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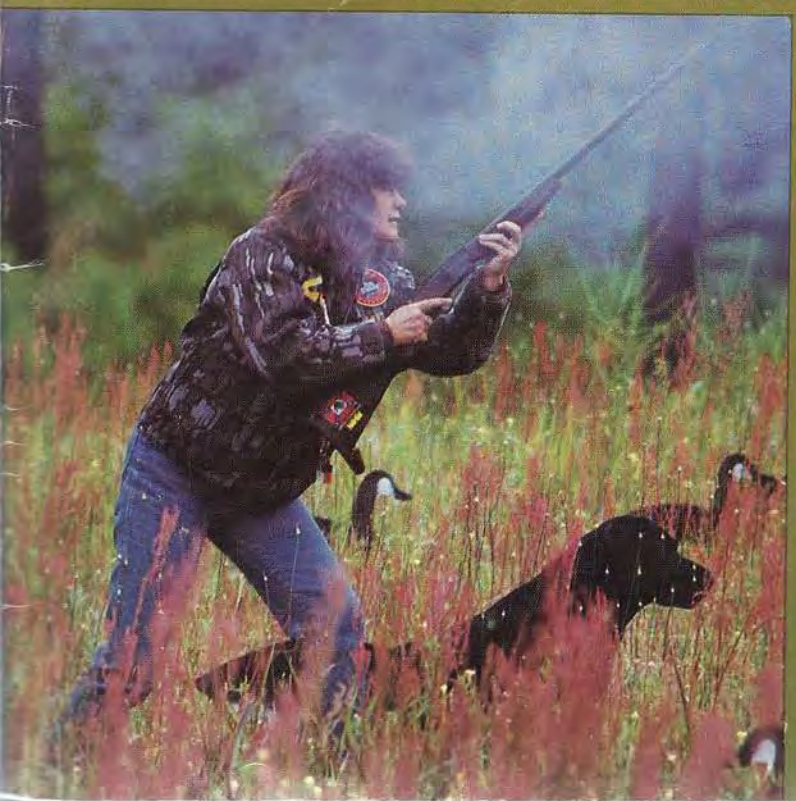

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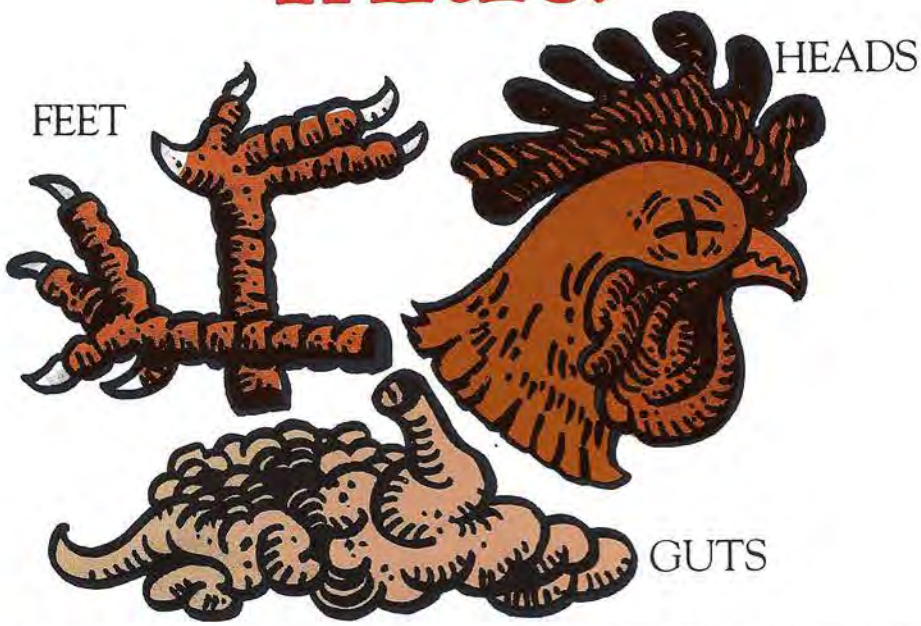

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Saturday, May 12	8:00 a.m. - Field Test continues at Starrsville Plantation
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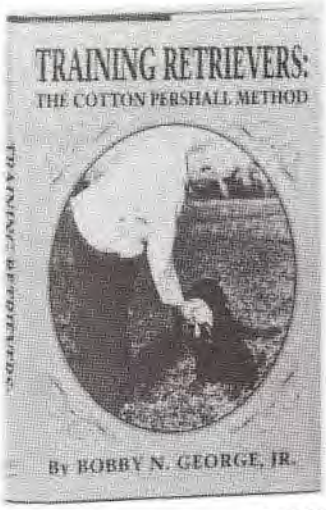

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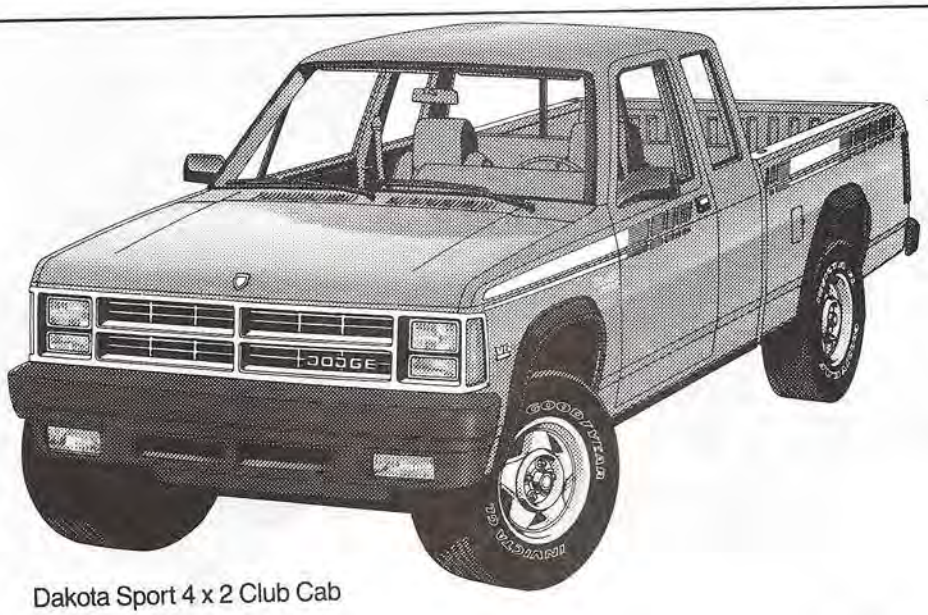

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President's Message

— By Jack Jagoda

The NAHRA Invitational, an idea in fruition that has raised more controversy and yet positive results than any national retriever event in history. NAHRA was officially founded in 1983 to find, test and reward the hunting retriever. Today, NAHRA tests more dogs and has more clubs than any other hunting retriever organization in the world. The NAHRA Invitational was conceived in 1986 as a means to retain titled dogs year after year in the NAHRA program. Once a dog achieved the (MHR) Master Hunting Retriever title, he had no incentive to continue to participate. Keeping these dogs and their trainers active helps to maintain proficient conservation animals. The NAHRA concept is unique in that dogs are evaluated against a written hunting standard and not against each other for placements. Quite possibly all dogs participating in a NAHRA event, be it Started, Intermediate or Senior, could pass the standard requirement and earn points toward a NAHRA title.

The Invitational has been limited for the past four years to the dogs that had accumulated the most points during the previous calendar year in the Senior category. The first year the top 30 dogs were selected, the second year 38, the third year 41 and this year at the fourth NAHRA Invitational 42 dogs have been invited. The Invitational has generated so much interest that handlers have literally flown from coast to coast in the U.S. and Canada to qualify for this annual event. Each of the 42 dogs invited to participate in this year's event has qualified a minimum of 10 times during 1989 earning 200 or more points. The race has created an imbalance in the program causing those individuals with limited resources or events to be placed in an inequitable situation. Beginning in 1991, dogs with 100 points or more will be tested against the NAHRA standard in their own geographic region at a Regional qualifying event. Those dogs that pass the standard will be invited to participate in the 1991 Invitational.

NAHRA was the spark and driving force that created the hunting retriever testing concept and remains the ideal by which all others are judged. Jim Dandy Co., Inc. has made this event possible. Without the support of our sponsor, the retriever breeds would labor in anonymity. I represent the Board of Directors of NAHRA in thanking our sponsors, clubs and individuals that believe in our goals and made this event possible.

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Judging The National Invitational

By Gary Erickson

I was fortunate enough to run my dog MHR Natural Winner's Babe in the 1987 National Invitational. We didn't qualify but I was invited to be one of the judges for the 1988 Invitational along with Mike Jackson and Pete Fischer. Last year I was a replacement for Roger Weller who had to bow out at the last minute and I judged with Lewis Brothers and Don Mesisca. So, I am the only NAHRA judge so far that has had the great fortune to officiate at two National Invitationals.

Being a past participant and an official at this event, I have been lucky to experience it from both sides of the Judge's Book. This is a showcase event for the very best hunting retrievers in North America and, unfortunately, only the dogs that qualify will be named to the All-American Team for 1990.

The Invitational is really a thrill to judge as the entire field of entries are Master Hunting Retrievers or Grand Master Hunting Retrievers and the work they do is phenomenal. As a judge or a spectator, you will see pin-point marking, great lines and casts on the blind retrieves and aggressive searches for both the upland hunting and the trailing tests.

The handlers are dissecting every test trying to determine how thay can get their dog to put his/her best foot forward for the judges. Many times the handlers are helping each other out by warning their fellow participants as to unforeseen pitfalls of the test.

I have always considered these dogs to be great athletes. Like all great athletes, even a Mike Tyson gets knocked out and so will some of the dogs participating this weekend. All athletes have their good and bad days, but these dogs are a pleasure to watch even when things aren't going exactly right.

The dogs that don't qualify aren't going to be named to the All-American Team but they are still the very best hunting retrievers in North America and a real asset to their respective breed.

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Introduction to NAHRA

In general, our breeds of hunting retrievers need improvement. In many instances the hunter has never seen good retriever work and does not know the potential of his dogs. The hunter needs a structure in which he can learn to train and evaluate his dogs off season. He also needs a system of formal tests, so that his dog's accomplishments can be demonstrated and recorded. A registry of hunting retrievers, with a public record of their working achievements, is needed to help improve hunting retriever breeds.

There has been a clamour in the outdoor press for years for a national organization to sponsor local clubs and standardize meaningful Field Tests for the hunter's dog. Such an organization has been formed: the North American Hunting Retriever Association, (NAHRA).

NAHRA is a national association of clubs and individuals. The association will help new clubs get started. Club regulations and field procedures are standardized throughout North America so that meaningful titles can be awarded.

Training methods and tests are based solely on real hunting situations for both upland and waterfowling. Dogs are placed in three categories, based on ability, not age: Started Hunting Retriever, Intermediate Hunting Retriever and Senior Hunting Retriever. Only Senior dogs can achieve the title of Master Hunting Retriever (MHR).

NAHRA Field Tests simulate as closely as possible actual hunting situations. In NAHRA Field Tests, dogs in all three categories do not compete against one another for placements. Instead, they are judged individually against a standard.

A dog which achieves the required score in a licensed Field Test in each category shall receive from the sponsoring club a camouflage colored rosette type ribbon with the NAHRA logo on the rosette. Cerificates and titles shall be awarded and recorded by the North American Hunting Retriever Association.

In order for a club to be accredited by the North American Hunting Retriever Association to run a NAHRA sanctioned or licensed Hunting Retriever Field Test, that club must be a member in good standing with NAHRA. NAHRA accredits clubs, runs judges clinics, produces video presentations on hunting retrievers and quarterly publishes the NAHRA NEWS, a magazine dedicated to hunting retrievers. NAHRA NEWS provides timely tips and columns as well as a complete reporting on all licensed Field Tests.

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Annually, at its discretion, and at a location of its choosing, the North American Hunting Retriever Association, Inc. may hold the North American Hunting Retriever Association, "Invitational Field Test." The procedures governing the running of this Field Test shall be determined by NAHRA and currently are as follows:

1. A minimum of 30 Senior dogs with the highest number of points will be selected by NAHRA to run in a yearly international Field Test called the NORTH AMERICAN HUNTING RETRIEVER ASSOCIATION "INVITATIONAL."

2. Points are defined as only those points received for passing the Senior standard at a Licensed NAHRA Hunting Retriever Field Test.

3. Points for the Invitational will be accumulated from January 1st to December 31st of each calendar year.

4. Qualification and selection of participants for the Invitational shall be determined by the NAHRA Board of Directors.

5. A lottery system, conducted by NAHRA, may be used if there are more than 30 dogs with sufficient qualifying scores in the calendar year. For example; if there are 10 dogs with 80 points, 15 with 50 points and 20 dogs with 40 points, that would be a total of 45 dogs. The ones with 80 and 60 points would automatically make the field. To make up the field of 30 dogs, five dogs would be picked to participate by a drawing from the 20 dogs with 40 points. Subsequently, if sufficient time is available, the remaining 40-point dogs would participate in a drawing to fill the vacancies of dogs invited but whose owners decline or cannot attend the Invitational.

6. The Invitational shall be a owner-handler event. Professional trainers may qualify their client's dogs for the Invitational, but the owner (or one of them) must handle the dog at the event. Professional trainers may run dogs if they own the dog or own it with a member of their immediate family as defined in the General Procedures. All of the owners of each dog participating in the Invitational must be members in good standing of NAHRA.

7. Unless otherwise designated by NAHRA, the Invitational will be held in the month of May.

8. Unless otherwise designated by NAHRA, the Invitational will be a two-day Field Test. There will be strict adherence to the NAHRA Regulations and Field Procedures for Senior Hunting Retriever Field Tests, as well as the Guidelines for Judging NAHRA Hunting Retriever Field Tests.

9. Three judges selected by NAHRA will officiate at the event. Each judge will be from a different geographical location.

10. NAHRA will select the location and grounds for the Invitational.

11. All dogs that pass the two-day Field Test shall receive a plaque and have the honor of being named to the NAHRA ALL AMERICAN TEAM for that particular year.

12. Participation in the Invitational may be limited to two dogs per handler and will be determined by the NAHRA board of directors.

Regulations and Field Procedures for Senior Hunting Retriever Field Tests

NOTE: The passages enclosed in parentheses are additional guidelines for judges.

SECTION 1: A Senior Field Test shall consist of six (6) tests which shall include the following: a multiple marked water retrieve; a multiple marked land retrieve; an upland hunting test (which shall not be considered a marked retrieve): trailing, a water blind retrieve and a land blind retrieve, at least one of which shall be incorporated within one of the required multiple marked retrieves.

(The Senior Hunting Retriever Field Test is for the finished dog. The Senior Field Test must consist of serious tests worthy of the hunting retriever. The making of a Master Retriever (MHR) is a serious responsibility. Dogs should be tested on their natural ability and training accomplishments. Simply completing a test will not be enough; the tests must be completed with style and precision.)

SECTION 2: A dog shall be steady at the point of origin (see paragraph c of this Section). (For marks, the point of origin is the point at which the dog is located at the time the first blind becomes visible.)

a. Moderate commands shall be allowed to steady a dog at the point of origin.

b. A dog may be touched or patted at the point of origin to steady, but once the "ready" signal has been given to the judges by the handler, the dog may not be touched again.

c. A controlled break shall not fail a dog, but it shall be considered a serious fault.

(As soon as the dog leaves the point of origin and manifests an intent to make the retrieve without being so ordered, it must be stopped.)

SECTION 3: A dog shall deliver all birds to hand. (The dog shall return to the handler without delay.) ▶

SECTION 4: A dog may be handled on marked retrieves with voice/whistle/hand signals, if, in the opinion of the handler, the dog can't find or has missed the mark. (The dog is being tested for its marking ability, not handling; however, a crisp handle is preferable to a long hunt.)

SECTION 5: A dog shall be cast from the point of origin, by its handler, only once.

SECTION 6: The handler may be required to handle an empty shotgun with both hands on the firearm and in the firing position.

SECTION 7: Maximum test distance for land or water marks shall not exceed approximately one hundred (100) yards.

SECTION 8: Tests for this event shall consist of double or triple marks on both land and water.

a. Quadruple marks shall not be used.

b. The order and sequence of the retrieves may be determined by the judges.

c. Dogs may be required to be placed at a point of origin at a distance from the handler.

d. Simultaneous falls with birds and shots originating from the same location may be used.

e. Delayed marks or falls may be used.

f. Dogs may be required to honor another dog during the marking tests.

SECTION 9: Dry shots may be fired. (A dry shot is defined as a shot for which no bird is thrown or appears.) Game calls and additional birds with or without shots may also be used as diversions as a dog returns from a retrieve. (A dog that drops and leaves its bird and retrieves the diversion bird shall be failed.)

SECTION 10: Walk ups to simulate jump shooting may be used in this event. The dog shall be brought to an area designated as the point of origin at heel or under control within ten (10) feet of its handler. Section 2b shall be in effect. The judges may signal for the bird while the handler and dog are walking.

SECTION 11: Blind retrieves on water and land shall be used. Maximum test distances shall not exceed approximately one hundred (100) yards. (Handling in these tests must be done with precision. The dog must stop on whistle and take a cast. Failing to stop on whistle or to take a cast is a serious infraction. The judges must decide on the seriousness of the refusal by taking into account the conditions and situation at hand.)

a. At least one of the blinds shall be incorporated within one of the required multiple marked retrieves.

b. Both blind retrieves may be incorporated with the required multiple marked retrieves.

c. The trailing test may be incorporated with the blind retrieve.

SECTION 12: An upland hunting test, with flush, shall be used.

a. The dog shall be required to locate birds as in upland hunting within gun range of the handler.

b. A dog may be urged to hunt or handled by moderate commands.

c. A flush is manadatory. (Birds may be dizzied and placed in the field, released from a mechanical trap or hand thrown for the flush.)

d. The use of wing clips, shackled or dead birds, for the flush, shall not be allowed.

e. Fly-aways may be used for the flush.

f. If a bird is downed, the dog shall be required to retrieve to hand. (The retrieve shall not be scored as a mark, but it must be completed.)

g. A dog shall be steady to shot and fall and shall be disqualified if it is not. The handler has until the first shot is fired or, in the opinion of the judges, should have been fired, to have the dog under control. The dog may be sitting or standing, with limited movement. (A dog that is not under control at the time of the shot shall be disqualified.)

h. If the dog is steady to shot but then breaks at the fall and manifests an intent to retrieve without being so ordered, it must be stopped. If a dog is immediately brought under control, it shall be considered a controlled break and will be considered a serious fault.

i. a rerun shall be granted if in the opinion of the judges a poor flush or fall has caused the dog to be unfairly evaluated.

SECTION 13: A trailing test shall be used.

a. The dog shall be required to trail and locate a bird.

b. The dog shall be scored on its natural ability and the use of its nose to locate and follow the trail.

c. It shall not matter in what manner the dog follows the trail, e.g., The dog may stay precisely on the trail with nose down, or close quarter back and forth across the trail with head up, or run a few yards downwind of the trail with his head held high. It is the intent of this test to have a dog indicate scent, follow the trail and locate the bird in a natural hunting manner.

d. A dog may be urged to hunt by moderate voice or whistle commands.

e. Judges may restrict entry of the handlers into the area of the trail.

f. Hand signals are inappropriate and shall not be used other than to put the dog onto the beginning of the trail. ■

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MHR WR Cleopatra at Daybreak
3/05/87, Lab. Ret., F, AKC SE904054
Sire: Powderkeg Sparks
Dam: Classical Seabreeze
Breeder: Steve & Daniel P. Elliott
Owner:
Charles & Kathleen Keller
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Cleopatra at Daybreak was a wonderful dog. She was a hard driving dog with lots of determination. A dog that loved to retrieve, but also loved to come in the house and play with the children.
Cleo accomplished a lot in her short life. At the age of twelve months old, she qualified for her Started certificate. Throughout the next twelve months, she was able to obtain her WR, MHR and her AKC senior hunter title.

Cleo was the first dog I had trained for this type of competition. She would be able to sit at the top with the best of the dogs. She will not only be missed by me, but also my wife, Kathy and Charley and Heidi. She will also be missed by all of my training partners and fellow NAHRA friends. I would like to express my thanks to all of my friends in the NAHRA Organization. Everyone has expressed great concern and lots of support.

I know it will be hard to replace a dog of this caliber, but you have to keep going on with life. Thank you NAHRA for the invitation to run in the Invitational and all of the good memories I have. God bless everyone.

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2)	GMHR WR Hiwood Greta	Phil Locker
3)	GMHR WR Fellows Mr. T	Richard McDonald
4)	GMHR WR Southland Bullwinkle	Rocky Emery
5)	GMHR WR Rockerin Willorun Tyree	Joe McCann
6)	GMHR WR Lil Billie	Chuck Chamberlain
7)	MHR WR Sunnyview's Special K	Matt Weiner
8)	GMHR WR Duck Master's Nosin Around	Chuck Breslin
9)	MHR Joe D's Nugget	Alan Pleasant
10)	MHR WR Cedar Valley's Hi-Bird Turk	Brent Helgeson
11)	GMHR Sunnyview's Majestic Knight	Jesse Montague
12)	GMHR WR Duke of Patten	Lee Atkinson
13)	GMHR WR Lacy Lee of Lolenda	Lenda Lee Barker
14)	GMHR WR Sunnyview's Buddy Jones	Dick Weiner
15)	GMHR WR Daniel's Thunder Jake	Donnie Daniel
16)	MHR Jazztime	Larry Calvert
17)	GMHR WR Southdowns Crackin To Go	Tony Leonard
18)	GMHR WR Super Sweetie Wheatie	Rocky Emery
19)	GMHR WR Rio Retrievers Super Six Pak	Larry Walker
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21)	MHR WR Kendrick's Blackjack Rocky	"Coach" Walker
22)	MHR WR Little River's Midnight Lace	Phil Codd
23)	GMHR Want To	Jack Jagoda
24)	GMHR WR Chugach Hills Itsy Bitsy	Anna Calvert
25)	GMHR WR Lacey J VI	Trish Jagoda
26)	MHR Knute of Riverbend	John Viren
27)	GMHR WR Josh High Hopes From Jed	Matt Cassidy
28)	GMHR WR Rhoades Chocolate Candy CWR	Chuck Rhoades
29)	MHR WR Antsy Beja of Brandywine	Jim Cimburke
30)	GMHR WR Pye's Phantom Charger	Rusty Pye
31)	GMHR Royal Hunts Sky High	Tom Wininger
32)	GMHR Sunnyview's Royal Coachman	Dick Weiner
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2/28/87, LAB. RET., M, AKC, SE851939
Sire: MHR WR Richard's Fellow
Dam: Susie's Golden Lady
Breeder: William C. Grant
Owner:
Charles & Cathy Jurney
103 North Church St.
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Hank is a long legged, hard going yellow male out of GMHR Richards Fellow. He began running NAHRA events early. Obtaining his WR at twenty months and his MHR at twenty-six months. Whether picking up dummies in the pattern field or ducks in the decoys, Hank has always shown the desire to go and to please. He is equally comfortable in an Iowa pheasant field, a Nebraska duck marsh, a North Carolina wood duck swamp, a South Carolina dove field or a Maryland goose pit. Above all, Hank's best quality is his attitude, always the puppy.

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GMHR WR HIWOOD GRETA
2-3-82, LAB RET., F, AKC SD383248
Sire: Piper's Pacer
Dam: Ripples Abby
Breeder: Raymond Hubbard
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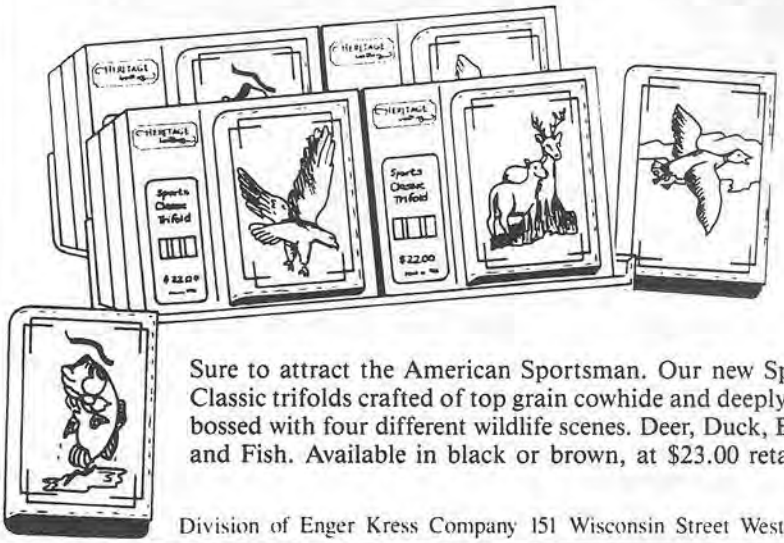

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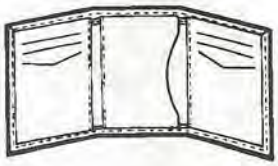

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Sire: Richard's Fellow
Dam: Megan XXV
Breeder: Tim & Deborah Griggs
Owner:
Richard McDonald
Rt. 6 Box 163-K
Hartsville, SC 29550

Toby was owned and trained by Johnny Melton of Raeford, NC, until, at the age of two, he attained the NAHRA Master Hunting Title. He was then sold to Darrell Cook of Surgionsville, TN, who placed him with me. I had run him for some qualifications for the Master Hunter title and I continued to campaign him until he attained the NAHRA Grand Master title close to his third birthday in March, 1990. I acquired Toby from Darrel Cook following his Grand Master qualification.

4

GMHR WR SOUTHLAND BULLWINKLE
9/23/81, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD422092
Sire: Tuckahoe Clinchco Jake
Dam: Trieven Gone With The Wind
Breeder: John Jagoda, Jr.
Owner:
Rocky Emery
6210 Bardu Ave.
Springfield, VA 22152

First of all, Melinda, Winky and I would like to thank all the sponsors of the Invitational, the Board and hard-working members of NAHRA. This is Winky's fourth year of being invited to this fine event. Wink's many achievements have been that he was the four state (PENN-DEL-MAR-VA) puppy champion in 1982. He has also placed in many Gun Dog stakes and was the 1984 Aylett DU high point Gun Dog and the 1985 Tidewater Retriever Club Open Gun Dog trophy winner. Winky throws large litters with great desire to retrieve proven by puppy stake winners and NAHRA qualifiers.

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GMHR WR ROCKERIN WILLORUN TYREE
1/22/85, GOLDEN RET., F, AKC SE290718
Sire: Willow Run Nifty Budweiser
Dam: Willow Run Mocha
Breeder: Shirlee Ellerman
Owner:
Dr. Joseph P. McCann
R.R.. 1, Box 398
Stillwater, OK 74074

Our previous golden bitch was killed horribly before she could compete in the first stakes of the fledgling NAHRA organization in 1984. When the deep bitterness of her premature death wore off, we purchased another bitch, Tyree, from the same Willow Run Kennels in Wisconsin. Tyree has indefatigable spirit and ebullience. Tyree is a tough golden; she is aggressive, fast and a willing worker. Her strengths are lining and marking. Tyree's progress at 8 months was delayed briefly because of mild osteochondrosis. With expert training and the fine handling of Joseph Letta, Tyree has made an indelible mark as a superb golden and a top notch NAHRA dog. Tyree is the first golden to complete the NAHRA program. Tyree is a true family dog and she loves pheasant hunting.

6

GMHR WR LIL BILLIE
8/15/85, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE442738
Sire: Yello Sprig
Dam: Hilltop's Mellow Yellow
Breeder: Dennis & Nancy Pugh
Owner:
Charles Chamberlain & L. Snyder
22640 Clarendon St.
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I found Billie in a cold dark garage, from that point on we haven't been apart for more than a couple of weeks in her whole life. She's my first dog, the only dog I've had. She's been raised as a daughter. Together we have learned a lot, hunted a lot, trained a lot, and run a lot of tests, and met a lot of *great* people. We have made some very close friends and we would like to thank them and NAHRA for everything they've done for us.

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MHR WR SUNNYVIEW'S SPECIAL K
5/24/87, LAB. RET., F, AKC, SE941657
Sire: Coot's Black Kruggerand
Dam: Babe of Sunnyview
Breeder: Richard Weiner
Owner:
R. Matthew Weiner
9365 Sunnyview Rd., N.E.
Salem, OR 97301

The pleasures of running a well-trained retriever, be it in the field, hunting, or at a NAHRA hunting test, is something every avid feathered game hunter would enjoy. "Special K" allows for such a luxury, being tractable and mechanical, as well as outgoing and intelligent, she possesses a great deal of natural ability and has a style of performance unto herself. Retrieving birds from puppyhood to qualifying for the 1990 Invitational, "K" has proven herself to be truly a great retriever and has done so in the short two years of her life. "K" has also seen a great deal of actual and simulated hunting, the combination of which has allowed her to achieve all that is put before her. "K" doesn't know what the future holds for her, but for right now she is content with retrieving birds... now isn't that special?

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GMHR WR DUCK MASTER'S NOSIN AROUND
6/30/84, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE285222
Sire: Snake Eyes-Double or Nothin'
Dam: Sassy Mack's Ruffed Pleasure
Breeder: Joseph Samuel Bell & Margaret A. Bell
Owner:
Charles F. Breslin
5087 Kingsgrove Dr.
Somis, CA 93066

When I purchased "Duck", he was a year-old Field Trial Washout that wasn't steady and didn't handle. What a mistake that sale was!!! "Duck" has really proven himself as a family member, hunter and NAHRA dog. In 1989 he qualified in the JIM DANDY/NAHRA Invitational, earned 440 NAHRA Senior points and earned his AKC Master Hunter title. We ran and qualified from border to border and coast to coast. "Duck" is owner trained and handled, or maybe it's the other way around; when I purchased "Duck", I didn't even own a whistle. We've come a long way, thanks to NAHRA.

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MHR JOE D'S GOLD NUGGET
6/22/83, LAB. RET., F, AKC SD779017
Sire: Could Be Caine
Dam: Fatboy's Black Jewel
Breeder: Alan Pleasant
Owner:
Donald A. Pleasant
Rt. 2, Box 85
Angier, NC 27501

Nugget and I have been companions for nearly seven years. We attended our first field test some four years ago, and we haven't slowed down since. Nugget has an unmatched desire to please. This enabled her to take a late start and make something of it. She qualified for the 1990 Invitational in our first year running the NAHRA circuit, and thus started a fire within me that will burn for years to come. There will surely be others, but Nugget will never be replaced in my heart.

10

MHR WR CEDAR VALLEY'S HI-BIRD TURK
6/29/87, LAB. RET., M, AKC SF030561
Sire: Westwinds Pedro
Dam: MHR WR Mississippi Molly
Breeder: Richard R. & Holly Knuth
Owner:
Brent Helgeson
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Turk was the pick of the litter at seven weeks old out of GMHR Mississippi Molly and AFC Westwinds Pedro. At that time I had no expectations of how he was going to turn out because he was my first Lab and my knowledge of training a Lab wasn't there. But by learning from fellow members of the Blackhawk Retriever Club I quickly learned what it takes to bring out the best in Turk.

I knew I was doing something right when Turk won the first two sanctioned puppy trials I ran him in at six months and the rest is history. He became BRC's High-Point puppy in 1988 and in 1989 he was High-Point Qualifying dog with back-to-back sanctioned wins at 23 months.

As for NAHRA I couldn't ask too much more of Turk. He qualified in four straight seniors to get his MHR at 24 months. At the end of 1989 he compiled 10 of 11 Senior qualifications including a back-to-back Canadian event in October in which he was the only dog to qualify on Sunday.

He also excels out in the duck blinds on the Mississippi River and in the rolling pheasant fields of Iowa showing that he has one of the best noses in the business.

At this time I'd like to thank NAHRA for inviting Turk and I to the Invitational and for its fine program to better our retrieving breeds.

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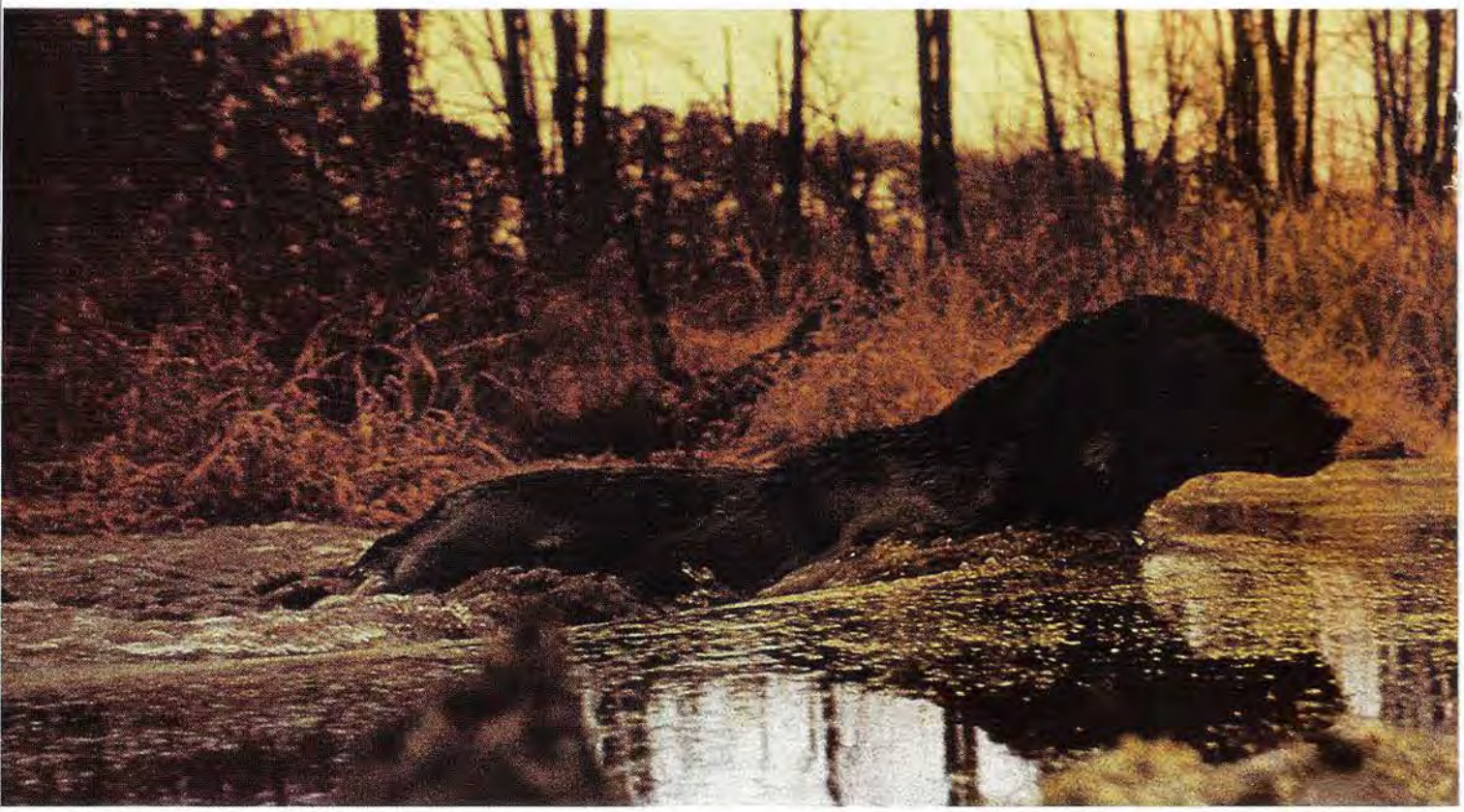

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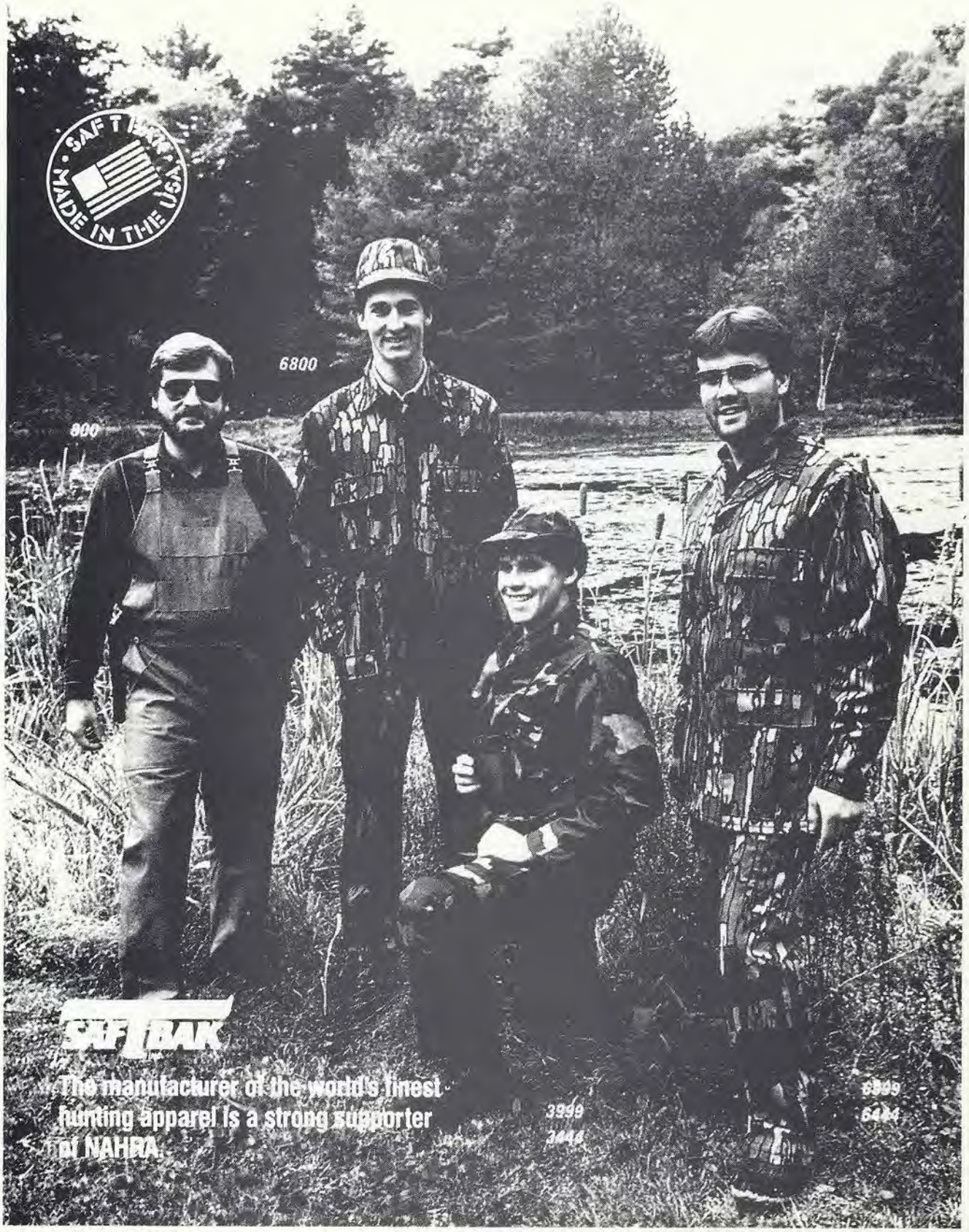
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GMHR SUNNYVIEW'S MAJESTIC KNIGHT
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Sire: Coot's Black Kruggerand
Dam: Sunnyview's Doober's Dandy
Breeder: Richard C. Weiner
Owner: Jesse Montague
440 West Highway 39
Blackfoot, ID 83221

My family gave me Magic for a Father's Day present in 1989. His previous owner was Kevin Harriman

Magic is a 4 year old black Lab. Magic has a 14-15 record in the senior division. The first 14 were straight. He earned his MHR in a 6 month time span.

Magic is very stylish and tractable. He has started to run qualifying AKC and JAMed at McCall, Idaho. He is OFA certified.

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GMHR DUKE OF PATTEN
6/12/83, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD777125
Sire: Wildwood's Dream of Joshua
Dam: Little Lady of the Trent
Breeder: Charles Lee Atkinson, III
Owner: Charles Lee Atkinson, Jr.
303 Patten Road
New Bern, NC 28560

Duke is an 85 pound hard-charging chocolate male Lab with dark eyes. He has been nicknamed "The Brown Bomber" by fellow NAHRA handlers/trainers, Jim Cimburke, Richard McDonald, and John Weller, all of whom have shared with me their handling/training techniques.

I raised Duke from a litter of 12 chocolate Lab puppies which my son's dog "Lady" whelped on June 12, 1983. The litter was raised in our home (in my duck room) and I immediately chose Duke from the others because of his affectionate nature. I had just undergone major back surgery, which caused early retirement, and this litter of puppies proved to be as helpful as any medicine my doctor(s) could prescribe.

Duke and I have shared numerous sunrises and sunsets both in the dove field and duck/goose blind. Even though Duke is an excellent hunter, he's a "country gentleman" in our home, sleeping nightly by my bedside.

Duke began competing in the NAHRA program in 1988, earned his WR Title in August, 1988, his MHR and GMHR titles in 1989. This is Duke's first Invitational and both of us want to thank NAHRA for its fine program. The "Brown Bomber" dedicates this Invitational to his mom, "Lady," who recently died at the age of 12, and to his second "mom," Jane (my wife) who has supported our efforts one hundred percent.

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GMHR WR LACY LEE OF LOLENDA
3/22/85, LAB. RET., F, AKD SE351625
Sire: Kailua's Kona Gold
Dam: Gabbriella of Lolenda
Breeder: William F. Bauer
Owner:
Lenda Lee Barker
8311 N. 50th St.
Scottsdale, AZ 85233

Well, here you are again, Lacy, girl! What an accomplishment! You only ran about two thirds the trials this year and finished with style. We're so proud of you. You have done nothing but improve with age. Your offspring are a chip off the old block, too! Five of them already have their Started certificates and two (at only 13 months) have already finished an intermediate test. You should be proud of your great 'pups'. We are proud to have you as our pet and wonderful companion in the hunting field and we wish you the best of luck at the Invitational in 1990!

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GMHR WR SUNNYVIEW'S BUDDY JONES
7/05/84, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE065587
Sire: Sunnyview's Motivation
Dam: Christmas Karma of Sunnyview
Breeder: Richard C. Weiner
Owner:
Richard C. Weiner & Rick Jones
9265 Sunnyview Rd., N.E.
Salem, OR 97301

I have been very fortunate in my life to have worked with many fine dogs. Some have been better than others, but all have been individuals and for certain no two have been the same. Without a doubt, "Bud" has to be ranked among the greats in my book. True to his breeding, his performance has been exceptional.

Along with being one of the high point Senior dogs in 1988-89, "Bud" was invited to and qualified in last year's Invitational, invited to the 1990 Invitational, placed third in the European Internationale, second in the Artemis and West Beemster, The Netherlands. As I reflect on the wonderful memories he has given me in this last year or so, I realize how much love there is between us. I would like to take this opportunity to say, "Thank-you, Bud, faithful friend of brave and loyal heart. You truly are my Buddy."

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GMHR WR DANIEL'S THUNDER JAKE
10/29/83, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD992711
Sire: Seajay's Thunder of Sycomore
Dam: Sandy's Brandywine Burgundy
Breeder: S.L. Edwards & J. D. Cimburke
Owner:
Donald J. Daniel
5031 Woodpecker Rd.
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Jake is a 100 pound black Lab - tall, fast, gentle and full of love. He was a pick of the litter gift from breeders Jim & Sandy Cimburke, our good friends and training partners. I started training with him, in the house, at about 12 weeks old and as the weather got better it was school every day outside. Jake started NAHRA and AKC Field Tests as a puppy in '84 and really enjoyed every minute of it. He was the Gun Dog Champion in 2 clubs in '85 and placed first in the Virginia State Gun Dog Championship in '86. Jake and I are both amateur trained and love trials, good friends and competitions we've had in the past five years. Thanks NAHRA for giving us such a good, clean, healthy sport.

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MHR JAZZTIME
9/09/87, LAB. RET., M, AKC SF019974
Sire: Trieven Classical Jazz
Dam: Jumping Jessica II
Breeder: Paul D. & Sally Foster
Owner:
Larry L. Calvert
8013 Pioneer Drive
Anchorage, AK 99504

Jazz and I have had an interesting time together since I bought him when he was a year old. He is extremely curious and always has to check out everything around him; his nickname is "Macho Man." However, when it comes to a trial or hunting, he is all business. When he is working, he is very pliable and really tries to succeed. He has done very well in the NAHRA seniors, passing all those that we have run. He was also number 13 on the AKC Derby list for 1989 with a total of 35 points. I have always enjoyed the NAHRA events and am really pleased to attend the 1990 Invitational with Jazz.

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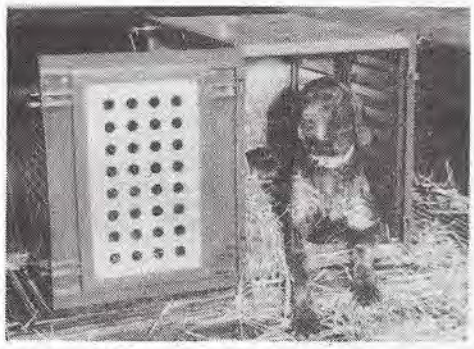

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GMHR WR SOUTHDOWNS CRACKIN TO GO
7/16/82, LAB. RET., F, AKC SD514225
Sire: Itchin' To Go
Dam: Shady Lady Of Caine Manor
Breeder: Woody Thurman
Owner:
Tony Leonard
Route 3, Box 55
Laurinburg, NC 28352

Crackin is a 58 pound, 6 year old black Labrador female. Crackin lives in the house, sleeps on the bed and is a great companion at home and afield. She loves duck and dove hunting and field trialing in that order. Crackin's first three years' training was centered around traditional AKC Field Trials and culminated in her becoming Qualified All-Age at the age of three. Crackin's introduction to NAHRA Field Testing was done so with a sigh of relief and a budding of excitement for her and her handler. To be tested under actual hunting conditions seemed to bring out a level of anticipation and an eagerness that I had not seen before. I think she actually thought she was hunting.

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GMHR WR SUPER SWEETIE WHEATIE
9/06/82, LAB. RET., F. AKC SD703674
Sire: Super Powder
Dam: Walla Walla Wheatie
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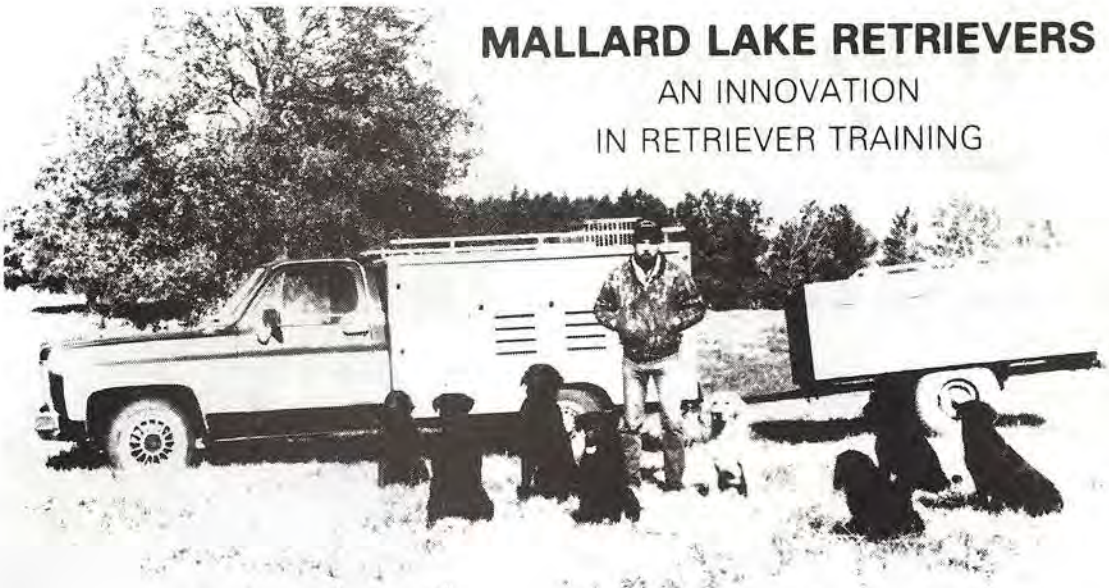

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1/12/82, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD539178
Sire: Tidewater Max-Pak
Dam: Shamrock Acres H.H. Pepperbell
Breeder: Tom & Barbara Kilgore
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Mickey & Larry Walker
P.O. Box 389
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Pure and simple, "Pak" is an athlete and does everything hell bent. He has a sense of humor that is sometimes trying and he has been known to let his enthusiasm over-ride his better judgement, but I will say this, he is fun and exciting and gives you his all, which is more than enough. Having been able to work with his offspring we see he is passing on his desire, trainability and disposition. Pak will arrive at this Invitational with over 500 NAHRA points, so to all who made NAHRA possible, Pak thanks you, WE thank you. This is Pak's third Invitational. We'll see you all in Georgia. Be sure and say "Hey."

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GMHR FOGGYBOTTOM BUCKEROO
4/13/84, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE080155
Sire: Accipiter Black Song Ernie
Dam: Sierra Gingersnap Cookie
Breeder: Carol Moore
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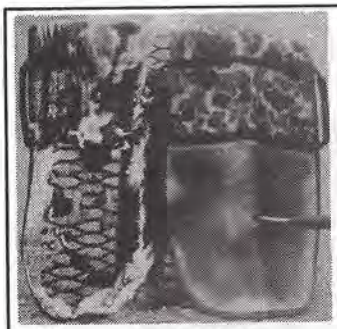

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MHR WR KENDRICK'S BLACKJACK ROCKY
10/22/83, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD866975
Sire: Gilman's Mesa Dodger
Dam:L Sue's Candy Maiden
Breeder: William B. Colson
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Rocky is my very special and enthusiastic 90 pound hunting partner. I purchased Rocky from a friend when he was just two years old (1985). Although his training began at that time, he was behind quite a bit from other dogs his age. However, after becoming a member of the Rio Retriever Family, Rocky began to make up for lost time. Mainly due to Larry Walker's (Rio Retrievers) training, Rocky and I became a team, both in NAHRA Events and in the field, hunting. It has been a joy watching Rocky's progress in the Gun Dog Program. Then, came the high points of our lives when he became a prestigous MHR and getting invited to the NAHRA Nationals. Both Rocky and I thank Larry and Mickey Walker of Rio Retrievers and the NAHRA Organization for making it all happen.

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MHR WR LITTLE RIVER'S MIDNIGHT LACE
3/24/84, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE042113
Sire: San Joaquin Honcho
Dam: Winacko's Country Sunshine
Breeder: Roderick L. Cleveland
Owner:
Philip R. Codd
2344 Howell Mill Road, NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

Once upon a time there was a dog called "Damit Midnight". She arrived in our home at the ripe old age of 18 months. Before we really became acquainted we were off on a pheasant hunt in South Dakota - she chased birds into Iowa. I knew we needed help! On returning to Atlanta, we were both introduced to NAHRA. "It really works y'all." In two short years we titled MHR and completed the AKC hunting test program (MH). We have become the best of pals. When crawling on a remote pond in Michigan, Dakota or wherever and the honkers or ducks are getting ready to leave at first dawn and you get the clarion call, it's nice to know that all birds down will go home with you. In my humble opinion, Midnight is probably the best dog anyone could own. Thank you NAHRA!!

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GMHR WANT TO
11/21/80, LAB. RET., F, AKC SD057365
Sire: Itchin' To Go
Dam: Willowmount Better Behave
Breeder: Bower C. Playfair
Owner:
Jack & Diana Jagoda
35 Misty Lane
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Sheer determination, desire, good nose, eyes, something between the ears - a companion and friend. A winning combination that can more aptly be defined by her name "Want To." A stroke of luck brought "Missy" to me a little over two years ago. She started her NAHRA career by achieving her Master Hunting Retriever title qualifying at five tests in a row. Missy has 30 AKC All-Age points and has qualified for the AKC National Amateur and the CKC National Championships. Missy qualified at five straight NAHRA tests this spring to make her eligible to compete in the 1991 Regional NAHRA competition. Missy has a mind of her own and is sometimes difficult to run, but I love her. She is worthy of her accomplishments, a true friend and will be hard to replace when she retires. I wish all the handlers success at this year's Invitational and a spot on the All American Team. To Jim Dandy, workers and all the event sponsors, Missy and I thank you!

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GMHR WR CHUGACH HILLS ITSY BITSY
8/03/86, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE714806
Sire: Mueller's Stormy Canada
Dam: Pacer's Little Bit
Breeder: Marilyn Bitney
Owner:
Anna Stoops & Larry Calvert
8013 Pioneer Drive
Anchorage, AK 99504

Bitsy has several qualities that make her special to me, but perhaps the most obvious is her tail that never seems to stop wagging. She has always been a happy dog who loves to retrieve, whether training, trialing, or hunting. Her intensity and her desire to please make it fun to work with her. Last summer, she placed in several AKC All-Age stakes and of course qualified in enough NAHRA Seniors to earn our invitation to Covington this year. She qualified for the 1989 All-American team with Larry last year, and I am looking forward to the 1990 Invitational. Thanks, NAHRA!

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GMHR WR LACEY J VI
4/04/81, LAB. RET., F, AKC SD764183
Sire: Bask
Dam: Barbara's Shadow
Breeder: Barbara G. Figg
Owner:
Patricia Jagoda
629 Cambridge St.
Fredericksburg, VA 22405

This year's Invitational is special in many ways. Lacey is not only the Grand-DAM of this year's festivities but, Midgie and her are the only Mother/Daughter team entered. Together they accumulated over 500 Senior points to qualify this year.

At 9 years old, Lacey has picked up over 300 ducks and geese on the Eastern Shore of Maryland this past hunting season. Her hunting experience has helped her to such a degree that she rarely needs to be handled to marks or blinds anymore, sometimes much to my chagrin! She also does not appreciate much guidance, especially little things like "sit", "stay", and "no". Age has not even begun to catch her yet. I guess even "Mother Time" realized, like we have, that she truly does run the whole darn show...

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MHR KNUTE OF RIVERBEND
2/25/86, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE769567
Sire: Fergy's Brown Winchester
Dam: Tina of North Lake
Breeder: Paul H. Sire
Owner:
John V. Viren
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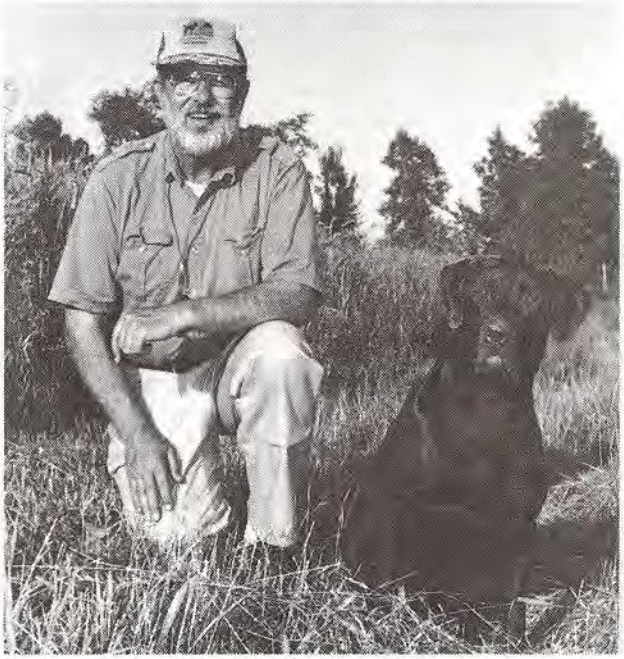

MHR, SH, MH Knute of Riverbend, a 4 year old, 100 pound chocolate male. A constant companion of his owner, a veterinarian, Knute is at work during the day and at his side at night. Owner's first and only retriever. Apparently a natural; only reference used was **Water Dog.** Has never worn a collar or been forced. Hunts at least once a week September through April. His most outstanding qualities are his steadiness and quietness. Only birds, girl dogs, and guns excite him. First NAHRA test was April, 1989. Qualified 10 of 14 tests. Also qualified in four of four AKC Master Tests in 1989. First and only Minnesota retriever to hold Master titles in both NAHRA and AKC. He has been an ideal companion and hunting partner.

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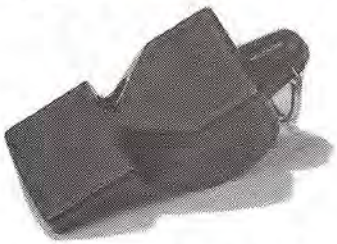

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GMHR WR JOSH HIGH HOPES FROM JED
3/06/86, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE568429
Sire: Sandy's Slew Man Too
Dam: Swift Creek-Backwater Memory
Breeder: William Steadman/Nancy Jackson
Owner:
Olin M. Cassidy
1523 Kimberly Dr.
Hartsville, SC 29550

Josh is a 4 year old black male Labrador Retriever who is hard-going and loves to play the game. Josh has been a member of the Cassidy family since he was 8 weeks old. His accomplishments include: GMHR at 3 years of age, Palmetto Retriever Club Runner-Up Intermediate Gun Dog of the Year in 1987, PRC Gun Dog of the Year in 1989, and Jim Dandy All American Team Member '89. Josh and I have enjoyed running in the NAHRA program since 1989 and look forward to many more successful years to come.

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GMHR WR RHOADES CHOCOLATE CANDY CWR
8/03/84, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE350458
Sire: Joshua Theodore
Dam: Cinammon Twist VI
Breeder: Andrew W. Meeder
Owner:
Charles W. Rhoades
4242 Lugo Ave.
Chino, CA 91709

Candy was trained by Starlight Retrievers Paul Cacciatori to a Senior level, and qualified in NAHRA and AKC in four states, with a lot of help from a lot of good friends and a very understanding wife.
PS. "Thank you all."

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MHR WR CEDAR VALLEY'S HI-BIRD TURK

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MHR WR ANTSY BEJA OF BRANDYWINE
10/31/87, LAB. RET., F, AKC SF113743
Sire: Seajay's Thunder of Sycomore
Dam: Sandys Brandywine Burgundy
Breeder: Sandra Edwards & Jim Cimburke
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Antsy Beja of Brandywine—alias - The Rocket, Hee Bee-Gee Bee, Pooky, and Puddin' Head.

Beja is our second child to qualify for the Invitational. She is also one of four MHR's produced by our pet Brandy - GMHR Bear, GMHR Jake, and MHR Holly.

Beja has been an exceptionally good retriever from the very beginning: Started at 6 months, Intermediate at 12 months, MHR at 18 months and OFA *excellent* at 24 months. To get where she is today, she has qualified in Senior events from Vermont to Georgia under some of the best and toughest judges in NAHRA.

A fall breeding to GMHR Richard's Fellow (the only 3-time qualifier of the Invitational) is planned.

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GMHR WR PYE'S PHANTOM CHARGER
10/02/87, LAB. RET., M, AKC SF228103
Sire: Sandy's Slew Man Too
Dam: River Haven's Brandy
Breeder: Bruce & Sandra Harris
Owner:
Rusty & Sandra Pye
745 Bo Jones Road
Covington, GA 30209

Jessie is the pride and joy of our hearts. He is an extremely good competitor, hunter and friend. At 13 months of age Jessie became the youngest MHR ever and at 19 months of age became the youngest GMHR ever. He has been qualified for 2 Invitationals and has only been dropped from 5 trials in his lifetime. He has run 2 AKC Masters with 2 qualifications, 4 qualifyings with 2 thirds, a 4th and a JAM and has completed 2 Opens before the age of 2-1/2. Jessie has set an example for all of his offspring to follow. Jessie is very spoiled and sleeps in the house with use every night.

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GMHR ROYAL HUNTS SKY HIGH
11/27/82, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD644440
Sire: Candlewood's Super Deal
Dam: Alexander's Dame Margaret
Breeder: Robert Alexander
Owner:
Tom Wininger
25 Buttonwood Cir.
Wallington, CT 06492

This will be Sky's Third Invitational. Sky completed his last two Invitationals and we are looking to make it 3-in-a-row.

Sky and I have hunted ducks and geese from the great marshes of James Bay to the shores of Delaware. Sky is my hunting partner and none better will you find! (Thanks, Sky!)

Sky and I would like to thank Jim Dandy and NAHRA for this event and helping us all to keep 'The Hunt' in our retrievers.

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GMHR SUNNYVIEW'S ROYAL COACHMAN
03/11/84, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE462789
Sire: Smokin J
Dam: Queen Bee Baby
Breeder: Mary Jon Mowinckle
Owner:
Richard C. Weiner
9365 Sunnyview Rd., N.E.
Salem, OR 97301

Go power and desire are epitomized by "Sunnyview's Royal Coachman". Never having run an Intermediate, he attained his GMHR in under fifteen months. In addition to personal attributes of tractability, exceptional marking and drive, "Coach's" true worth manifests itself in his get. He has many progeny with Brass Band qualifications in both Started and Intermediate and several of these will be running in the Senior stakes this year. "Coach" is an honest dog on both land and water. The word "quit" just isn't in his vocabulary. There's no mistake about it, he's not just another yellow dog.

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GMHR WR DUCK MASTER'S CHOICE
4/20/87, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE908548
Sire: Stone's Throw Marion's Choice
Dam: Black Gold's Mallard Mickie
Breeder: James Trahan
Owner:
Charles F. Breslin
5087 Kingsgrove Dr.
Somis, CA 93066

"Choice" arrived by air from Texas when she was eight weeks old. She was an "Ugly Duckling" if there ever was one; but like the fable, she grew to be beautiful. "Handsome is as handsome does"; and does she ever!!! "Choice" earned her NAHRA Intermediate Gold Band in 1988, earned 165 NAHRA points before she was two, earned her GMHR at two and one-half years, and earned 320 NAHRA Senior points in 1989. "Choice" is owner-trained and handled. Every amateur should have a dog like "Choice". She is a wonderful family dog. She is a super intelligent, sensitive, hard running, loving, eager to please and easy to train hunter.

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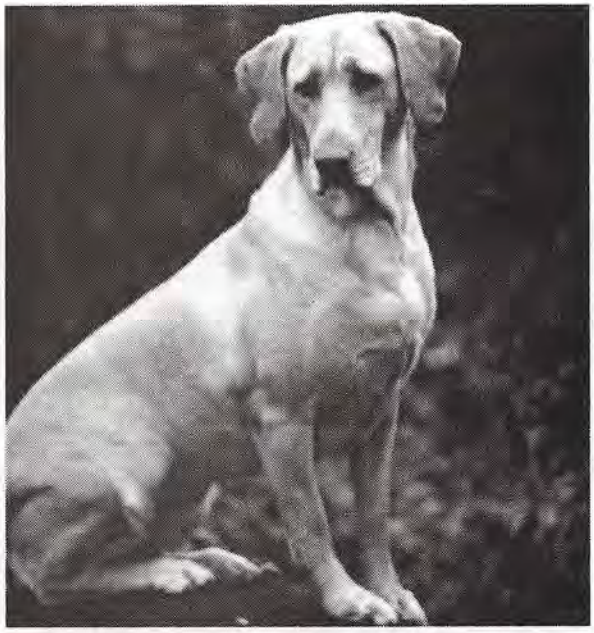

GMHR WR POOREBOYS KATE
1/27/86, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE524180
Sire: Carolina's Lucky Tar Boy
Dam: P L'S Magic Carpet Ride
Breeder: F. Stewart Newton
Owner:
James T. Poore, Sr.
1517 Emerson Dr.
Rock Hill, SC 29730

At seven weeks of age, Kate found her way into my heart and home. Things have not been the same since. A constant companion, who loves to hunt, or just fool around as pals often do, her unique temperment blends together all of the right ingredients to make her a pleasure to be around. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my wife, Carolyn, son Jim, friends Rusty, Sandra, "Mr. Z", Chips and my many other friends who have helped her reach her potential, and to the NAHRA program for giving her the opportunities.

Happy Hunting!!

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GMHR CHANS DAKOTA JET
6/08/84, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE243599
Sire: Pasha Irish Taffy Chans
Dam: Tarnations Dakota Nick
Breeder: Albert C. Zweig
Owner:
William & Sheryl Ogorchock
R.D. No. 1
Prospect, PA 16052

Jet is 80 pounds of pure retrieving desire, drive, trainability, and love. Jet has also been my teacher. Jet moved into our kennel when he was 5 years old and already trained. I had as much to learn about him as he did me. We have learned together and it has been pure fun.

In October of '89, we went to Manitoba, Canada to hunt ducks. Jet showed my hunting buddies what a GMHR is. He made a blind retrieve of over 400 yards in three whistles. Had to dive under the water to retrieve the duck and brought it back alive.

Special thanks to NAHRA, Jet, and to Joe and Arch Letta my trainers.

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GMHR FEDERAL HILL'S MIKE EM
12/01/82, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD918752
Sire: Super Sonic Hooter
Dam: Sitruc Meadows Mack Morgan
Breeder: R. Hunsucker & L. Leathersich
Owner:
Janet M. Sowers
2437 Huguenot Springs Rd.
Midlothian, VA 23113

As a six year old, Mike's reputation for his brains, looks, style and natural ability are well-deserved. He's been successfully trialed since puppyhood and has won many Gun Dog Stakes. While running AKC Field Trials he earned Derby points, Amateur points, won two Qualifying stakes and qualified All-Age. He was sold, but after a year of missing him terribly, I was fortunately able to repurchase him. With the help of John Weller and Jim Cimburke, Mike earned his MHR and qualified for the 1989 Invitational in his first year of running NAHRA. As a hunting buddy, Mike is the best.

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GMHR WR SPECIAL K EXPRESS
11/24/84, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE329034
Sire: Rip City First Draft Pick
Dam: Skywalker's PPmint Express
Breeder: Don Kleine
Owner:
Mike Cloke
100 Sandwood Crest
Castle Rock, WA 98611

Throughout Kate's years with NAHRA, she has demonstrated her outstanding achievements and her abilities in reaching the goals that we've set before her. A friend of mine, Butch Higgins once told me you have the best of both worlds. She is truly a lady when coming to the line, and after the guns go off this lady is gone. I would like to take this time to thank my friends, especially Butch Higgins for all the help he has given us, and most of all my family. I would also like to express my deep appreciation for all of the great people my wife Karen and I have met on the road with NAHRA. Thank you.

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GMHR WR RIVERBEND'S PICAPEPPER
3/24/83, LAB. RET., F, AKC SD790707
Sire: Hiwood Piper Pacer's Pic
Dam: Hunters Marsh Geraldine's DD
Breeder: Kim Moses
Owner:
Tom and Bunny Rentz
Hawksprings
825 Bo Jones Road
Covington, GA 30209

"Choonie" is Bunny and Tom's "Something Special" since she arrived at Hawksprings 7 weeks old. She has demonstrated a very strong desire to please - a wonderful trait that is bred in most good Labs. When NAHRA came along, it was Choonie's "cup of tea." She earned her WR, MHR and GMHR (with time out for two litters of black and yellow pups). With the advice and help of Pro John Weller and most of all, Pro Richard McDonald, she qualified for the Invitational. Her third litter is due March 7th - GMHR Richard's Fellow is the sire. Look out for more yellow and black GMHR's!!

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GMHR LA'MIST MISS BOBBIE McGEE
1/17/82, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE062445
Sire: Sandringham Geordie
Dam: La'Mist Mini Mouse
Breeder: Joseph & Archangel Letta
Owner:
Joseph & Archangel Letta
849 Route 21
Shortsville, NY 14548

Bobbi is a female black Lab, average in size and one of a litter of seven. Bobbi began running NAHRA Field Tests in 1983. At that time she injured her knee cap and we thought she was lost. But with proper care she bounced back and became High Point Intermediate Dog at Finger Lakes and then went on the next two years in a row to win the High Point Senior Dog. Bobbi became the first black Labrador Retriever in New York state, and one of two to complete the Master Hunting Retriever title. Bobbi completed her Master title on July 13, 1986. Bobbi has been raised in our home and has never relinquished that title of being our family pet, an excellent all-around hunting dog and loyal companion. A better friend we've never known. Bobbi qualified as one of the members of the '87 & '88 All American Team.
Congratulations, Bobbi, on qualifying for the 1990 Invitational!

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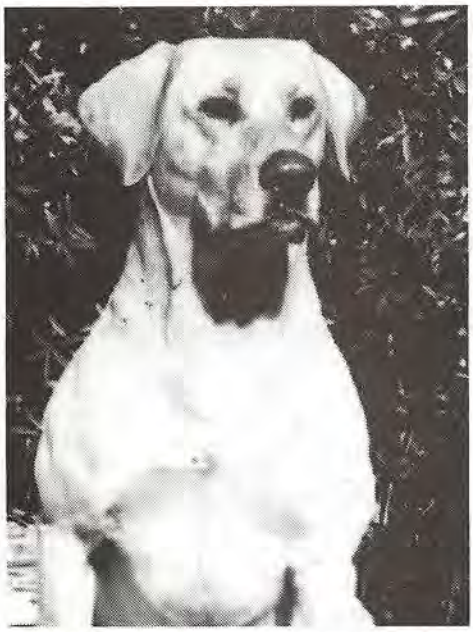
GMHR WR SOUTHLAND BOMBER'S BLACK LACE
9/29/85, LAB. RET., F, AKC SE478400
Sire: WR High Flight Bomber
Dam: WR Lacey J
Breeder: Trish Jagoda
Owner:
B. Lynn Foraker & Trish Jagoda
Box 298
Delaware City, DE 19706

In 1989, at 3-1/2 years of age, Midgie became a *Grand Master* and qualified as an *All-American* at the 1989 Invitational. She accumulated over 200 points by July to qualify for this year's event. Midgie and her mother GMHR Lacy J hunted ducks and geese on Maryland's Chesapeake Bay this year and several avid hunters will never forget "The Grand Dams". Midgie loves training, almost as much as hunting and spends as much time at Silverbrook Kennels as possible to get out of her office courier responsibilities. She is a natural hunter who loves, understands and excells in avery aspect of this game. She comes by it all honestly and we are anxiously awaiting her first litter.



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GMHR WR RICHARD'S FELLOW
5/22/82, LAB. RET., M, AKC SD912873
Sire: Swift Creek's Little Boy
Dam: Swift Creek's Ice Breaker
Breeder: Nancy Jackson
Owner:
Richard E. McDonald
Rt. 6, Box 163-K
Hartsville, SC 29550

Fellow, officially GMHR Richard's Fellow, is a hard-going, yellow, 6 year old male Labrador Retriever. His lineage includes FC Itchin To Go on the dam's side and gun dog stock on the sire's. Fellow and his owner Richard McDonald have worked together since the McDonald family brought him home as a 3 month old puppy in September, 1982. Fellow ran his first field test in May, '83, at Palmetto Retriever Club's first club trial run under NAHRA rules. Fellow has set the example for his offspring. His accomplishments include: GMHR, 1987, '88 & '89 All-American Team, Palmetto Retriever Club High Point Intermediate Dog of the Year '85, PRC Gun Dog of the Year '87 & '88, PRC Runner-Up High Point Dog of the Year '87, and completion of 11 of the 13 Senior Tests he ran in 1988.

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GMHR WR COLT COMMANDER OF AMELIA
4/30/84, LAB. RET., M, AKC SE044084
Sire: Brodericks Buckwheat
Dam: Lady Amber of Amelia
Breeder: Charles & Janet Broderick
Owner:
Ron & Marge Samuels
Rt. 1, Box 223-A
Jetersville, VA 23083

Colt is an eighty-five pound yellow Lab. He exemplifies the goal of the NAHRA program. Colt is completely amateur trained - our first dog - brought up through the program with failures and successes. Colt earned his MHR in November, 1988 and in October, 1989 he had attained his GMHR title and a spot at the Invitational.

We are proud owners of this exceptional dog. His marking abilities are the best, his nose and desire are unsurpassed in our book. He is a wonderful hunting companion as well as a faithful member of our family.

Thank you, friends for your help and support, NAHRA Officers and Directors for your time and efforts to develop this organization. We are pleased to be part of the NAHRA program.

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