

WHIP BIGGER, COSTS UP,

SUBSCRIPTION RATES GO UP TOO

We can't hold the line any longer. Increased Red setter activity has demanded more coverage--and consequently more pages in each issue of THE FLUSHING WHIP--than was contemplated when we set our original subscription rate.

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Double Champion Of America Joe, Jr.

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PICK DELAWARE DAM AREA IN OHIO FOR CLASSIC CAMERON SECRETARY OF N.R.S.F.T.C. TRIAL APRIL 14 - 15

One of the newest, largest and finest field trial areas in the United States has been selected as the site of the National Red Setter Field Trial Club's fourth annual Spring Classic. Club officers have designated the vast Delaware Dam area north of Columbus, Ohio as the location of the NRSFTC's spring trial on April 14 and 15. Fred Cameron of Columbus has been named Midwest Field Trial Secretary and, with members from Ohio and nearby states, will be working to make this the best trial in the club's history. Cameron and Bill Pachy are traveling East this month to confer with club officers on the program of stakes and other important details.

REDDEN JUDGE AT WESTMINISTER

Judging Irish setters at the eightieth Westminster Kennel Club show at Masison Square Garden on February 13, 14 will be Dr. Joseph E. Redden of East Longmeadow, Mass. The sporting group judge will be Neill P. Overman of South Orange, N. J. Picking best in show will be Paul Palmer of Pleasantville, N. Y.

Westminster was organized as a pointer and shooting club. No Irish setter has ever won best in show.

ABOUT DOUBLE CHAMPION JOE JR.

Double Champion of America Joe Jr. was the 603rd dog registered with the National American Kennel Club. He was the 70th Irish setter listed in the stud book that became the basis of the records of The American Kennel Club. He won his titles in the trials of the Tennessee Sportsmen's Club in 1877 and 1878. In 1879 he defeated the English setter immortal, Gladstone, in a two-day match race. He was by imported Elcho, NAKC 579 (English Kennel Club Stud Book, 5129), out of Buck Jr., NAKC 685. He was a nephew of the first American field titulist, Ch. of America Tom, who gained his honors in the
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It is expected that in addition to the Spring Classic, a shooting dog event of hour heats run under championship conditions, the trial will offer amateur shooting dog, open puppy and open derby stakes. A novice stake is a possibility.

Cameron is a seasoned hand at staging trials, having been, for some time, secretary of the Central Ohio Bird Dog Club. He has received a generous pledge of cooperation from his home club.

The state-owned Delaware area is big enough to offer six one-hour courses and it is typical mid-western farm country with a reported high population of native pheasant and quail--bolstered by frequent releases of game by the Ohio Conservation Department. The area is just west of Ashley, Ohio and about six miles north of Delaware, Ohio.

STANDARD CHANGE DUE FOR PARENT CLUB ACTION

It's a case of speak now -- or forever hold your peace. At its annual meeting in New York City at the end of the second week in February, The Irish Setter Club of America is expected to have on its agenda several proposals for the improvement of the breed standard which now governs bench competition.

The WHIP editor put two years of study and consultation with America's greatest authorities into the preparation of one of the proposals now under consideration. We made this effort because we feared a poorly-advised new standard could rule out an Irish that is what he must be to be a field dog -- and forever bar the possibility of a dual-purpose Irish setter.
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ISC OF PACIFIC DRAWS 29 FOR 5 STAKES;

'JO-JO' CONTINUES SUPREMECY

By Mrs. Barbara Turra

Ft. Ord, Calif. -- An AKC licensed trial was held here on Oct 23 by The Irish Setter Club of the Pacific. Twenty-six Irish and three English competed in the five-stake, shoot-to-kill trial on liberated pheasants.

AKC Field Trial Ch. Oxton's Shosaph continued his reign on the west coast with a first place win in the limited all age stake. Important "major" points were garnered by Red Spark's Titian Rose, property of Walker J. Cunningham, with her first in the open gun dog stake.

The advertised judges, both of outstanding national reputations, officiated. They are Roy W. Kimberlin and Ken Sutton.

IRISH SETTER CLUB OF THE PACIFIC
AKC Licensed "Point" Trial
Ft. Ord, Calif., October 23, 1955
Judges: Roy W. Kimberlin, San Francisco, Calif., and Ken Sutton, Sacramento, Calif.

Wins in the Open Puppy stake are not recognized by THE FLUSHING WHIP since only two dogs competed and two dogs must be defeated to constitute a recognized win under FDSB standards. The AKC will award no points unless at least three dogs are defeated. The judges placed Oxton's Irish Mel-O-Dee, dog, by AKC F. T. Ch. Oxton's Shosaph - Lady Ballerina, over Robert C. Burris' Reginald of Rey. The winner belongs to Sam DeMello of Monterey.

Open Derby - 3 Irish Setters
1. O'Byrne Lane Jolly Fellow, dog, by Red Chevron O'Byrne Lane - Fabil's Jolly Molly. Tom Stevens, owner and handler. No AKC points.

Second went to Miss Bitsy of Irish, bitch, by Elcho out of Lady Irish X. Third went to a litter sister, Red Beauty of Irish, also owned and handled by W. P. Cornell.

Open All Age - 4 Irish Setters
One AKC Point
1. LaHoda's Danny Boy, dog, by Irish Dandy of Hoada - *Lady Shelagh O'Hagginwood. Donald and Elsie Smith owners, Donald Smith, handler.

Again, following the FDSB formula for recognizable wins, other placements in this stake are not eligible. Second was Red Spark Titian Rose, owned and handled by Walker J. Cunningham. Third was Princess

Cindy of Erin, Fred Turra, Jr., owner and handler. Fourth was Red Poet's Delight owned by Fred Turra, Sr., and handled by Fred Turra, Jr.

Open Gun Dog - 13 Irish, 3 English
Three AKC Points

1. Red Spark's Titian Rose, bitch, by *Red Spark - Coppercoat Titian Tempress. Walker J. Cunningham, owner and handler.

2. Sassy's Mahogany Echo, bitch, by Titian Tatters - Dugan's Daughter Sassy. George McVickers, owner and handler.

3. Red Arrow Showgirl, bitch, by *Hollywood Hills O'Shaughnessy - Marted Annie Rooney. Eleanor Heist owner, Larry Heist, handler.

4. Lady Penelope V, bitch, by Jasper - Lady Randall. David C. Godfrey, owner and handler.

Limited All Age - 4 Irish Setters
One AKC Point

1. AKC Field Trial Champion Oxton's Shosaph, dog, by *Oxton's Irish Perfection - Oxton's Imp O'Erin. Jake D. Huizenga, owner and handler.

Second went to Lady Penelope V and third to Red Arrow Showgirl, particulars same as above. Fourth was Princess Cindy of Erin, bitch by *Oxton's Irish Perfection - Princess Patricia of Erin, Fred Turra, Jr., owner and handler.

* AKC bench champion. # Utility Dog obedience title. % AKC Companion Dog Excellent. † AKC Companion Dog.

Editor's note: The opinions expressed in the tabulation of winners are those of the editor -- not of the correspondent.

ONE TOO MANY ELCHOS !

It may be that Elcho was the greatest Irish Setter that ever lived. He sired Double Field Trial Champion of America Joe, Jr., and Elcho, Jr., who dominated bench winnings for many years. He was imported from Ireland late in 1875 by Charles H. Turner of St. Louis and later sold to and campaigned by Dr. Wm Jarvis of New Hampshire. He was registered with the National American Kennel Club, predecessor to the AKC, as 579 and with the English KCSB as 5129.

At the risk of becoming unpopular with someone, we are going to say we feel it was presumptive, if not confusing, to name a modern dog Elcho, as reported in the adjoining column--if such is truly the case.

MAIL YOUR LISTING NOW FOR WHIP'S 'STUD REGISTRY'

Listings for the National Red Setter Field Trial Club's first 'Stud Registry' have started to come in. If you have not already mailed the listing on your stud, the matter should be attended to immediately. The complete Registry will be published as a part of the February issue of THE FLUSHING WHIP. As a convenience to NRSFTC members a postage-free post card is enclosed with their January issue of THE WHIP.

Anyone, NRSFTC member or not, may list any registered Red (or Irish) setter--but dogs owned by non-members must be qualified as field dogs in any of the following ways: (a) have recognized field wins other than in puppy stakes with either the Field Dog Stud Book or the American Kennel Club. (b) have sired winners as in (a) above. (c) have been a puppy or derby this past season and the product of a sire or dam with wins as in (a) above. (d) have recognized wins in a foreign stud book, or be the get of such a dog. All studs listed must be registered by the FDSB and/or the AKC or by a foreign stud book fully recognized by the FDSB and/or the AKC. Any registered Red setter owned by a NRSFTC member is eligible.

The Registry will help the NRSFTC fulfill its function as a breeder's club. It was devised to meet a definite need--and to take club officials "off the spot". Those worthys were constantly being put in the embarrassing position of being asked to recommend a stud. Since all of them, (except our new secretary-treasurer, Joyce Schollenberger) own studs of which they are rather proud, they've found themselves hard-put to give an unbiased opinion. The idea behind the 'Stud Registry' is to let each owner speak for his own dog. Extra copies of the 'Registry' will be printed and used throughout the year to answer queries from breeders.

It is felt that by consulting the 'Registry' breeders will be able to make the best possible choice of a stud and that breeding programs everywhere will be benefited.

To cover the extra expense involved you are asked to pay a listing fee of 1.00. This might be considered a real bargain since approximately two inches of space in THE WHIP will be devoted to each listed stud. An advertisement of equal size would cost 2.00.

Some owners may feel that they can't do full justice to their stud in two inches. There is no space limitation, but each major portion of an inch beyond the two inches allotted will be charged for at THE WHIP's regular advertising rates. You can figure an average of 40 words to an inch.

This information must be included: registered name, book or books registered with and registration numbers; color, including shade and markings; sire and dam; breeder and breeder's address; height at shoulders (or withers) and weight; if he

is of proven fertility and the names of field winners he has produced, if any. Tell us if he is fully broken on his birds, his age and the amount of his fee. Send the full mailing address of owner (or agent) where the dog may be found at stud.

List all of his recognized field wins. No charge will be made for the space devoted to such listings. They're on us. The same goes for bench wins at which points were awarded to him -- if he also has recognized field wins.

To save time, mail your listings directly to: THE FLUSHING WHIP, Box 3557, Cleveland 18, Ohio.

THE CHAMP SIRE VAN'S RED'S LITTER

The first Irish setter litter sired by a FDSB-recognized field champion in 69 years is announced by R. C. "Rusty" Baynard, Dover By Pass, Dover, Del. Ch. Double Jay was mated, shortly after winning his crown, to the outstanding winner, Van's Red. At this writing the litter, repeat of an earlier successful mating, was expected January 6.

WANTS WESTERN MISSOURI REGIONAL

Du L. Johnson, RFD Four, Box 416, Independence, Missouri, is anxious to form a Red Setter regional club in his area. Readers in Missouri and Kansas are urged to contact him.

BERT BLACK TRAINING MRS. BEROL'S DOGS

The successful major-circuit trainer and handler, Bert Black, has been retained to work dogs this winter on the Davant Plantation of Mrs. Myra Berol at Ridgeland, S. C. He is devoting his time exclusively to prospects owned by Mrs. Berol and those of Mrs. Jules Franks. Mrs. Berol is also planning some new breedings for this winter.

FALL TRIAL A FINANCIAL SUCCESS TOO !

MAKES NRSFTC TREASURY \$198 RICHER

Dover, Del. -- A report filed by R. C. "Rusty" Baynard, Jr., chairman of the National Red Setter Club's fall trial, reveals a net profit of 198.02. Baynard's careful management--which included the use of his own horse in his duties as marshal--made the trial a resounding success financially as well as artistically and socially.

Trial profits will be used to further the published objectives of the club and as insurance against loss on future trials. Here is Baynard's report:

Income:

Puppy Stake	9 @ 5.00	45.00
Derby Stake	17 @ 6.50	110.50
Am. Shooting	19 @ 6.50	123.50
Championship	16 @ 15.00	240.00
Donation, Mrs. Dorothy Lee Winter:	15.00	15.00
Total Income:		534.00

Expenses:

Lodging for one Judge	9.00
Judges' food, entertainment	32.30
Horses for Judges	58.00
Quail - 40 @ 1.70	68.00
Markers for courses	12.00
Postage	6.00
Ad for AMERICAN FIELD	60.00
Trophies, Judges' remembrances	88.00
Telegram to FIELD	2.68
Total of expenses:	335.98

Total profit: 198.02.

ABOUT DOUBLE CHAMPION JOE, JR.

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first American championship stake in 1875. He was also a nephew of Brace Champion May who, with Double Champion Tom, won the American Brace Championship in 1875. Tom and May weren't registered, but as litter-mates of the registered Buck, Jr., they were, beyond question, registerable as Irish setters. That great litter by Hays Joe out of Buck included, in addition to Buck, Jr., winner and producer, Ch. May, Double Ch. Tom and Harry, an early Irish setter bench winner whose field qualities enabled him to place second to Ch. Tom in the 1875 championship.

Until the triumph of Champion Double Jay this past fall, these litter mates and Joe, Jr., were the only Irish setters with field titles subject to FDSB recognition. Those early champions were all bred, train-

TOPSY IS GONE AND SMITHS MOURN

It's good to be able to remember Topsy, Queen of the G. Wood Smith home in Kirkwood, Mo., as a happy, healthy one--full of good female sense. Her death on Dec. 23 was a blow to the entire Smith household. Mrs. Smith wrote: "She was full of tumors. We buried her on the hill where the Old Man, Sis, Todd, Bernie's Don and Mickey are. She was only five and it nearly killed Wood and me. Also, we lost some of the finest hunting blood in existence. She had the most brains and enthusiasm and love of any dog we ever had!"

SUGAR'S SWEETER'N THAT

Reporters should ride all of the braces. We erred in reporting the race of Shelley's Red Sugar in the NRSFTC Championship. Sugar had not one, but two excellent finds. One was on a covey, the other on a single. She was named Runner-Up.

Next time we'll try to ride all of the braces--especially Sugar's ! She's just too sweet to miss.

ACTION DUE ON BENCH STANDARD CHANGE

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The officers and directors of the ISC of America will be guided by the wishes of the club's members and by suggestions from others. If you wish to express yourself on this subject so vital to the future of Irish setters, address your communications to: President Lester O. Gatchell, 42 Roberts road, West Medford, Mass. He will give each letter his careful attention.

ed and handled by George and M. C. Campbell.

Some careless historians have called them "native setters" as though this was some sort of a stigma. At that time, no matter his ability or the quality of his breeding, a dog was a "native setter" unless either he or both his sire and his dam was bred in England or Ireland. The fad of the times was for imported dogs and the demand for British pedigrees amounted to englo-mania. The prepotent Campbell strain and others then in America gradually faded from view. After the era of the Campbells only the imported Finglas had a notable win until Otto Pohl took hold of the breed in the World War I era.

The picture used in our masthead is the only one known of Ch. Joe, Jr. It was first published in THE AMERICAN FIELD on April 6, 1878. We are indebted to that journal for its use.

DATES FOR SPRING TRIALS SHOULD BE SET AND PUBLISHED NOW ! EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

With more clubs than ever before planning spring trials for Irish setters, it is more important than ever before for those clubs to select and claim their dates early.

As it did last fall, THE WHIP will attempt to act as an impartial and non-participating clearing house to assure that no club will find itself in serious competition with another for entries.

Traditional dates (such as the third week-end in April for Michigan) should be respected for a reasonable length of time.

This January call for spring trial dates may cause some to remark that this was a short winter. But, the first trials are usually run in March and unless we have those dates in time to publicize them in our February issue, we won't be able to give them much of a boost.

The ISC of Michigan credits THE WHIP advertisement it purchased to publicize its trial with a big assist in achieving the largest entry in the history of Irish setter field trials. Trial secretaries should get the necessary funds appropriated by their clubs now so that their trials will also benefit.

Date, site, name of sponsoring club and the trial secretary's name and address should be filed with THE WHIP and with THE AMERICAN FIELD, 222 West Adams street, Chicago 6, Ill. If you desire AKC recognition, also, you should, of course, contact that organization at 221 Fourth ave., New York 3, N. Y. at the earliest possible date.

FLUSHING WHIP ADVERTISING RATES

One column inch - 1.00; quarter-page - 6.50; half-page - 13.00; full page - 25.00.

A CHAMPION DOUBLE JAY LITTER

Here's the first opportunity in 70 years to buy an Irish setter puppy --knowing it is sired by a Field Dog Stud Book-recognized Champion ! And out of one of the best bitches in America ! By National Red Setter Open Shooting Dog Champion Double Jay out of Van's Red. She is a several-times winner of stakes open to all pointing breeds and a litter sister to Willow Winds Cathy whose 31 wins are a greater total than ever attained by an Irish setter. This repeat of an earlier successful mating was the first made to Jay as a Champion. The pups of the first litter pointed early and stylishly. At this writing the litter was expected on Jan. 6th. Reservations being accepted now in the order they are received. Champion Double Jay's fee has not been raised and remains at 50.00. Rusty's Jinx, leading sire of 1953, 1954 and 1955 is retired from public stud and is available only by private treaty. R. C. Baynard, Jr., Dover By Pass, Dover, Del.

NRSFTC member Frederick A. Kremer of Hopkins, Minn., is working actively for a spring Irish trial in Minnesota. We hope that such men as William C. Thompson, Roger Boser and others in the state of the Golden Gophers will want to help put this one over. Enthusiasts in neighboring states should also welcome this increased opportunity for competition.

Kremer's address is: Route Two, Box 202, Hopkins, Minn.

The ISC of Milwaukee has severed its connections with the Badger State Specialty Clubs and is now free to try an experiment. The club's desire is to schedule its bench speciality show for the night before its trial.

As far as we know, this idea is new to Irish setter competition, but it has long been practiced by various Brittany clubs. If it will serve to weaken the needless barriers between bench and field we're for it.

Our appeal for a copy of the first issue of THE WHIP was answered by NRSFTC Membership Chairman Mrs. G. Wood Smith of Kirkwood, Mo. She asked that the free subscription we offered be used to extend the current subscription of Mr. and Mrs. Al Ryan of Pevely, Mo. The Ryans donated the "Dopey Doc" trophy to the NRSFTC's spring trial.

NEWS AND VIEWS reported in its December issue that the young winner, Hogan of River Rouge, is missing--apparently stolen by hunters. He is the property of Mr. and Mrs. John Mehoke.

Hogan is the fourth good, young, Michigan Irish to be lost in little more than a year. Dead are Thor, Gold Cholly of Englewood and Mof-fat's Red Flame.

HERE'S REPORT OF RUNNING IN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR '55

By Mrs Evelyn Monte -- Reprinted from THE AMERICAN FIELD

The National Red Letter Open Shooting Dog Championship. Petersburg, Delaware, October 30, 1955. Judges: Mrs. E. Evelyn Monte, New York City and Austin Smith, Dover, Delaware. Sponsoring club: The National Red Setter Field Trial Club. Weather: Showers early and clearing to bright sunlight. One-hour heats on native quail. Sixteen Irish Setters.

RED VELVET'S DUKE (Jim and Bob Finn, Bob Finn, handler) with VAN'S CINDY (W. E. LeGrande, owner, Paul Long, handler.) Off at 8:00 a.m., Duke kept hunting hard in cover, Cindy outside woods in stubble field. At 8:30 Duke disappeared in deep thicket. Scout started to ride in, a bark was heard and shortly a bevy of half-grown birds popped out of woods beyond. A few minutes later Cindy ran over a single in feed patch, stopping to flush. Duke kept up strong pace. In feed patch at end of hour, Cindy pointed a single, Duke backed at strong caution, both dogs steady. At end of patch Duke pointed, Cindy backing at sight, both mannerly at flush and shot.

KIMVARRA BRIDGET (John Senor, owner, Paul Long, handler) with TYROHNE'S MANOGAFY MIKE, (Ed McIvor, owner and handler.) Both applied themselves with a will and their efforts were well directed but inclined to be on the short side as the hour ran out. Bridget, working in honeysuckle thicket, put up a bevy of some fourteen birds. Mike hunted consistently. At forty minutes Bridget pointed in cron row and a bevy was flushed. Shortly, Mike stopped at command to flush of a bevy in stubble. Bridget was working in a windbreak of pines when two bexies were raised. In all, five bexies were seen, but no definite work was established.

GLOISTERS JEFF McTYBE (Mrs. Myra Berol, owner, Boots Evans, handler.) with SHELLEY'S RED SUGAR (Mrs. Joyce Schollenberger, owner, Carl Schollenberger, handler.) Jeff looked very good. Coming into stubble patch around a neck of woods we saw a hawk dip at the edge and put up a bevy that took off in the timber. Point was called for Jeff as we rounded the turn, and he was standing in a notch about forty feet beyond where the first bevy had risen. Handler said birds had taken off into woods at his approach and judge dismounted and went into woods with dog and handler where dog found and pointed. In field beyond road and clubhouse, Sugar jumped into a ditch. A bevy took off from the bank and she froze until the handler came up, shot and sent her on. She swung from view where she was found later pointing a bevy, finishing her hour on a strong cast. In soy bean field Jeff pointed at 45 minutes. As handler rode up, a big bevy burst out. Jeff took several steps and stopped to command. His last find at far end of a big field was too much for him and he routed and chased.

GLOISTERS RED ROBIN (Mrs. Myra Berol, owner, Boots Evans, handler.) with JETER'S CAROLINA LUKE (Dr. R. V. Jeter, owner and handler.) Back on No. 1 course, both dogs started acting very birdy on breakaway. Sure enough, Robin moved to thick honeysuckle and stopped to flush as a single popped out. Luke hunted edges and no doubt this Carolina dog has had a heap of birds shot over him. He pointed intently near scrub oak, bird jumped and Luke jumped, but halted at command. Working center of big field, he knocked a single, stopped to flush. Pretty soon he was stacked up again. Handler was far to the rear so judge asked the marshal to handle the dog. Luke was steady to flush and shot under caution. Point was called for Robin at edge of ditch, no birds produced. Crossing to the other side the dog was making game when a single arose. At twenty-five minutes handlers asked to pick up their dogs.

PRIDE OF MILLIS (John Cassidy, owner and handler) with WILLOW WINDS CATHY (W.E. LeGrande, owner, Paul Long, handler.) After lunch the wind switched to west and came up stronger; the sun was shining brightly. Cathy worked animatedly and showing liking for cover. In lespedeza at twenty-five minutes Pride hit a bevy, stopping to the flush and steady to the shot. Cathy working feed patch put one up and was mannerly; later had a solid point but tired visibly. Pride moving at good speed down edge of field to front, whirled to point. As handler went in to flush, she sat down, head held high, remained steady for the shot, and finished her stint in strong fashion.

TWEED HALL PAT (J. DeHitte Davis, owner and handler) with GLOISTERS WENDY McTYBE (Mrs. Myra Berol, owner, Boots Evans, handler.) This pair sustained a good pace through the hour. Pat jumped a single out of ditch and followed briefly, an action unseen by her handler. In soy bean strip Pat worked cautiously on scent, finally pointing with fairly good style and steady as handler stepped in and put up a big covey of young birds. Wendy coming through on far side of soy bean field had a point, well handled. In field near clubhouse, Pat pointed unproductively and sent on was cautiously working forward when Wendy swung in on the upwind side well ahead and nailed the bevy with quite arresting style, Pat backing; both steady to wing and shot.

IKE JACK KENDRICK (W. E. LeGrande, owner and handler.) with Playgirl's Holiday Lass (Jim and Bob Finn, owners, Bob Finn, handler.) In breakaway field of No. 1 course, Jack
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stopped to flush of single from ditch. Moving across corn stubble he popped a bird and pulled up in a beautiful high-styled stance, refusing to move as handler urged him on point. When handler walked out ahead, another bird was there. Point was called for Lass moving in honeysuckle thicket at far edge and she was standing a bevy zoomed out. She hunted well for most of her time but gave out tiredly at the end. Jack jumped ditch and stopped to flush as five birds rose from the bank. During last few minutes he was stabbing through feed patch, stopped to flush when he hit a bevy, remaining as the birds sailed out around him.

WILLOW WINDS HOBO (W. E. LeGrande, owner, Paul Long, handler.) with DOUBLE JAY (R. C. Baynard, Jr., owner and handler.) These litter-mates really poured it on. Their competitive spirit, at the quarter, marred what was otherwise a consistently strong and independent race on the part of the champion. At this point the No. 2 course led through a wide swath between heavily wooded hillsides. Both dogs came together and took off in the timber. It began to look as if they might not have made the turn. After some five minutes they were espied to the front, hot-footing it across a big grain field. Handlers quickly collected them and from then on there was no more racing. At thirty minutes Jay bounded out of woods ahead and slammed into a point on a rise of ground in the corner. "Rusty" Baynard spurred his horse up the grade as he yelled "Point!" and at the same time rode up a bevy in front of his dog, the latter remaining motionless and nicely styled up for the shot. A few minutes later, coming downwind across stubble field, he slid to a stop as he hit a big bevy. He stood tightly, birds jumping up all around him, as his handler galloped over to him. His third bevy provided a beaut of a relocation. This was at 47 minutes. Swinging down a thicket of cedars and honeysuckle, he moved in and stacked up deep in the tangle. Handler could not produce. Sent on, the dog worked out into the open field about and pulled up tight, head high, tail straightened at back level. Handler produced nine or ten big birds from the moving covey. On far side of field Hobo was making game as Jay came by and backed at caution. Cars were lined up at the road when Jay crossed for his last, spirited fling across stubble field. When a single jumped wild to the side he stopped to its flush. Rusty shot from his horse, let out a squawl and Jay was off trimming the edges when time was called. Hobo, meanwhile, had been hitting the edges and taking in plenty of territory with a liking for cover and the roughest going. During the last fifteen minutes he began to work cautiously on scent in fields where it must have been thick at this late hour; this culminated in several unproductives and no work of definite nature.

WINNER AND CHAMPION

DOUBLE JAY, 51467, dog, by Rusty's Jinx — Willow Winds Eve. R. C. Baynard, Jr., owner and handler. Breeder: W. E. LeGrande.

RUNNER-UP

SHELLEY'S RED SUGAR, 452276, bitch, by Normandy Pat—Cedar Bluff Paddy. Joyce Schollenberger, owner, Carl Schollenberger, handler. Breeder: Allen G. Bortz.

Three of the seven living AKC field trial champion Irish setters competed. They were Mike, Pride and Jack. Pride is AKC registered as Pride of Erin. An otherwise complete report of the trial was carried in the November issue of THE WHIP.

ISC NEW ENGLAND REVIVES YEAR BOOK

The annual Year Book of the Irish Setter Club of New England is being revived after a lapse of five years. This once-popular service to breeders has already closed its forms and will be available for distribution shortly.

Only a limited edition is being printed. Those wishing to reserve copies may do so by sending 1.00 to: Mrs. Paula S. McAteer, chairman, 76 Middle St., Lexington 73, Mass.,

I.S.C. OF MISSOURI PLANS FIELD CLASSES UNDER PRO!

The ISC of Missouri is planning an experiment that, if successful, could eventuate into one of the most significant developments in Red setter ranks during the past several years. Club president Neil Schneider is trying to schedule regular field classes under the direction of competent professional instructors. Our understanding is that he is trying to negotiate for the services of a professional bird dog trainer of proven stature and ability. The classes would be conducted much like obedience training classes and they would give enrollees an opportunity to learn field practices and standards from the ground up. Then--from its nucleus of trained members--the club could stage field trials that would demand respect from all quarters.

This may be the enjoyable and effective indoctrination into field activity we've needed so badly. Knowledge of the problems involved is the best safeguard against over-optimistic self-delusion such as we encounter on the pages of so many of the journals published by Irish setter clubs across the country. The ISC of Missouri is fortunate in the energetic and far-sighted leadership of Neil Schneider. Luck to him and to his club!

It was a cool, crisp morning with the aroma of fresh coffee in the air. This second day of the Irish Setter Club of Michigan's fall trial was to feature the first stake ever offered by the club that was to be open to all pointing breeds. As the cars with the different breeds started to arrive, the owners and dogs congregated in separate breed groups, which was the natural thing to do.

SPORTSMANSHIP

By Joe Frydrych

Adapted from NEWS AND VIEWS

It was still very early in the day when I overheard a remark by one chap in the group of German shorthair fanciers which gave me an awful, empty feeling. I had started to turn away quickly when a good friend of mine called me back. "Jack", he said, "meet Joe Frydrych, an Irish setter breeder." Well, "Jack" acknowledged the introduction, then said: "I don't give a d---. I still say they should take all of these red dogs, put them in a bag and throw them in the river!" I felt like letting "Jack" have a haymaker, but instead I asked the young fellow what he thought he saw wrong with the 'red dog'. He answered: "Nothing. He's a nice dog. But he's no d--- good in the field. I have yet to see one that is." I assured him that before the day was over he was going to see one --and more than one--that was good and his exact words were: "O-K. All I want to see is one!"

As the conversation kept going, and as the day's running progressed, we seemed to be getting friendlier toward each other. But all the while I kept my fingers crossed, hoping that one of the several Irish I had in mind would be at his best to prove to this man that the red ones are field dogs. Presently, coming over the brow of the hill that leads into the birdfield I spotted, from his style of going and his handler, one of the dogs on which I had particularly pinned my hopes. He was braced with a pointer whose training hadn't equipped him for this degree of competition.

The Irish swept into the birdfield, covering beautifully and handling well under the expert guidance of Ned LeGrande. -- And then it happened! The Irish made a quick left turn and froze on beautiful point. I turned to our critic and said: "How do you like that?" He didn't say a word.

Ned called his point and started in to flush his bird. The pointer came charging through, caught the bird. The bird got away from him and ran past the nose of the Irish with the pointer in full pursuit. Through all of this the Irish stood steady. Ned smiled, patted his dog and started him working again. The exclamation point to AKC F. T. Ch. Ike Jack Kendrick's performance was his own sky-high tail on a second piece of admirable bird work, hit hard and handled to perfection. Thrilled, I demanded: "How do you like that?" My tormentor of earlier in the morning held out his hand. "I apologize," said the now-ex-critic, "I wanted to see one and I did."

All I would like to say now is this: It isn't always the dog or breed that isn't good. The Irish setters have been out of the field for so long that most of us feel like infants coming back in. For the short time there has been a concerted effort to breed them for the field and to perfect them for trials I feel that we have come a long way. I had also mentioned that there was going to be more good red ones in later braces, but "Jack" said he was satisfied. He had just wanted to see one. Give us us a few more years at our present rate of progress and I feel that our dogs will compare favorably with those of any breed as gunning companions on upland birds.

Oh, yes! I mentioned in the beginning that early in the morning the fanciers of the various breeds were in their own little groups. By early afternoon there was just one, big, group of sportsmen.

ABOUT JOE FRYDRYCH

Big Joe Frydrych is a bench breeder with a remarkably accurate perspective on field activities. He has, additionally, the instincts of a sportsman. He is a one-man gang for work at any club function. With his wife, Marge, he owns the Argo Lane Kennels. A professional bench handler, he has finished many champions.

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To understand a pursuit is to increase the enjoyment of it and to render that pursuit more effective. For example. Millions of us drive automobiles without ever knowing just how the gasoline we have pumped into the tank propels them. We usually get where we want to go but driving, to most of us, is boring. Lots of other folks have an intimate knowledge of and fondness for the mechanical attributes of their cars. To them driving is a sport and if anything goes wrong they know what to do about it. They have the proper tools and they know how to use them. They almost always get there--and safely too!

THE SPORTSMAN'S LIBRARY

Introduction to a Regular Series

Many hunters are like the average driver. They go out to hunt an area they have done nothing to stock, hoping to kick up enough game so that they can boast of their prowess when they get home. The worst of them will shoot birds on the ground, rather than go home "skunked". They have to depend upon luck because they have no dog to use as a bird-finding and retrieving "tool". They didn't trouble to study the area and the habits of the game beforehand. They do not enjoy hunting in the sportsmanlike sense of a contest between game and hunter. It's just wait for luck and then, pow! Too few have studied their catechism of weapons safety.

On the other hand the sportsman-hunter starts out relaxed because he knows he has permission to hunt the area, and he knows it holds game because he studied it long before the season opened. He knows the habits, haunts and tricks of his quarry--and he has a properly schooled dog to work with him and to insure that the cripples do not get lost. He understands what he is doing and how to go about it. His is the exclusive thrill of a contest between himself and the game he seeks--except as he shares it with his dog. Even though he is sometimes "skunked", he has had the pleasure of the contest and the enjoyment of working with his dog. His understanding of what he is doing has added to his effectiveness and multiplied his pleasure.

Because THE FLUSHING WHIP believes it can, by calling attention to various publications, add to the pleasure and effectiveness of those who wish to procure and read them, it will offer various suggestions it considers appropriate. We neither sell books nor solicit magazine subscriptions, so we are free to be entirely objective. This month we shall consider current periodicals of especial interest to Red setter enthusiasts.

To our knowledge there are, besides THE WHIP, only two breed publications that place any real emphasis on field activity. One is NEWS AND VIEWS, published monthly by the ISC of Michigan, Mrs. Roberta McIvor, editor, 24100 Union, Dearborn, Mich. Subscription is 2.00. The other is GREEN SHEET, bi-monthly publication of the ISC of New England which has recently resumed publication. Mrs. Paula McAteer is editor. For information write: Mrs. Paula S. McAteer, 76 Middle St., Lexington 73, Mass.

A must if you want to know more about bird dogs and field trialing is THE AMERICAN FIELD, weekly, 222 West Adams street, Chicago 6, Ill. It carries full accounts of almost every field trial held in the United States, Canada and Hawaii. It publishes every Field Dog Stud Book registration, lists all upcoming trials recognized by the FDSB (which is 95% of all trials), carries special features and its advertising pages are a market place for stud services, the sale of dogs and kennel products. William F. Brown is editor of this oldest of all sporting publications in America. Subscription is 6.00 per year. It is not available on newstands.

Three sportsman's magazines of more general circulation and appeal carry dog columns edited by good friends of the Red setter. FIELD AND STREAM's column is written by Joe Stetson, long an authority. Dog editor of OUTDOOR LIFE is McDowell, author of the book, THE DOG IN ACTION, and exponent of functional conformation. SPORTS AFIELD canine affairs are conducted by Henry P. Davis who is already almost a legend in his time. Mr. Davis' "All-American" teams of sporting dogs have been very popularly received. His book, THE MODERN DOG ENCYCLOPEDIA, is, with Lyon's book, one of three we shall discuss next month as pillars of a dog library.

Two booklets, easily obtainable and inexpensive, are essentials. One is STANDARDS OF JUDICIAL PRACTICE AND FIELD TRIAL PROCEDURE. Send 25¢ to Gaines Research, 250 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y. to cover cost of publishing and mailing. The other is RULES APPLYING TO REGISTRATION AND FIELD TRIALS. Write The American Kennel Club, 221 Fourth Ave., New York 3, N. Y.

WE'RE LEARNING ABOUT BIRD DOGS NOW

We're far from experts here at Willow Winds Farm--but we do enter about forty trials a year and we usually have about forty dogs in our kennels. This activity keeps our viewpoint, we believe and hope, on the practical side. This much we have learned about bird dogs of any breed -- and Irish setters in particular: to develop his potentialities as a gunning companion--or as a field trial dog--a bird dog requires individual attention and training. Obviously, we can't give individual attention to 40 dogs. Yet the breeding program on which we are embarked requires that we breed and test a great many dogs each year. As an answer to the problem posed by these facts, we have been placing some of our top prospects with men and women who share our enthusiasm for the Irish setter as a gunning companion and who will give their dogs a full opportunity to prove themselves in public trials.

This policy has already resulted in our being beaten by dogs we have bred and -- while we like to win -- we enjoy the friendly rivalry that is created. Certainly this rivalry is a healthy means for the selection of future breeding stock. While this policy has been pursued here for some time, we now announce it formally. As of now, we can not meet the demand we have for puppies to go to the kennels of hunters. Further, to let any appreciable percentage of our pups go to hunters at the present time would be to weaken our entire breeding program as the very dog we are seeking might thus disappear from public view.

Because we can't get the most out of any of our prospects if we keep them all -- and because top prospects must go to men and women who will keep them in public view until they are either proven or disproven -- we especially invite folks who will campaign their prospects to write us. We can not predict how many -- if any -- such prospects we will have available in any given year, and we will never guarantee a puppy to be a winner. But -- if you are interested,-- write us.

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