

**NEBCA NEWS**  
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**EDITORS BARK**

Well, Kristen has a structure on her property that looks like a barn and Denise has moved and is almost settled. Please note Denise's new address and telephone number: 389 Adams Road, Greenfield, MA 01301, 413-773-5232.

Just a reminder, in case you forgot, that we are soliciting pictures for the 1988 calendar. Bring your cameras with you when you work your BCs. Black and white pictures are the best, but color photos transfer well to black and white. So please send your pictures to Kristen (address above) with your name, the dog's name and the photographer's name on the back of each picture. Send a stamped self-addressed envelop if you want them back.

It's hard to believe, but the 1986 trial season is almost over. The NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial is right around the corner. It will be held again this year at the farm of Mike and Pat Canaday in Altamont, NY, the weekend of October 4th and 5th. There will be a supper again the Saturday evening of the trial. For details, see the announcement about the trial and supper.

In this issue we bring you an update on the standings thus far of all NEBCA handlers and dogs that have earned points towards the coveted NEBCA High Point Champion and Reserve Champion awards, along with a list of those that have qualified for the NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial.

For those of you not yet familiar with these honors, please read on.

At each of the NEBCA recognised trials, the top ten dogs belonging to NEBCA handlers are awarded points as follows: 1st place--10 points, 2nd place--9 points, 3rd place--8 points, 4th place--7 points, 5th place--6 points, 6th place--5 points, 7th place--4 points, 8th place--3 points, 9th place--2 points, and 10th place--1 point. The NEBCA High Point Champion and Reserve Champion Awards are presented at the end of the trial season to the two dogs that have accumulated the most points over a single trial season. To win this

award you must put in a great deal of time, not only in schooling your dog, but attending trials from Maine to Pennsylvania. You must also place consistantly at these trials.

In order to qualify for the NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial NEBCA members and their dogs must place somewhere in the top ten of NEBCA members at any three of the NEBCA recognised trials in a single season. Only those dogs having done so are eligible to compete at the Championship Trial. This year a new award has been added. Any dog that wins both the NEBCA High Point Championship and the NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial will be awarded the NEBCA Supreme Champion. This award will be given only when both these acheivements are accomplished by the same dog. Just a little more for us all to strive for! The only time this has ever been achieved in the past was in 1983, when both titles were won by Vergil Holland and his dog Robin.

So without further ado, here are this years qualifiers as of September 1; we thank Betty Levin, who rushed home from Riverside and called us with these updated results (handlers and dogs are listed in alphabetical order by handler's last name; order of listing does NOT indicate placing by points):

Handler	Dog	Points
Mike Canaday	Kit	53 ①
Mike Canaday	Sandy	23
Mike Canaday	Jill	23
Roger Deschambeault	Daisy	26
Roger Deschambeault	Sue	27
Edgar Gould	Jesse	32
Vergil Holland	Sugar	40 ④
Vergil Holland	Robin	37
Cheryl Jagger	Kim	29
Cheryl Jagger	Tess	40 ④
Walt Jagger	Dot	48 ②
Walt Jagger	Jill	16
Beverly Lambert	Fly	38 ⑥
Barbara Leverett	Glen	14
Maurice Macgregor	Robyn	41 ③
Edie Overly	Midge	9

There are only two more qualifying trials left this season; but since both are on the same day, there really is only one more chance to qualify. Good luck to those still trying!

Your editors,

KPW and DAL

#### 1986 NEBCA FALL FOLIAGE CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

The NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial will be held October 4th and 5th at Mike and Pat Canaday's farm in Altamont NY. The trial will again be sponsored by Alpo Pet Foods. The trial is scheduled to start at 12:00 noon, but may start earlier if more dogs qualify. Handlers should call Mike Canady to confirm the starting time. The judge will be Mr. Doug Lamb of Scotland. On Saturday night there will be a catered dinner followed by a presentation of awards for the NEBCA High Point placings. All members and the public are invited to attend this exciting culmination of the trial year. This year John Hood will be donating a porcelin BC figurine for the best gather. Any other persons who wish to make trophy donations should contact Mike Canaday. Directions to the Canaday's farm and RSVP form for the dinner are at the end of

the newsletter. The cost of the dinner will be \$8.00 again this year; pay when you eat.

We received the following letter:

I am a new member of "NEBCA", but I've owned a BC (my first) for almost three years now. The few issues that I've read so far of "NEBCA NEWS" have been great, but I feel a little disappointed that there seems to be an underlying disapproval of getting a BC just for obedience (as I did). I can only speak for myself, but I'm sure many obedience people with BCs will agree that we fell in love with the breed because of its desire to work and eagerness to please, traits that can be (thankfully) attributed to the breeders who work their BCs, and strive to produce another generation of workers. I, for one, am not blind to the fact that over popularity could dilute those ambitions, and tarnish the BCs reputation for good. I fell in love with the BC for what it is right now, and in the future will always seek a pup from working parents. It is important to note though, that I would not breed my obedience dog. To breed a dog that has never proven its instinctive capabilities would be to eventually create a line of non-working BCs. It is interesting to note though, that once truly bitten by the "BC bug", obedience people like myself find themselves at sheepdog trials, and some, like myself, have found sheep to "borrow", and go to working clinics or seek advice for sheepdog handlers, not because we have any intention of changing our hobby, but because we want to develop the traits in our individual dogs that we find so desirable in the breed. If I ever had a BC that worked woolies and did obedience would I consider breeding? Maybe, but the point is, a nice working sheepdog must be obedient to his handler, obedience people just develop that willingness into non-working areas. If obedience people keep in mind what attracted them to BCs in the first place, they won't be breeding any line of non-working BCs, as for what we do with our one individual dog, well I see alot of happy, well-adjusted BC obdience dogs that were bought right off the farm, but now live the life of "city dogs" or "pet dogs", but their obedience training gives them direction, and an outlet for their intelligence and personality, as well as a happy working partnership with their owner. I don't see how even the most hard-core farmer could be ashamed to place one of their pups in such a home.

Name withheld by request.

The Editor's respond by saying the the purpose of NEBCA is to promote the Border Collie as a working dog and thus the NEBCA NEWS is written with that slant. While either one of us would prefer to see our puppies go to working homes, we would certainly place a puppy in an obedience home and know it was getting a good home.

The following quotes are taken from an article entitled Dogs Work for Man by Edward J. Linehan, Edwin Megargee and R. E. Loughheed. This article appeared in the August 1958 National Geographic Magazine Volume CXIV, Number 2.

"I was reminded recently of an English physician Johannes Caius, who in 1570 wrote the earliest treatise on the dogs of Britain. Of the shepherd's working partner he said: 'This dogge either at the hearing of his masters voyce, or at the wagging and whisteling in his fist...bringeth the wandring weathers and straying sheepe, into the selfe same place where his masters will and wishe...whereby the shepherd reapeth this benefite, namely, that with litle

labour and no toyle or moving of his feete he may rule and guide his flocke, according to his owne desire, either to have them go forward, or to stand still, or to draw backward, or to turne this way or to take that way."

"Ancient Welch law said a good herding dog was worth a prime ox."

"A memorial stone was erected at an English roadside years ago to pay tribute to Tip, a female Border collie. Her master, an 85-year-old shepherd, took her along on his last winter's walk on the lonely moors, where he died. Not for 15 weeks was either seen again, until searchers discovered the feeble, emaciated dog, 12 years old herself, still standing vigil over her master's body."

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*\* The next NEBCA meeting will be held on November 9, 1986, at 10:30, at Edgar Gould's house in Shelburne Falls, MA. The agenda will include floor nominations of new officers and a critique of the Championship Trial. Lunch will be potluck style, so please bring your favorite dish. Those who do not know how to get to the Gould's house should call for directions; 413-625-6496.

\*\* The 1987 calendars are out! The prices are \$5.00 plus \$1.00 for shipping and handling for a single copy or \$4.00 each plus shipping and handling for ten or more copies (contact Pat and Mike Canaday for shipping and handling charges for multiple copies.) Order yours today from Pat and Mike Canaday, RD 2 Box 365, Meadowdale Road, Altamont, NY 12009, 518-861-6049. Also there are still 1986 calendars left. If you don't have yours yet, you still have four months use left on it plus some very nice pictures of BCs!

\*\* Pat and Mike also have other "goodies" on sale to benefit NEBCA. These include decals, patches, whistles, plain working crooks (\$10.00 plus postage), among other things. Contact the Canadays for a more complete list.

\*\* Reprints of the sources of information list and the 1986 trial dates and contact persons list are available from us. Send along a SASE along with the following fee(s): (per list) 1 copy--\$.50, 3 copies--\$1.00, 10 copies--\$2.00. Make checks to NEBCA.

\*\* Anyone with publicity ideas for the NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial, such as magazine addresses, etc., should send them to Fran Wheeler, PO Box 369, North Waterborough, ME 04061-0369.

\*\* Barbara Leverett is looking for volunteers to help with the Championship Trial. If you could be available to help, get in touch with Barbara Leverett, RD 2 Box 308 Burrell Road, St Johnsville, NY 13452, 518-568-2833.

\*\* All handlers are requested to send their donations for the Supreme Championship Trophy to Barbara Leverett, address above.

\*\* Anyone interested in donating a trophy for the NEBCA Fall Foliage Trial should contact Mike Canaday, RD 2 Box 365, Meadowdale Road, Altamont, NY 12009, 518-861-6049.

\*\* We are currently soliciting pictures for the 1988 calendar! Please put your

name and address and the dog's name on the back of each picture and include a self addressed stamped envelop if you want them back. Send to Kristen Whittle, PO Box 185, Sunderland, MA 01375.

\*\* Deadline for the next NEBCA NEWS is November 15, 1986. This will be the final newsletter printed before the Annual Meeting so be sure to get us all pertinent information. Send all submissions to Kristen Whittle, PO Box 185, Sunderland, MA 01375, or Denise Leonard, 389 Adams Road, Greenfield, MA 01301. Ads are accepted with a fee of \$1.50 per issue.

#### UPCOMING TRIAL DATES

September 13-14: Frontenac Sheep Dog Trials, Milliken Farm, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. This is a qualifying trial for the US Border Collie Handler's Assc. 1986-87 season. While entries have closed, late entries will be accepted. Contact Amanda Milliken, RR#2, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, K7L 5H6.

September 20-21: Pleasure Valley Dog Trial, Pleasure Valley, Claremont, Ontario, Canada. This is a qualifying trial for the US Border Collie Handler's Assc. 1986-87 season with a purse of \$3500. Entries have closed, late entries will be accepted. Contact James G. Clark, RR#3, Blenheim, Ontario, Canada, NOP 1A0.

September 28: Fryeburg Fair Sheep Dog Trial, Fryeburg ME. For information contact Wayne Bartlett, PO Box 270, Denmark, ME 04022. (207) 452-2460.

October 4-5: NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial, Altamont, NY. For more information, see the article in the newsletter or contact Barbara Leverett, RD 2 Box 308 Burrell Road, St Johnsville, NY 13452, 518-568-2833, or Mike Canaday, RD 2 Box 365, Meadowdale Road, Altamont, NY 12009, 518-861-6049.

October 11-12: Rhode Island Open Sheep Dog Trial, Portsmouth, RI. There are three classes: Novice: open to any handler who has never placed in an open trial; \$15.00 entry fee, 8:00 AM Oct. 11. Ranch: open to any dog who has never won a ranch class or placed in open; \$15.00 entry fee, 8:00 AM Oct. 12. Open Trial: One run each day per dog; score to be cumulative to determine placing; \$25.00 entry fee. There is no limit on the number of dogs, but only two may place in any class. Dogs may only run in one class. VOLUNTEERS are needed. Contact Beverly Lambert, Rt. 1 Box 34, Chepachet, RI 02814, 401-569-3162.

October 18: Unchampionship Trial, U Mass. The purpose of this trial is to determine the feasibility of the So. Deerfield area for having a trial as well as having a fun day. This will be an invitational trial for those who do not qualify for the Championship Trial. We are soliciting entries for this trial. The dog must be able to run an open course, but must not have been qualified for the Fall Foliage Championship Trial, and the handler must not have qualified any dog for the Fall Foliage Championship Trial in 1986. There will be a ten dog limit, but if we do not reach our limit with the above qualifiers, then we will open it up to dogs which have not qualified for the Fall Foliage Championship Trial, but handlers who have qualified another dog in 1986. If interested, send your entry to Kristen Whittle, PO Box 185, Sunderland, MA

01375, 413-549-5011. We will select from those expressing a desire to enter and selection will be totally bias!!! We will notify contestants by October 1. There will be a two dog per handler limit. Entry fee will be \$10.00 per dog payable the day of the trial.

## CLINICS

October 25: Puppy Days at Tom and Carolyn Mohan's Half and Half Farm, New Boston, NH. Contact Tom or Carolyn at 603-487-2443.

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BORDER COLLIE TRAINING SERVICES both for handler and dogs. For information call or write Cheryl Jagger, RD Box 77A, Hop Bottom, PA 18824, (717) 289-4733.

BORDER COLLIE PUP: Dam is Kate (Walt Jagger's Floss X Imp Mirk); Sire is Cap (Walt Jagger's Tiny X Imp Mirk). Excellent working bloodlines. Pup is ready to go. Call Dawn Bengueyfield, RD #3 Box 112, Moravia, NY 13118, 315-497-9507.

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**ROAST BEEF DINNER RSVP**

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**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **NUMBER ATTENDING** \_\_\_\_\_

**Send no money now; pay when you eat!**

Directions to Mike and Pat Canadays'-

From the NYS Thruway:

From Exit 24 take first ramp after toll booth to Route 20  
Take right turn onto Route 20 West  
Go 6 miles to Route 146 South

From MASS Pike:

Take exit NY B1  
Take Route 90 West to Albany, look for the Route 20 sign just before  
the Thruway toll booth  
Take Route 20 ramp 1 mile; take a right onto Route 20 West  
Go 6 miles to Route 146 South

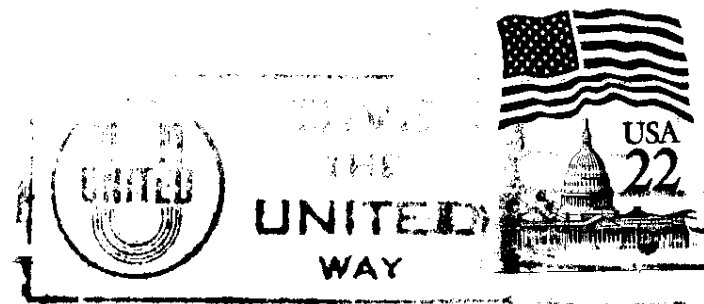
From Route I-88

Take Route 20/Duansburg exit  
Take a right at the end of the ramp then left--east on Route 20  
towards Albany  
3/4 of a mile after Route 20 turns into a four lane highway--

Now that we are all on Route 20--go on Route 146 south toward Altamont:

Drive about 2 1/2 miles to Guilderland Center  
Take a left at the Getty gas station traffic light  
Go 1/2 mile, Stop at the stop sign  
Take County 202/Meadowdale Road--across the road, slightly to  
the right  
Bear left at the 'Y' staying on County 202/Meadowdale Road  
The first farm house on the right is Canadays'; Box 365  
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