



# BAGPIPES *EXTRA Edition*

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## BRAGGIN' RIGHTS

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We have four teams reporting in this month on their new titles. Congratulations to these dogs and their trainers; may you continue to enjoy your time together in the ring.

Bedlam's Joyful Journey finished his Obedience Masters I title. He also qualified for competing in Utility at the AKC's Obedience Classic which will be held in Orlando, FL this December. Zeal is owned and trained by Laurie Lo.

Britannia Live Long and Prosper BN RA CGC earned the third leg for his AKC Rally Advanced and Beginner Novice titles on July 26th and 27th at Port Chester Obedience Training Club, White Plains New York. PJ is owned by Audrey and Megan Woods and Michele Ritter, trained and handled in rally and obedience by Audrey.

Britannia Sebring Serenipity CDX BN GN RE qualified for competing in Open at the AKC Obedience Classic. Laverne is owned by Brenda Cox, Kirsten Andreassend and Michele Ritter, trained & handled by Brenda.

MOTCH Am/Can CH Nonesuch D'arque Black Sensation RAE HIC VX & AKC CDX RE, became the first bearded collie to complete the requirements for the Canadian Kennel Club Master Obedience Trial Champion, a title similar to the AKC OM. Windy finished the MOTCH requirements by taking HIT out of Utility B, and earned her RAE at the BCCC National Specialty Trial. She is owned by Jaimie St-Maurice and Cheryl Poliak, and trained by Jaimie.

CH MACH Sheiling Awesome Angel UDX5 OM5 RE PT MXS MJG, AXP AJP just earned his Utility Dog Excellent Level 5 title. It is another beardie first! To earn a Utility Dog Excellent title, the dog must have received qualifying scores in both Open B and Utility B at 10 separate licensed or member obedience trials. The letters UDX will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the number of times a dog has met the requirements of the UDX title as defined in the regulations. (UDX5 for 50 qualifying scores.)

On the information front, I would like to share this website with you. The Dog Show Scores website <<http://www.dogshowscores.com>> is a free searchable database of trial results for rally, obedience, and agility. Unlike the AKC points and titles information, in this website you can see the club, judge, score and placement information for each qualifying run.

Search options: name of dog, AKC number, breed, owner. You can also look up judges and their judging assignments. This is very handy if you don't want to pay for an Infodog subscription.

## TOP BEARDED COLLIES: AKC OBEDIENCE 2013

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1. CH MACH Sheiling Awesome Angel 145  
UDX4 OM6 RE PT MXS MJG AXP AJP, E O'Carroll
2. Bedlam's Joyful Journey UD RN HSAd HSBd 52  
L Lo
3. Cameron Sugarland Express 34  
UDX RN MX MXS MXJ MJS XF, J Scarborough
4. Britannia Sebring Serenipity CDX BN GN RE 25  
B Cox/K Andreassend/M Ritter
5. CH Britannia Sebring All Time High 6  
CD BN GN RE HT, K Thomas/J Floberg/M Ritter/K Andreassend
6. CH Nonesuch D'Arque Black Sensation, CD RA 5  
J Short/C Poliak
7. Hapenny Harwood Hannah CD RE 4  
M Sparks/A Rambaud

## PROTOCOL FOR TABULATION & PUBLICATION

The Front & Finish® First & Foremost Rating System ranks dogs and handlers competing in AKC all breed obedience competition. Teams that earn qualifying scores of 170 or more points in Open & Utility classes during a given competition year are included. Points are awarded based on the dog's score according to a point schedule that accounts for variances in scores awarded by different judges. Ratings are published by Front & Finish® listing the top ten dogs ranking highest across all breeds (Top Ten All Breed), the top ten dogs ranking highest within their respective groups.

(Top Ten By Group), and the top ten dogs ranking highest by breed (Top Ten By Breed).

First & Foremost Ratings Point Table

SCORE.....	POINTS
(200) .....	8 Points
(198 -199.5) .....	7 Points
(195 -197.5) .....	6 Points
(190 -194.5) .....	5 Points
(185 -189.5) .....	4 Points
(180 -184.5) .....	3 Points
(175 -179.5) .....	2 Points
(170 -174.5) .....	1 Point

The following link contains proposals from the AKC Obedience Advisory Committee. One of the proposals is to allow deaf dogs to compete, please go to the trouble of reading, evaluating and submitting feedback on each and every topic.

[Obedience Advisory Committee Proposals](#)  
[Your Feedback](#)

## AGILITY

### 2013-2014 AKC INVITATIONAL STANDINGS

The AKC Invitational Agility Championships will be held in Orlando, FL, December 12-14, 2014. To receive an invitation, a team has to be among the top five in the breed for the number of MACH points (number of full seconds under standard course time) and QQs (must qualify in both Masters Standard and Masters Jumpers With Weaves on the same day) earned between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014. The total number of points is determined by adding the number of MACH points and 10X the number of QQs earned. Congratulations to Jeff Ipser and ReZoom, Janet Leverenz and Smitty, Lawrence Dalan and Pip, Diane Lipman and Kailey, and Karen Barratt and Miller on their achievements this past year in topping the list of the 65 teams who earned eligible points. If any of the top five decide not to attend, invitations are then extended to the teams in 6th-10th place so each breed has the chance to have five representatives compete.

	<b>MACH Points</b>	<b>QQS</b>	<b>Total</b>
Wigglesworth Super Smooth Operator	1437	42	1857
Wynsum Rhythm And Brews	1114	45	1564
Wigglesworth Great Expectations	1212	28	1492
Wigglesworth No Way Out	937	34	1277
Colquhoun's No Time To Relax	999	25	1249
Wynsum Rhiannon In Flight	956	17	1126
Camerons On The Cutting Edge	841	16	1001
O'Duinnin Blacker N Coal	843	15	993
Cameron Mocha Espresso	756	13	886
Colard Flyme Tothe Moon	650	22	870
Lakewood Born To Be A Star	636	14	776
Ha' Penny Harwood Ode To Choi	561	21	771
Fox Lane's Mika At Tweeddale	641	10	741
Wynsum Queen Of Diamonds N' The Ruff	566	17	736
Cameron Sugarland Express	641	9	731
Estrella Theres A Breeze Allaround	587	13	717
Wynsum Hard Habit To Break	452	24	692
Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham	634	5	684
O'Duinnin Boing Boing N Brown	518	13	648
Brynmar's Simply Irresistible	474	8	554
Estrella's Only Razzmatazz	424	6	484
O'Duinnin Heart In Motion	307	15	457
Roxie	349	9	439
Lil' Clove Hello Poppet	366	6	426
Wynsum Many Splendored Thing	306	12	426

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## HERDING REPORT AND NOTICES

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### DOG'S REMEMBER, PROGRESS WITH "WITH ME"

Heidi and I resumed herding after 3 months. She was so ready to go that when I put her collars on the breakfast table the night before she sat there the longest time waiting to go. We left early the next morning to beat the heat. After she greeted her trainer, I put the long line on Heidi's collar and then dropped my end, said "with me" and walked down the hill to the entrance gate; Heidi stayed with me without a reminder – she remembered. After going into the field I asked for a walk "with me" – she remembered and there was no zipping out to visit the sheep. We got to work. Her focus was retained (no running off, sniffing the ground, or hunting for bones), flanks were well off the sheep, there were some run-throughs to stir up excitement but she got no sheep to play with; in due time she did soft downs, held stays, and did quiet walk ups well off the sheep. She remembered. After she decides on her own to stop the run-throughs, the next step will be to work with no line on. Why? It's as if putting on the line (even though I never hold it), sets the on switch for appropriate behaviors. We need to graduate to good working behavior without the line.

### HONORING TITLES

If your Bearded has a new AKC or AHBA title listed this month, you are invited to send me a paragraph describing highlights of your bearded's training and how it went in the trial – whatever was most important to you. These will be included in a future Bagpipes or Bulletin article.

### HELP FOR THOSE BEGINNING TO HERD

The Bearded herding community is always welcome to bring innovative ideas to the herding committee. As an example, it has been suggested that effort be made to offer more help to those who are just beginning to herd. That is a great idea and so I'm asking those already engaged in herding to help out with this project. The only requirement is that you either have trained with the handler or watched the handler training your Bearded.

Go to this link and complete the survey on contact information for yourself and trainers - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LJGX65K>. The information will be collated for an article for the BCCA website herding section.

### AKC TITLES

There are large number of titles and BCCA herding instinct certificates this time. Congratulations to all and I encourage you to continue working to the next level.

### HERDING TESTED

Aellen Jive Talkin HT, Ruth Colavecchio & Jean Gauchat-Hargis  
Aellen Zing! Went The Strings Of My Heart HT, Janice F Kehoe & Therese Leonard  
Chantilly's Beautiful Mind At Springhill HT, Patricia Palozzola & Kathleen M Pavlich

Dunnachie Xavier HT, D, 6/4, Sharon Prassa & Joe Prassa  
Gemineye America's Heartthrob HT, Meg Naylor

## AHBA TITLES

Cynamen With A Touch Of Faith , HRD I-m, Barbara Claxton  
Aellen Jive Talkin' , HCT-g , Ruth Colavecchio & Jean Hargis  
Aellen Joy To The Future , HTAD I-s, Carol Colavecchio  
Morlich Coming To America, Mardi, Bert & Reena McBride  
Artisan Snow Angel, Miss Murphy, George & June Keene  
Bouncin' Bauer 24 Hrs A Day, Bauer, Emilee Smith  
Coral Sands Sunshine Girl, Sandy, Elaine Kahn

## PRE-TRIAL TESTED

Aellen One In A Million PT, Ruth Colavecchio & Carol Colavecchio

Chantilly's Beautiful Mind At Springhill PT, Patricia Palozzola & Kathleen M Pavlich

Mik-Ren's Forever Isn't Long Enough PT, C. Renee Jarrett  
Pentangle's Please Step Back PT, Sharon Baker & Debra Thomas DVM

Ryderwood All Good Things PT, Robert Ryder IV & Karen Ryder  
Springhill's Against All Odds PT, Steve Lausmann  
Willowisp Ramsay PT, Kitty Hale & Beryl De Borba

River City's Moonlight Star, Otis, JoAnn & Bob Brian  
River City's Fresh Air, Allie, JoAnn & Bob Brian  
Aberlour's Singin' In The Rain, Mac, Theresa Hush  
Papaw's Powered By Bing, Bing, Maryann & Jack Szalka  
Dunnachie Eyes Like Mabelline, Maybe, Debby Pisarski  
XTC's Gotta Do, Dewey, Sharon Matusinec  
Artisan Mountain Snow, Murphy, Darleen & Matt Ereaux  
Buffett's Love & Luck, Buffett, Darleen & Matt Ereaux  
Artisan Crystal Starlight, Nikki, Tom & Kathy Defino  
Lakewood Uptown Girl, Sissy, Angie Daughtery  
Burlesque Ice Ice Baby, Ice, Martha Fruehwald  
Runningmtn Whispers Of The Heart, Sharon Hammond  
Britannia Nut N Honey, Honey, Linda Taylor  
Cameron's Road To Glory, Bonus, Eileen Cameron  
Cameron's Morning Glory, Brenna, Kelly Canham

## GPBCC CEILIDH

Sallen Shotts, Carol Sirrine & Brian Wistrom  
Artisan Halloween Goblin, Ann Witte

## AKC NEW TITLES

### JUNE 2014

**Champion**, CH Burlesque Doing It Her Way, B, DN35823502, 22-Jun-14, GCH CH Highlander Macbean At Burlesque x CH Burlesque The Diplomat, Karen Norteman & Laura Colombo & Gregory Hall

**Champion**, CH Dunnachie Way To Be At Pentangle HSAs, D, DN31286801, 6-Jun-14, CH Wigglesworth Stay Out Of My Way AX AXJ x CH Dunnachie Don'T Get Me Started NA NAJ, Debra Thomas D.V.M. & Kathleen Harold & Jackye Dunn

**Champion**, CH Ha'Penny Harwood Brave Heart, D, DN37401002, 28-Jun-14, CH Ha'Penny Moon Shadow x CH Ha'Penny Deja Harwood Heartbreaker, Mrs. J Richard Schneider & Michele Marini & Victoria Null

**Champion**, CH Pentangle's Please Step Back PT, B, DN33524901, 6-Jun-14, CH Britannia Back To The Future VCD1 RE PT AX MXJ x CH Pentangle's If You Please HSAds HSBd HIAds HXAds, Sharon Baker & Debra Thomas D.V.M.

**Champion**, CH Pentangle's Special Agent CD RA PT NA NF CGC, B, DN33524904, 14-Jun-14, CH Britannia Back To The Future VCD1 RE PT AX MXJ x CH Pentangle's If You Please HSAds HSBd HIAds HXAds, Elizabeth Scorzelli

**Champion**, CH Riptide's Born To Run, D, DN30202205, 1-Jun-14, CH Fivefields Easy On The Eyes HSAs x Buckram Riding A Riptide, Wendi Paradise Grand Champion, GCH CH Briarpatch Look What's Next HT CGC, D, DN30130201, 15-Jun-14, GCH CH Briarpatch Look At That CD RE HT AX AXJ MXP MJP x CH Briarpatch Jocala Inspiration RN HT OAP OJP, Lucy C Campbell-Gracie

**Grand Champion**, GCH CH Xtc's He. Could. Go. All. The. Way!, D, DN32473906, 29-Jun-14, CH Xtc's Stars And Stripes x CH Xtc's The Fifth Element, Arleen Berry & Bela Szecsy & Kelly Szecsy

**Companion Dog Excellent**, GCH CH Winberlee's Back In Black CDX RA PT NAJ, D, DN29063101, 29-Jun-14, CH Diotima's Last Word THD x CH Winberlee's Picture Perfect BN RE PT, Ray Salmon & Joyce Ann Burgett & Ann Rambaud

**Utility Dog Excellent**, Bedlam's Joyful Journey UDX RN HSAd HSBd, D, DN11155106, 29-Jun-14, CH Cameron Center Stage At Bedlam RE x Bedlam's Easy On The Eyes CD RE, Laurie Lo

**Beginner Novice**, Beau Chien's Rocky Mtn. River BN RN AX OAJ OF, B, DN12559504, 6-Jun-14, CH Beau Chien's Razzle Dazzle CD RN x CH Arlin Summer Breezebeauchien, Sara Carver

**Rally Novice**, Lil' Clove Midnight Lace RN PT OA AXJ OF, B, DN29010702, 22-Jun-14, CH Bendale Singing The Blues UD GO RE HSAdsc HIAs HXAs AX AXJ NF x CH Lil' Clove Hello Poppet CD RE HSAs MX MXB MXJ MJS NF CGCA, Jeremy Haag & Heather Gahres

**Rally Excellent**, Highland's He's So Fine CDX RE, D, DN15539201, 20-Jun-14, CH Ha'Penny Delinquent x CH Highland's Katie Scarlett, Beatrice Bockowski

**Rally Excellent**, CH Moonstone True Blue Heart BN RE NA NAJ NF, D, DN14058801, 22-Jun-14, CH Oakengates Sky Blue TD x CH Moonstone Back In My Heart RA HT NA OAJ OJP NF OFP, Tim Minner & Sandy McDonald & Casey Minner

**Herdling Tested**, GCH CH Aellen Jive Talkin HT, B, DN22332405, 15-Jun-14, CH Britannia Good Day Sonshine CD PT AX MXJ OAP AJP x CH Aellen Hasta Be Shasta RN PT, Ruth Colavecchio & Jean Gauchat-Hargis

**Herdling Tested**, Aellen Zing! Went The Strings Of My Heart HT, D, DN37036404, 4-Jun-14, Sengalas Frankly Classical RN x GCH CH Aellen Jive Talkin HT, Janice F Kehoe & Therese Leonard

**Herdling Tested**, Chantilly's Beautiful Mind At Springhill HT, B, DN35031502, 4-Jun-14, GCH CH Farmarens Highland Piper RN x CH Chantilly's Bogle The Mind Of Xtc, Patricia Palozzola & Kathleen M Pavlich



**Herdning Tested**, Dunnachie Xavier HT, D, DN36670308, 4-Jun-14, GCH CH Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham PT MX MXJ XF T2B x CH Dunnachie Don'T Get Me Started NA NAJ, Sharon Prassa & Joe Prassa

**Herdning Tested**, CH Gemineye America's Heartthrob HT CGC, D, DN33587701, 29-Jun-14, GCH CH Talamore Last Comic Standing x CH Meadows' Emerald At Gemineye RN OA OAJ, Meg Naylor

**Pre-Trial Tested**, Aellen One In A Million PT, B, DN37036406, 15-Jun-14, Sengalas Frankly Classical RN x GCH CH Aellen Jive Talkin HT, Ruth Colavecchio & Carol Colavecchio

**Pre-Trial Tested**, Chantilly's Beautiful Mind At Springhill PT, B, DN35031502, 29-Jun-14, GCH CH Farmarens Highland Piper RN x CH Chantilly's Bogle The Mind Of Xtc, Patricia Palozzola & Kathleen M Pavlich

**Pre-Trial Tested**, CH Mik-Ren's Forever Isn'T Long Enough PT, B, DN20683602, 8-Jun-14, CH Fivefields Reckless Abandon RA PT AX AXJ NAP NJP NF NFP x CH Summit's Luck Of The Draw RN PT, C. Renee Jarrett

**Pre-Trial Tested**, Pentangle's Please Step Back PT, B, DN33524901, 3-Jun-14, CH Britannia Back To The Future VCD1 RE PT AX MXJ x CH Pentangle's If You Please HSAds HSBd HIAds HXAds, Sharon Baker & Debra Thomas D.V.M.

**Pre-Trial Tested**, Ryderwood All Good Things PT, B, DN34732001, 4-Jun-14, GCH CH Pentangle Rock'N Ryland P RN TDX HSAs HIAs HXAs OA OAJ OF x CH Ryderwood Dream Weaver NA NAJ, Robert Ryder IV & Karen Ryder

**Pre-Trial Tested**, CH Springhill's Against All Odds PT OA OAJ OF, D, DN28921801, 4-Jun-14, GCH CH Pentangle Rock'N Ryland P RN TDX HSAs HIAs HXAs OA OAJ OF x CH Cameron Springhills Im Hillary PT, Steve Lausmann

**Pre-Trial Tested**, CH Willowisp Ramsay PT, D, DN31909005, 4-Jun-14, GCH CH Willowisp Never Say Never x CH Ramsgrove Ronja HSAs, Kitty Hale & Beryl De Borba

**Novice Agility**, Isle Kiss Of The Hops NA NAJ, D, DN25249808, 27-Jun-14, CH Breaksea Boddy's Brew PT x GCH CH Isle Works Like A Charm MX MXJ MJB NF, Cynthia Moorhead & Jane Tadsen

**Open Agility**, CH Wynsum To Know Him Is To Love Him CD OA OAJ, D, DN28141702, 28-Jun-14, CH Wynsum Make My Day AX AXJ x Wynsum Listen To My Heart, Carolyn Epperson & Carol J Carlsen

**Agility Excellent**, Artisan Hocus Pocus Dixie AX OAJ, B, DN25198103, 1-Jun-14, DC Artisan Pastoral Victory x CH Artisan Imp HSAs, Rick Micek

**Agility Excellent**, Lil'Clove Caol Ila BN RN PT AX AXJ OF, B, DN27350102, 7-Jun-14, CH Bendale Singing The Blues UD GO RE HSAdsc HIAs HXAs AX AXJ NF x CH Lil' Clove Hello Poppet CD RE HSAs MX MXB MXJ MJS NF CGCA, Ruth Bryden

**Master Bronze Agility**, Cameron Mocha Espresso CD MX MXB MXJ MJB, B, DN31938501, 5-Jun-14, GCH CH Baileysong He's The One CGC x CH Cameron's Earth Angel HT, Jill Scarborough

**Master Silver Agility**, MACH O'Duinnin Heart In Motion MXS MJS XF T2B, B, DN22882102, 8-Jun-14, CH MACH8 Colquhoun's No Time To Relax RN MXB3 MJC3 MXF MFB TQX T2B x O'Duinnin Joli Goes Platinum CD RE PT MX MXS MXJ MJS OAP NJP OF, Carol Hegg

**Master Bronze Agility 3**, MACH6 Fox Lane's Mika At Twe Edd Ale MXB3 MJC2 MXF TQX T2B, B, DN11692608, 14-Jun-14, CH Papaw Tailwind Shock'N Ya'Ll x CH Fox Lane's Fancy That, Linda J Porter

**Master Agility Excellent Preferred 2**, CH MACH Caledonia's O Polo Mio RN PT MXS MJS MXP2 MJP2 MXF MFS TQX MFP T2BP, D, DN02816807, 22-Jun-14, CH Firstprizebears Haagen Dazs x CH Caledonia's Chanel, Kay Widell & Carl Widell

**Master Agility Excellent Preferred 4**, GCH CH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ MXP4 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX NF, D, DN03017304, 6-Jun-14, CH Brandmar N Chelsic Bond James Bond OA AXJ OAP AJP THD x CH Chelsic N Brandmar High Altitude NA OAJ, Betty Jo Walker

**Novice Agility Jumper**, Alistair's Rae Of Sunshine At Big Lake NA NAJ, B, DN34624003, 7-Jun-14, CH MACH8 Colquhoun's No Time To Relax RN MXB3 MJC3 MXF MFB TQX T2B x CH MACH Wynsum Many Splendored Thing RN PT MXG MJG MXF MFB TQX T2B2, Ann Chandoha

**Novice Agility Jumper**, CH Wigglesworth Flying Fish NAJ, D, DN35756102, 7-Jun-14, CH Daybar's All Schook Up x CH MACH2 Wigglesworth Walk This Way CD RA MXC MJB2 MXF MFB, Miriam Harthill & Diane Lipman

**Master Bronze Jumper**, CH Brynmar's Simply Irresistible RN MX MXJ MJB NF, B, DN20788702, 6-Jun-14, CH Brandmar N Chelsic Bond James Bond OA AXJ OAP AJP THD x CH Chelsic N Brandmar High Altitude NA OAJ, Betty Jo Walker

**Master Silver Jumper**, CH MACH Colard Flyme Tothe Moon RN MXB MJS MXF T2B2, B, DN20871601, 27-Jun-14, CH Ragtyme Blackfriar I Can Fly x Colard Gotta Go, Miranda Mulders & John Mulders

**Agility FAST Open**, Brandmar Jenuwin Unforgettable Fire CD RN AX AXJ OF, B, DN29438501, 21-Jun-14, CH Brandmar's Raising A Ruckus At Aydyndryl RN HT x CH Brandmar Motlikru Envoy Of All RN, Karen J Reed

**Agility FAST Excellent**, CH MACH2 Wigglesworth Super Smooth Operator MXS MJS AXP AJP XF, D, DN32017902, 21-Jun-14, CH MACH14 Wigglesworth Super Sonic CD RN MXC4 MJS5 NAP NJP MXF MFS TQX x CH Wigglesworth Sobe Wonder Girl NAJ XF, sharon and Jeff Ipser

**Master Agility Champion 2**, CH MACH2 Wynsum Hard Habit To Break RE MXB2 MJS2 XF THD, D, DN05611102, 8-Jun-14, CH Briarpatch Portraitist CD HT OA OAJ x CH Wynsum Alluring Dreamweaver RN AX AXJ NAP NJP, Robert Leverenz & Carol J Carlsen & Janice Leverenz

**Time 2 Beat**, DC Pentangle's Captain Jack BN RE HSAds HSBd HIAds HIBd HXBd HXAdM MX AXJ MXF T2B, D, DN20787705, 6-Jun-14, CH Pentangle's Sam-I-Am x CH Pentangle's Synchronicity RA HSAds HSBd HIAds HXAd, Joanne M Williamson

**Time 2 Beat 2**, CH MACH Colard Flyme Tothe Moon RN MXB MJB MXF T2B2, B, DN20871601, 26-Jun-14, CH Ragtyme Blackfriar I Can Fly x Colard Gotta Go, Miranda Mulders & John Mulders

**Canine Good Citizen**, Aberlour's Singin' In The Rain CGC, D, DN36625003, 19-Jun-14, GCH CH Wigglesworth Thriller x CH Wigglesworth Dynamite, Theresa Hush & Dawn Mieras

**Canine Good Citizen**, After Dark Instant Karma HT CGC, B, DN26177202, 19-Jun-14, CH MACH8 Colquhoun's No Time To Relax RN MXB3 MJC3 MXF MFB TQX T2B x CH After Dark Seventh Star RN AX MXJ OF, Maryann Szalka & Jack Szalka

**Canine Good Citizen**, Britannia Up 'N The Air RN CGC, B, DN30802002, 19-Jun-14, GCH CH Farmarens Highland Piper RN x CH Britannia Nip 'N The Air RA, Robin Deily & Michele Ritter & Barry Coles

**Canine Good Citizen**, Gemineye Love Is In The Air CGC, D, DN33587705, 19-Jun-14, GCH CH Talamore Last Comic Standing x CH Meadows' Emerald At Gemineye RN OA OAJ, Linda Abramczyk

**Canine Good Citizen**, Majela Chaniam Kegan Dewin Of Monroe CGC, D, DN36525703, 19-Jun-14, CH Chaniam Claddagh Fainne CDX RN HSAd AX MXJ OF x GCH CH Chaniam Aon As Mhain At Majela, Cindra Malone & Maureen Larroux & Jean Larroux & Ronald Malone

**Canine Good Citizen**, Papaw's Powered By Bing CGC, D, DN35986201, 19-Jun-14, CH Tailwind Papaw Uncommonly Good x CH Papaw Tailwind Hat Trick, Maryann Szalka & Jack Szalka

**Canine Good Citizen**, Rivercity Pretty In Pink CGC, B, DN35239802, 19-Jun-14, CH Daybar Fizzical Attraction At Lakewood x CH Rivercity's Sugar Magnolia, Donald Schild & Janet Fiske

**Therapy Dog**, GCH CH Woodsong Tangled Up In Blue THD CGC, D, DN20044102, 3-Jun-14, CH Cameron's D'Arque Reflection NAJ x CH Woodsong Doris Daring RN HSAs NA NAJ CGC, Olivia Lazarus & Norm Lazarus

## AKC DELEGATES REPORT

*Kathy Coxwell*

Your Delegate apologizes for the combined reports, but the "Fickle Finger of Fate" parked itself at my door for several months, making reporting and attending the June meeting an impossibility. No excuses; just reasons: I broke my left foot in December and again (same foot, different bone) just before my son's wedding in May. The second time I was told I could not continue to walk on it, even with the dreaded boot, except at limited times. I could not fly to Newark for the June meeting, but the magic of computers allows me to get the transcripts from the internet.

The second, and far worse event, was the changing of our office computers from Windows XP to Windows 7. In the process, our tech managed to lose an entire folder that contained all my BCCA files, every delegate report for my entire time as delegate, all my letters to rescue adopters, etc. He has gone through the back-up tapes several times, but I am basically starting over without many, many files, not all of them BCCA related. Included in that loss was my March report.

The following is a summary of what is happening with the AKC, the Parent Club Committee and the Companion Events Committee (formerly the Obedience, Agility and Tracking Committee).

### ATTRACTING NEW EXHIBITORS

With entries continuing to decline, getting new exhibitors into the fancy and keeping them there, is high priority. As a Parent Club, we do not have the same problems the all breed clubs face with getting more people to shows. With the instant communication available today, exhibitors are tracking judges on the internet. They are following the numbers of entries the judges have and make decisions accordingly.

With the economy still struggling and gas prices continuing to rise, exhibitors are more concerned than ever about good value for their money. They want judges who will treat them as a customer who looks for good value. They want to be treated fairly and honestly. This tracking allows them to avoid certain judges whose numbers are down and enter under judges who consistently has high number of exhibitors. Consider trying a permit Judge. These judges are new, but wanting to do the very best they can as they hope for more appointments. The same old same old isn't necessarily the best choice.

Exhibitors are staying closer to home and not traveling long distances to attend shows where they don't feel they will get good value. Some smaller clubs put on one show per year, and it is a one-day event. There are judges who refuse to travel for one day.

All clubs, whether all-breed, or parent club, are encouraged to take into consideration who they choose as judges for their events, the site where the event will be held, convenience for the exhibitors, etc. All clubs should try and make every event something no one wants to miss.

Our sport is graying rapidly. One has only to look at the Delegate body to see that the faces are not getting younger. It is incumbent upon all of us to encourage more people to get involved with the sport of dogs, whether in conformation or companion events.

### NEW OWNER HANDLER SERIES

The NOHS gives exhibitors a second opportunity to compete against their peers without additional charge. However.....not every club is in favor of this new mandated event. Many clubs have voiced their displeasure with this because they are already shorthanded when it comes to workers. We all know that having volunteers is the backbone of any dog show. Without them, clubs would be unable to put on any event.

The biggest complaint is that there are not enough volunteers to put on the regular show, much less an additional event for owner handlers. They complain that volunteers who have worked for weeks or months to get a show planned and off the ground will not be willing to stay and hold yet another event. As always, money is an additional problem. Setting up for what is almost a “second show” is expensive, and many small clubs simply cannot afford it.

A proposal to allow clubs to opt-in or out was put to the board, but was defeated. It will be interesting to see how this works out. In spite of the fact that the exhibitor can possibly earn multiple points in one weekend, the cost to the clubs may too high to sustain it.

#### ELECTION RESULTS

A vote was taken for the three vacancies on the AKC Board of Directors. The results of that vote were as follows: James R. Dok, 179; Dr. J. Charles Garvin, 205; Ronald H. Menaker, 259; Patricia C. Scully, 146. Mr. Dok, Mr. Menaker and Dr. Garvin were elected to the Class of 2018.

#### CGC TITLE

This title was launched in 2013, and the AKC already has applications for 17, 000 dogs. The new Advanced CGC title is gaining interest and so far as over 1000 dogs titled.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Revenues were up \$3 million, and expenses were down \$6 million from 2012. This is a big improvement. Investment gains were up \$13 million, which makes for a \$20 million increase over a two year period. But.....the AKC’s pension liability is \$100 million. Some investments have been moved outside the AKC and are owned by the Pension Plan. This investment money goes up and down various years as the pension liability goes up and down. Because the pension liability went down and investments went up, there was a shrinking [pension liability of \$24 million.

To summarize, a positive \$48 million positive swing is composed of the following:

- \$11 million in net operating income
- \$13 million in investment gains
- \$24 million of a pension adjustment
- \$48 million aggregate change in net assets

#### REMOVING RESTRICTIONS ON DELEGATES

The Amendment to Article VI, Section 5 of the Charter and Bylaws of the American Kennel Club would remove certain eligibility restrictions on Delegates for certain classes of persons previously excluded from approval as Delegates. It would open membership to the following:

- Judges who charge a fee in addition to expenses.
- Professional handlers
- Persons who engage in the retail sale of dog food or dog supplies
- Publishers or those who promote dog show and kennels through solicitation or acceptance of advertisements in commercial dog publications
- Dog show superintendents.

This same amendment would add convictions for animal cruelty as a basis for not approving or for removing someone as a Delegate. The Bylaws Committee withdrew this portion of the amendment prior to the vote. The remaining portion was presented to the Delegate body for a vote, did not receive the necessary 2/3 affirmative vote, and was not adopted.

#### PROPOSAL FROM THE OBEDIENCE, AGILITY AND TRACKING COMMITTEE (COMPANION EVENTS COMMITTEE)

After reviewing all items submitted, the Committee is in favor of the following concepts

#### JUDGES GUIDELINES, GENERAL, PERFORMANCE AND JUDGING

##### JUDGES GUIDELINES

- Move relevant judges guidelines to the sections of the Regulations in which they apply.
- Revise Exhibiting to: Judges (including provisional) may not handle dogs that are not owned or co-owned by themselves or a family member at obedience and or rally trials.

##### CLASS BRIEFINGS & START TIMES

- For classes with briefings, the briefing times will be listed and the class time will be stated “class to follow”
- Shorten briefing time to 10 minutes.
- List classes starting after noon as “After Noon” rather than “to follow.”
- If the judge and ring are available to start earlier than the stated time and all exhibitors have checked-in and agree, allow the judging to start earlier.

##### CLUBS

- Allow Clubs the option of providing 4’ or 5’ jumps for all classes with jump exercise.
- Revise transfer verbiage to allow clubs the flexibility of accepting transfers prior to the day of a trial and up to the close of the current trial for the following day(s) events.
- Require clubs to publish, in the premium list, if two trials in one day will be held concurrently or consecutively.
- Allow clubs the flexibility to hold one trial over the course of 2 consecutive days.
- (Example: Novice classes on Saturday with Open and Utility classes on Sunday) [Event conflicts will still be in effect for trials held within 100 miles.]
- Modify the emergency judge policy to allow clubs greater flexibility in finding a replacement judge when a previously approved judge cancels within 72 hours or less;
- Allowing a judge with an event conflict to accept the emergency judge assignment without impacting future assignments.

##### EXHIBITING

- Allow exhibitors to steward, other than table stewarding, in the same ring under the same judge they will be showing under.



- Revise the section regarding identification. Club clothing or AKC event clothing may be worn by anyone exhibiting a dog or by ring stewards. Clothing may display the person's name, the dog's call name and/or the dog's picture. Titles may not be displayed. Writing or graphics on the clothing must not be in poor taste or contain profanity. Clothing must not display any information that would be in conflict with a sponsor of the trial.
- Revise the section regarding deaf dogs so that they are eligible to compete.
- Clearly state that a dog may be brought into and taken out of the ring on a leash that slipsthrough the dogs collar in classes in which all the exercise are off leash.
- Clearly state that leashes must be snapped to the collar when dogs are brought in for classes requiring on leash exercises, group exercises and awards.
- Dogs may be picked up and carried in and out of the ring for judging.
- The judge will call the qualifying handlers back into the ring without requiring the dogs to be brought back.
- State exhibitors may leave the ring at any time by politely informing the judge they are doing so. Judges book to be marked "Handler left ring" and carry down an "NQ."
- Revise hand position for the heel free exercise: Hands must be held in a natural position; any position or movement of hands and or arms that the judge considers an aid to the dog will be penalized.

#### NOVICE

- Only one group stay exercise for 1 minute; sit or down, judge's option, same for all dogs in the class that day.
- Replace removed group exercise with a Recall over High Jump, dog would jump no less than ½ its height at the withers.
- Require exhibitors to check in for group exercises immediately after completion of the individual exercises.
- Dogs which have qualified during the individual exercise will have the option of returning for the group exercise. Dogs which have not qualified during the individual exercise will not return for the group exercise.
- Require leashes to be left on the dogs during the group exercise.
- Allow judges the option of deciding if the group exercise will be conducted after "X" number of dogs in the class or if there are more dogs than can be judged in one group, all the group exercises will be conducted after the last individual team is judged. Judges will post which manner the groups will be performed prior to the start of the class.

#### OPEN

- Broad Jump - allow the jump to be performed from either side of the jump, judges' option, same for all dogs in the class that day. Requirement for hurdles to be positioned so the dog will be turning away from the ring barrier after landing would remain.
- Only one group stay exercise for 3 minutes; sit or down, judge's option, same for all dogs in the class that day.
- Replace removed group exercise with an Open Stand for Exam
- Require exhibitors to check in for group exercises immediately after completion of the individual exercises.

- Dogs which have qualified during the individual exercise will have the option of returning for the group exercise. Dog which have not qualified during the individual exercise will not return for the group exercise.
- Require leashes to be left on the dogs during the group exercise.
- Allow judges the option of deciding if the group exercise will be conducted after "X" number of dogs in the class or if there are more dogs than can be judged in one group, all the group exercises will be conducted after the last individual team is judged. Judges will post which manner the groups will be performed prior to the start of the class.
- Allow excused dogs to count towards OTCH points.

#### UTILITY

- Scent Discrimination - Allow handlers the option of supplying two different types of sets of articles from three different allowable types of articles: leather, metal or wood.
- Scent Discrimination - State that it is the handlers decision if they have the dog watch the articles being put out; it is not required.
- Scent Discrimination - State when the handler may take an article to scent it.
- Scent Discrimination – State handlers are not allowed to pet their dogs while they are scenting the article.
- Scent Discrimination – State that the dog will be sitting to begin this exercise.
- Scent Discrimination – Clarify when the scoring of the exercise begins.
- Directed Retrieve - Substantial penalty for the direction not given simultaneously or immediately following.
- Directed Retrieve – Substantial penalty for lack of directness.
- Directed Retrieve – Non-qualifying if the dog brings back an incorrect glove. j. Moving Stand for Exam – Provide specific examination language to judges. (Exam verbiage adopted will be similar for Open and Utility)

#### BEGINNER NOVICE

- Revise - Dogs with a CD, PCD or less will be eligible for this class.
- Reduce walk through time from 15 to 10 minutes.
- Sit Stay – State one command to stay, additional command to stay substantial penalty.
- Revise recall scoring to clearly state how many commands/signals are they allowed and when.
- Revise the wording about hands on the recall - not to be used as an aid.
- State what exhibitors should do with the leash for the recall.
- Run-Off Procedure – In case of a tie in the Beginner Novice class, the dog and handler will perform the Heel on Leash the same as it is performed in the Beginner Novice Heel on Leash exercise.

#### GRAD NOVICE

- Add scoring section for each exercise.
- Add the dumbbell to the Retrieve over High Jump exercise.

#### GRAD OPEN

- Add scoring section for each exercise.
- Signal Exercise – Revise to state minimum distance of 10' which will allow handlers to go further away from the dog.

- Scent Discrimination – State the handler may choose which type of article is retrieved.
- Go Out - State the handler must stand no closer than the center of the ring.
- Change the order of the exercises to:
- Signal Exercise
- Scent Discrimination
- Go Out
- Directed Jumping
- Moving Stand and Exam
- Directed Retrieve

#### “PRE” CLASSES

Change the name for all “Pre” classes to “Preferred” classes. These classes are for exhibitors who prefer to use an alternative titling path, which allows them to exhibit in classes without group exercises and with jumps set no less than ½ the height of the dog. The “Preferred” classes will afford an opportunity for a greater variety of dogs, and their handlers to participate in the sport of obedience.

#### PRE – UTILITY

- Add scoring section for each exercise.
- Scent Discrimination – Revise to 10 articles (not 8).
- Directed Retrieve – State it is the same exercise as in Utility.
- NEW PUDX
- PUDX – the dog must receive qualifying scores in both P-Open and P-Utility at 10 separate licensed or member obedience trials.
- Change the P-Open and P-Utility classes to include the same 6 mixed order of exercises allowed in Regular Classes with the same exercises, except no group exercises; and jumps are set to ½ the height of the dog at the withers.
- If the PUDX title is approved revise the Signal Exercise to all signals without the permitted verbal command.

#### NEW POTCH

- Non-competitive champion title; points earned based on scores of 190 or better with a specific # of PUDX legs required.
- OTCH dogs not eligible for the title.

#### NON REGULAR CLASSES

Remove the Sub-Novice, International and Advanced Teamwork classes. [Does not preclude a club from offering non-regular classes not described in the regulations. These may be approved by AKC by submitting a description of the class with the event application.]

#### OTCH

Combine the tables and give the same # of points for Open and Utility (Based on Utility Table)

Table modification as follows:

- TABLE 1
  1. Combine the tables - Change points for Hawaii/ Alaska/ Puerto Rico – one table:
- TABLE 2
  1. Allow excused dogs to count.

## AKC AGILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS PART II

- Creation of a new pre-novice class
- An optional pre-novice class offering multiple titles for dogs which have not yet earned any AKC agility titles. These pre-novice classes may be “judged” by
- AKC-approved evaluators.
- Elimination of the 4-paw safety rule
- Removal of the 4-paw safety rule, allowing the exhibitor to re-attempt a contact
- obstacle if their dog fails to negotiate the approach side of a contact obstacle,
- incurring a refusal fault (R) instead of an elimination fault (F).
- Allow deaf dogs to compete
- Eliminate use of exhibitor armband stickers
- Allow only 8” broad jump boards. Removes the 6” board width option.
- Require 2” spread for 4” double bar jump (remove existing 2”- 4” range)
- Require all contact obstacle safety zones must be yellow in color
- Require padding around entire closed tunnel opening Except where the chute touches the ground
- Require non-slip rubber inside closed tunnel’s entrance/ barrel. Exclude sand-paper based surfaces
- “Mail-box” shaped closed tunnels will only be required to have non slip rubber surface on the bottom of the closed tunnel entrance, not on the sides of the entrance
- Change height variance of the teeter to +/- 1-inch. Previously +/- 2-inches
- Eliminate judging of the teeter up-contact
- Open tunnel size 24” (+3 inches/-2 inches) Further clarifies that 26” open tunnels may be used
- Define list of “not-allowed” open tunnel colors navy / dark blue deep maroon / deep red dark green black 15. Table height modifications 4”, 8” jump heights - set the table at 8” height 12” jump height - set the table at 12” height (new height) 16” jump height - set the table at 16” height 20”, 24”, 26” jump heights - set the table at 20” height (new height)
- Require all jump bars be constructed from a single piece of Schedule 40 PVC pipe
- Require bar jump cups be a maximum depth of 1/8” Previously recommended
- Remove existing option of a V-shaped bar jump cup
- Recommend wings be separated/detached from the bar jump upright
- Disallow use of one-piece metal jumps with single welded unit of 2 uprights and a ground bar
- Use of an ascending double as a new, optional course obstacle
- Allow usage of the existing double bar obstacle with the additional adage of placing the front bar one jump height lower than the dog’s entered jump height
- Viaduct/wall jump as a new, optional course obstacle



## PARENT CLUB COMMITTEE

### E-BALLOTING/ONLINE ELECTIONS

The AKC introduced the concept a few years ago that club boards could meet through video conferencing, provided, the statutes of the state in which they were incorporated allowed it. To date, New York does not allow for such a meeting form. The BCCA should contact the Secretary of State of Attorney General to get a final determination.

### PARENT CLUB OF EXCELLENCE

Certainly a goal the BCCA should adopt. The program should be up and running by the September meeting, at which time I will report further.

### TRAILER TASK FORCE PROJECT

In nine months there are 127 clubs participating, raising over \$334,442.00. AKC Reunite has added an addition \$250,000.00 for a total of \$584,441.00. So far five trailers have been delivered. Examples of sponsors and where the trailers went are:

Cleveland/Bradley Tennessee. Sponsored by the Chattanooga Kennel Club; the Field Spaniel Society of America, the Welsh Springer Spaniel Club of America; the Chow Chow Club; the American Belgian Turvuren Club; The American Miniature Shepherd Club of the USA and the Havanese Club of America.

Lexington, Kentucky: Sponsored by the Lexington Kennel Club; the American Spaniel Club; the Cardigan Welsh Corgi Club of America; the American Boxer Club; the Cane Corso Club of America, the Spinone Club of America and the Great Dane Club of America.

Cecil Maryland: Sponsored by the Northeastern Maryland Kennel Club; the Cecil County Emergency Medical Group; the English Setter Association of America; the Schipperke Club of America Rescue and Health Foundation and the Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club.

Additional trailers will be going to Sacramento County to the California Office of Emergency Services. Other trailers will be going to Boone County Missouri, Atlanta, McClain County Oklahoma, Calvin County Maryland. Many other clubs are raising funds for additional trailers. They hope to have 12 delivered by the September meeting. This is a very worthwhile project, and one which I hope the BCCA will consider supporting. The trailers are placed in places which are prone to severe weather and natural disasters (i.e. hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes and the like). Please contact our Board of Directors and add your support to this worthwhile project.

The trailers are fully equipped with crates, food, medical supplies and other emergency supplies for use wherever dogs are in danger or have been injured in a natural disaster.

### BREEDER OF MERIT PROGRAM

It has come to the attention of the AKC that there may be some people using the AKC classifieds to misrepresent themselves. When the Classifieds section is re-configured, two things are supposed to happen:

If the qualification states you are a member of a parent club, it should be the parent club of the kind of dog you are selling and not just a general qualification.

There will be some type of reference showing the health tests required for each breed.

The request to remove someone's name must come from the parent club and not an individual.

### INCREASING CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The club relations office would like to hear from clubs as to what they are presently doing to increase membership.

### LOW-ENTRY BREEDS

Almost half of the recognized AKC breeds are considered low-entry breeds. This impacts hiring judges and finding majors. The following established breeds are dropping in number: Bloodhounds; Briards; Bull Terriers; Giant Schnauzers; Norwegian Elkhounds; Petit Basset Griffon Vendeens; Silky Terriers and Wire Fox Terriers.

### UPDATE ON THE CHIC DNS REPOSITORY

The CHIC Depository in conjunction with the AKC Canine Health Foundation and the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, was founded in 2005. Its mission is to collect and store canine DNA samples along with corresponding geneologic and phenotypic information to facilitate future canine health research. Since 2005, over 18,000 samples have been collected. This is a combination of swabs at UC Davis and actual blood submissions stored at the University of Missouri. Three breeds, Dalmations, Newfoundlands and Golden Retrievers have over 1000 samples apiece.

Clubs can consider adding a draw clinic or swab clinic at their regional and national specialties. The blood draw is the better option. If the BCCA or regional club has a vet tech available at a regional/ national specialty, the equipment to do the draws can be obtained at very little cost. This would certainly be a worthwhile project for the future of our breed and can be a fund raiser for the club.

The September meeting of the Delegate body will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Newark, NJ on September 7-8, 2014.