



After completion of the WD/WDX competition, all attention shifted to the awards and ribbons handed out to the owners and their dogs that achieved the certification testing. Then everyone quickly were drawn by the smells of cooking the Tex-Mex tasty lunch of fajitas with all the fixin's and your many covered dishes, salads and great desserts. After lunch, all were happy with appetites that were satisfied. We were then led by Rose Leale in demonstrations and discussions of conformation;



We would like to give a special thank you to Greg Copeland of Texas Trace and Doug Growden of Rio Brazos Hunting Preserve for hosting the WD/WDX competition event and the lunch. After completion of the WD/WDX, lunch, auction, pickup and cleanup, members, dogs and their attentions all shifted to the La Quinta for the BSCBAA Annual Meeting.

BSCBAA'S ANNUAL MEETING & EVENTS

BY BUTCH NORCKAUER & GREG COPELAND

The Boykin Spaniel weekend of events held in conjunction with the BSCBAA's annual meeting in Simonton, Texas were an exciting, intense, fun and successful series of events. Held at Rio Brazos, a world class hunting preserve and sporting clays venue, the weekend was marked by meticulous planning, execution and élan, not to mention good food, great Texas hospitality, and an outstanding world class facility and grounds.

Butch & Sheila Norckauer led us in rally and obedience. Not long after completion of the demos, we held a silent auction and raffle. A few one-of-a-kind items were offered including hand-made jewelry, a



BSCBAA embroidered linen silk lined bag, professional oil painting, two-pencil sketches, and 6-of-a-kind Briley caps. Due to the overwhelming generosity of donations and everyone attending who bid, close to \$1500 was raised through the silent auction.

We had beautiful hot air balloons that were in the sky early that morning and then during lunch we had a flyover of WWII vintage aircraft honoring our war heroes. We had the pleasure of sharing all the festiv-



A diverse group of 42 members and supporters gathered to kick-off the weekend with the WD/WDX certification test early Saturday morning, May 19. It was an absolutely gorgeous day with the tents setup under shade trees and near the small pond at the water's edge. The people and the boykins were comfortable with the accommodations. It could have become a bit warm for the 22 dogs entered had we not finished all entries on both land and water prior to noon.



ities that were intended for the 400 person sporting clays tournament benefiting Wounded Warriors. It was a delightful and unexpected treat for all.

Before members could catch their breath, the sun arose, beckoning everyone to the BSCBAA's First AKC Sanctioned Match held the morning of May 20th, 2012 under the pavilion at Rio Brazos Hunting Preserve,



BSCBAA'S ANNUAL MEETING CONT'D

Simonton, TX. This was a B/OB Match and featured Conformation, Rally and Obedience. Entries were limited to the dogs of members. And, in keeping with the AKC's rules and regulations covering matches and the current achievement level of the potential Boykin Spaniel entrants was limited in the classes offered; Champion dogs were not allowed and only Novice Rally and Obedience classes were offered. There were 16 dogs entered, amounting to 20 entries. This exceeded much more than the handful required by AKC.

Match Chairman was Rose Leale, and Match Secretary and Chief Ring Steward was Sheila Norckauer. As this First AKC Sanctioned Match was a special event, ribbons and rosettes were printed with the date and place information about the event.



To make the ring time flow smoothly, and minimize distractions due to ring fouling the order of events was Rally, Obedience and Conformation.

Butch Norckauer judged Rally and Obedience. There were six rally entries and four showed:

All showing were in Novice A. All qualified with the following placements:



1st Place - Texas Trace Yellow Rose owned and shown by Michle Machala (83+)

2nd Place - Carolina's Cara owned and shown by Harold Stanlick (83)

3rd Place - Texas Trace Magnolia owned by Greg Copeland and shown by Jeff Englemann (82)

4th Place - Texas Trace Sunny Side owned and shown by Ginger Hurley (75)

There were two Obedience entries and only one showed. The team gave it a good, respectable try, but did not qualify.

AKC Judge Marilyn Pipes of Stephenville, TX judged conformation. Dogs entered seven of the ten conformation classes that were offered. Dogs showed in five of them. The winners were:

Dogs

3-6 Month Old Puppy - 1st Texas Trace Hunter owned by Greg & Michelle Copeland

9-12 Month Old Puppy - 1st Hollow Creek's Texas Trace owned by Ginger Hurley & Pat Watts

Bitches

3-6 Month Old Puppy - 1st Texas Trace Vega owned by Greg & Michelle Copeland; 2nd Texas Trace Anna owned by Greg & Michelle Copeland; 3rd Texas Trace Uvalde owned by Greg & Michelle Copeland



6-9 Month Old Puppy - 1st Texas Trace Yellow Rose owned by Michle Machala; 2nd Texas Trace Destino's Cazadora owned by Ginger Hurley



Open (18 Months Old and up) - 1st place Texas Trace Sadie II owned by Ginger Hurley & Roslin Copeland; 2nd Texas Trace Spirit of Dixieland owned by Bill Howard & Greg Copeland



Best of Match - Texas Trace Yellow Rose owned by Michle Machala and shown by Michle Machala

Best of Opposite Sex in Match - Hollow Creek's Texas Trace owned by Ginger Hurley & Pat Watts, shown by Ginger Hurley

Best Puppy in Match - Texas Trace Yellow Rose owned by Michle Machala and shown by Michle Machala

Michle Machala made the day with the comment that she had never gotten a rosette before and today they had won two (Best of Match and Best Puppy in Match).

A B/OB Match is an event at which dog clubs, judges, stewards, and exhibitors and their dogs gain experience needed for licensed events. With that in mind this was a major success for all involved. With just a final submission left to go to AKC, in just under two hours the weeks and months of planning and work were behind us.

Amongst the attendees were members who flew or drove from five states to demonstrate their solidarity with the BSCBAA. Farthest away traveled, excluding one from out of country, was Harold Stanlick who drove from Wisconsin.

Many thanks to all our sponsors, participants and those who contributed time, energy, auction items, food, and their pocket book. Also, congratulations to all the winners throughout the entire weekend. It was a very successful weekend of events for the BSCBAA.



MORE PICTURES FROM THE BSCBAA ANNUAL MEETING WEEK-END OF EVENTS IN MAY, 2012 IN TEXAS

