

July-December 2014 Newsletter



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- Membership -

If your club membership is due or has expired, please contact Dave Carlson at 612-210-3318, email at dave.carlson@zieglercat.com or send a check to St. Croix Valley Brittany Club, 8764 Norwood Lane, Maple Grove, MN 55369-3042. Membership costs are as follows: Full \$30, additional family member \$5; Associate \$15.

- Newsletter -

If you have anything that you would like to share in the newsletter (announcements, news, etc.), contact Dave Carlson at 612-210-3318, email at dave.carlson@zieglercat.com or send to St. Croix Valley Brittany Club, 8764 Norwood Lane, Maple Grove, MN 55369.

We are currently looking for someone to take over publishing Newsletter

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- Classified -

- **For Rent:** Clubs six-place dog trailer for \$50.00 per weekend & \$5.00 for each additional day. \$250.00 deposit. Contact Steve Ralph at 651-303-0129
- **For Sale:** Tracker Maxima Complete 1000/10 & 2 Strike collars, holster, carry case. Best Offer. Contact Steve Ralph at 651-303-0129

- Upcoming Events -

January

10 Annual Banquet & Meeting @ American Legion, Forest Lake

February

- 3 Board Meeting 7:00 pm @ Bret Lindback's home
- 21 Winter Hunt @ Pheasant Ridge Hunting Preserve, Ogilvie (David Carlson)

March

- 3 Board Meeting 7:00 pm @ Bret Lindback's home
- 28 Fun Run @ Four Brooks, Milaca (John Lindback)

April

- 7 Board Meeting 7:00 pm @ Bret Lindback's home

May

- 5 Board Meeting 7:00 pm @ Bret Lindback's home
- 9-10 MBC AKC Walking Field Trial @ Four Brooks, Milaca
- 15-17 SCVBC AKC Field Trial @ Crow Hassan, Rogers (David Carlson)
- 23-24 SCVBC AKC Walking Field Trial @ Four Brooks, Milaca (Susan Januschka)
- 24 SCVBC Youth Event @ Four Brooks, Milaca (Bret Lindback)
- 29-31 MBC AKC Field Trial @ Crow Hassan, Rogers

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- Annual Banquet & General Meeting -

This year's Annual Banquet and Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2015, at the Forest Lake American Legion Club Post 225, 355 West Broadway, Forest Lake MN 55025.

Social Hour 5 PM until 6 PM

Dinner Hour 6 PM until 7 PM

Annual Meeting after Dinner

There will be a Silent Auction, Live auction of a Pheasant Forever Print of the Year and Door Prizes for all. Cost \$26.00 per person. Please send checks made out to St Croix Valley Brittany Club to Bret Lindback at 5025 261 St Wyoming MN 55092 by January 2nd.

Appetizers --

BBQ Meatballs, Cheese and Crackers

Italian Buffet --

Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo, Rigatoni w/meatballs, Salad and Rolls

The buffet items are all served separately so if guests can pick their pasta, sauce and meat. Please contact me with any questions.

Bret Lindback @ bretman@aol.com

- July Meeting Minutes -

No meeting held

- August Meeting Minutes -

Members Present: John Chejne, Dave Carlson, Steve Ralph, Sue Januschka, Rob Dolby, Jim Hewitt

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. on August 5 at Steve Ralph's home.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Old Business

Two training sessions were held in June at Charlie Aspenson's farm. One on June 18 and one on June 28. We used launchers and pigeons to train the dogs. We had six dogs at each session. A training seminar, conducted by Chad Hines, Willow Creek Kennels was held at For Brooks WMA on July 19. Chad presented the proper use of the Whoa Post to steady dogs. Also, he helped club members work their dogs on birds. The session was featured on KFAN Outdoors; Chad gave a presentation on the show. We had ten dogs at the seminar.

A motion was passed to give Chad Hines a \$75 gift card.

New Business

The SCVBC/Minnesota Brittany Club booth is manned

The Hunt test has AKC approvals, birds are ordered and the Club has ATV's.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

John Chejne, Club Secretary

- September Meeting Minutes -

Members Present: John Chejne, Dave Carlson, Steve Ralph, Sue Januschka, Rob Dolby, Jim Hewitt, John Lindback

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. on September at Bret Lind back's home.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Old Business

We got one new member from the game fair.

New Business

Moved that the SCVBC board approve the following persons to sign checks on behalf of the SCVBC:

John Chejne, Treasurer
Steve Ralph, Vice President
Bret Lindback, President
Rod Dobey, Vice-President

Steve Ralph went to the Heartland preserve to assess site feasibility for field trials. The preserve has around 1800 acres, but only half a section that are appropriate for field trials. Also, there's no fence to prevent dogs from running on to an adjacent dirt road.

The banquet chair asked for ideas on location for the banquet.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

John Chejne, Club Secretary

- October Meeting Minutes -

No meeting held (no quorum available)

- November Meeting Minutes -

No meeting held

- December Meeting Minutes -

No meeting held (no quorum available)

- ABC National Championship -

Members and Friends of the St Croix Valley Brittany Club,

The ABC National Amateur Championship and the National Championship will soon be run in Booneville, AR. Here is a link for information and running orders.

<http://clubs.akc.org/brit/2014/ABCNationalAllAgeChampionships.htm>

Let's congratulate our members who are participating.

In the Amateur Championship starting November 24th:

Joker's Jackpot – owned by Steve & Lori Ralph and handled by Steve Ralph

In the National Championship starting December 1st:

Jokers Jackpot – owned by Steve & Lori Ralph and handled by Jim John

Hal-Js Smarteyes – Jokers EZ Ace – owned by Hal Revoir and handled by Jim John

Shady Way's Red Tail Hawk – owned by Bret Lindback and handled by Jim John

Mcchesneys I Got My Mojo Working – owned by John Chejne and Connie McCaffrey and handled by Jim John

Good Luck to you all!

- ABC National Specialty -

The American Brittany Club National Specialty Show is held from Nov 27-30 with several events. SCVBC members Joe and Dawn Droel are in Booneville, AR for this event with several of their dogs. Let's all be thinking about them and wish them luck this weekend.

From Dawn Droel:

Our dogs did well! Bo was awarded 2nd in the bred-by exhibitor dog class, Alleluia was awarded Reserve Winners Bitch (for a 3 point major), and Hobey was awarded a Judge's Award of Merit in the Best of Breed class and was an Invitee to the Top 20 Competition. It was a great National with lots of great friends, making new memories and remembering old ones.



- 2014 Fall Hunt Test -

The first frost of the season greeted dogs and handlers for the Fall 2014 SCVBC's hunt tests at Kelly Farms. A total of 84 dogs were entered in the two tests for the weekend of September 13 & 14, 2014.

A wide variety of dog work (junior, senior, master), plenty of good food, an abundance of social interaction and ideal weather were enjoyed by those who participated. Many folks were complimentary about how well the events played out. **Thank you!**

Thirty four different handlers campaigned a total of 78 dogs. There were 4 junior handlers (a handler age 9-18) who participated. **Thank you!**

Judges for the events were Scott Bell, Marshall Tschida, Becky Voss and Tom Vanek. We were fortunate to have such a high quality panel of judges. **Thank you!**

Many different pointing breeds were entered. These included Brittany, German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, English Setter, Spinone, Irish Setter and Irish Red & White Setter.

Special recognition and kudos go to the following volunteers: Lois Almendinger, Mary Tyson, Gail Satak, Jim Hewitt, Chuck Vein, Vicky Lee, Wendy Wenberg, Ron Anderson, Jake Anderson, Joe Droel, Dawn Droel, Dennis Lenz, Lucas Lenz and Chef Bear. These folks were responsible for making sure all the details associated with the tests were performed in an outstanding manner. They represented the SCVBC hunt test TEAM in a stellar fashion. **Thank you!**

The importance of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Minnesota must be highlighted. The Fall hunt test format (double/double) has been successful due to the positive working relationship between the SCVBC and the GSPCMN. Janelle Elfstrand and Karin Greeman provided invaluable organizational, collaborative and leadership skills. **Thank you!**

We are already making plans for Spring 2015 hunt tests, and we need volunteers. If you want to be part of the fun, please let me know.

rdobey@stcloudstate.edu or 1-320-282-6959) **Thank you!**

Rod Dobey
Hunt Test Chairman



Rebe earns a Master Hunter leg with Mary Tyson



Ruger earned 2 Junior Hunter legs with Diane Hedstrom



Corvette earns her Junior Hunter title (4 passes) with Dawn Droel



Enzo with Tyler earning a SH pass. Tyler is 1 of 4 youth (junior) handlers that participated through the weekend at the Double Hunt Test



Bandit - a future Hunter participant (out of Rebe and Duffy)

- Congratulations -



Joker's Trail Blazin Bud-Dee, owner Susan Januschka
4th place Amateur All Age, Midwest Brittany Club

- Congratulations -



FC Hal-JS Smarteyes-Jokers EZ Ace, owner Hal Revoir
1st place Open All Age, Northern Oklahoma Brittany Club
2nd place Open All Age, Indian Nations Brittany Club

- Congratulations -



FC Shady Way's Red Tail Hawk, owned by Bret & John Lindback
4th place Amateur All Age, Southern Kansas Brittany Club
3rd Place Open All Age, Mo-Valley Brittany Club



FC/AFC Joker's Jackpot, Owned by Steve Ralph
4th Place ABC Chicken Classic
1st Place Open All Age, Indian Nations Brittany Club
4th Place Mo-Valley Brittany Club



Mchesneys I Got My Mojo Working, Owned by John Chejne & C McCaffrey
3rd Place ABC Chicken Classic
3rd Place Open All Age, Southern Kansas Brittany Club
3rd Place Open All Age, Nebraska Brittany Club

- Congratulations -



Dr Jac's Redneck Rampage O'Dee, breeder/owner handled. 2 time Best of Breed winner, major pointed.



Dr Jac's Rumor Has It, breeder/owner handled. Major pointed

- Other News Items -

Happy Tails - ABR Rescue finds good home

The note from the Midwest ABR coordinator said that “Finn” a year-old, highly energetic liver/white Brittany was not working out well with his foster family.

“Finn was bred for HUNTING or WORKING in the FIELDS. He is not your typical, lovey dovey Brittany that you can take out in the field and snuggle at night. It's how he was bred...I have been told by all he will make an EXCELLENT hunter, BUT needs to be run every day in the field to burn off those super energy cells... Don't know if anyone has the experience or knows someone who is looking for a dog like him? Finn needs to be someone who will train him, will work him and not just for a couple weeks...but all year round, someone who enjoys walking the fields, etc.”

SCVBC member Karen Listgarten forwarded the note to Dave Carlson to see if any of the hunters in SCVBC or MBC might have any leads and sure enough a hunting home was found for Finn in Zumbrota, MN. Karen drove to Fargo to pick Finn up and bring him to his new family. Already home to another hunting Brittany “Gage”, the Anderson family (Jack, Renee and their two boys) is more than ready to take on the challenge. They picked Finn up from Karen on Saturday afternoon! Congrats and thank you!

