



Saint Bernard National Archives & Hall of Fame

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New Criteria Added to the Hall of Fame (H F) - -Retroactive

The Saint Bernard National Archives continues to adjust to new AKC titles, but only after databases are built for those new titles. Only then in reviewing the new databases can we observe past records and set new Hall of Fame goals designed specifically for our breed.

The Saint Bernard Hall of Fame is a place to recognize and celebrate *significant achievements* in our breed. To be inducted into the Hall of Fame it will take some effort on the part of the dog and handler, otherwise The Hall of Fame is just an effort in futility and carries little meaning when inducted or earning Plateaus of Excellence.

Scent Work Titles are now added in to the Hall of Fame criteria...Scent Work came along in 2017 and there was only one Saint Bernard in the new database for that year. It is hard to develop Hall of Fame criteria with just one dog competing.

As with all new venues, it takes time to build a database to see who is competing, plus accumulating the data in the new venue to give an idea to its popularity and challenges. With the accumulated data now in the Archives, it provides an insight not only to the numbers of dogs, but those who go beyond the Entry Level titles.

One would think Scent Work would be a natural for our Rescue breed, but the history and the data has taught us this is not the case. Even in the venue of Tracking (introduced in 1936) there are few who compete in that venue even today! Since 1936, there are only thirty-eight (38) TDs and the last one was in 2011. The first TD was in 1962...a quarter of a century after the event was introduced!

With all that said, Scent Work seems to be following the same path as Tracking in some regards. It has been five-years since Scent Work was introduced and the data shows only four (4) Saint Bernards who have competed. Only two (in five-years) have titled at the Novice entry levels. Only two (in five-years) have titled at the Advanced levels. One of those has knocked-it-out-of-the-park continuing on to the upper Excellent levels accumulating twenty-one (21) Scent Work titles, with more in the works.

Based on that data, here is how the Scent Work titles will work for our breed in regards to the Hall of Fame, and hopefully will encourage more to compete in this venue, historic to our breed.

The options are:

1. An Advanced (beyond the Novice levels) Scent Work title will now be counted as one of the three (3) in a combination with other HoF Performance titles needed for induction.
2. Three (3) Advanced (beyond the Novice levels) Scent Work titles only will now be counted for induction.
3. Any Advanced (beyond the Novice levels) Scent Work title(s) will now be counted as Performance title(s) coupled with a Championship title for induction, which meets the criteria of three (3) titles for HoF titles for induction.

After the initial induction criteria have been met, any additional Scent Work title (beyond the Novice levels) will earn a Plateau of Excellence as part of the total dog's HoF title count totals.

1 Inducted Dog Under the New Criteria - Retroactive

Brandau Ridge Takn A Walk Thru Ur Heart (inducted prior under a different criteria)
Rammus SCA,SEA,SBA

2 New Plateaus of Excellence - Retroactive

Brandau Ridge Takn A Walk Thru Ur Heart

- 4 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA
- 5 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA
- 6 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA
- 7 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE
- 8 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA
- 9 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE
- 10 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE,SWA
- 11 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE,SWA,SCE
- 12 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE,SWA,SCE,SIE
- 13 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE,SWA,SCE,SIE,SBAE
- 14 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE,SWA,SCE,SIE,SBAE,SEAE
- 15 Hof Titles, NJP,NAP,OJP,SCA,SIA,SBA,SCAE,SEA,SIAE,SWA,SCE,SIE,SBAE,SEAE,SWAE

Rammus

- 4 HoF Titles, SCA,SEA,SBA,SIA
- 5 HoF Titles, SCA,SEA,SBA,SIA,SWA
- 6 HoF Titles, SCA,SEA,SBA,SIA,SWA,SEE

Acronyms explained:

<https://www.akc.org/sports/titles-and-abbreviations/>