



2009 ABC National Open All Age Championship



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National Open All Age Championship – from left to right: Reporter Mary Karbiner, Justin Kalina with Champion PRIMETIME OUTLAW JOHNNY, Paul & Lisa Pollack with Runner-up NAFC/FC/AFC TM'S TENNESSEE TWISTER, judges Bill Stubblefield & James Cohen, Jessica Carlson with 3rd place winner DC Lost Creek Timber Ridge, judge John Kline, Ed Tillson, Paul Dorion with fourth place winner DC/AFC TJ's SINGLE SHOT OF SCIPIO, Tom White and Margaret Horstmeyer.

The Youngsters win the Open Championship

The National Open Championship commenced on Monday November 30, 2009. From a field of fifty-seven entries the winner emerged. PRIMETIME OUTLAW JOHNNY aka Cash was handled by owner Justin Kalina of Nebraska. Cash is a three year old orange and white male out of Double O's Rocky x Countess Mon Petite Whiz. His stylish manners on birds along with the race caught the judges' eye. Justin is a new professional on the circuit being introduced to bird dog competition by his Uncle and Aunt, Stan and Claudia Truksa also of Nebraska.

The Runner-up was new National Amateur Champion/FC/AFC TM'S TENNESSEE TWISTER handled by Tom Tracy of Virginia. Sway is co-owned by Brooke Caviness and Lisa Pollock, who handled her to the National Amateur Championship win. She is a white and orange six year old female who is a product of Rimarda's Trademark frozen semen and Lane's End Bowtie Annie. Sway was also winner of the Christy's Feather Duster Award.

The yellow ribbon went to DC LOST CREEK TIMBER RIDGE owned by George and Cindy McCann of Wisconsin. He was handled by Ed Tillson of New Mexico. Rowdy is another young dog coming into his own. He is out of Muddy's River Flash Rio x S'No Fun Phoenix. He had three pieces of stylish bird work.

Fourth place was piloted by Paul Doiron of California. DC/AFC TJ'S SINGLE SHOT OF SCIPIO aka Emme ran in the first brace of the stake. Emme also took runner up in the National Amateur Championship handled by owner Tom White. She is an orange and white eight year old female out of Tequila's Joker and Microchips of Nutmeg and proudly owned by Tom White and Margaret Horstmeyer of California. Emme was winner of the

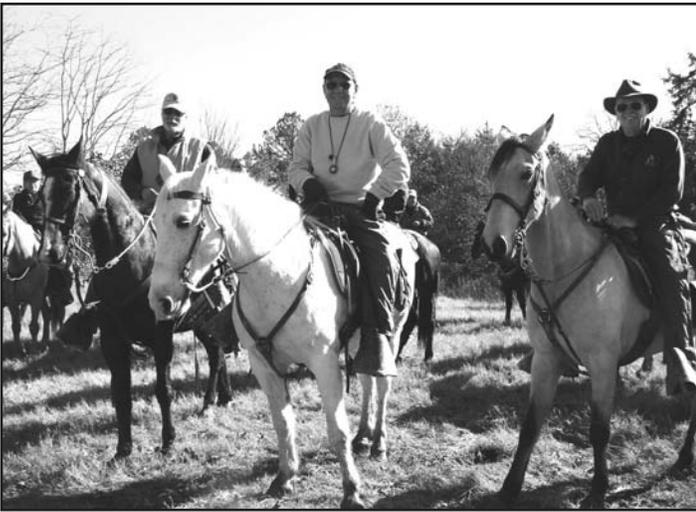
ABC National Dual Award.

After the amateur running, meetings and parties we began the open championship on Sunday evening with the calcutta of the entered dogs. Dinner was prepared by Ron and Judi Button with help of their son Jake. They were well received with many compliments regarding the food service. They extended their services thru lunch on Saturday after which the placements were announced. Monday evening there was a presentation of Tri Tronics new products by Hank Hartnek with a question and answer session. Tuesday evening was the "Winners" party. This year it was hosted by Dr. Ron and Mrs. Harling and their son Ron Jr. Their dog REBEL JAC'S A HAMMERIN DANDY won the open championship in 2008. Good food and dancing was enjoyed by all. Wednesday we were served a delicious steak dinner. Then on Thursday evening another gathering was held with much conversation and good food. Friday evening dinner was served for those who were "layovers". The weather delay had created an extra half day of running on Saturday morning.

Our judges for this stake were Jim Cohen, Ohio; Bill Stubblefield, Arkansas and John Kline of Virginia who replaced the previously scheduled judge. This collection of judges appeared to have a good time in the saddle, each watching the dogs that were presented. A list of credits for these gentlemen would amass pages of their qualifications.

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The event committee headed by Tom White as 1st Vice President, handled all the details that come to fore when you organize and direct people to accomplish goals that present a smooth working network. Those committee members were: Warren Montgomery, Joyce Miley, Tom Robin, Steve Ralph, Ray Trimble, Tom Milam, Margaret Horstmeyer, Lisa Pollock and stake manager Jerry McGee. The courses were altered to use the driest ground available since the heavy rains had flooded the area. Due to the good weather during the amateur championship the previous week, the committee was able to add more than a half mile of ground, omitting some of the ninety degree turns, course two still being unusable.

At beginning of the open championship on Monday, rain had passed through during the night. The morning was sunny with temps in the upper 30's and little to no breeze, no frost on the ground just moisture on the grass.

TJ'S SINGLE SHOT OF SCIPIO, Doiron and JO-LOCKAPEX DARK ROUX GUMBO, Lincoln. These dogs were hitting the cover. We crossed Lick Creek, turning right. The scout for the other dog called point for Emme at 23'. She stood very staunchly at the edge of a very brushy mott. As judges approached, birds lifted a distance behind the dog. Handler proceeded to thrash the brush for more. She was fired over and taken on. She went forward through the cover. Roux was hitting the cover on our right. At 37' Emme stood just inside the edge of another tangled mott. Handler searched far to the other side where birds were seen by the judge. She stood high and tight throughout the flush and shot. We made the half turn toward the river where Emme took the outside edge. Roux was headed to the front then turned left toward the river. Point was called for Emme at 53' as she stood near a deadfall. Roux had stopped and pointed nearby. Birds were flushed for both dogs with Roux turning to mark the flight of his birds. Both dogs finished the hour forward with Emme being the stronger of the pair.

JAKE ACRES IN DISQUISH, Gorrow and DAKOTA ALLEY CAT, Tracy. Tiger was out of pocket at Mario's Hill. At 23' Jake had an unproductive in a heavy tangle of brush. Tiger turned left heading toward Gas Well Hill when the course turned right. He was not returned to judgment. Jake continued through the "new" chute and back on course one. Midway in the brace he was ordered up.

SPANKY'S LITTLE PILL BANDIT, Hancock and MARJO'S RED RUM, Luisi. This pair shot forward, branching off into the cover. We crossed Lick Creek and rode toward the metal gate on the corner where the horse path crosses the gravel road. Point was called for John at 13'. He stood near the old fence row on our right. The birds ran through the cover with handler in pursuit. He stood high and tight through the flush and shot. Bandit was out of pocket from time to time showing when needed. John made some nice moves hitting the outside edges of the course. We rode through the first meadow near the river and through the keyhole. Point was called for Bandit at 41' as he stood at that fence line. His style was

staunch through flush and shot. Both dogs finished the hour with John being returned in the grace period.

MVP REDLINE'S HIGH OCTANE, Doiron and BOUDREAUX'S POKI JJ JOHNSON, Johnson. Both dogs started slow digging in the cover. JJ stopped and pointed in the tall grass just before the metal gate at the corner. He was relocated and searching the area ran into birds but didn't get stopped in time. Tiger had an unproductive at 32' in a brushy thicket. He searched a lot of cover but was not rewarded with game during his hour.

CLYDE'S MICRO BREEZE, L. Pollock and HI PROOF WHIZKI, Gorrow. This pair was strong from the breakaway. Each would show briefly, then gone. Both dogs were out of pocket midway in the hour when the tracking devices were called for.

GRAND JUNCTION JAKE, Holman and SAN-DEE'S BLAZING SHANE, Doiron. Jake was wide from the breakaway. Shane started by jumping in the cover. At 13' he had an unproductive in a brushy thicket. At 18' he pointed staunchly on the left. Birds were flushed with all in order. Jake was still out of pocket. Shane was becoming stronger on the ground reaching forward in his search for game. Jake had not been returned to judgment. We crossed the first meadow at the river on course one. Shane moved through the keyhole in the fence line. On the left, point was called for him at 44' as he stood staunchly having a covey flushed in several directions. He finished the hour with better application than the start.

Posted Dogs Day One: TJ'S SINGLE SHOT OF SCIPIO and SAN-DEE'S BLAZING SHANE.

TJ'S PRAIRIE BLIZZARD, Tillson and TUB O'TEE, Lincoln. We had a fog delay until 9:30 am. With frost on the ground and the sun trying to peek through the overcast. Both dogs were wide from the start, each making some good moves. Tubby was out of pocket from the little creek and the tracking device was called for at 40'. Blizzard moved into an old feed plot and pointed at 46'. Extensive flushing could not produce any game. He finished the hour without bird contact.

TM'S TENNESSEE TWISTER, Tracy and BRISCO'S MR. STUB, Trimble. These dogs were to the front and reaching from the breakaway. At 14' Stub had an unproductive at the edge of an old feed plot. Point was called for Sway across the field at 20'. Extensive flushing could not produce any game. At 21' point was called by the scout for Stub farther up the same old fence row. A single was produced with all in order. These dogs continued to make wide moves. Stub was out of pocket from the little creek crossing with Sway showing to the front. Stub returned to the front where the horse path crosses the gravel road. At 57' Sway was headed to the front on our left when the scout called point. She stood at the edge of the fence line's heavy cover. A single was flushed with all in order. Both dogs finished with a strong forward race.

MEGASMOKE GRAND FINALE, Doiron and ODYSSEY'S TEQUILA AZUL, Holman. At 18' Azul was seen under a covey of birds. Smoke had a nice find at 16' in the old fence line. He continued to make wider casts and was out of pocket at the turn-back near the bridge. At 45' the tracking

device was called for.

LINVEL'S ACE OF DIAMONDS, P. Pollock and WIMBERLEY JIMDANDY, Johnson. Both dogs started strong. At 20' Dandy had a stylish find standing at the end of a brushy thicket with all in order. Farther up the brush line Ace had birds pointed until the handler rode up the covey. He stood in the brush through flush and shot. Taken on, Ace moved along the edge of a brushy finger. He pointed at the edge while Dandy moved toward him but failed to back and was leashed. Ace had pointed a dead bird, then collared and taken on. Ace settled into a hunting mode and was leashed.

OAK HILL'S TIME TO BURN, Holman and MTB CABO RITA DE SCIPIO, Doiron. Burney had an unproductive at 4'. Rita had an unproductive at 8'. At 15' Burney had a find in the tree line on our left. At 17' Rita pointed a dead bird and was sent on. Burney was a handful and was taken along the tree line and out the far end with the handler. Rita made some nice moves but was inconsistent in application. Burney finished the hour with some pull and tug.

UNCLE KRACKER, Tracy and MAXWELL'S BLEW BY YOU II, Maxwell. Kracker had a hard time getting started and the handler elected to leash the dog. Chuck had a find at 9' with a covey under his nose. At 19' he stood at the edge of a large tangled mott. Birds were flushed with all in order. He continued on course but they were not meeting the judge's standard and so was ordered up.

Posted Dogs Day Two: TM'S TENNESSEE TWISTER, BRISCO'S MR. STUB and OAK HILL'S TIME TO BURN.

Rain started during the night and lasted until midmorning. The running was held up until the creek lowered. We broke away at 12:30 pm running three braces today that consisted of RU-JEM'S A TOUCH OF BOURBON, McGee and KD'S SLIP AND SLIDE, Tillson. Both dogs started strong moving through the cover showing "rooster tails" of water from their heels. Chug was last seen at Lick Creek. Splash had made some nice moves but shortened and was leashed near the end of the hour. Chug was not returned to judgment.

DIAMOND HILL DEUCES GONE WILD, Tracy and WOLF RIVER'S WINNING TICKET, Gorrow. Deuce pointed at 11'. He stood at the end of an old fence row. Game was flushed with all in order. At 16' he stopped at the edge of the road. The gallery was nearby. The handler, reading the situation, elected to take the dog on. Cash pointed at 30'. He was on our left at the little creek crossing. The wind had increased. The handler flushed, whistled the dog on to relocate. The judges concurred that they heard a bird whistle back at the handler. Nothing could be produced. Deuce was out of pocket at the big meadow. Cash showed to the front with the handler catching up. The dog went left along the tree line, returning, swapped ends into the wind and pointed a covey. He was sent on and made some good moves, finishing along the far fence line. Deuce was not returned to judgment.

MTB EMMIE'S CABO DE SCIPIO, Doiron and ADIOS SHAQ ATTACK, Tracy. From the corner of the big meadow we headed back on course one. Past the wooden gate at the zig zag and turning right where the handler called point for Shaq with Cabo pointing the other direction across the horse path. Birds were flushed for Shaq with all in order. At the shot Cabo turned to the activity without any game being flushed from his location. Both dogs were sent on. At 13' Shaq had crossed the meadow headed toward the river. He pointed in tall brush. Handler stepped in and a huge covey lifted, more birds lifted with more birds lifting. He stood staunchly through all the wing flapping and shot. Estimates floating in the gallery ranged from 50 or more birds in the covey. At 28' Cabo had a find at the end of an old fence line with all in order. At 38' on our left at Mario's Hill he pointed again. Another huge covey lifted from the brush going in all directions. The dog was fired over and taken on. Shaq was out of pocket at this turn. Cabo had shortened and was leashed at the gravel road. Shaq was not returned to judgment.

Posted Dogs Day Three: WOLF RIVER'S WINNING TICKET

The morning was in the low 30's, no heavy frost and partly cloudy skies. ROCKLAN'S WHIZZLE STOP, Burchett and TSUNAMI, Johnson were unleashed in a flurry. Sue pointed in the tall grass at 3'. Extensive flushing could produce nothing. At 6' Whiz pointed in the fence line, relocated without any game contact. Sue was out of pocket before Lick Creek and

not returned to judgment. At 32' Whiz pointed at the edge of a thicket with all in order. She continued on at moderate range to finish the hour.

SHADOW ATTACK, Tillson and ELEETS COLORADO BLUE, Tracy. Away at the copse of trees along the gravel road this pair went to work. At 3' and 9' Tack had finds with nice style. Large coveys were flushed with all in order. At 12' Blue pointed at the edge of a thicket, birds flushed but were not seen by the judges. The handler took the dog into the brush where he pointed a single with all in order. Traveling down the path Tack pointed at 17'. Blue flew past failing to back in time. Extensive searching failed to produce any game. Tack went on to have finds at 30' and 35' with nice style. At 44' he pointed just up from the Lick Creek crossing. A brief flushing attempt and only a rabbit was seen by the judges. He finished the hour at moderate range.

STARLIGHT'S BLAZING SIRIUS, Burchett and THE FAR SIDES KID AMEE, Gorrow. We moved closer to the dog wagon and left from the corner of a big meadow to head back on course. Amee went left at the path and was not returned to judgment. Blaze had a find at 29' in the tree line on the right, just before the beaver cuttings with all in order. He slowed in his application and was up at 48'.

PANCHA'S PRINCE EDWARD, Mantler and TERRA'S CABO WABO, Doiron. We traveled through the "new" chute and turned right and were back on course one. At 11' Eddie had an unproductive at the big thicket just past the little creek. Sammy was working the cover. Eddie as out of pocket before Lick Creek and not returned to judgment. Sammy had a nice find at 39' in an old fence line just before the zigzag turn that puts us near hwy 109. Sammy continued to work at moderate range to end the hour.

LANE'S END WE-BE CLEAN, Holman and LOST CREEK TIMBER RIDGE, Tillson. We turned loose just past the turn back from the bridge taking us back on course three. We-Be went forward on the road and Rowdy went to the cover. Approaching the turn at the outhouses We-Be took the path to the left, handler rode and turned him to the front. He pointed in the hedge row, relocated with a single being put to flight at 18'. Rowdy had a find at 28'. He stood on our right at the edge of a small mott of trees. A large covey was put to flight as he stood loftily He was sent on making a sweeping casts forward. At 38' he scored again in the tree line near where the horse path crosses the road. He stood staunchly through flush and shot. We-Be was sent down the left side of the fence row. We watched as he pointed. Handler relocated and he moved down the fence line about 75 yards and pointed again. Several birds flushed in front of him then the rest of the covey flushed to his rear. He was fired over and taken on. Rowdy made nice casts around the edges, moving along the fence line. We-Be had point called at 53' as he stood at the edge of the brushy fence line. Birds were sighted in the air as the handler arrived. He was fired over. Rowdy had point called at 54' standing farther down the same fence line. A single was put to flight with all in order. We-Be finished the hour on the river road side. Rowdy had taken the outside edge of the field on our right finishing forward when time was called.

EARLY TIMES, Tracy and PRIMETIME OUTLAW JOHNNY, Kalina. Earl started strong, being a handful. Cash ran the outside edges and parts of number one course. Earl was out of pocket before Lick Creek. Cash was forward as we came off the hill at the "new" chute. Point was called by the scout as he stood on the backside of the thicket on the knoll just before the little creek. Birds were flushed with all in order. Earl had not returned to judgment. Cash crossed Lick Creek and went left to the long thickets. Point was called by the scout at 58'. Handler flushed a covey as Cash stood staunchly. He had run wide showing to the front at the right times when he was called for during his hour.

Posted Dogs Day Four: LANE'S END WE-BE CLEAN, LOST CREEK TIMBER RIDGE, and PRIMETIME OUTLAW JOHNNY.

WHITE MOUNTAIN SMOKE, Holman and MEGASMOKE LIMITED EDITION, Doiron. It was brisk this morning with temperatures from 23-25 degrees and frost on the ground. Both of these dogs were busy searching the cover. At 33' Smoke had a find in a tree line and again at 45' at the keyhole with all in order. He slowed his application near the end of the hour. Ted work the edges at moderate range. He made a nice move around the woods along the river where shortly point was called by the scout at 48'. He stood high and tight at the edge of a feed strip as the handler flushed a covey, he maintained his manners throughout.

TRUCKER'S WILD RIDE, Trimble and HANGING JAZE HOWLALEWYA AMEN, Tillson. Both dogs were a handful from the breakaway. Rider had an unproductive just after the little creek in the mott atop the knob at 25'. Jaze was out of pocket. We crossed Lick Creek and Rider was not pleasing the handler and was leashed. Jaze was not returned to judgment.

TRADEMARK'S ICEMAN, Holman and KINWASHKLY DAKOTA MOLESTER, John. We left from the creek crossing with both dogs hitting the cover and showing when needed. At 36' Timmy was on the left just past the beaver cuttings when the handler called point. A covey was flushed with all in order. Lester had made some wide reaching moves coming forward from the pavilion he pointed staunchly in the hedgerow just before the turn to the "new" chute. Birds were flushed as he stood nicely through flush and shot. Timmy had slowed near the end of the hour. Just before the little creek both dogs were ordered up.

Posted Dogs Day Five: none

QUAIL ROCK TOUGH ENOUGH, Doiron and DAKOTA LUKE, Mantler. Away after lunch this pair took to the edges. At 13' King pointed near a cedar tree. A covey was flushed as he stood with lofty manners. On our right point was called for King at 20'. Luke had moved into the very tall grass, was whoad but not to the handlers specifications and was leashed. Extensive flushing and relocation for King could not produce any game. The hour ended where the horse path crosses the gravel road at a metal gate.

TJ'S THUNDER, John and HAVAPAL'S RENEGADE BILLY BOY, Burchett. These dogs were busy from the get-go. Thunder pointed a covey at 2'. He stood in the thicket on our right. Birds were flushed with all in order. At 6' he pointed at the edge of a thicket near the path. Handler flushed, relocated, then mounted his horse and Thunder circled and slammed on point near the next tall tree line. A single was flushed as he maintained his staunchness. Billy had worked forward and in a thicket of an old fence line after the beaver cuttings he pointed at 34' having birds flushed with all in order. At 35' on the left Thunder pointed, relocated but could not produce any game. He was out of pocket before Mario's Hill, returned to the front to finish the hour. Billy had an unproductive with extensive flushing in the thicket at Mario's Hill. The hour ended at the beginning of the "new chute".

THE ROCK II, Tracy and BLACK CREEK DEACON, Holman. Rock had a find at 11' in the tree line before the metal gate/path/road crossing. He was steady throughout flush and shot. At 14' he had an unproductive in the fence line that borders the property. At 20' he had a find on the next fence line with the bracemate being whoa from the gallery in the interim. A substitute handler took Dee forward. Rock went forward through the field. Dee was leashed shortly. At 28' Rock had another unproductive and was leashed.

Posted Dogs Friday: none

JAYHAWKER TEQUILA WITH A TWIST, Tillson and T'KALIS FEEL THE WIND, Downing. We were dreading the forecast... lows in the 20's. Saturday morning was 15-19 degrees depending what "thermometer" you talked to on the way to breakfast. Breakaway was delayed until 9:00 am. Frost was still heavy with frozen ground atop the beaten path. This pair went to the edges off the breakaway looking for birds. At 14' Taryn pointed on our right in tall grass. The bracemate caught the front and was whoad near the pointing dog. After a wide flushing attempt Taryn was relocated and Kali was collared out of the area. Taryn searched the area and pointed under a large cedar tree. Handler flushed a single and she went with it. Kali went to the first 109 fence line and around. She dug into the cover making it hard for her to maintain a forward race. She was up before the end of the hour.

BOUNCIN BETTY, Gorrow We left from the corner of the big field and through the area past the double gates. Betty went to the left near the river. We were near the keyhole when the scout called point. Betty stood in the middle of a lush cocklebur patch. Extensive flushing and relocation could not produce any game. She was sent on and went to the right on the tree line at the keyhole. She turned and pointed staunchly at the tree line. A nice sized covey was flushed with all in order. Betty was sent on and took the edge to the right. She had slowed her application and was leashed at the crossroad. We rode to the clubhouse to await the announcements.



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- CHAMPION - PRIMETIME OUTLAW JOHNNY, by Double O's Rocky x FC Countess Mon Petite Whiz; o/h Justin Kalina
- RUNNER UP - NAFC/FC/AFC TM'S TENNESSEE TWISTER, by FC/AFC Rimarda's Trademark x FC/AFC Lane's End Bowtie Annie; o Brooke Caviness & Lisa Pollock, h Tom Tracy
- 3 - DC LOST CREEK TIMBER RIDGE, by Muddy's River Flash Rio x S'No Fun Phoenix; o George & Cindy McCann, h Ed Tillson
- 4 - DC/AFC T.J.'S SINGLE SHOT OF SCIPIO, by NFC/DC/AFC Tequilas Joker x NFC/DC/AFC Microchips of Nutmeg; o Tom White & Margaret Horstmeyer, h Paul Dorion



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