



Iowa Brittany Club Newsletter

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Dedicated to the Dual Brittany

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A Few Thoughts As 2011 Winds Down....

Submitted by Marcy Beveridge

As I seem to do every year as old man winter threatens to knock on the door and the year prepares to wind down, I find myself wondering just where the time has gone. And how it can possibly be that this year is almost over? When I think back over this past year a multitude of thoughts come to me...ups and downs, exciting travels and quiet times at home, projects completed and those unfinished, so much learned and so much yet to learn, new friends and old...

As I ponder 2011, the Iowa Brittany Club comes to mind quite often. We have accomplished much in this 50th anniversary year of the Club... From the very successful hosting of our spring events and the 2011 ABC Central Futurity, to almost three weeks of events this fall including our specialty show, field trial, the ABC Gun Dog Classic, the ABC Pheasant Classic, and our hunt test that brought in 65 dogs over two days from five states. IBC members volunteered extremely long hours and hard work to tweak events and try new ideas to make Iowa the place to come. The most important outcome of all?...we are a stronger Club.

In late October, needing to pick up my pup Josey, I traveled to Ionia, Michigan to meet her breeder-trainer at the ABC National Gun Dog Championships. I have never been to a national championship event so we rearranged schedules in order to stay for a few days and take in the event. It was an absolute highlight in my year. I saw extraordinary dogs, made new friends and spent time with old, and most importantly, witnessed an atmosphere of friendliness and volunteerism that pervaded the event at every level. Folks from all over the country coming together to make it work...and make it work well.

As you think back over 2011 and anticipate the arrival of 2012, I hope you too will think of the very thing that brings us together...those marvelous little orange and white (and yes, liver and white too!!!) dogs, constant in their quizzical expression, full of amazing talent, with a healthy dose of orneriness for good measure. Consider getting involved...in stepping outside the box...in volunteering to promote the breed we all love. I know you'll meet new friends and have a great time. I have.

Iowa Brittany Club New Member...

Submitted by Marcy Beveridge

Please join me in welcoming Todd Pellett, a new Iowa Brittany Club member. Todd and his family, including several retrievers and a young female Brittany pup named Annie, hail from Atlantic, Iowa. This family enjoys training dogs and is looking forward to learning about Brittanys.

Glad to have you as a member of the Iowa Brittany Club, Todd!

Iowa Brittany Club Fall Events Results....

IOWA BRITTANY CLUB FALL 2011 SHOW/SWEEPSTAKES RESULTS

SWEEPSTAKES / JUDGE: Ms. Diane Requet

Award	Dog	Owner / Handler
Best in Puppy	Sovereign's Chasing Legends (CH Alar's The Rocketeer CD SH x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Best Opposite Sex-Puppy	Sovereign's Chasing Dreams (CH Alar's The Rocketeer CD SH x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Best in Veteran	DC/AFC Ricochet Maggie's Jac JH (DC/AFC Masked Shoshoni War Chief JH x DC Ricochet Magnum Four Forty JH)	Julie Nelson / Julie Nelson

SHOW / JUDGE: Ms. Chris Walkowicz

Award	Dog	Owner / Handler
Best of Breed	GCH Sovereign's MVP (DC/AFC Roja's Gambling Chips x CH Sovereign's Treasure The Code)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Best of Opposite Sex	CH PBF's Coopers Ms. Lot-T-Da JH (DC Country Road's Rough Rider x PBF's Hero's Echo's Of Fire)	Mary Garr / Mary Garr
Select Dog	GCH Melridge Stir'N It Up (CH Jordean Up And At 'Em x CH Melridge Two-D Winner Sails)	Diane & Frederich Bingham / Diane Bingham
Best of Winners	Sovereign's Chasing Legends (CH Alar's The Rocketeer CD SH x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Best Puppy	Coco Dot (FC/AFC Wimberly Jim Dandy x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Meam Floyd / Robin Tomasi
Best Bred By	Sovereign's Chasing Legends (CH Alar's the Rocketeer CD SH x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Winners Dog	Sovereign's Chasing Legends (CH Alar's the Rocketeer CD SH x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Reserve Winners Dog	Lost Creek A Shot of Bourbon (NFC/DC/AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch Of Bourbon x FC Lost Creek Kate)	George & Cindy McCann / Cindy McCann
Winners Bitch	TNT's Renegade Gal Pal (DC Havapal's Renegade Billy Boy x CH Country Road's Hunk Dory)	Tommy Thomas / Tommy Thomas
Reserve Winners Bitch	Tequila Tempest (DC Alamaden's River of Shadows x DC/AFC Jayhawker's Tequila With A Twist)	Jessica Carlson / Jessica Carlson
Award of Merit	DC Masked Jack of Diamonds (CH Jayhawker's Masked Bandit x Reddevil's Lucky Diamond at FF)	Carol & Rod Maves / Jessica Carlson
Award of Merit	DC/AFC Ricochet Maggie's Jac JH (DC/AFC Masked Shoshoni War Chief JH x DC Ricochet Magnum Four Forty JH)	Julie Nelson / Julie Nelson

Dogs (5D)

Bred-By-Exhibitor	Sovereign's Chasing Legends (CH Alar's the Rocketeer CD SH x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Dawn & Joel Droel / Dawn Droel
Open	Lost Creek A Shot of Bourbon (NFC/DC/AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch of Bourbon x FC Lost Creek Kate)	George & Cindy McCann / Cindy McCann

Bitches (9B)

Puppy Bitch 9-12 Mos.	Coco Dot (FC/AFC Wimberly Jim Dandy x DC Sovereign Copley Kiss My Chips)	Meam Floyd / Robin Tomasi
Junior 12-18 Mos.	Tequila Tempest (DC Alamaden's River of Shadows x DC/AFC Jayhawker's Tequila With A Twist)	Jessica Carlson / Jessica Carlson
Bred-By-Exhibitor	TNT's Renegade Gal Pal (DC Havapal's Renegade Billy Boy x CH Country Road's Hunk Dory)	Tommy Thomas / Tommy Thomas
Open	Sunnyvale Flint Hills Flyer (NFC/FC/AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow x Wild Mtn Hot Chocolate Xpress)	John & Pamela Henderson / Jessica Carlson

Iowa Brittany Club Fall Events Results, continued....

Non-Reg-Dogs

Field Trial Dog	DC Masked Jack of Diamonds (CH Jayhawker's Masked Bandit x Reddevil's Lucky Diamond at FF)	Carol & Rod Maves / Jessica Carlson
Veteran Dog	DC/AFC Ricochet Maggie's Jac JH (DC/AFC Masked Shoshoni War Chief JH x DC Ricochet Magnum Four Forty JH)	Julie Nelson / Julie Nelson

IOWA BRITTANY CLUB FALL 2011 FIELD TRIAL RESULTS

Open Puppy J: Charles Schaefer / Skip Wonnell	Sire / Dam	Owner / Handler
1st Roux-Bee	FC Jo-Lockapex Dark Roux Gumbo x Tick Time	Ben Hunt / Ed Tillson
2nd Big Prairie Holy Tarah	FC Wimberly Jim Dandy x FC Countess Mon Petite Whiz	Norm Boettcher / Kevin Stonehouse
3rd Tequila Twister	DC Almaden's River of Shadows x DC/AFC Jayhawkers Tequila With A Twist	Jessica Carlson / Ed Tillson
4th KBK's Light Years Ahead	FC Eleets Colorado Blue x Lil' Miss Natalie	Kevin Stonehouse / Kevin Stonehouse

Open Derby J: Jim Mills / Ken Seivert	Sire / Dam	Owner / Handler
1st Lost Creek A Shot of Bourbon	NFC/DC/AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch of Bourbon x FC Lost Creek Kate	George & Cindy McCann / George McCann
2nd Raise The Bar	CH Sheltany Against All Odds x FC Alar's Tango Bar	Katherine Thompson / Ed Tillson
3rd Roustabout's Nes Quick	DC Chick's Blaze'n Sawtooth Sam JH x FC Roustabout's Sniksoh Sadie	Paul Rosevear / Bob Burchett
4th Roustabout's White Knight	FC Ortho Acres Booker T x FC Jay Hawk's Georgia Girl	Paul Rosevear / Tom Tracy, Jr.

Amateur Gun Dog J: Richard Brewington / Kendall Brown	Sire / Dam	Owner / Handler
1st DC Masked Jack Of Diamonds	CH Jayhawkers Masked Bandit x Reddevil's Lucky Diamond At FF	Rod & Carol Maves / Jessica Carlson
2nd FC/AFC Git-R-Dun	DC/AFC The Whiz Kid x FC/AFC Allied's Micro Maggie	Bruce Heiter / Bruce Heiter
3rd FC Lost Creek Kate	DC/AFC The Whiz Kid x Allied's Micro Maggie	George & Cindy McCann / George McCann
4th ANJ's Amazing Grace	DC/AFC Wrigley's Chip Makin' His Marc x CH Over Under Nevenes Showtime JH	Alexa, Jacob & Mike Poehler, Mike Poehler

Amateur All Age J: Richard Brewington / Charles Schaefer	Sire / Dam	Owner / Handler
1st FC Joker's Jackpot	FC/AFC Smarteyes-Joker x S'No Fun Sea Hawk	Steve Ralph / Steve Ralph
2nd Spanky's Little Pill Bandit	Spanky Bouncin Dekota JH x Cooper's Little Pill JH	William Hancock / Bill Hancock
3rd DC Shadow Attack	NFC/FC/AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow x FC/AFC The Prairie Tornado	Phil Dangerfield / Jessica Carlson
4th TLM Frequent Flyer	FC/AFC Hillside Sweet Ol' Bob x TLM Hardhearted Hannah	Harlan Gerardy / Harlan Gerardy

Iowa Brittany Club Fall Events Results, continued...

Open Gun Dog J: Steve Ralph / Kenneth Wonnell	Sire / Dam	Owner / Handler
1st DC Rico's Hi-Proof Bootlegger	DC Barney's Hi Proof Ronrico x FC Jay Hawk's Georgia Girl	Chuck & Jill Schaefer / Bob Burchett
2nd Glade Run Nutmeg	FC Ortho Acres Booker T x Flying Feather Cocobean	David Webb / Tom Tracy, Jr.
3rd Georgia's Texas Two Step	FC Dakota Alleycat x JB's Georgian Amber Blaze	Travis & Clayton Tangen / Tom Tracy, Jr.
4th FC Chesterfield's Molly	FC/AFC Lightning's Bismark x Hi-Scor Sally Rand	Bo & Renae Ackerman / Tom Tracy, Jr.

Open All Age J: Jim Mills / Ken Seivert	Sire / Dam	Owner / Handler
1st FC Joker's Jackpot	FC/AFC Smarteyes-Joker x S'No Fun Sea Hawk	Steve Ralph / Jim John
2nd JJ's Tasmanian Devil	Sovereign's Git-R-Done x Ged's Alar Lady Liberty	Joe Williams / Ed Tillson
3rd Gun Runner's Gotta Lotta Mo	NFC/FC/AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow x TJ's Prairie Starr	Beverly Stokes & Bill Hancock / Bill Hancock
4th DC Shadow Attack	NFC/FC/AFC Shambo's Dark Shadow x FC/AFC The Prairie Tornado	Phil Dangerfield / Ed Tillson

IOWA BRITTANY CLUB FALL 2011 HUNT TEST RESULTS

The Iowa Brittany Club held its Fall 2011 Hunt Test on October 15th and 16th, at the Steelclay Shooting Sports facility near Eddyville, Iowa in near perfect weather. We were thrilled to host 65 entrants over the two day event, with 33 starters going to the line Saturday and 32 Sunday. We hosted old friends returning from our previous events, as well as a number of participants new to our venue. Entrants traveled from South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Iowa with Brittanys, Vizslas, German Shorthairs, German Wirehairs and Irish Red and White Setters participating.

As always, a big thank you to Larry and Lisa Dunn, owners of the Steelclay Shooting Sports facility for their hospitality and participation, as well as the use of their grounds and clubhouse for our Hunt Test. The viewing stand Larry constructed this past Spring was again a big hit with our participants and guests, and a terrific addition to our events. Very special thanks also to the Iowa Brittany Club Hunt Test Committee, IBC member volunteers, our judges, gunners, bird planters and kitchen crew who worked extremely hard to make this a successful and fun event. We're busy planning for Spring, 2012!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15th, 2011 / Judges: Kendall Brown & Kirk Gunter**Master Hunter Qualifiers (9S, 3Q)**

CH Affinity I Love Rock and Roll (IRWS)
Top Gun Queen Isabella (GSP)
Top Gun Jamie (GSP)

Owner

Robin & Craig Sonstebly
Bradley Weets
Russ Richner

Handler

Robin Sonstebly
Bradley Weets
Steve Ries

Senior Hunter Qualifiers (2S, 1Q)

Top Gun Jacks Or Better (GSP)

Todd Dimmer

Anthony Clinton

Junior Hunter Qualifiers (22S, 16Q)

Midwest Dream Doktor Dutch Treat (Vizsla)
Moesgaards 6R Uplands Maddy Girl (GSP)
Cedar Breaks Mohawk Jeri (GWP)
Moesgaards 6R Uplands Rock (GSP)
6Rs Ajax Smokin AJ (GSP)

Ronald & Rhonda Grimm
Chris Riddle
Lee Bonnett
Dave Kruse
Jeff Chittenden

Rhonda Grimm
Chris Riddle
Lee Bonnett
Dave Kruse
Chris Riddle

Iowa Brittany Club Fall Events Results, continued...

CoCo Copenhagen (GSP)
 Brook VIII (GSP)
 PBFs Fired Up Ramblin Man (Brittany)
 Chubs Pope (GSP)
 Moesgaards 6R Uplands Zeus (GSP)
 Countryside Simply Amazing (GSP)
 Hawkeyes Airborne Scout 2 (GSP)
 Moesgaards 6Rs Ajaxs Dakota (GSP)
 Moesgaards 6Rs Dueces Rio (GSP)
 Frazer (GSP)
 Kurious Zeker Du Compagnon (Brittany)

Mike Brekken
 Chris Riddle
 Mary Garr
 Jon Etringer
 Chris Riddle
 Jeff Chapman
 Ned Sawyer
 Robert Nutt
 Dave Kruse
 Clinton Pilcher
 Fran Leding

Jeff Chapman
 Dave Kruse
 Mary Garr
 Jon Etringer
 Chris Riddle
 Jeff Chapman
 Dave Kruse
 Chris Riddle
 Dave Kruse
 Chris Riddle
 Fran Leding

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16th, 2011 / Judges: Randy Caldwell & Randy Fitzgerald

Master Hunter Qualifiers (9S, 3Q)

CH Affinity I Love Rock and Roll (IRWS)
 Top Gun Queen Isabella (GSP)
 Mr. October (GSP)

Owner

Robin & Craig Sonstebly
 Bradley Weets
 Justin Hillman

Handler

Robin Sonstebly
 Bradley Weets
 Anthony Clinton

Senior Hunter Qualifiers (2S, 1Q)

Top Gun Jacks Or Better (GSP)

Todd Dimmer

Anthony Clinton

Junior Hunter Qualifiers (21S, 15Q)

Chubs Pope (GSP)
 CK Rugers Red Label Ann (Vizsla)
 CoCo Copenhagen (GSP)
 Moesgaards 6R Uplands Rock (GSP)
 Moesgaards 6R Uplands Maddy Girl (GSP)
 Moesgaards 6R Uplands Zeus (GSP)
 CK Smilin Silly (Vizsla)
 Hawkeyes Airborne Scout 2 (GSP)
 Midwest Dream Doktor Dutch Treat (Vizsla)
 Countryside Simply Amazing (GSP)
 Brook VIII (GSP)
 Cedar Breaks Mohawk Jeri (GWP)
 6Rs Ajax Smokin AJ (GSP)
 PBFs Coopers Little Ms Hy-N-My-T (Brittany)
 KBs Chieftans Princess (Brittany)

Jon Etringer
 Ron Chenoweth
 Mike Brekken
 Dave Kruse
 Chris Riddle
 Chris Riddle
 Ron Chenoweth
 Ned Sawyer
 Ronald & Rhonda Grimm
 Jeff Chapman
 Chris Riddle
 Lee Bonnett
 Jeff Chittenden
 Mary Garr
 Kendall Brown

Jon Etringer
 Greg Jones
 Jeff Chapman
 Dave Kruse
 Chris Riddle
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 Greg Jones
 Dave Kruse
 Ron Grimm
 Jeff Chapman
 Dave Kruse
 Lee Bonnett
 Chris Riddle
 Mary Garr
 Kendall Brown

Iowa Brittany Club Winter Meeting - Mark Your Calendar!...

Submitted by Jon St. Clair

The Iowa Brittany Club's upcoming Winter Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 29th, 2012 at Felix & Oscars Restaurant & Pub located at 4050 Merle Hay Road in Des Moines...we've booked a private meeting room there from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend. We will be voting on some important issues with respect to the Iowa Brittany Club By-Laws as well as making plans for the 2012 year. It will also be a great time to get together with fellow Club members, welcome new members, and enjoy Felix & Oscars great food!

Watch your mailbox for further information as to the agenda as well as directions to the meeting site. If you have items you'd like added to the agenda, please contact either Jon St. Clair or Marcy Beveridge by email or phone as soon as possible. We always look forward to hearing from you!

IBC Officers & Directors Upcoming Meeting...

Jon St. Clair is in the process of making arrangements for the IBC Officers & Directors winter meeting to be held sometime prior to the Club's winter meeting on January 29, 2012. The date and location have yet to be determined so watch your mailbox for an announcement soon. If you have any date preferences or conflicts, please let Jon know.

Should any of you...Officers, Directors and/or members...have topics you would like added to the Officers/Directors meeting agenda, please contact either Jon St. Clair or Marcy Beveridge by phone or email.

Member Brags...

Coco Leo St Clair, a five year old liver and white Brittany female owned and handled by Jon St. Clair has been working fast and furious on her NSTRA championship and has racked up the following placements in 2011 in competition with German Shorthairs, Pointers, Setters and Brittany's...

4/30/11 - 2nd place NSTRA - IGDA, Osceola, Iowa - 32 starters
5/21/11 - 3rd place NSTRA - IGDA, Osceola, Iowa - 32 starters
5/29/11 - 2nd place NSTRA - RCFTA, Waverly, Nebraska - 32 starters
9/05/11 - 4th place NSTRA - IGDA, Osceola, Iowa - 32 starters
9/10/11 - 1st place NSTRA - HLOA, Afton, Iowa - 32 starters
9/11/11 - 3rd place NSTRA - HLOA Field A, Afton, Iowa - 32 starters
9/11/11 - 4th place NSTRA - HLOA Field B, Afton, Iowa - 32 starters
9/18/11 - 2nd place NSTRA - A Field, Waverly, Nebraska - 32 starters
10/09/11 - 2nd place NSTRA - IGDA, Osceola, Iowa - 32 starters

Congratulations to Coco and Jon, and best of luck as you work to grab that NSTRA Champion title! We're rootin' for you!

Looking For Photos...

Submitted by Marcy Beveridge

We are looking to do a little "re-arranging" to the "Photos" section of the Iowa Brittany Club website...

Currently, IBC events photos and various photos of IBC member's Brittany's are all in one section. We're hoping to attach events photos to the individual IBC events in conjunction with the "Events" section of the website...and expand the actual Photos tab to include more photos of IBC members dogs and "non-event" club activities.

As such, we're looking for photos of your Brittany's...past or present...to get started. Digital photos would probably be preferable though we can use hard copy pictures as well. Please look through photos you have of your Brittany's (I'm sure you have a some!) and if you'd like to submit a few, please forward them to me via snail mail (Marcy Beveridge, 4312 - 65th Street, Urbandale, Iowa 50322) or email (mam0709@aol.com). Be sure to write your name on the back of each photo, and indicate the name of the dog on each.

Let me know if you have questions...

Health Tip Of The Quarter...

Every year it seems, at least in our neck of the woods...before we've accepted summers passing and as we look forward with excitement to a crisp, cool and beautiful fall in anticipation of the hunting season it brings...old man winter manages to get his foot in the door. We find ourselves shivering at first bites of cold air and wind, while our four-legged hunting partners seem to spring to life, ignoring even brutal conditions, raring to join the winter landscape with rambunctious spirit. It's what "the partners" look forward to all year. Yet as this article by Larry Brown points out, (recapped here in the Pass Along Pointing Dog Journal and reprinted with permission) once again, your four legged buddy needs your constant eye to make sure his winter romp is a safe and healthy one. Read on and make sure you're aware.....



Hunting, caring, and feeding in cold weather....

Gun Dog Forum: The Dogs of Winter

by Larry Brown

As I write this, it's early October - just about the favorite time of year for upland hunters - but it's the dead of winter as you're reading it. And for most of us, especially those living in the northern half of the country, not to mention Canada or Alaska, our season would be pretty short if we were to stop once the temperatures drop much below freezing and snow blankets our covers.

We know what we need to do to handle hunting in the winter. And as 21st century hunters, we can consider ourselves fortunate, because cold weather clothing is a whole lot better than it used to be. Products such as Thinsulate to keep warm and Gore-Tex to keep dry make it relatively easy for the human half of the bird-hunting team to hunt in relative comfort, even on a day when a thermometer reading much above zero causes us to think we're having a warm spell. And some of the newer fleece materials add warmth without adding bulk.

But what about our dogs? Fortunately, for the most part, dogs adjust to cold weather better than they do to very high temperatures. You won't hear about dozens of dogs dying due to the cold, as happened on an unusually hot South Dakota pheasant opener a few years back.

That being said, cold-weather hunting - and simply caring for and feeding our dogs through the winter months - do require extra thought and effort on the part of us owners.

Dr. Joe Spoo, a South Dakota veterinarian specializing in gun dogs who also happens to be an avid hunter himself (visit his website: www.gundogdoc.com), points to dehydration as something most of us probably don't think much about when it's cold.

"Particularly with older dogs, I think dehydration can push those with borderline conditions over the edge," he cautions. "Often we'll see geriatric dogs that were healthy at previous visits go screaming on a downhill slide after a cold snap. I think people assume the dog has or is drinking fresh water, and unless this is monitored and managed closely, it can quickly become a life-and-death situation. The take-home point would be to ensure clean, fresh water is available all the time *and* that the dog is drinking it."

Even with younger dogs in peak condition, how many of us think about carrying water for the dogs when it's cold? Jim McCann, who lives up in the Last Frontier and wrote *Upland Hunting in Alaska*, also focuses on the importance of hydration. As he points out, "Gulping snow helps a lot when they're hunting." Of course, you can have a very cold day without snow, and it does take a lot of snow to provide proper hydration. (Remember the old weatherman formula: 10 inches of snow equals an inch of rain.) So it's good to have water with you in cold weather, *and* to make sure the dogs are drinking.