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I am very excited at the prospect of the work the Board will be doing this year. Each committee is now in the process of developing their goals for the year and some interesting discussions and ideas are being brought up. Since none of us has the corner on good ideas, if there is something you think would improve our field trials or additional things we can be doing, please write to us so that your idea can be directed to the appropriate committee.

Communication is a key to the strength of ASFA. We pride ourselves on being an organization in which every club and member of the fancy does have a say. Please take advantage of this.

2012 International Invitational

This year's II was held in Falcon, Colorado, hosted by Colorado Lure Coursing Association. There were beautiful fields and many beautiful runs by amazing hounds. It was good to catch up with so many people that you don't see often, those you course with on a regular basis and making

new friends with those you haven't met before. This year's Best in II was won by the Saluki "Solomon", DC Tamrick's Who's The Boss, SC, owned by Kathy Nelson and Ellie Case. There were six full courses running in Best in II – a very impressive field of great running hounds.

II Eligibility Requirements for Provisional Breeds - changed

We announced in the last Communiqué that the Board had passed this amendment to Invitational Policy INVIT02:

"For a Provisional breed to be eligible, the entry must have one first placement, or two second placements, with competition within its breed or from a Limited stake within the last year."

Since then, the stipulation that these placements must have been obtained within the last year has been removed. So INVIT02 now reads:

"For a Provisional breed to be eligible, the entry must have one first placement, or two second placements, with competition within its breed or from a Limited stake."



*Congratulations to
the 2012
Best in II,
"Solomon"!*

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

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



Judges Sheets / Provisional Breeds

We are in the process of updating the judges sheets to include "SW" for Silken Windhounds and Provisional Breeds. Until the new judges sheets are available just add "SW" after the "W".

Do the same while you use up the judges sheets you have on hand.

Also remember "SW" should be added to the judge's grid on your premium lists.

Points for Provisional Breeds

As you know, no titles are awarded during the provisional recognition period. However a provisional hound may enter the provisional field champion class based on points and placements earned during the provisional recognition period that would otherwise entitle a hound in an ASFA recognized breed

to be awarded an ASFA Field Champion title.

The Board has clarified that these points will be included in calculations from the beginning of March, 2012 when the Silken Windhounds were recognized as a provisional breed. "

Records

Lori Coulson is currently having some problems getting the current records (Top 20, event results) posted on the web site. We hope to have these

glitches resolved shortly. In the meantime current individual hound records are still available upon request by emailing Lori – records@ASFA.org.

ASFA's 40th Anniversary

The ASFA 40th Anniversary is here! The Public Relations Committee has put together some really nice items to help us celebrate. There is a link on the ASFA web site or you can find the items at the following link to the ASFA Cafe Press shop <http://www.cafepress.com/AmericanSighthoundFieldAssociation>.

Check out some cool t-shirts and other apparel as well as a spiral-bound Record Book for keeping track of your dog's scores at trials. Many items would be nice for your club purchase for trophies. Keep checking the ASFA web site for additional items such as pins and license plate frames.

Please be sure you distribute the "Communiqué" to your club's members and enjoy the upcoming coursing season.

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