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## FIFTY-FOUR SPRINGERS COMPETE IN EIGHTH ANNUAL TRIAL

### Solo Event Leads Field And Stream Competition

The 1940 Springer Spaniel Field Trial Season officially opened at Deer Island, Oregon, on Sept. 8. Up to and including the Fisher's Island trial five Springers have set the pace in the Field and Stream Trophy competition.

James Simpson's F. T. Ch. Solo Event who was the 1939 winner leads with 26 points. C. B. Dushane's F. T. Ch. Cloverdale Zipper is in second place. Franzer Horns F. T. Ch. Finglen Johnnie and J. E. Hoenes' Altskeith Lilly are equal with eight points. David Silberman's F. T. Ch. Dalshangan Pomme de Terre is just behind with 6 points. Five other Springers are equal with five points.

With the season just half over anything can happen. It is interesting to note that four of the first five dogs are owned in the middle-west. An unofficial tabulation of the first nine trials will be found on page three.

The eighth annual field trial meeting of the English Springer Spaniel F. T. Club of Illinois was held at Dunes Park Oct. 12th and 13th on the sparkling shores of Lake Michigan.

In this section of Illinois so rich in Indian lore fifty-four mighty hunters battled it out under the watchful eyes of Arthur Lewis, Armin Schlesinger and Stuart Sowle. In addition to the work of the three judges who carefully weighed the keenness and ability of the dogs the performance of the various spaniels was further enhanced by the superb shooting of gunners Wunderlich, Hopkins, Bawder and Christian.

The trial was highlighted, for the gallery of four hundred, by the Win of Sonny Lad in the puppy stake, Lady Penowin's dual win in the Amateur All Age and Shooting Dog Stakes, and Cloverdale Zipper's crashing reckless win in the Open Stake. Leonard Leader and Clifford Wallace received the Frank Warton awards for their work in the Amateur and All Age Open Stakes respectively.

Dr. William Marcusson's Sonny Lad handled by Martin Hogan won the Puppy Stake. Ray Larson's Jan's Hi Bonney was a close second. A. J. Mare's Gallant Gesture was third

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### 54 Springers Compete

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and David Silberman's Dal-Crest of Davellis handled by Martin Hogan was fourth.

Lady Penowin owned, trained and handled by Leonard Leader was first in the Shooting Dog Stake. N. O. Smith and Overton Blackie were second, Dr. Marcusson and Sonny Lad were third and John Harding handling Black Eyed Susan was fourth.

Leonard Leader and Lady Penowin were first in the Amateur All Age. Conway Olmstead handled Jans Hi Target to place second, Dr. Marcusson and Sonny Lad were third and James Simpson Jr. handled Staindrop Patricia to fourth place.

Cloverdale Zipper owned by C. B. Dushane and handled by Clifford Wallace crashed his way thru to first place in the open stake. Zipper, who finished his championship at Omaha last month was the only American bred dog to place in the open. David Silberman's F. T. Ch. Dalshangan Pomme de Terre handled by Martin Hogan placed second after a breath-taking retrieve on a runner. James Simpson's F. T. Ch. Solo Event handled by Clifford Wallace placed third. Solo awed the gallery by working out the line of a runner at terrific speed. Bryngarw Fireside also owned by James Simpson and handled by Clifford Wallace placed fourth with a good solid performance.

John Abbot's Perfection of Broadlawn and Charles Martin's Duke of Marhill were awarded certificates of Merit in the Amateur Stake.

E. J. Eiting announced the results

and made the awards to the winners to bring to a close the best field trial meeting ever conducted by the Club.

## Wisconsin . . .

By W. P. "Red" Hopkins

Fun at Madison and the Dunes. Friday night at the Park Hotel (I missed); Polly's eyes the next day; C. B. D., Ruth and Patty on the steps of the Hotel early (very early) Sunday morning looking for some excitement; the business meeting in Romadka's room on Saturday just after the trial (What kind of business?); Frances Garlock took it for two entire days without a peep; some one ordered six drinks — who? — what happened to them?; Goodall's Trophy (why blame me?); Deadeye Leader in the Shooting Dog Stake (if I were Penny I'd disown him); BEENGH, BEENGH, come back BEENGH (who did that?); the mess I got in (I still don't remember); some very swell Pheasants; little Grasshopper Pelican; that blessed RED truck and what it carried; Dorothy R. trudging along for most of the Trial (Ruth W. and Ellen S. where were you?); the Wee Scotsman; the Little Toy Soldier (dare you to guess).

**Now let us skip two weeks and go to the Dunes.**

Start at eight o'clock Saturday sure; what drunken sailor marked the course? Jim Simpson in the sand (what he said); the sudden silence at the announcement of the Open winners; Bawder's long shot over Smudge; imagine the predicament Solo would have been in if Cliff had ordered her to make that long retrieve (Boalt is much too heavy to lug out of the bushes); the applause when Len and Penny got their double win; Doc isn't such a bad Emcee at that; likewise Boalt at selling a Cal-

# UNOFFICIAL RETURNS ON THE FIRST NINE TRIALS

DOG

OWNER

HANDLER

## Deer Island, Oregon

1. Elysian Echo ----- E. L. Roiler ----- Roy Gonia
2. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
3. West Coast Sheik ----- Dr. C. Sabin ----- Wm. Miller
4. Pendleton Squires ----- Robt. Bishop ----- Robt. Bishop

## Mo. Valley Hunt Club

1. F. T. Ch. Cloverdale  
Zipper ----- C. B. Dushane ----- C. Wallace
2. Lincoln Laddie ----- E. Wedgewood ----- E. Wedgewood
3. Breckonhill Brigadier --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
4. ? -----

## Mid-West Cocker

1. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
2. Noranby Pelican ----- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
3. Altskeith Lily ----- J. Hoenes ----- J. Hoenes
4. Bryngarw Fireside ----- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace

## Wisconsin Amateur F. T. Club

1. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
2. F. T. Ch. Dalshangan  
Pomme de Terre ----- D. Silberman ----- M. Hogan
3. Staindrop Patricia ----- J. Simpson ----- J. Simpson
4. Altskeith Lilly ----- J. Hoenes ----- J. Hoenes

## Illinois F. T. Club

1. F. T. Ch. Cloverdale  
Zipper ----- C. B. Dushane ----- C. Wallace
2. F. T. Ch. Dalshangan  
Pomme de Terre ----- D. Silberman ----- M. Hogan
3. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
4. Bryngarw Fireside ----- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace

## Central States Club

1. Altskeith Lilly ----- J. E. Hoenes ----- J. Hoenes
2. Breckonhill Brigadier --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
3. Noranby Pelican ----- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
4. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace

## Hot Springs, Va.

1. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
2. F. T. Ch. Finglen  
Johnnie ----- F. Horn ----- A. Eakin
3. Strawberry Hill Titian --- F. Horn ----- A. Eakin
4. ? ----- ? ----- ?

## Albany, N. Y.

1. F. T. Ch. Finglen  
Johnnie ----- F. Horn ----- A. Eakin
2. Gay Flush ----- R. McLean ----- R. McLean
3. Strawberry Hill Titian --- F. Horn ----- A. Eakin
4. Flight of Falcon Hill --- R. McLean ----- R. McLean

## Fisher's Island, N. Y.

1. F. T. Ch. Solo Event --- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
2. Bryngarw Fireside ----- J. Simpson ----- C. Wallace
3. Hollybrook Day ----- H. Caesar ----- H. Caesar
4. Strawberry Hill Titian --- F. Horn ----- A. Eakin

# The Inside Dope . . .

By CHUCK GOODALL

Gordon MacQuarrie has a couple of swell stories in Field and Stream. Ferd. Bunte has a litter of Chesapeakees. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bishop of Portland, Oregon, missed the birthday of their young hopeful to have a dog down in our Club trial. Don't forget the 1941 Wisconsin futurity. When Judge Bill Marcusson called for water at the Cocker Trial and used it not for the dogs but to remove a blood stain on that new Pendleton Shirt (Bob Bishop please note the plug) the gallery tittered. Glen Dundore and Ernie Wunderlich got a moose and a bear in Canada. Dave "Muskrat" Elliott left a dog (not the famous (?) Derby Dog) in a local kennel when he started home. Hoot Mon, can't you count? The Night Riders (nominating committee to you) are working on their recommendations for the December meeting. Roy Gonia, West Coast Pro. handled 8 of the 18 entries in the Oregon Trial. We never knew that dancing in kilts was an attribute of a certain well known retriever man until after the Mid-West Club trial. Chicago-Land Bird Dog Club had a gallery of five thousand at their October trial. John Kale has some swell movies of his twelve trained spaniels. Jim Simpson was injured while hunting last week. Were the Gods frowning on a good spaniel man for riding to hounds? Ben Boalt is a top auctioneer. Ed. Dayton from Erie, Penn., is a real fan. Paul Di Adario had some nice dogs at Central States. Henry Hammond introduced Don Fordyce to local Spaniel enthusiasts. Dr. A. C. Merrick has isolated the spores of certani grasses which cause a vicious skin eruption. Connie Olmstead flew to Madison and Hot Springs in his new plane. A. J. Mares and N. O. Smith both placed in stakes at their first trial. Bob Becker has donated two trophies for the spring trial. Striver's mother is doing alright for herself. The "Gallery Judges" are not helping the trials. Post trial discussions emphasize the need of standardization in the interpretation of the F. T. standards at least locally. Beware of Biff. Roy Wallace and Commodore will be trying to finish that championship at Ohio and Michigan. Arthur Lewis and Henry Ferguson know their spaniels. We need more "good guys" like Mr. and Mrs. Armin Schlesinger.