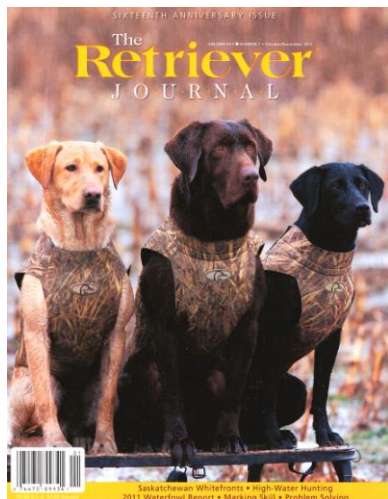


Eindelijk, het informatieve tijdschrift waar we op hebben gewacht.....

THE RETRIEVER JOURNAL

Een tijdschrift dat al jaren in U.S.A. circuleert, doch helaas in Europa nog weinig bekendheid heeft. Dat gaat nu veranderen, want u kunt gratis een proefnummer aanvragen, dat per luchtpost naar u wordt verzonden en binnen een dag of tien op uw deurmat belandt.



Wat maakt "The Retriever Journal" zo speciaal? U wordt niet verveeld met uitslagen van hondenproeven of seminars die u niet interesseren.

Vanaf de eerste pagina's staat het bol van info over alle Retriever rassen die actief aan het werk zijn. Ook Retriever rassen die in Europa minder bekend zijn, worden uitvoerig belicht.

En voor de jachthondentrainer een uiterst informatieve artikelenreeks geschreven door Amerikaanse Pro's, zoals Mike Lardy en Danny Farmer. De artikelen zijn gelardeerd met duidelijke tekeningen, windrichting en tips. Daar kunnen wij als voorjagers nog veel van leren!.

De jacht op kleinwild met retrievers heeft ook een groot aandeel in het blad en de foto's zijn werkelijk top en gemaakt door professionals.

Het toefje slagroom is zeker de mogelijkheid voor lezers om een favoriete foto van hun eigen hond in te sturen en die wordt dan geplaatst op een van de speciale pagina's.

Op "The Market Place" volop ruimte voor advertenties van topnesten, trainers en honden attributen. Opvallend dat "The Retriever Journal" niet gevuld is met advertenties, maar heerlijk leesvoer bevat, waar je veel van leert en tips die je ook kunt toepassen in de praktijk.

En dan de prijs: voor nog geen € 40,00 per jaar met 6 dikke exemplaren krijgt u een tijdschrift dat u niet even doorbladert en dan gezien heeft... nee "The Retriever Journal" is een "hebbeding" waar alle info in staat die u zoekt.

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Veel plezier, maar dat behoeven we er niet bij te zeggen. **Dit** tijdschrift zal u niet teleurstellen.

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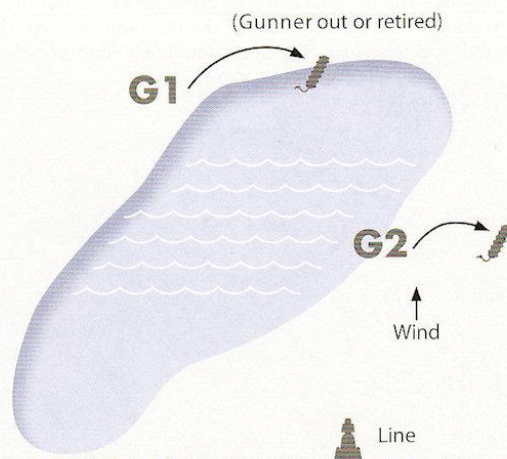
Training *Champions*

with Danny Farmer

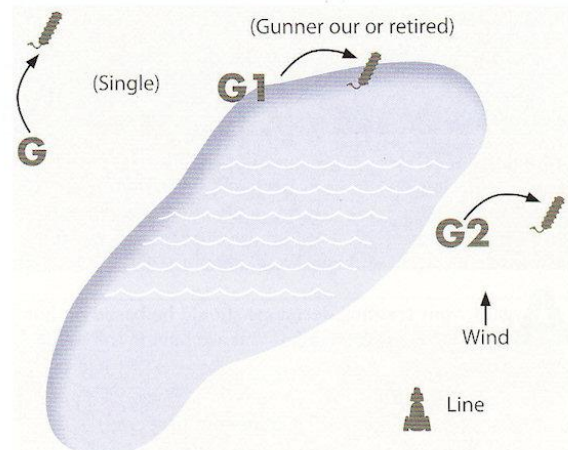
Danny Farmer has trained more than 80 Field Champions and has won the National Retriever Championship four times. His DVDs Retriever Training Force Fetch, Basics, and Problems and Solutions are all available at dannyfarmer.com or where Avery Sporting Dog Products are sold.

Combining Water Marks

In the last article, we started singles on the different types of water marks. We are now going to combine these marks – down-the-shore birds, island birds, punch birds, birds in the water, and birds along the water's edge – into multiple setups or as singles with multiple guns in the field. Remember to keep these marks in balance by doing a variety of water marks. Birds in the water are very difficult, so when you are training on water and you have a place that will hold a bird and not let it float away, take advantage of it.



Advanced Water Setup A: In this setup, we have a bird that is along the water's edge that is thrown by Gunner 1. You have the option to retire this gun or leave it out. This bird should be fairly difficult as the dog has to angle the water and stay in the water. If the dog is not holding the angle, your options would be handle the dog and then repeat as a single, or have Gunner 1 help. Keep in mind that when we are training, we will sometimes repeat the mark if the dog did not retrieve it successfully. If I know I'm going to repeat, then I will handle early enough to establish a good line to the bird so he will understand what is expected of him.



Advance Water Setup B: I will take the previous setup and add a punch bird (up-and-out) as a single. You can do the single before or after the double depending on what you want to work on – a single past an old fall, or looking out and focusing on a long bird and getting it first. Again, you want to keep things in balance, so you would work on both of these throughout your dog's career.

This setup gives you options when your dog has advanced to doing triples. You can throw the punch bird first, the bird along the water's edge second, and the land bird on the right last. You have many options with these three guns:

- Leave all the guns out, none retired.
- Retire Gunner 2, which makes the bird along the water's edge more difficult with Gunner 1 still out.
- Retire Gunner 1, which makes the long bird more difficult with Gunner 2 out.
- Retire Gunners 1 and 2, which makes both birds difficult.

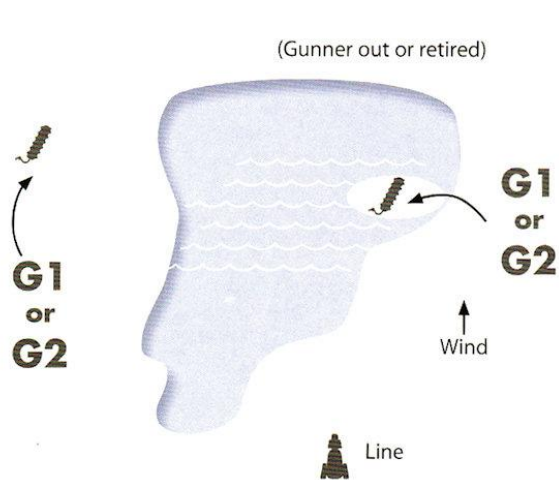
These options will vary with the level of your dog, if you're trying to challenge your dog, or if you want your dog to be successful. Again, you are trying to keep your training in balance. You, the trainer, have to know when its time to step up your training or back off and simplify.



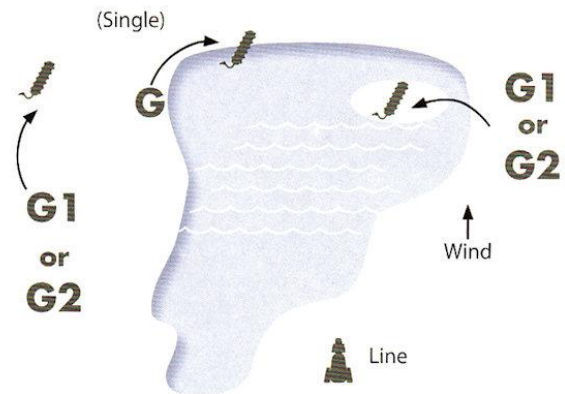
We described last time, in detail, the training decision to handle your dog or help him. We believe in a high standard on the water to keep the dog honest and will often handle with or without pressure to maintain it. Please review the last article on when and why we handle or help.

Again, your training decisions should be based on how your dog is progressing. If you are having to handle

often, you need to simplify with singles, or a single and a double, or a triple with the guns out. Include retired guns when you simplify to singles and/or doubles. Keep in mind that attitude is very important on water marks and very important to your dog's success. We don't like to "build" multiples – that is, do a setup as all singles first and then as a double or triple. We would take the same concept that we did as singles or a single and double one day, and do as



Advance Water Setup C: You would need to find water that has an island so you can work on island birds. This setup gives you a punch bird and an island bird, with a bird along or in the water to be added later. Going long on the last bird down and the wind behind the dog makes the island bird very difficult. As your dog progresses in its advancement you can add a third bird (see Advanced Water Setup D).



Advanced Water Setup D: This setup as a triple still makes the island bird the most difficult bird due to the wind and the influence of Gunner 2 and going long out of the water for the first retrieve. Your options are:

- All singles with guns out, can retire a gun on any single.
- As a double, I would do the punch bird and island bird in either order first, and do the long stay-in-the-water bird as a single. (End with the dog having to stay in the water on a long bird.)
- A triple with guns out, or you can retire either Gunner 1 or 2 and eventually both.