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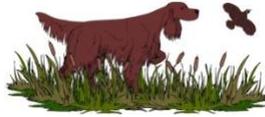
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**Irish Setter Club Of Ohio  
Membership Meeting  
May 22, 2021 2:00 PM**

**Metroparks Brecksville Reserve  
9000 Chippewa Creek Dr. Brecksville, OH  
1 minute East of Brecksville Rd. on Rt. 82**

**Drop down into the park, and proceed ¼ mile down. It will be on the left side. We hope to meet under the pavilion if it is open, if not, we will gather just before the pavilion. Bring your own chairs and drinks. If you google the address, a map and directions are there! It is the next road East of Simon's!**

Bits and Pieces

Thanks to all that joined us for our April meeting in the park. Our next meeting will be in the park too, and we hope that some of you can join us on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

There has not been much happening but the Spohn's are planning to travel to Virginia later this month for their granddaughter's wedding. There are finally some things opening up and people trying to get back to a feeling of normalcy.

Our specialties are planned for back to back on Friday August 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be finalizing things as we know what should be allowed as far as the raffle and hospitality. We also have to determine if we will have a Patron's page and a Trophy Donation page. This will need to be decided next month.

We received a nice statue in appreciation of our donation to Pilot Dogs. It is inscribed with the club name.

We do have scheduled agility trials in September and October. Details on this will be later.

Jim Basham was honored for his dedication from AKC. I added the article.

Jackie

BATHROOM DOOR



**PERFORMANCE EVENTS**  
**James (Jim) Basham (posthumous)**



In 1968 Jim and Beverly bought their first Irish Setter, Basham's Tipparrary Red CDX. Tippy was the family dog and personal hunting companion. He had earned eight bench points before a leg injury ended his show career. In 1969 Jim started training some his friends hunting dogs and was successful enough that in 1972, he decided to train professionally when they moved out of the city and bought a farm in Nova, Ohio.

Jim started with five kennel runs and two clients with young Irish Setters. Two years later he finished both dog's field championships, and his training business took off. Jim still worked full time at the steel plant at night and trained bird dogs during the day. English and Gordons came next, and before long, all pointing breeds – full time with a new boarding and training kennel.

Jim appreciated and finished many dual champions. His first Dual was Irish Setter DCH Shane's Irish High Noon, owned by Jim Haupt This was followed by Dual Gordons, German Wirehair Pointers, Weimaraners, German Shorthaired Pointers, Vizslas, Pointers, and Brittanys.

To his credit Jim never ran any dogs of his own. He felt competing with his clients was against his principals as the client's dogs had to come first. He also donated his grounds for hunt tests free of charge and gave several complimentary training seminars for various clubs. In 2007 he retired as a professional trainer.

During his career, Jim finished well over 75 field championship titles, among them, 25 Gordon Setter duals and 45 Gordon field champions, including an American Field National Gordon Setter Champion, several AKC Gordon Setter National Field Champions. He also won Tri-Setter and Irish Setter Quail Classics. He put Master Hunter Titles on many of the Field and Dual Champions that he trained.

Jim delighted in training owners to handle their own dogs and always had time to help someone in need. He is remembered in the field trial community as a gentleman, a great sportsman and competitor