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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Greetings:

Hope that you're still finding time during these short days and long nights to hunt with your Fousek. This issue has some great articles by our members and some continuation of club organization business for you to attend to.

There's a lot to do getting Cesky Fousek North America ready for the public in 2020. Please consider what you can do to help the club during this important transition.

Rem DeJong,

Editor

On the Cover:**Cold Kansas Gun Dog**

Cahaba's Lola od Karlova smrku owned by Don Fizer and photo by Don Fizer on the wide open prairie in search of roosters.

I invited club members to submit photos for the December issue cover. Thanks to all for a great response! You can see the full collection in color at:

<https://wpgca.smugmug.com/December-Cover-Photo-Entries/>

It was hard to pick just one. Some great color photos don't convert to black and white very well. Some don't fit the 5 X 5.5 inch size well.

I'm finding good use for many of the others. You'll find some scattered through this issue. We also need photos for our Pheasant Fest presentation, and many will work well there. So if you have good images of your dog in hunting action or family fun, please send them to me. (dejongrem@gmail.com)

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Waiting at the Gate for the Gun Dog Supreme

Don't disappoint them. Pay your dues now and don't miss an issue!

(Dulcie and her pack. Photo by Tami Edgar)



The Copilot

Andrew Olcott and his new buddy, Angus (Angus of Shaw Brook)

(Photo provided by Andrew Olcott)

The Light-Bulb Moment

by

Andrew Olcott

Last year, my wife and I attended a sporting goods exhibition in Salt Lake City. An exhibitor had his male gun dog there and we fell in love with how mellow and friendly his dog was. I had been looking for a new gun dog and was interested in a wire-haired pointing griffon and this dog surely looked like one to my uneducated eye. I was corrected that this great dog was a Cesky Fousek or a Bohemian wire-haired griffon. Once I got home, I did some research on the breed. The temperament and the close working characteristics were just the qualities that I wanted in a gun dog for my “advancing years”. And the origin from the Czech Republic made it seem like my genetic heritage ordained that this would be my new hunting partner. So I filled out the application to be placed on the puppy list and hoped.

This is how Angus entered our lives.

He was born in Wisconsin in a litter of 10. His mother was from the Czech Republic and his father’s parents were also imported dogs. So this summer has been filled with nature walks, water lessons, house training, and hopefully some manners training. Our initial hunting this fall had been very trying as Montana bird populations are low due to the late snows we had last spring. In fact, we have not been able to find a wild bird in 15 or 16 days afield. We hunted for mountain grouse, sage hens, Huns, and sharpshooters. Nothing. I even spent days near Red Lodge and Billings where Dad and I used to harvest many birds. It was like we were on a quest for unicorns, miles of walking and no birds. Angus intimated that I had misrepresented myself as a hunter and he may be considering a legal separation.

Desperate for birds, we took off last Monday and drove the 550 miles to a friend’s farm in extreme eastern Montana. He said that the pheasant numbers were down but we were welcome to walk his coulees and try our luck.

At sunrise on Tuesday, Angus and I crossed the ridge to enter Wolf Creek. Three rooster pheasants cackled from their roosts in a Russian olive tree far across the creek. This was going to be a good day. Wolf Creek is a slow, meandering watercourse that sometimes flows water. Chest high grass covers most of the higher ground while reeds and 10 foot high cattails fill the lower spots. Due to the wet fall we have been having, all the low spots were flooded and all the reeds had at least ankle deep water in them. We launched into this maze of grass and brush to confront the wily pheasants. We hadn’t walked {slogged, trudged, or waded} 50 yards before some roosters erupted 100 yards in front of us. As roosters do, they cackled loudly with avian profanity as they flew. Angus couldn’t see them due to his low viewpoint in the grass but he looked at me with the expression, “What the heck was that?”. We trudged on and finally stepped on a bird. It flushed and Angus saw it all. A light came on in his head...Oh, that smell on the ground and that goofy thing blowing up into the sky are related AND I think I am supposed to do something about it.

We busted hens and a few roosters as we worked the bends along the water. Angus’s excitement was growing with each flush. The old timers say that you should never shoot a bird over a new dog unless he has pointed it. That way they learn to point rather than just flush and chase birds. So I was trying to do exactly that and let a couple of wild

flushes go without shooting. That was hard for an old trigger slammer like me. Finally Angus scented a clump of grass and stuck his nose at it. A rooster launched just inches from his face and that was my chance. I mounted my fine Italian shotgun and promptly missed both shots. How embarrassing! Angus was shocked at the noise of the shotgun but he stood there and waited for some direction. I lied to him and told him that it was a tough angle of flushing. We moved on.

The next time Angus scented a bird and pointed, I was almost ready. I missed the first shot but connected on the second. That is a 50% improvement! Angus hadn't seen the bird fall so I walked towards it. As we got closer, Angus smelled the downed bird and went to it. Instead of retrieving it, he did a beautiful point of it and waited for it to flush. So I picked it up and let him mouth it. Aah, now this is starting to make sense. Once he tasted the feathers, he was 100% in on this deal. This hunting is fun stuff. As the day progressed, he found more birds and I missed some and got some. About 1 ½ hours of reed-trudging and high knee walking made me a bit weary so I walked up to the lip of the coulee and sat down at the edge of the wheat stubble field. Just as I caught my breath and was gazing out over Wolf Creek, I heard a beating of wings behind me. I turned around to catch the sight of a hen beating it for the hinter lands and a young Cesky posed in a perfect pointing position. His front leg was curled up and his stubby, white-tipped tail was pointing straight out. It was a perfect silhouette against the gray Montana sky. One of us had the zeal to keep hunting while the other one was slacking off. We finished the day off with seeing maybe 60 birds at various distances and having enough shooting opportunities to fill a limit.

That night it rained and then snowed. The 40 mph wind had bent the tall grass so it was about knee high. Then the rain soaked it and the snow hardened it into a leg burning obstacle course. Angus and I broke our way through a few coulees and ridges in search of birds. My strength was waning fast and I was about to head for the truck when Angus seemed to scent something in the wind. He ran to the top of a ridge and waited for me to drag myself up there. Then he took off again into the wind, crossed the coulee, and waited for me at the top of the next ridge. I had to follow because his demeanor was showing me that he had birds on this nose. Just as I crested the ridge top and Angus started coursing the frozen grass, a single sharptail grouse flushed at 80 yards. It was too far for a shot. Late season sharpies are extremely spooky like that but Angus had sensed it from 2 ridges away. I was more than pleased. Just to show off as we walked back to the truck, Angus pointed an owl who was hiding in the grass and he stared at it as it flew towards Canada. We called it a day and headed for the camp.

On Thursday we returned to Wolf Creek as we had only a couple of hours to hunt before the next big snow storm was to hit. So we went to where we knew there would be birds and also all the country roads were too muddy to try other locations. We found some roosters and Angus seemed to relish in smelling them out. My shooting hadn't improved any but my excuses were cold fingers, sticky safety buttons, and nasty roosters that waited until I was huffing and puffing from fighting through the reeds before they would flush.

Our final flush though made the entire trip worthwhile. We were walking to the truck with the wind to our backs and I circumnavigated a tall patch of cattails for some easier walking over a short grassed knob. As I crossed the knob, Angus came running from the front of me and pointed behind me. It was a perfect point for a 6 month old puppy, fuzzy head locked on, leg bent, and a straight tail. I could see that there were no birds on the knob in the short grass in front of Angus but I believed in his nose so I advanced

in the direction of his point. As I came to Angus's side, he advanced to the tall cattails and pointed again. I reached the cattails and he rushed into the patch. I could tell from the rustling reeds that he was working the brush, He froze and the rustling stopped. I hissed at the brush to alarm the birds and nothing happened. Angus moved 3 feet ahead in the brush and froze again. I hissed and 2 roosters burst from the cattails within inches of Angus's nose. He had scented them from across the knob and had he led me to them. I had walked by them and he brought me back. His nose made all the difference. Our hunting future looks bright.

Another pup getting her start. . . .

Fanny od Bouňovské studánky

Laurie Connell

Living in Maine we don't have high bird numbers outside of the woodcock flights so our annual trip to hunt in North Dakota is always fun. this year Fanny had just turned 6 months old when we started our week of hunting. the bird numbers on public land were



not high but we did find enough. Scott hunted with Fanny as a team to start out. She began mostly just looking for rodents but after first bird contact the game changed! Fanny was learning exponentially each day and by the end of the week she helped get limits, was pointing well, honored, had a fantastic ~600m track with return. We are not yet getting birds to hand because of a bit of "parade about" but the retrieve will come later. Scott Craig & Laurie Connell

Fanny od Bouňovské studánky Posing Czech Style
after day two of hunting with her older "sister" Allagash of Coyote Hills (13+ years old and still hunting well).

Board of Directors Actions

Proposed Constitution Changes

The Board also agreed to propose the following changes to the Constitution to the general membership for vote. A ballot on these proposed changes is included with this GDS issue. Or vote online at:

bohemiangriffon.org/about-us/constitution/proposed-constitution-changes/

1. Eliminate language requiring that the GDS is published six times a year. The Constitution at Article III, Section 5 currently states: "The Editor of the club news bulletin, The Gun Dog Supreme, publishes the news bulletin six times per year under the direction of the Board of Directors." Publication frequency needs change with the times. We now have a web site and Facebook pages for communication. Eliminating this requirement in the constitution would provide more flexibility to meet the club's needs. In addition, the Board questioned whether the Constitution was the appropriate vehicle for specifying how many times the GDS is published.

Proposed language: Article III, Section 5: "The Editor of the club news bulletin, The Gun Dog Supreme, publishes the news bulletin under the direction of the Board of Directors."

2. Eliminate the specific timeframe for publication of the annual Treasurer's report in the GDS and remove procedural language regarding submission of Treasurer's report and processing of membership applications that aren't necessarily applicable or being followed.

The Constitution at Article III, Section 4 now states: "The Treasurer receives all Club membership fees and other monies for the Club, except monies directed elsewhere by the President. He or she maintains the Club bank account as directed by the President. He or she maintains a record of all Club monies. Once per year, he or she prepares the annual Treasurer's Report for publication in the December issue of the Club news bulletin, The Gun Dog Supreme. This annual financial report must be submitted to the Board of Directors (via the secretary) prior to publication in the Club news bulletin. The Treasurer also processes all new member applications which are then forwarded to the Secretary." As the Constitution now reads, the Treasurer's report is published in December, however it isn't usually reviewed by the Board until later in the year, usually March or April. It seems prudent that the Board or Directors review the Financial report before it is published. Currently, the Secretary processes new applications while the Treasurer is responsible for processing membership dues payments. The Treasurer provides periodic membership payment updates to the Secretary to ensure records are complete.

Proposed Language: Article III, Section 4: "The Treasurer receives all Club membership fees and other monies for the Club, except monies directed elsewhere by the President. He or she maintains the Club bank account as directed by the President. He or she maintains a record of all Club monies. Once per year, he or she prepares the annual Treasurer's Report for publication in the Club news bulletin."

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Other action

The Board also decided to change the name of the annual Judges’ Seminar (that takes place following the general membership meeting) to “Annual Seminar” to reflect that it is not restricted to judges or judging, but will cover a range of topics of interest to the general membership and all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Puppy Retainer Policy to Be Implemented

Roger Fuhrman for the BOD

I still remember how simple it was to get our first puppy in about 2004, Beacon of Bogan’s Point: Fill out the application and mail it in, wait a few weeks and we were notified that we were on the puppy list. In a few months, Kurt Soneson called, asked a few questions and then offered us a puppy. It seems like the process hasn’t changed much since then.

However, last year when we bred our female Cora z Ceceminskych vinic, as breeders, we had a different experience. When Cora was bred around the end of March the Club had forty-one applicants for puppies, more than the Club expected to produce. By the time Cora’s puppies arrived at the end of May, over thirty percent of the applicants had backed out. The Club had two litters with puppies that weren’t spoken for at birth. This story does have a happy ending as all puppies were placed in excellent homes.

I thought it strange that a person could order a product (a puppy) that that takes sixty-three days from conception to birth and another seventy days to be raised, a breeder’s commitment of more than one-third of the year and a few thousand dollars, and the only commitment from the applicant was an application. We also discovered that applicants weren’t required to become members of the Club before applying for a puppy. In my lexicon, I thought of it as a broken business practice and it seemed those applying for puppies to have some skin in the game.

As our puppies grew, they soon wanted to be let outside at 4:00 A.M. As I watched over these early morning outings, Laurie Connell and I began to discuss what a “Puppy Retainer” might look like. We began the iterative process of drafting a proposal to be presented at the Board of Directors meeting in November.

The Board of Directors discussed the idea of a Puppy Retainer and passed the following motion:

“The Cesky Fousek North America (CFNA) asks those applying for a puppy to become members of the CFNA, complete a Puppy Request and submit a four-hundred-dollar Puppy Retainer to the CFNA Treasurer. The purchase price of puppies from the CFNA is one thousand two hundred fifty dollars. The Puppy Retainer is applied toward the purchase price of the puppy, leaving a balance due of eight hundred fifty dollars. The final payment is due to the Breeder at least thirty days before the puppy is picked up by the buyer. The Puppy Retainer is refundable if the CFNA does not offer the applicant a puppy that year.”

Robert Milner to Present at Annual Seminar

Expert gundog trainer, Robert Milner is scheduled to be the keynote presenter at the Cesky Fousek North America Annual Seminar that will be held in conjunction with the Rocky Mountain Chapter Spring Test in Jerome Idaho.

Schedule of Events:

Training day on Thursday, March 26, 2020

Club Seminar on Friday, March 27, 2020

Test on Saturday & Sunday, March 28 & 29, 2020

Members may be interested in purchasing Milner's book in preparation for the seminar:

Positive Training for Your Retriever: Gundog Absolutely Positively Gundog Training (Paperback) –2015 by Robert Milner. Available in paperback from amazon \$9.99

Think of this book as a supplement to the Bailey book for developing retrieving using positive reinforcement. It's also especially good for teaching handlers about positive reinforcement—good for all kinds of training, not just retrieving.

With Absolutely Positively Gundog Training, Milner has taken the latest scientific research into how dogs learn, and combined it with his own vast experience and commonsense training methods. The result is an approach that is as effective as it is easy. For the hunter who wants a calm, steady, and obedient retriever, there's no better training method.

This book provides everything needed for you to turn out a sporting dog that excels at life. Whether you want your dog to be a gundog, a water dog, a shed dog, an upland dog, a deer tracker or a fishing companion, this book charts the course

Every other page exclaims, "That makes perfect sense". Milner debunks several groundless myths and counter-productive training practices that proliferate in today's sporting dog culture.

A big divide exists today in the gundog sector in America. The opposing views are tradition-based compulsion training versus the science-based positive training model derived from B.F. Skinner's operant conditioning theory. Robert Milner's book bridges that gap. Milner brings to the table vast experience in both training methods. He has trained over two thousand gundogs with traditional compulsion and has trained several hundred gundogs with a positive training model. He pronounces the positive model a definitive winner. His book covers all the bases for a beginning gundog trainer. Milner covers the dog's history and domestication as it relates to training. He shows you how the dog perceives the world, how the dog communicates, and how he learns. Big surprises await some readers. Milner cites many examples of recent dog research that upend traditional training theories.

This book gives the reader a simple roadmap to success in producing a gundog that is extremely well-mannered, a persistent hunter and very responsive on whistle stops and hand signals.

The simplicity of the training model will be a pleasant surprise to many new trainers. Most importantly, Milner's training model is fun for the trainer and the dog.

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FEBRUARY 14, 15 & 16

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

The club has reserved booths 1456 and 1458 in Bird Dog Alley for our display. Pheasant Fest is a great opportunity to showcase our dogs and to speak one-on-one with prospective club members. We need volunteers to man the booth and to bring their dogs. Nothing sells a Fousek like the chance to come face-to-furry face with one of our friendly dogs. Please consider helping out and bringing your dog. We need pups and mature, friendly dogs to meet the public. Come for the day or help out for a couple hours.

The club contact for our presence is Kyle Kessler
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Kyle has reserved a block of rooms at:
Super 8 by Wyndham Bloomington/airport
Phone number : (952) 466-6927

Other help:

We display a continuous slide show depicting our dogs both in the field and in the home. We emphasize that our dogs are not only great hunters but great companions and wonderful family dogs with the kids. We need photos of all these aspects of Fousek life. If you have some images to share, please email dejongrem@gmail.com and I'll make arrangements for sending me the pictures.

PRAIRIE RATTLESNAKE EXPERIENCE

by Rick Sojda, Bozeman, MT

Eider (Edý z Veseckých luhů) was bitten by a prairie rattlesnake on his rear leg this Fall. I was able to give him liquid Benadryl within 30 minutes, and get him to a vet within three hours where the vet administered antivenin. Within 36 hours, he seemed to be recovering nicely. His leg was, by then, much less swollen, and he was putting more weight on it. My vet predicted Eider would be back to normal in a few days, and he was correct. I was fortunate to have a completely healthy dog by the opening of pheasant season the following weekend.

I did learn several things from my vet: (1)Most dogs do not absorb oral/liquid Benadryl well (good idea to carry injectable). (2)If you can get the antivenin administered within 4 hours of the bite, chances for a full and quick recovery are excellent. (3)The snake venom, itself, stings/burns horribly and immediately after the bite. This is likely why Eider howled/yipped loudly for 3-4 minutes immediately after being bitten. He had a very difficult time walking back to the truck, although he was not having any heart or breathing



The Bite:

Eider's rattlesnake bite on the inside portion of his rear leg, four days after having been bitten. The lower part of the injury came from the lower jaw of the snake that has no fangs. The fang marks show in the upper part.

problems; I think it just hurt badly, but I did not realize it at the time. He walked very slowly, and it took us 30 minutes to walk the mile. (4) You really need to shave the area to find the puncture site to verify that it is a snake bite. I could not see it in the field. (5)Treatment cost was \$485, of which \$390 was the actual medicine. (6)There is growing concern that potential serious negative effects of the snake vaccine are not worth the benefits. Eider has had the vaccine in the past, but not his 2019 booster. The vaccine is supposedly specific to western diamondbacks, whose venom causes anaphylactic shock according to my vet. He also added that prairie rattler venom works differently, that it is an anticoagulant. (7)My vet feels that the snake avoidance training he has seen borders on cruel. (8)I also learned that the average prairie rattler fang spread is 14.5mm, and that was diagnostic with Eider's wound. He and I both recognize that there are many dif-

fering opinions on points 5 and 6.

Coming onto snakes has been a rare occurrence for me while hunting in past years, but this year has been the opposite. I have been wondering if this year's wet weather discouraged them from being underground as much, and therefore more visually prevalent. That is conjecture, as I know nothing about snake ecology.

Eider has only had negative reinforcement to snakes when I would provide it opportunistically in the past. I think (but the evidence is only circumstantial) that Eider actually was leaving the scene of the crime based on his "training" and that the snake struck as he was leaving, thus the lower rear leg was hit. This idea was suggested to me by my vet based on the wound location.

I posted my experience on Facebook, and several club members provided the following useful comments:

Curt Rapp: "Have been getting Benz the vaccine before SD trips last couple years, we were in the National Grasslands two weeks ago and thought he got bit. He jumped about five feet straight up in the air and squealed ...but he had *only*(!) been sprayed by a skunk. Fortunately, I had the skunk-off mix."

Wayne Wilson: "I'm assuming your dog has had snake aversion training. If not, it works. My dogs have all had it; and if the snake is upwind, I know it! Still, one of my dogs got bit several years ago, getting nailed right on the upper lip. A week later, there was a big vet bill (worth every penny), and ole Bud was back hunting."

Vincent Esposito: "A note about injectable Benadryl. I believe it is susceptible to heat, which is hard to avoid out hunting, without special care."

Jim Seibel: "Glad that Eider is recovering well. I have been using the vaccine for a few years. Fortunately, I have not had a dog bitten. I am very interested in a reliable review of the effectiveness of the vaccine. When we lived in AZ in the 80's I used the avoidance training. Never had an encounter with a rattlesnake, but did observe my dog avoiding cover. I assumed that it was due to snake. Our vet in NM believes that the vaccine really does reduce the effect of a snake bite. Majority of snakes are diamondbacks."

Rick Sojda: "Thanks, Jim Seibel. I had vaccinated in most years. This year I did not because my veterinarians, here, said that they have started seeing more and more injection site reactions that have been severe, requiring surgery and 'hospitalization'. And, as I suspect you know, the vaccine targets diamondbacks, not prairie rattlers. The thought around here is that it might buy some time to get your dog to a vet if bitten by a prairie rattler, but no one seems to have data on that. There are lots of unknowns, Jim."

Fred Williams: "FYI. This is the 4th consecutive year that Gus was vaccinated. This year was the first year that he had a bad reaction. I did a lot of research before starting him on the vaccine and don't recall ever seeing anything indicating that there is a risk after the first dose. Now I am concerned about getting him vaccinated next spring."

Help Wanted

New Editor Needed for the GDS

The time has come. I've exceeded the maximum number of typos and spelling errors allowed for a GDS editor and must step down.

Long ago and far away, we got our first club dog, a wirehaired pointing griffon named Ruffel of Ashview. That was 1973. Other than getting a dog, I didn't have much to do with the club; we were isolated in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and had two young children. Ruff eventually died at age 14, and I contacted the club for another dog. Along came Axel of Whitewater, one of the early griffon-fousek outcrosses. Axel was a disaster as a hunter, but a loving family dog. Over his lifespan, I quit bird hunting and focused on chasing deer and raising kids. The boys both married, so Axel's work was done. He died and we got Brinker of Indian Creek. Brinker was a wonderful dog, and I finally had some time to devote to the club and was able to participate in some Michigan training days. With a great dog and now having some ties to the club, I started writing a bit for the GDS. Soon I was editing the GDS and then developing the website. Becoming enmeshed in the club blessed me with great friendships, wonderful dog and hunting experiences, and it broadened my knowledge of the dog world, culminating in a trip to the Czech Republic for the Cesky Fousek World Cup last year. But now I'm 75 years old, my memory is showing signs of wear, my spouse has significant health problems and it's time for someone new to take on the job and enjoy the rewards.

I gave you this background so you could evaluate your own capacity for the editor job. I was no dog expert; I was not a judge; I was not a board member. I just grew into the job. You don't have to be any of these to make a good editor either. The GDS editor position basically requires someone who can write well (not all that well considering all the typos and grammatical errors I make); someone who will listen to the dog experts we do have, and someone willing to pick up the technical skills needed to produce a publication. Producing an issue of the GDS involves contacting other club members with article ideas, gathering material, contacting other sources to reprint articles that will be of interest to our readers, and doing some writing yourself. I've done a lot of the photography at tests, but I'm not a professional photographer. Doing photography is a great way to be involved up-close to the test action. So before you say: "I could never do that job.", ask yourself: "Do I want to see the club continue? Could I learn that job to help continue the breed?" There are plenty of people to help you along the way if you are willing to try.

I break the editor job down into two basic parts: 1) Acquiring the content for an issue, and 2) assembling the content into a file for the printing company. Getting and writing the content requires some writing and creative skills. Preparing the file requires knowing or learning how to use publishing software. We currently use Microsoft Publisher. Given the content material, I can continue to assemble the file while a new person gradually picks that part up.

If you have questions about the GDS editor role, please feel welcome to call or email me to explore what's involved. (906) 236-0746 or dejongrem@gmail.com. If you want to volunteer or to recommend someone for the job(s) contact our president, Jim Crouse (614)562-1860 jcrouse01@yahoo.com.



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Future Events

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Southeast Chapter Inaugural Test

February 28-March 1st, 2020

Location: Belton, SC

Test Chairs Don Fizer

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Rocky Mountain: Spring Test

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Location: Jerome, ID

Test Chairs John-Angie McDunn

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<http://bohemiangriffon.org/progeny-testing/rocky-mountain-test/>

Heartland Chapter: Spring Test

April 24-26 2020 (tentative dates)

Location: Mazomanie, WI

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Northeast Chapter: Spring Test

May 15-16 Winterport ME

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