Atlantic Chapter Report

Gettysburg Armbruster 2014:

The 2014 Armbruster held in Gettysburg, PA. and hosted by the Atlantic Chapter is now in the books.

The top three dogs were all handled by first-time handlers. Top dog was Adlor vom Kylltal with Ryan Taylor from UT, 2nd Place was Carl vom Merkel with Patrick VanHaverbeke from NY, and 3rd Place was Matz vom Millerhaus with John Simon from PA. Adlor was straight 11's in Natural Ability and was voted Best Field Dog after thoroughly impressing the judges with his field work. Matz put on a tracking clinic during his water search and was awarded a 12 for his memorable work. As Uli Augstein stated as he presented the award to John, "It was without a doubt the best water search he had seen all year!!" Carl had tracked and produced his duck from thick cover and as it was coming towards the gallery, the duck dove 40m from the shoreline, down into the lily pads. Carl swam to the spot and circled where the track had ended. He then went on point downwind approximately 2m from where the duck had submerged and remained motionless for over a minute with only his head exposed and not so much as a ripple in the water. When the duck finally surfaced, Carl vaulted himself to the duck and caught it. Members of the judging team were all slack-jawed and scratching their heads at how he had performed the feat.

Two other first-time handlers and members from the Atlantic Chapter cracked the top 10 with their dogs. Dessy vom Drakehaus with Brian Smith from NJ, finished in 5th Place and Bailey v. Tahawus with Chris Ruskin from CT, finished in 10th Place. A big salute to both of these law enforcement officers on a job well done!!!

Joe Lowry from NJ and Joe Bielowicz from NY are making top10 finishes look like a walk in the park with their dogs. They both had top10 dogs at the 2013 Armbruster held in Demopolis, AL last year. Anybody that has ever trained with these two fellas knows the hard work and dedication they put into readying their dogs for any test....especially the Armbruster!!! They train to be the very best they can be, whenever they enter a test. Tramp II vom Jagdkonig with Joe Lowry finished in 4th Place and Axel vom Kylltal with Joe Bielowicz finished in 9th Place. Worth noting too, Tramp (aka Titus) was the only dog to receive a 12 for Excellent Use of Nose at the 2014 Armbruster!!!

There were five kennels from the Atlantic Chapter with dogs entered in the 2014 Armbruster.

"A" vom KYLLtal litter puts on a KILLer Performance at Armbruster:

Four pups from a litter of 13 represented the litter for first-time breeder, Flint Brann. Their performances were stellar and the results were amazing. All four dogs completed and placed in the Armbruster. It was a family affair, as Ryan Taylor from Utah and a member of the the WWC traveled with his wife and two boys to Gettysburg, PA to see some of our nation's history and also make some over the weekend!! What a treat for all of us to witness this family ALWAYS together, throughout the entire weekend, along with their dog Adlor. Joe Bielowicz with Kathi Griffin-Bell and her daughter Eleanor – for those that don't know, Kathi is the owner of Axel and Joe is the trainer/handler. Mark and Diane Fedrizzi were joined by their son oldest Eric to support Mark and Anita as they made their way through the test and breed show. Flint and Jutta Brann were able to pull through the test minus their daughter Brianna, who was off to college and couldn't be there in person, but was there in spirit with constant text messaging and updates from mom!!