

## NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

For a first year event, we were blessed with having competitors from several different states including: NC, VA, SC, GA, TN, PA, NY, NJ, IN, WI, AL, OH, Minn, WV and KY.



## BEST OF THE BEST!

### FIRST YEAR, BIG SUCCESS!

The “Best of the Best!” took place from November 13 – 17 , 2013 in Eden, North Carolina and was the biggest bird dog event of the year on the East Coast! With over 500 runs, it was a battle to the finish for the dogs that took home the trophies!

The following divisions were included during this week long event: Pointing Open, Pointing Amateur, Flushing Open, Flushing Doubles, Ladies Pointing, Youth Pointing, Ladies Flushing and Youth

### First Time Winner!



Adam Papp and his German shorthaired pointer “Ellie” earned their first win of Ellie’s Short lived career! Ellie, who is only ten months old, earned this year’s Best of the Best title in the Amateur Pointing Division! This was her first win and what a great win it was, competing against THIRTY of the best dogs in the country! Congratulations Adam Papp and Ellie!

### Open Pointing Main Event!

---The Open Pointing main event was a close battle to the end. After day two, the top ten dogs were only points apart. Going into the final round, Tom Glynn and his German Shorthaired pointer “Augie” were in the lead, with Dan Torgerson, Jeremiah Mohr and Billy Ring looming just minutes behind.

Dan Torgerson and “Shooter” started the day with a smoking Six minute run, which left the remainder of the field playing catch up. Tom Glynn had some bad luck in his run and Billy Ring and “Buck” had a solid run just a minute behind Torgerson, landing him in second place for the time being. Jeremiah Mohr and “Hellion” drew the last run of the day and they were the only team that could give Torgerson and “Shooter” a fight. Jeremiah and “Hellion” needed a five minute run to beat Torgerson(who had three dogs finish in the top five spots) by ONE point. Mohr and “Hellion” had only one bird in the bag at the five minute point. At five minutes and five seconds, Hellion locked up on point. As Jeremiah approached the staunch Hellion, two birds took flight and Mohr cleanly harvested both birds, which Hellion delivered at Five minutes and fifty five seconds! Only Five seconds separated the first and second place..... what an awesome finish!

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*If You Want to Be the Best, You have to Beat the Best!*

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*Hellion 1*



Some of the Lady Contestants!



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### LADIES DIVISION

The Ladies divisions had 21 Entries! And boy did they have a great time....The format consisted of a fifteen minute run in which the ladies had to harvest FIVE birds! The Ladies Pointing was dominated by Lauren Tarquinio, who took the top two spots, winning with her German Shorthaired Pointer "Briley"!

And Marlene Sipes ran away with the top two spots in the Ladies Flushing division winning with Labrador retriever Charlotte!

### OPEN FLUSHING DIVISION

The Flushing division was swept by the Labs of Liberty Corner owned by Richard Sipes of Esmont Virginia. Sipes' black Labrador, "UNO" dominated the event followed by labs Cooper and Penny!

### FLUSHING DOUBLES DIVISION

The Flushing Doubles division was also swept by Richard Sipes of Esmont Virginia and his Partner Ken Neese of Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. The Sipes/Neese duo won with Labrador Retriever Marlowe, who was followed by Rondo and then Charlotte!

### SENIORS DIVISION

The Senior division had fourteen entries and consisted of one fifteen minute run in which the competitors had to harvest five birds. Bill Roff lead the field all day with a seven minute and thirty nine second run, which was an amazing run to watch! Phil Behe was the last run of the day and proved to be the Best! Phil Behe and German Shorthaired Pointer, "Dueces" stopped the clock at six minutes and fifty seconds to earn this years Senior Champion!

### YOUTH DIVISION

The youth division was won by first time competitor Maddie Hall. Maddie is from South West Virginia and daughter of Les Hall who also competed in the



Open Pointing division of this trial. Maddie demonstrated her dog handling skills in the youth division, by recording the winning six minute run! Maddie also finished third in the Youth Division. Cole Behe, just six years old, finished in Second Place also scoring a six minute run, but a partial retrieve kept him a safe distance from the leader. Congratulations to the Youth, the future of our sport!