

RU CH Pioneer Train, 19-16-158, Owner Dr. Darrel Clabough

“Birch” was truly our foundation dog. He was a very versatile producer, hunter and field trial dog. As a producer, he sired dogs that won all over the country in different venues on different game birds in varying types of cover and competition. These included our two great champions Pioneer Train Jake and Pioneer Ghost. As a hunter, he was a grouse and woodcock dog all his life until he was retired from competition. He then went down to Tennessee to be with his owner, Darrel Clabough, a very dedicated quail hunter and became, in Darrel’s words, “the greatest quail covey dog he had ever seen.” As a field trial dog, he had nineteen placements, including runner-up in the National Amateur Grouse Championship with Larry Dugan handling. He won several dog of the year honors and even placed in a horseback shooting dog trial the only time he competed in one.