



The Dog-Gone News!

Awards Banquet 2011

Dates to Remember

- Vizsla Club of IL,
Walking Trial
Dec. 4th & 5th
- Awards Banquet
General Membership
Meeting & Elections
January 15th, 2011

Eleven Good Pups are ready for a home...

I have a litter of 11 pups from my dogs, Diesel and Candy (orange/white & liver/white).

If anyone is looking for a Good Pup, please call or email me, Alan Ott.

(see membership list for email address & phone #)

Welcome

New Member

Greg Hartlmeier



If you have been competing with your dog, please let me know if he/she gained an AKC title in 2010.

The annual awards banquet is fast approaching, and the GMBC club would like to recognize you and your dog for any titles completed this year. The club will award you with a plaque if your dog earned any AKC title during the past year—that applies to Field Trial, Show, Hunt Test, Obedience, and Agility.

Please send your name, your dog's name, and the title earned (preferably just copy the AKC title certificate and send that).

Send it to me, Sam Thompson, by email or snail mail. If you have any questions, call me.
(see membership list for email & physical address)

I need to order plaques around December 15, so please send the information as soon as possible.



Sam Thompson



The object and purpose of the Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club is to promote cooperation and friendship among breeders and owners of Brittany Dogs.

To encourage higher standards in breeding, training and showing of the Brittany Dog.

To strive to keep it forever a dual dog by preventing a split into groups of 'field dogs' and 'bench dogs.'



Ribbons (Left to right) ...

1st Place & Qualifying Score in
Novice STD

New Title Ribbon

1st Place & Qualifying in
Novice JWW

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Julie & Petey are at it again!

After a poor fall field trail season, Julie and Petey hit the mats and competed in some obedience, rally and agility trials.

We competed in the UKC Trial on Oct 16th & 17th. Four shows - two days. We competed in Rally Obedience2 (similar to Rally Advanced in AKC). Petey finished his RO2 title, and for the 4th show, we moved up to RO3. Unfortunately, Petey got distracted and did

one sign incorrectly. I should have redid the sign (but was nervous) and went on after I thought I had recovered. But

failed that station. In UKC, you are not allowed to fail any stations or it's an automatic NQ (no qualify).

We also tried for one leg of UKC Novice Obedience. For the last year, we have been working on Petey's sits/downs because he was breaking and wanting to sniff other dogs. Well, Petey did his one minute long sit, and his down honor (UKC has a 'long down' as honor



since he didn't start doing the sign right (even though it ended right), we

Two Titles in Two Weekends!!!

while the working dog is doing on leash healing). He also did his recall over the jump, but had a really bad front and finish. But he NQ'd on his healing! (He was very slow and lagging. He didn't really even want

to do it...could be that he was warn-out after four rally trials!) So I guess when you fix one problem, then sometimes you get another! Yet, we had fun and accomplished what I wanted which was an RO2 title!

On October 23rd & 24th, we competed in an AKC agility trial in Oshkosh. Petey double "Q'd" both days. This means that he qualified in both "standard novice agility" and "jump with weaves novice agility."

This finished his NA (Novice Standard Agility title). Now he only needs one more qualifying score in "jumpers" for his NAJ (Novice Agility Jumpers title). He also placed first in all four of his classes.

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Just an FYI - I know some of you are considering obedience or rally with your britts. AKC now has a new Beginner Novice Obedience title (BN). It is all on leash and no group long sits/downs. This would be a great way to get started in the ring! In December, Petey and I are planning on trying this Beginner Novice title. I will keep you posted. If you want more info, please

visit the AKC website www.akc.org and search for beginner novice.

By... Julie Asmus, PharmD, BS, CVT, 2nd VP GMBC, ABR volunteer



Fall Walking Trial

Oct 9th & 10th
Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club

Results:

Open Puppy:
Canceled

Open Derby:
8 Starters

1st Dr. Jac's Trugritz Master Yoda O'Dee, Jackie Swanson
2nd Lamb's Nuthin' Regular 'Bout Me, Richard Lamb
3rd Lamb's In A League of Her Own, Richard Lamb
4th Shale Valley's River Dance, Randy Meyer

Open Gun Dog:
18 Starters

1st No Limit Annie Up (GSP), John Landolina
2nd ANJ's Amazing Grace, Mike Poehler
3rd Jagoub's Buzz'n Bayou, Tom Jagielski
4th Oak Hill's Moon-Dog-E, Andy Lewandowski

Amateur Gun Dog:
18 Starters

1st Shale Valley's Myla Tech, Randy Meyer
2nd Dr. Jac's Bazooka Belle, Jackie Swanson
3rd Jimmy No No's Whyte Hot Flare (GSP), Dave Oberst
4th RC's Bitz, Rob Richter

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**"Call Alan Ott
about a litter of
eleven pups
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home!"**

The 2011 American Brittany Club Summer Specialty, hosted by the GMBC next summer, is now collecting trophy donations. To sponsor an entire class (1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place) is \$35.00. We will post a list of classes in the December Newsletter so you can pick a class out to sponsor. I am the Event Planner and our Show Committee is Julie Asmus, Debbie Lewandowski, and Jeff Jarmuskiewicz. Debbie Jagielski (nee: Connell) is the 2nd VP. Tom and her are chairing the show. I will begin providing you with the plans each month as we progress towards the July 2, 2011 big event.

Also, Debbie J. will be in charge of the July 1, 2011 GMBC Specialty Show and the Raffle. We cannot hold a raffle on the day of the ABC Specialty (July 2, 2011) because the American Brittany Rescue has its Raffle that day. On Sunday, we plan on holding a \$50/\$50 raffle.

I can't tell you how excited we are, as a committee, about having our GMBC host this extremely important National Event.

Becky Rao

Mark your calendars:

Annual GMBC awards banquet will be held

Sat. January 15, 2011 at Alioto's.

We will have 3-4 dinner choices that can be chosen the night of the banquet. Please watch next months newsletter for more information and a RSVP sheet.

Contact Julie Asmus with any questions.

(see membership list for phone # & email address)

Membership Dues are \$35.00

Associate Membership is \$10.00

Please make checks payable to:
GMBC

Then, Mail checks to:

Julie Asmus
(see membership list for address)



Rich & Ann Lamb's Crew
Ivy, Jr. & Reg

All Three Born: Oct. 2008

They were one year old in this picture.

Memberships that are over due or coming due for 2010 & 2011....

C. Wenham	May
K. Fadness, C. Fuerbringer, P. Tanner, M. Rusnak	June
L. Boulton, J&S Ori	Jul
A. Eichman	Aug
J. Dawson, A. Ott, M. Perillo	Sept
S. Bong, N. Warner	Oct
J. Hierimeier, E. Kuipers	Nov
T. Selnes	Dec
J. Elsea, R. Lamb, P. Sanders	Jan-2011

The list above is current according to ABC records. (updated 1/1/10 for ABC 3rd quarter 9/09). ABC would like your check **45 days prior to the 1st of the month** on your expiration date. This means that we must receive your check at least 60, preferably 90, days prior to your renewal date. This will make sure that you don't miss any magazines.

I will try to post renewals 3 months in advance. Remember, you can renew up to 3 yrs. at a time. I would highly recommend this option so that you don't miss any magazines.

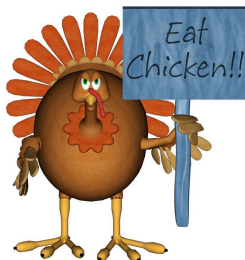
GMBC prices were last raised as of January 2005 to \$35 full and \$10 assoc. (please note). This reflects increases by ABC and also increases for insurance, postage, etc.

2 years = \$70 assoc. = \$20

3 years = \$105 assoc. = \$30

Anyone overdue 6 months or more are automatically deleted from the membership list. Therefore, the following have been deleted...

J. Zvonar J. Rowley S. Harger R. Kinder R. Magloski
D. Jones R. Vincent J. Taylor D. Gahlman



Dixie



This whole Brittany thing started for us when Cassie brought home a 13-week-old shelter surrender. We already had four dogs at the time; and I emphatically told her “NO.” One week later, his name was Kernel and he slept in bed with us.

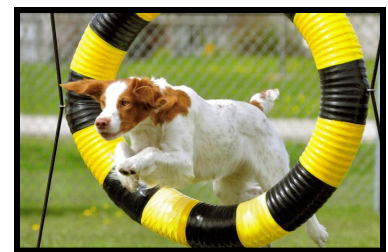
Skip ahead three years. Kernel was working on his Senior Hunter title and was one heck of a companion hunter. It was easy training him. Pointing came naturally, and his retrieves were and still are fantastic. But something was wrong. We had lost two of the four dogs we had and the remaining two never wanted to play with Kernel any more. So, to keep Kernel, aka, ‘His Highness’ happy, we decided to get another Brittany. These weren’t bad dogs. They are easy to train, pointing always comes natural, and they stay close when hunting. Then, oh man, along came Dixie.

We had grand ideas of how we were going to raise her. Junior Hunter title, then Senior hunter title, throw in a CGC award, and a whole slew of other accolades that we could brag about. Boy were we wrong. Not all wrong. We did manage a Junior Hunter title. But Dixie was different than Kernel. She really didn’t like to point. Instead, she chose the ‘point for a second, then eat and chase’ method of hunting. We thought she was broken, Kernel never did this. “What is wrong with her?” is what we kept thinking. We had our hands full!

As time went on, however, things slowly began to improve. Rich L. told us she belonged in Field Trials. So, guess what? “It’s just another thing to spend money on,” we said. But it wasn’t bad; she started getting ribbons and placements in the juvenile stakes, and even received an award from the Field Trial Club of Illinois. We were making progress, slow progress, but progress nonetheless. Even with all this, all the exercise, all the training, all the bird work, etc..., Dixie needed more. Her endless energy had worn out Kernel, the other two dogs, and us. Agility was the next logical move.



Dixie’s Agility training has been just what the Doctor ordered. The hour to hour and a half training sessions are very taxing on her. She is exhausted when she gets home. When she has energy to burn, she can train right in the backyard. Also, Dixie has really taken to Agility. She gets really fired up when it’s time to train or compete.



There are several different categories that dogs can compete in. Dixie competes in Standard, which is what you see on T.V., and she also competes in JWW (Jumpers with Weaves). We are proud to say that on Saturday, October 2nd Dixie got a first place ribbon in Standard and in Jumpers. Sunday, October 3rd, she got a 2nd place in Standard - completing her Novice Agility Title.



Completed her Novice Agility title this Oct 2nd & 3rd 2010

She continues to train tirelessly at Agility and in her Field Trial Training. She is a constant challenge and always keeps us guessing. We still can’t figure out why she was broken when we got her. But after much consulting with professionals, we found out that these problems are perfectly normal, it was Kernel that was abnormal.

More in the future.....The Gugin’s