1966, 1969 National Field Champion Whygin Cork's Coot

DOB: June 12, 1962 (Sire: NFC-AFC Cork Of Oakwood Lane ex Dam: Whygin Dark Ace) Owned by: Mrs. George Murane, Syosset, Long Island, NY

'66, '69 NFC Whygin Cork's Coot (Coot) was originally owned by a fellow who just wanted a gun dog and quickly discovered that Coot was just too much dog for him. Coot was then purchased by Mrs. George Murnane's Macopin Kennels and turned over to her trainer, Joe Riser, who quickly realized that he had his work cut out for him.

Joe's hard work and dedication to the dog began to pay off when Coot placed 1st three times and 2nd once in the last four trials he ran as a Derby dog. He won the Belmont Eastern Derby Championship trophy (awarded for having accumulated the most Derby points in licensed and member trials in the Eastern time zone.

Coot completed his FC at just over three and a half years old, with three Open wins in 1966, as well as the 1966 National Championship in the first National for which he was qualified. Coot's performance in 1966 was indicative of the consistency and excellence that would characterize his entire career which included yet another National Championship in 1969.

Coot accumulated 137 All-Age points during his competitive career – all of them were in Open stakes.