









SAMproject UPDATE July 7, 2016

The Brittany finally has a Life-size Bronze to represent the breed at the BIRD DOG MUSEUM AND FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME in Grand Junction, Tennessee.

The combined efforts of Rick and Delmar Smith; Dick Pulliam; Bill Norvell; Ken Jacobson; Tonya Brotherton and Gary Lockee placed a life-size Brittany Bronze on a 5,500 lb. block of granite from South Dakota, on a two foot reinforced concrete base in the HALL OF FAME gardens on June 21, 2016.

Ken read a short poem "Sam is waiting" as Rick and Delmar placed Sam's ashes in an urn under the monument. Ken drove 2,500 miles from San Juan Island, Washington to deliver the life-size BRITTANY BRONZE and the "Records Live..." the original bronze featuring Pacolet Cheyenne Sam with Jacolet Wandering Star and Tigar's Jocko backing. "Records Live..." is displayed on an antique myrtle wood table from southern Oregon in the entrance of the building to the BIRD DOG Hall of Fame. The SAM portion of the bronze was used as the "SAM Bronze" model to raise the funds to create and install the life-size BRITTANY BRONZE and help fund the BRITTANY FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME Endowment Fund.

Ken also brought National Amateur Dual Ch. Tigar's Jocko's trophy for display in the BRITTANY WING. Johnny Munson and Jocko won the 1964 AMATEUR PHEASANT SHOOTING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP, the first major win by a Brittany in a American Field Championship.

Rick flew in from West Virginia; Delmar drove from Oklahoma and Bill Norvell drove from Texas to operate the 6 Ton Forklift and place the granite block. Locals Dick Pulliam, Tonya Brotherton and Gary Lockee were essential for the coordination and solving miscellaneous problems.

Major financial contributions by Paul & Lisa Pollock; Jim Leverich; Rick Smith & Kaye Davis; Delmar Smith; Ken Jacobson and Dave Carlson were essential to the SAMprojects' success.

The sculpture for "Records Live..."; "The SAM BRONZE"; and the "BRITTANY MONUMENT" was Matthew Gray Palmer of San Juan Island, Washington. Matthew is one of World's greatest wildlife artists... To view Matthew's versatility and incredible talent... go to <u>www.matthewgraypalmer.com</u>

Fifteen SAM Bronzes remain FOR SALE...

12" x 6" x9" bronzes mounted on walnut bases with a BRITTANY FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME emblem embedded on the front; a matching numbered gold SAM pin; and a BFTHOF pin are for sale at \$550.00 which includes shipping and handling. When the fifteen SAM Bronzes are sold a permanent Bronze Patron's Plaque with Patron names will be added to the BRITTANY MONUMENT. SAM pins & BFTHOF pins are available at \$27 each while supplies last.

The Dedication of the BRITTANY BRONZE and distribution of the PACOLET CHEYENNE SAM BOOK will take place at noon during the February 2017 - BRITTANY FIELD TRIAL HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS.