

Day two of the 2017 AKC Walking Gun Dog Championship began under mostly cloudy skies. The temperature was 60 degrees and remained there until late in the morning when the skies cleared. With the clear skies the temperature did warm to near 70 degrees. This day was a perfect example of how the atmospheric conditions can change during the day and affect a dog's ability to find birds. The cool morning also had higher humidity, but with the skies clearing and the breeze picking up, the humidity fell considerably. A morning that was marked by multiple dogs having numerous finds turned into an afternoon filled with non-productive and very few finds.

FC/AFC The Perfect Girl Karla MHA "Karla" (GSP F O&H-Janice Price DVM) and FC Dunfur's All In "Chip" (GSP M O-Calvin & Irene Palmer H-Dan Hoke) Karla had a pretty find at 24 which was followed by an unproductive at 26. Her second find came at 35. A divided find occurred at 43, right before our eyes, both dogs simultaneously slammed into point and were impeccably mannered through flush and shot. Karla scored her fourth find at 46. Chip showed that he was a terrific bird dog with eight classy finds which happened at 7, 14, 18, 21, 30, 34, 39 and the divided find at 43. Chip had an unproductive at the end of the hour. These were exciting dogs to watch.



FC/AFC Liverhead's Jumpin Jackie "Jackie" (GSP F O-Peter Wilkin H-Jon Hann) and FC/AFC Trinity's Million Dollar Baby "Baby" (ES F O-Wayne & Trish James H-Wayne James) Jackie scored a nice find at 10 with Baby honoring perfectly. Jackie had second find later in hour with all in order. She ran a nice forward pattern. Baby pointed at 23 but no birds were found., she pointed again at 32 and scored a nice find. She also had good finds at 38, 43, 47 and 54.



FC MWM Miss Elizabeth Bennett “Lizzy” (GSP F O&H-Kevin McCreight) and FC/AFC Crimson’s Double Twenty Gauge “Gauge” (VIZ M O-Mark & Pam Spurgeon H-Mark Spurgeon) Gauge pointed nicely at 5 with Lizzy backing with class. His next three finds were staunch and mannerly at 15, 18 and 21 with Lizzy backing. At 25 Lizzy scored a nice find near the pines. She pointed game again at 27 and at 35. Gauge had a fifth find at 40. Lizzy carded another stylish find at 48. She suffered a barren stand at 55. At 57, Lizzy stopped to flush but released herself following the shot to end her bid. Gauge was well forward and the gallery split. Gauge scored an additional two finds in the late part of the hour for a total of seven.



GFC/FC/AFC Loknlode Black Bitty “Bitty” (Pointer F O&H-John Houghton) and Winston’s Revival “Winston” (Pointer M O&H Mark Johnson) This pair of pointers started the action early with Bitty pointing at 9 minutes, Winston backing nicely. Bitty added another find at 11 buried in the cover on the right side of course. She was seen little after that and the tracker was called for at 38 minutes. Winston had a pair of nice finds one at 25 minutes and a second at 50 minutes. Both finds were well mannered and stylish. He suffered a non-productive at 55 minutes.



Double M's White On Rice "Odie" (GSP M O-Meredith Mays H-Clifford Mesnard) and Diamond C's Recon "Recon" (VIZ M O-Chris & Sabrina Corliss H-Chris Corliss) Odie had a stylish find at 30 minutes but was up soon after. Recon hunted the country well. He had a non-productive at 21 minutes, two good finds, one at 32 minutes and a second at 58 minutes. He did record a second non-productive as time expired in the same location that Winston had his late NP.



FC Dunfur's Dirt Circus "Hands" (GSP M O-Mike & Sue Kinney H-Dan Hoke) and FC Odyssey's Perfect Traveler "Charlie" (GSP M O-Chuck Parietti H-Jon Hann) The weather had become hot and dry with a swirling wind by the time this brace was released. Hands was running an attractive race but suffered non-productives at 9 and 13 minutes and was picked up. Charlie ran a wide race but also suffered two non-productives, one at 28 minutes and one at 45 minutes.

