



For years now we at National Headquarters have tried to make sure that we lived up to the standards that a National Club should try to strive for. With the help of our first regional group director, Max Epps, and our current director Horace Wood, the National Club has grown to something over 90 regional groups coast to coast. It is our goal not to show any partiality to any group or region of the country. Our National shows have gone up the east coast to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, through the Midwest to Indianapolis, Indiana, and west to Dallas, Texas but the majority of the nationally sanctioned shows have been in the

South.

The reason for this is because we have not been able to get any of our other groups to hold a National show. The National Club sends two National representatives to each National show. These are usually the President and the National Head Judge to supervise the show and make sure the National Club judging rules are enforced. Certainly, the board has been very disappointed the last couple of years that there has not been more interest from many very competent groups from across the country in National shows. Although we have already awarded the shows for the 1985 year, and again they are all in the southern region, I would like for any group who would be interested in a 1986 show to make us aware of your interest so we can assist your club in

any way possible. It is our desire to move the shows to other parts of the country, so if your group would consider holding a National show contact us through the National office. It is never too early to start plans for a show.

The National shows for 1985 will be the Gulf Coast National on March 29, 30, and 31 in Pensacola, Florida hosted by the Gulf Coast Regional Club, the Southeastern National on May 24, 25, and 26 in Chattanooga, Tennessee hosted by the Scenic City Regional Club, the Second Southern National on July 26, 27, 28 in Biloxi, Mississippi hosted by the Mississippi Coast Mustang Club and the 1985 Grand National on August 30, 31 and September 1 in Atlanta, Georgia hosted by the Georgia Regional Group.

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