialty is a highlight for judges, spectators, handlers and puppies, alike. This year was no disappointment as some of the puppy/handler teams showed up with their eyes set on taking home a prize, while others seemed to be there simply for the fun of it!

The judges took their job very seriously, as they should, creating challenging setups for all three age groups, ensuring that puppies who ran multiple stakes would not see the same setup, twice. The marks and line changed with each stake to ensure a completely new look for the puppies running more than one stake. Gunners were instructed to keep an eye on the line and to help any puppy that needed it, at the handler's discretion. The goal was to keep it fun and make it a positive experience for both puppy and handler.

Land singles were first and the afternoon started off with Baby Puppies (6 months and under). Bumpers were used for the field of four puppies under 6 months of age and were thrown approximately 40 to 60 yards from the line into short-medium grass cover.

Ducks were used for the field of three Junior Puppies (6-9 months) and tossed again, into short-medium grass cover at approximately 60 to 80 yards from the line.

Ducks were also used for the largest field of seven Senior Puppies (9-12 months) and thrown approximately 80 to 100 yards from the line. They were thrown into similar medium height grass cover, running in and out of shady areas to increase difficulty.

Water singles rounded out the afternoon, with clouds rolling in and some light rain adding another factor during the Senior Puppy water marks. All puppies from all three stakes were called back to the water series. After running all three land series, Billie's owners thought it best that he only run Baby and Junior stakes on the water.

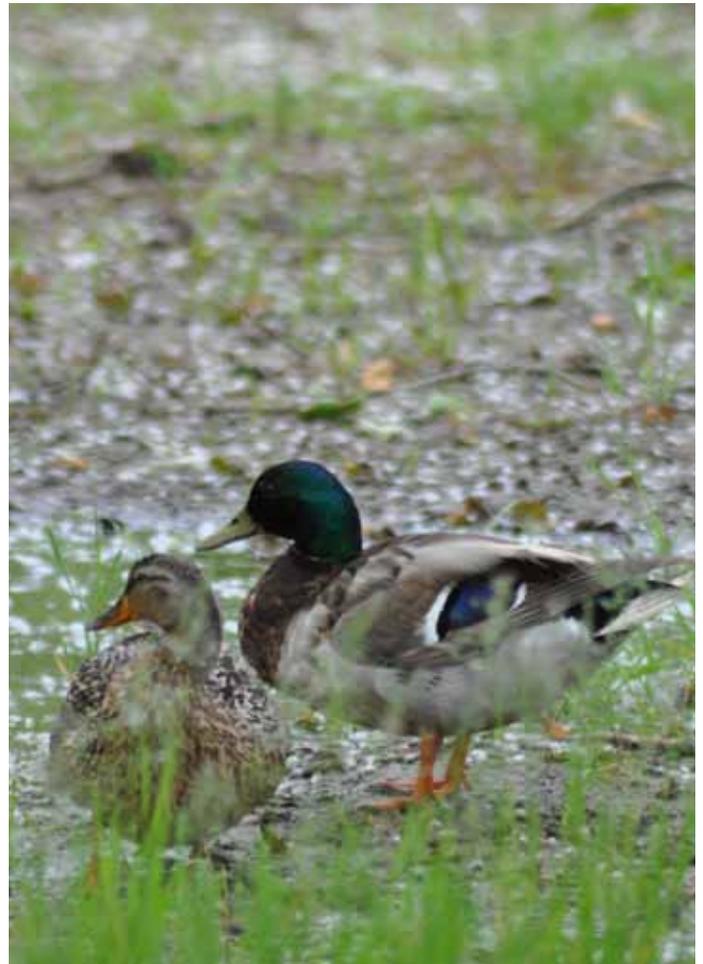
Once again, Baby Puppies retrieved bumpers on water. They ran from the shore on a point with marks

landing in the water, near the edge, 20 to 40 yards from the line, proving quite the workout for the youngest of our competitors.

Junior Puppies once again had ducks thrown for water marks which both landed on the shore this time, 40 to 55 yards from the line which as at the end of another point.

Ducks were once again used for the Senior Puppies and thrown to land on the shore, 60 to 75 yards from the line, which was in the middle of a point.

Overall, handlers and spectators had a great time watching and interacting with the puppies. The judges provided a challenging trial, allowing them to separate their placements and giving the trainers and handlers a list of new things to work on at home.



# Puppy Stakes



(L to R) - 4<sup>th</sup> Quigley with Heidi Henningson, 1<sup>st</sup> Colt with Brian Schломann, 2<sup>nd</sup> Peach with Maria Nelson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Kimber with Tom Lind

## Senior Puppy

**1st – SHR Bear Kreek's Peacemaker** (Colt) Male  
(Grand Oaks He's No Boy Scout MH QA2 X Grand Oaks Toes In The Sand MH QA2)  
Bred by Thomas & Dawn Lind  
Owned by Brian & Kimberly Schломann  
Handled by Brian Schломann

**2nd – Satyr's Peachy Keen!** (Peach) Female  
(Sienna Bay Watermark Rhiannon's Encore Kye BN RA DM DSX CGC TKI X HRCH Wind Wagon's Sea Ya Satyr SH)  
Bred by Scott Lorimer  
Owned by and Handled by Maria Nelson

**3rd – Grand Oaks Spirit Of The Wild The Wild** (Kimber) Female (Grand Oaks He's No Boy Scout MH QA2 X Grand Oaks Toes In The Sand MH QA2)  
Bred By and Owned by Tom & Dawn Lind  
Handled by Tom Lind

**4th – Bur Oaks Quigley On The Road From Valhalla** (Quigley) Female (FC Topsail's Good time Buddy QA2 X Valhallas Artic Sea)  
Bred by Shawn Ward  
Owned Heidi Henningson and Gary Kavan  
Handled by Gary Kavan





3<sup>rd</sup> Billie with Mitch Patterson, 1<sup>st</sup> Colt with Brian Schlomann, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kimber with Tom Lind

### Junior Puppy

**1st – SHR Bear Kreek’s Peacemaker** (Colt) Male (Grand Oaks He’s No Boy Scout MH QA2 X Grand Oaks Toes In The Sand MH QA2). Bred by Thomas & Dawn Lind. Owned by Brian & Kimberly Schlomann. Handled by Brian Schlomann

**2nd – Grand Oaks Spirit Of The Wild The Wild** (Kimber) Female (Grand Oaks He’s No Boy Scout MH QA2 X Grand Oaks Toes In The Sand MH QA2). Bred By and Owned by Tom & Dawn Lind. Handled by Tom Lind

**3rd – JJ’s Knockin On Heaven’s Door** (Billie) Female (Dual CH & AFC Distagon MH X CH Tulemist Golden Opportunity SH). Bred by Tom & Joan MacClanahan. Owned by Linda & Mitch Patterson. Handled by Mitch Patterson



(L to R)-3<sup>rd</sup> Place Koda with Dawn Lind, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Billie with Mitch Patterson, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Tara with Laurea Griggs, 4<sup>th</sup> Place Rey with Wade Scroggins

### Baby Puppy

**1st – Next Generation Southbound Train** (Tara) Female (CH Chestnut Hills Bruin X Next Generations No Mercy). Bred by Adam Levy. Owned by and Handled by Laurea Griggs

**2nd – JJ’s Knockin On Heaven’s Door** (Billie) Female (Dual CH & AFC Distagon MH X CH Tulemist Golden Opportunity SH). Bred by Tom & Joan MacClanahan. Owned by Linda & Mitch Patterson, Handled by Mitch Patterson.

**3rd – Grand Oaks Lil Bear** (Koda) Female (CH Grand Oaks Smok’n Grizzly MH QA2 Grand Oaks Packin A Pistol MH QA2). Bred by and Owned by Dawn & Tom Lind. Handled by Dawn Lind.

**4th – Rock Hill’s I Am The Force** (Rey) Female (AFC Red Dog’s Anything Goes X Rock Hill’s Attitude On Deck). Bred by Wade Scroggins. Owned by and Handled by Cathy Scroggins.

## Puppy Candid Photos



# Challenge Trophies

## 2021 Annual American Chesapeake Field Trial Specialty Challenge Trophies



**Skipper Bob Trophy to the winner of the Open Stake**  
Church Creek Abigail Von Duckslayer CD SH

**Heller Trophy to the winner of the Amateur Stake**  
Cut Me Loose Cletus

**CH Sasnakra Sassy Trophy to the winner of the Qualifying Stake**  
Grand Oaks Son Of A Gun SH

**Fleischmann Trophy to the winner of the Derby Stake**  
Rocky Hooks JJ S Play It Again



**Chew Bacca Trophy to the winner of the Senior Puppy Stake**  
SHR Bear Creek's Peacemaker

**Upper Midwest Chesapeake Enthusiasts Trophy to the winner of the Junior Puppy Stake**  
SHR Bear Creek's Peacemaker

**Hoagland – Lundy Memorial Trophy To the winner of the Baby Puppy Stake**  
Next Generation southbound Train



**Dashnaw Trophy to the Best Bitch in Trial**  
Church Creek Abigail Von Duckslayer CD SH



The American Chesapeake Club has decided to no longer actually award the trophies at the Field Trial Specialty. Instead, they are being "retired" to the Retriever Hall of Fame at the National Bird Dog Museum in Grand Junction, Tennessee. They will be displayed together for all to see. That decision was made due to several factors: the fragile state of many of the trophies and the difficulties of keeping track of them along with problems with having them shipped from old winner to the new trail ground, among others. We want to make sure that the long history of Chesapeake Bay Retrievers in Field Trials is preserved. Names of all the new winners will be engraved on the trophies.

Of the eight trophies, four already reside at the Hall of Fame. Two more will be taken there next spring. BUT we are missing two of the trophies: The CH Sasnarkra Sassy Trophy that is awarded to the winner of the Qualifying and the Fleischmann Trophy that is awarded to the winner of the Derby. If you have received either of those two trophies, please let me know and tell me who you shipped it to. Conversely, if you won either of the trophies and did not receive it, let me know that too. These trophies are treasures that must be found!!



# 2022 Field Trial

*Save The Date !*

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Location: Junction City, Oregon

Co-Chairs:

Briedi Gillespie and Julie Cole



The State motto of Oregon is Alis Volat Propiis, Which is Latin for "She flies with her own wings"

**The weekend prior is the Shasta Cascade Retriever Club trial that is located 40 miles north of the ACC trial grounds.**

**The following weekend is Labor Day**

