



Bird Dog Foundation

HALL OF FAME

2026



February often finds us in that “in between season”—winter still lingering, but spring starting to peek through in subtle, encouraging ways. Here at the National Bird Dog Museum, we reflect that same feeling — blending the richness of traditions (such as the Hall of Fame) with fresh inspirations (such as the children’s art program and other sporting dog events) during the months ahead.

February brought with it five inches of ice a few days before the events here at the museum, making it very unpredictable as to what would happen next. We had some roof issues caused from the overload of ice that we had to quickly address as soon as things began to thaw. We were out shoveling very thick ice from the walkways on Friday before the event so that people could safely come in the front door without slipping. We were able to get the banquet hall back entrance serviceable before the drawing on Friday night. Thanks so much for all the extra help, volunteers and everyone pitching in to help get these tasks done. I can assure you, it was a very stressful week! But, by the grace of God, we made it through all the obstacles that came our way.

We are excited to shine the spotlight on the Hall of Fame activities in this newsletter. It is one of the most anticipated weekends of the year for our field trial and sporting dog family and friends. The newsletter is a way to help you replay the events, or feel that you were a part of that experience if you were not able to attend.

We hope that this newsletter will also encourage you to explore and discover something new if you have never visited the National Bird Dog Museum. The time you spend seeing the displays and reading about our history will reveal the grit and grace of the people and dogs that have gone before us, or maybe even walked along with you on this journey. It is a very special place to see and experience.

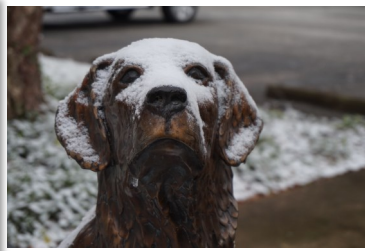
The Hall of Fame exemplifies the stories, memories, art and treasures of our rich sporting dog history and heritage. It is truly an honor to be inducted into the Hall of Fame! The dogs and people have been voted in by their peers, which speaks volumes for their work, support and love of the sport itself. We hope that you can visit us during one of the events, or just stop in and visit anytime of the year. When you come be sure to set aside plenty of time to really take it all in —the history, the memories and the love for the animals that make it possible. Come explore the events and the landmark that bring people together year after year turning simple moments into shared experiences. It is a celebration of dedication that deserves a spotlight hence the Hall of Fame.

**Tonya Brotherton
Executive Director**

Retriever Hall of Fame



John Stracka (left) owner of dog inductee Mercy, Mercy, Mercy, Me pictured with Paul Sletten



Bill Benson with his wife owners of dog inductee Hardscrabble Roxie McBunn



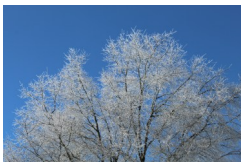
Inductee Jerry Patopea the smile says it all



Lauren Hays pictured with her husband and son owners of dog inductee Bayou Teche Swing for the Fence



Inductee Ray Vreeland



(LEFT) Inductee Loren Morehouse with his wife Carol



Springer Spaniel Hall of Fame



Inductee John Hall with his wife Sue



Jeff Miller, owner of dog Inductee Dawsonlee Faithful with his family



VIZSLA HALL OF FAME



Ron & Denise Chenoweth owners of dog inductee Touchdown Guy for Vizsla Hall of Fame this is the first year the Vizsla breed participated



This is some of the ice still hanging on after 3 days of melting and above freezing temps, 3 days prior to event



Touchdown Guy Vizsla Hall of Fame

GERMAN SHORTHAIR POINTER HALL OF FAME



**Dog Inductee Dunfur's
Tule Moon owned by Cal &
Irene Palmer (in center)
with their son Mike (left)
and their trainer Dan Hoke
(right)**



**Dog inductee Greif V
Hundscheimerkogel
accepted by Fred
Rice**



**Inductee Dr. Robert
Reynolds, DVM (right)**



Weimaraner Hall of Fame



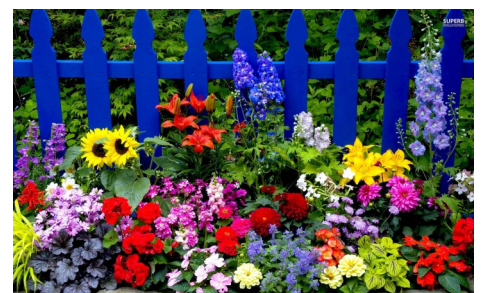
**Inductee Gordon
Hansen**



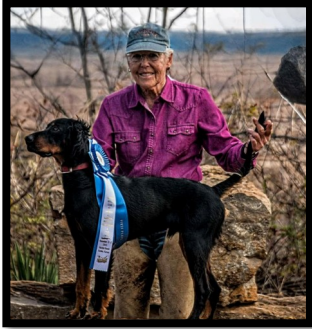
**Inductee Virginia
Alexander (in
picture)**



**Dog inductee Edith Ann Von
Horn owned by Marilyn Horn**



Gordon Setter Hall of Fame



Inductee Lynne Barnett (left) accepted on her behalf by a friend and Cindy Findley (right)



Inductee Norman Sorby (left) with dogs accepted on his behalf by Mark Bunter and Cindy Findley

This was the first time ever for the Gordon Setters to participate in the Hall of Fame, we were very excited



Dog inductee Shadowfax Blade Runner owned by Clifford Schnepf and James D'Amico



Dog inductee Chukarhill Buck Nekkid owned by Daniel Voss (below)



Dog inductee Milomix Roy owned by James D'Amico



Dan also accepted on behalf of both the other dogs with Cindy



Cindy Findley presenter

Brittany Hall of Fame



Ken Jacobson accepting on behalf of inductee John Munson (shown in picture)



Dog inductee MK's My Lil Ammo owned by Nick Blasi



Inductee David Capstick pictured speaking to the crowd

Plaque Presentation



Maurice (Mo) Lindley Patron Memorial Plaque being presented by Kent Patterson and accepted by his brother Bobby Lindley and BJ Lindley



Marcy Beveridge & Roger Stowell Plaque presented by Jon St. Clair



Bob West holding plaque presented to Bob Hayden shown with Retriever guys

Just a note to remind you that when a plaque is presented here at the Museum, whether it be Patron Memorial or Life Patron, it does not mean you were inducted into the Hall of Fame. That seems to be a point of confusion for our visitors and the families of those presented a plaque.

Pictured on the right is the scene the day before the Hall of Fame Inductions on Friday Feb. 6, 2026



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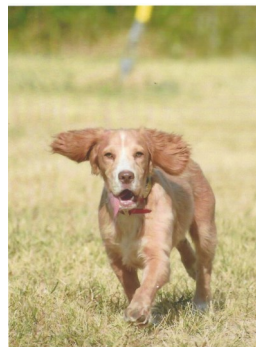
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**Some shots of the lunch crowd during the Hall of Fame
Inductions and the morning session of the Hall of Fame
Inductions and other random shots**



Happy Spring and Enjoy!