
THE ANTHRACITE BRITTANY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hey, let's get some new ideas for our club. Here is one, assistants to all positions for members to familiarize themselves with the different responsibilities of each position. Maybe we should have each person give an explanation of the duties of their position. I only say this because we are all getting older and I would not like to see someone thrown into a position cold turkey. This is in no way a reflection on anyone. It is hopefully to educate members who may have to fill in at a position. Maybe even make a job description for each position and keep it on file. Let us know your feelings and ideas at the meeting on June 15th.

Jim

NEXT MEETING:

June 15th, 2016- 7 PM at Trivet Restaurant,
Rte. 309 and Tilghman St. Contact Jimmy
Wilkinson at (610) 965-0096 for more
information

NEW FACEBOOK ACCOUNT

Like us on Facebook! Anthracite Brittany Club's new page is now up. You can now look there for updates, pictures, and reminders of upcoming club events. The website will continue to be updated as always.

To find the page log into your personal Facebook account, go to search box on the top of the page and search for "Anthracite Brittany Club." Click the "Like" button and any new posts will appear on your news feed.

If anyone has brags, pictures of past club events, or knows of events that maybe of interest to club member please email them to Eva Tobiasson:
Eva@CherryRidgeObed.com

DATES TO REMEMBER

Specialty Show – September 17th, 2017
 Hunt Test – September 23rd & 24th 2017
 Fall Field Trial – November 11th & 12th 2017

BRITTANY RESCUE

Would you please help a Brittany in need?

Foster homes are desperately needed in your state!
 Short term safety for a Brittany while a forever home is sought could help save many of them.

Transporting them to safety is another way to help.

For more information or to sign up - contact us at
<http://www.americanbrittanyrescue.org/index.php?module=pagesetter&func=viewpub&tid=3&pid=3>

1-866-BRIT911 (toll free phone number)

American Brittany Rescue, Inc. is a non-profit organization supported by adoption donations and tax deductible donations from the public. Your support is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us!

Thank you,

Rhonda Carlson

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

All information for the newsletter should be submitted in *a timely fashion*.

BRAG ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you want to submit a brag announcement to the newsletter, send an email to me (autumnsno2@gmail.com) with the word brag (or brags) in the subject line. The mail will automatically be forwarded to Claire Ricci who will post it on our website.



CLUB MEETINGS

Also, please note that the next club meeting will be at the Trivet Restaurant. Directions to the Trivet Restaurant:

From the West:

Rte. 309 South (I 78 South) Exit at the Stigma Street West Exit. The Trivet is just on your right as you exit.

From the East:

Rte. I 78 West to the Tilghman Street, West Exit. Go under the overpass and the Trivet is on the right. The sign that you can see from I 78 and when you come off the exit says DINER. You do not actually see the Trivet sign until you are directly in front of the restaurant.

Bobbie

BRAGS

Lockridge MayJay's For the Love of the Game went WD at the Georgia Specialty for a 4 point major. All major wins so far. Almost finished at 8 months.

Terry overcame her fear of birds and took 3 dogs to the Hudson Valley Brittany Club and Hudson Valley GSP Club Hunt test and all 3 dogs qualified and became JH that weekend with great scores and no formal training!!! First time out for all of them:

Lockridge MayJay's For the Love of the Game, JH

CH Dream Hi's RSVP Whooz In, JH

GCH Tonan-Rocklan Who's Kiddin Who, JH

One brag from our spring season...

CH Diamond Hill Dangerous Weapon finished his FC at the Georgia Brittany Club Spring Trial, finishing him as a Dual Champion!

“Stuart” is out of NAFC/FC/AFC TM’s Tennessee Twister and BISS/BGCH/DC/AFC Diamond Hill Dangerous Man, bred by Lisa Pollock and Brooke Caviness.

Owned by Paul and Lisa Pollock

Congratulations to all on these great accomplishments.

SPRING FIELD TRIAL

The Anthracite Brittany Club held its 2017 Spring Field Trial at the Freeland Kennel Club on May 20-21, 2017. The weather was cool in the high 60's and overcast with some light rain on Saturday Morning. Occasionally there were strong breezes. This weather was a relief to the trailers and the dogs as the previous two days leading up the weekend were hot and humid with temperatures reaching into the 90's.

We had a light entry with too few puppies and derby dogs to even hold the stakes. The Amateur Walking Gun Dog, historically the largest stake at the trial, had only 10 entries. The Open Limited Gun Dog and The Open Gun Dog stakes were large stakes with 19 and 23 entries respectfully.

We were pleased once again, through the generosity of club member Ed Razzis, to have a donation to raffle off. This time the prize was a \$100.00 gift card to Lion Country Supply. Happy Hour and our Potluck Dinner were a festive event. We gathered outside in the cool evening to watch The Preakness run on Paul and Lisa's Pollock's outdoor TV and then we did our own placements for the day before going inside for dinner.

The field trial committee would like to thank all of our participants, judges, bird planters, club members and spectators for their support. It is your generosity and participation that make these events possible. We could not put this trial on without you.

2017 AMERICAN BRITTANY GUN DOG CLASSIC

2017 American Brittany Gun/Shooting Dog Classic
Thank you to our judges for this year's American Brittany Gun Dog Classic: Ken Kohls from New York and Dave McKay from Pennsylvania.

Thank you to our sponsors Purina and Garmin/Tritronics for their continued support. Purina fuels many of the competitors and provides financial support for the event. Garmin engineers collars that build a better dog. The winners received Purina Pro-Plan dog food and Garmin provided an electronic training collar. With their continued support this allows us to host quality events such as this one.

Many thanks to Anthracite Brittany Club and New England Field Trial Association for hosting this prestigious event. Many thanks to the trial committee as well: The Chairman, John Perry; Claire Ricci serving as the Field Trial Secretary/Marshall; Joe Sikorski, Stakes Manager; Joanne Perry Reporter/Marshall; Lisa Pollock and Jeff Currier for coordinating the bird planting. Robin Shadle, our wrangler, thanks for providing horse power. Thank you to Leslie Hunt for announcing braces and storing the prize dog food; and Sue Way, for providing delicious breakfast and lunches, along with awesome cookies.

Anthracite hosted Monday night's dinner from Nonna's Restaurant: salad, lasagna, Italian cacciatore, garlic bread and for dessert, Lisa's famous carrot cake.

Thank you again to our sponsors, the competitors and to everyone who volunteered; we greatly appreciate all that you did to make the event successful and fun.

There were 27 dogs entered and 26 dogs ran. Gus was sick in brace 3a, Big White moved up from brace 13. We completed seven braces Monday; four in the morning, three in the afternoon. On Tuesday four braces were completed in the morning and we finished in the afternoon.

The Winners:

Marjo's Leftover (Haley) – John Perry
Magnum High Velocity (Gauge) – Vince Anderson
Diamond Hill Dangerous Weapon (Stu) – Lisa Pollock

Piney Run Lilly (Lilly) – Ben Lorensen



Anthracite Brittany Club

3/9/16

Members present: Claire Ricci, Joe Sikorski, David Wieder, Terry Hilliard, Larry Hilliard, Cindy Miller, Bobbie Dunkling, Jim Wilkinson, and Deb Rudert

Guests: Paul Snyder, Rick Walborn

Meeting opened with a moment of Silence for Member Marty Lorish and Member Cindy Miller's Dad.

Motion to accept minutes as published made by Terry, Second by Bobbie. Cindy Abstained

Sectary's report: None

Treasurer's report:

Month	Beginning Balance	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
Aug	11,216.14	0.00	300.00	10,916.14
Sept	10,916.14	95.00	179.20	10,831.94
Oct	10,803.94	2,200.00	1,932.48	11,071.46
Nov	11,071.46	0.00	0.00	11,071.46
Dec	11,079.15	7.69	135.00	10,944.15
Final Beginning Balance 2016		11,502.16		
Income		5,705.38		
Expenses		6,063.39		
Loss 2016		588.01		
Closing Balance 2016		10,944.15		
Jan	10,944.15	99.00	150.00	10,893.15
Feb	10,893.15	30.50	660.00	10,263.65

Insurance was paid and motion made by Larry, seconded by Joe to accept the treasurers Report.

Vice President Report: None

Gun Dog Classic Championship:

Joe Reported, will be May 1.2. & 3 Hope for about 25 Dogs to run. Looking for Judges. Ground will be the Flaherty Field trial Grounds, East Windsor, CT AKC has approved the event.

Field Trial report:

Everything lined up tor the weekend dates are 5/20 and 5/21 for the spring trial and 11/11 and 11/12 for the fall trial. Looking for Judges

Hunt Test report: none

Canine Learning:

There was a good turnout of members to man the booth, thanks to Terry for setting up the booth and members Terry Hilliard, Larry Hilliard, Jim McLaine, Dave Wieder, Joe Sikorski, Claire Ricci, Charlie Strunk, MaryAnn Breininger, Pat Ortelli and Deb Rudert.

Conformation Show report:

Specialty show will be in conjunction with the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club show on September 16th. Judge will be Steven Dinard from Canada.

Old Business: None

New Business: Members for 1st reading

Paul Snyder ASSOC

Roman Litvin

Cliff Mailloux

Nomination for Board of directors: Joe nominated Dave Wieder, Seconded by Larry Hilliard and Dave accepted nomination.

Next meeting June 15th at the Trivet Restaurant.

