

# THE THIRD EYE

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# CH HareHills More Than A Woman At Rising Sun

2014 WB/BOW at Ibizan  
Hound Club of the US National  
Specialty

Judge Katie Campbell

5 Point Major

*Aaliyah*



Finished her Championship  
with a 5 Point Major at Ibizan  
Hound Club of the US  
Supported Entry. Going WB/  
BOB over ranked Specials

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# From the President

Season Greetings members,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank IHCUS 2014 Show Chair, Mandy Kleiman, and Performance Chair, Chris Allen. These two put in hours of endless work preparing for the Specialty in addition to the dawn to evening time actually spent on site at Purina farms. They and their volunteers start on Monday and don't finish up till Saturday evening...

The hard work is highly rewarding when the result is a smooth running and successful specialty week. Reading this Specialty Issue keep in mind your fellow members who

worked hard to provide the opportunities for your Ibizans to demonstrate their qualities.

As you read this preparations are underway for our 2015 Specialty again being held at Purina Farms. That is why I encourage you, the IHCUS member, to volunteer for the 2015 Specialty being held at Purina Farms. There are big and little jobs. Surely there is something every member attending can do to contribute. Contact your Show Chair, Mandy Kleiman for volunteer opportunities.

Special congratulations to our newsletter Editor Meegan and her husband Adam on the birth of their first child, born in the midst of finishing the Fall issue and beginning of the Winter issue!

I want to take this time to thank all the IHCUS Members and Non-

Members who volunteered their time and energy this year to make our IHCUS Meet The Breed events informative, fun and engaging to the public. IHCUS has participated in more Meet The Breed events over the past few years than ever before. Great job everyone.

Happy New Year to All,

Lisa McKay

IHCS President



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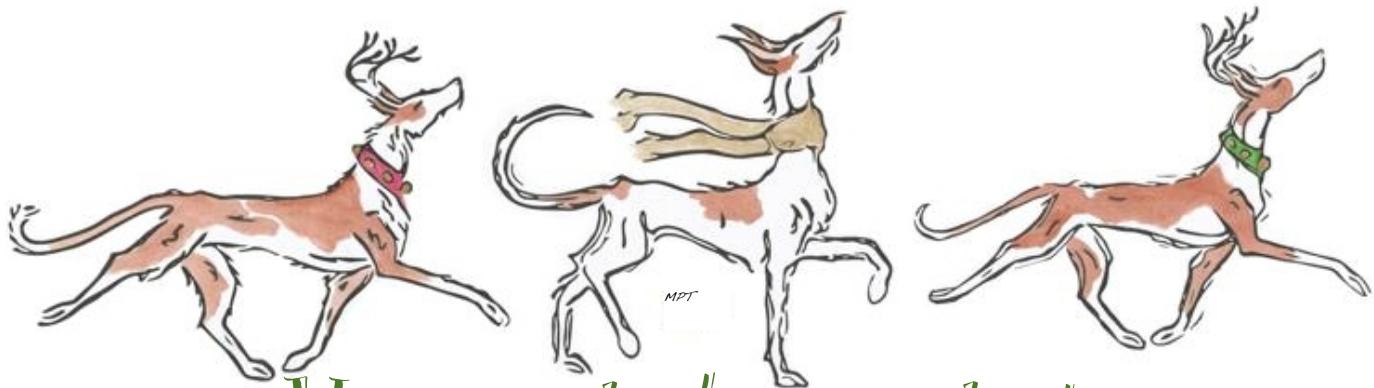
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# From the Editor

Brrr!

Happy winter everyone!

Though you in the north may not agree with the happy part. Welcome to your SPECIALTY ISSUE. I hope you'll enjoy the photos, GREAT write-ups and information. For those of you who attended, thank you for such a great specialty. It was wonderful to see so many happy smiling faces. For those who

couldn't attend, you were missed! As many of you know, I've been rather busy with my own "Singleton" but were still rolling along here and I hope to see many of you at more upcoming shows. The Third Eye would really enjoy more photo submissions-we love our covers! If any of you are interested in getting involved in the club, contact the Secretary to learn how you can help us out! As with any club, it is YOU the membership, that make us ultimately a success!

Your friendly Third Eye Editor,

*M. Pierotti-Tietje*

On The Cover

"Earls Ears" Earl is owned by Erica Shaw



# CH Aiki Notanuffs Twice The Spice

We are proud to announce our newest CHAMPION at Notanuff:

**Deuce!**

Winner's Dog and Best Bred-By Exhibitor at the 2014 IHCCUS National Specialty.

# DOE UCE



Notanuff Ibizans - Christy, Robert & Lauren Shaw  
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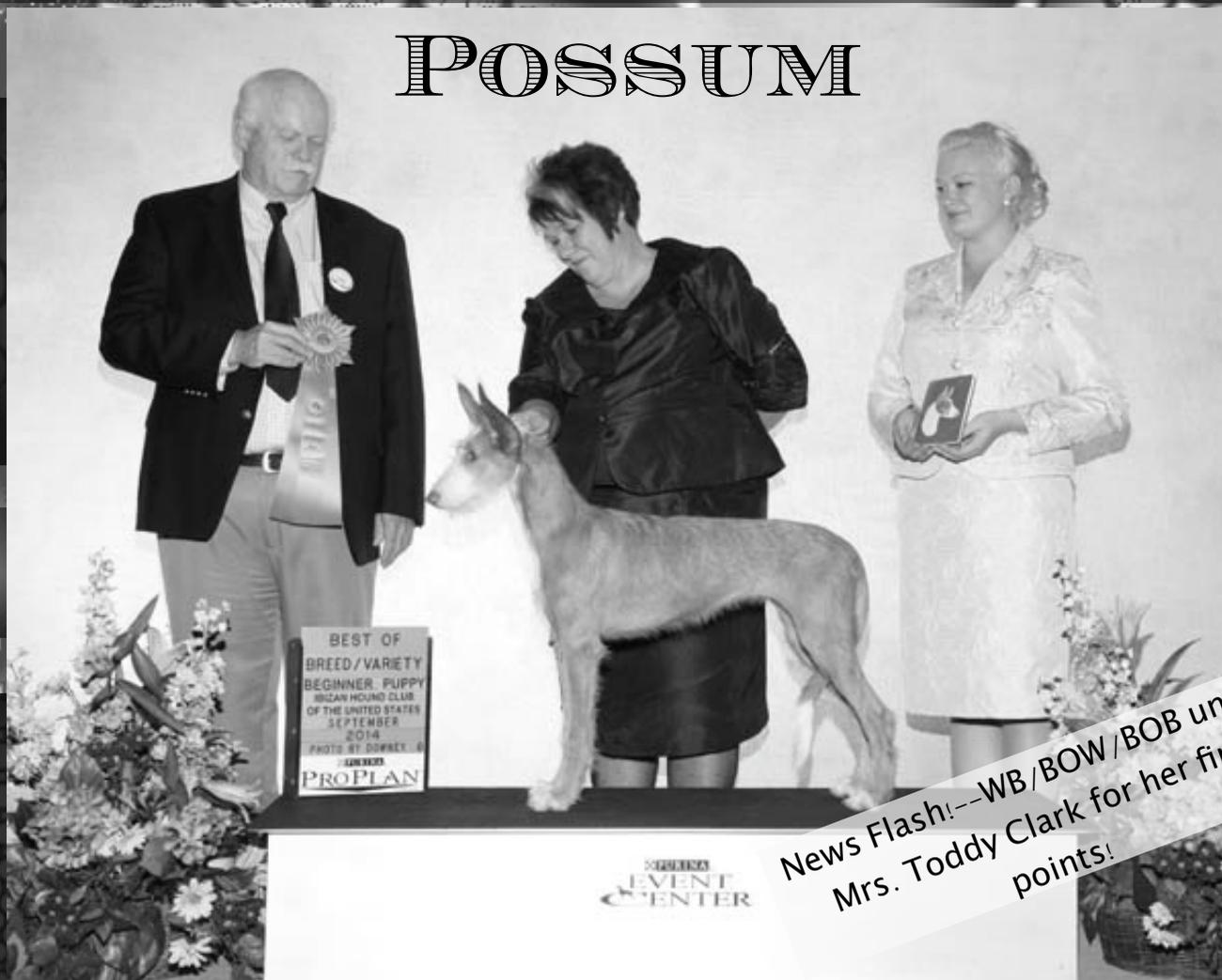
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# INTRODUCING

## DavaL-Wynd's Possum Queen of Nevaeh

### POSSUM



Best of Breed 4-6 month Puppy at the IHCUS National Specialty at 5 months old

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Breeders/Co-owners  
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Lindsay Thorne

## IHCUS National Specialty 2015 Trophy List for Sponsors Conformation & Sweepstakes

### PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES

Best Puppy in Sweepstakes	
Best of Opposite Sex	
Puppy Dog	6 - 9 Mos
Puppy Dog	9 - 12 Mos
Junior Dog	12 - 18 Mos
Puppy Bitch	6 - 9 Mos
Puppy Bitch	9 - 12 Mos
Junior Bitch	12 - 18 Mos

### VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes	
Best of Opposite Sex	
Veteran Dog	7 - 9 Yrs
Veteran Dog	9+ Yrs
Veteran Bitch	7 - 9 Yrs
Veteran Bitch	9+ Yrs

### JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

Best Junior Handler

### NON REGULAR CLASSES

Best Puppy in Show	
Best Bred By Exhibitor	
Best Veteran in Show	
Owner-Handled Best of Breed	
First Place Stud Dog	
First Place Brood Bitch	
First Place Brace	
Best of Breed Puppy	4 - 6 Mos
Best of Opposite Puppy	4 - 6 Mos

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### CONFORMATION

Best of Breed	
Best of Winners	
Best of Opposite Sex	
Select Dog	
Select Bitch	
Award of Merit	
Award of Merit	
Winners Dog	
Winners Bitch	
Reserve Winners Dog	
Reserve Winners Bitch	
Puppy Dog	6 - 9 Mos
Puppy Dog	9 - 12 Mos
12 - 18 Month Dog	12-18 Mos
Bred-By-Exhibitor Dog	
American Bred Dog	
Amateur/Owner Handler Dog	
Open Dog Smooth	
Open Dog Wire	
Puppy Bitch	6 - 9 Mos
Puppy Bitch	9 - 12 Mos
12 - 18 Month Bitch	12-18 Mos
Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitch	
American Bred Bitch	
Amateur/Owner Handler Bitch	
Open Bitch Smooth	
Open Bitch Wire	
Veteran Dog	7-9 Yrs
Veteran Dog	9+ Yrs
Lure Coursing Dog	
Veteran Bitch	7-9 Yrs
Veteran Bitch	9+ Yrs
Lure Coursing Bitch	

## **IHCUS National Specialty 2015 Trophy List for Sponsors - Performance & Coursing**

### **AKC Lure Coursing**

Best of Breed  
High Scoring Open  
High Scoring Special  
High Scoring Breeder Stake  
High Scoring Kennel Stake  
High Scoring Bench CH of Record  
High Scoring Performance Title  
(does not include FC or FCh)  
Open Stake A  
Open Stake B  
Open Stake C  
Open Stake D  
Special Stake A  
Special Stake B  
Special Stake C  
Limited Stake Includes High Scoring  
Veteran Stakes Includes High Scoring

### **Agility**

High Scoring Ibizan In Trial - Day 1  
High Scoring Ibizan In Trial - Day 2  
High Scoring Novice JWW - Day 2  
High Scoring Novice STD - Day 2  
High Scoring Excellent/Master JWW - Day 2  
High Scoring Excellent/Master STD - Day 2  
High Scoring T2B - Day 2  
Novice A Class JWW - Day 2  
Novice B Class JWW - Day 2  
Novice A Class Std - Day 2  
Novice B Class Std - Day 2  
Open Class JWW - Day 2  
Open Class Std - Day 2  
Excellent JWW Class - Day 2  
Excellent STD Class - Day 2  
Master JWW Class - Day 2  
Master STD Class - Day 2

### **ASFA Lure Coursing**

Best of Breed  
High Scoring Open  
High Scoring Field Champion  
High Scoring Breeder Stake  
High Scoring Kennel Stake  
High Scoring Bench CH of Record  
High Scoring Performance Title  
(does not include FC or FCh)  
Open Stake A  
Open Stake B  
Field Champion Stake A  
Field Champion Stake B  
Single Stake Includes High Scoring  
Veteran Stake Includes High Scoring

### **Obedience**

High Scoring Ibizan Trial  
High Scoring Beginner Novice  
High Scoring Novice  
High Scoring Open  
Beginner Novice A  
Beginner Novice B  
Graduate Novice Class  
Novice A Classes  
Novice B Classes  
Open A Classes  
Open B Classes

### **Rally Obedience**

High Scoring Ibizan in Trial  
High Scoring Novice  
High Scoring Advanced  
High Scoring Excellent  
Novice A Classes  
Novice B Classes  
Advanced A Classes  
Advanced B Classes  
Excellent A Classes  
Excellent B Classes

# Variety is the SPICE of life

MBIF DC GCH Alik Notanuff's Spice It Up A Notch, SC

## "Pepper"

AOM At the 2014 IHCUS National Specialty under breeder-judge, Katie Campbell

Best In Field 2014 IHCUS National Specialty

BOB IHCUS National Specialty Weekend

A Multiple Group Placing Ibizan



Pepper's 2014 Stats:  
Top Ten in:  
-AKC Conformation  
-AKC Lure Coursing  
-Owner Handler Series

Owners:  
Christy and Rob Shaw and  
Meegan Pierotti-Tietje

See you at  
Westminster!

# 2014 IHCUS National Specialty

# Sweepstakes

Judge: Jon Curby

Judging any part of a National Specialty is a seldom experienced honor. Although the circumstance of the originally scheduled breed judge becoming ill shortly before the date of the show was very unfortunate, the result of moving judging responsibilities to best solve the problem gave me a chance to evaluate a large group of very typical hounds. Luckily, I was able to attend the previous year National judges education and gained a prospective of emphasis not contained in the standard, but important to breeders.



I will not try to give detail impressions of dogs I saw three months ago. Even with video and photos it would be a challenge, but time constraints judges are faced with in this country makes it problematic. Trying to find a hundred ways to describe the quality and attributes of dogs with at best a few notes and video days

after the event for me is uncomfortable. The European method is reasonable, especially that used in Russia where as dogs are examined the judge dictates a critique to a steward who stays at their side for the duration of judging.

Applying the standard provides a guide to the qualities that defines a breed. When I considered how to approach the assignment I realized that there is no way to recognize all the subtle details that a breeder might notice at a glance. The small specifics are what usually sets a dog apart as a superior individual as opposed to just a good, typical example of the breed. It can take years of living with a breed to see that balance of quality that is so important in maintaining breed type over generations.



At the outset, it was rather a surprise that the younger dogs were so together and performed such that it was easy to get a view that allowed



the best possible chance for a comparison. Although there was considerable difference in age I saw, what to me, is that unique combination in balance and methodical conservation of effort that identifies the Ibizan. Certainly some dogs exhibit the desired mechanics better than others, but in all of them the movement was clearly Ibizan. The excellence of the entry left me weighing the value of numerous assets. It was not easy, but I think it spoke to the quality of the young dogs brought to the National event.



Candid Photos courtesy of Mary Ridenour



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# 2014 IHCUS National Specialty Conformation

Judge: Katie Campbell



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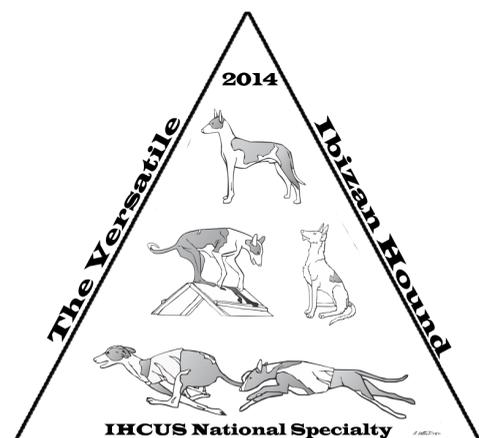
# Judging the 2014 IHCUS National Specialty:

By: Katie Campbell

It was my humble honor to have been elected by the IHCUS general membership to judge the regular classes at the National Specialty at Purina Farms. I have been looking forward to this assignment for well over a year. It was my duty as an IHCUS member to step up at the last minute and judge it THIS year (rather than in 2015 as scheduled). My empathy reaches out to Espen Eng, who was delighted with this assignment to then have contracted an ear condition while judging in Chile the week before and be unable to fly per doctor's orders. As the elected sweepstakes judge for 2014 (already ticketed and on my way to STL), my own Ibizans, all that I bred, including those I co-own with, had appropriately not entered. So under the circumstances, the IHCUS-BOD believed that having me substitute judge the regular classes would be the road of least resistance and refunds (retraction of entries) due to the judge change. Thank you all for being such good sports about it.

Early in the day I asked how much time we had on the schedule, and I was repeatedly told, "We have all day till the banquet." I asked if the show committee would prefer and enjoy that I give MORE than the usual 2-1/2 to 3 minutes per entry or not and the resounding answer was "Yes, please!" As a breeder-owner-handler myself I understand how difficult it can be, particularly with a young and/or in experienced sighthound to shoehorn a critical performance, one as impervious as the National specialty which will be recorded on videotape and shared around the world. It can be

devastatingly intimidating. My goal was to relax all that by offering every exhibit ample time to show me, the gallery, and the videographer their own unique moment/s of brilliance that I could then have the opportunity to appropriately award. If the moment of brilliance is not presented to me, I can't award what I can't see. Assuming that there were some differing opinions of which exhibits were indeed optimal and stellar, I catered much of my ring procedure and multiple opportunities for the benefit of the videographer - ultimately for all of you who would purchase the DVDs. So for those who did not have the opportunity to come to Purina Farms, as well as for those who were there but want to revisit all those entries, this would be a great year to buy the DVDs. I tried very hard to give everyone ample time and opportunity to give-it-your-best-shot and to share that with the global Ibizan community. Whether or not you agree with my placements is inconsequential. What's important is that you learn by seeing such a large entry from a diverse group of pedigrees. Remember, it is YOUR job as the breeder and exhibitor to build and put forth the entries; And it is my job as the judge to evaluate what's put before me.



Here is a bit of commentary about each of my top winners in chronological order:

I had two very talented young women exhibit to me in Junior Showmanship from the Master Class. Although both were well prepared and notably talented, I awarded Best Junior Handler to Lydia Frey with GCH Serandida Abbaio Alla Luna SC CGC.



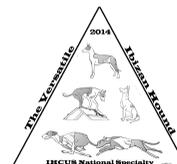
WD & Best BBEX: Alik Notanuff's Twice The Spice is a charming wire dog that was an exceptionally effortless and correct mover. He is scrumptious under the hand and is truly brilliant on the move. This dog has tremendous potential to do great things in the future for our breed.



RWD: Akili Notanuff Goo Goo Ga Joob is an honest young wire dog astutely entered in the 12-18 month class. Still a bit immature, but such we expect from a 12-18 month male. He shows great promise. He was presented to me by the young Brittany Reding, who calmly handled his charge with smooth, quiet hands, "nearly invisible" (that's a great attribute for the handler) yet exhibiting perfect communication with the dog. We are all fortunate to have such talented young people involved in our breed, not only for the day, but for the Ibizan to be a family member as part of their upbringing.



WB & BOW, namely, Hare Hill's More Than A Woman at Rising Sun was owner-handled from the 12-18 month class. Let's just say that the handler was a little nervous, and so I was very pleased to have the time to give this exhibit ample opportunity to shine. This ultimately smooth bitch is positively glorious. She is very feminine and fully embraces true Ibizan type. On the move she employs the proper lift > reach > drive. After the show, my catalog revealed to me that she was a littermate to my Select Bitch. Here's one of the many that I could have just tucked into my suitcase .

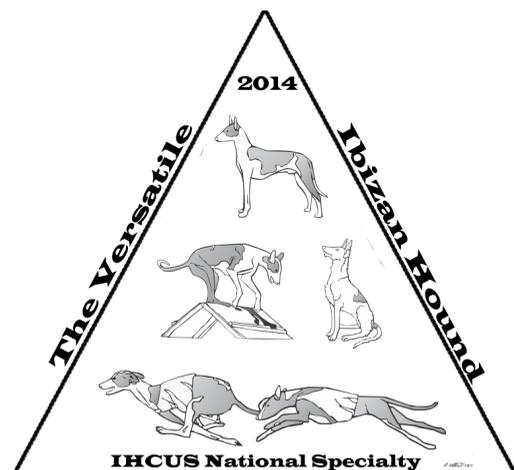




RWB was Alik Notanuff's Dash Of Spice, SC from the Amateur-Owner-Handler class. Later I learned that she is a littermate to WD, She is well balanced, and very capably presented. I was so pleased to see such a lovely bitch entered in this class.

Best Veteran was the undeniable Unigus She's Like The Wind. At nearly 12 years of age, she kept up with all the youngsters stride for stride displaying how well preserved she remains. A social coyote of sorts, this lady oozed in wisdom, a quality that all the young kids had yet to learn. Coupled with her proper easy locomotion, I was confident that this gal could still bring home her quarry. Had another AOM been available, it most certainly would have been hers.

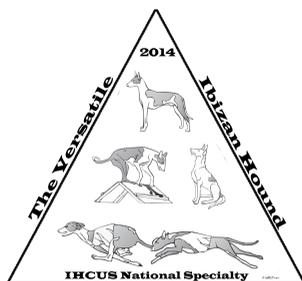
My two AOMs went to two lovely wire bitches, namely DC Alik Notanuff's Spice It Up A Notch (apparently a littermate to WD & RWB) and GCH DC DaVinci's White Witch At Heron and Hound, SC, LCX. Both are moderate in size, perfectly balanced, and at moments displayed charming, impish behavior.



My Select Dog was GCH Arbeca's Opus For Danzante, SC: a solid, mature, 4-1/2 year old smooth dog with a commanding presence while effortlessly light on his feet. I later learned at the IHCUS banquet that this dog is owned by one of the pioneers of our breed in America, Jo Stevens. Her son Denny Nester co-owns the dog with Jo, yet it was Jo's young granddaughter who handled the dog, and she did a fantastic job.



Given another year to mature, my Select Bitch would have made my choice for Best of Breed even more difficult than it already was. CH Harehill's Say No More is a stylish smooth bitch expertly handled by her resident owner, Bradley Phifer and co-owned with breeder Wendy Anderson. My Select Bitch has a lovely outline, a very pretty headpiece, and does not disappoint on the move. If I had a Reserve Best In Specialty Show ribbon to award, this girl would have taken it home. Given another year to mature, this girl will only improve. She is not even close to reaching her potential, and she's already great.



BOS was the dynamic showman, GCH Alheim's Hawaii Five-O, SC seamlessly presented by his owner, Kim Williamson. Don't let all that coat fool you, this generously furnished wired dog is remarkably smooth under the hand as a correctly well-built dog. He has tremendous personality, and is yet a very willing worker. His style is much of what I have always liked and am accustomed to seeing at home in the Wild Wired Northwest.



From the moment that she stepped into my ring, my Best Of Breed was the one to beat: CH Nahala's Signed Sealed Delivered. This bitch exuded athleticism in a typey correct package. Her small, correct oblique eye and true rhomboid ears serves her with a convincingly alert expression. Her outline was entirely correct, especially her neck into shoulders. Her strong musculature was smooth as butter under my hand. She never put a foot down wrong, was ultimately light on her feet, and gave me confidence that she would most certainly bring dinner home if so charged in the field. In a word: Sensational.



What I was looking for was pretty simple: I was looking for the entry that was oozing in breed type with large rhomboid ears upon a truncated cone shaped head. But truth be told, I consider the gait and locomotion to be an integral element of breed type; Proper movement is NOT generic amongst sighthounds, much less all purebred breeds. I, for one, get goosebumps when I see an Ibizan gaiting as if "skimming over ground" with the requisite Lift>Reach>Drive. There should be nothing clumsy or inefficient when an Ibizan gait; Rather it should be extraordinarily smooth. Movement, to me, IS a unique breed type in an Ibizan. It also demonstrates durability. The proper moving Ibizan has an ease of movement that takes less effort, and is less taxing on the joints. All that synced together

implies an exhibit who will be less problematic and more likely to be an effective, happy, pain-free hunter for a long long life. I covet the history of our breed, and stay true to the original purpose and native topography (hunting agile, quick game on fields as well as rocky cliffs).

Though there is no test for a "durable dog," this is the difference between a dog that goes to the vet 2-3 times a year for various ailments versus a dog that goes to the vet annually - or less. I want to point to the dog whom I choose to take hunting with me, that I am confident will bring dinner home. As a judge, I'm going to reward that essence: Pretty is, what pretty does. If an exhibit appeared frail or heavy, it's not my cup of tea.

Dogs need to look like males without checking equipment, and bitches must look feminine. Occasionally I'll award an exception to that but with the depth of quality at a National specialty, I don't need to compromise on that.

So this leads to another observation I had which disturbs me that I will take advantage of this platform to share: Ibizans are becoming "a bitch breed." Perhaps that's been true for a long time, but now the consequences are evident. I've reached out to several breeders on this topic and I keep hearing the same rationales over and over:

"I'm building a bloodline and so bitches are my backbone, not dogs, so I keep the bitches because I have limited space."

"I can't keep both dogs and bitches intact in my home."

"I keep breeding close to home because I can't find any males out there that I really like and/or are willing to go to the extra trouble/expense to breed to."

"Frozen semen and fresh extended aren't very successful/reliable yet in Ibizans."

"My girl puppies are just 'better' than my male puppies."

But the most common reply is:

"I couldn't find a show home for my best male but an ideal pet home came along so I just let him go to be neutered."

I'm not making this up. I find it rather alarming. If we don't keep our best males intact, numerous problems will arise:

1) We won't be using the BEST males for our lovely bitches (b/c too many of the best males are neutered) and thus we are restricting our brood bitches collective potential to produce not only for the benefit of their breeder/owners but also to the breed fancy at large.

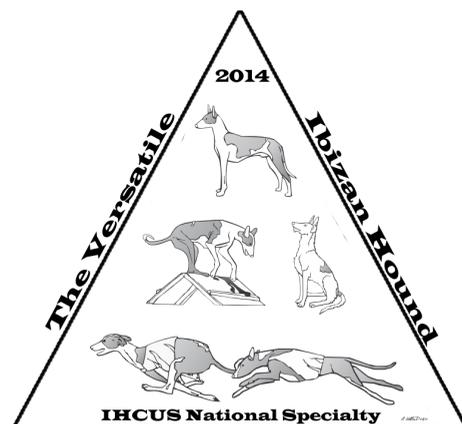
2) A limited supply of males may become dominant due to location, proven quality produce, favorable test results, all thus restricting the domestic gene pool.

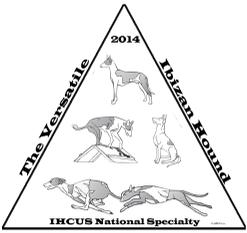
So the take-home here is for each of you breeders out there to hold onto that best male. Try harder not to compromise in disconnecting your best boy from your breeding program. "But how do I find that home" you ask? Pet homes are looking for a great companion, right? Try sharing with them the JOY that boys bring to the household. For me, this is entirely true: Boys are sweeter and more fun than the girls; If that's not true for you, you can truthfully say that many others find this to be true. Remember, your needs and desires as a breeder differ from the average purebred pet owner. Try to put yourself into their shoes and share with them why your best boy really IS special and why he needs to be kept intact. If only a small handful of breeders could achieve this each year, I think that it could really help the breed.

At the banquet, I was asked to "say a few words" at the podium, and at that time I brought up the

following theme that I was then asked to include in this report. My first IHCUS National Specialty was before the internet, before Facebook, and of course long before the pedigree database was available. This was in the years before Bunny, and Ibizans were still off most people's radar. We didn't have big campaigns, and thus few of us were ever published in photos. We all seemed to collectively decide to cut each other out of the photos. <g> So when we came to the National, only a few of us actually could identify each other. Some us being rather shy, did not just go up and introduce ourselves to each other. We didn't cross bloodlines too often. But now things are really different. Our breeders now "know" each other online prior to meeting at IHCUS. The openness of communication has been nothing but fantastic. The spirit of willingness to share information literally brings tears to my eyes. It's a new day in Ibizan Hounds... and a much brighter one.

Again, many thanks to all the exhibitors for bringing me an entry of such deep quality. I also very much appreciated the great sportsmanship exhibited not only towards me, but towards your competitors as well. I absolutely loved the assignment and then having the opportunity to chat with so many of you at the banquet that evening. This is the best that the breed has looked to me in all my years in the breed.



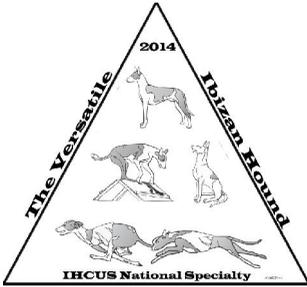




**BOB ASFA: GCH DC Aliki's Yada Yada Yada SC LCX**



**BOB AKC: BIF DC GCH Aliki Notanuff's Spice It Up A Notch SC**



2014 IHCUS National Specialty Agility Competitors

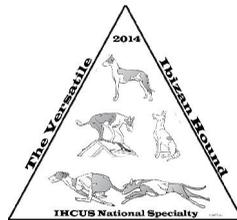
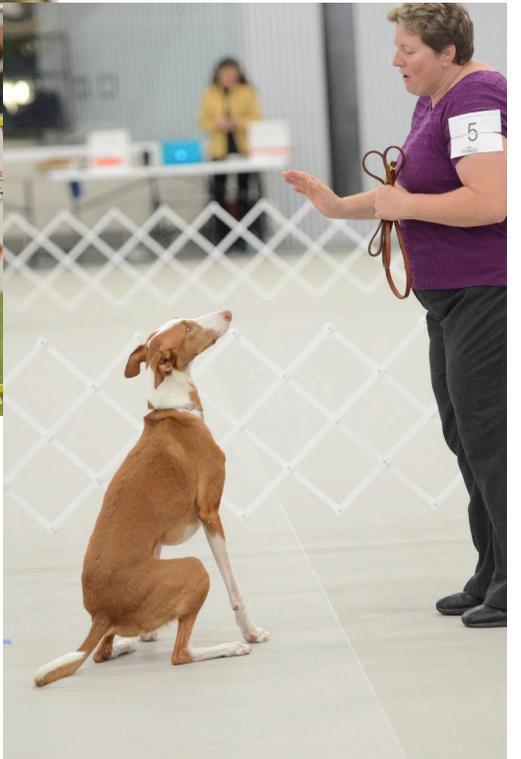


2014 IHCUS National Specialty Obedience Competitors



Penny's Pastime Pics

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# Westminster Judges

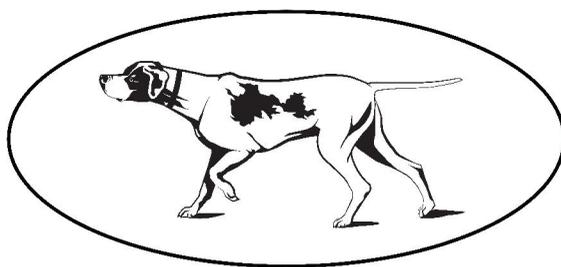
Getting to know this years breed and group judges

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Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show

**MS. JOCELYNE GAGNÉ** of Welland, Ontario, Canada began her love of Irish Wolfhounds in 1978. She has bred over 100 Irish Wolfhound show champions, obedience and rally titles, lure coursing and racing champions in Canada, the USA and Australia under the Starkeeper prefix.

Ms. Gagné has spent over three decades being educated by sighthounds at home, in the ring and on the field.

As a conformation judge Ms. Gagné is approved for five groups and is also a Lure Field Trial judge. She is approved by the Kennel Club (England) to award CC's to Irish Wolfhounds. She has been judging since 1997 and has judged specialties and all breed shows all over the world. This is her first Westminster assignment.



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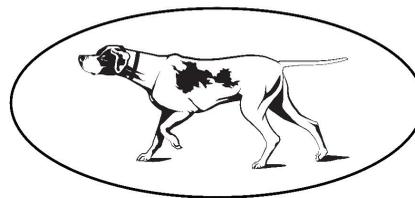
**Mrs. Betty-Anne Stenmark**  
**Woodside, CA**

Betty-Anne Stenmark grew up in British Columbia with an English Cocker and later an American Cocker as pets. As a young woman she bred and showed Saint Bernards and fancied Salukis, but for the last 38 years it's been Dandie Dinmont Terriers, still breeding today under the King's Mtn. prefix.

Mrs. Stenmark is the longtime show chairman of Del Valle Dog Club, and a founding member of Skyline Dog Fanciers, an all breed club that combined with Del Valle to become the Harvest Moon Classic. She is the co-founder of Responsible Dog Breeders of San Mateo County, a group which in 1990 successfully fought the first animal rights' inspired anti-breeding legislation. She is the past President of the Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of America, and a long time member of the AKC Trial Board.

Mrs. Stenmark began judging Saint Bernards at age 32 and is now approved for the Sporting, Hound and Terrier groups, as well as 11 working

breeds and both Corgis. In 2011, she was

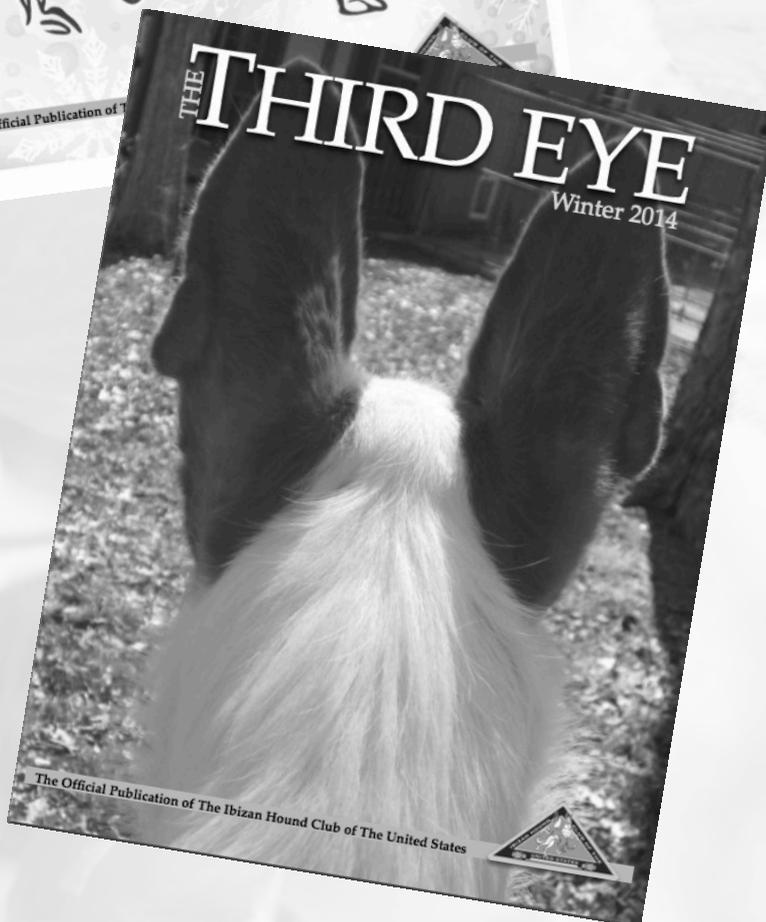


honored with the prestigious dog show world's Winkie Award for Annual Achievement, voted Judge of the Year. This is her ninth assignment at Westminster. She previously judged the Hound Group in 1998 and the Terrier Group in 2008.



# Cover Finalists:

## Winter



The Third Eye is ALWAYS looking for photo submissions for our backgrounds, table of contents and of course our quarterly cover.

Please email submissions to [thirdeye@ihcus.org](mailto:thirdeye@ihcus.org)

Remember, photos should be at least 300dpi or higher.

If you have questions, please contact us!

# Versatility Award Recipients



SY

UCH UAG1 GCHS DC Bramblewood's Synergy of Atair FCh NA  
NAJ RN CGC - VCE



GRANT

MBIF GCH DC Alik's Classic Martini RN CGC MC LCX2  
VFCh/FCh - VCP



KIMBER

CH Davinci Alik Kiss My Ice RN CGC -- VCB

Congratulations to the newest Best In Show winner  
GCH CH Paradise Bette Davis Eyes - Betty  
Owned by Lisa Puskas, Nick Pusta & Wendy Anderson

Members and Fanciers, is your dog eligible for Hall of Fame award, Merit award or Versatility award? Questions or need more information, check out the website at [www.ihcus.org/members/awards](http://www.ihcus.org/members/awards) or email [awards@ihcus.org](mailto:awards@ihcus.org).

Remember in the next TE will include recognition of the top Ibizans in the country

# In Memoriam...

CH Davinci Aliko Ice Pistol RN CGC

April 2001 - May 2014

“Petie”



Loved by  
Matt,  
Lauren,  
Rob &  
Christy  
Shaw

Thank you to Alice & Julia for trusting our family with such a happy boy.



## A Note from Outreach:

Outreach will send a note to support IHCUS members that need support following illness or death of a family member / pet or recognize an achievement.

Carol Dickerson Kauffman  
[outreach@ihcus.org](mailto:outreach@ihcus.org)

## A Word From the 2014 National Specialty Show Chair

Dear IHCUS members and Ibizan Hound lovers,

Thank you for a wonderful 2014 National Specialty! As a rookie Show Chair, I have to say how shocked I was to find out how much planning, organization, and hard work goes into putting the specialty week together. It is truly a year-long ordeal involving many people, countless hours, dollars, meetings, phone calls, emails, sweat and even tears... all juggled between hectic normal life. But come September, it's all SO worth it to gather with friends and fellow fanciers to watch our beloved hounds shine in the show rings and on the field. They are truly amazing, beautiful, versatile dogs!

When so much worth is involved, it takes a lot of volunteers to keep the many facets of the specialty moving in sync. Among those volunteers are my much appreciated 2014 Show Committee Chairs: Chris Allen, Alex Lynch, Di Scarce, Matt Fox, Lisa McKay, Bob & Sue Ellen Wasick, Robin Castillo, Sarah Murphy, Pam Mutchek, Sarah Beaupre, Fred & Janet Rivers, and Dr. Karen Catt. Please help me applaud them all for a job well done! Special thanks to Lisa McKay, Chris Allen, and the rest of the BOD for their mentorship and guidance. We also need to thank everyone who stepped up and volunteered during the week at the various events. We had so much going on, I couldn't have done it without all of you!

It's exciting to see our specialty grow. In 2014 we added Canine Good Citizen tests and Coursing Ability tests, both of which were a success and will be continued in 2015. There are even more events we are hoping to add next year, so stay tuned! As always, we will be needing as much help as possible to make the 2015 specialty a success. Show Committee chairs still needing filled are Hospitality and Parade of Honor, and possibly others as we work out the details. If you are interested in helping out, or have any ideas or suggestions, please email me at [show\\_chair@ihcus.org](mailto:show_chair@ihcus.org).

# Dogs and Thyroid Problems

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For more detailed and updated information on the recipes contained in this article, we recommend Lew Olson's book, *Raw and Natural Nutrition for Dogs*, found on Amazon.com for \$11.53. This book not only contains recipes for raw and home cooked diets, but also diets for specific illnesses, mixing fresh food with kibble and information on dogs and digestion.

Thyroid disease in dogs is becoming a rising concern. The disease can have a variety of symptoms, some of which often mimic other diseases. This can make it difficult to determine a true diagnosis for the disease. Some of the common symptoms include:

**Weight gain**

**Hair loss**

**Dry skin and flakey skin**

**Increased appetite**

**Gastric problems**

**Lameness**

**Mental dullness**

**Irregular heat cycles in females or infertility**

**Dog seeks warmth or heat**

**Mental Dullness**

**Exercise intolerance or dog becomes less active**

**A 'tragic' expression where the dog appears sad or sorrowful**

Other symptoms, which have been more recently stated by Dr. Jean Dodds, are behavioral changes that include shyness, aggression or phobias. And while traditional information states thyroid issues affect dogs ages 4 and older, Dr. Dodds also reports she has seen more hypothyroidism in dogs as young as 18 months of age and she believes hypothyroidism may be becoming an epidemic problem in dogs.

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While a dog may have only a few of the above symptoms, they can often be misdiagnosed as having allergies, IBD, arthritis and/or obesity. Oftentimes, owners can become frustrated when the symptoms persist and their dog's condition worsens.

Thyroid issues are often autoimmune in nature. Thyroid issues can happen slowly and many times the symptoms do not begin until most of the thyroid function is gone. Once the thyroid function starts deteriorating, the dog typically needs medication for life.

The thyroid is a gland that regulates hormones.

Hypothyroidism

causes a reduction of the thyroid hormone.

Hyperthyroidism

releases too much thyroid hormone.

Hyperthyroidism

is very rare in dogs. Most veterinarians can test for thyroid levels. The common test is a simple indication of the T4 levels. Newer tests also test for TSH and TSH stimulation testing. This gives a broader and more accurate testing. Dr. Jean Dodds of Hemopet gives a wider testing and even compares by breed norms. You can find out more about Dr. Jean Dodds, Hemopet and their thyroid testing at this website:

<http://www.hemopet.org/hemolife-diagnostics/veterinary-thyroid-testing.html>

Blood work symptoms of hypothyroidism include increased cholesterol levels along with increased triglycerides, or elevated ALT. Should your dog's symptoms show an increase in any of these, or all of them, it is wise to do a complete thyroid blood work-up on your dog. In fact, if your dog shows stubborn skin and coat problems, unexplained lameness, lethargy, digestion problems, unexplained weight gain or hair loss, testing for thyroid levels should be done. The test may show that it is not

hypothyroidism, but hypothyroidism could then be ruled out.

Why are we seeing a sudden surge of thyroid problems in dogs? I have read numerous theories that include such things as pollution, vaccinations and poor breeding. However, I do not think any of these are a main cause of hypothyroidism. I believe the primary contributor is diet, with the ultimate culprit of poor thyroid function and hormone balance coming from diets that contain carbohydrates.

Commercial dog foods (kibble) are high in starches, grains and fillers. When you load a dog with sugar, which are what carbohydrates consist of (grains, vegetables and fruit); it directly affects the hormone balance in the body. Putting a carnivore on a diet that uses large amounts of carbohydrates affects several important functions of the body in an adverse way. Some of the problems include gum disease and tooth decay, deficiency of amino acids needed to keep the kidneys, liver and heart healthy and obesity which results from the high calories found in grains and starches and by causing the dog to use too much energy trying to digest that much fiber on the dog's short and simple digestive tract. Dogs more easily digest animal proteins and fats. They provide the nutrients they need and require far less energy to digest and assimilate.

Feeding a diet that is raw or home cooked (at least 75% animal-based proteins and fats), provides the amino acids needed, most importantly the needed taurine and l-carnitine. Dogs also need iron and other minerals that are found in animal-based foods. Meat is also rich in trace minerals, including iodine, which is necessary for good thyroid health.

Other supplements that are helpful in enhancing thyroid health include:

#### EPA Fish Oil Capsules

: EPA Fish Oil contains Omega 3 fatty acids, which help support the immune system. Combined with Vitamin E, both these nutrients help regulate hormones.

#### Berte's Green Blend

: This sea vegetation blend contains kelp, spirulina, dulce and Irish moss, all of which provide the needed iodine and trace minerals needed to support canine health.

#### Berte's Immune Blend

: This vitamin blend includes vitamin E, C, D, A and B vitamins and includes probiotics, all of which help support the immune system.

If your dog shows any of the symptoms listed for hypothyroidism, I recommend you get their thyroid levels tested at your veterinarian's office. If your dog's system is low in the thyroid hormone, it can cause so many different health problems, which only get worse if not treated. Feeding your dog a fresh raw or home cooked diet does so much to help keep their hormones regulated and helps maintain a healthy immune system. It also promotes a happier and healthier dog!

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## Member Spotlight: Robin Castillo

Robin Freeman Castillo is the owner of SunRumba Sighthounds and is a long time lover of animals and dogs in particular. She started with Great Danes in her youth before moving on to sporting dogs and eventually Ibizans. She loves the clown-like personality, prick ears, long tail and size of Ibizans and adds that the low grooming is a plus as well. While she doesn't have a preference in coat type (wire/smooth) she does believe that wire coats can be an acquired taste and she feels that there can be some bias in the show ring when the two coats compete against each other.

Castillo believes that Ibizans should be bred for both form and function but, due to her area's limited performance opportunities, she participates mostly in conformation. She has had many proud moments and accomplishments with her hounds. They have participated in lure coursing and obtained CGCs in addition to conformation. It has been an exciting year for Castillo in her chosen venue with Group Winning, MBISS BGCH CH SunRumba's LoveStruck By Life "Bismark". She says that her proudest, most rewarding accomplishments have been taking one of her own from the whelping box to an invitation to Westminster. This is an exciting feat for somebody who has been involved in the breed since 1998. She said that, after 10 years in the breed and meeting so many dogs that were in her first Ibizans' pedigrees, Mary Toliver and Jeff Macek retired from dog showing and breeding and passed the torch to her.

Castillo feels that even with all the best efforts and research put into a breeding it can still be a "crap shoot no matter how hard you try and what you put into it". Despite this, she encourages breeders to keep up the desire and excitement and to expect the unexpected. When looking for potential puppy owners Castillo is careful to screen for people who have done their sighthound research. They should also have a proper setup for the dog and have an idea about coat type, size, gender and personality. She likes

to know what a person wants to do with an Ibizan Hound.

Castillo's vision of her breeding program is to improve, yet stay consistent, with the type of Ibizan that she prefers. She focuses on health, longevity, and meeting the vision of her program. She believes that it is important to focus on all aspects of the breed as specializing too heavily in one area will produce unsound dogs.

Castillo enjoys mentoring people in the breed and getting involved in Ibizans and sighthounds in general. More information about Castillo and Sunrumba Sighthounds of Arizona can be found online at: <http://www.freewebs.com/higleycat/>.



**Editors Note:** Robin has been selected as our 2015 IHCUS National Specialty Sweepstakes Judge

# New Titles

FC Jakona's Natural Selection SC RN NA NAJ CA CGC  
JOR VCS

New Junior Courser "Ava" Exkarxa's Avellana JC, CGC

New Junior Oval Racer and new Versatility Cup Silver

New Champion "Norma" CH Kamars Final Misfit RN  
CGC

New Dual Champion "Deckard" MBIF DC Kamars XXX  
Bladerunner SC

New Junior Courser "Ami" Kamars Final Fury JC

New Master Courser "Poison" DC Kamars Talk Dirty To  
Me MC

New Champion "Dewey" CH Kamars Final Rain

New Champion "Risa" BIF CH Kamars Final Laugh

Best in Field "Risa" BIF CH Kamars Final Laugh

Rally Novice "Norma" Kamars Final Misfit RN CGC

Canine Good Citizen "Norma" Kamars Final Misfit RN  
CGC

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Rally Novice "Fly" GCH DC Kamars Flyin' Solo RN CGC  
RATN SC

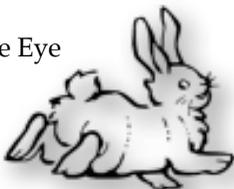
RATN (Barn hunt novice) "Fly" GCH DC Kamars Flyin'  
Solo RN CGC RATN SC

Canine Good Citizen "Fly" GCH DC Kamars Flyin' Solo  
RN CGC RATN SC

CH HareHill's More Than Meets the Eye

CH Abbaio Star Gazer

CH Abbaio Written in the Stars



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

We would like to welcome our newest members:

**Michelle Ridenour, Mary Ridenour,  
Natasha Harhold, Terrienne and John  
Basch, Brenda Murray**

Please remember to update your online profile any time your personal information changes. You can get to it by logging onto the IHCUS Website and clicking on update profile on the far right side of the home page. This helps keep our membership list accurate.

Submitted by

Shelley Kozinski

IHCUS Membership Chair

The membership roster is available online to print, also for those that cannot print it off or do not have email, they may contact the membership chairperson at 322 Tooley Branch Rd; Westmoreland TN 37186 membership@ihcus, or to receive a hard copy by USPS.



# HART HOUNDS

is pleased to announce Fall 2015  
Breeding Plans

Bramblewood's  
Love Spring Winterfell  
"Winter"

GCh DC Timberwind's  
Habanera de Carmencita SC  
"Carmen"

Please direct inquiries to Brianne Butcher  
briannebutcher@outlook.com ~ [www.harhounds.com](http://www.harhounds.com)  
*Note: Breeding pending sire health testing, Dam chic#101032*

# Magnolia

RBIS GoldGCH Serandida Abbaio La Contessa Scalza SC NAJ



Upper Marlboro Kennel Club - 11/23/14 - Judge Mary Ann Alston

## #1 Ibizan Hound of 2014 (CC Breed System - 11/30/14)

Thank you to the judges and our friends who made 2014 such an exciting year for us!  
Magnolia will be bred to Serqet Bonfires of Autumn "Simba" in Spring 2015.

Breeder-Owner-Handled by Sarah Murphy  
Bred and Owned by Diane Arbeit & Richard Zelig  
Co-Bred by Susan St John Brown

  
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