



NEXT MEETING

**Thursday,
July 26**

7:30pm Sharp

Mavis Winkle's Irish Pub
8870 Darrow Rd
Twinsburg, OH 44087

**Come early and grab
a bite to eat!**

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Short and to the Point

May 2012

The President's Message:

What an exciting spring so far, the Field Trial and the Hunt Test both were a huge success for the club. We had a great show of support from the membership, both were well attended events and both were profitable!

Thanks to Chris Young and Jen Sheehan as Field Trial Chairmen and Secretary along with George Epling and his daughter Jenna Epling as Hunt Test Chairmen and Secretary, their hard work and dedication truly paid off. I'm sure all four would agree that the hard work of the membership played a big role in making these events a success. Everyone deserves a round of applause or at least an "at a boy". This type of support is what makes our club a successful club and a true pleasure to be a proud member

of. Thanks again to all that helped out.

We have some great events coming up, so let's keep up the support and comradely as we move into the summer events.



Sincerely, (Woof)

Art Jones

Important Dates to Remember!

Special Events:

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| June 9 | Rescue Pet Expo |
| July 14 | GSPCO Specialty Show |
| August 11 | Annual Training Day |
| August 25-26
(tentative) | GSPCO Walking Trial |
| September 8-9
(tentative) | GSPCO Fall Horseback Trial |
| September 29-30 | Dual Hunt Test: GSPCO and Oakridge Pointer Club |

Membership Meetings:

Last Thursday every other month at 7:30 sharp

July 26

September 27

November 15 –Elections

Specialty Show: AKC Conformation

GSPCO Specialty show and Hospitality day

July 14, 2012

Hi folks! Summer is right around the corner and so is our State Specialty Show. Held at the Bill Stanton Community Park, Madison, Ohio, this will be our 28th annual Specialty Show and my 5th anniversary of chairing this event. Last year we changed our Specialty to Saturday of the show weekend. We are going to keep that arrangement as it worked out very well. **Set up is on Wednesday July 11th at 7:30 pm. It's our pre-show party to help put up the tent and rope off the parking.**

For those of you who are new to this event. The grounds will host a few breed specialties on Thursday that week and then an all-breed dog show on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. It is one of the largest outdoor Show weekends in North east Ohio drawing entries from all the surrounding states and even Canada.

The GSPCO supports the entry of German Shorthairs throughout the weekend but the bulk of our trophies are awarded on Saturday. There is a first place trophy for every class and there are special or "non-regular" classes at our Specialty. One of these classes is the Hunting Dog/Bitch classes. To be eligible to enter the Hunting class your dog must have earned a hunting test title. There is also a Field trial dog class. To be eligible to enter the Field trial dog class the dog needs to have placed at a pointing dog field trial. I would like to encourage our members who have dogs that qualify to enter these classes and give them a good showing. You have nothing to lose and you could win a prize.

Of course we will have our usual raffle and hospitality table. We usually have a great group of club members turn out for hospitality and it is great

by Cindi Chilbert

fun. There will be an extra special raffle item and many, many other treasures to win. The main menu item will again be barbecue chicken sandwiches as I have received many requests to repeat. Everyone loves that Drunken Moose.

I hope you will be able to help and spend a wonderful day at the show in the park. Please sign up at the meeting or call me at [440-285-8931](tel:440-285-8931) to volunteer. See you Saturday, July 14th, bring along your own folding chair, relax, have a drink, good food and friendship. You'll be glad you came.



HELP!

Volunteers needed to help at these events! Contact chairmen to let them know how you can help. New people welcome

Cindi Chilbert

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Raffle for Rescue Items NEEDED!

Your generous donation of any item to be raffled off at the specialty show in July would be greatly appreciated.

Raffle proceeds help local GSP rescue.

Items can be brought to the show before 8am , July 14th or contact Cindi Chilbert for other arrangements.



Gun Dog Horsemanship Clinic

Become a better horseman and enjoy riding more:

Saturday June 23 2:00-5:00pm

Call today to reserve your spot.

Mays Way Stables
Meredith Mays- Owner
176 Cupps Rd.
Renfrew, PA, 16053

Phone: 724 -712-1795

- Perform a quick safety check of your equipment
- Gain a better understand of horse behavior
- Problem solve if something goes wrong

Cost is only \$40



Ear Infections

Any one or more of the following symptoms can indicate an ear infection:

1. Shaking the head
2. Pain when touching the ear
3. Redness or swelling
4. Odor or discharge

The causes of ear infections can be ear mites, foreign bodies such as grass awns, allergies, hormonal abnormalities, heredity, immune causes, or trauma. Any of these can allow for an overgrowth of bacteria or yeast in the ear. Bacterial infections are usually painful with redness, swelling, and discharge. Yeast infections have a lot of dryness, swelling, oozing, and intense itching. These can also spread to other parts of the body.

Many ear infections can be prevented by proper cleaning of the ear. Because the ear has a long canal, it allows infections to start deep in the ear before the symptoms are recognized. Weekly cleaning with the appropriate cleaner based on the condition of the ear helps reduce the bacterial or fungal agents in the ear canal. If the infection becomes overgrown, then diagnosis by bacterial smears and cultures for resistant bacteria by your veterinarian become necessary to choose the appropriate medical therapy which can be a combination of topical ointments and systemic anti-inflammatory and antibacterial/fungal medications. Dogs that swim tend to have an increased number of infections due to the mois-

by R.K. Reynolds, DVM

ture that accumulates in the ear canal while swimming and washing the ears following swimming helps dry the canal out.

Guessing what the cause of non-responding infections is can have serious consequences for your dog's hearing and health. Uncontrolled ear infections can lead to hematomas, severely ulcerated ear canals, vestibular disorders and ruptured ear drums.



Might be an ear infection if:

Stinky

Smelly

Itchy

Red

Dark and Grimy



Insects are the only carrier of Lyme disease

Lyme Disease

The number of black legged ticks, also known as deer ticks, are on the rise here in Ohio. These are the only carriers of Lyme disease. Previously, this has not been a concern for Ohio residents because the number of black legged ticks found annually was so insignificant. However, Lyme disease is the most common vector born disease, and reported cases continue to rise nationwide.

It is important to know as much as you can; here are a few key points:

- They live almost year round, so be diligent about checking yourself and your dog each time you go out.
- Know the proper method for removing a tick.
- Lyme disease can be cured if caught early, and many doctor suggest keeping the tick in an airtight container for testing.
- Beside keeping the tick off, Lyme vaccine is another way to try to protect your dog from the infection. Also, yearly blood testing is recommended.
- Preventic collars are very effective for 3 months, but affected by water. Escalibor collars are good for 6 months not affected by water and also good for fleas.

How to remove a tick:

1. **Grab the head, not the body with tweezers and pull STRAIGHT out, not twist.**
2. **Alcohol on a cotton ball will kill them**
3. **Do not squash them and get their blood on your hands.**

The key is to remove the head of the tick.



http://ohiodnr.com/Home/wild_resourcessubhomepage/dealing_with_wildlifeplaceholder/Diseases/ticks/tabid/23053/

NGSPA Championships of Ohio

by Robert Reynolds, DVM

The 2012 running of the Ohio Championship began April 24 at the Tri-Valley wildlife area near Dresden, Ohio and concluded on April 27.

The Ohio Division of Wildlife had the clubhouse, kennels, corrals and field trial grounds in excellent condition. Recent controlled burns increased the visibility to a nearly perfect level to watch big-running dogs compete in this venue. Several out-of-state competitors remarked that they felt that Ohio's new field trial area offered a great championship trial ground.

Our judges for the Open Shooting Dog and All-Age Championships were Tom Oswald from Winnsboro, S.C. and Ted Goodyear of Centerburg, Ohio. Jesse Chapman of Nova, Ohio and Dan DiMambro of Leroy, Michigan judged the Amateur Championship, while Chris Young of Rochester, Pennsylvania and Joe Orndorff of Wardensville, West Virginia were in the saddle for the Derby Classic.

Our judges gave all entries their full attention and many competitors expressed their appreciation of our judiciary.

Evening dinners of steak, pulled pork, and grilled chicken were catered by The Depot Restaurant of Dresden, Ohio and was enjoyed by all in attendance.

Our successful trial was made possible by the many members of the German Shorthair Pointer Club of Ohio who contributed their time and talent for our event. I would espe-

cially like to thank our secretary, Jen Sheehan, Chris Young, Art Jones, Jim Wallace, Hank Lewis, and Bob Reynolds, as well as our bird planters, Dennis Meinke, Russ Roth, and Brian Smith. They did a terrific job of planting birds and keeping the trial moving on schedule.

While a spring snowstorm blanketed the east coast, we were blessed with windy and warm conditions at the start of the trial, and as the week went on the weather cooled. After a rainy night, the front moved out and good weather conditions prevailed through the duration of the trial. The storm did prevent a few amateurs from making the trip.

Once again, Purina is to be thanked for their continued support of our field trial events. Pat Lamantia and his wife, Patty, were on hand to represent Purina.

Also a big thank you to Tri-Tronics for providing a collar to the Amateur Shooting Dog winner.



The 2012 NGSPA Championship of Ohio Winners:

Open Shooting Dog Champion:

WFK Belle's Georgia Peanut, owned and handled by Dave Walker .

"Peanut" had 6 evenly spaced finds. Her extreme style with manners beyond reproach that remained unchanged through the flush and shot duly impressed the judges.



Hi-Point's Express, owned by Scott Samson and handled by Chris Goegan, was named runner-up. Snap had a forward shooting dog race with four evenly spaced finds.

All Age Champion:

Even though our numbers were low, this stake featured two National Champions and one National Champion Runner-Up.

Hi-Points Hightailing Ruby, owned by Robert Reynolds, DVM, and handled by



Chris Goegan. Ruby had a consistent forward race with two stylish finds.

Runner -Up went to Franco's Flying Freebird, owned by Shannon & Harvey Franco, and handled by Chris Goegan



The 2012 NGSPA Championship of Ohio Winners:

Amateur Shooting Dog Champion:

With 12 entries in the Amateur Shooting Dog Championship, the judges had plenty of fine dogs to watch before naming Jagermeister's Dollop of Daisy, owned and handled by Joe Orndorff, as Champion. She ran a nice consistent race, stayed to the front, had great style and impeccable manners on her birds.

Runner up went to GK's Ramblin Hollywood, owned and handled by Greg Keiser.



OPEN DERBY CLASSIC



Fieldmaster's Woodland Camma, owned by Alonzo Thompson, Jr and handled by Chris Goegan, was the winner of the Jay Ford Schnackel Memorial Rotating Trophy. This trophy recognizes Jay's contribution to the NGSPA as a past president and his contributions to the shorthair breed in Ohio. WFK's Sally's Heidi Ho, owned by Angela Healan and handled by Dave Walker, was second. Groogrux King V Gun, owned and handled by Art Jones, won the third place ribbon.

Spring Horseback Field Trial

by Jenifer Sheehan, GSPCO Secretary

The German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Ohio held its Spring Horseback Trial at the Tri - Valley Wildlife Area, in Dresden ,OH on April 28 & 29, 2012. We had a fun, successful trial, and 111 entries enjoyed running on the grounds; this spring we were able to see much of both courses from the club house and parking area.

Congratulations to those handlers who put Field Champion /Amateur Field Champion titles on their dogs.

Many thanks to the following:

- Field trial chairman, Chris Young, for all of his hard work and for making it a great event.
- Field trial committee: Brian Smith, Art Jones, Dennis Meinke, Hank Lewis and Jennifer Sheehan.
- Bird planters and gunners, Russ Roth, Dennis Meinke, Brian Smith, and Charlie Brown
- Laurie Brown, Anne Weslow, and Cheryl Knight for running the kitchen. They kept us

well fed for the weekend. We enjoyed a BBQ dinner catered by the Depot on Saturday night. Thank you to those members who donated food for our meals.

- Judges for doing an incredible job. They kept things moving along, while giving each dog and handler careful consideration. Our judges were: Tom Oswald, Dennis Baker, Joe Orndorff, Chris Streitenberger, Diane Vater, Chuck Cooper, Dave Walker, Paul Gall and Robert Reynolds, DVM. We appreciate all of the time spent in the saddle and all of your hard work. We wouldn't have had such a fun, successful trial without your support.
- Pro Trainers, Chris Goegan and Jesse Chapman, from Ohio, Dave Walker from Georgia, Diane Vater & Chuck Cooper from Pennsylvania, and Dan DiMambro from Michigan for traveling and supporting our trial.
- Pat Lamantia and Nestle Purina for their continued support and for donating Purina dog



The Spring Field Trial Winners:

OPEN LIMITED GUN DOG: 26 STARTERS

- 1ST PLACE: FC HACASAK'S BEAUTIFUL BESS, OWNER: MARIANNE GOODWIN, HANDLER: JESSE CHAPMAN
 2ND PLACE: HI N'S FEED JAKE, OWNER: HANK LEWIS, HANDLER: CHRIS GOEGAN
 3RD PLACE: DURITE'S JET CITY WOMAN, OWNER: MIKE & CARRIE SVEZVLO, HANDLER: DIANE VATER
 4TH PLACE: FC GRAU GEIST'S ARCTIC RUSH, OWNER: GENE & NICOLETTE MASON, HANDLER: DIANEVATER

OPEN ALL AGE: 7 STARTERS

- 1ST PLACE: JAGERMEISTER'S DOLLOP OF DAISY, OWNER: JOE ORNDORFF, HANDLER: CHRIS GOEGAN
 2ND PLACE: GK'S RAMBLIN ELI, OWNED & HANDLED BY GREG KEISER
 3RD PLACE: WITHHELD
 4TH PLACE: WITHHELD

AMATEUR LIMITED GUN DOG: 13 STARTERS

- 1ST PLACE: HI N'S SOUTHERN CROSS: OWNED & HANDLED BY HANK LEWIS
 2ND PLACE: GOOD TIME'S ONE SHOT WONDER: OWNER: JENNIFER SHEEHAN, HANDLER: CHRIS YOUNG
 3RD PLACE: GK'S NORTHERN CHILL: OWNED & HANDLED BY GREG KEISER
 4TH PLACE: SPRINGMEADOW CRUIS'N LIZZIE: OWNED & HANDLED BY CHRIS STREITENBERGER

OPEN PUPPY: 8 STARTERS

- 1ST PLACE: HI N'S CAJUN MIKE: OWNED AND HANDLED BY HANK LEWIS
 2ND PLACE: WAYBAC'S SILVER SURFER: OWNER: BEVERLY & WAYNE COWGILL, HANDLER: DIANE VATER
 3RD PLACE: FIELDMASTER'S WOODLAND CAMMA: OWNER: ALONZO THOMPSON, JR, HANDLER: CHRIS GOEGAN
 4TH PLACE: SAGA N PEPA V RIETERALM: OWNER: JEFF AND MARY BROWN, HANDLER: DIANE VATER

OPEN DERBY: 5 STARTERS

- 1ST PLACE: CHOCOLATE PIXIE'S WHITE SMOKE: OWNER: KEN LYNCH, HANDLER: DIANE VATER
 2ND PLACE: SIREN'S SONG GROOGRUX KING VON GUN: OWNED & HANDLED BY ART JONES
 3RD PLACE: CLETUS III, OWNER: LEVY BRACK, HANDLER: DAVE WALKER
 4TH PLACE: DURITE'S LUCKY CHANCE, OWNER: ROGER & MICHELLE HATCH, HANDLER: DIANE VATER

AMATEUR GUN DOG: 17 STARTERS

- 1ST PLACE: CHICOREE'S SPARKLE IN HER EYE: OWNED & HANDLED BY FRED RYAN
 2ND PLACE: SLATEROCK PEPPERMINT SNAP IT: OWNER: RICK HEARE, HANDLER: JOE ORNDORFF
 3RD PLACE: CHICOREE'S WINDSTORM: OWNED & HANDLED BY FRED RYAN
 4TH PLACE: GK'S WHISTLING STRAIGHT: OWNED & HANDLED BY GREG KEISER

OPEN GUN DOG: 26 STARTERS:

- 1ST PLACE: GK'S WHISTLING STRAIGHT: OWNED & HANDLED BY GREG KEISER
 2ND PLACE: JDUB'S CROSSWIND SHOCK & AWE: OWNER: JASON WINANS, HANDLER: DAN DIMAMBRO
 3RD PLACE: CHICOREE'S WINDSTORM: OWNER: FRED RYAN, HANDLER: DAN DIMAMBRO



Spring Hunt Test

by George Epling

We held our spring hunt test at Oakridge Pointing Dog Club's grounds this year. Aside from it being a little too hot here and there, the weather was beautiful for the event.

We had a rather small event with 46 entries for the week-end but for a spring event it's not bad. Over all, the event ran very smoothly and with no problems.

We had a great amount of help from club members such as: John Costanzo, Mark DiRienzo, Art Jones, Russ Roth, Brian Smith, Dennis Meinke, Jason Harmon, Cheryl Knight and her little ones Sydney and Kelsey who set up the raffle and sold all the tickets as well as awarding the prizes.

Thank you to Uplanders Warehouse for their continued support of our club event thru their continued



donations. We would like to thank our judges, Bill Davis, Denise Cooper, Frank Watters and Helen Riggle for their continued support of our hunt test.

We had many returning handlers from previous events, who had many positive comments on GSPCO

events, we appreciate your loyalty. As always, we had a great time putting on the event and enjoyed watching the dogs perform.

Last, but not least, thank you to my daughter Jenna for all your hard work and devotion as our Hunt Test Secretary, you did a great job keeping everything organized and moving over the week-end, everyone enjoyed working with you.

BRAGS



Dennis Meinke's dogs Trumbull Creek's Angel Wings (left) and AFC Trumbull Creek's Calli (right) both passed the Master Hunter tests at the GSPCO Hunt Test on May 5 & 6. This completes their 5 passes and are now AKC Master Hunters. Calli passed 5 times in 5 attempts. Calli was also 1st in All Age and awarded Pointing Dog of the Day at the 2012 Hunters Winners Trail on April 14.



Art Jones' Oliver took a first in open derby and am walk derby at the vizsla club of greater Cleveland along with a 2 nd in am walk puppy. Ava had a 2nd in open gun dog and a 3rd in open limited gun dog

Oliver took 1st place in open puppy at the Irish setter trial. It was a 13dog stake.

Oliver took a 2 nd in open derby at our club trial and 3rd in derby at the Ohio Championship.



FIELD TRIAL PUPPY PROSPECTS

Whelped 4/6/2012

Both Male & Female Puppies Available

Sire: NC GK's Nuke It

Dam: FC Hi Point's Luke's Leading Lady

THIS LITTER WILL BE NOMINATED TO
BOTH THE GSPCA AND

THE NGSPA NATIONAL FIELD FUTURITIES.

For More Information on this National

caliber litter, please contact:

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Newsletter and Website

Cheryl Knight is working on the news- **Deadline for July Newsletter**
letter and keeping the web site current.
Please send her any and all ideas.

We would love to hear from you:

- **GSP Pictures: from events or home**
- **Interesting articles and quotes**
- **Ideas to include: I want to see...**
- **Brag: achievements of any kind.**



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www.gandermountain.com
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 GSP Chronicle
www.gspchronicle.com
 Shorthair Journal
www.shorthairjournal.com
www.gsp-photos.us
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