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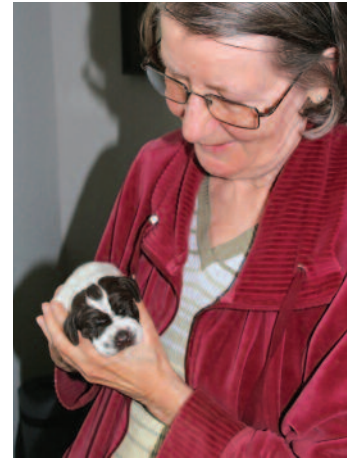
So Close Yet So Far

Brooklyn received a 4 point major in the Best of Breed ring at the Napa Wine Country Kennel Club show in early November by taking Select. She even placed over a Best in Show Bronze Grand Champion!

Brooklyn now has 21 points with one major toward her grand championship. Since she needs a total of 25 points, that makes her so close. On the other hand, since she needs two more majors (a major is three or more points) that makes her so far especially now there are no more close by shows for her to attend until next March!

Puppies!

If everything goes as planned, we will be bringing one of nine puppies born November 10th home in January! Last Wednesday we made a visit to see all five girls and four boys. Not to select one (as it is too soon to make a choice) but to enjoy the newborn puppies and to be part of the process of them being exposed to people early on. We put a deposit on a puppy soon enough to score a first pick show male or a second pick show female. Yes, with how much I enjoy showing Brooklyn, we are going with another show dog! We want a female so we are going with second pick female, a good position to be in being there are five females. The puppy I am holding in the photo was my favorite however the final decision won't be made until the puppies are around seven weeks old. All the puppies are named after ski resorts. The one I am holding is Squaw.



What We Do For Chickens

Once again we lost chickens. A bobcat, the same predator who killed our chickens earlier this year, came back to kill the three new ones we just bought in August. Even though our neighbor, who also lost chickens, trapped the bobcat, Robert is now working on a predator proof enclosure—a totally enclosed 10 foot x 12 foot roofed pen with a cement foundation. After all, who knows when another bobcat (or other predator) might show up!

Santa Visits Our Dog Club

I had a lot of fun organizing a Santa photo shoot that took place November 16th at our local dog club. A total of 23 dogs had their photos taken with Santa. Pictured below with Santa are all the committee members who helped make the photo shoot a success. The lady sitting in front is friends with Santa and was able to guarantee his appearance! [Additional photos](#)

