



Dayton Dog Training Club, Inc.

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February 2006

DDTC CALENDAR

(unless otherwise stated, event will be held at the DDTC building)

March 11 & 12- Motivating Your Obedience Or Agility Performance Dog Seminar	Monday March 13 DDTC Membership Meeting, 7:30p pm. Members who are eligible for <u>KEYS</u>, but have not yet picked up their keys may do so at this meeting.	Sunday April 16 - DDTC Tracking Tests (TD and TDX) at Sycamore State Park, fields south of Wolf Creek, Trotwood. Judges are Stephen Ripley & Orrin Eldred. Entries are \$50 and close Wednesday, March 29, 2006. Bonnie Owens, secretary.		Monday May 8 - DDTC Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm. (no classes)
Saturday July 15 - AKC Rally trial & Sunday July 16 - AKC Obedience trial, Diane Wallace chairperson.	Saturday & Sunday, July 29 & July 30, DDTC Agility trials at Circle G Arena, Lewisburg, Vicky Head secretary.	Saturday, September 9 - DDTC picnic at Roberta Shellabarger's home.	Friday October 20 - DDTC Rally Trial, Elaine Stoermer chairperson.	Saturday & Sunday October 21 -22 DDTC Obedience Trials. Marcia Richley, chairperson. Volunteers needed to chair committees at these trials.
October 27-28-29 - DDTC Agility Trials at the Circle G Arena Lewisburg , Ohio.	Monday Nov. 13 - DDTC Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm (no classes).	Saturday Dec. 2 - Annual Awards & Christmas Party at Bergamo Center.	January 26-27-28, 2007, Agility Trials	Yes, you can chair a committee and still show your dog. Contact Marcia

2006 Obedience/Rally Class Schedule.

Winter Session	Jan. 10-11 through March 7-8.	No classes March 14-15.
Spring Session	March 21-22 through May 16-17.	No classes May 23-24.
Summer Session	May 30-31 through August 1-2.	No classes July 4-5.
Fall Session	September 12-13 through Nov. 14-15.	No classes Oct. 17-18.

Cooks Needed For April 15-16 Tracking Tests

It is almost BAKING TIME again for the Tracking Test!! How the year flies. This year the tracking test weekend falls on Saturday April 15 and Sunday April 16 (Easter Sunday). We would again appreciate you volunteers throwing your culinary skills into action to help donate food to feed the hungry workers, judges, drivers, and exhibitors when they come out of the fields. A sign up sheet will be passed out at the March membership meeting. MANY MANY thanks in advance for volunteering!! We could not have our outstanding spread of goodies without your help. Food is indeed great positive reinforcement. If you will not be at the meeting and wish to contribute you can call Dyanne Johnson or Mary Savage. We will let you know what we need on Saturday or Sunday. Again, thank you for your help. We get a lot of comments every year on how good our food is. Some exhibitors feel that it is worth coming to our tracking test just for that!

Report on the Planned July 15-16, 2006 Rally & Obedience Trials.

All the committees have chairpersons. We have a photographer. The vendors will be outside under tents along with the food wagon. If anybody knows of a vendor that would be a nice addition to our show, let the trial chairperson know. We have picnic tables coming as a donation. On Sunday, the obedience trial will offer non-regular classes: Brace, Team, Graduate-Novice and Graduate-Open. Diane Wallace, chairperson

Class Schedule

Monday 6:30 pm	Rings 1, 2, 3, & 4 Agility Class - Level 6 Excellent				
Monday 8:30 pm	Rings 1, 2, 3, 4 Agility Class - Level 4 Novice				
Tuesday 7 pm	Ring 1 Advanced Beginners Obedience	Ring 2 Beginners Obedience	Ring 3 Beginners Obedience	Puppy Room Puppy Class	Small carpeted room Attention Class
Tuesday 8 pm	Ring 1 Competition Open Obedience Class	Ring 2 Conformation Showmanship	Ring 3 Manners Class		
Wednesday noon - 1 pm	Rings 1 Beginners Obedience				
Wednesday 7 pm	Rings 1 Rally Beginners Class	Ring 2 & 3 Beginners Obedience		Puppy Room Puppy Class	
Wednesday 8 pm	Ring 1 Rally Advanced Class	Rings 2 & 3 Sub-Novice & Novice Obedience Class			
Thursday 6:30 pm	Rings 1 & 2 Agility Class - Level 1		Rings 3 & 4 Agility Class - Level 5 Open		
Thursday 8:30 pm	Rings 1 & 2 Agility Class - Level 2		Rings 3 & 4 Agility - Level 3		
Sunday 9:30 am	Ring 1 Open & Utility Obedience Class				

Note that on Tuesdays & Wednesdays evenings, 6:30 - 9 pm, Ring 4 is for members to practice obedience. Please limit your time to 10 minutes, in Ring 4, if others are waiting to practice.

Every Thursday morning, the building is cleaned. This is not a good time to come to train your dog.

APDT [Association of Pet Dog Trainers] has revised its Rally-O rules effective Jan. 1, 2006. The "serpentine" exercise has been moved to Level 1. http://www.apdt.com/rallyo/rules/rules_and_guidelines.htm

Welcome new members: Carole Hinger has a Belgian Sheepdog. Judy Collopy has Border Collies.

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January 27-28-29 DDTC Agility Trials

From Dennis Steinke, Agility Trial Co-Chairperson: I would like to thank everyone who helped out with the agility trial this past weekend. The trials were very successful and I have received many compliments on how well DDTC's trial was run. This would not be possible without the help of all volunteers. From the planning process, equipment prep, moving of equipment, setting up and tearing down the rings, running of a large 3 day trial, and cleaning of equipment, everyone was terrific. I can't thank all of you enough for your time and hard work!! Thank you very much.

Thank you to the club members who worked in this past weekends agility trial. We had club members who came out just to work all day (and without much of a break at all). Promise next trial we will schedule you breaks. There are 432 working positions in a three day trial to keep the rings running. We initially did not have enough workers to fill those positions, and had to put a plea out for workers. Thank you all who volunteered to save the day. Dennis & Richard and his crew did a wonderful job with the preliminary work of the trial and of course just kept on working during the trial. It is felt that the trial was very successful without any major problems all 3 days. Regards, Mary Beth Hess, Sherri Heizer, Patti Seligman.

From Patty Steele-Scott, Hospitality Chairperson: Thank you to all of the members and non members who came out and worked at the agility trial. Thanks especially to those who gave up full days to work with out running dogs. You are the heart of this club. We couldn't do it without our workers. I grabbed Columbus people to set up Sunday morning. Remember to offer to work for Wild Weavers in return. I try to. Congrats to all the Q's. Please feel sympathy for those of us for whom the weekend was a bust. We'll get it next time.

From Vicki Head, Agility Trial Secretary: We did have a great trial and 855 dogs ran in the 3 days for a total of 1,650 runs. We could not do this without the help of the membership and the outside workers that we get for volunteers. Everyone really likes this venue!!! P.S. I made up MACH gift bags for this trial with just some stuff I picked up at the Dollar Store and a few of our toys.

From exhibitor Susan Yates: On behalf of the new MACH Circle City Murphy Brown and myself, I would like to thank the DDTC not only for a great trial and venue, but also for our special gift. She has already enjoyed some of the treats! You all work very hard to put on a great show and I appreciate your efforts! It was such fun---we'll be back! Please extend mine and Murphy's thanks to your Club and all those who worked so hard to make such a great weekend!

Report from the Building Committee Chairperson, Roberta Shellabarger: Monday night, 1-30-06, we had a very special group of people who came out to help clean the agility equipment. A big "Thank You" to Carol Artley, Vicki Head, Sherrie Heizer, Ken Kistler, Mina Knox, Jane Kowaski, Lynn Luikart, Teresa McCarty, Mary Savage, Patty Steele-Scott, Dennis Steinke, Richard Stephenson & Claudia Wolfram. Your help was greatly appreciated and much needed. Also a specialty Thank You to Patty Steele-Scott for the pizzas.

From the Editor: Since our agility trials are held in a horse arena, the equipment gets really dirty. Our most agile member has got to be Vicki Head - who crawled into each tunnel with the vacuum hose to clean the dirt out. A special Thanks to Vicki for taking on the worse of the cleaning jobs Monday night.

MEMBER NEWS

At the November 12 Columbus All-Breed Training Club trial in Rally Novice-B: Doug Scott and Gunner (Brittany) earned a perfect score of 100 and their 2nd leg; Marty Burns and Dotes (Havanese) earned their 3rd leg and their RN title; Diane Scott and Serenity(Dobe) also earned their 3rd leg and their RN title; Carol "KC" Artley and Tigger (Borzoi) earned their 1st leg; Alyssa Denen and Skippy (Rough Collie) earned their 3rd leg and RN title; Sandy Kistler earned legs on Brutus and Sean (Boxers); Nancy Ellis and Gracie (Rottweiler) earned their 2nd leg. In Rally Advanced-B: Marcia Richley and Maggie (Golden) earned a leg. Lucy (Pembroke Welsh Corgi) and Elaine Stoermer qualified in both Rally Advanced-B and in Rally Excellent-B for their 2nd QQ. Also in obedience, Trish Clute and her Border Terrier, Zippa, got their second leg in Novice-B.

At the Central Ohio show in November, Carol Artley's borzoi "Edward", CH Tahoe's High Bidder JC SC, finished his conformation championship. "Tigger", CH Aruzia Joyous Nitefire Dance JC CGC RN, went to his 3rd rally trial, & finished his Rally Novice title at the Toledo trial in February.

Claudia Wolfram and her Anatolian Shepherd, Bernie, won 1st place in Excellent-B and 2nd place in Advanced-B and double QQ's in November at Evansville Obedience Club.

Jay Heininger & border collie "Astro" had a great day at the Tamarack Lake Club agility trial November 27. Astro double Q'd, getting her 1st leg in Excellent-A jumpers with a 2nd place and her final leg in Open Standard with a 2nd place.

CH MACH MeMe Zee's Bob a Loo E CD reported he completed his **MACH** title in November at the Tamarack Hills Kennel Club in Erie Pennsylvania. "Loo E" was bred and owned by Mike and Marty Burns. He was handled by Mike Burns in completing his MACH title. The Handler recognizes that "Loo E's" achievement could not have happened accomplished without the support, encouragement and occasional criticism of our teachers and many friends. "Loo E" is only the second Havanese to achieve the MACH. Another Havanese owned by Mike and Marty Burns, HCA CH Mare Zee Dotes NA NAJ UKC-CD WWKC CD CDX RN completed her Rally Novice title at the Columbus club in December.

Richard Stephenson & Border Collie "Jet" won the 20" division in the Excellent-B Standard class December 30 in Columbus.

Sue and Diane Wallace took their dogs to East Lansing Michigan in December. Diane with Border Collie "Lady", and Sue with Corgi "Scooter" won placements in Rally Excellent, and both dogs finished their RAE2 titles. In obedience, Diane and Lady earned two legs in Open and finished their CDX.

Patty Steele-Scott & Doug Scott's Brittany "Beree" finished her OAJ at the Cleveland December trials. "Beree" also got an Excellent-A standard leg. Their Flat Coated Retriever "Dusty" got 6 legs in 6 trials in Novice Preferred.

At the QCDC December 3 obedience trial: Terry Ramey and Golden Retriever "Storm" won High in Trial with a 199 in Open B. Marcia Richley with Golden Retriever "Maggie" won 2nd place in Novice B. Sue Wallace with Corgi "Scooter" won 4th place in Novice B. Trish Clute and Border Terrier Zippa, completed her CD title. DJ James qualified with Standard Poodle "Cognac". Suzy Howard qualified with Doberman "Gabe".

At the Rally trial December at QCDC, Trish Clute with "Zippa" received a score of 90 for first place in Rally Excellent-A. Linda Gordon and Alaskan Malamute "Weyekin" earned her Rally Novice title from the Novice-A class. Sandy Kistler & boxer "Sean" scored a 98 to finish his Rally Novice title. Sandy & boxer "Brutus" (son of Sean) scored a 98 and got his second Novice leg. Carol Dunton and Collie "Stryker" qualified in Excellent-A with a 2nd place. Lee Ann Haggerty and Border Collie "Zima" finished their RE title in Excellent-B. Darlene Miller and Beagle "Zoey" qualified in Advanced-A. Mary Jo DeBrosse and Border Collie "Rally" qualified in Advanced-A. Mary Jo also qualified with Rhodesian Ridgeback "Kai" in Advanced-B. Marcia Richley and Golden Retriever "Sunny" qualified in Advanced-A. Marcia got a perfect score of 100 with Golden Retriever "Maggie" in Advanced-B. Marty Burns and Havanese "Dotes" qualified in Advanced-B, and qualified in Novice-B with Havanese "Lah Te Dah". DJ James qualified with Standard Poodle "Cognac" in Advanced-B. Lynn Luikart with Dalmatians "Brio" and "Anna" earned their RN titles. Suzannah Howard earned perfect scores with her Dobermans "Exata" and "Gabe". Elaine Stoermer and Corgi "Lucy" double-Q in Excellent-B and Advanced-B for their 3rd leg toward an RAE.

Vicki Head and her sheltie "Hope" earned their **MACH 3** at the Columbus trial December 30. Vicki is the first DDTTC member to earn a MACH3, and MACH3 Bach Keepin The Faith PT UDX is the first dog that Vicki has trained.

At the Detroit trial January 21, Sandy Kistler finished the Rally Novice title on her boxer "Brutus".

Marica Richley's Golden Retriever "Maggie" got her Advanced Rally title (RA).

At the QCDTC December obedience trial, Hillary Dwire and Collie "Trey Bien" earned their second Q and took first place in Novice-A with a score of 196.5. Hillary also qualified with her Border Collie, "Te' Tessa," earning their first leg in Novice. The next day at the Rally trial, Hillary qualified with both "Te' Tessa" and "Trey Bien" in Novice-A, with "Trey Bien" earning first place. At the DDTC agility trials in January, Hillary and "Te' Tessa" earned their 3rd leg in Novice Standard finishing the NA title. "Te' Tessa" got her second leg in Novice Jumpers With Weaves. Hillary and "Trey Bien" got his first qualifying leg in Open Standard

Melissa Venrick and her Sheltie "Jasper" competed at the AKC National Agility Competition, in the 16" class of over 100 dogs. They made the final cut of 10 dogs, and were filmed by Animal Planet competing in the Finals. They finished in 9th place.

Alyssa Denen's article "A Wonderful Experience" was published by the AKC.

At the Clermont APDT Rally trials in January, DJ James completed the Level 1 title on her standard poodle "Cognac", Djangd Cognac Sand Trap CD RA L1 CGC TDI. Trish Clute and her Border Terrier "Zippa", U-CH/Ch Tav-A-Mac Zippa Dee Doodah CD JE RA CL-I R1-CL CGC, earned her first leg in Level 2 as well as a second place in Level 1, Division B. Claudia Wolfram and Anatolian Shepard "Berni" won a second place in their class on Saturday and on Sunday they won High In Trial.

Sherri Heizer and her Airedale "Brewster" got his Open Standard title at the DDTC agility trial January 28, with a first place.

Joanne Blewett and Dalmatian "Libby" double qualified in Excellent-B, on Friday and Saturday at the DDTC agility trials. At the Gem City DTC's CPE trials in January, "Libby" finished her CL2-F and CL2-S titles and qualified 8 for 8 that weekend.

Joann Jozwiak and Scottish Terrier "Dougal" Q'd three out of four runs at the DDTC agility trials & finished his Excellent Jumpers Preferred.

PET SYMPATHY REPORT

SENECA GAMBLER'S GUSTO CD 'GUS' Airedale Terrier, Barbara Mann

TORI All American Ken & Sandy Kistler

CH EINZIGER ALOTACLAS VON DER HOTZEL 'GRACIE' Rottweiler Nancy Ellis

ASTRO OA OAJ Border Collie 'ASTRO' Jay & Michelle Heininger

SUNSHINE REPORT

Illness: Cards & flowers to Joy Maurer
and a card to Dave Maurer
Card to Marrietta Gentry
Card to Terry McCarty

Deaths: Rita Kowaski – mother of Jane Kowaski
Frances Maurer - mother of Dave Maurer
Jack Gentry – husband of Marrietta Gentry
Grandfather of Patti Seligman

Hello everyone! Please keep up the good work on keeping me informed of Pet Sympathy & Sunshine concerns. Everyone is doing an excellent job of letting me know about what is going on with our club members. THANKS!! I appreciate it. Members thank me constantly and then tell me that they really appreciate the cards and also the flowers (when we send them). The cards and flowers really do help cheer up our club members; they add a boost to a person's day by letting them know that we club members really do care about them and their dogs/cats/horses, kids, parents, etc. Thank you again everyone for your cooperation and please continue to keep me posted!

Mary Savage

Seminars, Matches, Show-N-Go's

March 11 - 12, at the DDTC building. **Seminar** "Motivating Your Obedience Or Agility Performance Dog by Diane Carr".

February 26, March 26, May 14 - **Obedience Show-N-Go**. Sign-up 9 - 2 pm. \$6/\$4 addition run. At Queen City DTC, 12018 Tramway Dr, Sharonville. From I-75, go east on I-275, to SR42 (exit 46). Go north on SR42, one block to first traffic light (by the McDonald's), & turn left onto Hauck Road. Go 3/4 mile on Hauck road and turn right (north) onto Tramway. The Queen City building is on the right, at the end of Tramway.

CGC Testing at Queen City DTC, Feb 25, April 29, June 24 & Sept 30. \$15 per test. By appointment only. Kim Smith.

Agility Run-Through's are held most Friday evenings at the Queen City DTC, beginning at 6:30 pm. \$5 per handler, \$8 for two runs. Dogs must have completed an introductory agility course. For the schedule, contact Jim Hutchins.

Feb 13, Feb 27, March 13, March 27 - Agility Run-Through's. Sign-up at 6:30 pm. At the Buckeye Region Agility Group building, 820 Distribution Drive, Columbus. I-70 east to Columbus & exit at Wilson Rd (first exit east of I-275). Turn left (south) on Wilson Road. Go 0.4 miles to the first traffic light, Fisher Road, and turn right. There is a Grismer Tire Center on the corner. Go 0.7 miles to Distribution Dr. Turn right. Turn in first driveway on right (Distribution Plaza) & go to the building in the back. Contact : Mary Lee Raines .

April 1 & 2 - in Columbus. **Seminar** "Canine Freestyle by Richard Curtis". <http://www.pawzitivebeginnings.org>.

April 9 - Dayton **Conformation match** at Gateway Sports Park, Finley Street & I-4, Dayton. Georgia Rush.

April 15 & 16 - **Obedience** at QCDTC. Pre-entry only. Saturday is non-sanctioned and mixed breeds are allowed, contact Doris Staton, . Sunday is an AKC match for AKC registered breeds only, contact Benita Goldberg.

May 20 & 21 - in Columbus. **Seminar** "Calming Signals by Turid Rugas" <http://www.pawzitivebeginnings.org>.

DOG THOUGHTS

A dog teaches a boy fidelity, perseverance, and to turn around three times before lying down. -Robert Benchley

Dogs need to sniff the ground; it's how they keep abreast of current events. The ground is a giant dog newspaper, containing all kinds of late-breaking dog news items, which, if they are especially urgent, are often continued in the next yard. - Dave Barry

Anybody who doesn't know what soap tastes like never washed a dog. -Franklin P. Jones

If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise. -Unknown

My dog is worried about the economy because Alpo is up to \$3.00 a can. That's almost \$21.00 in dog money. -Joe Weinstein

Ever consider what our dogs must think of us? I mean, here we come back from a grocery store with the most amazing haul -- chicken, pork, half a cow. They must think we're the greatest hunters on earth! -Anne Tyler

Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea. -Robert A. Heinlein

Summary of Changes to the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials Effective September 1, 2006.

The rule changes, published in the AKC Gazette Jan-06 are posted on the DDTC Bulletin Board.

8 Inch Jump Division - For dogs 11 (not 10) inches and under at the withers.

26 Inch Jump Division - Dogs may be entered at this height at their owner's discretion.

Pause Table - No dark color(s) are allowed.

Weave Poles - The base shall be coated with a non-slip surface. The poles are 40 inches in height. The base support must be located within 4 inches of the pole on the opposite side of the dog's path. Braces located on the right-hand side would only be located on even number poles (2, 6, 8, 12). Braces on the left-hand side would only be located on odd number poles (1, 5, 7, 11). This way the dog should never have to step over a brace while weaving.

Jumps - All jumps will require the addition of the 26" jump cup. Cups must be of a construction to allow displacement. Jump heights must be designated on the uprights by number or color coded.

Triple Jump - The bars must be 5 feet in length. The 26" cup is to be placed above the 24" cup. The top bar would be at 26" and the next two bars would be set at the position of the 24" height.

Double Jump - For the 26 inch jump division, the distance between center to center of bar can be 12 or 13 inches.

Broad Jump - For the 26 inch jump division, the length is set at 52 inches, with either 4 eight inch wide boards or 5 six inch wide boards.

Standard Course Times - For most jump divisions in the Standard classes, the yardage per second has been increased.

New Title - The Preferred Agility Excellent Title (PAX) will follow a dog's registered name & supersede all other Preferred agility titles. Must get 20 double qualifying scores, by qualifying in both Preferred Excellent B Standard class and Preferred Excellent B Jumpers With Weaves class on the same day.

More Dog Thoughts

The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue. -Anonymous

Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful. - Ann Landers

If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went. -Will Rogers

There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face. -Ben Williams

A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself. -Josh Billings

We give dogs time we can spare, space we can spare and love we can spare. And in return, dogs give us their all. It's the best deal man has ever made. -M. Acklam

Dogs love their friends and bite their enemies, quite unlike people, who are incapable of pure love and always have to mix love and hate. -Sigmund Freud

2005 DDTC AWARDS

THE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD : ELAINE M. STOERMER

THE BULL SLINGER AWARD: KENT BROMAGEN

THE BROWN COW AWARD: DOUG SCOTT

DDTC AWARDS - Highest Score Earned In Obedience.

- 193 Highest Score in Novice-A, Christy Hutchison, Finnish Spitz "Sydnie".
- 191.5 Highest Score in Novice-B, Susan Wallace, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Scooter".
- 190 Highest Score in Open-A, Dennis Steinke, Shetland Sheepdog "Knicky".
- 196.5 Highest Score in Open-B, Susan Young, Belgian Tervuren "Zap".
- 189.5 Highest Score in Utility-A, Karen Fischer, German Shepherd Dog "Grizzly".
- 190 Highest Score in Utility-B, Rikki Gessaman, Labrador Retriever "Aspen".
- 193 Highest Score from the Non-Sporting Group, Christy Hutchison, Finnish Spitz "Sydnie".
- 196.5 Highest Score from the Herding Group, Susan Young, Belgian Tervuren "Zap".
- 195 Highest Score from the Sporting Group, Rikki Gessaman, Labrador Retriever "Aspen".
- 189 Highest Score from the Terrier Group, Trish Clute, Border Terrier, "Zipa".
- 391 Highest Combined Score in Open-B & Utility-B, Susan Young, Belgian Tervuren "Zap".

AKC Obedience Titles Earned in 2005.

- Joanne Blewett, Dalmatian "Libby", Olivia's Chocolate Chip CD.
- Marilyn Coleman, Labrador Retriever "Bobber", Diamond's B J Bobber CD.
- Alyssa Denen, Rough Collie "Skip", Rosehaeven's Shipmaster CD.
- Betty Frank, Labrador Retriever "Mi", Valcar's Southern Peach CD.
- Christy Hutchison, Finnish Spitz "Sydnie", Sydnie Maxx Hutchison CD.
- DJ James, Standard Poodle "Cognac", Djandg Cognac Sand Trap CD.
- Lynn Luikart, Dalmatian "Brio", Am /Can CH Redrock's Harmony Con Brio CD.
- Elaine Stoermer, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Lucy", Faerie Warrior Steed CD.
- Susan Wallace, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Scooter", Penewits Making Up Lost Time CD.
- Dennis Steinke, Shetland Sheepdog "Knicky", CH MACH Baccara Super Sonic CDX.
- Charlie Evilsizer, Golden Retriever "Joey", One Ash Jolly Judge UD.

Karen Fischer, German Sheperd "Grizzy", Laika vom Leerburg TD UD.

Rikki Ann Gessaman, Labrador Retriever "Aspen", Gessamans Autumn In Aspen UDX.

Vicki Head, Shetland Sheepdog "Hope", MACH2 Bach Keepin The Faith PT UDX.

Susan Young, Belgian Tervuren "Zap", Am/Can CH Starbright Kilowatt AX AXJ UDX.

AKC Agility Titles earned in 2005

Justine Andrews, Dachshund "Rowdy", Satin N Lace's Rowdy Von Wheaton NJP.

Joanne Blewett, Dalmatian "Libby", Olivia's Chocolate Chip MX NAP NJP OAP OJP AXP AJP.

Sharon Bromagen, Border Collie "Allie", Minnie NA NAJ OA OAJ.

Kent Bromagen "Border Collie "Katie", Amish Katie Girl MX.

Marty Burns, Havenese "Voo Hoo", CH Meme Zee's Voo Hoo I'm Back MX MXJ.

Marilyn Coleman, Labrador Retriever "Bobber", Diamond's B J Bobber RN OAP OJP AXP AJP.

Patti Coleman, Cocker Spaniel "Annie", My Little Annie Girl UD NA NAJ OA NAP NJP OJP.

Patti Coleman, Cocker Spaniel "Buckeye", Hartlines Go Buckeye Boy VCD2 UD NAP NJP OAP OJP AJP.

Sara Deem, Shetland Sheepdog "Crystal", Woodstreams Crystal AX AXJ NAP NJP OJP.

Carol Dunton, Rough Collie "Stryker", Rosehaevens What A Catch NA NAJ RA HIC CL-1.

Betty Frank, Labrador Retriever "Mi", Valcar's Southern Peach MXJ.

Vicki Head, Shetland Sheepdog "Indigo", Baccara Indigo Moon Arisin NA NAJ OA OAJ AX AXJ.

Jay & Michelle Heininger "Border Collie "Astro", Astro Heininger NA OAJ.

Sherri Heizer, Airedale "Brewster", Brewster's Story OJP.

Jessica Isenbarger, Papillon "Rhiannon", Haremet's Imperial Blue NAJ.

Joann Jozwiak, Scottish Terrier "Dougal", MACH Summerfields Dougal RN NAP NJP OAP OJP.

Mina Knox, Papillon "Gizmo", Nanken Gizmo MX.

Lynn Luikart, Dalmatian "Rya", Koira Fyrltye Magic Happens NA NAJ .

Teresa & Fred Mccarty, Shetland Sheepdog "Sara", Kelsikyle Seraph At Devoncroft NA NAJ.

Kathleen Moore, German Shepherd "Boss", Boss Von Der Zwilling Bach NAP NJP OAP OJP.

Kathleen Moore, German Shepherd "Yahtzee", Yaytzee Vom Swilling Bach NAJ OAJ.

Sue Peterson, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Divot", Divot K Mulligan NA NAJ OA OAJ.

Sue Peterson, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Katie", Cracklin Katherine Rosie MX.

Kandy Robinson, Border Collie "Mach-zie", JUSDANDY Movin Machine OA OAJ AX AXJ.

Kandy Robinson, Cardigan Welsh Corgi, Chelsea, MACH2 Bodywags She's In Control.

Rob Robinson, Border Collie "Spectacle", MACH Spectacle.

Doug & Patty Scott, Brittany "Gunner", Voyageur's Brtpatch Rifleman CDX JH MX MXJ OAP MJP.

Doug & Patty Scott, Brittany "Beree", Voyageur's BB NA NAJ OA.

Patty Steele-Scott, Flat Coated Retriever "Dusty", CH Fireside Sonofa Preacher-Man CDX AX MXJ.

Patti Seligman, Shetland Sheepdog "Gini", Himark Homebunny's Virginia AXJ MX MXJ.

Ron & Denise Siwecki, Doberman "Kara", G'kara Princess Of Narn MXJ. 'kara'

Denise & Ron Siwecki, Doberman "Ember", Montwood Flying Embers v Arista NA NAJ

Dennis Steinke, Shetland Sheepdog "Knicky", CH MACH Baccara Super Sonic CDX.

Jennifer Thomas, Cardigan Welsh Corgi "Truffles", MACH Heritage Hill Jitterbug.

Melissa Venrick, Shetland Sheepdog "Mic", KJ Fancy Free Mic Dun Dee NA NAJ OA OAJ AX AXJ MX MXJ

Melissa Venrick, Shetland Sheepdog "Jasper", MACH Sandi Lon's Jasper Disaster.

John Wisener, Shetland Sheepdog "Runner" Wind Brake Run Bi Mi AXJ.

Susan Young, Belgian Tervuren "Nacho", CH Starbright Top Notch NA NAJ.

AKC Rally Titles Earned in 2005.

Trish Clute, Border Terrier "Zippa", CH Tav-a-mac Zippa Dee Doo Dah JE RN RA.

Marilyn Coleman, Labrador Retriever "Bobber", Diamond's B J Bobber RN AXP AJP.

Marilyn Coleman, Labrador Retriever "Buddy", Diamond Budwiser's Shadow RN.

Carol Dunton, Rough Collie "Stryker", Rosehaevens What A Catch NA NAJ HIC CL-1 RN.

Betty Frank, Labrador Retriever "Mi", Valcar's Southern Peach RN.

Lee Ann Hagerty, Border Collie "Zima", Zima RN RA.

DJ James, Standard Poodle "Cognac", Djandg Cognac Sand Trap CD RN.

Joann Jozwiak, Scottish Terrier "Dougal", MACH Summerfield's Dougal OAP OJP RN.

Joann Jozwiak, Wire Fox Terrier "Riley", Summerfield's Ranger Riley MXJ AX NJP RN.

Ken & Sandra Kistler, Boxer "Becca", Becca RN.

Barbara Mann, Airedale Terrier "Parker", Miss Nosy Parker CD RN.

Lura McEvoy, Golden Retriever "Brewster", Brewster Has A Guardian Angel CD RN.

Bob & Darlene Miller, Beagle "Lucy", Lucy Blue Lue CGC RN.

Bob & Darlene Miller, Beagle "Zoey", Zoey RN.

Marcia Richley, Golden Retriever "Maggie", Richley's Maggie RN.

Marcia Richley, Golden Retriever "Sunny", Tanbark's Smokin' Gun RN.

Elaine Stoermer, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Lucy", Faerie Warrior Steed CD RN RA RE.

Karlene Fuller Thompson, Golden Retriever "Maezy", Bristol's Frosty Snow Bear RN.

Merrielle Turnbull, Welsh Springer Spaniel "Lydia", Rolyart's Step Back In Time RN.

Merrielle Turnbull, Welsh Springer Spaniel "Dylan", CH Rolyart's Do Not Go Gentle NA NAJ RN.

Merrielle Turnbull, Welsh Springer Spaniel "Baily Rose", CH Rolyart's Lasting Impression NA NAJ RN RA.

Diane Wallace, Border Collie "Lady", Stinki Sox Harvest Lady CD RN RA RE RAE.

Susan Wallace, Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Scooter", Penewits Making Up Lost Time CD RN RN RE RAE.

Claudia Wolfram, Anatolian Shepherd "Berni", Berni Wolfram CDX TD TDI RN RA RE.

Other AKC Titles Earned & Other Accomplishments

Tom Nornhold's Golden Retriever "Shadow", Shadow Nornhold TD earned the AKC Tracking Dog title.

Patti Coleman's Cocker Spaniel "Buckeye", Hartlines Go Buckeye Boy TD UD AJP OAP OJP AJP VCD2 earned the AKC Versatile Companion Dog VCD1 and VCD2 titles.

Bob & Darlene Miller's Beagle "Lucy" earned the CGC title.

Renae Thompson's Flat Coated Retriever "Pax" earned the CGC title.

Betty Frank earned a United Kennel Club Companion Dog title on Labrador Retriever "Mi", Valcar's Southern Peach.

Elaine Stoermer earned a United Kennel Club Companion Dog title and an APDT Rally Level 2 title on Pembroke Welsh Corgi "Lucy", Faerie Warrior Steed.

Renae Thompson earned a Certified Pet Therapy Dog title on Flat Coated Retriever "Pax", Longleafs New Peace Of Dividend.

Lura McEvoy & Brewster, a rescue Golden Retriever, received the GRACE Award at the Golden Retriever National Specialty for pet therapy dog of the year

Claudia Wolfram earned a TDI Therapy Dog title on Anatolian Shepherd "Berni".

Ron & Denise Siwecki earned the Advanced Agility Dog title from the US Dog Agility Association & the Elite Gamblers title from the North American Dog Agility Council on Doberman "Kara". Kara was the High Scoring Doberman at the Doberman Pinscher National Specialty.

Ron & Choe Schumann's Australian Shepherd, MACH Twincreek's Blue Yonder Ace was awarded a Relay Champion & Snooker Champion from the US Dog Agility Association. Ace has earned eight agility championships in his career.



A Wonderful Experience

by Alyssa Denen

It started on a Sunday night when my parents, five younger siblings, and I were sitting down at the dinner table. My siblings, my mom and I all really wanted a dog, particularly a Collie. We approached my dad on the subject, hoping that this time he would give us a different answer than “No,” which we had previously received. This time my dad said that he would consider allowing us to have a dog if we found a good one from a trustworthy breeder. We were delighted! That night my mom started looking for a reputable Collie breeder and continued her search over the next few days. Eventually, she got in contact with a Collie breeder named Kathy Neil. She had two rough, sable male Collies available who were three months old. We went to see the puppies on Saturday and fell in love with one of them. He almost immediately seemed to know who he needed to impress - my dad. As we were sitting on the floor, he went right over to my dad and sat in his lap. This won my dad’s heart! We took the puppy, which we now named Skip, home that day. My dad later told us that when he said we could start looking for a dog he was thinking we would be getting one in 6 - 8 months, not 6 days!

Wanting to have a dog who knew basic obedience skills, my mom found a local training club - Dayton Dog Training Club - where we started taking classes when Skip was 5 ½ months old, and I was 13 years old. After one session of classes, I fell in love with being able to spend time with him through training. I soon realized that I wanted to do more than teach Skip the basic obedience skills; I decided that I would eventually like to show him in AKC. With this new goal in mind, it increased my vigor and excitement. I soon understood what was involved in showing my dog and was determined to try my hardest to teach Skip what I wanted him to do and to work on my handling as well. I received a lot of help and encouragement from various members of DDTC, who helped me to get closer and closer to my goal - getting a CD on Skip.

Finally, 2 ½ years after our first training classes on October 8, 2005, Skip and I both went to our very first AKC show. Skip was now almost 3 yrs, and I was almost 16 yrs. We showed in Novice A Obedience and Rally. I was very excited but also extremely nervous. We got our first leg in both classes, with a 3rd place in Obedience. Two weeks later, on October 21, 22, and 23, we were at a show sponsored by DDTC. Friday was Rally, where we got our 2nd leg and 4th place. On Saturday and Sunday we showed in Obedience. On Saturday we got our 2nd leg, and Sunday we got our 3rd leg, 3rd place, and I was the High Scoring Junior Handler at the show! Ecstatic does not even describe how I felt! I was so happy, and so proud of Skip. I had hoped we would be able to get his CD in only 3 shows, and we did! Then a few weeks later, on November 12, 2005, Skip and I went to a Rally show, hoping to get our last leg toward our RN. This time we had to show in Novice B, so that made me even more nervous, especially since I was competing against some professional trainers I know. We did get his last leg, with a good score of 99. We didn’t place but I was very happy with Skip. This now made his registered name officially, “Rosehaevens Shipmaster CGC CD RN”. We are now continuing on toward his Rally Advanced title, and hopefully sometime in the next few years, Skip’s Open Obedience title.

I think that Obedience training is a great way to bond with your dog. I have enjoyed being able to compete and succeed as a junior handler. It has been a privilege to have the opportunity to bond with Skip better through this wonderful experience

Claudia Wolfram

and U-CDX

Berni Wolfram

BH CGC TD RE CDX



Berni is my first dog ever. We were looking for a big dog who would guard our chickens and goats from the local foxes and coyotes, protect our property and most of all be a fuzzy family member. We live in Springboro on the countryside and our property is surrounded by woods where all sorts of wild furry creatures (especially fox and coyotes) live. We were losing chickens at an astonishing rate to foxes. Berni seemed to pick up right away on what we wanted him to do. He just lays on one hill on the pasture where the chickens and goats are on and seems to be completely asleep. But as soon as the fox is on the pasture he - without a bark or noise at all - is running at amazing speed after the fox. He loves to be out there and guard our chickens and goats. We did not have to teach him any of this...it just seems to be in him. Our whole property and the three pastures are fenced in. When somebody approaches our front gate, Berni always lets us know. He is pretty mellow and laid back but as soon as somebody he does not know arrives at the gate, people know not to mess with him.

We got Berni when he was 6 months old. He was sitting in his cage at the Humane Society! All alone, his tail end chewed off and desperate for attention. It was love at first sight! The staff thought that Berni was given away because he could not be shown in conformation because his one ear is not all the way down (like it should be for Anatolians). So, he was not perfect! So what! We didn't care at all. He was just too cute and those huge paws! He already was a big boy. We were told that he was potty-trained and knew basic commands...right. So we bought this huge airline crate and put him in there at night and he just started howling and whining...all night long. It was kinda sweet, it sounded almost like "help me". Right the next morning I bought this children's CD "sleeping songs for babies from Mozart" (or something like that). So whenever he had to get into his crate, I put on the CD. He loved it! That was the end of the whining! Of course now he does not sleep in his crate any more. He has those huge doggie beds - almost one in every room! And he has his own chair. He is a real mommy's boy and will follow me from room to room.

Berni is now 8 years old! He does not look like it at all and moreover, he still acts like a puppy! He can get really excited! Like whenever we go to trial, he initially is so happy and excited that I have a hard time holding onto him. People always look at me like "you certainly did not enter this dog into anything"! But when we go into the ring he is so cute. He constantly looks at me, is wagging his tail, talking and grinning! He is just too cute! Most people will put their dogs into crates when showing. I don't do that. Berni does not like the crate. We always take a big blanket and he is just SOOO relaxed and sleeps almost the whole time! At

every trial people come up to us and go "Oh, that is an Anatolian isn't it?" and "tell me more about the breed". I always tell them how much he enjoys guarding our livestock. Berni's hair around the neck is longer and pretty thick with a lot of undercoat (if that is how you call it). When he is on duty on the pasture he always wears one of those spikey colors the other way round (with the spikes pointing to the outside). So in case somebody would bite into his neck, they would bite into the spikes (at least that is the theory...ahem). The Anatolian Shepherd Dog is an ancient breed from Turkey - the Anatolian region. They were bred to be independent thinking livestock guardians who lived among the flock of goats or sheep all year round and would protect them from wolves or other predators. The predominant coat color is beige with a black mask (called Kangal) or pure white (called Akbash). But all colors are allowed. Most Anatolians have markings in the face like Berni has. They are not your typical obedience dog and Berni being so good in obedience is certainly the exception. They are large, powerful yet agile dogs with a thick undercoat. I can only attest to that, if I do not vacuum every day it looks like I am running a kennel operation in our house!

We also have two little boys and because we knew that Berni would be a large dog, that he had to know basic commands. I had not the faintest idea on how to train him so we went to a puppy class at DDTC, where I was trained on how to train him. Brownie was the first who saw Berni in the Armory and I still remember him saying: "Oh, this is a wild one"! But Berni loved it! It seems that this is a nice break for him from the work out on the fields. I only trained Berni through positive reinforcement, lots of praise and treats and it seems to work great. We finished one class and just went to the next higher level and before we knew it, he had one leg in Utility (thanks to Doug)! He also did a wonderful job for his tracking test and finished his TD trial in only 6 minutes (thanks to Roberta)! It is such a pleasure to watch him track. We are also doing AKC newest obedience, Rally. This is a lot of fun because you are able to talk to your dog in the ring and praise him while you go along. Berni is the first Anatolian to have received his Rally Novice, Rally Advanced and Rally Excellent title. We have only one more trial to go to in February and then he will (hopefully) received his RAE title (for 10 times showing and qualifying on the same day in both Rally Advanced and Rally Excellent). He also has made his Therapy Dog certification (with Therapy Dogs International). So this year we will be going to an assistant living facility in the area. Every time we go to a trial, people come up to us. Most often people are amazed that Berni is indeed a working Anatolian and even most judges have not seen many in the ring. People are surprised, how big they are and how gentle. But the response is always positive, people seem to be delighted to see an unusual breed and recognize him right away as an Anatolian. He also was honored with a placement and photo in AKC's Front & Foremost magazine. I am so proud of him. I could not ask for a better furry friend.

Berni also has had his fair share of accidents. In 2004 we were in a car accident. We were driving to dog training class to the Dayton Dog Training Club and this man did not stop at a stop sign. I had no other choice but to hit him head on. It was a horrible accident. The crate definitely saved Berni's life!

And when Berni was 3 years old, he ran over our pasture, down a hill, over a stream and up a hill again only to come to a sudden stop. When he is running at full speed, he is incredibly fast. You would almost not believe that such a huge dog can be that agile. But the sudden stop shattered all his bones in his carpal joint and shredded all the ligaments! So we went to see several vets and they all recommend amputating the leg. Our last resort was a vet 8 hours driving time (round trip) away in West Virginia. Dr. Radcliffe operated twice on Berni, did some bone grafting, put in metal screws and an implant and nowadays Berni is running and jumping like he never had a thing! Just wonderful! It was worth all those trips and all the money!