

Iowa Brittany Club News

January 2009



2009 Winter Meeting-

PLEASE RSVP SO I CAN KNOW HOW MANY!

Mark your calendar for the IBC Winter Meeting on:

Sunday, January 25th, 2008:

10 a.m. meeting, followed by lunch @ Noon
Prairie Meadows Racetrack & Casino
The Prairie Rose Room
1 Prairie Meadows Drive
Altoona, Iowa

Directions: Take I-80 to Altoona (just east of Des Moines) Exit south on NE Hubbell Ave. turn left on Adventureland Drive, then turn right on to Prairie Meadows Drive.

Lunch:

Club will cover half of the meal for members. Spouses and non members will have to pay for the entire meal.

MENU: 4oz. Pork loin with peppercorn cream sauce, Mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, garden salad with creamy Parmesan House dressing, rolls and butter. For dessert: Strawberry Shortcake
COST: \$19.00

Agenda

Old Business:

- Approval of Winter Meeting Minutes – Bob Burchett
- Web site Report – Chris Burchett
- Responsible Dog Ownership Day
- Fundraising for Field Trial Grounds
- Field Trial grounds

New Business:

- President's Report – Chris Burchett
Notable Dog Nominations & Dog of the Year
- Treasurer's Report – Kendall Brown
- VP Reports
 - Walking Trial – Wes Shaffer
 - Field Trials – Bruce Heiter
 - Dog Shows – Jane Windom
 - Hunt Tests – Roger Stowell
- Date and Place of Summer Meeting
- Tammy Lorch on Brittany Rescue and the Pet Expo
- Other New Business

Contact Chris Burchett with any questions about the meeting.

Get Involved in the IBC

The Iowa Brittany Club needs your help! Volunteers keep our club alive. Your participation allows the IBC to offer events and activities for members and Brittany lovers throughout Iowa.

To find out how you can get involved, contact Chris Burchett.

You can make a difference! Get involved today.

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Have News to Share?

Add information about upcoming events, event results or other club news in the next issue of *Iowa Brittany Club News*. Send your news to Chris Burchett.

Update Your Contact Info

Make sure you receive information from the IBC. Send updates to your contact information to club secretary Bob Burchett. If you have one, please provide your email address to save printing and postage costs for newsletters and event premiums.

Notable Dogs Section of IBC Web Site

Check out the notable dog section of the website. Forms are available to nominate Notable Dogs for 2009 from Chris Burchett.

Web Site Advertising

Web site advertising is \$10 for a small ad that will run for 1 year. Ads are text only, no photos at this time. Send ads and payment (payable to the Iowa Brittany Club) to Chris Burchett at 1758 295th Street Argyle, Iowa 52619.

Highlights of Fall Events

The IBC had a busy fall schedule, hosting numerous events that make the club an active and proud promoter of Brittanys and pointing dogs in general.

Here are reports from some of our fall events. A big THANKS to all club members who helped with our events!

Fall Specialty Show: September 26, 2008

Here are the results for the show. We had 31 entries in the show and not sure of the number of entries in the Sweepstakes.

Best Of Breed: CH Melridge Stir N It Up owned by D. Bingham / F. Bingham

Best Of Opposite: CH Copley's Millennium Martini owned by R. Tomasi / B. Scott

Best of Winners: Alar's Sky Dancer owned by A. Farinas / G. Schanzenbacher / J. Carlson

Winner's Dog: Rico's Hi Proof Bootlegger owned by C. Schaefer / J. Schaefer **Shown by Chris Burchett**

Reserve Winner's Dog: Cedarlane's I'll Tan Your Hide owned by R. Miller / S. Miller / R. Battaglia

Winner's Bitch: Alar's Sky Dancer owned by A. Farinas / G. Schanzenbacher / J. Carlson

Reserve Winner's Bitch: Ricochet's Chantilly owned by J. Condron / M. Condron
Field Trial Dog: DC / AFC Biscuits Ecko Of Dreams owned by D. Connell / Tom Jagelski

Dual Dog Award: DC Ricochet Hemi Baracuda owned by Mickey & Julie Condron.

Club member's dogs that placed not listed above:

**Bred By Exhibitor Dogs: 2nd place- PBF'S Cooper's Money-N-The Bank- Mary Garr
Bred By Exhibitor Bitch: 3rd place- PBF's Coopers Ms. Lot-T-Da- Mary Garr**

Open Bitch: 3rd place- Blazin Shadow's Bama Jama- Roger Stowell

Field Trial Dog: 3rd place- DC Magic You Can Be My Wingman handled by Chris Burchett

Fall Field Trial: September 26, 2008

Results were as follows:

Open Puppy- 11 starters:

1st place- The Crash Scene - O.-P. Rosevear H.- T. Tracy

2nd place- Time for Biscuit - O.-B. & M Oliver H.- S. Johnson

3rd place- Tee's Hurricane- O.-J. Miley H.- S. Johnson

4th place- Cedar Valley Daisy- O.-? H.- T. Tracy

Open Derby- 19 starters:

1st place- Cast-A-Britt Micro Sammie- O.-Ken & Jane Windom H.- Bob Burchett

2nd place- Rico G's Blazin Cyclone - O.-Troy & Ellen Moore H. - Bob Burchett

3rd place- Roy's Diamond Cutter - O.- R & M Fiorito

4th place- County Line Aces High - O.-S. Truksa

Amateur Gun Dog- 14 starters:

1st place- Git-R-Dun - O.-M. Ritter- H.- Bruce Heiter

2nd place- DC Ricochet Hemi Baracuda - M. Condron

3rd place- DC Barney's Hi Proof Ronrico - C. & J. Schaefer

4th place- Deuce's Five O'Clock Somewhere- P & L Pollock

Amateur All Age- 18 starters:

1st place- DC Starlight's Blazing Sirius- T. Thomas

2nd place- FC / AFC Bada Bing - Bruce Heiter

3rd place- DC Almaden's River of Shadows- J. Carlson

4th place- Marjo's Here for the Party- J. & M. Luisi

Open Gun Dog- 29 starters:

1st place- FC Tolka Belle O Kid Rusty's Pro- O.- A. Kroll H.- Bob Burchett

2nd place- Speeding Ticket's Radar Gun O.-B. Keopke H.- J. John

3rd place- DC Country Road's Rough Rider - O.- K. Stout H. Bob Burchett

4th place- CH Country Road's Boilermaker- O.- K. Stout H.- Bob Burchett

Open All Age- 25 starters:

1st place- Breton's Castle Rocket O.- B. Keopke H.- J. John

2nd place- DC Havapal's Renegade Billy Boy - O.- Tom Thomas H.- Bob Burchett

3rd place- Wimberly Jim Dandy - O.- G. Kearns H.- S. Johnson

4th place- FC Tsunami - O.- J & M Floyd H.- S. Johnson

AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB GUN DOG CLASSIC:

By Chris Burchett

The Gun Dog Classic stake had 33 dogs going to the line. A BIG Thank You to Ken Windom for doing the reporting and Bruce for all his behind the scenes help getting judges and birds for the event.

The winner was FC TM's Tennessee Twister owned by Brooke Caviness from Tennessee & Lisa Pollack from New Jersey and handled by Tommy Tracy.

Runner Up was DC Country Road's Rough Rider owned by Karen Stout from Indiana and **handled by Bob Burchett.**

3rd place was FC / AFC Covey Rise's Rambo JR owned by Chuck & Jill Schaefer from Indiana and **handled by Bob Burchett.**

4th place was FC Tolka Belle O Kid Rusty's Pro owned by Andy Kroll from Michigan and **handled by Bob Burchett.**

Fall Hunt Test:

By Roger Stowell

The Iowa Brittany Club held its fall Hunt Test on October 18-19, 2008 on the Earl Stout Farm near Rose Hill, Iowa. We had 24 starters on Saturday and 20 on Sunday. Attendance was up from last year and it was encouraging to see five new participants which had not been to one

of our Hunt Tests before. The fog delayed our start on Saturday, but it finally cleared and we were about to start and run the braces and finish at a decent time that day. Sunday was a nice sunny day and a great day for the dogs to run. A special thanks to Earl & Beth Stout for allowing us to use their land to hold this event and to Beth for furnishing the lunches. Thanks also to the judges, gunners, the Iowa Brittany Club Hunt Test committee members and all the participants that helped to make this a successful event.

Saturday, October 18, 2008

Junior Hunter- 17 starters

Snoopy Matilda Miss Suzy-Q O.- Geoff Eyer

Blazin Shadow's Bama Jama- O.- Roger Stowell

Coco Leo St. Clair- O.- Jon St. Clair

PBF's Coopers Money-N-The Bank- O. Mary Garr

Senior Hunter- 2 starters

PBF's Takin All Bet-Z- O. Randy Fitzgerald

Sunday, October 19, 2008

Junior Hunter- 13 starters

Coco Leo St. Clair- Jon St. Clair

Snoopy Matilda Miss Suzy-Q- O.- Geoff Eyer

KB's Four One Eyed Jacks- O.-Gerald Nichol

Sha-Paws Goat- O.- Kirk Schappaugh

Blazin Shadow's Bama Jama- O. Roger Stowell

PBF's Cooper's Money-n-The Bank- O. Mary Garr

I would like to say that it was great to see so many new faces at the events this fall. From the Summer Meeting, Show and Field Trial! A lot of club members along with their dogs did well at the events. Congrats to all!

Please come and join us for the winter meeting.

Not to mention, it is a great way to meet new people to share your love of Brittanys!

Door prizes

Calendar of Events

Learn more about the IBC's competition events at the summer meeting.

Date	Event	Location	Contact for More Information
Sun.- Jan. 25, 2009	Winter Meeting	Altoona, IA	Chris Burchett (319-838-2822)
April 3, 2009	Spring Dog Show	Creston, IA	Jane Windom (515-220-4925)
April 3, 2009	Spring Field Trial	Thayer, IA	Bruce Heiter(515-965-8102)
March 15, 2009	Walking Field Trial	Hillsboro, IA	Wes Shaffer (319-385-9606)
April 2, 2009	ABC Central Futurity	Thayer, IA	Chris Burchett (319-838-2822)
April 18-19, 2009	Hunt Test	TBA	Roger Stowell (515-255-4421)

2009 SPRING EVENTS PLANNED:

- § SUMMER MEETING- TBA- JULY 12, 2009
- § WALKING TRIAL- HILLSBORO, IA.- MARCH 15, 2009
- § SPECIALTY SHOW- CRESTON, IA.- APRIL 3, 2009
- § HORSEBACK FIELD TRIAL- THAYER, IA.- APRIL 3-9, 2009
- § 2009 CENTRAL FUTURITY- SHOW AND FIELD- THAYER, IA.- APRIL 2-3, 2009
- § ED POWELL MEMORIAL 1 HOUR GUN DOG- THAYER, IA.- APRIL 6-9, 2009
- § HUNT TEST- TBA.- APRIL 18-19, 2009

American Brittany Rescue needs foster homes in Iowa!

By Tammy Lorch

Because there are not enough foster homes, they are having to leave Britts in Shelters and turn away owner-surrenders. A Brittany usually stays in a foster home for 4-6 weeks before being adopted. For more information, go to <http://www.americanbrittanyrescue.org/> or email Iowa coordinator Terry Mixdorf terrymixdorf@gmail.com

How Two IBC Members and American Brittany Rescue Helped a Stray Brittany

Submitted by Tammy Lorch

On October 5, 2008 I received an email from Chris Burchett letting me know about two stray Brittans at a vet clinic in Osceola. When I called the vet clinic the next day and talked to the receptionist, I learned that the two orange and white females were brought to the vet clinic as strays on September 1 by a woman who found them a couple of weeks before that. The woman had gone door to door in her country neighborhood asking if they belonged to anyone and ran ads in several newspapers but no one claimed the dogs. Since the receptionist at the vet clinic had never heard of American Brittany Rescue, I told her a little about us and what we do. She said she would be happy to release the dogs to ABR.

I contacted the ABR state coordinator, Terry Mixdorf, to see if we could find foster homes for these two Britts. The next week I called the vet clinic to let them know that ABR had foster homes for the two britts and learned that the younger female had been adopted by a local person. I also learned that the Middle aged female had a hernia and the clinic was willing to remove it before placing her in foster care. They would schedule the surgery as soon as they could fit it into their schedule which turned out to be a couple of weeks later. During that time, another ABR volunteer from the Des Moines area drove down to Osceola to meet the Britt and evaluate her temperament with other dogs and cats. After recovering from surgery, the middle aged Britt arrived in her ABR foster home on November 8! I have heard that she is settling into her foster home quite nicely and will be available for adoption soon. To see all the Britts currently available for adoption, go to <http://www.americanbrittanyrescue.org/> and click on dogs in foster homes.

Thanks to Chris Burchett this stray Britt is on her way to a loving forever home. There are many ways YOU can help Britts in Iowa who don't have a forever home-yet. Maybe you could consider fostering a homeless Brittany? Britts usually remain in foster homes for 4-6weeks before finding their forever home. Maybe you could help with transporting a Britt from a shelter to its foster home...or from its foster home to its forever home? Maybe you could conduct a home visit of a potential adopter? To volunteer, contact Terry Mixdorf terrymixdorf@gmail.com or 319-364-1633. The easiest thing you can do is to tell others about American Brittany Rescue!

PUPPIES AVAILABLE:

Sire: AFC Shady's Count Kid Dam: FC Majestic Sassy Lady
4 female & 3 male born 11-9-08
Contact Bruce Heiter

Puppies available. Contact Sherri Meeker at brilent@alltel.net

You can find more information on our website: <http://www.iowabrittanyclub.com>