The first year of the Canadian Amateur All-Age

Dr André Trudel

The first Canadian Amateur All-Age was held in Nova Scotia on April 26, 2009. The winner was FTCh Sunrise Sassy Sue of Yorkton. The next amateur trials were held from east to west across the country. At the May 17 South Western Ontario trial, Bill Cosgrove became the first American to win an amateur. The first multi day Amateur All-Age trial was hosted by Eastern Slopes on June 19, 20, 21. Two of the three trials were won by FTCh Border Danny Boy of Coleraine which made him a Canadian amateur field trial champion! He is the first dog to receive the AFTCh title in Canada. Also, of note at these trials is that Courtman's Tochi and Courtman's Rj's Kate both placed. They went on to become Canada's first and third National Amateur Champions.

PRINCE EDWARD INTERPROVINCIAL SPRINGER SPANIEL CLUB
Held at Middle Musquodoboit, Nova Scotia on April 26, 2009.
JUDGES

- Ralph Botti, Blairstown NJ USA
- James G Boone, Tipton PA USA

Amateur All-Age (14 Starters)

1. FTCh Sunrise Sassy Sue of Yorkton, Andre & Cindy Trudel
2. Greshar Belle of Lisnafiffy, Robert & Diana Mccammon
3. FTCh Longbrier Sage, Bruce Outhouse
4. Flushingwing Tazzmanian Devil, Frank Wiseman

SOUTH WESTERN ONTARIO SPANIEL CLUB
Held at Cayuga, Ontario on May 17, 2009.
JUDGES

- Mike A Noland, Oshawa ON
- Casey L Butz, Stony Plain AB

Amateur All-Age (17 Starters)

1. Ivanhoe's Red Lion, Bill Cosgrove
2. Springville Isabelle, Jon Vaningen
3. Woodrow Willis Tumbleweed, Jamie Struewing
4. Flushingwing Tazzmanian Devil, Frank Wiseman

DEVILS CREEK FLUSHING DOG CLUB
Held at Teulon, Manitoba on June 13, 2009.
JUDGES

- Ricky Thibault, Kronau SK
- Mike Wallace, Baker WV USA

Amateur All-Age (19 Starters)

1. FTCh Curragh Storm, Alex Stewart
2. Rough Shoot'n Winchester, Frank R Sjoberg
3. FTCh Bushbuster's Ella, Dominic Pirri
4. FTCh Skaar's Sapphire Shaaka, Thomas F. Bratrud

EASTERN SLOPES SPANIEL ASSOCIATION
Held at Carstairs, Alberta on June 19, 2009.
JUDGES

- Klaus E Kyritz, St Albert AB
- Greg Royer, Cremona AB

Amateur All-Age (18 Starters)

1. FTCh Fleetwoods Cadillac Jack, Gary Hanvey
2. Bushbuster's Little Treasure, Stan Pappas
3. Lamlach Blackgold Deuce, Larry Garner
4. Sunrise Callista of Ogallaher, Boyd & Brenda McIntyre

EASTERN SLOPES SPANIEL ASSOCIATION
Held at Carstairs, Alberta on June 20, 2009.
JUDGES
- Heinz W. Pyszczyk, Leduc AB
- Klaus E Kyritz, St Albert AB

Amateur All-Age (20 Starters)
1. FTCh Border Danny Boy of Coleraine, Gary Shantz
2. Courtman's Tochi, Marlene O'connell
3. Courtman's Rj's Kate, Ray Nault & Dorraine Wilcott Nault
4. FTCh Bushbuster's Ella, Dominic Pirri

EASTERN SLOPES SPANIEL ASSOCIATION
Held at Carstairs, Alberta on June 21, 2009.
JUDGES
- Ed C. Anderson, Strathmore AB
- Ian Forrester, Calgary AB

Amateur All-Age (21 Starters)
1. FTCh Border Danny Boy of Coleraine, Gary Shantz
2. FTCh Fleetwoods Cadillac Jack, Gary Hanvey
3. Bushbuster's Hunter's Mandolin, Christopher Hunter
4. Courtman's Rj's Kate, Ray Nault & Dorraine Wilcott Naul

CALGARY ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL CLUB
Held at Milo, Alberta on September 18, 2009.
JUDGES
- Jim G. Willis, Vermilion AB
- Nigel F Murray, Waldheim SK

Amateur All-Age (21 Starters)
1. FTCh Skaar's Cameo Corsair, Thomas F. Bratrud
2. Courtmans Miz Karrisa, Alex Stewart
3. Spurvalley's Bushbuster, Greg Royer
4. FTCh Prairiewings Fleet Woods Misty, Leslie Ferguson

EASTERN SLOPES SPANIEL ASSOCIATION
Held at High River, Alberta on November 07, 2009.
JUDGES
- Steve Harper, Calgary AB
- Nigel F Murray, Waldheim SK

Amateur All-Age (15 Starters)
1. FTCh Bushbuster's Isabella, Stan Pappas
2. Courtman's Rj's Kate, Ray Nault & Dorraine Wilcott Nault
3. FTCh Bushbuster's Little Treasure, James Rhyno
4. Bush Buster's Meadow, Dominic Pirri

The 2010 amateur trial season ended with the first Canadian Amateur National hosted by the Eastern Slopes club on October 2, 3, 4. The winner was Courtman's Tochi.

EASTERN SLOPES SPANIEL ASSOCIATION
Held at Olds, Alberta on October 02-03-04, 2010.
Judges: Klaus Kiritz & Timothy DeGroff
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AMATEUR (17 Starters)
1. Courtman's Tochi, Marlene O'connell
2. FTCh Bushbuster's Little Treasure, James Rhyno
3. FTCh AFTCh Border Danny Boy of Coleraine, Gary Shantz
4. FTCh Rytex Redundant, Vicky L Thomas

Amateur trials and nationals have been strongly supported since 2009. Hopefully they will for many more years to come!