



## 2002 NEBCA NURSERY FINALS

The 2002 NEBCA Nursery Finals were held September 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at the Soule Homestead Farm in Middleboro, MA. The Finals format was two runs for all competitors followed by a top-ten run-off. The score of the best qualifying run was combined with the final run to determine top-ten placings. There were 15 Novice/Novice, 21 Pro-novice, and 18 Ranch team competitors for a total of 138 runs over two days of competition. Our judge was Bill Strang from Scotland.

The Novice Trial Committee would like to thank the Soule Homestead Group for hosting the 2002 Finals, with special thanks to Rich Seaman (overall co-ordination), Connie Weller (Trial Mgr.), Rolf Knight (course set-up), Susan Cullen (scribe coordinator) and Patricia Murphy(dinner). Thanks also to all the volunteers who pitched in to help this trial run so efficiently. The Committee would like to recognize Betty Murray for her excellent checking and posting of scores as well as sales of NEBCA merchandise, Barbara Armata for organizing the set-out crews and Dee Woessner for making arrangement for the Judge and Sue Schoen for taking care of the judge and his wife during the trial.

*Class results and profiles of champions follow:*

### Novice Novice Top Ten

1. Nancy Obernier & Wattie
2. Susan Cullen & Nick
3. Connie Weller & Penn
4. Patricia Murphy & Li
5. Nancy Obernier & Ben
6. Melanie Chang & Fly
7. Elayne Holbrook & Zak
8. Patricia Murphy & Tinkerbelle
9. Dave Sharp & Sagitta
10. Molly King & Nell



Novice-Novice Champions: Nancy & Wattie

Nancy writes:

I imported Wattie from Scotland, almost a year ago, as a partially trained dog. She came off the plane as my immediate friend. As a new handler I was thrilled that I had a dog that could do an outrun, but was surprised that she didn't want to walk up on her sheep and would not drive. I enlisted help from the person I purchased her through and from Steve Paxton-Hill whom we train with. Slowly, over many months, Wattie has shown a lot of improvement and at the beginning of the summer, she began driving. Her training had been interrupted this summer when she had a litter of pups. Wattie is a wonderful dog for a novice handler; she is very biddable and takes every command that you give. We are looking forward to moving up to Pro-Novice in the next season.

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## Pro-Novice Top Ten

1. Rich Seama & Kess
2. Betty Levin & Bryn
3. Ed Hobart & Angel
4. Jim Murphy & Megan
5. Sally Molloy & Paige
6. Cokie Hamm & Lola
7. Lynn Deschambeault & Zoe
8. Lynn Deschambeault & Zoe
9. Jim Murphy & Kit
10. Molly King & Ruby



ProNovice Champs  
Rich & Kess

### *On Pro Novice Champion Kess:*

Kess, daughter of Zoe (co-owners R. Seaman and R. Knight) and Jack (R. Deschambeault), had plenty to live up to when competing in the 2002 Pro-Novice finals at Middleborough, MA. She was the only Pro-Novice dog to enjoy the home field advantage in the Finals, and her mother, Zoe, had won the Pro-Novice finals two years before. Kess is a bit hard headed, which is why she hadn't made the transition to being handled by her owner, Rolf Knight, and was handled in the Finals by her trainer, Richard Seaman.

The field at the Soule Homestead is hilly. As in all three runs, she was sent to the left. Because of the slope of the hill on that side, she needed to lose sight of the sheep for a few seconds, and during that time the sheep drifted forward toward the handler's post. When she came back into view at the top, she found the sheep quite away down the field. In spite of that, she had a good fetch, and the rest of the run went well, leaving her in first place at that moment.

Her second effort was foiled by her own cleverness. When she again lost sight of the set-out point on the outrun, she decided to pick up the sheep at the same place she had found them the first time, and re-appeared from behind the hill much too early. Rich tried a 'look back' several times, but still she could not find them and Rich had to leave the post to show her the sheep. Fortunately, only the best run of the first two was being counted and so she was in good position to win, if only she could re-adjust on her outrun.

Rich could have sent her to the right on the last run, which had the advantage of allowing her to be in sight of the sheep for the entire outrun. However, 'away to me' had the disadvantage of keeping the dog a little too tight and spooking the sheep on the lift. Because of that, Rich again sent her left. We watched with suspense as she disappeared behind the top of the hill, and were rewarded with the sight of her approaching the set-out point at just the right position. She took most of her flanks for the rest of the run and scored well enough to win the combined total points for the Pro-Novice class, in spite of some nail-biting during Betty Levin's last run with her dog, Bryn.

At the time of this writing, the good news is that Kess is adjusting to being handled by me, and I am looking forward to running her at trials next year.

By Co-Owner Rolf Knight

### Ranch Top Ten

1. Sue Schoen & Clair
2. Joan Worthington & Sam
3. Bernie Armata & Susie
4. Sally Molloy & Zac
5. Fiona Robertson & Pat
6. Warren Mick & Jinty
7. Sally Lacy & Jean
8. Carlene Eitapence & Anna
9. Nancy Ortiz-Sharp & Aldebaron
10. Nancy Ortiz-Sharp & Cassiopeia



**Ranch Champs**  
Sue Schoen & Clair

Sue writes:

I got Clair five weeks after our daughter was born. A well-known dog handler called me and said "Congratulations! I heard you had a baby girl. I have a dog for you!" Off we went to Logan Airport in the middle of the night. Clair was almost three and had been trained by Danae Frew. It may not have been an ideal time to get a new dog but I was on maternity leave and Jessie was portable so I figured it would be OK. Clair and I were not an easy match. She was fast and tight or very wide and sulky. Often we both lost our cool especially at trials and things would fall apart- fast. She liked to push sheep hard and didn't accept my input into the equation for quite a while. Off sheep she seemed a bit lost. At home she spent alot of time in her crate or paced around the house unable to find spot. On the other hand Clair could move anything, had an outrun that I still never tire of watching and was rapidly wheedling her way into our lives. Whenever I panicked and thought I'd lost her there she'd be at my heels looking up at me. I still trip over her whenever I step backwards without looking first. For a long time I thought I wasn't good enough to run her. I had heard how beautifully she ran for Danae. I saw her run once but had been so morning sick that weekend I don't remember. For a long time it rarely felt like she was running well for me. It felt like driving a car with no brakes or steering. Several friends have helped enormously with Clair- pointing out both of our weak and strong points. And over time- and it has taken us well beyond that proverbial "year of adjustment" - we have started to become a partnership. I love her, am fortunate to own her and have learned alot in the time I have owned her.

### **Congratulations to other 2002 Nursery Finals Award Winners!**

#### **Long Road Award Winners-**

Novice Novice- **Connie Weller & Penn**  
Pro- Novice- **Betty Levin & Bryn**  
Ranch- **Joan Worthington & Sam**

**Alex McKinven Trophy Winner- Cokie Hamm & Lola**

2002 Fall Foliage  
Oct. 12-13, 2002  
Cooperstown NY  
Judge: Bernie Armata

The 2002 Fall Foliage was run on a gorgeous hillside in Cooperstown NY. The site is owned by the Clark Foundation and is also home to the Leatherstocking trial. There were 38 dogs competing this year and the competition was the best we've ever seen. Barbara Leverett generously donated the sheep for the trial from her flock of Texel Cross ewes. There were about 80 yearlings that had some but not complete respect for the dogs. The site, the sheep and all the good dogs and trial folks made for a wonderful event.

The preliminary round began on Saturday and continued into Sunday until all dogs had two tries of the course. The sheep ran pretty well in spite of the damp weather. The gathers and drives were in general pretty good. But many good starts faltered in the shedding ring or at the pen, which followed. In the shed the sheep were hard to settle and even harder to split. It took persistence and bit of luck to get any sort of opening. At the pen the sheep never went in without first being convinced by handler and dog that there was no other option.

The preliminary round scores ranged from 50 to nearly 90. Most were in the 60-70 range. Bev & Kirk and Amanda & Eucher were tied at the top with 89s. Close behind was Amanda & Grace - 86, followed by Bev & Pippa - 83, Allan & Joe 82, and Denise & Kate and Mark & Burl both with 81s. The bottom score to advance to the final round was a 76. As there was a four-way tie at 76, all four dogs advanced to the finals

meaning thirteen dogs moved forward instead of the usual ten.

The hill was a splendid site for a double lift as it is very wide at the top end. The first lot of four sheep was spotted to the left, high on the hill. The turn-back post (a pumpkin in this case) was located in the center of the field right below the steep part of the hill. From this spot it was not possible to see the second lot of four sheep on the right. This proved most upsetting to the dogs, and all but three crossed over on the second outrun and of those, only Bev's Pippa did it without any redirects. The drive was to the left and followed by a shed / pen. To make the shed more challenging two of the eight sheep were marked and they and any two others had to shed off and penned. The time was set at 12 minutes.

The first run was to be Walt with Jeff.

Unfortunately, Jeff must have injured a foot earlier in the trial and Walt thoughtfully retired rather than let Jeff work on the hurt foot. Second up was Amanda's Eucher. The first gather was very good with only minor line points on the fetch. The second gather was very clean except for being tight on the outrun. The drive was good but too quick a turn at the cross-drive panel resulted in four of the eight sheep coming back through. Much time was used up getting the shed and the pen was not completed. Total score was 125 out of a possible 150.

Next up were Allan and Joe. Redirects were given on both outruns, but both lots were picked up without crossing. The second fetch was off line and the panel was missed. A daring call-in on the shed back-fired as one sheep broke back at the last second. The second shed attempt was good and the pen completed for a total of 105.

Third up were Denise and Kate. Kate crossed over on the second outrun but the gathers were otherwise very good. Kate lost patience on the first leg of the drive and was disqualified for a grip - hard luck.

Next was Amanda and Grace. The gathers went well except for several whistles and a near cross on the second outrun. The drive was good but points were lost on a missed shed and some trouble at the pen - total 121.

Dick and Tip were next. After a near perfect first gather Dick struggled to put Tip back to the second lot of sheep and precious time was lost. The drive was completed cleanly but time ran out during the shed - total 100.

Warren and Glen started with a good first gather but the second outrun was tight and Glen crossed over at the last second. The drive, pen and shed were completed - total 119.

Bev and Kirk started with a good first gather but Kirk crossed on the second outrun. The drive was clean but slow. The shed was completed after one missed attempt and time ran out at the pen - total 92.

Mark and Moss had a good first gather but time was lost in getting Moss back to the second lot of sheep and Moss crossed over on the second outrun. The drive was completed but time ran out in the shedding ring - total 88.

Roger and Tripp started with a good first gather but Tripp resisted being turned back for the second sheep. Time was lost and though the drive was completed they timed out at the shed - total 86.

Fall Foliage, continued...

Bev and Pippa had a near perfect first gather and the cleanest turn-back of the day. On the second fetch the sheep broke hard to regroup with the first lot missing the fetch gates. The drive was very clean but the shed proved unexpectedly difficult. After two missed attempts time ran out - total 113.

Mark and Burl started well but Burl crossed on the second outrun. The drive was near perfect but again the shed proved the undoing. Mark took off the marked sheep but they re-grouped with the unmarked sheep on the way to the pen. They re-shed but time ran out at the pen- total 110.

Last up was Lorna and Dot. The first gather was very clean but a cross over and missed panel on the second fetch were costly. The drive was completed but time ran out at the shed - Total 101.

So there you have it. Amanda was first with Eucher and second with Grace (a feat that hasn't been done since 1984 when Vergil Holland was first with Sugar and second with Robin). Being home bred and home trained Eucher also received the Edgar Gould Breeders Trophy and the Long Road Trophy - for the second year running!

Many people contributed to making such a great trial. Chalmers Means and Barbara Armata did much of the behind the scenes preparations. Much thanks to Barbara Leverett for providing the challenging sheep and to Bernie for an excellent job judging it all. Mary Ames, MaryAnn Kras and Linda Hotchkiss all helped with scribing and posting scores. Linda also helped set up and break down the trial. Tanner Millen and friend worked the sheep pen, Liz Phillips and Barb Armata did a

great job spotting and Allan Lynch expertly transported the sheep to and from the trial.

Finally, NEBCA extends a sincere thank you to the Clark Foundation for the use of this beautiful site for the trial.

**Double-Lift Final Results-**

Amanda Milliken	Eucher	125
Amanda Milliken	Grace	121
Warren Mick	Glen	119
Beverly Lambert	Pippa	113
Mark Bustard	Burl	110
Allan Lynch	Joe	105
Lorna Savage	Dot	101
Dick Williams	Tip	100
Beverly Lambert	Kirk	92
Mark Bustard	Burl	88
Roger Millen	Tripp	86
Walt Jagger	Jeff	RT
Denise Leonard	Kate	DQ



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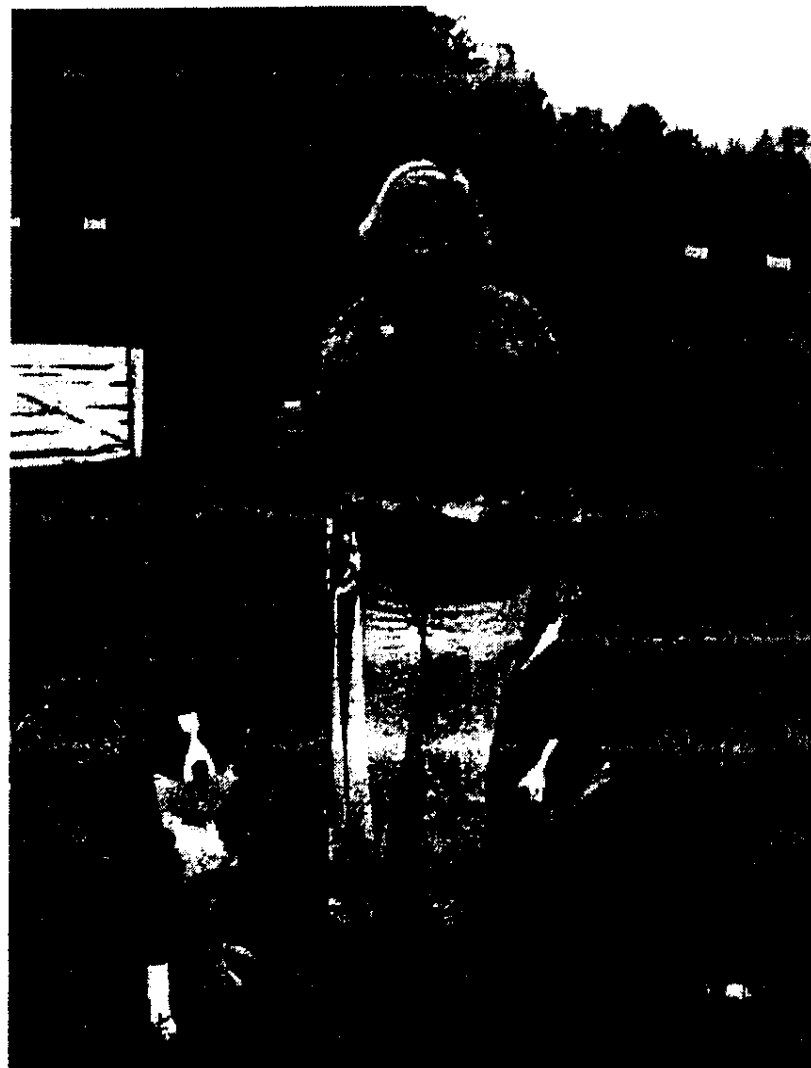
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Amanda Milliken, Eucher & Grace

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**COMING TO THE ANNUAL MEETING? WANT TO WORK YOUR DOGS?**

Sunday, January 19, 2003

Dave & Debbie Fetterman invite annual meeting attendees to stop over  
for a workout at their Borders on Paradise Farm.

Please call Dave Fetterman before Saturday, January 18, 2003, if you are  
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weather permitting!

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## BALLOT

Nebca Nominating Committee's slate of officers and directors for 2003:

*Please circle your choice, or write in a name for each open slot.*

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**Write in:**

**Vice President:**       **Heather Millen**

**Write in:**

**Secretary:**             **Maria Mick**

**Write in:**

**Treasurer:**            **Jim Strohecker**

**Write in:**

**Director:**              **Mary Ellen Young**

**Write in:**

**Director:**              **Gene Sheninger**

**Write in:**

The nominating committee is grateful to those candidates willing to serve another term and to those who are willing to take on a NEBCA job for the first time. We also thank outgoing vice-president Denise Leonard and outgoing directors Kate Collins and Roger Millen for their contributions to NEBCA. Directors continuing in office are Dick Williams and Sue Schoen.

NEBCA 2002 Calendars still available!

**\*VOTE\* VOTE\* VOTE\***

**RETURN YOUR BALLOT WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL!**



**Agenda for NEBCA 2003 Annual Meeting  
January 18, 2003 (snow date- January 19)  
Lewisburg, Pennsylvania**

1. Call to order
2. Approval of past meeting minutes
3. Election results
4. Committee reports
  - Secretary - Maria Mick
    - Membership status
  - Treasurer - Jim Strohecker
    - 2002 Income/Expenses
    - 2001 Audit
    - Proposed budget for 2003
  - Board of Directors - Dick W./ Roger M.
  - Open Trials Committee - Cheryl Jagger-Williams
    - 2002 High Points and Fall Foliage Report
    - Open rule changes
  - Nursery Trials Committee - Nancy Ortiz
    - 2002 Nursery Finals report
    - Novice rule changes
  - Fund Raising Committee - Barbara Armata
    - 2002 results
    - Plan for 2003
  - Calendar report
  - Newsletter report - Lori Cunningham
  - Library report
  - Presentation of awards

**All Nebca Members  
are invited to attend  
the 2003 annual meeting!**

**Come and have a voice  
in the club that  
supports our sport!**

- Lunch Break - Pizza, tossed salad & beverages will be provided-

5. New Business
  - 2003 Fall Foliage and Nursery Finals Preparations
  - Any new business from the floor
  - Announcements
  - Meeting dates for 2003

**Starting time 10 am.**

6. Adjournment

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**Directions to Annual Meeting**

From the South-

Take **Rt 15 North** into Lewisburg, PA. You will see Bucknell University on the right as you enter Lewisburg. Continue on 15 N thru strip of fast food restaurants. Just past Wendy's, turn left at the light onto William Penn Drive. Continue on Wm. Penn Dr. about 1 mile & you will come onto the grounds of the U.S. Penitentiary. (You are an authorized visitor!) Take first left and follow the road along the creek to the Staff Training Center.

From the East/West-

Take **Interstate 80** to exit for Rt 15 South towards Lewisburg. Just past Wal-Mart/Weis, bear right onto William Penn Drive, and follow directions above.

From the North-

From interstate 81 South, take interstate 80 West, and follow directions above.  
From Rt.15 South- follow directions above.

Questions about getting here? Need a cheap hotel recommendation? Call Lori Cunningham 570-522-9993

## **PROPOSED NEW RULES ....**

At the annual meeting the Nursery Committee will propose the following changes to the Nursery Guidelines. (Effective the current trial season)

Increase the points needed to qualify for the NEBCA Nursery Finals from 1 to 3 points. Teams which have moved up in class at trials but haven't scored any points in the new trial class would be "grand fathered" to run the lower class only if they achieved 3 points in that class in the current trial season.

The Open Trial Committee is recommending the following revision to NEBCA's open trial rules. The new rules, if approved, will apply to the current trial season. The new rules provide the following changes:

- Eliminate several out dated rules or rules that state accepted practices. (e.g. rule requiring NEBCA approved judges, rule about posting of scores every few runs)
- Increase the minimum number of dogs from 12 to 15.
- Remove the implication that NEBCA is a governing organization by replacing the phrase "NEBCA sanctioned trial" with "NEBCA qualifying trial".

### **North East Border Collie Association Requirements for Qualifying Open Trials**

(Proposed new rules to be voted on at 2003 annual meeting)

The results of qualifying open trials will be applied to NEBCA's two seasonal competitions: the High Points Competition and the Fall Foliage Championship. To be a NEBCA qualifying open trial the trial must meet the following requirements:

1. Trials must be located in the NEBCA region (see bylaws).
2. Trial dates and intentions must be agreed to by the Open Trial Committee a least 30 days before the actual trial date.
3. The trial must be listed in the trial schedule appearing in either the NEBCA newsletter or on the NEBCA web site. "Points trials" and "Time trials" must be listed as such.
4. The trial must have a minimum of 15 dogs competing.
5. The trial must report trial results to the Open Trial Committee within 30 days of the trial.
6. The NEBCA trial season ends on the Tuesday after the third weekend in September. Qualified trials occurring after this date will be applied to the next trial season.
7. The Open Trial Committee can vote to remove NEBCA qualifying status from any trial that does not follow what are considered standard/accepted practices; or where conditions are not conducive to the health/welfare of all animals involved.

# NEBCA at the 2002 USBCHA NATIONAL FINALS, LEBANON, TENNESSEE!!



## A SPECIAL "CONGRATS" TO "TOP TWENTY" PLACING NEBCA TEAMS!!!

### Top 20 Nursery Teams

1. Barbara Ligon & Queen
2. Ralph Pulfer & Dan
3. Bill Berhow & Pete
4. Emil Luedecke & Ben
5. Joyce Geier & Clue
6. Alastair MacRae & Link
7. Bob Washer & Bree
8. Dennis Gellings & Jan
9. Tom Wilson & Pearl
10. Kent Kuykendall & Laz
11. Chuck Dimit & Luke
12. Sonia Craig & Mitch
13. Cheryl Williams & Rudy
14. Bud Boudreau & Peg
15. Clyde Hall & Rob
16. Linda Tesdahl & Jaffe
17. Gary Westbrook & Lee
18. Beverly Lambert & Bree
19. R.C. Tomlinson & Dat
20. Monty Hogue & Ruby

### Top 20 Nursery Teams

1. Alastair MacRae & Bill
2. Beverly Lambert & Pippa
3. Scott Glen & Cub
4. Tom Wilson & Dot
5. Amanda Milliken & Grace
6. Alastair MacRae & Sweep
7. Warren Mick & Glen
8. Bill Berhow & Dan
9. Stu Ligon & Nap
10. Jan Koch & Trae
11. Linda Fogt & Meg
12. Dal Kratzer & Tib
13. Warren Mick & Tim
14. Lyle Boyer & Jace
15. Ellen Skillings & Jack
16. Amanda Milliken & Eucher
17. Linda Hirsch & Meech
18. Tony Stewart & Bess
19. Vergil Holland & Toss
20. Ralph Pulfer & Dan

**Janet Larson Memorial Sheepdog Trial  
Lamprey River Farm  
Lee, New Hampshire  
October 5 & 6, 2002**

Close your eyes and think of the most fun thing you could possibly do on a beautiful October weekend in New Hampshire. If you said participate in a 'country' sheepdog trial, you hit the mark. Though getting there was a trial in itself, with rain and fog prevailing on Friday night and Saturday morning, the skies cleared mid-morning Saturday and remained blue the rest of the weekend, with the sun shining warmly, and the mood happy and convivial.

Lisa Larson held the trial in memory her late sister Janet, and like the trial Janet held in October of 2000, it was for nursery classes only, and comfortably low key. However, the Larson sheep were challenging, having not been worked much over the last year, and not willing to submit to the will of the dog or handler. They were particularly reluctant – even testy - at the pen, often standing at the mouth and facing down the dogs.

On Saturday afternoon, after the NEBCA sanctioned trial, farm games began with 21 non-compete runs, and many people decided on the spur of the moment to enter their dogs in the next class on that basis to test a more challenging skill level. Later in the day, a silent gather tested many with 19 entries. This was won by Greg Hamm and Maya, who had a score of 48 out of a possible 50 points.

Cheryl Jagger Williams was the able and patient judge, first scoring the official runs of the trial, then generously scoring all of the non-compete and silent gather runs giving critiques and pointers afterwards. A marvelous dinner was shared by all Saturday night with the participants and the Larson family bringing their favorite dish which made for an abundant and delicious meal. Many thanks to Lisa and to all of the volunteers who helped participate in running this trial and have it run so smoothly. Especially those good people, who pitched in to sort sheep, kick out, set out and scribe. Special thanks going to trial managers Greg and Cokie Hamm, and to Betty Murray for her marvelous organizational skills in record keeping. It was a wonderful weekend and a lovely tribute to Janet.

*Posted by Molly King*

**OCTOBER 5, 2002**

**NOVICE**

1. Annie Palmer & Nick 76
2. Annie Palmer & Maggie 68
3. Carroll Goodwin & Bama 62
4. Molly King & Nell 61
5. Tom Leigh & Jo 60

**PRO-NOVICE**

1. Rob Drummond & Ben 64
2. Cokie Hamm & Lola 57
3. Barb Black & Blazer 57
4. Rob Drummond & Andy 54
5. David Lewis & Chuck 46

**RANCH**

1. Rob Drummond & Spot 63
2. Greg Hamm & Maya 59

**OCTOBER 6, 2002**

**NOVICE**

1. Annie Palmer & Nick 75 (2 day NN champ)
2. Carroll Goodwin & Bama 74
3. Nancy Philips & Buster 61
4. Deborah Donahue & Ross 57
5. Annie Palmer & Maggie 56

**PRO-NOVICE**

1. Barb Black & Blazer 72 (2 day PN champ)
2. Molly King & Ruby 67
3. Rob Drummond & Ben 62
4. Mike Nunan & Fly 60
5. David Lewis & Chuck 60

**RANCH**

1. Greg Hamm & Maya 54 (2 day Ranch champ)
2. Molly King & Ruby 53
3. Rob Drummond & Spot 24



**Handlers at the Janet Larson Memorial SDT with Judge Cheryl J. Williams.**

### **Loon Mountain SDT**

#### **Open Results**

**24 dogs to the post**

- 1. Bev Lambert & Rue**
- 2. Bev Lambert & Kirk**
- 3. Bruce Smart & Dolly**
- 4. Steve Wetmore & Keegan**
- 5. Betty Levin & Folly**
- 6. Lynn Deschambeault & Di**
- 7. Sue Schoen & Clair**
- 8. Rolf Knight & Jewel**
- 9. Michael Dathe & Cobb**
- 10. Deniese Leonard & Rose**

#### **USBCHA NURSERY**

**7 dogs**

- 1. Lynn Deschambeault & Meg**

**New Hampshire State Championship**

**September 28, 2002**

**Judge- Mark Norman**

**Trial Mgr- Roger Deschambeault**

The sheep were even for all, although some handlers did better with them than others! Mark Norman from England scored all the runs & told all the handlers what he was looking for at the handlers' meeting. Richard Singleton scored for the judge throughout the day. Everyone got to know them and enjoyed meeting them. Richard did get to go golfing with Roger's nephew, Brian & Valerie...guess who beat the guys? Valerie! But they all had a good day! Roger & Krys did a great job with the meal on Saturday night, fried turkey and roasted lamb, as well as great pot luck dishes...Good desserts, a good meal for all. The NEBCA meeting was held. A few things were discussed, but put off until the annual meeting.

We thank all who helped setting out, also to Betty Murray for keeping scores and taking care of the sales. I sure hope they compensate her for this! Thank you to all that helped out in any way! Without all the help, it would be impossible to have a good trial.

*Roger, Krys & Gabe*

**Results-**

- 1. Bev Lambert & Rue**
- 2. Roger Deschambeault & Trim**
- 3. Denise Leonard & Rose**
- 4. Jean Kennedy & Beth**
- 5. Steve Wetmore & Keegan**
- 6. Bev Lambert & Pippa**
- 7. Warren Mick & Tim**
- 8. Michael Dathe & Cooper**
- 9. Rolf Knight & Jewel**
- 10. Carlene Eitapence & Anna**

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**A note of thanks....**

Dear NEBCA Members:

Barbara and I thank our many NEBCA friends who wished us a speedy and full recovery from my recent double bypass surgery. So many of you rightfully recognized that recovery from such an invasive operation results from loss of support, not simply from the patient's efforts along. Barb's driving, lifting, fetching and constant reminding played a very big part in my recover to date.

I was indeed fortunate to have highly competent medial experts around me from day one. My surgeon at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany, I learned long before the operation, is called upon by physicians in the Capital area who need any kind of cardiovascular work done on their own bodies. This knowledge helped me go into this unknown experience with considerable confidence.

I was in the recovery area for just three days when I was released (or was it expelled?!?) And it was none too early at that. My body had already indicated that, after only three days of hospital food, it was about to reject any and all in-coming victuals. Since being home I can report that I have no pain or even discomfort. I like having no pain! I am now in a cardio rehab program here in Oneonta and am making great progress. I should be back to "normal" in a few months. Some of you might wish that I would go beyond "normal" and attain new heights. But let's put those highfalutin' idealistic goals off "til later!

Chalmers Means

## **FRYEBURG FAIR SDT**

**September 29, 2002**

**Trial Mgr.- Gabe Merrill**

Fryeburg Fair Trial started out a bit cool, but warmed up very nice. A great crowd was present all day and many questions were asked about us and our dogs. Our judge, Mark Norman, from England, did a fine job being very fair to everyone. Richard Singleton, also from England, kept scores all day.

Maria Mick was the first place winner, beating husband Warren by one point. Many thanks to all that announced throughout the day: Maria Mick, Betty Levin, Steve Wetmore, and Bruce Smart. We realize that they were a great asset to our trial. Also thanks to Carlene for helping in the pen and setting out and helping Allishia. Thanks go to Betty Murry for keeping score sheets and our table of calendars, shirts, books, etc. Thanks to all who helped in any way.

Gabe Merrill

1. Maria Mick & Ben
2. Warren Mick & Glen
3. Steve Wetmore & Keegan
4. Roger Deschambeault & Joe
5. Warren Mick & Reggie
6. Denise Leonard & Rose
7. Beverly Lambert & Rue
8. Beverly Lambert & Kirk
9. Steve Wetmore & Gyp
10. Michael Dathe & Cooper



**L-R: Warren Mick; Judge Mark Norman; Maria Mick & Trial Mgr. Gabe Merrill.**

**Budget for 2002 Fall Foliage-**

Expenses

\$200.00	Pen crew (2x100)
\$200.00	Set out (2x100)
\$235.40	Tent rental
\$165.00	Porto Johns
\$38.12	Ribbons
\$400.00	Judge
\$340.00	Sheep hauling
\$120.00	Motel
\$112.80	Ads in local papers
\$555.00	FF prizes (includes high points 1&2)
\$334.00	Chicken dinner from Brooks Barbeque
\$64.50	Lunch/snacks for judge and setout
\$2,764.82	Total

Income

\$950.00	Entries (38x25)
\$264.00	Dinner receipts (33x8)
\$79.00	Gate
\$33.75	Refund from Brooks
\$1,326.75	Total

Net Cost

\$1,438.07	Net Trial Cost
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**2002 Nebca Nursery Finals Accounting-**

Sheep & Field	\$300
Judge	\$300
Hotel for Judge	\$175.76
Gifts	\$640
Ribbons	\$74.30
Porta potties	\$200
Pen crew	\$100
Tent & chairs	\$122.20
Food	\$79.31
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$1,991.57</b>
Entries received	\$1,315
Difference	\$676.57



**Meeting Minutes from NEBCA meeting September 28, 2002  
Center Conway, NH**

Meeting called to order at 6:20 p.m, 26 members present

**Old Business**

1. Secretary's report: Maria Mick stated that there are approximately 281 memberships, 68 of which are family memberships, bringing the overall tally to well over 300.
2. Treasurer's report: Warren Mick reported that the club is financially in good shape and that Jim is working on the audit for 2001.
3. Board of Directors: No issues to discuss.
4. Novice Trials Committee: Bud Ames stated that attendance was down for the Novice Finals. The sheep and field at Soule Homestead were challenging. Bud commented that the trial site organizers (Cape Cod and Middleboro groups) were very well organized and that the trial ran smoothly, with approximately 60 dogs running. A proposed change to the qualifying requirement for the novice finals will be discussed at the annual meeting. The novice committee ran into some rules subtleties that will need to be addressed for next year.
5. Open Trials Committee: Steve Wetmore stated that the open trial season for 2003 has begun and the new high points rules are in effect (see the Spring 2002 newsletter). The committee is still considering how to limit entries for this year's Fall Foliage Trial in Cooperstown. Current estimate is that 46 dogs will compete. More information will be available in the Fall newsletter due out next week.
6. Calendar Committee: Monies were received from Gabe Merrill and Steve Wetmore from calendar sales at the Blue Hill Trial.
7. Club pamphlets are not available yet. Lynn Deschambeault offered to bring the pamphlet to a local printer to obtain estimates for printing.

**New Business**

1. Nominating committee: This committee consists of Betty Levin, Denise Leonard, and Gene Sheninger. Anyone with suggestions for nominations should speak to Betty. The entire executive staff and 2 Board of Director positions are open (Kate Collins and Roger Millen's BOD terms are expiring this year).

Floor: Gabe noted that the Fryeburg Fair gave a \$100 donation to NEBCA last year in lieu of paying any one person for announcing at the Fryeburg Fair and that they would again this year. Acknowledgment will be sent to Fair officials.

3. Next meeting: The next meeting will be the annual meeting in January. No site has been selected yet.

Meeting adjournment: Steve Wetmore motioned to adjourn and Denise Leonard seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:46pm.

Submitted by Maria Mick

## Early 2003 Trials

**January 1, 2003**

**Bittersweet New Year's Day Trial**  
**Bittersweet Fall/Winter Trial Series**  
consists of:

All classes.

Open & Nursery are USBCHA sanctioned  
Starting Time 9am

Entry Fees- \$15 novice classes

\$ 17 Open & nursery

May enter the day of the trial, but please call  
in advance so approximate # of runs can be  
determined. All handlers will share trial  
duties. Pot luck lunch.

contact Carol Campion, 860-455-9416

email: [campionbc@aol.com](mailto:campionbc@aol.com)

**January 26, 2003**

**Lambert SDT Series**

Andover, CT

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**February 2, 2003**

**Bittersweet Fall/Winter Trial Series**

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**February 16, 2003**

**Lambert SDT Series**

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**March 16, 2003**

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**April 4-6, 2003**

**Longshot Farm SDT**

Church Hill, MD

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**April 11-13, 2003**

**Borders on Paradise SDT**

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**April 13, 2002**

**Lambert SDT**

Andover, CT

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**May 29-June 1, 2002**

**Steppingstone SDT**

Havre de Grace, MD

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**June 12-14, 2003**

**PA State Championship SDT**

Hop Bottom, PA

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## **THE CLASSIFIEDS--**

**Pups for sale.** Kopper x Bull. Tri-colored males. **Dam:** Kopper ABC 60399 (Jagger-Williams' Imp. Taff x. Lynch's Deadal) 2001 Nebca Nursery Finals Top Ten. Many Top Ten placings in her class. **Sire:** Bull ABC 12077 (Wilson's Rob, G.B. National Champion x. Imp. Lil). Proven Top Ten winner. 2001 National Finals Qualifier. Both parents hips good and eyes clear. Contact Linda Hotchkiss 607-239-8385, email [BorderBrook@catskill.net](mailto:BorderBrook@catskill.net).

**Pups due December 25, 2002.** **Sire-** Walt Jagger's Imp. Jeff. Top Ten Finalist at 2002 Fall Foliage and 2002 Canadian Championships. **Dam-** Jill. (Hilary Flowers/Canadian breeding). Health guarantee. Contact Julie Jackson, 814-364-5536.

**Border Collies For Sale:** Pups through finished dogs. Sheep to lease for dog trials and clinics. Contact: Roger Deschambeault, (603) 939-2255.

**Merlynn Kennels Border Collies and Katahdin Hair Sheep.** Merle and black and white puppies, occasionally started dogs. All breeding stock OFA certified and eye checked. Proven producers of trial and obedience winners. Katahdin Hair Sheep originated in Maine, excellent for working dogs, no shearing, no tail-docking necessary. Lynn Deschambeault, Merlynn Kennels, 342 Hio Ridge Rd., Denmark ME 04009. (207) 452-2898.

**Border Collie Training Services Available:** Take advantage of lots of sheep and a large variety of working areas. Lessons and pups available. Handling Border Collies for over 12 years. References available. Barbara Leverett, 1512 Burrell Rd, St. Johnsville, NY, 13452. (518) 568-2833

**Border Collie Stud Service-** "Glen" (ABCA 136198/CBCA 471)- 11<sup>th</sup> place 2001 National Nursery, top 50 in 2001 National Open, Grandson of Berhow's Nick (3 time nat'l champ), very biddable & stylish worker. "Reggie" (ABCA 81007/CBCA 473)-1999 NEBCA High Points Reserve Champ. Both dogs top ten 2001 NEBCA High Points, Open trials winners, eyes clear, hips OFA certified. Warren & Maria Mick, 518-861-5854, or email [mickwa@capital.net](mailto:mickwa@capital.net).



**\*HAPPY HOLIDAYS\***

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