Shed Of Arden (92)

1942, 43, 46 National Field Chaampion
Canadian Field Champion
Dual Champion

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DOB: March 26, 1939
Raffles Of Earlsmoor x FC Decoy Of Arden

Bred at Arden Kennels by W. Averill Harriman, former Governor of NY and Assistant Secretary of State for LBJ. Shed was owned by a wealthy St. Louis sportsman, Paul Bakewell III. It has been reported that Bakewell had turned down an offer of $10,000 for the dog reasoning he could make more the next year in stud fees. Shed had won his first National Championship on a day where the temperature was so cold that entry into the water wasn't thought possible. For his third National win everything was looking quite favorable for Shed. He had done well on the land work and the water wasn't thought to be a problem since he had demonstrated in a previous National that he could handle cold water. Diving into the cold water of Crab Orchard Lake for the last test which required Shed to do was a double water blind of 50 yards. When Shed emerged from the the water he had won his third National. After Shed's third National win a Shed fan in the gallery said "handling that dog is like driving a car".

In addition to the years he won he was a Finalist in 1945 and 1947. Shed has completed every National he ran. He didn't compete in the 1946 Bakewell III was serving in the military. Shed ended his field trial career with with 59 Open points.

Shed's titled offspring include 12 champions, 1 Canadian Champion, 3 Canadian Field Champions, 3 Field Champions, 1 Field Champion-Amateur Field Champion, 1 Field Champion-Canadian Field Champion, and the 1951 Canadian National Champion-Field Champion-Amateur Field Champion.

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