# GWPCA Record of Merit (ROM) Award for Sires and Dams

The GWPCA Record of Merit Award recognizes members who are striving to produce outstanding get. The dogs awarded with a Record of Merit (ROM) reflect the AKC Standard of the German Wirehaired Pointer which includes type, desirable temperament and intelligence, the working ability to perform in the field plus other performance venues, and in addition to have all pertinent recommended health credentials for the parents.

The sires and dams that produce such versatile offspring shall be recognized by the German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America by offering a Record of Merit award.

One owner of the sire or dam that is being nominated must be a member in good standing with the GWPCA. Owners of the offspring are not required to be members of the GWPCA.

## **ROM Requirements**

To be nominated for the RECORD OF MERIT (ROM) all dogs and bitches must be registered with AKC, both AKC and NAVHDA titles will be recognized. The progeny must reflect the versatility of the breed by acquiring titles from both field and bench. Points will be awarded for the various titles reflecting the degree of difficulty in attaining said title. It will be further noted that OFA Hip Certification or PennHip Certificate with DI of .3 or less, will be required for ALL dogs or bitches whelped after January 1, 1995, including the nominee (PennHip Certificate must be sent with application).

## DOGS:

1) The nominee must submit a list of at least 10 titled offspring having titles from both bench and field.

The list of 10 or more, shall contain a minimum or 8 bench champions (CH), and 3 of the 10 must have field titles (FC,AFC,MH,SH,JH). 2 of the 10 must have field title worth 5 points or more (UPT, UT, VC, SH, MH, FC, AFC)

OR

2) 3 of the 10 offspring must have field titles (FC,AFC,MH), and 3 of the 10 must have bench titles (CH,CD,OA). 1 of the 10 must be a bench champion (CH). 2 of the 10 must have field title worth 5 points or more (UPT, UT, VC, SH, MH, FC, AFC)

#### AND

3)The points must equal 50 or more for either option 1 or option 2.

## BITCHES:

1) The nominee must submit a list of at least 7 titled offspring having titles from both bench and field.

The list of 7 or more, shall contain a minimum of 4 bench champions (CH), and 2 of the 7 must have field titles worth 5 points or more (UPT, UT, VC, SH, MH, FC, AFC)

OR

2) 2 of the 7 offspring must have field title worth 5 points or more (UPT, UT, VC, SH, MH, FC,

AFC)), and 2 of 7 must have bench titles (CH,CD,OA). 1 of the 7 must be a bench champion (CH). AND

3) The points must total 35 or more for either option 1 or option 2.

#### SUPERIOR ROM:

A dog or bitch is eligible for a Superior ROM if in addition to the fundamental requirements of the ROM, if he or she has produced a FC or AFC or MH or UT1 or BIS or OTCH or MACH. BIS: Verification for a Best In Show shall be a photo of the dog or bitch, winning the award, sent in either hard copy or digitally to the ROM Coordinator, with the nominee's application.

#### SUPREME ROM:

This title is reserved for those outstanding dogs or bitches that in addition to attaining their ROM, have also produced a Dual Champion (DC) or Show Champion and Versatile Champion (CH/VC).

Point Values: Please note that once an animal earns a greater title than the one he or she previously held (ie: from JH to SH or MH...SH to MH...JH to MH...or from CD to CDX, etc) AKC DOES NOT recognize the lesser title anymore: therefore an animal IS NOT "Champion Jolly Good Lad JH, SH" he becomes "Champion Jolly Good Lad SH." And, since an animal can go straight to these more complex titles, without passing through the lesser titles, no points shall be given for these lesser titles, once the greater title is received. In other words, Champion Jolly Good Lad SH, in the example above, would only be awarded 5 points for the bench championship, and 5 points for the Senior Hunter...he would not be allowed to accrue the additional point for the prior Junior Hunter.

Conformation	Hunt Test	NAVHDA	Field Trial
CH – 5 pts	JH – 1 pt	NA – 2 pts	FC – 15 pts
	SH – 5 pts	UTP – 5 pts	AFC – 12 pts
	MH – 10 pts	UTII/III – 8 pts	
		UTI – 10 pts	
		VC – 12 pts	

Obedience	Agility	
CD – 1 pt	NA – 1 pt	
CDX – 5 pts	OA – 5 pts	
UD – 7 pts	AX – 7 pts	
UDX – 10 pts	MX – 10 pts	
OTCH – 12 pts		