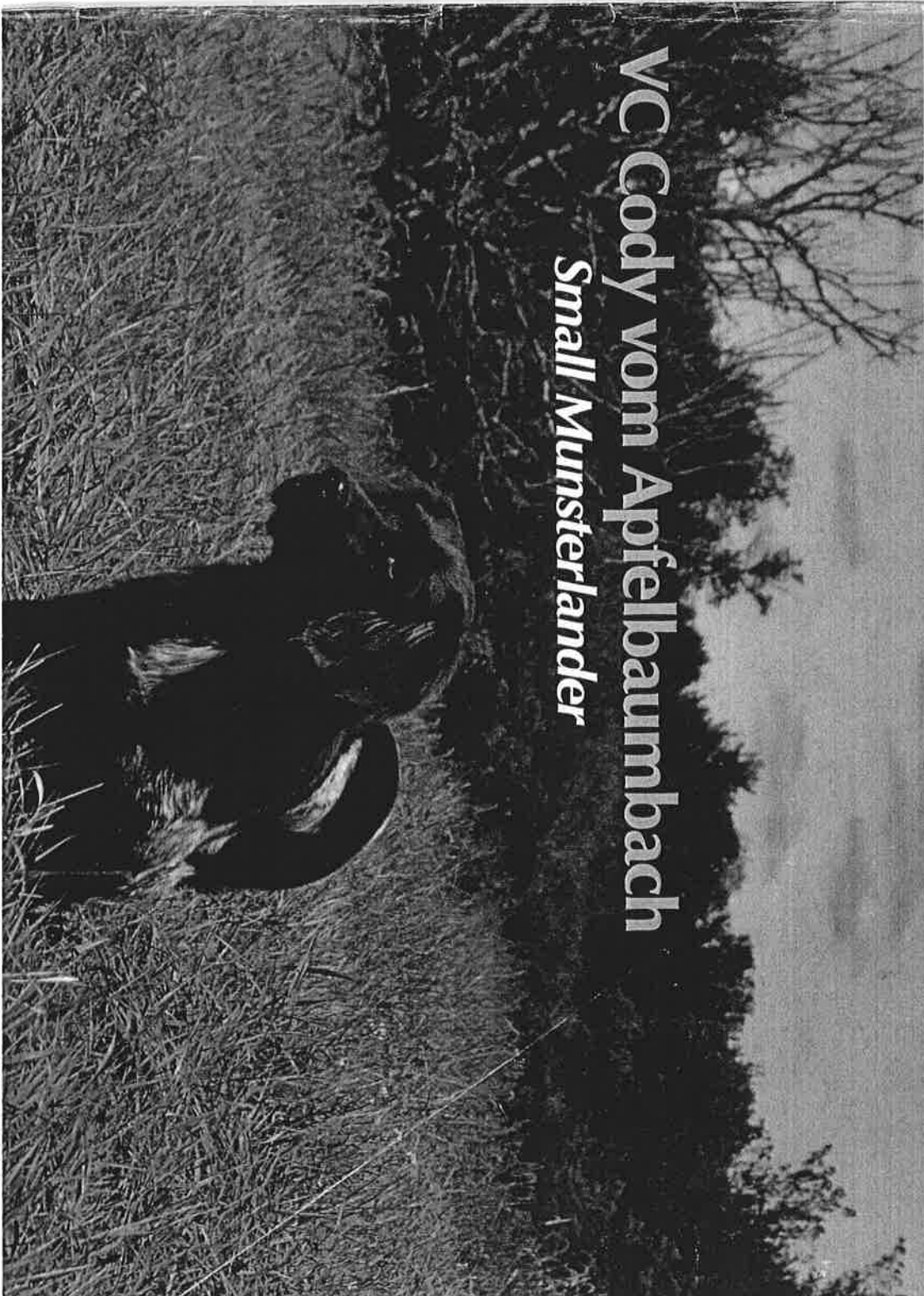


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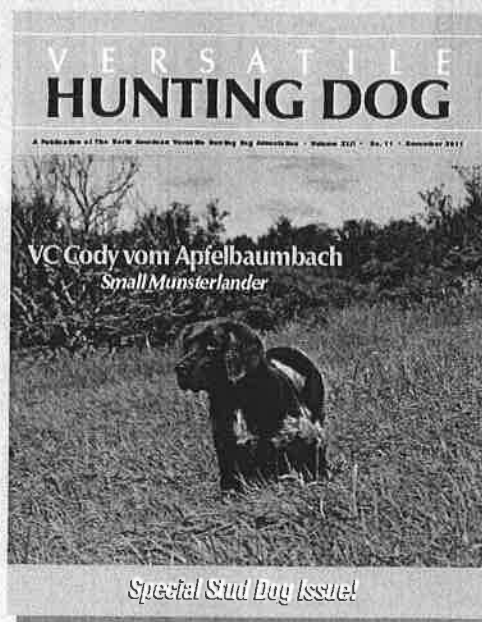
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Strengthening a Breed

In 2001, I began my search for a male for our kennel. The main attributes I looked for were a sturdy frame, an intense point, and good cooperation, which were the skills I believed were needed to strengthen our breed. I wrote to many owners of German stud dogs and asked for the names of the females they would be breeding to in the upcoming year. To be truthful, not many breeders responded to my inquiries, but I was pleased with those who did respond to my letters.

I picked up Cody from Germany in March, 2003. He seemed to know how to hunt from the start. The first time I took Cody out to the field to find some quail, he pointed a single and after it flushed, he ran to where it fell. He began tracking that bird; each time he lost the scent, he came back to me and began the track over again. He did this until he found the bird and pointed it again. I was so pleased with his tenacity and concentration for such a young pup. I was so happy that this gamble of importing him would pay off.

Together, we forged ahead through the NAVHDA and JGHV tests. Cody scored a 112 point Prize I when he was seven months old in the NA test. His Utility test score of 204 points Prize I was accomplished when he was three years and eight months old. He passed the Invitational when he was four years and seven months old. I felt that I needed to run Cody in the JGHV tests for his breeder, Manfred Morber, because he trusted me enough to let me import him. Cody scored 74 points in his VJP test and 285 point Prize II in his VGP test. I had never seen either test, so I purchased the JGHV rulebook. Along with my NAVHDA experience, I trained how I pictured it should be done, using both

sources of information. He was the first Small Munsterlander the U.S. to run both tests.

Cody has always been cooperative and a forgiving learner. I learn how to train the advanced level tests with him and he never let r down. He always picked up each task quickly. I have enjoyed t process of training and running him in a hunt test, but hunting h has always been the biggest joy of all. He is methodical and cove ground thoroughly. He consistently finds birds for my gun.

Cody's staunch point and cooperative nature has passed to l prodigy. He has sired six NA Breeder Award litters. Cody's puppi have an average NA test score of 102.4 points. Six of his sons a daughters who are breeding have had pups test in the NA test a their average NA test score was 106.6 points.

Cody will be nine this year and is still going strong. He is the poi ing and the Judas dog at honor at the blind for dogs that are traini for a current Invitational. He is my "go to" dog for guiding at the loc hunting preserve. And, he is my old reliable hunting dog. He alwa knows if something is amiss on the farm and alerts me when som thing needs my attention. But most important, he has always be my shadow in the house, the farm, and the field. When my husba gets the dogs out for our walks, Cody waits for me at the door ur I put on my coat and shoes. He has always had the ability to kno what we are going to do next.

Thank you for the honor of submitting Cody for this recognitio We could not have been successful in our testing without the su port of my husband, my local Heartland NAVHDA Chapter, and of my training partners who are my very good friends. Thank you a



Cody's Puppies

	Number	Percentage
Puppies sired	80	61
Puppies NA tested	49	90
Puppies NA passed	44	52
Prize I	29	32
Prize II	14	16
Prize III	7	

Progeny breeding

Puppies	5	87
Puppies NA tested	35	40
Puppies NA passed	36	100

