

TarTan Specialty



Best of Breed: GCh Ch Windcrest Take It To The Limit Judge Thomas Baldwin, Breeder/Owner handler Denise Sweeney, "Rab"

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Best in Sweepstakes: Sandpiper's Shore Why Knot! Judge Judith Brown, Handler Deidre Dunbar, "Sadie", Show Chair Robin Marshall



Puppy Sweepstakes Judge: Mrs Judith Brown (Alberta)

Puppy Dogs, 6-9 Months (5)

- 1) Brynbar Tamarack Sonic Boom
- (M/D Brnger/E Shannahan)
- 2) Leadra's Royal Scots Navy (A Hampton)
- 3) Gordon Hill Tailwind (S DeSilver)
- 4) Trilogy Sastya Flight Of The Falcon (K Paduch)
- Puppy Dogs, 9-12 Months (1)

1) Damon's Knight's Quest Cian Paidin (D/P Knight) Junior Dogs, 12-15 Months (5)

- 1) Sandpiper's Gulf Stream (J Beattie/P Reilly/D Grant)
- 2) Sandpiper's Smoke On The Water (L Nicoll/J Beattie)
- 3) Portree's Brooklyn Heights (A Pickrell/D Fincham)
- 4) Sandpiper's Man Overboard
- (B Porterfield/D Grant/P Reilly)
- Junior Dogs, 15-18 Months (3)
- 1) Damon's Limited Edition (C/G Paludi)
- 2) Windcrest Take Me To The Pilot (D/K Pilotti/D Sweeney)
- 3) Sea Gems Black Sabbath (D Golden/P Schattner)

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 Months (9)

- 1) Bran Linn Braxfield Xpert Advice (N Maounis/C Bell)
- 2) Valley View Elvira (J VanAller)
- 3) Halcyon Xcellent Adventure (S/L/N Bedford)
- 4) Tamarack Brynbar Worth Every Penny
- (E Shannahan/D/M Brnger)
- Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months (2)
- 1) Damon's Knight's Quest Baod Hannach (D/P Knight)
- 2) Bluewin's Its Only A Paper Moon
- (S Linhares/D/B Ellis/N Burrows)
- Junior Bitches, 12-15 Months (3, 1 Abs)
- 1) Sandpiper's Shore Why Knot! (J Beattie/P Reilly/D Grant)
- 2) Black Mystery O Happy Day (J DeStreel/A Pickrell)
- Junior Bitches, 15-18 Months (2)
- 1) Sea Gems Black Magic Woman (P Schattner/J Johnson)
- 2) Huntly's Fair Maid Of Perth (J Dillon)

Best in Sweepstakes: Sandpiper's Shore Why Knot! Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes: Brynbar Tamarack Sonic Boom

Sweepstakes Judge's Critique

I would first like to thank the Club for the honor of judging the puppy sweepstakes at the Tartan 2011 Specialty. It was a thrill to have such a large entry of quality puppies. What I liked the most about the puppies was that the majority all looked and acted according to their age group. A pleasure to see young up and coming dogs that are not overdone.

The overall quality and depth of each of the classes actually made my choices much easier. Consistency in dark eye colour, correct markings, and true Gordon type. The majority of the dogs had really nice front assemblies, correctly placed to enable good movement. Bites were good strong scissor, with only a couple of missing teeth and level bites in one or two of the exhibits.

Side movement was very strong on all exhibits; some of the youngsters showed their age with down and backs, but giving me enough of a picture with that glimpse when a puppy comes together for that quick couple of strides before forgetting they had four legs again.

The final line up was a tough one: it could have gone to any one of the puppies there. All did well in the final performance and it was just tiny little things that finally gave me my Best in Sweeps, Sandpiper's Sure Why Knot and Best Opposite, Brynbar Tamarack Sonic Boom. I wish that I could have awarded a reserve best and opposite because Sandpiper's Gulf Stream and Bran Linn Braxfield Xpert Advice sure gave them a run for their money. I would have been happy to take any one of the four home with me.

Thank you to TarTan once again for a great Specialty with perfect weather and location.

Judith Brown Sassenach Gordon Setters Calgary, Alberta

Junior Showmanship

Judge: Mr Thomas W Baldwin (MA)

Junior Showmanship, Open Junior (1) 1) Anna Gillis & Ch Ahoy's Pride Of The Glens JH Junior Showmanship, Open Intermediate (1, 1 Abs)

Best Junior Handler: Anna Gillis

Obedience

Judge: Dr Ellen J Adomelis (CT)

Novice A (1, 1 Abs) Novice B (1, 1 NQ) Open A (1, 1 NQ)

Rally

Judge: Dr Ellen J Adomelis (CT)

Novice B (1)

1) **Ravenwoods Queen Of Hotts** (Br/Ow N Large) <u>Score 87</u> (Ch Orion Americana Ravenwooods CD JH x Ravenwoods Millenium Rose)

Advanced A (1)

 Ravenwoods Providi Futuri JH RN Br/Ow (N Large) <u>Score 81</u> (Ch Orion Americana Ravenwoods CD JH x Ravenwoods Kudos Bright Star JH)

Advanced B (1)

- 1) MACH 3 Pinebirch Just Jake CD RE JH MXF
- (Br/Ow M McLatchy) Score 88

(Ch Woodsmoke's Just Looking CDX RN JH OA AXP AJ AJP x MACH PACH Pinebirch Southern Promise CD RE JH MXP4 MJP11 PAX OFP

Excellent B (1)

1) MACH 3 Pinebirch Just Jake CD RE JH MXF (Br/OwM McLatchy) <u>Score 94</u>

A Note From The Specialty Show Chair

Columbus Day, to TarTan members, is synonymous with Gordons, food and fun at our annual Specialty show in South Windsor CT.

This year the day was a great one. The weather was perfect from start to finish. The entry was much larger than the past few years and generously supplied with puppies. The day began with Judith Brown judging puppy sweeps. It was a hard job as there were so many lovely puppies to consider. Next came regular classes, with our beautiful adult Gordons in addition to the puppies, again in their regular classes. Regular, non-regular and junior classes were judged by Tom Baldwin. What a task to choose a winner from this group! While conformation was going on Ellen Adomelis judged our small, but enthusiastic, obedience and rally enries. Lunch, largely supplied by our Members, was spectacular as always as was the raffle. Many thanks to the whole committee for making it a great day for all TarTan members to enjoy.

Start getting ready for next year. We hope to increase the obedience entry by tweaking the schedule to avoid possible conflict with ring times. We also hope to see those puppies back as adults! See you then!

Robin Marshall Show Chair

DOGGLE AUGULA ON the Month's

Homemade Dog Treat Recipe Bacon Bits for Dogs Submitted by Donna Traeger

6 slices cooked bacon, crumbled 4 eggs, well beaten 1/8 cup bacon fat 1 cup water 1/2 cup non-fat dry milk powder 2 cup graham flour 2 cup wheat germ 1/2 cup cornmeal

Mix ingredients with a strong spoon; drop heaping tablespoonfuls onto a greased baking sheet. Bake in a 350 oven for 15 minutes. Turn off oven and leave cookies on baking sheet in the oven overnight to dry out. Yield: about 4 dozen dog cookies.

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New Titles July

Champion

Ch Gordon Hill Ready Or Not (D) July 31, 2011 (DC Sun-Yak Spellbnd Heaven Scent x DC AFC Gordon Hill Odyssey CD) Breeder/Owner: Susan DeSilver

Grand Champion

GCh Ch Sandpipers's Castles In The Air (D) July 8, 2011 (Ch Sandpiper's Sea Quest x Ch Sandpiper's Firethorn Wave Review) Breeder: NM, NM & Paul Reilly; Owner: Donna Grant, NM, & Paul Reilly

Agility Fast Novice

Glenlea Wdsmke Dance Little Sister NF (B) July 23, 2011 (Ch Kingpoint Either Or x Ch Woodsmoke Ten Cents A Dance CD JH) Breeder: NM & NM; Owner: Elizabeth Wilshire & Cindy Fitzgerald

Agility Fast Open Preferred

Ch Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo JH NAP OJP OFP (B) July 23, 2011 (Ch Windcrest Once In A Blue Moon x Ch Kingpoint Afterthought) Breeder: NM; Owner: Cindy Fitzgerald, NM & Elizabeth Wilshire

<u>New Titles August</u>

Champion

Ch Tamarack Lady Liberty (B) August 11, 2011 (Ch Sandpiper's Brynbar For Damn Shore JH x Ch Brynbar's Good Golly Miss Molly CD JH) Breeder: Ellen Shanahan, Donnah & Mike Brnger; Owner: Ellen Shanahan

<u>New Titles September</u>

Agility, Beginner Novice

Ch Woodsmoke Jersey Bounce BN RA THD (D) September 4, 2011 (Ch Gordon Hill Seagem Sportster JH x Ch Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo JH NAP OJP OFP) Breeder: Cindy Fitzgerald, Elizabeth Wilshere; Owner: Bill & Diane Dargay

Junior Hunter

Ch Hernwood Diamond Lil JH (B) September 11, 2011 (Hernwood Delaware Diamond x Hernwood Crystal Dream) Breeder: Christine & Peter Sandiford; Owner: Jani Wolstenholme, Judith Brown, Peter & Christine Sandiford

Best of Opposite Sex: GCh Holly Hunt Take A Chance On Me Judge Thomas Baldwin, Handler Kristin Karboski, "Winnie"



Regular Classes Judge: Mr Thomas W Baldwin (MA)

Puppy Dogs, 6-9 Months (5)

1) Brynbar Tamarack Sonic Boom

(Br/Ow M & D Brnger, E Shannahan) (GCh Firethorn's Eye-Deal x Ch Tamarack Brynbar Calendar Girl JH)

2) Gordon Hill Tailwind

(Br/Ow S DeSilver) (Can DC Bracadale's DDG Buck x CD/AFC Indian Sky Gordon Hill Scout)

 Leadra's Royal Scots Navy (Br S & S Nicoll; Ow A Hampton) (GCh Leadra's Lennox Lad CD RE x Ch Leadra's Leal Loinneil Lemon)

4) Trilogy Sastya Flight Of The Falcon

(Br K Paduch & M A Leonard; Ow K Paduch) (GCh Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch Sastya Trilogy Two For The Road)

Puppy Dogs, 9-12 Months (1)

 Damon's Knight's Quest Ciaqn Paidin (Br/Ow D & P Knight) (Ch NCM's tradition Of Heavenly x Ch Damon's Olympic Morgana CDX NA OAJ OF JH)

Junior Dogs, 12-18 Months (8)

 Sea Gems Black Sabbath (Br P Schattner, D Eckert; Ow Diane Golden, P Schattner) (Ch Gordon Hill October Sky CD JH x Ch Sea Gems Lasting

Impressions)

- 2) Sandpiper's Gulf Stream (Br J Beattie, P Reilly; Ow J Beattie, P Reilly, D Grant) (GCh Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch Sandpiper's Firethorn Wave Review)
- Damon's Limited Edition (Br/Ow C & G Paludi) (GCh Windcrest Take It To The Limit x Ch NCM's Heavenly Heart's On Fire)
- Portree's Brooklyn Heights (Br A Pickrell; Ow A Pickrell, D Fincham)(Ch Portree's California Dreamin' x Tahtan Talk Of The Town)

Bred-by-Exhibitor Dogs (2)

- Sandpiper's Son Of A Son Of A Sailor (J Beattie, P Reilly, M McLoughlin; Ow D Grant, J Beattie/P Reilly/J Ande) (GCh Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch Sandpiper's Sea Wench)
- Skara Braes I Was Worth The Wait (Br S Grober, J VanAller; Ow S Grober) (Ch Springrun Quailrun Firethorn Uproar x Ch Valley View Spring Cait "E" Did)

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American-Bred Dogs (1)

 Skara Brae's Wait And See (Br S Grober, J VanAller; Ow P Donnelly) (Ch Springrun Quailrun Firethorn Uproar x Ch Valley View Spring Cait "E" Did)

Open Dogs (2)

- Holly Hollow's Helluva Heat Wave (Br/Ow S Linhares) (Ch Pineridge Sutton Of Holly Hollow CD SH x Holly Hollow's Remembrance Of Rose JH)
- Arrowood's Chasing The Blues Away (Br/Ow A McElwee) (Ch Springrun Quailrun Firethorn Uproar x Ch Arrowoods Blue Mist)

Winners Dog: Sandpiper's Son Of A Son Of A Sailor (5 points) Reserve Winners Dog: Skara Braes I Was Worth The Wait

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 Months (9, 1 Abs)

- 1) Bran Linn Braxfield Xpert Advice (Br L Bedford, C Bell; Ow N Maounis, C Bell) (Ch Bran Linn Talisman x Ch Halcyon Ultra Violet)
- 2) Halcyon Xcellent Adventure (Br L Bedford, C Bell; Ow S, L, N Bedford) (Ch Bran Linn Talisman x Ch Halcyon Ultra Violet)

- Valley View Elvira (Br/Ow J VanAller) (Ch Springrun Quailrun Firethorn Uproar x Ch Valley View's Liberty Bell)
- 4) Tamarack Brynbar Worth Every Penny (Br/Ow E Shannahan, D & M Brnger) (GCh Firethorn's Eye-Deal x Ch Tamarack Brynbar Calendar Girl)

Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months (2)

- Damon's Knight's Quest Baod Hannach (Br/Ow D/P Knight) (Ch NCM's tradition Of Heavenly x Ch Damon's Olympic Morgana CDX NA OAJ OF JH)
- 2) Bluewin's Its Only A Paper Moon (Br D & B Ellis, N Burrows; Ow S Linhares, D & B Ellis, N Burrows) (Ch Brentwood's By The Hunter's Moon JH x Ch Bluewin's Wild Child)

Junior Bitches, 12-18 Months (4)

- Black Mystery O Happy Day (Br C Rameilli; Ow J DeStreel/A Pickrell) (Drumdaroch The Xpat To Liric x Black Mystery Indigo Girl)
- 2) Sandpiper's Shore Why Knot! (Br J Beattie, P Reilly; Ow J Beattie, P Reilly, D Grant) (GCh Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch Sandpiper's Firethorn Wave Review)



Winners Dog, Best of Winners: Sandpiper's Son Of A Son Of A Sailor Judge Thomas Baldwin, Handler Paul Reilly, "Niles"

Winners Bitch: Bran Linn Xpert Advice Judge Thomas Baldwin, Handler Pam Scott, "Sally Sue", Show Chair Robin Marshall



- Portree's South Of Houston (Br/Ow A Pickell) (Ch Portree's California Dreamin' x Tahtan Talk Of The Town)
- 4) Huntly's Fair Maid Of Perth (Br/Ow J Dillon) (DCh Blackburn Sir Launcelot JH x Huntley's Lileas Of Tartana JH)

Bred-by-Exhibitor Bitches (2)

- Sandpiper's Sailin The Seas (Br J Beattie, P Reilly; Ow J Beattie, P Reilly, D Grant)(Ch Sandpiper's Sea Quest x Ch Sandpiper's Sea Wench)
- Damon's Queen Of Hearts (Br/Ow C & G Paludi) (Ch Purbeck Excellent Idea x Ch NCM's Heavenly Heart's On Fire)
 Open Bitches (6)
- 1) **Tahtan Talk Of The Town** (Br A, A, R Finlaison; Ow A Pickrell) (Ch Triseter Ebonie Zeus x Tahtan Nortorious)
- Glenlea Woodsmoke Dancing Thru Life (Br L Lavigne, G McCarthy; Ow N, C Fitzgerald) (Ch Kingpoint Either Or x Ch Woodsmoke Ten Cents A Dance CD JH)
- Valley View's Siena Ain't No Saint (Br/Ow J VanAller) (Ch Springrun Quailrun Firethorn Uproar x Ch Valley View's Liberty Bell)

4) **Mountainview's Seamless** (Br/Ow S Brown) (Ch Sandpiper's Castles By The Sea x Ch Mountainview's Greta Garbo)

Winners Bitch: Bran Linn Braxfield Xpert Advice (5 points) Reserve Winners Bitch: Sandpiper's Sailin The Seas

Non-Regular Classes

Veteran Dogs (4, 1 Abs))

- 1) GCh Windcrest Take It To The Limit (Br D Sweeney B & C Panza; Ow D & V Sweeney, S Scovil) (Ch Triseter Ebonie Nirvana x Ch Windcrest Rumors Of Chiara)
- 2) GCh Leadra's Leading Lennox Lad CD RE (Br/Ow S & S Nicoll) (Ch Saniver's Payton For Leadra CD x Ch Sandpiper's Lone Leadra Lass CDX RA
- 3) **Ch Huntmoor's Medal Of Honor JH** (Br H & V Baker & S Coffey Esq; Ow J Dwyer, S Coffey Esq) (Ch Huntmoor Baw Bee Jake CD JH x Ch Huntmoor In Living Color JH)

Veteran Bitches (1)

1) **Ch SeaGem Woodsmoke Blues Diva CD MH** (Br P Schattner, T Pierce; Ow B Beatty, C Fitzgerald, L Wilshere) (Ch Gordon Hill Seagem Sportster x Ch SeaGems Precious Black Satin)

Hunting Bitches (1)

1) **Ch Halcyon Ultra Violet JH** (Br L Bedford, D Whitehead; Ow L Bedford, C Bell) (Ch Braxfield Man In Black JH x Ch Fleetwing Halcyon Kitty Hawk JH)

Best of Breed Competition (5 dogs)

Ch Celtic Fly Me To The Moon CD JH (Br/Ow B Beatty & C Fitzgerald) (Ch Celti Jedburg Abbey x Ch SeaGem Woodsmoke Blues Diva MH)

GCh Windcrest Travelin' Prayer (Br L Jones, D Sweeney, S Scovil; Ow K Christman) (Ch Windrose Don't Blame My Mother x Ch Windcrest Lyin' Eyes)

GCh Sandpiper's Castles In The Air (Br J Beattie, P Reilly, M McLoughlin; Ow D Grant, J Beattie, D Sydner, P Reilly) (Ch Sandpiper's Sea Quest x Ch Sandpiper's Firethorn Wave Review)

Ch Ahoy's Pride Of The Glens JH (Br A Treadwell; Ow J , J MacWalter) (GCh Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch Ahoy's Iona Of Sky)

Ch Sea Gems Tomorrow's Dream (Br P Schattner, D Eckert; Ow P Schattner) (Ch Gordon Hill October Sky CD JH x Ch Sea Gems Lasting Impressions)(

(6 bitches)

GCh Holly Hunt Take A Chance On Me (Br C & M Hunsinger, A Rosskamp; Ow C & M Hunsinger) (Ch Triseter Ebonie Zeus x Ch Holly Hunt Over To You) **Ch Woodsmoke Ten Cents A Dance JH CD** (Br C Fitzgerald, E Wilshere; Ow L Lavigne)(Ch Gordon Hill Seagem Sportster JH x Ch Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo JH NAP NAJ NF) *Absent* **Ch Leadra's Leal Loinneil Lemon RN** (Br/Ow **S** & S Nicoll)

(Ch Sandpiper's Castles By The Sea x Ch Leadra Lilac Leannain CD RE)

Ch Wildwood's Whirlaway (Br J & V Radonis, S Montgomery, P Scott; Ow K Kohles, V Radonis)(Ch Brodruggan Black Knight x Ch Edgewater's All-Eyez On Me)

Ch Tamarack Lady Liberty (Br E Shanahan, D & M Brnger; Ow E Shanahan) (Ch Sandpiper's Brynbar For Damn Shore JH x Ch Brynbar's Good Golly Miss Molly CD JH)

Sea Gems Black Magic Woman (P Schattner, D Eckert; Ow P Schattner, J Johnson) (Ch Gordon Hill October Sky CD JH x Ch Sea Gems Lasting Impressions)

Best of Breed: GCh Windcrest Take It To The Limit Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed: GCh Holly Hunt Take A Chance On Me

Best of Winners: Sandpiper's Son Of A Son Of A Sailor Select Dog: GCh Sandpiper's Castles In The Air Select Bitch: Ch Wildwood's Whirlaway



Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes: Brynbar Tamarack Sonic Boom Judge Judith Brown, Handler Greg McCarthy, "Boomer", Show Chair Robin Marshall The TarTan Field Trial was held on October 22 - 23, 2011 at the Flaherty Field Trial area. For a change, we had a good weather forecast – perfect for running dogs – not too hot, not too cold, and mostly overcast.

We are indebted to Larry Clifford, who continues to be a great secretary, a great help, who always remembers what I forget and always maintains good cheer. Many thanks to our hard working judging panel: Dick and Lucille Jardin, John Malone, Ken Mercer, Michelle Sala, and Bob Vaulding

Thanks to committee members, Laura Bedford, Candice Bell, Larry Clifford, Pat Sanborn, Ralph Schmid and Diane Tuttle. Our excellent Judges' Dinner feast on Saturday night was prepared by superb firehouse chef, Jim Blaschke.

Robin Marshall worked long hours both days planting birds (many of which were found by her puppy, Morgan). Jesse Chapman planted birds for the Amateurs. Our wrangler, Jake, also tirelessly planted birds. Larry, Candice and Laura kept everyone coming to the line on time. Our visiting angel, John Bunker, together with his pointer bitch companion, cleaned the bird room and the entire clubhouse.

Open Limited Gun Dog (16 all breed starters) Judges: John Malone & Michelle Sala

1. 2X NFC/NAFC/FC/AFC Milomix Roy (D'Amico)

2. ES (McDevitt)

3. GSP

4. Prairie Star High Plainsman (Morf)

<u>Open Puppy</u> (9 all breed starters) Judges: Lucille Jardin & Ken Mercer

1. Gordon Hill Timeless (McLatchy)

2. Wyndancer Jett Stream (Sanborn)

3. Belmors Doubledee Dandee Donation (McDevitt)

4. Tomars Cutloose (Showers)

<u>Amateur Gun Dog</u> (10 all breed starters) Judges: Michelle Sala & Bob Vaulding 1. Ch. Gordon Hill Ready or Not (DeSilver)

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- 2. GSP
- 3. Withheld
- 4. Withheld

Open Gun Dog (19 all breed starters) Judges: Lucille & Dick Jardin

- 1. FC Prairie Star Mint Condition (Morf & Chapman)
- 2. GSP
- 3. FC Shadowfax Field Agent (Holloway)
- 4. GSP

<u>Open Derby</u> (9 all breed starters) Judges: John Malone & Ken Mercer

- 1. ES (McDevitt)
- 2. Prairie Star Morning Edition (Morf & Chapman)
- 3. Belmors Doubledee Dandee Donation (McDevitt)
- 4. No Sugar Tonight (Showers)

<u>Amateur Walking Puppy</u> (10 all breed starters) Judges: Dick Jardin & Bob Vaulding

- 1. Gordon Hill Timeless (McLatchy)
- 2. WEI
- 3. Gordon Hill Tempest (DeSilver)

4. GSP

Susan DeSilver, Chair

2012 National VISA Raffle

The VISA Gift Card Raffle gives us a chance to expand our fundraising to include more than just our Gordon family. The raffle offers a chance at 3 prizes - \$1,000, \$700, and \$300 VISA Gift Cards with an additional \$50 gift card for the seller of the first prize ticket.

With a VISA card as a prize, the winner can choose any item they would like, be it electronics, clothing, jewelry or dog related and who couldn't use a gift card nowadays !

Tickets for this raffle are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00 and the drawing will take place at the conclusion of Best of Breed on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 (winner need not be present).

For your convenience, we have a template of five tickets for you to copy and sell to your family and friends on the reverse of this page.

Copy as many tickets as you would like, SELL as many tickets as you would like (remember the more tickets you sell, the more chances you have to sell the 'winning' ticket for a \$50 gift card)....

Have checks made out to 'GSCA' and mail payment and tickets stubs to

Denise Sweeney 2749 Rte 737 Kempton, PA 19529

If you have any questions, contact Denise at DWindcrest2@aol.com

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The Adventures of Am Can Ch Hernwood Diamond Lil (Lillie) and Her Multi-National Support Team.

From Judith Brown: Lillie arrived in Calgary, Alberta from Hernwood kennels in the UK at the tender age of twelve weeks; she came off the 9-hour flight without batting an eyelid. Laid back and easy going to the point of hardly moving at times Lillie had a very different outlook on life than the puppies I was used to raising.

Lillie was introduced to birds while just a baby puppy, she just happened to be around when I was taking Bronwen to some field training sessions. Lillie came along for the ride and at the end of the sessions I would let Lillie out of the van and take her for a run. There were always some escapee chukkar out in the field, it was great to see Lillie either stumble upon or find the birds, it made her runs enjoyable and embedded in her that there was a purpose for her walks.

Lillie's first and foremost job was for the conformation ring and she took to that like a duck to water. Lil finished her Canadian Championship as a senior puppy with breed over specials and multiple puppy in group wins. Our first trip to the US was to the National at Sturbridge, Mass. Here Miss Lil showed off her skills in the ring winning Best in Sweeps. I had entered Lillie in the field test more as a reward for being a cooped up in a hotel for a week and missing lots of runs and the freedom of the paddock at the farm. Watching her go out on the brace I initially thought she was just going to have a fun time, Lil was just prancing along trying to get her brace mate to go play. The terrain was so different from what we have at home I don't think Lillie realized that birds and trees do go together. We are used to open prairie and being able to watch the dogs range well in front. Thankfully Tom DePottey's girl was a seasoned pro and basically told Lillie to talk to the paw. Lillie continued to try and win Tom's girl over until we hit the bird field it was then the light switch went on and Lillie's whole demeanor changed. No longer was she a 10 month old puppy, Lil was a hunting machine, all her instincts kicked in and away she went to some wonderful finds, pointing was a little shaky, it has been her nemesis, but the points were long enough to get that first JH leg.

Once back in Canada Lillie ran in some Field Dog Junior tests performing nicely. However, the conformation ring was her first priority. Lillie is a coat machine; I haven't had a girl that carried so much coat so early. Consequently Lillie didn't get to play in the field as much as she would have liked. Lillie ended up being campaigned in a small way earning multiple group placements and finishing # 2 Gordon and #1 Gordon bitch one year. At just two Lillie and I went to visit Jani Wolstenholme and to take in a couple of shows to see if Lillie was competitive enough to start her US championship. The weekend shows were very successful with Lillie taking back-to-back majors. Back home we got into a routine that didn't enable us to go back to finish our fieldwork. Lillie took on the responsibility of motherhood, producing a couple of litters to first Am/Can Ch Sassenach Road Warrior and secondly to Am/Can GCh Sassenach King of the Castle CGN RN TDI.

Life was busy with non-dog related events and it was some considerable time before Lillie and I got back to the US to finish our AKC championship. It would be a perfect story to say that on our AKC title finished in three weekends, it nearly did, but not quite, our win at the Southern California Specialty gave Lillie her third major, from there we headed to the opposite end of the country to the Sporting Dog Specialty in New England. Lillie did nothing the first day, but took the breed the second day leaving her sitting on four majors and a single point shy of her title. It was at that point the decision was made that Lillie should make the move from Alberta to RI, so from here I will let Jani take over Lillie's story.

From Jani Wolstenholm: The decision to have Lillie stay here was an easy one; she needed that single point to finish, and she is such an easy keeper that I was sure she'd be great company for Ronan. Since I'm in no way capable of showing a "machine" like Lillie, Judith and I asked Kristin Karboski to take her to the Baltimore shows, hoping to pick up that one point. As usual, Lillie didn't disappoint! Although she had never met Kristin, she happily traveled with her to Maryland and, just as happily, showed like the trooper she is, not only finishing with yet another major (her fifth one!), but doing so over a special. She took the breed the next day too.

So, here we were with a six year old finished American and Canadian champion who was sitting on one Junior Hunter leg (which she got, as you know, at 10 months old). It just didn't seem right not to finish that too. I'm a rookie when it comes to fieldwork, but we have a friend in TarTan who is far from a rookie - Jim MacWalter. He will finish this Lillie story for us.

From Jim MacWalter: About a year ago, I was approached by Jani Wolstenholme and asked if I would consider working with Lillie towards her AKC Junior Hunter title. As Jani is a dear friend, I agreed immediately. Jani and I started planning when and where we would enter Lillie to acquire her remaining three qualifications. We decided that the TarTan Gordon Setter Club's hunt test being held at Flaherty Field in Connecticut that December would be a good one for Lillie to make her re-emergence into the hunt test world.

Jani delivered Lillie to me about a week before the hunt test so we could become familiar with each other and do a little brush up on some basic training and fieldwork. I emphasized recall work in our training, as I was nervous as to how Lillie would respond to this stranger giving her a recall command. Although in Junior Level hunt tests, a junior dog is given far more latitude then advanced dogs are allowed, I did want to present a dog to the judges that could pass the TRAINABIL-ITY requirement without any problems. Lillie and I worked all week on this effort. I placed her on a fifty-foot check cord and repeatedly blew my whistle and reeled her in followed by a treat and tons of praise. By the end of the week we were doing pretty good, for a couple of old duffers.



As I did not have any live birds to work with, I planted frozen quail and pheasant wings for Lillie to find. Lillie showed me that she had a pretty good nose and found all the planted birds and wings. During these exercises, her point was not as steady as I would have liked, but I attributed this to the fact she was not over live birds. The main thing to me was that she found the articles, her recall was acceptable and her energy level was off the charts. I thought to myself, this girl may have a very respectable show career, but she really loves to be in the field \Box .

The day of the hunt test was upon us and we were off to Flaherty Field. Jani was to meet us there with her friend. We had previously decided that it might be wise for Jani not to have any contact with Lillie till after her run and that she would watch from a distance. As I recall it was a fairly nice day for December, not too cold, sunshine and a slight breeze. We were in the first brace of dogs out, so we were off to the breakaway line in no time. Larry Clifford and one of his dogs were our brace mates. Judges gave final instruction and told us to release our dogs. Lillie went right into action and worked wonderfully in the backfield. As we approached the bird field I noted that we had a Marshal with a gallery following about thirty-five yards behind us to observe. No problem, I thought to myself as we entered the bird field. We were into the bird field a bit and Lillie swung behind me and out of my sight for a moment. In that moment she bumped a quail and went on a bit of a wild chase after it. We need to get at least one good point to qualify as 50% of the birds found must be pointed and she bumped that first bird with no point.

I blew my whistle a few times and after a bit, a very reluctant Lillie returned to the bird field. She was having a lot of fun chasing that stray quail. As she re-entered the bird field she noticed the gallery and thought she would stop by and say hello to everyone. After all, it's the polite thing to do. We lost at least four minutes with her socializing out of our total time allotment of fifteen minutes. I finally got her back to work, but time ran out and the judges asked me to collect my dog. I knew she hadn't qualified and felt a sense of failure at this first attempt. I handed Lillie over to Jani with apologies and Jani, ever the good friend, brushed it away with "Lillie had a real good time". Jani headed back to her home with Lillie and I stayed as I had another dog to run. When Lillie's scores were entered, I asked what they were and was pleasantly surprised to see she received sevens and eights out of ten in all categories except pointing. I immediately called Jani and informed her of the good scores and we started making plans for Lillie's next hunt test.

Her next hunt test was with the TarTan Gordon Setter Club at their spring hunt test at Sugarbrook Wildlife Management Area in Connecticut last May. This time I had Lillie with me for only a couple of days before the test, but we trained over live birds. The training went well, so I left for the test with a good amount of confidence.

The first day's test did not go so well, basically a repeat of the previous December's test. But the second day she prerformed great and we received a qualification. I was a bit concerned as her six-month-old German Shorthaired Pointer brace mate thought that Lillie was the most beautiful thing he had ever seen and would not leave her be. I knew Lillie would have no truck with this and mentioned it to the other handler. But nature prevailed and Lillie chastised the young pup with a quick snap. The judges understood and did not penalize Lillie.

On to the next test, which we decided would be at the annual double header, hunt test hosted by the Mayflower German Shorthaired Pointer Club and the Vizsla Club of Central New England at Crane Reservation in Falmouth Massachusetts this past September, Lillie was entered in two of the four available tests and she did us all proud. The only Gordon Setter at the tests and she qualified in both tests with very good scores. Pending AKC approval, Lillie now has her AKC Junior Hunter title.

It was with mixed emotions that I handed Lillie back to a very excited Jani. I knew that we had accomplished our mission and that meant that I would not be working with this lovely, affectionate Gordon lady again. It was my sincere pleasure to be part of this effort and best of luck to Am/Can Ch Hernwood Diamond Lil <u>JH</u> (Lillie) in all her future endeavors.

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