



AMERICAN SIGHTHOUND FIELD ASSOCIATION

HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM - PERSON

Person's Name

Jack Helder

Positions Held in ASFA:

First Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Region 6 Director, Judge, Public Relations Chair

include the years these positions were held if known

Positions Held in Other Lure Coursing or Dog Clubs

President, Michigan Gazehound Association

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If nominee deceased, name of person to receive certificate

Zabby Cox

Biography: Provide a brief biography of this person. Limit 500 words. Biography written by: Dawn Gibas, Kathy Nelson and Meg Willis-Redfern

Jack Helder was a Saluki guy, but was known across breeds as not only a great ambassador for his chosen breed, but for all of us with all of our sighthounds.

We all know that volunteers are difficult to find, especially those that work hard and keep coming back year after year because they are passionate about what they are doing. Jack was one of those people whose nature was to volunteer his time, do it in a thoughtful and productive manner, and overall provide education in a meaningful way. A few of Jack's contributions over the years include:

- ASFA 1st Vice President, Corresponding Secretary.
- ASFA Judges Committee Chair.
- ASFA Judges Education and Training – development of training materials and helped facilitate training weekends for new judges.
- Design of the ASFA "Sighthound Eye" logo used on wearables.
- Concept and fundraising for the ASFA II Silver Chain with Links to the Past awarded to the BII winner every year, with the winner getting a silver link to keep.
- ASFA Judge (1997) – recognized as a fair and honest judge (he judged several ASFA IIs), and while he retired from judging a few years ago, his legacy lives on with the people he helped get started.
- ASFA Lure Operator.
- Region 6 Director.
- MGA President for many years / Known for his President's messages.
- New Zealand – Several years ago, Jack traveled to New Zealand and spent time there teaching people about the sport of lure coursing, how to set up a program, and provided education on judging, lure operation, and overall safe running of a field trial. He loved being able to spread the word to others that were interested in watching the beauty of our dogs run and compete.

Overall, Jack was a kind man, a fair man, and a man that touched many of our lives and, by default, the lives of our dogs. He is greatly missed as a friend and mentor in many aspects of life.

On a personal note: To say Jack is deserving of a place in the ASFA Hall of Fame is a vast understatement. He is, and always will be, a significant part of the history and family of the ASFA. I don't think he would like that we say he is irreplaceable, but the 3 of us writing this believe that to be true. His passion, intelligence, knowledge and his wonderful sense of humor will forever be missed.

Nominating Club: Region 6

Officer Name and Title: Lee Warden

**Club Officer's
Signature:**

Date Nominated: January 28, 2019

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