

# *... Waggin Tails*



Hollow Creek's "Emma"



Hollow Creek's "Galliant"



Newest Edition of the Texas Trace Kennels, Hollow Creek's Texas "Trace"

September 23-25, four BSCBAA members attended the First Annual Safari Club International Outdoor Gamefair in Douglasville, GA to hold a Boykin Spaniel "Meet the Breed". Co-sponsored by Quail Unlimited, it was a huge outdoor sporting enthusiast event that included representatives from just about every venue imaginable. The term EPIC stood for Education, Participation, Instruction and Competition. Eukanuba sponsored the canine village which included the Super Retriever Series competition and Big Air. The Super Retriever competition involves hunt-simulated retrieves where dogs earn points toward a Super Retriever Championship. Big Air is a water event in which the dogs run 20' down a dock into an above ground water feature that is 4.5 feet deep and 30' long. The dock is 24" above the surface of the water. The handler throws a bumper or other favorite retrieving toy toward the far end of the "pool" as the dog is released to retrieve the object. The dog's entry point into the water is measured at the base of the tail and this is recorded by a slow motion camera which is reviewed by the judges and the dog's distance in feet is measured. And he who jumps the farthest wins. Mojo had competed in this type of event before and he was so excited to see that he had a chance to do it again! He had a personal best over the weekend of 10'9"!!! The bigger dogs, like the labs, jump distances up to 20' and more but as far as Mojo is concerned, I believe he thinks he jumps at least that far. Carole and Mojo actually belong to a group in the Lowcountry of SC called Palmetto Dock Dogs so they get to practice every month so maybe next time he can make 11'. Just another great, fun thing you can do with your Boykin Spaniel. In fact, there are several Boykins who compete in the Dock Dogs circuit in the Southeast.

We also had an opportunity to meet Eric Altom with Eukanuba Nutrition who offered some interesting insight into nutrition for different life stages as well as different activity levels. Dan O'Connor from Orvis headed the Retriever Series judging.

While there were quite a few issues with getting things set up and running-including fire ants everywhere and 5" of rain the night before we were to set up our Meet the Breed display- it was a nice weekend and I think that next year will bring more organization, a better layout and more advance advertising and it could become a great family-oriented outdoor destination.



Above: Butch & Sheila Norckauer, Pat Watts, Carole Thomas, Lana Hardy, Roslin Copeland, Ginger Hurley & Nikki and Below: K9 Village at the Safari Club Game Fair, Douglasville, GA 2011







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