Birddog Hall Of Fame

On Friday, September 13, three dozen or so Brittany afficionados joined Lab lovers at Grand Junction, TN to celebrate the induction of the class of 2002 into the Hall of Fame. Foundation President, Dr. John Webb, welcomed all and led the Pledge of Allegience. He then introduced David Smith, the new Director of Development for the Bird Dog Foundation, Dave Fletcher (who spoke of the Plaque Program) and Bob West of Nestle-Purina. Each made a short speech of welcome. Following introductions of guests he turned the dais over to Bill Cartmell for the Brittany portion of the ceremonies.



Holman owners Jim Chase, & Lloyd Conable, Janice Holman and David Smith with Jim's scroll

Bill read the Jim Holman presentation and presented his scroll to Jim's widow, Janice. Former Holman owners Lloyd Conable and Don Young gave brief remarks attesting to Jim's great character and love of the dogs. Then Don and his son, Ross, unveiled the painting honoring Jim.



Lloyd Conable speaking of Jim

Don Young

Presenting Marcelle Bell was long time friend, Ella Conable, who accepted her scroll and gave a touching eulogy to a super woman. Marcelle had donated the framed original of the three Belloaks Dual Champions (Belloaks Ibby, Belloaks King and Belloaks Highflyer) that competed at the same time in the 60's. It was a feat that has not been duplicated.



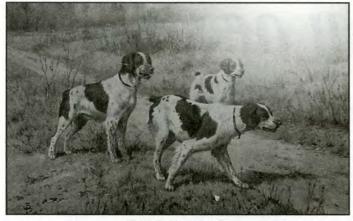
Ross Young



David Smith with Jim's scroll and Ross Young unveil Ross' painting of Jim



Bill Cartmell & Ella Conable with Marcelle's scroll



The Belloaks trio



Bill Cartmell & Bernie Crain with Sparky's scroll

Bill Cartmell presented NAC/FC Jim De Bob's Sparks A Dan D's scroll to Bernie Crain, who made a brief acceptance speech.



Bill Cartmell listens to Bernie Crain's acceptance talk.

Dr. Tim Stewart made the presentation to James & Betty Doherty for NFC/AFC Hi Proof Rum Runner. His trainer and handler, Dave Walker, was in attendance and told of "Ace's" development.

Followig these presentations we took a short break, then the Lab contingent took over. Among their inductees was Marshall Simmonds, owner of the 2002 Brittany National Open Gun Dog Champion which he noted in his acceptance talk. At the conclusion of their program Purinas hosted cocktails in the atrium and a buffet.

The 2003 induction ceremonies are slated for February 14, so if you have a worthy nominee for the Brittanys, please contact Bill Cartmell.



James & Betty Doherty with Ace's scroll; Dr. Tim Stewart, Dave Walker & Bill Cartmell



One of the Brittany Panels

