

The Bird Dog Foundation, Inc. - Life Patron Membership

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I never imagined what my journey in the Springer world would be when I bought my husband a springer spaniel in 1994. That one purchase opened a whole new universe for me.

One springer turned into two in 1995, and three by 1996. There was no turning back. For many years I was known in the springer world as "Jason's Mom" as I watched my son grow into a man and earn ribbons and an AFC at the tender age of 15, with his first love, Mixie. As I got more involved in local clubs and started training and running dogs, I became enamored with the breed and their incredible talent. I was an officer, and FT and HT secretary for many local clubs for years, and then I was asked to be part of the ESSFTA Foundation, where I served as their secretary for three years. It seemed a natural progression to move on to the Parent Club, serving as Easter Regional Governor, Membership Secretary, and finally Field Vice President. Along the way I titled dogs, competed in Nationals and bred many litters. This sport has given me opportunities to travel and meet some of the nicest people that I will ever know. I have judged, been on National and local FT committees, chaired events, and the epitome of my career, placed third in the 2015 National Amateur.

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