

YGRC SUMMER MATCH – AUGUST 14, 2011



YANKEE's summer match show took us back in history in two different ways. River Road Farm, the home of the late Pagey Elliott, is now the home of her daughter, Betty Platais, her husband Maris, and several Connemara ponies. It has been many years since the club held a match at River Road Farm, and we were given a warm welcome. It was at River Road that the founding members of **YGRC** began what would become our club, so the return to our roots — and an outdoor match — was a true homecoming. Although Pagey was not there physically, her presence was nearly tangible, and tribute was paid to Pagey in the form of a photo and a glass of her favorite sherry, served on the tray she always used. Pagey's other daughter, Ruth Holmes, welcomed us warmly and generously served tastings from the last jar of Pagey's homemade marmalade!

We also were transported back in time to the origins of the Golden Retriever breed, with a Scottish Heritage Tea, complete with scones, lemon curd, and jam. On white table linens, framed by two large photographs of Guisachan, the tea was delightfully delicious. It was Pagey herself, with her friend Kathy Liebler, who searched out and located the ruins of the house where our breed began. The celebration of our Golden Retrievers Scottish heritage on the beautiful grounds of River Road Farm was very significant and inspirational.

Thanks to Christa Bellows, match chair; Bench Committee members Gregg & Maggie von Sternberg, Dianne Tyree, Lisa Dunn, Diane & Denise Kohler, Donna Cutler, Donna Morgan, Carol Manthorne, and Laura Belocchi for sharing the load with work and supplies; and also to **YANKEE** members Joy Viola, Robin Hopes, Pat Scribner, Joan Puglia, and Janet Henderson, and applicant Becky Stotts for their assistance and goodies.

Thanks to Ruth for asking Pagey's intervention in holding off the rain until the match was over, and for her guided walk of the land earmarked for the Rachel Page & Mark Elliott River Preserve, as well as a tour of Maris's art studio. Thanks to Pagey's family for their continued generosity in allowing us to take advantage of their beautiful farm.

— Jan Bramhall



YANKEE SUMMER MATCH RESULTS

Sweepstakes Results

Judge: Penny Cary. 2 dogs, 10 bitches entered

6-9 Month Dogs

1. BEAU GESTE DAVINCI DIDGERIDOO (Christine Marchesseault)
2. STARHILL AFTER MIDNIGHT (Margaret & Gregg von Sternberg)

3-6 Month Bitches

1. NAUTILUS WE WILL O FUR EVER (Janet Henderson)
2. STARHILL GO YOUR OWN WAY (Margaret & Gregg von Sternberg)
3. DAYBREAK WEDGWOOD LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU (Joan Puglia & Susan Foster)
4. SUNKISSED EMERALD DREAM CATCHER (Donna Proudfoot)

6-9 Month Bitches

1. LAZYDAZE SAPPHIRE FASHIONISTA (Debbie Chandler & Kathy-Doyle Windslow)
2. LIBRA'S CDP GOLDN POOH BAR (Cathy Pappas)
3. BEAU GESTE BELIEVE IN MIRACLES (Christine Marchesseault)

9-12 Month Bitches

1. SUNNYBREAU'S SUN DANCER (Marla Fields)

Best in Sweepstakes

NAUTILUS WE WILL O FUR EVER (Janet Henderson)

Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes

BEAU GESTE DAVINCI DIDGERIDOO (Christine Marchesseault)



Many thanks to the membership for the invitation to judge the **YGRC** Match. As always, the judging was enjoyable. great dogs and handling, especially with so many young dogs. **YANKEE** is so lucky to have such a spot for its match. My wife Linda and I were impressed. The club members, and especially Rachel Page Elliott's daughter, could not have been more accommodating and hospitable. Again, many thanks for the invitation to judge your match.

Regards,
Kevin Flynn



BOS in Sweeps

Best in Sweeps
Best in Match

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Regular Class Results

Judge: Kevin Flynn. 5 dogs, 12 bitches entered

3-6 Month Dogs

1. GREATBROOK SPACE-TIME CONTINUUM (Karen Frink & James Downer)

6-9 Month Dogs

1. STARHILL AFTER MIDNIGHT (Margaret & Gregg von Sternberg)
2. BEAU GESTE DAVINCI DIDGERIDOO (Christine Marchesseault)

12-15 Month Dogs

1. BACKGAMMONS BOYS OF SUMMER (Janet Henderson)

Open Dogs

1. BEAU GESTE JOYFUL AND TRIUMPHANT (Jan Bramhall & Nancy Kschinka)

3-6 Month Bitches

1. NAUTILUS WE WILL O FUR EVER (Janet Henderson)
2. SUNKISSED EMERALD DREAM CATCHER (Donna Proudfoot)
3. DAYBREAK WEDGWOOD LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU (Joan Puglia & Susan Foster)
4. STARHILL GO YOUR OWN WAY (Margaret & Gregg von Sternberg)

6-9 Month Bitches

1. LIBRA'S CDP GOLDN POOH BAR (Cathy Pappas)
2. LAZYDAZE SAPPHIRE FASHIONISTA (Debbie Chandler & Kathy-Doyle Windslow)
3. BEAU GESTE BELIEVE IN MIRACLES (Christine Marchesseault)

9-12 Month Bitches

1. SUNNYBRAE'S SUN DANCER (Marla Fields)

12-15 Month Bitches

1. SUNKISSED CATCH A GLIMPSE OF THE FULL MOON (Donna Proudfoot)

Open Bitches

1. HUNTING LANE TWELVE BOUGHS OF HOLLY (Lisa Dunn)

Best in Match

NAUTILUS WE WILL O FUR EVER (Janet Henderson)

Best of Opposite in Match

BACKGAMMON'S BOYS OF SUMMER (Janet Henderson)



BOS in Match

Thanks to Gregg von Sternberg for the results and photos

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Dear **YANKEE** friends,

I want to take this opportunity to reflect on **YANKEE**'s recent match and convey what a wonderful day it was. It was truly magical.

For those of you who didn't attend: the match was held on the estate of the late Rachel Page Elliott in Carlisle MA. It was graciously hosted by Pagey's daughter, Ruth Holmes. We were treated to an old-fashioned Scottish Heritage Celebration Tea, complete with scones. There was also a table set up honoring Pagey with a bottle and glass of Savory & James cream sherry — her favorite. Two large photographs of our breed's birthplace, *Guisachan*, brought us back in time. The lovely vistas were very much like days gone by.

Ruth gave tours of the property, down to the riverside where a land conservancy is planned in honor of Mark & Rachel Page Elliott.

This was very much a relaxing day of friendly competition, just like old times. It was good to visit with old friends and new. Kudos to Christa Bellows, match chair, and the Bench Committee — thanks for a wonderful day. Hope we can do it again next year. Best Golden wishes,

— Janet Henderson



Thanks to Robin Hopes for the photos