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## SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

### President's Message

#### Rules For Owning a Gun Dog

1. Spend time with them each day. You are their everything.
2. Don't hide your excitement; let them see the kid in you.
3. Your expectations of a bird dog are high but their expectations of an owner are higher.
4. Do not sleep on it; take them to see the vet.
5. Go hunting with them at least one time just the two of you.
6. Tell your new friends about your old dogs.
7. Their falsies aren't the only ones in the field.
8. Judge your hunting friends by how they treat their dogs.
9. Always stop to pet them.
10. Stop walking, sit down you will see how much they love you. Enjoy it.
11. Treat puppies like puppies and treat your 12 year old like he still is one.
12. Know when to retire them and give them everything they want. They gave you everything they had.
13. Have patience when they are hard of hearing...it's the birds fault.
14. Show your boys that there are reasons to be gentle in this world. Bird dogs are just one of them.
15. You helped her down the stairs when she was young now help her up them when she is old.
16. Take the picture every single damn time. It's worth it.
17. Enjoy their determination even when it's not after a bird.
18. **When it's time to say goodbye don't leave his side. Hold him. He knows what's happening and he's happy you are with him. Yes it's tough to do.**
19. Remember them. Visit the places that made you both so happy. Think about her while you stop walking and sit down with her daughter on an October afternoon.
20. Understand that you cannot fill the hole they left in your heart but remember them and they will be with you every step of the way.

### Taking Votes Now

**Above and Beyond Award**— The board is seeking your vote on who you feel has gone above and beyond to promote the club in 2019. Submit your vote to Dave Carey.

**Most Improved Handlers Awards**— The board is seeking your votes on a most improved handler for the pointer and retriever side. This would be a handler who has not won it in the past and who you feel has made great strides at improvement over the course of this year. Submit your vote to Dave Carey for your choice for one pointer and one retriever.

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# AUGUST BOARD NOTES

## GVHRC Board Meeting Minutes- August 15, 2019

Members in attendance: Dave Carey, Josh Jolicoeur, Steve Arms, Betty Pellham, John Connell, Justin Weaver, Colleen Evers, Lacy Sayre, Ivan Mombert, Kolton Kuhns, Matt Victor, John McIrvin and Mindy Shank.

The minutes from July meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report- Given by Justin Weaver.

10 Singles- We started 26 dogs lost a total of 10 dogs going into the 9th series. We all agreed to run only 9 series due to time constraints. We just had an outstanding group of retrievers that competed at a very high level throughout the competition. We ended up running 16 dogs in the final series; all the dogs had a chance to place. 9th series was a 145 yard mark, starting on the side of a mound, down and across into the water for a short swim and then a long run to the mark in heavy cover. After scoring, cleaning up and loading the last of the gear in the trailer, we finished up at 5:30 pm. Special thanks to the volunteers who stepped up to run the wings, Ivan Mombert, Steve Akers, Brian Hawley, Justin Weaver, Bill Priaux, Brad Fenton, Chris Rattenborg, Randal Nab, and Vickey Guess did an awesome job as the Marshal for us. She is just great at keeping the holding blinds full of dogs and handlers, and extra thanks to my (Dave Carey's) Co-Judge Mark Schlender.

Super bowl- Ten braces-twenty dogs total in first round. Five braces-ten dogs in round two. The day was very warm but not as hot as in years past. The board would like to thank John Connell and Charles Warren for judging all day. Kim Beat did an awesome job with scoring and timing. Thanks to all those that helped out volunteering their time with set-up, picking up birds, registration, bird planting, gunning and take-down.

New Business- The board would like to see if we can get the Eugene Elks Lodge on West 11<sup>th</sup> in Eugene, and Big Stuff BBQ set for January 25, 2020 for our annual year-end banquet. More to follow.

Awards Committee- Matt Victor, Ivan Mombert, Josh Jolicoeur, and Betty Pellham offered to seek out awards for this year's banquet.

Banquet Donations Captains- Kolton Kuhns and Court Scham have volunteered to seek out donors for this year's 2020 banquet. All information has been sent from last year's banquet to help them get started.

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Shotgun Repair- The club shotguns have been dropped off at a gun shop in Portland for repair.

Gunners- Going forward the board would like to create a list of those members gunning to make sure they have a current hunting license when gunning at club events for insurance purposes.

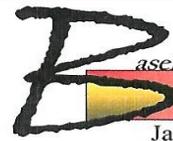
Birds- Mindy Shank reported if Valley Quail is our bird vendor for 2020 they would like our training dates by October 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. We will need eighty birds for each event.

Year-End Tie Breaker/Super bowl Committee- A committee was formed to possibly change the rules of how we go about breaking year-end ties. The committee members are Todd Wheeler, Mindy Shank, John Connell, Betty Pellham, and Ivan Mombert. If you have an idea or solutions send an email to Betty Pellham.

Bottle Drop- Josh discussed the club setting up an account by October 1st at the bottle drop as we are a 501c. Members can bring in their cans and donate them to the club if they choose to. More to follow.

Next Board Meeting: September 19, 2019 at Countryside Pizza in Eugene start time 6 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:07 pm



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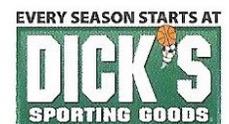
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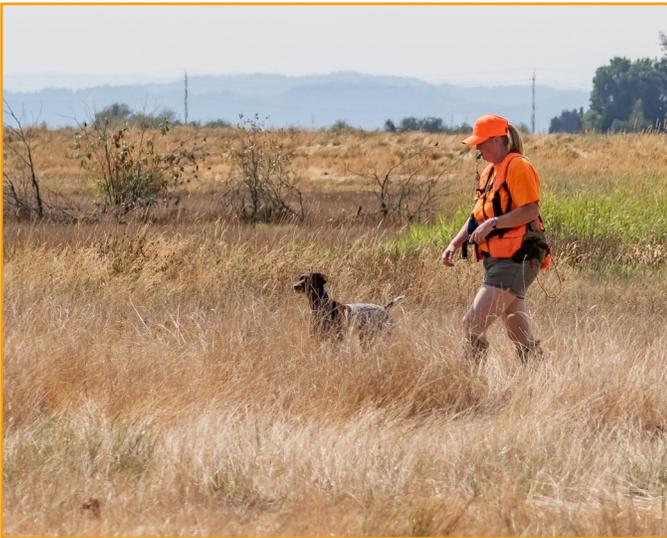
This years winner of the 2019 Super Bowl is Mike Ouchida and Wilson a very flashy English Setter. Congratulations Team Ouchida!



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Second place goes to John McIrvine and Miss Baylee, the Brittany. Team McIrvine had a rough start in the day but made up for it in round two finding birds in style. Congratulations Team McIrvine!

# Super Bowl 2019



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Third place goes to the nine year old birthday boy Duke with Betty Pellham handling him. Duke ran a pretty consistent Super Bowl in both rounds. Congratulations Team Pellham!



The cleanest dogs award after the Super Bowl goes to Team Jolicouer's French Brittany's, Spencer, Pica, and Oakley. Don't they look all happy and excited about baths? But I bet they smell real pretty! Nice looking team right there!

WOW! Now that's a gallery!



# 10 Singles 2019



Pictured to the left is Bob Alexander setting up for a mark with Josie a fine Labrador. Dave Carey judging.



**Year-End Results. Drum roll please.....**

**Above & Beyond Award-**

The board is asking for submissions for a member who has gone above and beyond to promote the club this year. Send your submissions to Dave Carey asap.

**Most Improved Handlers -**

The board is asking for submissions for one of each a pointer and retriever handler. This would be a person who has not won it in the past and you feel has made great strides of improvement over the course of this year. Send submissions to Dave Carey asap.

**John Henry Award-** Wilson-English Setter

**Super Bowl-**

1st place Mike Ouchida with Wilson  
2nd place John McIrvine with Baylee  
3rd place Betty Pellham with Duke

**10 Singles-**

1st place Ivan Mombert with Lucy  
2nd place Elaine Brock with Waylon  
3rd place Justin Weaver with Dozer

**Retriever Puppy-**

1st place Heidi Brown with Tucker  
2nd place Lane Doggett with Winchester  
3rd place Rich Wilfong with Riley

**Pointer Puppy-**

1st Lantz Family with Freda  
2nd place Nick Kenney with Tabor  
3rd place Kayla Ivey with Dusky

**Retriever Intermediate-**

1st place Joan Kelly with Faolan  
2nd place Kolton Kuhns with Remi  
3rd place Chris Rattenburg with Sir Thomas

**Pointer Amateur-**

1st place Mindy Shank with Echo  
2nd place Gloria Platz with Kaza  
3rd place Betty Pellham with Cowboy

**Retriever Advanced-**

1st place Steve Ackers with Zoe  
2nd place Lloyd Davis with Kate  
3rd place Brad Fenton with Tater

**Pointer Open-**

1st place John Connell with Jake  
2nd place Mindy Shank with Harper  
3rd place Mindy Shank with Stone

Congratulations to all those who placed.



Along with checks and cash, the club is accepting credit card payments at the events.



Team Sayre pictured to the left came out and gave the Super Bowl a whirl this year. Diesel the very well named German Shorthair did very well putting all the training time Lacy has given him to good use. It was a pleasure to see the team come out and run and do so well finishing out fourth place at the end of the day.

This picture reminds me of Smoky and the Bandit



Steve Arms did some gunning and planted some birds at this year's Super Bowl. Thanks for coming out and volunteering!

# BRAGS & WAGS



Rizzo

GUNMETTLE N' REGEN'S GO FOR BROKE  
VCD2 CDX PCDX NF AXJ TD SH CGC TKN  
NW1 SDX RDX VX3 NAVHDA UTILITY  
Prize III NA Prize 1

Rizzo earned her Rally Novice title in Portland at the Stumptown Combined Specialties. This was a new event for us and she did an outstanding job! She had to qualify 3 times to earn the title. She did it in style by earning 1st place all three times!

## Team Carmen Spencer



Lola

TRAX LOLAPALOOZA NAVHDA NA 1(112) field pointed

Lola was busy working field this summer. She earned a couple of Field Trial placements: Open Puppy 1st and Amateur Puppy 2nd. She then did her NAVHDA Natural Ability test and earned a NAVHDA NA Prize 1 (112) maximum points!



Hunter

REGEN'S SPRING LOADED VCD1 CDX PCDX TDX NA NAJ MH CGC  
TKN NW2 SDX RDX VX3 NAVHDA NA1

Hunter earned "High In Trial" at Stumptown combined Specialties in Portland. Of all the dogs competing on that day, Hunter had the highest score! Carmen is so proud of him! And he will get his photo in the Weimaraner magazine!

# Board Members

## In the Spotlight

### Meet Newsletter Editor Betty Pellham

Greetings, fellow GVHRC members. My name is Betty Pellham I am your current GVHRC Newsletter Editor. Let me just say I was a very nervous wreck when I sat in front of the board not so long ago saying I would like to try my hand at doing the newsletter. Every once in awhile I like to go off the deep end and learn something new. So with the board's approval I sat down to learn, yes, learn how to put together a newsletter I took some comfort in club members saying they would help me when needed and I even had a few club members step up to proof it. What could go wrong? Many sleepless nights in the next month took place as I gained some confidence in learning what I was even doing. With help from club members I learned to move some things around here and there and put together my first newsletter in July of 2018. I would like to thank you all for submitting articles, pictures, etc, and your kind words and suggestions about the newsletter: it keeps me going when I sometimes am struggling with an edition.



The newsletter editors role is to put together information received from the membership like the president's message, board minutes from the secretary, placements from the monthly events from the training coordinators, pictures submitted, stories submitted, attends the monthly board meetings, and meet the first of the month deadline.

I started with GVHRC in 2012 some eight years ago. I went all in and brought not one but two German Shorthaired puppies with me Ben and Duke. And we knew absolutely nothing! Steve Arms was my training coordinator. I applied my time to training and learned many things in puppy class and by the end of the training year, I had two family companions and hunting dogs I could be very proud of.

I choose German Shorthairs after attending a (BOW) Becoming an Outdoor Woman upland event. I liked the fact that a pointer covers some ground and points the bird and looks stylish. That for some reason appealed to me more than a retriever or Springer that flushes it's bird. I like to be ready for things so a pointing dog suits me. Now that I have been in the club and been exposed to some very nice well-behaved dogs I might be swayed to get a different breed later in years? I do have to say that those Springer Spaniels are the happiest, fastest little bundles of joy I've seen. I think hair care keeps me coming back to the shorthair.

Fast forward some eight years later and I now run three German Shorthairs adding Cowboy to the mix almost three years ago. My, where does that time go? In that time I have gained many friends and training partners. I also have learned many more things out there I can do with my dogs. For example I learned the rules and regulations as to participate in AKC hunt tests, AKC field trials, AKC water tests, and HRC hunt tests. I became an AKC pointing dog judge for AKC pointing dog hunt tests. I'm still learning and still have lots more to learn.



The best advice I can give a new member is two things. One is to volunteer your time, you will get to meet new friends and it makes the club run so much more smoothly. And second, is to get to know some of the members in your training class and set-up training groups. Training groups help you and your dog to learn to become a better team.

Team Pellham's first wild chukar. Ruffed grouse is Team Pellham's bird of choice of all the upland birds.



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Todd Wheeler and Amber picked up two more legs of Master Hunter this past weekend both at the Washington Brittany Club. Four down two to go!  
Way to go Team Wheeler! Nicely done!

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