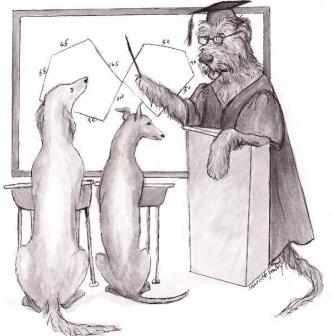
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MARK YOUR 2018 ASFA CALENDAR!! CALENDAR!! International Invitational



THE FALCON INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED COURSING STUDIES

Please plan to join us for the 41st running of the ASFA International Invitational on October 13-14th at Pete and Daphane Lowe's Falcon, Colorado property, which is better known as the Falcon Institute for Advanced Coursing Studies. This will be the 3rd time that the II has been held at this location. All hounds that qualify will receive a FIFACS diploma.

Field Trial Co-Chairs are Phil Fullam and Dan Heidel. Field Trial Secretary is Darc Kunard

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FINANCIAL REPORT by Phil Fullam. INTERVIEW WITH RUSS AND VICKIE JACOBS. ASPARAGUS MAN. TOP TEN as of June 4, 2018.	

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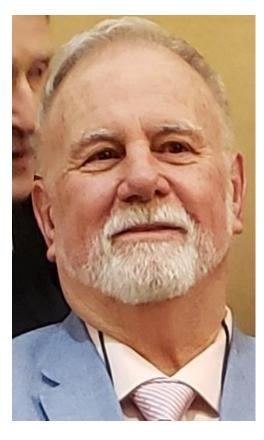
Thank you for your feedback on the May 2018 issue. You told us that you read the articles, enjoyed the issue, and are feeling connected with what's going on in ASFA. We are delighted, humbled and encouraged by your response.

In this issue we explore "How to question a judge's decision about your dog's score". There's also a lot of organizational news contained in the Message from the President, the Results from the ACoD Attendee Survey and the Report on Fundraising. We have a nice write up on the 2nd annual Beezer Bash, and an interview with Russ and Vickie Jacobs. For a touch of nostalgia, we brought back the Asparagus Man. Finally, starting with this issue we include the Top Ten from each breed.

Please send us your feedback, photographs, and ideas. Let us know what you like, don't like, and what you'd like to see covered in the Communique'.

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Message from the President

It's been three months since the ACoD. Much has been accomplished, with so many of us busy working for ASFA. If there is anybody out there that would like to join us to improve our ASFA and make it better, please contact me. Dean Wright, hlb2@comcast.net or phone number 717-637-3011 (work) or 717-725-2624 (cell).

WOW, where do I begin! Let's start with a very positive. **MDIHC** (Mason Dixon Ibizan Hound Club) held trials over Memorial Day weekend with an entry on Saturday of 79 hounds and 81 on Sunday. The event included a very well attended "Beezer Bash". Some other clubs have also been experiencing larger entries this year.

The ASFA **Communiqué** went out on May 8th. **Vicki Fagre-Stroetz** is our editor and is to be praised for the job that she did. We should all be looking forward to future Communiqués edited by this remarkable editor. Three people told me that "It was like getting FAN Magazine again". And that was great to hear.

We have two new Regional Directors, **Kathy Sanders** for Region 8 and **Lee Warden** for Region 6. Please join me in welcoming them on board. If you happen to live or lure course in their regions, please help them get things done. There is an election taking place in Region 7. Both candidates will do a great job. Please help your Regional Director plan and schedule a Regional Invitational.

<u>Records Program & Website</u>: We added **Cathy Sanderson** as the Co-Chair of this committee. She is very knowledgeable about what Paragon is doing for us. I met with **Paragon** in April received an update on what needs to be done next and we started. As of this writing, the program and data are on **Lori Coulson's** computer. She has been working with it and has identified many things to change, fix or update. Bill, who presented for Paragon at the ACoD, is working with Lori on a one-on-one basis weekly to get the program up and running. Paragon is also working with **Marilyn Standerford** and **Jean Hampton** to get data loaded onto our **GoDaddy** website. Hopefully, I will have good news about the program in the next Communiqué.

<u>Finances</u>: Our checking account balance at the beginning of June was \$9,000.00. We receive a donation of \$10,000, of which \$2,000 is earmarked for Communications by the donor. We created an **Endowment Task Force**. Look for the article from Task Force Chair **Phil Fullam** later in this publication.

<u>Survey</u>: On my behalf, **Thomas Christ** conducted the first in a series of planned surveys. The first survey went to attendees of the 2018 ACoD. Of the 62 questionnaires that were sent out, 29 of the attendees returned the survey within the first 24 hours. Thomas tallied the results and created the report, which is published in this issue. This survey has provided good information on how we can improve future ACoDs. The next survey is in the works and will be out soon. The focus will be

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Region 10 Lori Silvestri

Arizona, California south Hawaii, Nevada south on changes that we can make to better serve you. So please fill out the survey when you receive it. We'd like to make decisions based on what you really think and want, as opposed to what we think you want. Thank you, Thomas, for your work on this project.

<u>Public Relations</u>: **Mike Leach** is the new Public Relations Chair. Mike has some great ideas on how we can expand and grow ASFA by using communication strategies. Mike will have an article in the next Communiqué. Welcome aboard Mike.

Accomplishments since the ACoD in March:

- We populated the board Committees and created 3 single-project Task Forces that are already at work.
- <u>ASFA's 50th Anniversary</u>. ASFA will turn 50 in 2022. **Ruth Reynolds** will oversee planning for our 50th Anniversary. Ruth has not only agreed to take on this task, but she tells me that she cherishes this opportunity to do so. Some of you may remember that Ruth did a wonderful job managing our 25th Anniversary. And those who attended the 2018 ACoD will recall Ruth's moving presentation about the very beginnings of ASFA and lure coursing. Ruth took us back to the first trial, the first program, the first course, and even to the very first TALLY HO all told from the point of view of an Afghan Hound. We are excited to see what Ruth will have in store for us in 2022.
- Endowment & Fund Raising. Phil Fullam is the Chair. His report is published in this Communiqué.
- <u>Electronic Meeting Procedures</u>. **Ping Pirrung** is Chairing this Committee. Her recommendations will be coming out soon.

The Board Approved the following Motions:

- To hold the 2018 II (International Invitational) at **Pete and Daphane Lowe**'s Falcon, Colorado property, which is better known as "the Falcon Institute of Advanced Coursing Studies". The dates are October 13-14. **Please Mark Your Calendars** and look for the ad in this issue. The II is an historical event that has been held each year since 1977. I have my plane ticket already and hope to see many of you there.
- To retire the Marc Gembola Perpetual II Trophy, as planned by OKIGO (Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana Gazehound Organization) when the trophy was donated in 1998. The trophy will be presented to Marc's widow at a future OKIGO trial. Photos of the presentation will be published in the Communiqué.
- To approve a **Rhodesian Ridgeback Perpetual II Trophy**. The trophy will be donated to honor **Meg Willis-Redfern** for her years of work for Ridgebacks and the ASFA.
- To adopt (again) a per capita fee for clubs hosting the II.
- To accept **SWEPT** (Silken Windhounds for Endurance, Performance & Training) as an ASFA member club.
- To name **Claudia Miller** as Chair of the Membership Committee. Welcome aboard Claudia. I hope you are ready to rock n roll.





Survey of 2018 ACoD Attendees

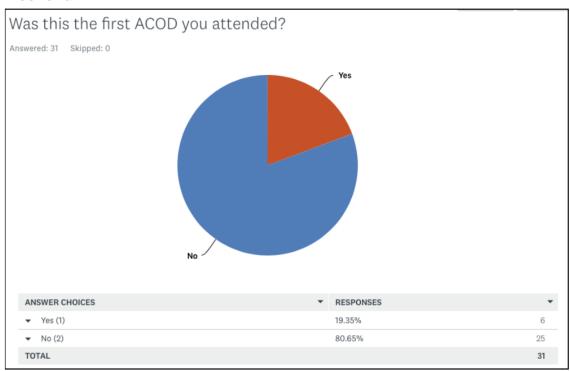
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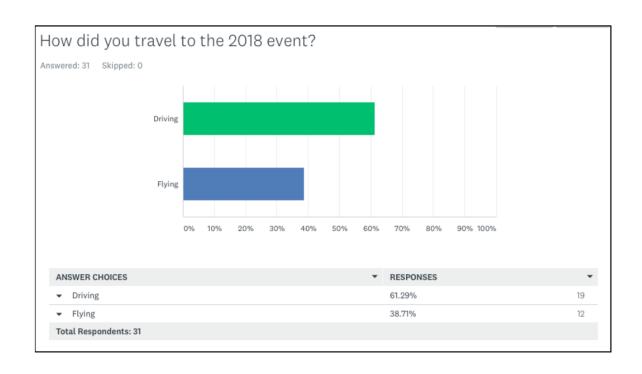
The following are the results from the first survey sent out to the attendees of this years ACoD,

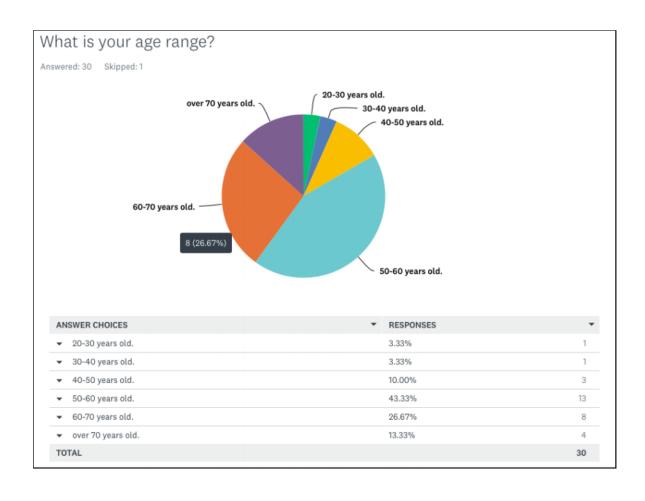
A general concern was raised as to the length of the event due to the reports presented by the Regional Directors and Committee Chairs.

Feedback was received from more than 53% of the attendees and the majority voiced that numerous reports should be made available either electronically or in print to be reviewed instead of presented.

It was further suggested to hold seminars and extend the event up to a full weekend.

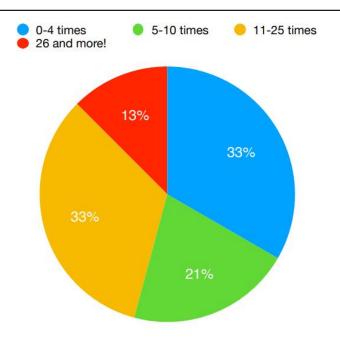






If this wasn't your first ACOD, please indicate how many you have attended?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 5



Q6

What is your biggest complaint when attending the ACOD?

Answered: 30 Skipped: 1

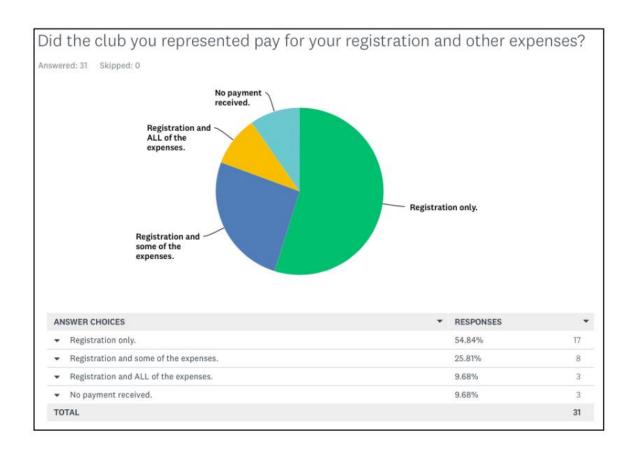
The concerns most noted from the survey were the overall length of the ACOD and essentially suggesting that the reports from the Regional Directors should be handed out / emailed prior to the event for people to read instead of presenting those at the convention

Q7

How would you improve the yearly convention?

Answered: 29 Skipped: 2

Suggestion to extend the ACoD to at least 1 1/2 day or even 2 were made in addition to hold seminars with the remaining time were made



How was the flow of the topics at the 2018 ACOD?

Answered: 31 Skipped: 0

In general attendees were pleased with the efficiency and length of the reports and new business and discussions.

ASF Communiqué

The ASFA Communique can be delivered to you directly, whether or not you are a member of an ASFA club.

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... ever wonder, "What should I do about this?", when you have a genuine question about a judge's score

The "Wright Way" to Question a Judge

by Dean Wright

An incident occurred recently at a trial that made me think about the proper way to question a judge about his or her scoring or a blanket color mix-up. I thought it would be nice to say something here about how I prefer to be questioned about my judging and I love to share with people why I put down the scores I do.

- When someone feels that I made a mistake in the evaluation of their hound, how should they go about finding out if there was a mistake?
- First, go to the field trial secretary and ask to see the judge's sheet for that specific course.
- Verify that the scores for yellow, pink, and blue were entered correctly on the record sheet. Just doing that finds some errors. Look at the categories that the judge separated the hounds by: speed, agility, follow etc., etc.
- Once this is verified you may ask the field trial chairman to go onto the field and ask the judge to look at their notes to see if they might have mixed the blanket colors when putting information on the judges sheets.
- You may also wait and talk to the judge when they are no longer on the field fulfilling their judging assignment. Most of us keep notes on each course we judge.
- Ask us to look at our notes and explain why we placed the hounds the way we did. We will explain what we saw from our notes. Remember: When talking to a judge , please be respectful and be polite. Please DO NOT ARGUE with us!

That is the proper way to question me or any other judge.

At a recent trial, there was an exhibitor that questioned a judges' decisions. The owner came to me as the field trial chair with the judge's sheet that had been obtained from the field trial secretary. They asked if I would go on the field and ask the judge if they might have made a blanket colors mix up. When I questioned the judge at the next pause in their judging, they discovered that they had put the pink dog's score in the yellow dog's box and the yellow dog's score in the pink dog's box. The problem was corrected. I enjoy talking to folks about my judging it is still a learning experience for both me and the exhibitor.

--Dean Wright

the Beezer Bash by Leah Hartlep



The schedule of events included two Ibizan-only AKC trials, one Ibizan-only ASFA trial, one Ibizan-only conformation match, and three all-breed ASFA trials spread over four days. While many breeds couldn't handle so much running, the Ibzians were up for the challenge. No blown pads or injuries were reported. And no one came up lame.

Ensign (Can GCH DC U-CH lcyCold Thirdmate LCM2 FChX), owned and bred by Karen Catt, won Best of Breed at both Friday trials; one AKC and one ASFA. Our judge for both trials was John Arvin. John also judged the conformation match. He awarded Wild Eve (owned and bred by Sarah Murphy) Best Puppy in Match. Winners Dog and Best in Match went to Fin (Am/Can DC lcyCold Infinity 2The3rd Power SC FCh LCM), owned by Robin Davis and Karen Catt. Winners Bitch was MeMe, and Reserve Winners Bitch was Dory. Reserve Winners dog went to the veteran, Wifi.





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Saturday's trials yielded the same results, with Ensign continuing his winning streak by taking Best of Breed at the AKC and ASFA trials. The judges were John Arvin and Eddie Kominek for the ASFA trial, and Cindy Hamilton for the AKC trial. On Sunday, judges Don Ewing and Eddie Kominek again chose Ensign as their Best of Breed winner at the ASFA trial.

Best of Breed at the Monday ASFA trial went to Fin! Tired of his role as the male Ibizan equivalent to the perpetual "bridesmaid", Fin had to beat his brother at least once in the weekend.



The Dino Award winner was Ensign, with an amazing 112 dogs defeated. The weekend truly belonged to Ensign. He was without equal on the coursing field until the very end. Nine Ibizans qualified for the Dino Award by running all six trials and participating in the fun match. Those hounds were:

"Ensign"	MBIF CKC DC U-CH FC IcyCold Thirdmate SC FChX LCM2
"Fin"	MBIF Am/Can DC IcyCold Infinity 2The3rd Power SC FCh LCM
"Dawn"	MBIF Can CH FC IcyCold 3rd Red Dawn at Henmar SC GRC FCh
"MeMe"	Can GCH DC IcyCold Take A Second Look at Me SC FCh
"Hurry"	Can CH FC IcyCold Ever Second Counts SC
"Audrey"	MBIF GCH DC Abbaio Breakfast At Tiffany's SC
"Seren"	BIE DC Kamars First Rule of FLying SC CA FCh
"Thea"	Kamars Flying Arrow SC CA
"lzzy"	MBIF CH Kamars Double Back to Treybeau SC CA FCh

The event was attended by Ibizan enthusiasts from all over the USA and Canada. Next year's Beezer Bash is already in the planning stages. It will be held over Memorial Day Weekend in Medina, Ohio. It will be new, different and unlike the two previous Beezer Bash weekends. Mark your calendar. We hope to see you there!

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Fund Raising for ASFA by Phil Fullam

IN MY TRAVELS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, I have been frequently reminded of how strong the support is for ASFA. While we each have our pet peeves about the organization and complaints about lack of responsiveness, in general there has been an overwhelming positive attitude for what ASFA stands for and what has been accomplished. We love our sport, our dogs, and each other.

OUR HISTORY IS CRITICAL TO WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE GOING

As most are aware, ASFA has made a major commitment to a new records program. This commitment consumed roughly 58% of ASFA's cash reserves during 2017. Additional expenditures are anticipated to add key features and provide additional user services in the coming year.

ASFA has made this commitment because the records are at the heart of our organization. There is a very clear need to improve and maintain historical records and future information. As we move toward new and exciting additions to our activities, this new records program will be vital to the services that ASFA must provide to clubs, judges, and the fancy in general.

PAYMENT FOR THE RECORDS PROGRAM UPGRADE

- (1) EVENT FEE. In 2017 a \$15.00 fee was added to each event to help pay for the new program. This fee is small, and projections indicate that it will be close to ten years before the new program is paid for from is extra cost to each event. Enhancements to the program, and the improvements possible could extend this fee significantly longer, and lack of funding could slow implementation of necessary improvements.
- (2) ASFA RECORDS ENDOWMENT. The Long-Range Planning Committee has recommended that ASFA establish an endowment to support and maintain the records of ASFA. The concept is simple. Funds will be solicited from individuals and organizations with the principal invested. The returns from these investments will be used to maintain the records of ASFA in perpetuity, and to provide educational and historic information for the long term.

While the endowment concept is simple, we need to create an organizational structure to insure the integrity of the funds donated, including favorable tax treatment for both the donners and ASFA. This will take some time to implement and must be done carefully. The current IRS classification of ASFA does not allow donations to be treated as tax deductible by the donors. For many individuals this is a disincentive. It is possible and legal to develop a method which can overcome this problem, but this will take time.

The President of ASFA has appointed a task force to explore what will be required. Recommendations and a cohesive strategy will be presented to the Board, hopefully by the end of this year. We have obtained commitments from individuals familiar with the process to support the effort. Initial discussions have been very favorable. Several individuals have indicated that they would be willing to make significant contributions once we have the structure for the endowment in place. A preliminary funding goal of \$250,000 is viewed as realistic, with an ultimate objective of \$1,000,000.

SHORT TERM FUND RAISING – THE ASFA SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

While this is very exciting, the time to start soliciting contributions to the endowment will likely be well into 2019. In the short term, we will undertake a more modest fund-raising effort. We will begin soliciting donations soon from individuals, clubs, and organizations for our **Sponsorship Program**. The **Sponsorship Program** will defray the short-term cost of the records program and support several other key activities, such as Public Relations. **Sponsorship Program** donations will go directly to the ASFA. The Sponsorship Program will be open to individuals, clubs and business organizations. Recognition awards will be presented at the ASFA 2018 II in October. Our goal is to raise \$30,000. The sponsorship levels will be as follows:

Diamond Level - \$5,000 and above Platinum Level - \$ 2,500 to \$4,999 Gold Level - \$ 1,000 to \$2,499 Silver Level - \$ 500 to \$999 Bronze Level - any donation up to \$499

Anonymous donations and earmarked donations will be permitted in this program. ASFA is a 501(c)(7) organization under IRS rules. Details for making donations will be posted soon.

Thank you in advance for the support.

Phil Fullam



[Editor's Note: This original interview of **Russ and Vickie Jacobs** of **Cynosure Basenjis** is reprinted with permission from FAN (Sept/Oct 1993 issue). Present day updates and photos are included].



Interview with Russ and Vickie Jacobs, Cynosure Basenjis

FAN: First tell us a little about yourselves: Where were you born; what is your occupation; besides dogs, what are your other interests and hobbies?

I was born in Nebraska and raised in Texas. I went back to Nebraska for my undergraduate degree, then back to the University of Texas for my Ph.D. I am currently Professor of Philosophy at Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas. I divide my time between my teaching and research, professional organizations (I am currently serving as President of the Southwestern Philosophical Society) and far too many dog activities.

Vickie was born and raised in Nebraska. I went to the University of Texas for a teaching degree in Special Education and worked for six years at a state school for

mentally retarded children. I'm currently showing dogs professionally in conformation and grooming all types of dogs.

FAN: How did you come up with your kennel name?

The English word "cynosure" literally means "something that is noticed with admiration." When we decided we were serious about dogs, we began to look around for a kennel name. We wanted something with a classical sound, so we looked at Greek and Latin roots; the Greek for dog is "Cynos."

"Cynosure" is actually a triple play on words: the Greek roots literally mean "dog's tail." Cynosure is also a term of reference for the constellation Ursa Minor (little bear- Bouviers), which contains Polaris, the north star. Since Polaris is a navigational constant- always to the north in the Northern Hemisphere- it was commonly used to determine direction. Hence, "cynosure" came to mean "something that acts as a guide" and ultimately "an object that attracts notice and admiration." Unfortunately, although the word is in most English dictionaries, I have found that almost no one recognizes it anymore.

FAN: How long have you participated in the sport of lure coursing? How did you first become interested in it? How many hounds have you titled over the years, and what titles have they acquired?

We began lure coursing in 1984, when Heartland Coursing Association was formed in Kansas City. We had been fascinated with the idea of coursing for some time, but there was no activity close enough to get us started. The two Basenjis we had at the time were absolute naturals- they ran from the very beginning, with no real training at all. We were hooked from that point on. Both of those dogs

wound up with LCMs, and their daughter also has her LCM. Three of their grandchildren are also ASFA titled, with several others very close to finishing. All of the adult Basenjis in residence at Cynosure now have coursing titles. Along the way, we have had a Basenji in the Top Ten just about every year, and our dogs have won Best of Breed at an II and four or five Regional Invitationals.

FAN: What sighthound breed(s) do you own/run? Do you own other non-sighthound breeds as well?

We own and run Basenjis. We also own Bouviers des Flandres and have bred a litter of that breed. Franna, our old mamma Bouvier, was one of the hottest running "hounds" around. She loved to run the bunnies as much as any of our hounds. *Update: We no longer have Bouviers; we currently house five Basenjis here at Cynosure.*



FAN: In which different areas of the country (or the world) have you participated in lure coursing? Have you done a lot of traveling to compete with your hounds?

We course mainly in the Midwest - Region V. We will also go south on occasion, into Oklahoma, and have coursed in Colorado and Illinois. Since we divide our time between coursing, conformation shows and obedience, we really don't travel a lot, although we have been more lately (since Russ began judging.)

FAN: In what ways, past or present, have you been actively involved in the sport of lure coursing? If you are a judge, please describe your system and methods of evaluation. If you are a lure operator, please give other lure operators some hints. If you excel in paperwork describe your system, etc. What are your club affiliations and how actively are you involved in them? What do you do, in particular, to promote the sport of lure coursing?

We became involved with coursing through involvement with Heartland Coursing Association. Many of the members of that club got started in coursing together, so we had the fun of learning from scratch with a group of people. Since then, we have done a bit of everything with the club.

I started out as a huntmaster, and then worked equipment and ran the lure. About three years ago I started to judge, and this has cut into my opportunities to run the lure, although I think I have served as lure operator for most of the clubs in the area at least once or twice. I am currently serving as President of HCA, and Corresponding Secretary for ASFA, and I have been asked to serve as Coursing

Director for the Basenji Club of America. I am Field Trial Chair for the BCOA national specialty field trial in September of 1993. In the past I have held a variety of other jobs with HCA and with ASFA, including Regional Director for Region V, and ASFA First Vice President.

You ask about my judging system. I work from an average score for a specific breed in each category, adding or subtracting points depending upon whether a particular hound is above or below average in that category. If I am cross-course judging, I will usually give the second dog in an average course my average score, then go up or down from there for the other dogs in that course, and then score the other courses in that stake according to whether or not they are better or worse than the average course. Even when doing multiple stakes of Whippets, I expect to be able to sequentially rank all of the dogs in one stake, although I will not hesitate to tie two dogs in different courses if I cannot see a clear distinction between them. Sooner or later the tie will resolve itself, or I will get to see them run together. I use a fairly low average score so that a dog with one non-qualifying run isn't necessarily out of the ribbons if she/he has a good second run. I have found that an average score in the mid-sixties gives me more room to maneuver. We are both very active in a local all-breed club (Vickie is currently President, Russ is Secretary) and Russ was on the Board of Directors of the North American Working Bouvier Association for five years. Vickie has also been President, Secretary and is currently serving as a Board Member of the Show-Me Basenji Club. Update 2018: After a brief retirement, I am President of HCA again.

I am a member of the Heartland Coursing Association and have been since it was started. I have served as Secretary and am presently a Board Member. I started working for the club as field clerk, inspection committee and very occasionally huntmaster. I am the Field Trial Secretary for the 1993 Basenii Club of America lure trial this fall. Update 2018: I have had other responsibilities with ASFA. I was the

Chair of Membership Committee over 25 years. I am still Chair of the ASFA Site Selection Committee, ASFA Convention Planner and the Animal Advisory Committee

FAN: Do you show your hounds in conformation? What other areas of dog activities and training are you involved or interested in? How many titles have your hounds earned in these other areas?

We are very involved in conformation showing. Vickie usually goes to the shows with a van full of our own and clients' dogs. All of our adult Basenjis are now Bench Champions as well as Field Champions or LCMs. Since we find it easier to select a promising puppy on the basis of conformation, we usually keep the pick show pup, and trust our coursing program to provide coursing and obedience potential. So far, this has worked well for us-most of the dogs we keep become dual champions. As our kennel population increases, we try to find loving pet homes for older show dogs who won't run and/or do obedience. Occasionally we will breed such a dog, but we quickly bring the get back to proven working dogs.

Vickie does most of the conformation showing (Russ usually gets to show the really ornery females) and Russ does most of the obedience training and showing. We have put AKC Bench Championships on 10 dogs to date (eight of them Basenjis, five of those homebred.) We also have three CDs and three CDXs. Russ currently has a young Basenji dual champion in obedience training, and a Bouvier started in Utility. In addition, as mentioned above, we have titled three Tracking Dogs, 2018 Update: Although we have continued to show in conformation with some success (we finished three young dogs of our breeding last year, and our Veteran bitch was Best Veteran in Sweeps at the 2017 National Specialty,) we have not shown in obedience in some years now. We have also done less lure coursing, since we have had fewer dogs and fewer of them have coursed. Kyra, our veteran, has a FCh and a VFCh. but those titles were slow in coming because we don't travel as much anymore, and Basenji competition is much reduced in our area. We continue to support the Heartland Coursing Association (Vickie is currently Field Trial Chair) and both of us judge occasionally. Vickie has added another sport with the dog: Barn Hunts. We now have three basenjis with Barn Hunt titles. The young dogs have their Barn Hunt RATN and Kyra has her RATO.



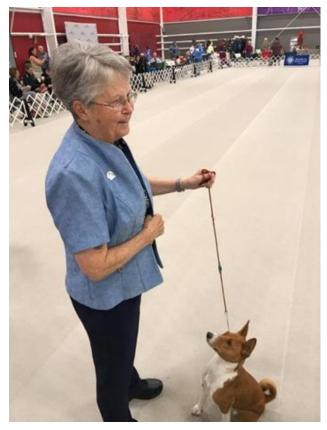
FAN: What do you think makes a good running dog? Do you think conformation plays a large part? If so, describe your opinion of "ideal" conformation. How about mental ability and attitude?

Both proper conformation and keenness to chase play a part in making a good running dog. Of the two, at least for lure coursing, keenness to chase probably plays a larger role than proper conformation, since courses tend to be relatively short and over smooth terrain, which doesn't really push most dogs physically. However, given roughly equivalent keenness, physical gifts will usually determine the winner. In Basenjis, at least, proper conformation is never a liability, and usually an asset, since what the standard calls for is still functional on the coursing field. My opinion of "ideal" conformation is summed up in the Basenji standard; I think we have a decent standard, and I do not think it necessary to amend it for coursing dogs. (We are fortunate in that Basenjis successful in the conformation ring can still succeed on the coursing field, and vice-versa. There is no "field-type" Basenji.) Coursing does place stress on a good front assembly - moderately angulated, with good chest fill - and that is something I think is a problem in the show ring these days. But, the Basenji front described by the standard would serve any dog well in the field. Basenjis should also give the appearance of being "high on the leg," and length of leg is also an asset in coursing.

The major problem I have found in coursing Basenjis is their low threshold for boredom. (I know that this is also a problem in other breeds.) Basenjis learn the coursing game very quickly, and it is difficult to keep a Basenji running honestly for a long period of time, because they can always come up with better ways to chase the plastic. This tendency is exacerbated by simple, obvious course plans that are predictable, and by lure operators that keep the lure so far in front of a Basenji that they either can't see it at all or lose interest in it. 2018 Update: Some changes here over the years, but the essential housing and kennel arrangements remain the same. We no longer have Bouviers; right now we have 5 Basenjis, ranging from 3 years to 11 years old. This cohort seems to prefer to sleep in their cozy kennel building, so we rotate dogs in the house during the daytime. The kennel building continues to work well for us, but we have

learned one lesson: no texturized ceilings in spaces that aren't air conditioned in the summer! Humidity and heat will lead that stuff to peel off.

FAN: Have you ever bred a litter, or do you consider yourself a breeder? Have you bred dogs specifically to perform certain functions, such as coursing, showing or obedience? Or, for the combination of many abilities and qualities? Tell us a little about your foundation stock and why you chose to breed from them. What are the long-term goals of your breeding program?



We consider ourselves to be breeders primarily, which is why we are involved in so many different dog sports; we see them as a functional test of the breeding we are doing. We try to breed one litter a year: we think that is the "critical mass" necessary for a program that is going somewhere, and although more would speed up the process, we don't have the time or the facilities to breed on a large scale and do it right. (We did breed two litters once- they whelped one day apart. We learned a lot from that!) We try not to breed for a single feature or activity, but for a versatile Basenji, able to succeed in the conformation ring, on the coursing field, and in obedience. The first two are the most important, because together they test both form and function, appearance and performance. We feel very strongly that contemporary breeders are simply the guardians of breed heritage, and as we improve the curl in the dogs tail or the color of the coat, we must not lose the working heritage and the basic conformation that evolved to serve it. Lure coursing is the best way to test and conserve the working heritage of the Basenji.

Not every Basenji can succeed in obedience and tracking, but we hope to develop a line that will produce generally more responsive and tractable dogs, with a few in every generation that have obedience potential. Our foundation stock was out of distinguished, but strictly conformation, lines. We were fortunate that not only did our first two dogs have good conformation our foundation stud was a group winner- but they also had the working capacities we came to find important. We say fortunate, because we selected them solely with the show ring in mind; the rest came later. We are also very concerned with temperament, because it is very difficult to course or to do

obedience work successfully without proper temperament. We temperament test all our puppies at 7 weeks, and urge people who buy from us to put the pups into puppy classes and, later, obedience classes. The pups that we keep go into puppy classes as soon as they are old enough, and we (Vickie) work them in obedience and show basics from the time they are 6-8 weeks old. They are also exposed to a variety of sights and sounds and situations when they are very young; this has drawbacks and risks, but it seems to produce a more stable adult.

The long-term goal of our breeding program is to reliably produce dogs that combine proper Basenji conformation with working drive and temperament. This may force us to compromise excellence in a single area to a solid versatility, but we think this is worthwhile. And, hopefully, we will one day breed dogs that CAN do it all! At the risk of bragging a bit, we can illustrate the sort of thing we are after. A young dual champion bitch that we bred recently won Best of Breed two days in a row in an ASFA trial over a sizable field of good coursing dogs. Two weeks later she won a large hound group with Vickie handling her. Ch. Cynosure Diana, F.Ch., is now both a top ten lure courser and a group-winning special. It is this sort of versatile excellence that is our ultimate goal. 2018 Update: We haven't bred much in the last few years; 2015 was the first year we bred a litter in quite some time. After difficulties breeding our veteran bitch, we leased a bitch from Mary Kay Quinnett and bred her and our veteran. Of course, both produced litters — fortunately small ones. We kept the three puppies, put conformation titles on all three, working titles on two, and two are pointed in ASFA. Given the life span of Basenjis, and our own aging, we do not anticipate breeding another litter.

FAN: What methods of training do you use for lure coursing? Do you start your hounds when they are puppies?

Our training methods for coursing tend to be more hit and miss than we would like. We try to begin teasing the puppies with a white rag as soon as they can walk steadily, and we keep playing with them with a simulated lure as often as possible. When we temperament test

at 7 weeks, we include a coursing test. The pups we keep are then taken to Spring coursing trials and brought up close to the lure machine to watch the hounds start and finish a course. We begin to practice them on short courses- straight out for a hundred yards or so- when they are 4-5 months old. As they grow older, we slowly lengthen the course, introduce turns, and try to have them keen on a full course by the time they are a year old. Then we run them several times, at least, with a steady older Basenji, to make sure they are ready to run with other dogs. When we begin coursing them competitively usually depends upon their conformation career; we generally prefer to finish their conformation title before we course them heavily. Fortunately, most of our dogs finish their bench championships by the time they are a year or a year-and-a-half old, so not much delay is involved.

FAN: Do you keep your hounds in the same physical condition all year round, or do you have a special conditioning program for times when you are more actively competing? Please explain your conditioning program.

Our weather does not always permit us to keep Basenjis in coursing shape during the winter. When it is not too cold, and there is not too much snow on the ground, the dogs will condition themselves, running fence lines. We usually have enough decent weather in the early Spring to begin the conditioning process before the first trials, which are late in this part of the country. Even so, it usually takes several trials to bring them to a peak of conditioning. In the past, Russ has tried taking dogs jogging with him, usually in pairs, to condition them, but this doesn't seem very effective; Basenjis have so much trotting stamina that it is difficult to increase it appreciably without killing a middle-aged jogger. Coursing requires galloping stamina, something that it is difficult to develop except in the field. So, in practice we try to build general endurance in the exercise yards, and then finish it on the coursing field by running the dogs fairly regularly in the Spring and early Summer.



Frankly, we haven't found conditioning to be a problem with Basenjis; courses are generally short enough to not seriously challenge a normal, healthy Basenji. We have a 10-1/2 year-old veteran male who can still put in a creditable pair of runs on one day a weekend, and HIS conditioning program primarily involves a large arm chair (and being in charge!).

FAN: Have you ever had a hound dismissed, disqualified and/or reinstated? Did you recognize their problem? How did you rectify it (if you have)?

Our original coursing Basenji male had a problem sharing the lure when the course was over. We recognized this, and largely solved it by running him muzzled. In a nine-year coursing career, he was disqualified once for continuing a long-running feud with another dog he ran with often. We retrained him by running him alone for a while and requalified him. From then on, we avoided the male he was feuding with, and had no further problems. Since then, we have used a muzzle on many dogs, our own and others, to avoid a wide range of problems: Playful interference, aggression, line biting, refusal to release the lure. I think that many problems could be avoided if more people used them - and if more judges realized that the use of a muzzle is NOT an admission that a dog is aggressive. I also think that promptly picking up a dog when the course is over, regardless of whether you expect a problem, is good cheap insurance. A more difficult problem is the dog that is more interested in playing with other dogs than in coursing. We had one young male that would run fine with other boys, but he insisted that girls had to play with him. After he was dismissed for this twice, we decided he really wasn't a courser, and retired him. I never figured out a way to convince him that the lure was more interesting than the girls.

FAN: If there are any breed-specific problems connected with lure coursing and your particular breed, do you have any suggestions or ideas to pass on for other participants in that breed? (Grooming, taping, temperament problems, etc.)

Basenjis are one of the two or three breeds most likely to be dismissed or disqualified. Part of the reason is that they are EXPECTED to get into trouble, and many judges watch them with a jaundiced eye, expecting trouble. But another part of the reason for this is their history as a coursing breed: They have no experience prior to the 1970s in any form of sport coursing or racing. Their coursing background, prior to that time, was in serious life-and-death hunting, with dogs running as an established pack. As a result, Basenjis will sometimes object, quite reasonably from their point of view, when asked to run and share their "kill" with strangers who have no established place in their pack. Without owner awareness of this, and training to offset it, this can lead to problems in the artificial setting of the coursing field, which favors dogs bred for the impersonal racetrack. This means that it is very important for ANY hound's owner,

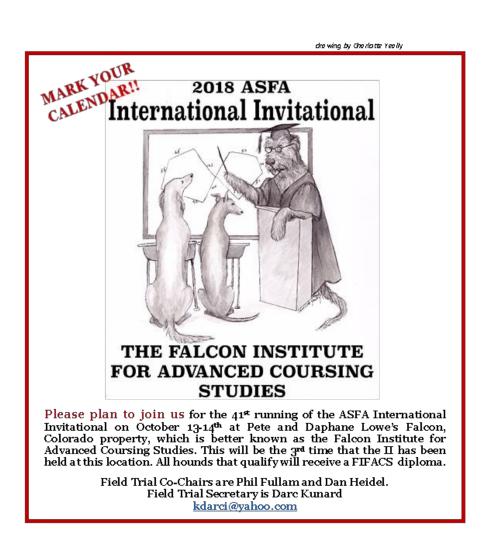
but especially for Basenji owners, to prepare the dog properly for the field, and to retrieve their hound promptly at the end of the course. As for anyone: If you think your hound might have a problem, anticipate and avoid it. If you know your dog has a problem, solve it before the dog goes back to the field. If you can't solve the problem, don't run the hound. That sounds simple- but first you have to take an honest look at your dog and her/his behavior on and off the field. Remember that there are lots of hounds out there, of many breeds, that run beautifully, but whose owners will not run them because of their tendency to interfere with other dogs. If you have to make a similar decision, you won't be alone.

FAN: What changes have taken place, since you've been involved, that are the most beneficial to the sport? What do you think is a detriment to the sport? What changes would you like to see take place in the future?

When we first started lure coursing, the drag lure was still very popular in this part of the country. Since that time, continuous loop has increasingly replaced it, and I see this as an improvement. I have watched, run and judged both systems quite a bit, and I see little or no evidence that continuous is more dangerous than drag. I KNOW that drag is much slower and tends to limit the size of the trials you can (or are willing) to give. The biggest potential change, of course, is the entrance of AKC into the sport. So far, I don't think it has had much impact on the sport, but of course it has that potential. I would really hate to see the "win" at any cost" attitude so common in the conformation ring take firm root in the coursing field, but ultimately we- the coursing fancy- are in control of that.

FAN: Is there any particular advice you would like to give to our readers?

I don't think I have any advice I haven't already shared with you. For sighthounds, coursing is an important part of breed heritage, and breeders must continue to breed for it. At the same time, coursing should be fun for people as well as dogs. So, breed for coursing and train for coursing, then let the dog do his thing. Have fun and enjoy it.



Who Is That Green Masked Man? The untold Story of

Asparagus Man

Far away in a distant galaxy, nested around three golden suns, orbits the planet "Sugarapsa". This peaceful and bountiful planet is inhabited by an intelligent race of sighthounds. The ruler of the sighthounds, King Randor, a very proud and noble Afghan, summoned his greatest adventurer Akhdaba Thawb Bahr, a sleek and powerful Saluki, to his court. Akhdaba entered the throne room where he saw the King surrounded by his loyal sighthounds. He approached the throne and bowed to his king.

King Randor exclaimed, "Akhdaba, you are my most trusted and loyal sighthound. I have a very dangerous mission that I want you to undertake."

Akhdaba responded, "How may I serve you, oh great King?

King Randor continued, "As you know, centuries ago a group of sighthounds left Sugarapsa to colonize a small planet in the Milky Way galaxy called Earth. We have not heard from our fellow sighthounds for a very long time. I want you to take the starship Excalibur and find out what has happened."

Akhdaba replied, "I eagerly accept this challenge. I will go with great speed." As Akhdaba left King Randor's court all the

sighthounds shouted, "May the course be with you, may the course be with you."

The Excalibur was loaded with the supplies needed for the long journey. Within hours the ship was ready and Akhdaba said his goodbyes. With a mighty roar the Excalibur lifted off the ground and proceeded towards Earth.

As the ship neared the Milky Way Galaxy Akhdaba noticed an unusual cosmic cloud on the ship's flight path. But, unknown to Akhdaba, some of the instruments on the ship had malfunctioned. As the ship flew through the cloud Akhdaba became violently ill and lost consciousness. The Excalibur was damaged but miraculously crash-landed on Earth near the town of Lexington, Kentucky.

After the crash, Akhdaba finally regained consciousness but he was no longer a Saluki. He had been transformed into a human-like male creature, green from head to toe, with superpowers. He spent some time experimenting with these new powers.

After a while, Akhdaba started to feel uneasy. His very sensitive ears heard someone screaming, "Quick, get it off the pulley, my Saluki is tangled in the string. Help, Help!" Without hesitation Akhdaba sprang to his feet and was airborne. Flying through the air and using his telescopic

vision, Akhdaba could see the Saluki in trouble. He flew down and landed near the Saluki. He telepathically told the Saluki that everything was going to be okay. People started asking, "Who is that green person?" Akhdaba released the Saluki from the string; the Saluki bowed graciously and then ran back to its owner. Looking around Akhdaba saw that there were a number of Salukis there.

Dean Wright approached Akhdaba and said, "Thank you for your help."

Akhdaba responded, "You are welcome."

"May I ask what your name is?" queried Dean.

"My name would be unpronounceable in your

language," said Akhdaba. "But a close translation would be Asparagus Man."

That was back in June of 1985. Since that time Asparagus Man has been to many places and seen many things. Back in the fall of 1988 he appeared at the Grand National



event in Colorado. While there he was challenged by Mike Hussey to prove that he was stronger than a pack of Irish Wolfhounds. It was not difficult for him to hold back the four angered Wolfhounds from chasing the lure. He met Mike's challenge and made several new friends.

He appeared at the Dixie Cup in the Fall of 1989 and helped Les Pekarski's club hand out the trophies from the day's event. At the end of 1989 he made an appearance at Dean and Sandy Wright's New Year's Eve trial. He presented them both with a poem and gifts to help celebrate their wedding anniversary. He has also made appearances at the ASFA conventions where he has honored some of the people who put in the long hours to keep the sport of lure coursing alive and well.

Asparagus Man has made several other appearances throughout the United States these last four years. He goes wherever his super powers are needed. Mostly to help fellow sighthounds who are in trouble. He is able to keep in touch with the world of lure coursing through his close friend Tom Cigolle. They are constantly in mental communication with each other.

"Now that I know my fellow sighthounds are safe," relates Asparagus Man, "I have given myself a new mission until the day that I can return to my planet of Sugarapsa. That mission is to use my Greyhound speed and my Wolfhound strength to explore new coursing fields, to seek out sighthounds in distress, and to boldly go where no lure has gone before. So, when you are out coursing your sighthounds and you gaze into the sky and see something. Remember, it may be a bird, it may be a plane, or it may be me-duh, duh, duh-Asparagus Man-making sure you and your sighthound are safe and sound. Until then, may the course be with you."

watch for further adventures of Asparagus Man



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AFGHAN HOUND Total competing: 33

- 1. Typsy, Evensong's Sit Down You're Rockin The Boat, FCh, R.& L.Jordan 8 11-1-0
- 2. Lena, DC Kominek's Calaeno, FCh,SC, E.& S.Kominek 7 9-1-0
- 3. Storm, Ch Exquisite Red Skye At Night, LCM, D.& L.Reisinger
- 3. Ingvar, Kominek's Ingvar Of Synergon, FCh, E.& S.Kominek 8-1-0
- 5. Komo, Komar's Smok'N Gun, SC,CA,CGC,JOR, J.Callaghan 7-6-0
- 6. Natalie, Le Nobel's Lucky To Be Me, P.Dahlman/D.Elkes/B.& J.Le Noble 7 6-2-0
- 6. Sansa, Kominek's Lady Of The Court, LCM, R.&
- L.Jordan/S.Kominek 8
- 6. Brienne, FC Kominek's Maid Of Sapphires, LCM,SC, E.&
- S.Kominek 7 6-0-0
- 9. Tango, FC Debmar's Surrender To The Dance, FCh,SC,SOR,ORC,
- V.Fagre-Stroetz 5 5-2-0
- 9. Fadiahr, Fadiahr El Iraja, V.& R.Koscinski
- 9. Gaston, Gaston La Gaffe Del Gran Pamir, P.Dahlman 7 5-0-0
- 12. Hammer, Ch Seafire's Champagne Wishes, LCM, E.Leng 4-1-0
- 12. Millie, Evensong's Thoroughly Modern Millie, LCM,SC, R.& L.Jordan 8 4-0-0

AZAWAKH Total competing: 8

- 1. Bagan, UKC GCh Allal Wa N'Sahel's Bagan, CM2,SC,
- A.Evans/R.W.Conaway 4 9-3-0
- 2. Anir, Ch Knightwind's Anir, E.Knight 8-2-0
- 3. Siri, Ch Knightwind's Tiziri, D.Vout 6-2-0
- 4. Leo, Allal wa n'Sahel Papilio Demodocus, R.Sampson/A.Evans
- 5. Buxxu, UKC Ch Allal Wa N'Sahel's Buxxu, CM2,CA,SC,
- A.Evans/R.W.Conaway 4
- 6. Axel, Allalwansahel Axiocrses Borealis, J.Martin 9 3-0-0
- 6. Journey Man, Ch Ettebel Ajouren, CA, J. Martin 9
- 8. Kella, Knightwind's Kella, D.Tomson/E.Knight 9 1-0-0

BASENJI **Total competing: 67**

- 1. Chilly, GCh, DC, Can Ch Borassus Hot. Cool. Yours.,
- LCM6,SC,CA,RATN, K.Sanders 50-11-2
- 2. Sloane, Dlucks Fopaw Neverending Story,
- A.Eagleston/E.McCammon 1

- 3. Logan, Dlucks Fopaw Labyrinth, N.Scherwin/N.Sherman 28-2-1
- 4. Zuri, GCh,DC Jerlin's Our Zuri Pupin,
- LCM,VLCM7,MC,SGRC3,LCX, T.Colbert 6 25-4-0
- 5. Taziri, GCh,DC Joy-Us Hung The Moon,
- LCM3,SC,SORC,SGRC,VB, T.Colbert 6 21-2-1
- 6. Henna, GCh, Can Ch Borassus Who's Your Hot Shot,
- LCM3,CA,SC,RATI, K.Sanders 20-1-0
- 7. Brady, Borassus 51's Comeback Kid.
- K.Sanders/A.Silverstein/Cholewa 18-0-0
- 7. Patti, Borassus Doin'er Job, K.Sanders/A.Silverstein/Cholewa 18-0-0
- 9. Coco, Borassus Cuckoo For Coco Puffs,
- K.Sanders/A.Silverstein/Cholewa 15-0-0
- 10. Ari, GCh, DC Jadaka's Independent Spirit,
- LCM3,CPX,SC,SGRC8,SORC8, T.Colbert 6 13-0-0

BORZOI Total competing: 69

- 1. Zip, Avalon Perlova Go Darkly, S.Van de Water/S.Moore 72-6-0
- 2. Queen, AKC Ch, UKC GCh Del Sol Red Queen, LCM, GRC, Dr.S.Van de Water4 52-3-0
- 3. Sir Lancelot, GCh,DC C'Lestial Red Lantern @ Ryhka,
- LCM2, SORC2, LCX, D. Darling/L. Green 8
- 4. Firebolt, Ch Del Sol Firebolt of Coburn WNS, LCM,GRC, S.Van de Water 32-0-0 4
- 5. Kiss, FC C'Lestial White Chocolate Of Ryhka,
- FCh, VLCM2, SC, SORC, D. Darling/L. Green 30-0-0
- 6. Weston, FC C'Lestial Wild & Wonderful Of Ryhka,
- LCM4, VLCM2, LCX2, SORC2, MC, D. Darling 29-1-0
- 7. Boots, Del Sol Hermies Boots, FCh, S.Van de Water 27-1-0
- 8. Canyon, AKC/UKC Ch Del Sol Dark Canyon Avalon V Willowind,
- LCM2,SGRC, S.Van de Water 26-0-0
- 9. Indy, Perlova Avalon Indy Go Zoiboyz, FCH, KC Thompson/T.Golcher 3
- 10. Livvie, FC Zoiboyz Glenlivet Nadurra, FCh,SC,CGC, L.Pocurull
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CIRNECO DELL'ETNA **Total competing: 4**

- 7 1. Amadeo, Beauty Of Sicilia Amadeo, R.Fawcett
- 1. Angel, Rockin'Hearts Angel Kisses, FCh, L.Myers 3
- 3. Joey, King of Dreams D'Lea, L.& D.Myers/J.Gates 3
- 3. Dexter, Riali I Debonair Dexter, FCh, D.& L.Myers 3 2-0-0

CHART POLSKI Total competing: 1

1. Taku, Fernmark Chart Blunderbuss, L.Duncan 6 2-0-0

GALGO ESPAÑOL Total competing: 2

- 1. Claire, Awanta's Bena, S.Garth 4-0-0
- 2. Connie, Awanta's Bruja, S.Garth 2-0-0

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GREYHOUND Total competing: 36

- 1. Seger, Lakilanni Turn The Page Story, L.Warden 6 29-10-6
- Sunspot, Lakilanni Sunsport Baby, FCh, S.Poper 17-2-0
- 3. Tull, Lakilanni Thick As A Brick, L.Soutar 12-1-1
- 3. Blueberry, GCh,CCB,FC Lakilanni Blue Jean Blues, LCM,RN,SC, L.Soutar 0 12-0-0
- 5. Kingsley, Ch Lakilanni School's Out, FCh, L.Zucker 10-0-0
- 6. Jayden, Hallo Nita Third, FCh, D.Darling 8 9-7-3
- 7. Opal, Hepi Hepri Opals And Pearls, R.Barry/S.Sakson 7 7-6-0
- 7. Brickle, Lakilanni Halfmoon Brick House, H.Minnich 3 7-2-0
- 9. Caddy, Lakilanni Pink Cadillac, C.Sisson 3 6-2-0
- 10. Bayou, Lakilanni Halfmoon Blue Bayou, H.Minnich 3 5-1-0

IBIZAN HOUND Total competing: 72

- 1. Ensign, CKC GCh DC, UCh IcyCold Thirdmate, LCM2,FChX, Dr.K.Catt 97-5-0
- 2. Fin, Am/Can DC Icycold Infinity 2The3rd Power, LCM,SC,
- R.Davis/K.Catt 7 77-5-0
- 3. Hurry, CKC DC,Uch IcyCold Every Second Counts, LCM,FChX, Dr K.Catt 0 32-0-0
- 4. Jesse, GSW,DC Fusion's Jessica Rabbit, LCM,MC,LCX, K.Radke 7 31-2-0
- 4. MeMe, CKC GCh,DC AKC DC Uch Icy Cold Take A Second Look At Me, LCM, FChX, Dr K.Catt 0 31-0-0
- 6. Tag, Devillez They Dance, LCM2, R.Devillez 7 28-2-0
- 7. Dory, CKC/AKC DC Nahala Davinci's Ain't Too Proud To Beg,
- FCh,FChX, K.Catt DVM/J.Morris 0 27-0-0
- 8. Seren, DC Kamars First Rule Of Flying, FCh,SC, L.Petesch/K.Belz
- 9. Whistle, Devillez Stars In The Night, LCM, R.Devillez 7 24-1-0
- 10. Dawn, DC Icycold 3rd Red Dawn At Henmar, FCh,SC,GRC, S.Wright/K.Catt 5 21-1-0
- 10. Captain, Fusion's Captain America, T.Forbes 7 21-1-1

ITALIAN GREYHOUND Total competing: 27

- 1. Cyrus, BII,FC Nautica Anji's St Cyrus, LCM,SC,
- J.Skoglund/A.Leonard 10 20-1-0
- 2. Diego, Anji Donato Froge To Victory At OC, J.&
- J.Skoglund/A.Leonard 10 19-3-0
- 2. Coco, FC IGRF's Sogno di Cioccolata,
- LCM,SGRC11,SORC3,AX,AXJ, J.& G.Behrens 2 19-2-1

- 4. Phranc, Alfheim's Positively Phranc, G.& J.Behrens/A.&
- S.McLeod 2 16-1-0
- 5. Willow, FC Anji-Ankhu's St Wiltrudis, LCM,SC,SGRC4,ORC, J. &
- J.Skoglund 10 15-0-0
- ${\it 6. Daisy, FC Princess Daisy Moo Skoglund, FCh,MC,GRC,ORC, J.\&}$
- J.Skoglund 10 12-0-0
- 7. Dottie, FC Dottie Skoglund, LCM,SC,ORC,SGRC, J.& J.Skogllund 10 11-0-0
- 8. Bailey, Alfheim's Perfect Storm, T. & J.Jones 8 9-3-0
- 9. Nos, DC Alfheim's King of the Wind, FCh, VFCh, SC, SGRC, ORC,
- J.Buchanan/A.McLeod 1 8-3-0
- 10. Dolce, Alfheim's Sogno d'Oro, FCh,GRC,JOR, G. &
- J.Behrens/A.& S.McLeod 2 6-0-0

IRISH WOLFHOUND Total competing: 33

- 1. Lina, Castlekeeps Javelina Leap, D.Tomson/C.Shapp 12-2-1
- 2. Jackie-Blue, Nunneley's Jackie Blue Of Berry Hill,
- C.Biehler/C.Zapryanov/Schoening 5 11-2-0
- 2. Quiley, Gabriel's Quiiley Of The McKenzie, FCh,THDN,CGC,CA,
- E.& S.Gabriel 1 11-2-0
- 2. Domino, Carrickaneena Dearthair, E.M & E.B.Flanagan 8 11-1-0
- 5. Jack, Carroy's Samurai Jack of Tory, SC, J.Ishihara/A.Lum 10 10-1-0
- 6. Aine, Culcara's Aine The Alluring,
- D.Cassini/D.Knowlton/D.Drake 5 9-2-0
- 6. Vale, Castlekeep Elmvale To Wolfkin, C.Nesbit/D.Tomson 9-0-0
- Seamus, Seamus Of Ballymuckleheany, D.Cassini/D.Knowlton
 9-0-0
- 6. Mags, Castlekeep's Steel Magnolia, D.Tomson/C.Shapp 9-0-0
- 10. Woopie, Ch Franjo Pearla Dubh At Aeroglen,
- FCh,RA,GRC,RATI, J.Bryson/M.& L.Walker 1 7-0-0

MAGYAR AGAR Total competing: 2

- 1. Epona, Tuzvihar Andalusite, A.Hsia 2 2-0-0
- 2. Pi, Stouthearted Chocolate Soldier, A.Hsia 2 1-0-0

PHARAOH HOUND Total competing: 38

- 1. Nuri, GCh,DC Sendji's New Coat Of Paint,
- LCM,RN,VC,CGC,LCX,VC, Phinney/Guinn/Martin/Bednar3 27-7-0
- 2. Luppa, Ch Farao Anubis Just Smashing, B.Pina/M.Westman 8 13-4-0
- 3. Cayper, Ch Bazinga Caspian The Crown Prince, CGC, D.Kunard 3 10-1-0
- 3. Cayman, GCh,DC Mia's Bakhu Risky Business Of Hallam,
- LCM2,MC,RN,HIC,VCX,LCX, D.& M.Kunard 3 10-0-0
- 3. Zak, Ch Kaije'Z Faro To Zin Or Not To Zin, M.Del Prince 8 10-0-0
- 6. Skye, GCh,DC Enigma Starlit Sky, SC, J.Olsen/T.Sucee 1 8-2-0
- 6. Sachmo, Ch XO Versace The Dreamer Osins Ace, SC,
- J.Olsen/T.Sucee 1 8-1-0
- 6. Nadia, DC Churuka Mia The Lady In Red Of Mirare, SC, L.&
- G.Witt/T.Harper/P.Haig 2 8-1-0

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- 9. Melena, Kamaraj Dancing Through Life, B.Shattuck/M.Smith 9 7-1-0
- 9. Copper, Bazinga Copernicus The Stargazer,
- R.Phinney/G.Bednar 3 7-0-0
- 11. Sheena, FC Tiara Nekabu For Your Eyes Only, FCh,SC, C.Lange 9 6-1-0
- 11. MJ, FC Lileo's Smoke This, SC,SGRC, J.Jones/L.Leone 2 6-1-0
- 11. Olive, Ch Kaije'Z Faro Dirty Shark, B.Pina 8 6-0-0

PERUVIAN INCA ORCHID Total competing: 0

PORTUGUESE PODENGO Total competing: 5

Foxy, Basch's Starfox, T.& J.Basch 6 17-0-0
 Harland, Basch's Original Recipe, T.& J.Basch 6 14-0-0
 Oxo, Basch's Good Grips, T.& J.Basch 6 13-0-0
 Mario, Basch's Super Smash, T.& J.Basch 6 11-0-0
 Jack, Basch's Rush Hour, T.& J.Basch 6 5-0-0

PODENGO PEQUENO Total competing: 0

RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK Total competing: 90

- 1. Libby, Azize's Liberty Queen, FCh, R.L.Marvin 5 40-5-0
- 2. Jinx, Imarika's Fashionably Late, G.& P.Kytta II 6 28-4-0
- 3. Vera, GCh, DC Mystic Isle's Bugatti Veyron, LCM, MC,
- J.Arvin/S.Gayley 8 24-1-0
- 4. Nox, DC Taylor Made Nights Watch,
- LCM,BN,RN,MC,BCAT,CGC, C.& J.Landowski 6 23-2-0
- 4. Voodoo, DC Highveld's Black Magic Of Imarika,
- LCM7,VFCh,MC,GRC,SOR,ORC, G.& P.Kytta II 6 23-0-0
- 6. Zayin, BII,Ch Venus" Zayin Lucky Seven By Zoli, FCh, J.&
- C.Slattery 7 22-3-1
- 6. Reese, FC Mystic Isle's Southern Cross,
- LCM3,VLCM2,MC,LCX3,CGC, J.Arvin 8 22-1-0
- 8. Enzo, Mystic Isle's Ferrari Enzo, FCh, J.Arvin/S.Gayley 8 21-6-2
- 9. Genny, Ch Terracotta's Genny Cream Ale, K.Watson 8
- Moshi, Imarika's Smokey Topaz, LCM, B.A.Dieckman 6 20-2-1
- 9. Molly, DC Mystic Isle's Last of the Mohicans,
- LCM2,VFCh,MC,LCX, J.Arvin/S.Gayley 8 20-0-0
- 12. Indigo, GCh, DC Rufaro's Pretty Baby Blues,
- FCh,MC,RN,CGC,LCX2,GRC, D.& B.Collins 3 19-6-0
- 12. Zintha, DC Shabani's Zintha Hintza, SC, N.Newton 9 19-1-0

SALUKI Total competing: 47

Oonagh, FC Alshira Oonagh Fae Windrush, LCM,SC, J.& K.Lipps
 53-0-0

- 2. Malone, DC Windrush Magellan Billet, LCM3,SC,TCP, K. & J.Lipps 6 35-0-0
- 3. Mercury, BII,GCh,DC Windrush Duodecuple Mercury,
- LCM7,VFCh,MC,LCX, K.& J.Lipps 6 33-3-0 4. Rapp, DC Windrush Protect And Serve, LCM3,SC,TCP, K.&
- J.Lipps 6 32-0-0
- 5. Ranger, DC Windrush High Five, LCM5,TCP,SC, K.& J.Lipps 6 27-0-0
- 6. Ty, Ch Caristeda White Ty Style Windrush, FCh,SC, K.& J.Lipps 6 26-1-0
- 7. Vulcan, DC Windrush Duodecuple Vulcan,
- LCM8,VFCh,MC,LCX,NA,NAJ, K.& J.Lipps 6 25-3-0
- 8. Adios, FC Adios, LCM, E.Johnston 9 20-4-0
- 9. Giggles, FC One More Laugh, FCh,TCP, E.Johnston 9 15-3-0
- 10. Zydeco, Ch Aspen's Zydeco Zip, LCM,CA,SC,NAJ,TKI,CGC, D.Johnson/G.Hoffman 9 14-0-0

SCOTTISH DEERHOUND Total competing: 21

- 1. Opal, Ch Fernhill's Opal At Jeffcairn, K.& B.Smith 2 16-1-0
- Lusrigh, Leoch Lusrigh, T.Robertson
 Penny, Nelungaloo Peregrine, M., J. & J.Blair
- 4. Avery, Gayleward's Eynhallow, D.Habian 6 8-0-0
- 5. iLike Ike, Ch Fitzhugh iLike Ike At Deermont, FCh,SOR,GRC,VC, M.B.Grieb/M.Sudekum 5 7-3-0
- 5. Alcina, Ch Fernhill's Alcina, J.Brown 6 7-0-0
- 7. Lilly, Deermont's Just Lily, FCh, M.B.Grieb 5 5-1-0
- 7. Moira, FC Kyleakin An Gorta Mor, SC, J.& M.English DVM 6 5-0-0
- 9. Ra, DC Kyleakin Lahar, FCh,MC,CDX, B.Stephenson 6 4-0-0
- 10. Deir, Bruach Fitzhugh Deirdre, M.Cowan 6 3-0-0

SLOUGHI Total competing: 0

SINGLES Total competing: 236

- 1. Leelah, Ch Gemini Jubilee Nephelae, TCP,FCh,RN,SC,CGC,
- D.Johnson/G.Hofflman 9 38-6-0
- 2. Diva, Hawksview's Zoom By You, TCP,SC, D.Martin 5 30-0-0
- 2. Carly, Scimitars Just Call Me Maybe, C.Rosales/C.Steiner 1 30-0-0
- 4. Peyton, Jadaka Meisterhaus Sheeza Pistol, D.&
- C.Reitzel/T.Brooks/J.Kahl 6 29-0-0
- 5. Phoenix, Wolfpine's Dark Phoenix, J.Eason/S.Epstein 6 28-0-0
- 5. Cooper, Kindred's Gentlemen Prefer Blondes, M.Barrett 9 28-0-0
- 5. Juno, Jomyr's Just Give Me A Reason, K.Barrie/K.Batzner 6 28-0-0
- 8. Fariq, Ch Xass Farah Fariq, S.Meier/F.Farrar 8 27-0-0
- 8. Harry, Ch Zamaradi's Patronus, S.Smith-
- Falkner/J.Falkner/Scheng 1 27-0-0
- 10. Nubbins, Hyflyte Not All There, A.Pezzack 9 25-0-0

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SILKEN WINDHOUND Total competing: 38

- 1. Salsa, Windspirit Dancin The Salsa, FCh, K.& P.Sanders 19-1-1
- 2. Smoky, UKC Ch Starfyre Smoky Quartz, FCh, J.& K.Hicks 10 16-5-0
- 2. Sienna, Windspirit Allagante Sienna, LCM, P.& K.Sanders 1 16-2-0
- 4. Aswan, Allagante Jewel Of Aswan, FCH, A.& N.Harris 1 15-1-0
- 5. Tomcat, WindNSatin Bels V Legend, S.Van de Water/M.Childs 4 14-2-0
- 5. Merlin, Windspirit Allagante Merlin, K.& P.Sanders 1 14-1-0
- 5. Sand, Allagante Greased Lightning, LCM, P. & K.Sanders 1 14-1-0
- 8. Pagani, Allangante Wspirit Max Velocity, LCM, K.& P.Sanders 1 12-0-0
- 9. Walker, UKC Ch Gryffyn's I'm Your Boogieman, GRC,SC,
- R.L.Shell/V.Whitlock 4 10-1-0
- 9. Oliver, Firebird Clayborn Sea Dragon, B.Deis/C.Wester 3 10-1-0
- 9. Solo, Allagante High Flyer Of Myth, FCh, K.& P.Sanders 1 10-0-0
- 12. Rosie, Allagante Premier Rose, LCM, T.Mills 9-0-0

WHIPPET Total competing: 297

- 1. Tywin, FC Shannon Down Raines Of Castamere, FCh,SC,CR,OTRM, S.& K.Lyons 7 62-1-0
- 2. Leni, FC Shamasan I Carry Your Heart, FCh,ARX,DPCX,SC, C.Huzel 5 56-1-0
- 3. Pip, Shannon Down Center Stage, E.Campbell/R.Baucom 8 47-2-1
- 4. Sam, Whisperun Pure Soul, LCM2, T.& S.McCall 7 42-2-0
- 5. Raya, Finghin's Raya Sunshine, C.Canard 5 39-0-0
- 6. June, Ch Affinity's Time's A Wastin, FCh, C.& A.Rogers/C.Juelfs 5 31-0-0
- 7. Carney, FC Shannon Down The Black Keys, SC, C.Pfisterer 5 30-1-1
- 8. Tillie, Northwind's Marvelous Matilda,
- R.Corley/K.Nierengarten 5 29-2-2
- 8. Marky, Terrena's Good Vibrations At Noralor,
- K.Siehndel/J.Siehndel 6 29-1-0
- 10. Brag, Hyflyte Show Off, FCh, H.Fergusen 28-1-0

