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President's message

With the II closely following the Board Meeting and ACoD there has not been much reportable activity from the Board. However the committees are busy formulating their goals and timelines to have ready by the end of April. I look forward to receiving them shortly. I expect innovative actions from the ASFA committees in 2013.

Ping Pirrung

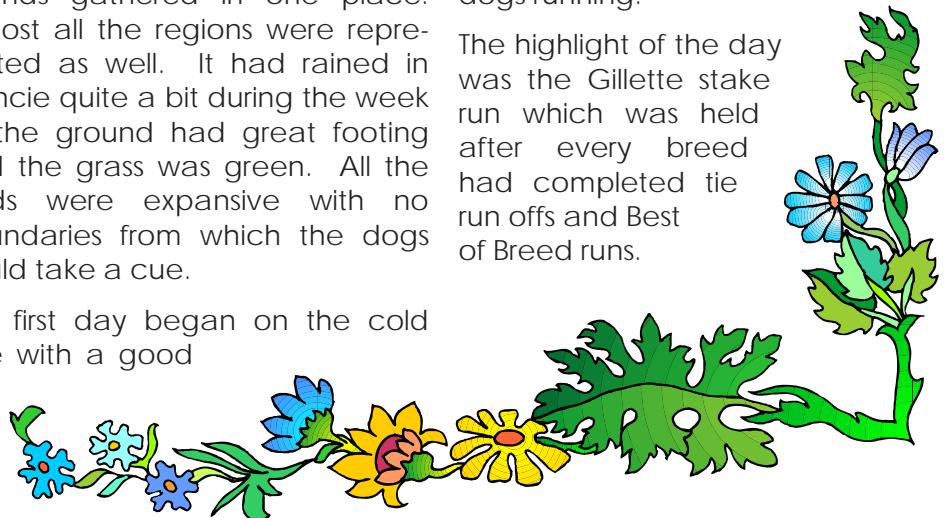
2013 II – April 13th & 14th, Muncie, Indiana

The 2013 ASFA II is now history. By all accounts it was an amazing II. Fourteen breeds which included the Provisional breed, Silken Windhounds, competed. It was beautiful to see so many great running hounds gathered in one place. Almost all the regions were represented as well. It had rained in Muncie quite a bit during the week so the ground had great footing and the grass was green. All the fields were expansive with no boundaries from which the dogs could take a cue.

The first day began on the cold side with a good

breeze. Many had on long under-wear and winter jackets. It was cloudy for most of the day but by afternoon the sun was peeking through and the air was getting warmer. There were about 250 dogs running.

The highlight of the day was the Gillette stake run which was held after every breed had completed tie run offs and Best of Breed runs.





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To be eligible to run in the Gillette stake a hound must be both a bench champion and a field champion as well as having earned at least 20 ASFA points in the previous 12 months. The hound also has to be entered and run in the II on Saturday.

If more than one hound within a breed is entered in the Gillette Stake the hound with the highest cumulative score for the day represents its breed in the Gillette Stake run. This year nine breeds ran for the Gillette stake – the Basenji “Searsha”, the Borzoi “Lotus”, the Greyhound “Hero”, the Ibizan Hound “Jerri”, the Pharaoh Hound “Kinneson”, the Rhodesian Ridgeback “Venus”, the Saluki “Mercury”, the Scottish Deerhound “Ellie”, and the Whippet “Torrey”. The winner was the Rhodesian Ridgeback “Venus” owned by Kasey and Dale Parks.

Following the Gillette stake we had a delicious dinner under the tent. Everyone was ravenous at that point. As dinner began, Dean Wright held a bidding auction for many choice items. There was also a silent auction going on both days. Thank you to so many for generously donating items for both auctions. As dinner was winding down, awards for Saturday were presented.

Sunday dawned still on the cool side, but that didn't last long. It warmed up quite a bit during the day and those who had brought shorts were able to finally don them. The judges, the course plans, and lure operators remained on the same fields but the hounds shifted. It was another day of beautiful runs.

The culmination of the weekend is the running of the Best in II in which the Best of Breed winners from each day are eligible to compete provided they have been entered and received qualifying scores, running in prelims and finals, both Saturday and Sunday. This year there were six courses – 16 hounds competing. They were: the Afghan

“Dalton”, the Basenji “Echo”, the Greyhound “Blueberry”, the Greyhound “Jane”, the Ibizan “Dory”, the Ibizan “Jerri”, the Italian Greyhound “Luca”, the Italian Greyhound “Matt”, the Pharaoh “Sabah”, the Rhodesian Ridgeback “Calli”, the Rhodesian Ridgeback “PJ”, the Saluki “Haifa”, the Saluki “Lola”, the Scottish Deerhound “TB”, the Whippet “Lucy” and the Whippet “Fuzzy”. Following the six courses the Pharaoh “Sabah” and the Whippet “Lucy” were brought back to run off a tie. The ultimate winner was the Whippet “Lucy”. She was from the last litter that Les Pekarski and Shirri Peak had bred and is now owned by Mary Frances Miller.

“Flying First Class”, was the slogan Les Pekarski had given the II for this year. It seemed fitting that a dog he had bred was Best in II. As the trophy was presented to Lucy and Mary Frances there were not many dry eyes under the tent.

A huge thank you to all of the field committee especially the co-chairs Dawn Ferris and Joe Shoemaker for keeping everything running smoothly. The success of the II would not have been possible without help from so many people from all parts of the country as well as the cooperation of every exhibitor making sure their hounds were at the line in plenty of time.

If you would like to see photographs of the hounds running, the photographers will have their photos on their web sites shortly, if not already. Kent Standerford (www.bigpawprints.net), Richard Hunter (www.huntersrun.photorelect.com), and Steve Surfman (www.stevesurfman.com).



2014 II

There is no time like the present to begin working on your proposal for the 2014 II. If you need any help or have questions, please contact Bill

Bowlus-Root (CorresSecy@asfa.org) for the *International Invitationals Guidelines* and the format for the proposal.



Old FAN Magazines

Want to be a contributor to ASFA's history? We are looking for FANS prior to 1990. We want these so that they can be digitized and made available to everyone via the ASFA website. If you have any of these FANs and you are willing to donate them to the ASFA, please

contact Marilyn Standerford by e-mail (webmaster@asfa.org). She will then let you know if we have the issues you are willing to donate. Thanks! After digitizing, these magazines will go into the ASFA Archives to complete our set there.

ASFA Officers, 2014

*Submitted by Dean Wright,
Nominating Committee Chair*

Article VI, Section 2 of the ASFA Constitution provides for the appointment in odd-numbered years of a Nominating Committee to draw up a slate of nominees for the officer elections to be held at the Annual Convention of Delegates (ACoD) the following year. The list of nominees will be posted on the ASFA web site at least 150 days prior to the electoral ACoD. During the 45 days following posting of the Nominating Committee slate, each member club can submit additional nominees for officers. Those Nominations must be agreed to in writing by the nominee, carry the written endorsement of the nominating member club, and be submitted in writing to the Corresponding Secretary. The nominee names will then be circulated to all member clubs. Candidates for office can also be nominated from the floor of the ACoD at the time of election. The

nominee must be a convention delegate in attendance at that electoral ACoD. Please note that no one may be nominated for an office who has been elected to that office in each of the preceding two terms; nor may any person be nominated or accept a nomination who has, within the preceding year, accepted a fee, over and above expenses, for handling a hound at a sanctioned lure field trial, or for performing or assisting in the performance of duties of the officials of a sanctioned lure field.

The Nominating Committee consisting of Dean Wright (Chair), Dawn Ferris, and Beth Levine, is now accepting suggestions for nominees for officer positions. Send your suggestions to Dean Wright (vp1@asfa.org) for consideration and possible inclusion on our slate. Please review the ASFA Constitution, or contact the ASFA Corresponding Secretary or your Regional Director for more information.

*Congratulations to
the 2013
Best in II,
"Lucy"!*

*Congratulations to
all of the
winners at the II.*

*And Many Thanks
To all who helped
make this year's
International
Invitational
a Success.*





Regional Director Elections

The ballots for Region 4 are in. Donna Murphy is the new Regional Director for Region 4. Congratulations and we look forward to great things in Region 4. Next year's ACoD will be in Dallas which is in Region 4.

2013 Committees

Thank you to everyone who wrote with their interest in participating in the committees of ASFA. We really appreciate your willingness to devote your time and skills to the growth of ASFA. By the same token if you have any ideas please email Ping

(president@asfa.org) so that your ideas can be directed to the appropriate committee. The best ideas come from experience. Below is the list of the 2013 committees and they are also posted on the ASFA website.

2013 Committees

Committee	Chair	Members
Archives/Historical	Dean Wright	Thom Haig, Kathy Sanders, Russ Jacobs
Computer	Jeff Falkner	Todd Birchfield, Bill Bowlus-Root, Lori Coulson, Andre Magni, Sean McMichael, Luciane Terra
Executive	Ping Pirrung	Dean Wright, Thom Haig, Bill Bowlus-Root, Karen Frederick, Jeff Lipps
Field Trial Improvement	Greg Breitbach	Tom Golcher, Keith Hicks, Sara Lenahan, Deb Meyer, Lori Silvestri, Rick Wolpin
Finance and Budget	Jeff Lipps, CFO	Sean McMichael, Ping Pirrung Treasurer: Sean McMichael
	Contract Committee: Jeff Lipps	Sean McMichael, Donna Murphy
Forms	Creation and Distribution: Marilyn Standerford	Debb Meyer
Judges	Ann Chamberlain	Greg Breitbach, Katie Kaltenborn, Leigh Littleton, Bill Martin, Dean Wright Judges Licensing: Leigh Littleton
Long Range Planning	Tom Golcher	Greg Breitbach, Keith Hicks, Sandra Moore, Dale Parks
Membership	Scott Miller	Josie Haumont, Russ Jacobs, Vickie Jacobs
Minutes Review	Ping Pirrung	Bill Bowlus-Root, Thom Haig, Keith Hicks

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Committee	Chair	Members
Policy Compilation	Gary Roush	Todd Birchfield, Denise Como, Russ Jacobs, Jeff Lipps, Dale Parks, Rich Whritenour
Public Relations	Rick Wolpin	Greg Breitbach, Jeff Falkner, Tom Golcher, Josie Haumont, Keith Hicks, Mike Leach, Bill Martin, Donna Murphy, Dale Parks, Gary Roush, Rick Wolpin, Rich Whritenour, Dean Wright
Records Coordination	Lori Coulson	Todd Birchfield, Jeff Falkner, Camille Mendicino, Sean McMichael
Regional Directors	Josie Haumont Invitationals: Josie Haumont Board Liaison: Josie Haumont	All Regional Directors EPA Award: Rick Wolpin Rosettes/Medallions: Evelyn Jones
Rules Evaluation	Russ Jacobs	Jeff Lipps, Marilyn Standerford Alternates: Dawn Ferris, Donna Murphy
Scheduling	Denise Como	Lori Coulson, Rich Whritenour
Web Site	Webmistress: Jean Hampton Internet Liaison: Marilyn Standerford	
Web Site Publication	Josie Haumont	Todd Birchfield, Trisha Borland, Bill Bowlus-Root, Kent Standerford

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