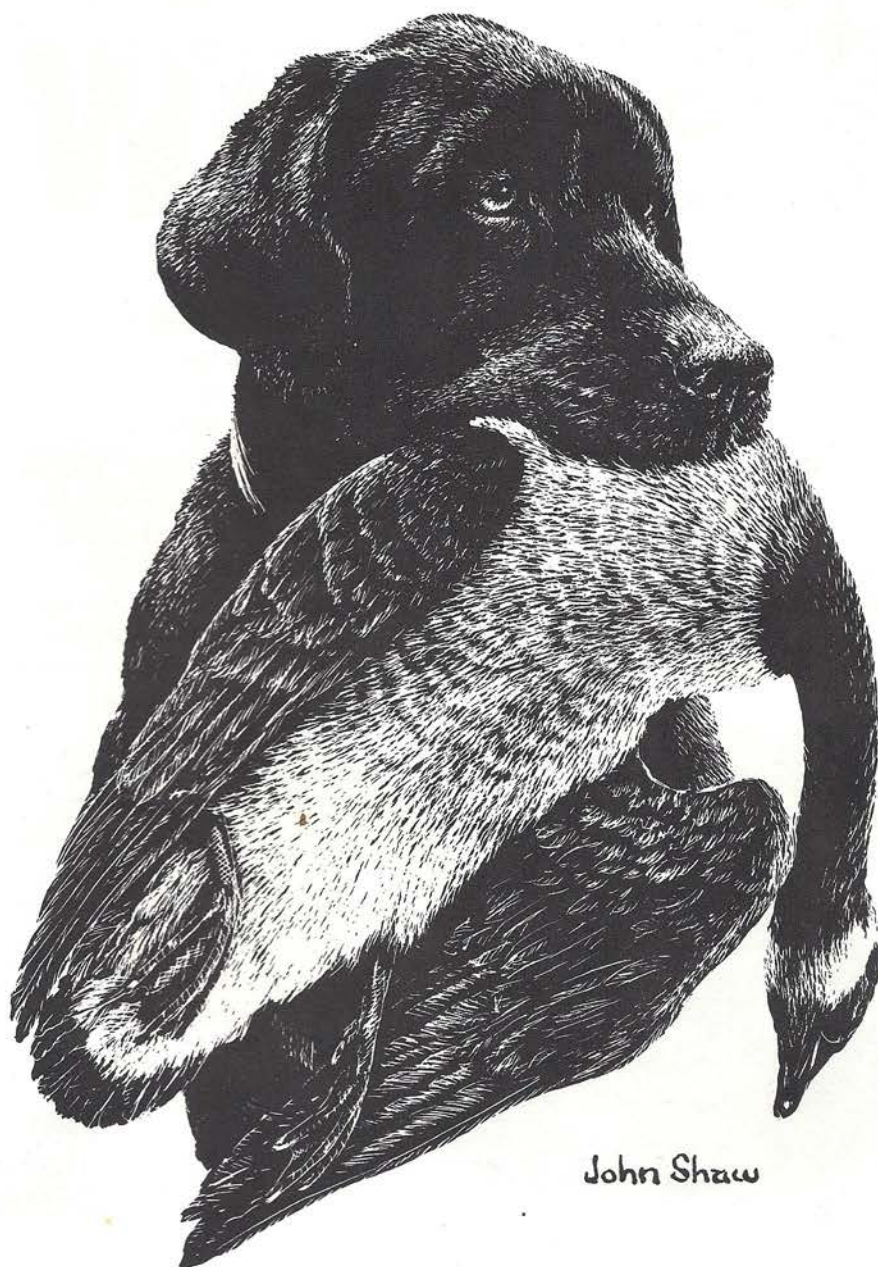


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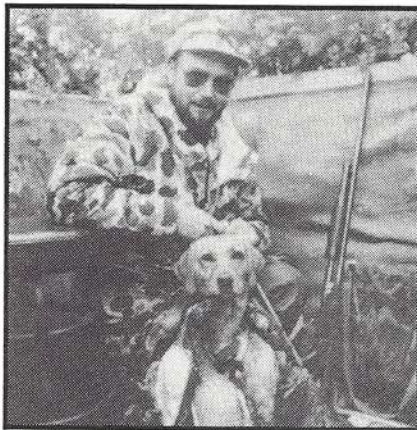
President's Bark

Spring has finally come to the north country. The local weather bureau (located in the Champlain Valley, the banana belt of Vermont) advises that last night's frost was "probably" the last for this season and that the snow cover on Mount Mansfield is down to sixty inches. I'm not certain I believe all that, my two oldest sons first Little League game was played in a snowstorm yesterday. The important news is that they played out the game...and won!

NAHRA's a lot like those Little Leaguers, stick-to-it-ness is as much a part of our character as winning. Lots has occurred in the last few weeks not all of it designed to make our job any easier. Yet, like the "Little Engine That Could" or those Little Leaguers, we've prevailed, and better yet, grown!

NAHRA seminars are sweeping the country-literally! Last month saw us conducting successful and well attended seminars in such diverse locations as Camden, South Carolina; Erie, Pennsylvania, and Avon, Minnesota. June will find us in Bakersfield, California; Spokane, Washington; and hopefully Wisconsin and Ohio as well. Check out the coming events section in the back pages of this issue for more information. If your club hasn't scheduled such a clinic, ask them to do so today! There is a great deal of misinformation and questions out there. We have the answers - help us spread the word!

We recognize that facts change quickly in this our first year of licensed activity and in order to provide more and better information, we have initiated a monthly newsletter to all affiliated clubs. Additionally, the clubs have chosen special NAHRA Club Representatives. Individuals who will serve as the direct link and conduit for information between the clubs and NAHRA. Avail-



ble resources do not allow us to mail such notices by first-class mail to every member each month. Affiliate today with the active NAHRA club nearest you or don't be bashful and give us a call or drop us a card. We'll do our best to see that you get the facts you need.

In this same vein, NAHRA recently announced to its affiliated clubs that, free of charge, it will mail event notices to NAHRA members in any state they wish to target. The service is free, all we ask is to be provided with the material and reimbursed for postage, we'll do the rest. Urge your clubs to take full advantage of this unique service. No one else offers it, its free and it is a proven method of increasing participation and club revenues. Ask Jack Jagoda and Joe May and the owners of more than 400 retrievers who participated in the first two Licensed Hunting Retriever Field Tests in Virginia this Spring!


400 dogs in back to back events! Can you believe it? Well folks, the "Little Engine That Could" is alive and thriving in more diverse places than Vermont. Virginia, North Carolina, Alaska (colder than Vermont, but hot on NAHRA), South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, New York, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Manitoba, Washington, California, Wisconsin, have all held or scheduled NAHRA Hunting Retriever Field Tests and Seminars. What other organization has ac-

complished as much for hunters and retriever owners? What other organization has such a unique practical and continent wide program? What other organization has the creditability to succeed and bring that program to all states and provinces?

Our English teachers call those rhetorical questions, that is, ones for which we already know the answers, and the answer is overwhelmingly NAHRA! Others may copy us, others may denigrate our efforts, others may outspend us, others may sing a siren song of easy championships or titles, but *nothing* will stop us!

NAHRA is an organization composed of people, as well as dogs, People, not money, make us run. Dedicated people with an ideal and a goal they will not see sullied or denied. You don't buy loyalty and dedication. You don't get it from fancy advertisements and promises, or fancier titles. You *earn* it.

Want a good example? On April 27th, Dave Maynard, Kent Repka and myself conducted a well attended and highly successful seminar in Erie, Pennsylvania, hosted by the Presque Isle Retriever Club. Let me tell you how much these no nonsense men and women, these hunters, these retriever owners, these people with a not to be denied goal and a purpose feel about NAHRA. At the conclusion of our day long clinic they demonstrated that spirit and dedication by presenting to NAHRA the last available matted and framed copy of L.R. Kaatz's famous print "Pair of Kings." A study of a black Lab pup and an aging canvasback decoy. It truly personifies the spirit and hope of NAHRA - the Little Retriever Club That Could and Will!


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Questions For The Doctor

by Phyllis Giroux McCloud, D.V.M.



Q My dog has "gunk" in his eyes—like sleep. Is this caused by swimming in dirty water?

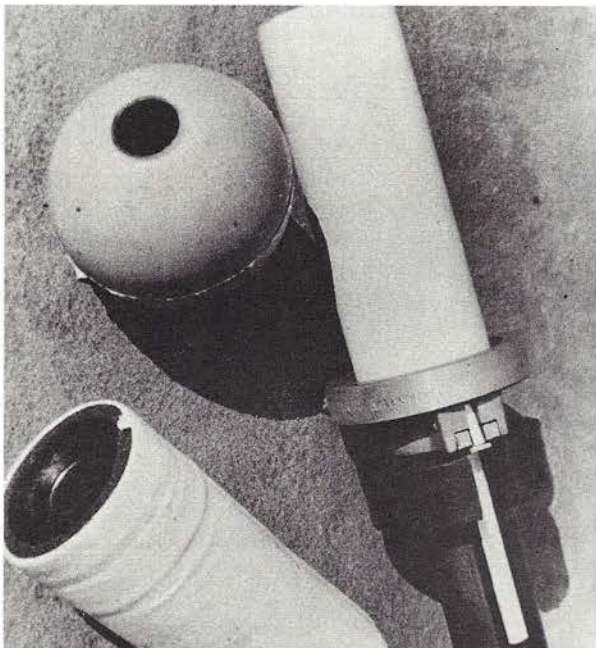
A Discharge from the eyes can be caused by many things. If it is clear and thick or greyish, it is simply due to irritation from dust, pollen, or wind. If it is very thick, and yellow or green in color, there is some infection involved. For clear discharges, rinse the eye with cool water, boric acid, or Dacriose (available at the drugstore), and use Visine or Murine. For infection, a visit to the veterinarian is in order. Conjunctivitis (inflammation and/or infection of the tissue surrounding the eyes) is usually easily treated with antibiotic ointments. Some dogs have allergies that make them prone to recurring bouts of conjunctivitis, especially dogs lacking dark pigmentation in the eyelids. If this is the case, you may want to ask your veterinarian for a supply of ointment to have on hand to use before and/or after hunting, especially in grass or weeds or murky water. Other more serious disorders such as glaucoma may start out with discharges or inflammation, so don't ignore an ongoing problem.

Q When is the best time during the heat cycle to breed my female?

A The bitch is usually in heat for about 21 days: 7 days "coming in" (proestrus), 7 days "in" (standing heat or estrus), and 7 days "going out" (metestrus). Ovulation occurs during the middle of the cycle, but there is great variation between individuals as to the actual day. You must use a combination of history, laboratory, and behavioral data to determine the actual best time for mating. The day of her heat on which she was bred in the past to produce a large, healthy litter is important. Secondly, having a vaginal smear examination by someone with expertise in the area can determine very close to the time she will ovulate. Thirdly, her flagging behavior and willingness to stand for the male indicate hormonal changes coincident with ovulation. When all factors point to the same 2 or 3 day time span, that is the best time to breed. Or, if the male and female are both available, breed every day or every other day as long as she will stand for breeding.

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Three Days On The James River

by Gary Erickson

There it was, in the January issue of *Gun Dog Magazine*, the announcement of the "First" NAHRA Licensed Hunting Retriever Field Test to be held in Richmond, Virginia. The James River Retriever Club was sponsoring it on February 22, 23 and 24. I knew when I read it that I just had to be there! I have done nothing but live and breathe NAHRA since first reading about it over a year ago! I've talked NAHRA to anyone that listened. Fortunately, I have a very understanding wife and we worked the expense of traveling 3,000 miles into our budget.

I am a member of the Spokane Bird Dog Association which was the first Club recognized by NAHRA. Our Club has sponsored six fun trials in 1984. I was anxious to participate in the "first"

NAHRA Licensed Testing.

The plane ticket was purchased and the necessary arrangements were made for my stay in Richmond. I entered my dog in the Senior Category and mailed the entry to the Field Test Secretary, Diana Jagoda. Two weeks before the entries were to close I called Jack Jagoda to make sure that they had received my entry and to inquire as to the total number of entries. Much to my astonishment Jack said they only had 50 entries at that time. I began to think that because of the split with the AKC that NAHRA was on its way out faster than it had begun. Depression set in over the next few weeks but there was no way that I was going to call Jack again to see if things had gotten better. It was best that I didn't know. It was set in my mind to go no matter what.

The appointed day arrived for my departure and I boarded the plane with much apprehension. I was determined to participate in the "first" Licensed Field Test even if it was going to possi-

bly be the "last." The plane finally arrived in Richmond 7½ hours later. I was greeted by the Guru of dog training books, Richard Wolters. We had become good friends last year when my club held a NAHRA weekend which Dick conducted. The first question I asked was: How did the entries turn out? I was elated!!! There was a total of 226 entries, 131 Started Dogs, 60 Intermediate Dogs, and 35 Senior Dogs. The split from the AKC had no effect on NAHRA for this Field Test.

My expectations and excitement mounted as we finally pulled through the gate at Curles Neck Farm. I had seen the video of the "First" sanctioned Field Test, but, Curles Neck was even more impressive in person. The 4,000 acres spread out under blue skies and flocks of Snows and Canadas flying about as they looked for feeding areas. I don't know how the James River Club did it but they ended up with record high temperatures in the 80's for the weekend and a record number of dogs.

James River Retriever Club, Inc.

February 22, 23, 24 1985

QUALIFYING SCORES

SENIOR

Judges: Buck West David Maynard

Dogs Entered, 35 Qualified, 13

DOG

Northstar's Sandix Samm Teal
Twig of Timberledge
Mama's Boy Buck
Cock of the Walk
Weller's Moses of Antioch
Trieven Thunder Annie
Evergreen's Jet Powdered
Casey
Buddy's King Bo
Southland Virginia Slim
Shane O'Hara of Hopewell
Tuckahoe Beau of Fairfax
Oakhill Exponent

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Ann Sanders
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John L. Weller
Diana Jagoda
Beth & Tom Rentz
Mary S. Iselin
Buddy Embrey
Ivan Morgan
Linwood R. Dix, Jr.
Jean B. Everest
Moses Snipes & Gerald Shaw

INTERMEDIATE

Judges: Joseph May, Jr. Gene Hill

Dogs Entered, 60 Qualified, 30

DOG

Sapphire Jewell of Ashland
Jeb IX
Beartown Yukon Jack
Shannondoah's Free Sprite
St. Croix Northwoods Scamp
Halryn's Mut & Jefferson
Carolina Gun Smoke
Bluegrass Rally
Abenaki's Nimrod
Mama's Boy Buck
Evergreen's Jet Powdered
Havenwood Unlimited Caper
Tonic Mist of Black Thunder

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John W. Bittle, Jr.
David & Kathy Love
Richard Watkins
Bruce Y. Jackson
Beth & Tom Rentz
Donna Olzer
George Sydnor

DOG

Lady Scruffon of Gwynn
Kodiah X
Twig of Timberledge
Hunsucker's S.S. Watson
Riverbend's Bo Dacious
Chief Ironeyes Cody
Hunsucker Trained Bear
Derby Babe of Tidewater
Cinchco Buccaneer
Trieven Thunder Annie
Remus XVII
High Flight Bomber
Dawg
Krupp's Colonial Penny Rose
Super Sweetie Wheatie
Kate's Mist of Black Thunder
Tealbrook's Rushin Roulette

OWNER

Garrett T. Leahey
Joseph A. Abruzzo
Chris Kuhn
Bob Sumner
Jeff Joyner
James M. Jackson
Sandra Edwards & James Cimburke
Le Grans G. Beatson, Jr.
John W. Pash
Diana Jagoda
Henry R. Miller, IV
Jack & Diana Jagoda
John Larkin
George E. Spear, II
Rocky Emery
Chip Briere
Raymond Grimes

STARTED

Judges:

J. Madison Macon, V Richard Tevendale
Heth O. Miller Dr. Jack M. Gwaltney, Jr.

Dogs Entered, 131 Qualified, 56

DOG

Kentene Slipper of Hollymill
Hubbell's Coolhand Luke
Fergies Happytimes
Barrington's Senation
Seneca Sundial White Lightning
Son-Ray's Sharihil Kelly
Shannondoah Beggar Bush Buie
Shamrock Acres Jett Express
Carolina Gun Smoke
Havenwood Unlimited Caper
Windsor Sterling Abel
Lacey J. VI
Muddy Run McIntosh
Super Magnum Deke
Howe's Kahlua Knotbadd
Ruddy Ducks Caroway Scout
Sitrucc Meadow Mack Morgan
Super Chase of Live Oak
Redlions Ruddy Ducks Liza
Bertschires Jesse James
Wirt's Crankshaft McNasty
Roughwater's Sir Blackjack
West Trend Charm of Fenmoor
Brandy
Sadie's Daisy Mae
Roughwater Midnight Sparkle
Hunsucker Trained Bear
Shannondoah's Woodwind Echo
Super Whygin's Powder Keg
Candlewood's Chamois Larue
Mama's Boy Buck
Riverbend's Bo Dacious

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INTERMEDIATE

Judges: Tom Rentz Joe Wirt Garrett Leahey
Entries, 40 Qualified: 8



DOG
Kate's Mist of Black Thunder
Fergies Happy Times
Hunsucker Trained Bear
Commander Boggart
Remus XVII
Shannondoah's Free Sprite
Tonic Mist of Black Thunder
Prime Time II

OWNER
Chip Briere
William P. Ferguson, Jr.
Sandy Edwards & Jim Cimburke
Al Belcher
Henry R. Miller, IV
William Argabright
George Sydnor
Forrest E. Minges, Jr.

STARTED

Judges
Wayne Overton John Chew
Bob Lewis Pete Boyd

Entries, 83 Qualified, 31



DOG
Bertschires Jesse James
Super Magnum Deke
Shadator of Westam
Lacey J. VI
Sittruck Meadow Mack Morgan
Shannondoah Beggar Bush Buie
Swamp Cabbage Jazz
Shamrock Acres Jett Express
Lodestar Cherokee Chief
General JEB Augustus Stuart
J.J. Admiral Sam
Tanker
Nelson's Mollie
Nelson's Bitsy
Lenniappe's Whiskey Roux
Daniel's Thunder Jake
Ravenwood's Fly Away Drake
Commonwealth's Chief Joshua
Southland Drake
Son-Ray's Sharihil Kelly
Shooter's Sioux Warpaint
Taylor
St. Lucie Otter
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Money For The Ducks

by Tom Dean
Chairman: Aylett D.U.

For several years the Aylett, Va. Chapter of Ducks Unlimited has conducted a spring gun dog trial to help finance its fall fund raising dinner.

Several of our members had joined NAHRA and urged us to conduct a Hunting Retriever Field Test in place of our traditional gun dog trial.

The response was overwhelming!! Entries poured in from as far away as Alabama and Minnesota. 147 dogs entered the field test and over \$1,400.00 was raised for the ducks. Our profits increased 400% compared to the old gun dog trials.

Aylett D.U. is currently considering another event in conjunction with our August fund raising dinner.

As a result of the Aylett D.U. field test, other area D.U. Chapters have expressed an interest in conducting events this fall.

Thanks NAHRA for providing us with a means to achieve a common goal.

Aylett Ducks Unlimited

March 29, 30 1985

QUALIFYING SCORES

SENIOR

Judges: I.B. Wilson Dennis Beard

Entries, 24 Qualified, 5



DOG
Trieven Thunder Annie
Southland Virginia Slim
Tuckahoe Beau of Fairfax
BJ's Bubba
Southland Bullwinkle

OWNER
Jack & Diana Jagoda
Ivan Morgan
Jean B. Everest
Bryan Jones
Rocky Emery

UPCOMING EVENTS

SCHEDULE OF APPROVED HUNTING RETRIEVER FIELD TESTS

PLATTE RIVER HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB - April 28, 1985 - Ron Green, Rt. 4, Box 30-C, North Platte, NE 69101

FOX VALLEY RETRIEVER CLUB - May 11, 12, 1985 - Dick Knapp, W250 N8815, Hillside Rd., Sussex, WI 53089

GREAT SOUTHERN HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB - May 11, 12, 1985 - Beth Rentz, 825 Bo Jones Rd., Covington, GA 30209

INLAND VALLEY RETRIEVER CLUB - May 11, 12, 1985 - Mike Mathiot, 6756 Del Rosa Ave., San Bernardino, CA 92404

SOUTHEAST WASHINGTON RETRIEVER CLUB - May 18, 1985 - Franna Gerber, 2090 Hoxie, Richland, WA 99352

PALMETTO RETRIEVER CLUB - June 1, 1985 - John Bittle, 1800 Mars Hill Cir., Florence, S.C. 29501

MARQUETTE RETRIEVER CLUB - June 8, 1985 - Sue Yanoff, 102 Springfield Dr., Gwinn, MI 49841

KERN RETRIEVER CLUB - June 15, 1985 - Carlo Montenegro, 4505 Baybrook Way, Bakersfield, CA 93309 (805-835-8649)

PRESQUE ISLE RETRIEVER CLUB - June 22, 23, 1985 - Bradley Lindberg, RD 2, Rt. 97, Waterford, PA 16441 (814-796-4941)

WINNIPEG DUCKS UNLIMITED RETRIEVER CLUB - Sept. 14, 1985 - Sonny Mowbray, 651 Viscount Pl., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 1J1

***SNAKE RIVER RETRIEVER CLUB** - (Date not set) - R. Alan Blac, Box 2743, College Sta., Pullman, WA 99163

SCHEDULE OF LICENSED HUNTING RETRIEVER FIELD TESTS

ALASKA RETRIEVER CLUB - May 25, 26, 1985 - Andy Loranger, P.O. Box 874968, Wasilla, AK 99687

SPOKANE BIRD DOG ASSOCIATION - June 8, 9, 1985 - Vicki Erickson, Rt. 1, Box 221-6, Medical Lake, WA 99022

MINNESOTA HUNTING RETRIEVER ASSN. - June 22, 23, 1985 - Pete Fischer, Box 262, Avon, MN 56310 (612-845-4441)

FINGER LAKES RETRIEVER CLUB - July 13, 14, 1985 - Archangel Letta, 849 Rt. 21, Shortsville, N.Y. 14546

WESTERN NEW YORK RETRIEVER CLUB - July 19, 20, 1985 - Peter Kennedy, 1141 Rt. 20-A, Strykersville, N.Y. 14145

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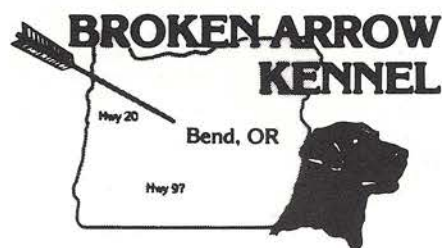
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***JAMES RIVER RETRIEVER CLUB** - Oct. 1985 - Diana Jagoda, Southland Kennels, Rt. 1, Box 461-G, Stafford, VA 22554 (703-752-7591)

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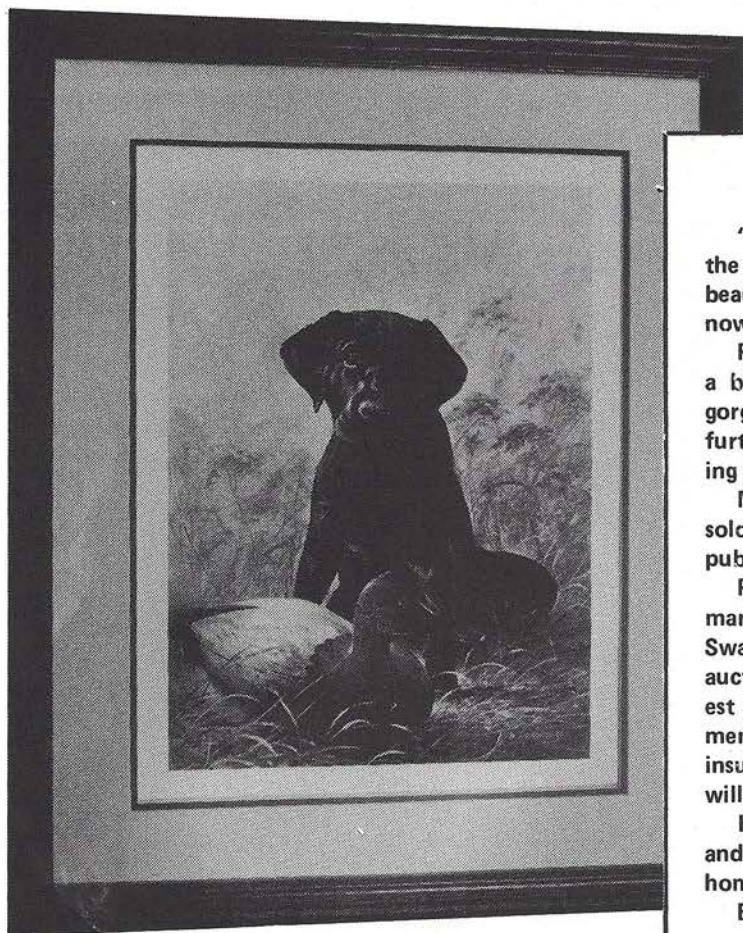
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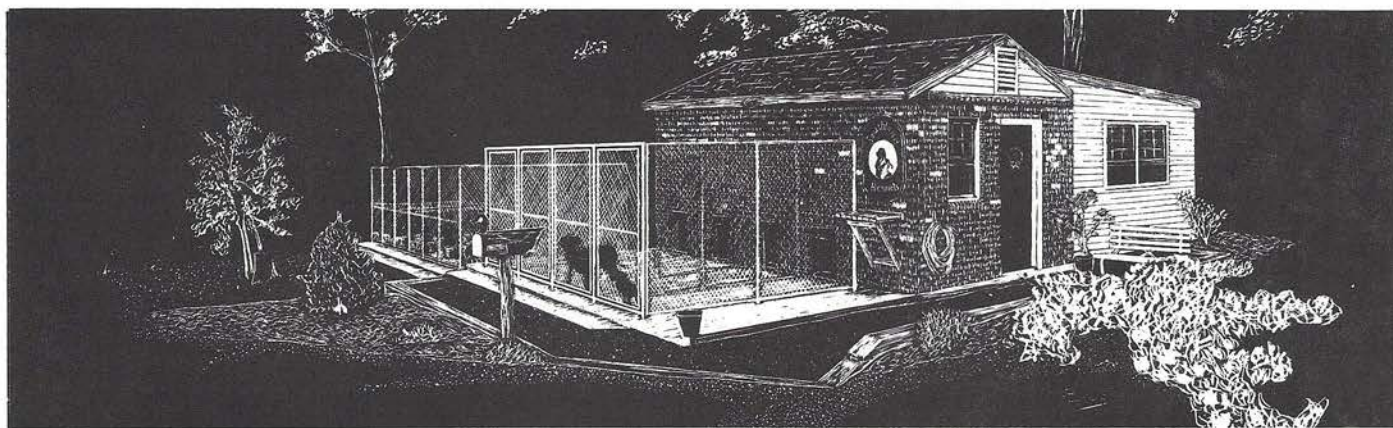
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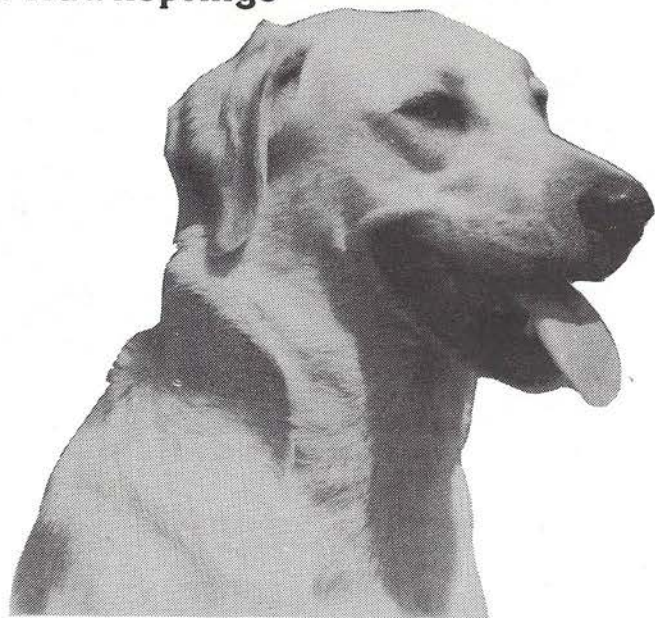
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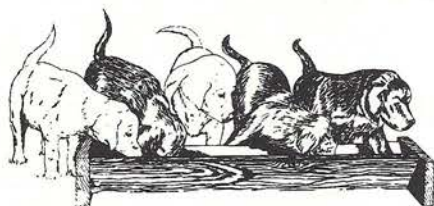
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Purchasing A Puppy

by Larry W. Witter, DVM



In addition to genetic background, other aspects should be taken into consideration before purchasing a puppy. If at all possible, the prospective owner(s) should visit with the breeder. Visiting may not be possible, but the breeders should be able to furnish names of people who have bought puppies from them in the past, preferably from the same breeding. On first time breedings, try to visit the puppy's sire or bitch. Their personality traits are often reflected in the offspring.

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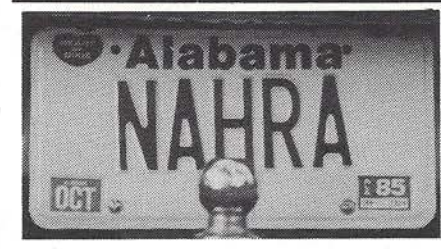
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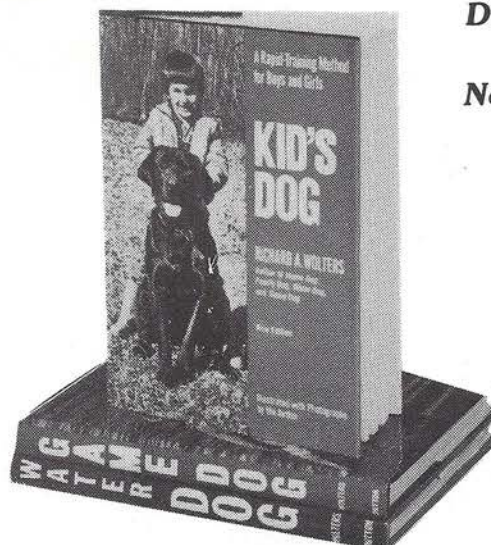
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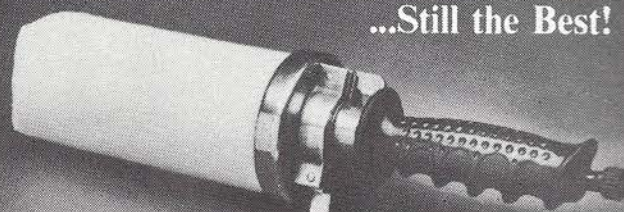
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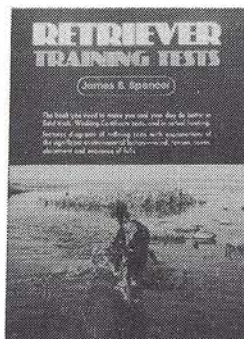
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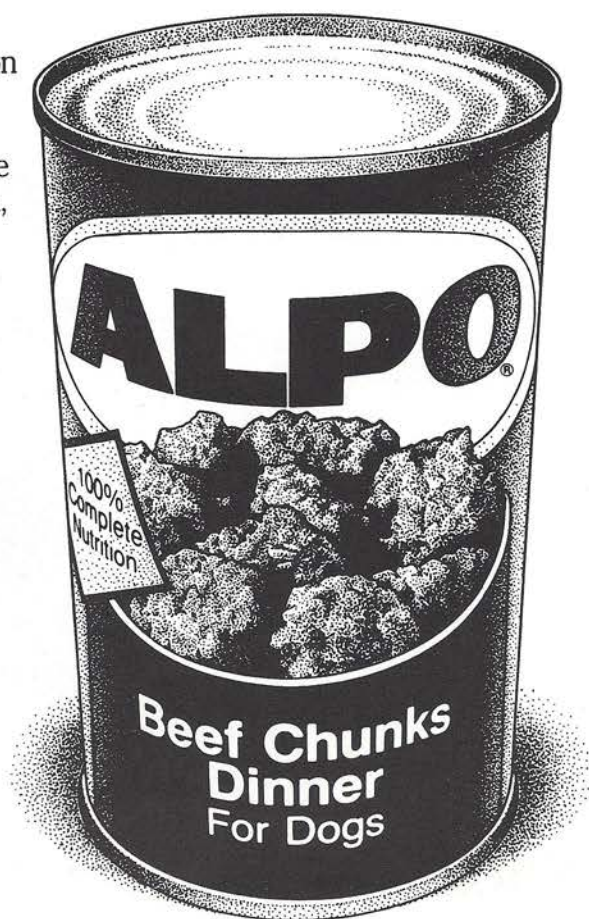
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