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L to R: Judge Mike Jackson, Dr. Robert Rankin, Ed Tillson, Jessica Carlson with Wild Wild Willie, Judge Willaim Smith, Paul Doiron with Sr's Blew By Typhoon, Dan Doiron, Burton Wice, Richard Beaver with Sniksoh Little Diamond, Kent Patterson, Scott Johnson, Bob Burchett, Tommy Thomas with Hehi's Slim Chipley, Hyatt Burchett

For those who have never organized a field trial, it is hard to appreciate everything that must be done in preparation for a regional field trial, much less the Nationals. Obtaining approvals from the sanctioning organizations; finding judges, a reporter and marshals; obtaining birds, trophies and ribbons; managing finances, entries, and the running; arranging for meals and snacks- and the list goes on. Steve Ralph and Kent Patterson, this year's Field Trial Secretary and ABC 1st Vice President, respectively, as well as their crew of helpers did a fantastic job addressing all of the required details.

In addition to Steve and Kent, special thanks must also go to others who collectively, helped make this year's event a great success. Tom Milam served as stakes manager, Dr. Robert Rankin served as course marshal, Brett Lindback served as gallery marshal coordinator, and gallery marshals Stan Williamson, Lisa Pollack, Harlan Gerardy, and Mike Poehler kept the gallery behind the judges and in check. Of course, their job was much easier this year mainly because this reporter was granted special privileges to ride up front with the judges. Thomas Ettinger picked up the donuts for the dog wagon each morning and Linda Milam, Linda Thomas, Margaret Horstmeyer, Nancy Clendenen, Rocky Lindback and Judi Tipton made sure we had coffee, water, snacks and homemade treats. Mary Jo Trimble guarded the roads to help ensure the safety of our dogs on course. Judi Tipton and her crew cooked and served 3 meals a day in the clubhouse which was greatly appreciated, especially by those who did not want to travel for meals or provide their own food.

Purina donated small pouches of Pro Plan Sport dog food for the entrants as well as large bags for the winners. Garmin donated a Pro 550 advanced training system for the Champion, and Christie Saddlery contributed a saddle for the Champion. These fine sponsors manufacture quality products known throughout the field trial community as products that we all use in training our dogs. Additionally, Purina and Garmin sponsor the annual "dog

of the year" awards for all age and shooting dogs.

The city of Booneville generously provides a military Humvee along with driver, Robert Smith, to pull the dog wagon. Unfortunately, Robert required emergency surgery and the driving duties were relegated to Steve Ralph and Jerry McGee. Those riding the dog wagon said the rough rides reminded them of the late Phil Corlew- long time dog wagon driver for the Greater Saint Louis Brittany Club at their grounds in Grovespring, Missouri.

Since 1987, the ABC National All-Age Championships have been held at the J. Perry Mikles Blue Mountain Wildlife Demonstration Area in Booneville, Arkansas. Brian Enfield, Brad Wells, and Clyde "Red" Bailey had the facilities and grounds in excellent condition. There was enough mowing in the heavy cover to allow an all-age dog to show to the front from time to time and to shine running the edges yet more than enough to also hold birds. 3500 birds had been pre-released by numerous field trial associations including the ABC before the start of this year's Open Championship and opportunities to find birds were abundant. Many coveys were pointed multiple times in the same location throughout the trial. As evidenced in "The Running", these grounds provide many challenges for both dogs and the handlers. Tree lines, feed strips, and old roads can take dogs in multiple directions and if the wrong path is chosen, the tracker is frequently returned to the handler. Water logged courses added to the difficulty of running dogs this year.

Our judging panel was composed of 2 well-seasoned veterans. Mike Jackson, from Battle Ground, Indiana, started field trialing and training his own dogs in the early 1970s. He has judged many Nationals, championships and regional field trials over the years. His partner, William Smith lives in Moscow, Tennessee, just around the corner from Grand Junction. He has been involved with field trials since 1981 when he attended his first trial on the Ames Plantation. He has judged 68 amateur and open championships and was the reporter for the National Championship at the Ames Plantation from 2016 to 2019. The judges refused to chase the handlers and kept a

consistent pace for the entire trial. They were looking for a dog that ran forward, stayed on the edges, hunted hard, and finished strong. Fifty seven dogs competed in the 2019 ABC National Open All-Age Championship. Many dogs with otherwise solid performances paid a heavy price for a weak finish and many perennial winners came to the line but had difficult times handling these challenging grounds.



THE WINNERS

Champion

Wild Wild Willie (Ed Tillson). The Champion and Runner-Up Champion both came from brace 6 which ran at the end of the first day of the competition. "Willie" is a 5 yr old male out of DC Shadow Attack x DC Alar's Tango Bar and is owned by Steve Cosgriff from Vancouver, Washington. Dogs were released at the double gates. Willie had the gallery and his proud owner, Steve Cosgriff, watching intensely from the breakaway. His range was good and he handled well. Willie's first find came at 9 minutes just before the bridge with Ty, the Runner-Up Champion, backing. After extensive flushing and a relocation, birds were airborne with all in order. After crossing the bridge, Willie had finds at 21 and 32 minutes. Willie rimmed the field after the old 109 bridge and was found on point in the heavy cover at the end of the hairpin with Ty backing again at 43 minutes. Although Tillson was unable to produce birds, they were flushed by the judge's horse after the handler elected to move Willie on. Willie motored forward to the trees on the South side of Parrish Field heading toward the fish hook. As soon as he arrived, Willie slammed on his brakes and was rewarded with an extremely stylish find. Willie finished his hour fast and strong in the fish hook. Interestingly, this year's National Champion was purchased as a hunting rather than field trial dog. With mentoring from Jim House, a longtime member of the Oregon Brittany Club, Willie showed promise as a field trial dog when he took the blue ribbons in open puppy and derby stakes in his first field trial. Ed Tillson provided additional training to Steve as well as Willie which got them to where they are today. This certainly illustrates the benefits of helping out that newbie at our field trials.

Runner Up Champion

SR's Blew By Typhoon (Paul Doiron). "Ty" is a 4 yr old male out of NAFC/GFC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid x FC Blew By Yet? and is owned by Daniel Doiron from Santa Ynez, California Ty is a frequent winner on the western circuit and showed the judges that he can also run in the heavy cover in the central part of the country. At the start, Ty was a little inconsistent in his run but then his owner, Dan Doiron, got smiling as Ty got it going and had stylish finds at 33 and 50 minutes. Ty backed his bracemate, the Champion to be, at 9 and 43 minutes. Like his bracemate, Ty finished his

hour strong in the fish hook. His overall performance impressed the judges.

Third Place Sniksoh Little Diamond (Scott Johnson) "Katy" is an 8 yr old female out of FC/AFC Shady's Count Kid x Diamond Hill's Magical Mollie and owned by Tom & Jane Wonderling from Pulaski, Wisconsin. Katy ran in Brace 17 and was released after crossing the bridge on course 2. She had the large gallery excited from the start. Katy ran fast and hard with a snappy gate for her handler. She was rewarded with finds at 7, 20, 35 and 40 minutes. The later 2 were divided finds with her bracemate- Esta. Katy also had a non-productive at 50 minutes. At time, Katy was hunting hard in the woods but shortened her range a little which diminished the judges' enthusiasm for her otherwise solid performance.

Fourth Place

Hehi's Slim Chipley (Bob Burchett) "Slim" is a 6 yr old male out of Biebel's Huckleberry Huck x Rebel Jac Kentucky Flyer and is owned by Matthew Healey from Birmingham, Michigan. Slim ran in Brace 24 which broke away at the beginning of Parrish Field. Slim went missing shortly after exiting Parrish Field and crossing old 109. Tommy Thomas, his scout, found Slim standing to the front at 27 minutes just before we crossed the bridge. The gun was fired with all in order. Slim then caught the front and was found on point, with his bracemate backing, in the field just before we turn south on course 3. A large covey of birds exploded in several waves and both dogs remained staunch. Slim had his third find at 42 minutes and his fourth at 52 minutes by the Pavilion. Unfortunately, Slim got hung up in the woods at time and showed next to his handler which diminished the judges' enthusiasm for his otherwise solid performance.

THE RUNNING

Day 1: The weather was overcast with temperatures in the 40s. There had been a lot of rain the previous several days and the creeks were running fast and high. The grounds were saturated with water and it was like riding on water logged sponges. Fortunately, nearly all of the additional precipitation that was forecasted for day 1 skirted the area and allowed us to complete the day's running without additional rain. After the day's running, the 2019 ABC Open (Piney Run Jake; Kent Patterson) and Amateur (JJ's Levi the Lionheart) Purina All-Age Dogs of the Year were honored at a dinner sponsored by Purina and Dr. Robert Rankin. Kent Patterson was also presented a Ross Young painting of his Piney Run Jake, winner of the 2018 ABC Purina All-Age Dog of the Year.

Brace 1: Black Creek Uhaul (Chad Holman) and Castaway Wilson (Tom Tracy, Jr.). Wilson went to the front as soon as he was released with Tracy pointing him out from time to time. After crossing Lick Creek, Wilson's pattern was a little inconsistent and he slowed down as we neared the bridge. Wilson finished the hour without bird contact. Johnny was handling well but disappeared after we crossed Lick Creek. The tracker was returned to Homan just before we reached the double gates.

Brace 2: Zip's Count Me In (Patti Van De Coevering) and Sniksoh Hanks Hatch (Bob Burchett). Both dogs were released after crossing the bridge. Tally and her owner/handler live in Oregon and this was their first look at grounds in the Central United States. Tally adapted well and made some nice moves at good range on the edges but got hung up in the woods in several spots. Tally was limping after Parrish Field and her handler elected to pick her up at 50 minutes. Hatch was a little erratic in his run at modest range but proved he has a good nose with finds at 10, 35, 40 and 55 minutes. Scout Tommy Thomas also found Hatch standing in Parrish Field but the handler was unable to flush any birds.

Brace 3: Hoochie Coochie Man (Ed Tillson) and High Lonesome Sage (Jim Hammett). Karl and Sage broke away at the bridge on course 3. Karl went missing for 4 or 5 minutes but scout Jessica Carlson found him standing at 18 minutes down a line just before turning toward Mario's Hill. Birds were flushed with all in order. Karl continued on, coming from behind

a few times, and then went on point in the tall grass at 32 minutes. Tillson flushed part of a large covey and Karl remained standing with his head high. However, more birds flew as the handler approached Karl and this second rise was too tempting and Karl's day was ended. Sage was last seen shortly after the breakaway and his handler called for the tracker at 22 minutes.

Brace 4: Piney Run Jake (Kent Patterson). Jake, 7 year old male, and winner of the 2018 and 2019 ABC Purina All-Age Dog of the Year, was released at the start of course 1 as a bye dog because his bracemate (Farm Girl Pearl; Bruce Heiter) was scratched due to illness. Jake had a stylish find at 7 minutes. He then took the right edge fast and strong to the front where he was found standing at the 13 minute mark. To see why Kent was having such a hard time flushing birds, Jake started creeping in for a better look which ended his day.

Brace 5: SKF Miss Cheap Bourbon Whiskey (Scott Johnson) and ANJ's Ohio Hellion (Bob Burchett). KD and Hank were released before the barking dog house. Both started off in the wrong direction but were able to make it back to the front. KD made a nice move and rimmed the large corner field just below the large building on top of the hill. However, KD then slowed down and was picked up by Johnson. Hank was found standing on the left edge shortly after crossing Lick Creek and Burchett flushed a small covey of quail with all in order. Unfortunately, Hank then disappeared and the tracker was turned on at 30 minutes.

Brace 6: SR's Blew By Typhoon (Paul Doiron) and Wild Wild Willie (Ed Tillson) and their performances are described above in Champion and Runner Up Champion.



Day 1 posted dogs: 6a SR's Blew By Typhoon, handler Paul Doiron and 6b Wild Wild Willie, handler Ed Tillson.

Day 2: A warm front moved in and temperatures went from the 40s Friday afternoon to 60 degrees for the scheduled start of brace 7. Heavy rain and thunderstorms had been predicted for overnight and early morning but it appeared that the storms had slid off to the west. However, severe thunderstorms erupted shortly before the scheduled morning breakaway. As the storms continued, it was decided to wait till 1 PM and run only 3 braces for the day. However, at 12:30 PM the field trial committee was told that Lick Creek was 5 feet deep, thirty feet wide, and roaring with debris and at dangerous speeds. Course 2 was completely under water. Thus, the day's running was canceled for the safety of people, dogs, and horses. The day was not a complete loss however as Tom and Linda Milam, along with their children, hosted a wonderful dinner in honor of SS Rig's Colorado Gun Runner- last year's ABC National Open All-Age Champion.

No dogs were run on day 2.

Day 3: The warm temperatures of yesterday were short-lived. The first brace of the day broke away with temperatures in the low 40s, strong winds and clear skies. The courses were in fairly good condition considering yesterday's heavy rainfall.

Brace 7: Scout Upland Trailblazer (Ed Tillson) and Gun Creek

Gangster (Chad Holman). Both dogs showed to the front after their release. Scout made some nice moves but overall, was not pleasing his handler and Tillson picked him up at 30 minutes. Doc responded to his handler but worked at short range. He had a non-productive at 40 minutes and was picked up when we reached the double gates.

Brace 8: Spanish Corral's Big Iron (Paul Doiron) and Waypoint Chancey Big White Cooper (Kent Patterson). Colt and Big White were turned loose at the double gates. Both made some nice moves early on but Colt had a long absence before we reached the bridge. After catching up, Colt was a little erratic on the ground and finished his hour without a find. After crossing the bridge, Big White had a find on the right edge. Patterson flushed a pair of birds from under his nose and Big White remained staunch. At 39 minutes, Big White had a covey find by the trees in the south side of Parrish Field heading toward the fish hook and a third find at the end of the fish hook as we entered Parrish Field. Overall, Big White had a strong race and handled well but he had a few moments where he lost his focus.

Brace 9: A Trace of Bourbon With Diamonds (Scott Johnson) and Arrow's Tequila Rustler (Richard Beaver). Dogs were released after we crossed the bridge. Trace made his way around the course and went on point on the right edge at 29 minutes just before the Pavilion. With extensive flushing and a relocation, birds were not flushed, Trace lost his focus and his day was finished. Unbeknownst to many, some in the gallery reported that Trace's birds had already left before Johnson arrived. Rusty was a little erratic during his first 30 minutes but handled well at moderate range thereafter. At 47 minutes, Rusty had a very nice find by an island of trees near the beginning of the swamp.

Brace 10: CVK's Spartan King (Tom Tracy) and KJ's Irish Whiskey (Ken Windom). Leo and Mickey got off to fast and forward starts. Windom pointed out Mickey several times over the first 15 minutes and Tracy found both dogs standing at 16 minutes in the heavy cover a little before turning toward the barking dog house. Both handlers fired and everything was in order. Mickey continued on but had some very long absences. After crossing Lick Creek, Leo was next spotted at 28 minutes standing in the woods on the left edge of the first long field heading North toward the large hilltop building. Tracy flushed birds and Leo remained standing with impeccable style. Leo got hung up in the fields leading toward the double gates and finished his hour in the hidden far left fields that lead to the bridge.

Brace 11: JJ's Levi The Lionheart (Joe Williams) and Blazin E-Z Mac (Bob Burchett). Levi, the 2019 winner of the newly established ABC Purina Amateur All-Age Dog of the Year, made some nice moves but failed to put on his usual winning performance. Levi went on point after hunting the woods on the south side of Parrish Field that heads toward the fish hook. Levi remained staunch as Williams flushed a covey of birds. Levi had a non-productive at 57 minutes. Mac's ground race was a little erratic and he went missing twice for long periods. He finished his hour without a find.

Brace 12: Rusty Ridge Where U Been (Paul Doiron). Been ran as a bye because his bracemate (MK's My Little Ammo, Scott Johnson) came in season. Been was inconsistent in his run. He was found standing in the field to the left of the Pavilion at 28 minutes. Been exhibited good manners as Doiron flushed a small covey. After entering the swamp, a quail was seen flying out of an island of trees. Unfortunately, Been wasn't far behind and his day ended at 45 minutes.

Day 3 Posted dog: Waypoint Chancey Big White Cooper - Kent Patterson

Day 4: At the start of today's running, the temperature was 36 degrees with a light breeze and clear skies.

Brace 13: Roustabout's Eustace (Tom Tracy) and MK's Magnificent Bandito (Scott Johnson). "T" and Chico both broke away heading to the front. Chico was exhibiting extreme independence and Johnson called for the tracker at 35 minutes. T is known to handle well for his owner but not always for others. Today was no exception and Tracy picked him up at 28

minutes. Neither dog was seen with bird contact and the next brace was let loose at the double gates.

Brace 14: Spanish Corral's Sundance Kid (Paul Doiron) and Brendi Brooks Cowboy Up (Ray Trimble). Sonny was named NAFC in 2011 and also placed in the All-Age Nationals in 2014 and 2017. However, age has crept up on this Champion. He made some nice moves but gradually shortened his run and was picked up at 49 minutes. Trimble, 93 years young, attended his first Nationals in 1955 at Crab Orchard and has run a dog in 44 All-Age Nationals including at least one dog each of the 33 years the Nationals have been held at Booneville. The rest of us should be so fortunate. This year, Ray ran his 8 year old Tuff who made some long casts but unfortunately went missing at 49 minutes. Neither Sonny nor Tuff had a find.

Brace 15: Willie Makeit (Scott Johnson) and Ace's One Eyed Jack (Chad Holman). Jackson was hunting for Holman and was rewarded with a covey find at the end of the fish hook. At 38 minutes birds were spotted in the air with Jackson still moving which ended his day. On this day, Willie didn't Makeit. He had an erratic run and a non-productive at 50 minutes. While Scout Richard Beaver was bringing Willie to the front, his horse stepped in a seemingly bottomless pool of standing water. Both horse and scout took a dive and fortunately, only their pride was injured. As a side note, the gallery reported that scout and horse received only a 3 of 10 possible points for style. Importantly, course 3 now has a new landmark- the (Richard) Beaver Pond, a little before the Beaver Dam.

Brace 16: SS Rig's Colorado Gun Runner (Tom Milam) and JT Copper Buckaroo (Paul Doiron). Last year's ABC National Open All-Age Champion was not on his game in this year's competition. Rig's had non-productives at 20 and 30 minutes and his day was done. Buck had a non-productive just before the barking dog house. At 45 minutes, Buck went on point on the left edge just before entering the chute that leads to the double gates. A small covey was flushed with all in order. Buck finished his hour taking the left edge after the double gates.

Brace 17: Sniksoh Little Diamond (Scott Johnson) and MTB Louree's Lets Have a Fee-Esta (Tom White). This brace was released after crossing the bridge. Katy's performance was described above. Esta was doing a nice job on the ground and had divided finds with Katy at 35 and 40 minutes. Unfortunately, Esta went AWOL around the 50 minute mark at the far end of Parrish Field and White called for the tracker at time.

Brace 18: Molly Mae Alexander (Tom Tracy) and Almaden's Under Lock and Key (Ed Tillson). Both dogs took off fast and furious after being released at the bridge. After a long absence, scout Tom Milam found Molly standing on the other side of the road just before the Pavilion. Two birds were flushed with all in order. Molly finished forward and strong taking an edge at the end of course 3. Oudi hunted hard for Tillson and was rewarded with finds at 35 and 44 minutes.

Day 4 Posted dogs: Sniksoh Little Diamond - Scott Johnson; Molly Mae Alexander - Tom Tracy; and Almaden's Under Lock And Key - Ed Tillson

Day 5: We woke to a light frost, light winds and slightly overcast skies. Temperatures warmed to the upper 50s by afternoon.

Brace 19: Blew Me Away (Paul Doiron) and Maxwell's Prickly Pete (Tom Tracy). Pete took off on the right edge and point was called at 2 minutes. A deer was flushed but it did not fly so Pete was not awarded a find. Tracy sent Pete ahead but he wasn't seen again until after the tracker was turned on. Bud was not handling well and his day was finished just before the double gates with no finds.

Brace 20: Crescent City Girl (Ed Tillson) and Just Call Me Lucky Ned Pepper (Frank Campbell). Both dogs took off toward the right edge shortly after the breakaway. Unfortunately, Ned made a right turn at the end of the first fields. After returning to action, Ned crossed the bridge and continued on but tore his pads during his escapades and his owner/handler picked him up in the fish hook. At the end of the first set of fields, Nola took the far



edge toward the bridge and was found standing at 12 minutes. Birds were flushed by Tillson with all in order. After crossing the bridge, Nola continued forward and was found standing at 40 minutes in the trees in the south side of Parrish Field. Nola remained staunch as Tillson flushed a nice covey of birds. Nola finished her hour with a small covey find after exiting the fish hook. Overall, Nola pleased the judges.

Brace 21: Sparky's Prairie Wind Gypsy (Scott Johnson) and Kashmir (Tom Tracy). Dogs were released at the end of the fish hook. Gypsy, 2013 ABC National Field Champion, continued through Parrish Field and had a nice find at 14 minutes after crossing old 109. Both dogs continued forward but Kashmir was not seen again and Tracy called for his tracker at 20 minutes. Johnson took Gypsy across the bridge but as with Kashmir earlier, also disappeared. The tracker was returned to Johnson at 36 minutes.

Brace 22: Spanish Corral's Sonny Patch (Joe Gower) and High Hope's Jac's Original Spice (Chad Holman). Patch, 2015 ABC National Amateur Field Champion, was found standing at 14 minutes in heavy brush by scout Paul Doiron in the large field halfway to Lick Creek. However, Gower was unable to flush birds. At 28 minutes, the scout again found Patch on point on the far right edge in the first field heading toward the large hilltop building. Birds were flushed from right under Patch's nose with all in order. After passing the double gates, Patch was looking nice as he took the far left edge forward but a second non-productive at 50 minutes ended his day. Spice handled well for Holman at nice range but went the hour without a find.

Brace 23: JWB Arctic Cat (Tom Tracy) and MTB Louree's V-0-2 Max (Tom White). Kimber and Max were turned loose at the bridge. Kimber was not pleasing her handler and was picked up at 18 minutes. Max had a non-productive at 27 minutes as we entered the fish hook. Max was not pleasing White and was picked up at 40 minutes at the beginning of Parrish Field.

Brace 24: Tequila Scorcher (Ed Tillson) and Hehi's Slim Chipley (Bob Burchett). This last brace of the day had the large gallery sitting up in their saddles. Slims performance was described above. Shortly after exiting Parrish Field and crossing old 109, scout Jessica Carlson found Lincoln standing at 14 minutes and he was awarded with a very nice limb find. After crossing the bridge, Lincoln was found backing Slim in heavy cover just before we turn south on course 3. A large covey of birds exploded in several waves and both dogs remained staunch. Lincoln and Slim were again found standing at 42 minutes. Birds were flushed in front of Slim and both handlers fired their guns. However, the judges felt that Lincoln was backing. At time, Lincoln was motoring far to the front.

Day 5 posted dogs: 20a Crescent City Girl - Ed Tillson; 24a Tequila Scorcher - Ed Tillson; 24b Hehi's Slim Chipley - Bob Burchett

Day 6: We woke to patches of frost, temperatures around 32 degrees and clear skies. In the afternoon, warm clothes were replaced with light jackets or vests and the dog wagon was filled to capacity. Everyone knew that the judges had already posted 9 dogs and therefore, it was time for the last dogs and handlers to either put up or pick up.

Brace 25: Wichita Wild Woman (Scott Johnson) and Alar's Dirty



Dancer (Ed Tillson). Both dogs had a difficult time staying forward and on the edges and were up by 45 minutes without bird contact.

Brace 26: Driving Miss Daisy II (Tom Tracy) and Touch of Bourbon Little Chug (Scott Johnson). This reporter was very excited that these dogs were released just after the double gates and was sure that Daisee, his 7 year old female, would look nice running the lines at the end of course 1 and on course 2. Unfortunately, Daisee had other ideas for her day and had a difficult time deciding if she wanted to go left, right, forward or backward. This reporter was upset that Tracy picked her up at 20 minutes because he thought her day should have been over earlier. Carson was not pleasing his handler and was picked up when we reached the bridge at old 109.

Brace 27: Ru-Jems "Last" Penny (Tom Tracy) and Godfather's Red Feather Gunslinger (Steve Chang). Penny, this year's ABC National Amateur All-Age Champion, has been a perennial winner on the field trial circuit. Penny has reportedly won more hour stakes than any other female Brittany. I didn't verify this myself but if you don't believe me just ask her owner- Jerry McGee. Penny and Gunnar broke away just before the end of the hairpin on course 2. Gunnar went to the trees in the south side of Parrish Field and hunted forward. At 15 minutes, both dogs got hung up at the far end of the fish hook. After regaining the front, Penny and Gunnar were each found standing at 24 minutes in separate areas of the trees just before Parrish Field. A trusted covey was flushed and both dogs were credited with a find. Both dogs had a long absence after reaching the far Northwest corner of Parrish Field. After returning to action, neither dog had additional bird work.

Brace 28: FireStarter's Crossed the Line (Ed Tillson) and Roustabouts All In (Tom Tracy). After the breakaway, Ty and Al headed toward the front. Ty was found standing on the left edge at 5 minutes and birds were flushed with all in order. After crossing Lick Creek, Tracy elected to put the leash on Al. Ty was also picked up at 45 minutes when we reached the double gates.

Brace 29: Turning Points Shenanigans (Bob Burchett) and Glade Run Irish (Tom Tracy). Irish, the 2016 ABC National Amateur Field Champion and 2017 ABC National Field Champion, was found standing in the first tree line after the breakaway at 4 minutes. Unfortunately, Irish assisted Tracy in flushing the birds which ended his day at \$50 per minute (Sorry David Webb). Shandi looked nice rimming the edges of both field at the old 109 bridge. This move had both judges watching. Shandi had a little trouble staying to the front in the far end of the fish hook and shortened up thereafter. She was found standing at 57 minutes on the trusted covey in the trees at the end of the fish hook and birds were flushed with all in order.

Brace 30: MK's My Little Ammo (Scott Johnson). BB was moved from Brace 12A to the end of the stake as a bye dog because she was in season. She was released at the end of the fish hook and headed to the far Northwest corner of Parrish Field. The field trial grounds in Grovespring, Missouri have a corner of a field called "Vacuum Alley" where dogs go in but frequently don't come out. This corner of Parrish Field should be similarly named. As

happened with many other dogs, BB followed the old 109 road and was not seen on course for another 15 minutes. BB had a non-productive at 24 minutes and was picked up at 37 minutes without bird contact.

Dogs were not posted on Day 6.

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Grand Open Limited All Age 1hr(57S)**

J: Mike Jackson & William Smith

- 1 - WILD WILD WILLIE (D), by DC Shadow Attack x DC Alar's Tango Bar; o Steve Cosgriff, h Ed Tillson
- 2 - SR'S BLEW BY TYPHOON (D), by NAFC/GFC/FC/AFC Spanish Corral's Sondance Kid x FC Blew By Yet?; o Daniel R. Doiron, h Paul Doiron
- 3 - SNIKSOH LITTLE DIAMOND (B), by FC/AFC Shady's Count Kid x Diamond Hill's Magical Mollie; o Tom Wonderling, h Scott Johnson
- 4 - HEHI'S SLIM CHIPLEY (D), by Biebel's Huckelberry Huck x Rebel Jac's Kentucky Flyer; o Matt Healey, h Bob Burchett



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