

EDITORIAL

I hope that your spring has been memorable...summer will be hot! First, do remember to keep the folks in Oklahoma in your thoughts and prayers. They are a proud and tough group... I know that they will recover, but their hearts are surely broken for those they lost.

My new 'Dawg' shed is just about in full service. The unfitting included installation of a tub, dryer, grooming area, medical area, and kitchen sink with fridge..... and other 'stuff' left over from my boarding kennel equipment/inventory. It is gonna soooo make my life easier here and my house less cluttered. I owe a huge thanks to my 'church family' who worked diligently at all that unfitting....they made it all possible! My next 'wish list' includes new kenneling...but that is a long time away unless, of course, I ever win the lottery. Hard to win if you don't play!

Still excited that Hollow Creek's Kingfisher made the cover of Gun Dog Magazine. The photo was beautiful...as is Fisher. I am currently interviewing for another article on Boykin Spaniels.....Gallient is hunting well and succeeding in the Hunt Test events and has earned his hunting title, Jake is amazing in the Agility venue...and Trace is still the number 1 Male Boykin Spaniel in America....all of them make me a proud 'Mama'.... so God is working in my life as I rebuild.

I hope that you enjoy this edition. I am so busy anymore that my Journal gets less attention. But I do enjoy networking all of us with it, so please continue sending in



those Boykin photos, memorials and articles that you want to share.

God Bless..and Happy Hunting!

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COVER PHOTO HOLLOW CREEK'S CHIEF & RENEGADE

OWNER SCOTTIE MURRAY OF YULEE, FL



Gun Dog Magazine selected a photo featuring GCH Hollow Creek's Kingfisher for it's current cover. There are many people significantly involved in this dogs' wonderful journey to being a 'cover boy". I am so proud that this image of GCH Hollow Creek's Kingfisher, was chosen to be featured on the cover of the current Gun Dog Magazine. What an honor for one of my babies to be on this magazines' cover! It represents everything that the Boykin Spaniel breed is all about. This amazing photograph of "Fisher" was taken and submitted to Gun Dog Magazine for consideration by Mark Atwater of UpClose Photos. Mark took this super shot at one of our hunt test events. The following people have all contributed greatly to Kingfishers' career accomplishments in both Conformation and Hunting: Breeder: Patricia Long Watts / Hollow Creek Kennel, Owner / Handler: Carole Witter Thomas, Hunt Trainer/ Handler: DeVon Ruth, Conformation Coach/Handler: Aaron Wilkerson. The photographer was fortunate to have taken such an incredible action picture of this simply beautiful Boykin Spaniel... right place...right time.