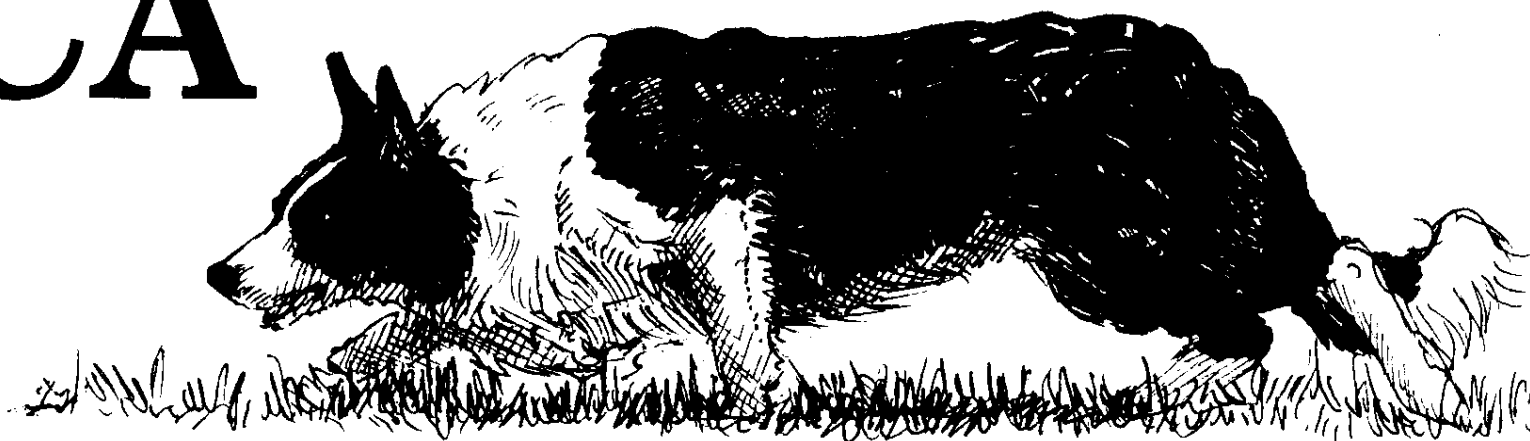


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AND HERE THEY COME - INTO THE HOME STRETCH

Dan (Part IV)

by Beverly Lambert

It is November and Dan is now 16 months old. He has a fair outrun up to about 300 yards (that's as big as my field). He fetches the sheep quietly although not always as straight as I would like. He always brings all of the sheep, however, without hassling them. He drives nicely going away from me. Driving across in front of me (cross-drive) he is inclined to try to work his way to the outside of the sheep so he can bend them towards me and fetch them back. Most dogs will try to work the drive into a fetch if allowed to and Dan is no exception. When flanking, he flanks off the sheep squarely and keeps the same distance between himself and sheep as he goes around, not cutting in. Dan goes in the correct direction in response to the flank commands (vocal & whistle) about 90% of the time. If he makes an error he is inclined to persist in going the wrong way even if I repeat the correct command. He must be stopped and spoken to (DAN!!!) and then given the correct flank command to get him turned around. He stops very well but likes to keep taking little steps towards the sheep if they keep moving so he can stay in contact. Dan is now a useful, well started dog. To get him ready for eventual trial work, it is necessary to polish him up a bit.

Dan's style of working and my style of handling need to be melded together to make us a competitive team. When I give Dan a flank command, I want him to understand from that command how far around the sheep I need him to go and how fast I want him to travel going around them. It will take Dan and I a long time to reach this level of communication, if indeed we ever do. The rest of his training with me (which will last as long as we are together) will consist of our perfecting this communication. The first step in this polishing process is to increase Dan's self-confidence. Dan needs to be confident in his control of the sheep and in my judgement so that he can relax and flow easily with the many commands he must learn to obey. This confidence and relaxation must be built slowly. Gradually over the winter I will increase the number of commands I give Dan and the degree of perfection I am looking for in his work. Where, in the past, I was satisfied if Dan drove the sheep away from me, now I will begin to ask him to keep the sheep on a straight line as they go away. It takes a long time to get the kind of communication with a dog that I think Dan and I can achieve. Dan will learn very gradually to accept more and more direction as he works. This kind of heavily commanded work must be interspersed with days of undirected work so that Dan retains the ability to

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The Fall Foliage Classic - October 9-10, 1993

This is about as far south as you can get and still enjoy the Fall Foliage AND the Fall Foliage Classic. In this author's six-year experience, it is the first time that we have held this trial in the lower part of the Northeast. Now is the time for many of you, who would not or could not travel for six to ten hours, to get to see this classic close to home.

Nathan Mooney has agreed to host the trial, provide the sheep and be the judge; what a guy. Nathan's farm, less than 4 hours from New York City, is in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, just south of Harrisburg. He is just spitting distance for many of us who are practiced at traveling for six hours to Vermont or 10 hours to Maine.

Nathan's trial field is perfect. The outrun is over 350 yards, a dip in the middle, and then uphill. The drive is long and challenging, and the pressure is just enough to make you work for your points.

Spectators will stand just behind the handler and judge, so you have a perfect view of the entire course. It's a great spot for picture-taking, picnicking, and just plain relaxing. Come on out and join in on the cama-

raderie with the tops of our club's handlers.

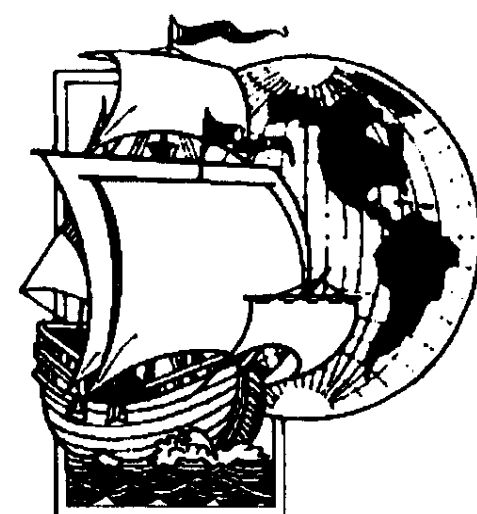
How do you get there? Simple:

Nathan's farm is just off of US Highway Route 81, south of Harrisburg.

Take US Route 78 west to 81 south; or take Route 80 to 81 south; or take Route 81 south (or north if you are south of Carlisle). Please look at a highway map to figure out the best way to get to the intersection of Routes 78 and 81.

Travel south on Route 81, through Harrisburg, to exit 12. As I recall, it must be about 30 miles south of the intersection of 78 and 81.

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Editors' Notes

It seems that these editors have caused a bit of confusion amongst our readers with our editorial policy. When we accepted the job of co-editors back in the summer of 1989 and began publishing the NEBCA NEWS in January of 1990, we inherited and accepted a long-standing editorial policy NOT

to print a column containing Letters to the Editor. We have all seen publications that cater to such things, and, if handled carefully, can be quite an interesting publication. However, if the editors are not careful, then the entire publication can be swamped by a column that is only a forum for the more verbose members to chatter back and forth or to carry out their own agenda.

These editors have endorsed this policy of prior editors. The NEBCA NEWS is a newsletter for the membership; it is the only media by which information can get out to our members; it is dedicated to factual information about trials, training, and other articles that focus on our Border Collie. Therefore, we do print articles that will be of interest to a majority of our

readers. Often we have received letters that were worthy of being printed. In those cases, we have edited their content so that they could appear as an article.

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Minutes of Meeting, Altamont, NY, July 4, 1993

President Dick Williams called the meeting to order following a day full of trialing and a wonderful lasagna dinner. Barbara Armata presented the Treasurers Report as follows:

Total Income: \$5,993.50
Expenses: 5,627.47
Balance: 366.03

The report did not include expense of \$696.37 for brochures. Also the Eye Clinic made a profit of \$84.00.

Pamphlets

Kathy Deschambeault brought reprinted pamphlets to be distributed to members. The Breeders Inserts are still awaiting the final OK to be printed.

Beverly Lambert motioned to reprint 1000 Breeders Directory Inserts and/or not to exceed \$100.00. Gene Sheninger seconded and the motion passed. Kathy will mail out the pamphlets to all those membership requests as soon as the inserts are ready. Thanks for all your patience. Gene and Kathy will continue working to develop a new pamphlet. The goal will be to produce a draft at the next Annual Meeting for a membership vote. Much discussion followed on the structure of the new pamphlet. There was varied input as to which direction the working Border Collie will take.

Library

Lin Reuther reported on the volume of requests. With interest on the rise regarding (1) Agility and (2) Search and Rescue, permission was granted to purchase a book on each of these subjects. There is a new video, Elvin Kopp Part III "Working Cattle". Lin will look into purchasing this one as well.

Fall Foliage Championship

Carol Campion announced the site for the 1993 Championship will be the Farm of Nathan Mooney in Carlisle, PA. Nathan can provide over 100 sheep with a challenging course including a 330 yard outrun. He also agreed to judge the championship, to be held Columbus Day weekend. The only charge will be for the judging.

Newsletter

Gene Sheninger announced the next printing will be the week of August 1. Editors must have all info by July 20.

Hip Dysplasia Committee

Research continues on the genetics of breeding Border Collies. Members are encouraged to express concerns to any of the committee members.

Nursery Trials Committee

Eve Marschark questioned the Nursery Guidelines with regard to the sanctioning of trials with an approved judge. Much discussion followed on what the

qualifications of a judge are. Betty Levin suggested NEBCA sponsor a judging clinic. President Dick Williams appointed the Board of Directors to research the cost and report at the next meeting. The Trials Committee will work together on compiling and updating a list of NEBCA approved judges. Walt Jagger made a motion to eliminate 1.F. [For a Nursery Trial to be sanctioned requirements are . . . F. All judges used at these trials must be approved by the NEBCA Trials Committee.] from the Nursery Trials Guidelines. Carol Campion seconded. Motion passed.

Trial Location Change

Trial Manager John Roche announced the Irish-American Trial site has been changed. The new site will be at the Farm of Mike Canaday, Altamont, NY, July 30-August 1. The Trials Committee had previously approved 1 day of Nursery and two 1-day Open Trials. It would be acceptable to hold two 1-day Nursery Trials; however, only the first day will be sanctioned by NEBCA.

Eve motioned to adjourn and Barbara seconded. The meeting was adjourned by President Dick Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Deschambeault
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1/4 Page	\$35	\$100
1/2 Page	\$50	\$150
Full Page	\$75	\$225

non-members add 20%
If choosing the yearly price, ad may not change for the entire four issues without an additional fee.

1993 Fall Foliage Championship Trial - Qualifying Dogs and Handlers - 9/28/93

All NEBCA dogs placing in the top ten at four qualifying trials are eligible to compete in the Fall Foliage Championship. Where a handler has three or

more dogs qualified, he/she must choose which two of the qualified dogs to run in the Championship Trial.

Barbara Armata	Kelly
Pat Buckley	Bart
Pat Buckley	Glen
Pat Buckley	Jake
Mark Bustard	Jed
Carol Campion	Lady
Mike Canaday	Duke
Mike Canaday	Jill
Mike Canaday	Robin
Lynn Deschambeault	Dandy
Lynn Deschambeault	Pip
Roger Deschambeault	Don
Roger Deschambeault	Sue
Roger Deschambeault	Tyson
Walt Jagger	Celt
Walt Jagger	Roy
Walt Jagger	Queen
J. P. Lalonde	Madi
Beverly Lambert	Jet
Beverly Lambert	Lark
Beverly Lambert	Mac
Betty Levin	Kelty
Eve Marschark	Don
Eve Marschark	Spin
Gabe Merrill	Meg
Amanda Milliken	Boy
Amanda Milliken	Hazel
Becky Peterson	Fly
Becky Peterson	Roy
Becky Peterson	Queen
John Roche	Dave
John Roche	Kep
Gene Sheninger	Meg
Gene Sheninger	Robin
Dale Tucker	Patti
Steve Wetmore	Ben
Steve Wetmore	Nell
Cheryl Jagger Williams	Fleet
Cheryl Jagger Williams	Kim
Cheryl Jagger Williams	Nell
Dick Williams	Jess
Dick Williams	Kate
David Young	Ben

NEBCA MEETING

Saturday, October 9, 1993
Fall Foliage Championship Trial
Carlisle, PA



Fall Foliage Classic

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At the end of the Exit 12 ramp, turn right onto Route 465.

Proceed through the traffic light at Route 11 to the STOP sign at the "TEE". Turn left at the STOP sign and go to the 2nd hard road to the right (about 1 1/2 miles) -- McAllister Road.

Follow McAllister Road (stay to the left at the fork) for 1 1/2 miles to Nathan's farm on the left.

There will be signs starting at the STOP sign at the "TEE".

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!

Editors Notes

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What is our point? We recently read a Letter to the Editor of the Ontario Border Collie Club's Newsletter that was of such a worthy nature. The author started off by stating that he had prepared it for the NEBCA NEWS, but that, since we do not accept such letters, he sent it to his own club's newsletter editor instead. The letter went on to articulate very well the differences between trials run here in the US vs. trials run in Ontario; differences between our two clubs; differences in how our two countries treat the Border Collie; and even the differences between our heritages. (These editors have not received their copy of the Ontario Club's newsletter as yet, but we are anxiously awaiting its arrival.) We think this particular letter is worthy of publication as an article, and we would greatly appreciate the author allowing us the opportunity to print it.

What's new? Our 1993 trial season has come to an end. Now it is time for our Fall Foliage Classic. COME ON OUT. This is an event worth watching. Our dogs are highly tuned after a full season; only those dogs who have placed in four trials or more are invited to compete; the course will be a challenge; the judge will be fair. This year, Nathan Mooney has agreed to host the trial, be our judge, and supply the sheep. Thank you Nathan for your support.

Finally, we are sad to notify you all that Gene & Lynne Sheninger are retiring as the editors of the NEBCA NEWS. We

have dominated this column for four long years, and it is time to allow others to have their say. This has been an exciting four years for us. When we first took over, we didn't have enough members to fill up a bulk mailing (we needed 200). Now we are up to almost 400 members (although we have gone to 1st class mailings, we still needed a 200 minimum - we haven't had a problem since then). We have changed the style of the newsletter, we changed its logo, and we increased mailings from 4 to 7 per year. Now it's time to go. Carol and Larry Campion have agreed to take over where we have left off. They both have been trialing Border Collies for about five years, they train young dogs, and they are responsible breeders. We hope you will all join us in welcoming Carol and Larry as your new NEBCA NEWS editors.

We will publish two more editions before we retire at the annual meeting, so look for our finale.

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Misty Lane Nursery Trial Ctr. Conway, NH July 10, 1993

by Gabe Merrill

The day started out like one of the many hot ones we had been having in July. The heat kept a few handlers away, but the hardy came to compete.

Our judge, Betty Levin, did a fine job and gave a few pointers to the handlers after their run.

Our trial was held at Near-field Farm. Thanks to Roger and Kathy Deschambeault for their hospitality and help. Also Eric and Mark, our sheep crew, the setting out, Roger and all that helped so much to make it successful.

Novice/Novice	80 Points	7 Dogs Ran
1. Jean Kennedy		Max 70
2. Debbie Merrill		Brie 57
3. Ann Bennett		Maid 42
4. Bob Blue		Jenny 29
5. Rich Seaman		Bonnie 24
6. Dave Murray		Bess 20
Jean Kennedy		Hank DQ

Pro/Novice	80 Points	4 Dogs Ran
1. Kathy Deschambeault		Kate 71
2. Rich Seaman		Cleo 56
3. Ann Bennett		Nell 42
4. Jill Parker		Mike 41

Ranch	90 Points	4 Dogs Ran
1. Gabe Merrill		Jed 68
2. Rich Seaman		Socks 67
3. Jill Parker		Shadow 66
4. Jean Kennedy		Sue 61



Rural Route Video Review - "Training and Working A Border Collie" (Martin Penfold)

by Sarah Gruenig

The Rural Route video is a very good beginning tape indeed. While Glyn Jones' "Come Bye! And Away!" was both interesting and entertaining, Martin's tape was most informative. His instructions were clear, concise and, coupled

with graphics, were easy to understand and follow. Especially helpful was the explanation and demonstration of his whistle commands. A nice touch, also, was the explanation of the International Trials course and his commentary on the competing dogs.

New Books and Videos for the Library!

by Lin Reuther

Through purchases and generous donations, the NEBCA Library has the following new additions:

Videos: Both donated by R. C. Gilbert of Pennsylvania.

1) The Perfect Stock Dog: Training Border Collies on Cattle, by Ben Means. About 2 hours long.

2) Training the Working Stockdog: About 5 hours, showing how to train a dog from a raw pup on up to a stock dog capable of gathering sheep and cattle and loading them into a stock trailer on the open range. There are also tips on training for stock dog trials - both Australian Shepherd and Sheepdog (Border Collie) trials.

I have not watched them yet, but people who work cows, or who have Aussies, will be especially interested. Watch the News for video reviews - or do one for us yourself and get a free video rental!

Books

1) Lessons from a Sheepdog, by Phillip Keller - donated by Claudia Wells of New Hampshire. The Bookstore Journal says of the book "Keller needed a sheep dog for his ranch and found Lass through the classified ads. No one else wanted her Keller saw some redeeming features, however, including a keen intelligence and a splendid constitution. With love, compassion, and patience, the dog became not only a friend, but a valuable co-worker on the ranch. From his experiences, Keller draws parallel lessons to what God wants each of us to do and be as His co-workers. Lass is a modern-day parable that's heart-warming and powerful."

2) On Order - an agility book by Simmonds-Moake.

3) On Order - a search and rescue book.

These latter two books ordered through Kathy Kemper's Border Corner - she generously gives the NEBCA Library a discount.

Also new - and just off the presses - Katy Cropper's "A Dog's Life in the Dales" - fun reading, plus training tips.

Many thanks also to our numerous borrowers, the vast majority of whom return promptly. From February through mid-July, I have sent out over 100 books and videos! NEBCA is justly proud of its Library and the service it provides its members. If you haven't used the Library - why not request a book or video today? (p.s., Yes, we did get back our set of Glyn Jones videos!!)

Lending Library Rules:

1) Videotapes are \$3.00 each (\$6.00 set of 2, \$9.00 set of 3); you may borrow just one video from a set. Videos are lent for 2 weeks.

2) Books are lent free of charge for 3 weeks.

3) Borrower pays return postage.

4) Only one book or video (or set) out to a person at a time.

5) Overdue fines are \$.10 per day.

Send requests to:

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Border Collie Rescue

by Patty Allison and Barb Schwendtner

"Kelly is wonderful, wonderful, wonderful! He wagged his tail on Friday, smiled and jumped up on Saturday, and tore around the yard with Kira on Sunday morning." . . . "He is a terrific companion, walk dog, car trip dog, take-to-work dog and general all around friend. There's a lot of soul locked up in him and he's gradually letting it out." Line Farr, Wallingford, PA.

"She is an incredible gift! Tess is settling in very well, and has even managed to charm my cats. I took her to the Fall Foliage Championship, and not only was she enthralled by the goings-on, but she also received many compliments on her exceptional good looks!" Lisa Campbell, Bethel, VT.

"Bill and Bub love me best! They tell me how good and cute I am everyday. They let me snuggle in bed with them every morning. They give me a hair

dryer massage every morning and brush me almost every day. They go all buttery when I greet them at the door at night. They look forward to playing with me everyday and love to hear my toes go tip tip tip tip across the floor. I am the best dog they have ever known and they can't imagine life without me! Thanks to you my life is filled with joy in my new home." Bart, Buxton, ME.

"Thanks for matching me up with Patrick - I can't believe the change in him from the first day at Fryeburg Fair. He has taken on more self assurance and substance as though he knows he has really found a home . . . He is the most loving, loyal dog I have ever had. I feel fortunate in having him." Edith LaRoche, Union, ME.

These are excerpts from letters from adoptive homes for rescue border collies. As you can tell from the letters, these dogs can thrive with the right owners.

We have rescued and placed over 30 border collies which were in need of new homes. Typically, the rescue dogs are unneutered males between 8 months and 2 years old, which have received no training and have been chained out and ignored, or have been allowed to roam and wreak havoc. Some were bought as working dogs, were not trained, and worried livestock. It may surprise you that about half the dogs have bitten children, due to their herding instinct and lack of supervision, rather than aggressiveness. Many of those giving up their border collie bought it because it was smart, assuming smart means no training needed. In reality, it is the smartest dogs that need the most training, and the untrained B.C. soon gets into trouble.

Usually the rescue dogs come to our home for evaluation and some training prior to placement. All rescue dogs are neutered prior to placement, get shots and wormer, and are checked for heartworm. Potential adoptive homes are interviewed for suitability, and we try to match the personality

traits of the rescue dogs with those of the adoptive home. Since we are not independently wealthy, and do not receive funds from the club, an adoption fee of \$60 is usually charged to help defray the cost of veterinary expenses, food, gas, phone bills, etc.

If the breeder of the dog is known, we always call to see if the breeder will take the dog back. Unfortunately, it seems that the responsible breeders who are willing to do this are also the ones whose puppies are least likely to end up needing rescue, since their dogs are not sold to the first person with cash in hand. We have been told by some breeders that once the dog is sold, it is the owner's problem. This attitude hurts not only the individual dog, but the breed as a whole.

If you or someone you know would like to adopt a rescue dog, please call us at (207)583-2353. Breeders, feel free to refer good homes to us if a caller expresses interest in an older dog. Some of you have already done this, and we really appreciate it!

NEBCA Library Holdings

BOOKS

Training the Sheep Dog

E. B. Carpenter - *The Border Collie: Basic Training for Sheepwork*

Katy Cropper - *A Dog's Life in the Dales*

Tony Iley - *Sheepdogs at Work*

Glyn Jones - *A Way Of Life*

Scott Lithgow - *Training and Working Dogs for Quiet Confident Control of Stock*

Tim Longton - *The Sheep Dog: Its Work and Training*

Pope Robertson - *Anybody Can Do It*

Carroll Shaffner - *Training A Working Collie*

Mari Taggart - *Sheepdog Training; An All-Breed Approach*

John Templeton - *Working Sheep Dogs - Management and Training*

Luke Pasio - *Heather Jean: The Working Sheep Dog*

General/Health

Janet Larson - *The Versatile Border Collie*

Marjorie Quarton - *All About the Working Border Collie*

Eddie Straiton - *Dog Ailments - Recognition and Treatment*

Shepherd's Life

G. M. Anderson - *Times Remembered*

John Barrington - *Red Sky At Night*

Edward Hart - *The Hill Shepherd*

Louis Irigaracy - *A Shepherd Watches, A Shepherd Sings*

Phillip Keller - *Lessons from a Sheepdog*

Michael Mathers - *Shepherders - Men Alone*

Fiction/Children's

James Herriott - *Dog Stories*

James Herriott - *Only One Woof*

Dick King-Smith - *Babe the Gallant Pig*

Miscellaneous

Jane Burton - *A Dog's Life, A Year in the Life of a Dog Family (photos)*

E. B. Carpenter - *The Blue Riband of the Heather, The Supreme Champions 1906-1988*

Betty Cavanna - *The First Book of Wool*

Donald McCaig - *Eminent Dogs, Dangerous Men*

Olivia Mills - *Practical Sheep Dairying*

VIDEOS

1989 British International Supreme (Parts I and II)

1988 International Supreme (Parts I and II)

"One Man and His Dog 1990"

"One Man and His Dog 1991", includes part of the 1989 International

"Getting the Right Start" - R & R Graves (Parts I and II)

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Ryder Farm Sheepdog Trial

July 17-18, 1993 - Brewster, NY

Judge: Vergil Holland

by Jackie Rohrig

Ribbons given out first through tenth place. In addition

to the Border Collies, we had one Kelpie and one Shetland Sheepdog run.

Novice/Novice		July 17	
1. Joshua Yurfest	Montana	67	
2. Dave Clark	Lydia	67	
3. Merry Klimek	Teal	65	
4. Kathy Stokey Dillon	Raven	63	(Kelpie)
5. Bonnie Holland	Megan	60	
6. Jackie Rohrig	Roy	56	
7. Jackie Rohrig	Pip	53.5	
8. R. C. Gilbert	Ring	52	
9. Sharon Nunan	Jeepers	52	
10. Caroline LaVigne	Kyle	44	

Best Pen: Sharon Nunan - Jeepers

Most Promising Handler: Ron McGettigan - Wilbur

Pro-Novice		July 17
1. Maria Mick	Fly	56.5
2. Warren Mick	Tara	50

Ranch		July 17
1. Ken Sigel	Mack	72
2. Bill Gregor	Quill	53

Novice/Novice		July 18
1. Bonnie Holland	Megan	77
2. Jackie Rohrig	Pip	73
3. Dave Clark	Lydia	70
4. Sally Lacy	Bob	65.5
5. Joshua Yurfest	Montana	63
6. Merry Klimek	Teal	60
7. Jackie Rohrig	Roy	57.5
8. Jackie Rohrig	Ricky	51.5 (Shetland Sheepdog)
9. Caroline LaVigne	Kyle	42

Best Wear: Jackie Rohrig - Pip

Best Pen: Bonnie Holland - Megan

Pro/Novice		July 18
1. Bonnie Holland	Megan	72
2. R. C. Gilbert	Ring	47
3. Warren Mick	Tara	44

Ranch		July 18
1. Sally Lacy	Tru	73
2. Bill Gregor	Quill	47
3. Bonnie Holland	Meg	46

Many of the people that ran dogs were at their first trial. Thanks to all the helpers (Ken Sigel, Sally Lacy, Bob Thrasher,

Warren & Maria Mick, Bonnie Holland). We all had a good time cheering each other on.

Bangor Fair Sheepdog Trial

Bangor, Maine - August 7, 1993

Trial Manager: Beverly Lambert

Judge: Douglas McDonough

Perfect weather helped to make up for a small course at the Bangor Fair. The mixed flock of Dorset and Scottish Black-face Sheep had not been worked since last fall and started out a bit uneven and very touchy. As

the trial continued, they settled down and became fairly even by the end of the day. Both of the two 1-day trials scheduled for the weekend were run on Saturday.

23 Dogs went to the post, 80 possible points

1. Gabe Merrill	Meg	76
2. Beverly Lambert	Lark	76
3. Lynn Deschambeault	Dandy	75
4. Beverly Lambert	Jet	75
5. Steve Wetmore	Nan	69
6. Roger Deschambeault	Sue	69
7. Mike Canaday	Jill	69
8. Mike Canaday	Robin	65
9. Steve Wetmore	Ben	62
10. John Roche	Kit	60

22 Dogs went to the post, 80 possible points

1. John Roche	Dave	79
2. Roger Deschambeault	Tyson	76
3. Mike Canaday	Patti	76
4. Beverly Lambert	Lark	75
5. Beverly Lambert	Jet	75
6. Mike Canaday	Jill	75
7. Steve Wetmore	Nell	74
8. Roger Deschambeault	Sue	73
9. Steve Wetmore	Nan	70
10. Gabe Merrill	Meg	70



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Skowhegan Fair Sheep Dog Trial Skowhegan, Maine August 15, 1993

by Kathy Deschambeault

The Skowhegan State Fair drew a very large crowd which grew to standing room only as they packed in to watch the Sheep Dog Trial. This was a points trial where each dog started the run with 0 points and earned points for obstacles completed. Each run consisted of 4 sheep, each worth 5 points - therefore 20 points per obstacle. There were 7 obstacles making a perfect run score of 140 points. Ties were broken by time. After

the first run the top 11 dogs reran and combined scores and times for the overall standings. The excitement was felt as the roar of applause from the crowd grew, due to the fact that they could have an easier concept as to what was going on at the trial site. It was especially rewarding when the trial was over at how many spectators remained in their seats wanting to know when the next time the dogs would be running. The points trial was a nice change especially for fairs.

1. John Roche	Dave	265	6:55
2. Steve Wetmore	Nell	260	4:40
3. Steve Wetmore	Ben	260	5:10
4. David Young	Ben	260	5:31
5. Mike Canaday	Patty	260	6:18
6. Roger Deschambeault	Tyson	255	5:19
7. Lynn Deschambeault	Dandy	255	5:39
8. Betty Levin	Kelty	255	5:56
9. Gabe Merrill	Meg	230	5:23
10. Roger Deschambeault	Don	230	5:25

28 Dogs to the Post

Score/Time Keepers: Kathy Deschambeault and Polly Goodwin

Upcoming Clinics

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October 9-10, 1993: Jack Knox Training Clinic, Fitzwilliam, NH. All levels. Register with Sally Lacy, Keswick Farm, P.O. Box 487, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447.

October 16-17, 1993: Stockdog Clinic with Jack Knox - Advanced level at O'Bræ Farm, Sherburne, NY. Contact Gwen Cassel/John Viola (607)674-4541.

October 30-31: Cheryl Jagger Williams Training Clinic, Delevan, NY. Contact Kim Sworts, Brookhaven Farms,

10724 McKinstry Rd., Delevan, NY 14042 (716)492-3008.

October 30-31: Training Clinic instructed by Eve Marschark, Ivyrose Farm, Bedminster, PA. For more information, contact Eve Marschark, P. O. Box 397, Bedminster, PA 18810 (215)795-2023.

November 8: Training Clinic with Cheryl Jagger Williams instructing. Contact Carol Campion, 99 Grayville Rd., Amston, CT 06231 (203)537-1386.

November 13-14: Cheryl Jagger Williams Training Clinic, Galena, MD. All levels. 20 dog limit. Preregister with Barbara Starkey, Box 250, Galena, MD 21635 (410)648-5571.

Top 30 NEBCA Dogs As Of 9/28/93

Points are accumulated based upon placing in the top ten at a qualifying trial, and points are allotted according to the number of dogs outscored. At the end of the season, all points for each dog's best twelve trials (no more than four trials per state) are tallied, using the twelve trials in which the most NEBCA points were attained. Only NEBCA MEMBERS can accumulate official points in this standing.

Cheryl Jagger Williams	Nell	407
Cheryl Jagger Williams	Kim	366
Dick Williams	Jess	334
Walt Jagger	Queen	321
Beverly Lambert	Lark	296
Mike Canaday	Jill	291
Beverly Lambert	Jet	285
Walt Jagger	Celt	274
Eve Marschark	Spin	240
Dale Tucker	Patti	218
Dick Williams	Kate	207
John Roche	Kep	186
Gabe Merrill	Meg	177
Cheryl Jagger Williams	Fleet	171
Roger Deschambeault	Tyson	165
Mike Canaday	Duke	165
Roger Deschambeault	Sue	155
Mike Canaday	Robin	152
Walt Jagger	Roy	142
J. P. Lalonde	Madi	138
David Young	Ben	138
Roger Deschambeault	Don	130
Pat Buckley	Bart	130
Amanda Milliken	Boy	128
Amanda Milliken	Hazel	125
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Barbara Armata	Kelly	109
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Lancaster Fair Sheep Dog Trial

Lancaster, NH

August 19, 1993

by Kathy Deschambeault

The Lancaster Fair saw increased numbers of fairgoers due to the change of fair date. The stands were filled with anticipated excitement as the Sheep Dog Trial got underway. This was a points trial in which each dog started out with 0 points and earned a score as obstacles were successfully completed. Each run consisted of 4

sheep and 6 obstacles. Each sheep counted for 1 point to make the scorekeeping easier as the runs were quite fast. A perfect score consisted of 24 points and ties were broken by time. The top 11 dogs reran and combined scores and times to determine the overall winners. With time such an important element, the crowd could really understand and join in the excitement of each run.

1. Roger Deschambeault	Sue	42	6:17
2. Beverly Lambert	Mac	41	5:40
3. Beverly Lambert	Lark	40	5:16
4. Mike Canaday	Robin	39	6:36
5. Roger Deschambeault	Don	36	5:24
6. Steve Wetmore	Nell	34	5:21
7. Mike Canaday	Jill	31	5:27
8. John Roche	Dave	31	6:30
9. Gabe Merrill	Meg	30	5:57
10. John Roche	Kep	27	4:38

30 Dogs to the Post

Score/Time Keepers: Kathy Deschambeault & Mary Ellen Young

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Dan IV *continued*

think for himself.

The first step in this process is the "hurry-up, come in tight" whistle. My right flank command is a long whistle moving from one note to another. My "hurry-up" right flank whistle is the same only very short and sharp repeated several times. To teach Dan this whistle I have him drive the sheep away about 50 feet. Then I flank him to the right around behind the sheep. This causes my sheep to come running toward me. While Dan is still flanking around to the right I give him the "hurry-up" whistle and I run around the sheep to the right, clapping my hands very excitedly. This results in something between a right flank and a flying grip down the right side of the flock. Once Dan has learned that this "hurry-up" excited whistle means to run tight around the sheep perfecting it only requires a little practice.

The other whistle I teach at this stage is the little flank whistle. This is the command to move just a little bit, sometimes inches in either direction. To teach this I start Dan driving the sheep, I walk along beside and a little behind him. I give him a soft short flank followed almost immediately by a walk up command. This teaches not only the short flank, but also to walk up from the flank command. I want to eliminate the stop command from Dan's work as much as possible. I prefer to give one command followed by another without stopping the dog before giving the next command.

I work on only one of these variations at each practice session. If we practice the hurry-up right flank, we won't practice the hurry-up left flank in the same session. It is also necessary to keep going back to the regular go around the sheep flanks so we can remain clear about the basic flank commands and continue to perfect Dan's obedience to them.

As soon as Dan began to understand these commands, I began teaching him to shed. I use the entire flock to teach this command. I like to use voice commands with my dogs when shedding. It is a clue to the dog that we are shedding, and it makes it easier for me to call the dog into the sheep. To teach the shed, I position the sheep between me and Dan. My flock of 30 sheep shed very easily, so I don't need to back them up to a fence in order to do an easy shed (a fence which they would just go through anyway as soon as Dan pressed them). I walk into the middle of the flock of sheep and I call Dan to me. I keep calling Dan and backing up into the sheep until he comes. When he gets to me I praise him and we walk away from the sheep a 100 yards or so and I send him on a gather. After a couple of sessions Dan got so he came into the sheep very readily. At this point I could turn toward one group of the sheep and walk him toward them. This is where the short quiet flank commands came into play. As the sheep tried to duck around Dan and rejoin the other half of the flock, I could use the new short flank whistles to help him control the sheep. Dan and I then drive the shed sheep away from the others and we quit for the day with the two groups of sheep separated. I want Dan to understand that once separated the sheep must stay apart. At this stage, if one or two of the shed sheep get away from Dan in the early part of the shed, I just ignore them. Once the groups are about 50 feet apart, we both work hard to keep control of our group and prevent them from rejoining. In the Spring when he is confident about shedding and working challenging sheep, we will begin to decrease the number of shed sheep until we are down to the single. Once Dan is a confident shedder, teaching the single shouldn't be difficult. Attempting the single too soon could easily result in the single sheep getting away from Dan and shaking his confidence.

Upcoming Trial Dates

The Trials Committee has approved the following open trials as qualifying for NEBCA points (Refer to Summer Issue for complete listing). Nursery Trials are NEBCA qualified provided the Nursery Trial Guidelines are followed, all three nursery classes are offered and the trial manager is a NEBCA member.

September 4-6: New Jersey State Sheep Dog Trials at Fosterfields, Morristown, NJ. Two 1-day Nursery, two 1-day Open, USBCHA Nursery. Contact Gene Sheninger, 213 Split Rock Road, Boonton, NJ 07005 (201)299-9785.

September 4: Blue Hill Fair Open Sheep Dog Trial, Blue Hill Fair, Blue Hill, ME. Open Trial. Contact Jim Davidson, North Country Farm, Round Pond, ME 04564 (207)677-2224.

September 5: North East US Open Sheep Dog Trial, Blue Hill, Maine. Contact Jim Davidson, North Country Farm, Round Pond, ME 04564 (207)677-2224.

September 6: Windsor Fair Open Sheep Dog Trial, Windsor, Maine. Contact Fred Eames, RFD 2, Box 5130, Waterville, ME 04901 (207)872-9604.

September 11-12: Central NY Agricultural Festival Dog Trial, Morris, NY. Two 1-day Open Trials. Contact Gwen Cassel, 126A Fusch Road, Columbus, NY 13460 (607)674-4541.

September 11-12: Hagersville Sheep Dog Trials, Hagersville, Ontario. Two 1-day Open and Nursery. Contact Alice Guthrie, RR 4, Hagersville, Ontario NOA 1HO Canada (416)768-5587.

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October 2: New Hampshire State Championship Sheep Dog Trial, Nearfield Farm, East Conway, NH. Contact Roger Deschambeault, 2440 E. Conway Rd., Ctr. Conway, NH 03813 (603)939-2255.

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