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NEBCA Fall Foliage Double Lift Championship

By Maria Amodei

Fall Foliage Winners (Left to Right): Maria Mick & Ben, Michael Dathe & Trot, Allan Lynch & Joe, Judge Chris Smart, Bev Lambert with Pippa & Bill, Maria Amodei & Cato, Warren Mick, Steve Wetmore & Dart, Denise Leonard, Betty Levin & Folly, Lori Cunningham (Tess & Riff are lying in foreground)



Friday morning began with a thick fog, holding us up for a couple hours before we could see the set out at the far end of the field. When the fog lifted Mother Nature came through with three bright autumn days. The fields were surrounded by a brilliant backdrop of autumn colors, warm and vibrant, reflecting the sun as if the energy came from the trees. No mud, no rain, no biting wind, no oppressive heat and humidity, no wind blowing from the top of the field so the dogs couldn't hear the whistles. It just didn't seem right.

I'm guessing the sheep figured it didn't

seem right either, so they worked to hard to give us a reality check. We ran four sheep with a straightforward outrun of about 450 yards, down through the fetch panels to a left hand drive. Many dogs had quick work to do at the top when the sheep broke hard to the side as soon as they lifted.

Once you got down through the fetch panels it was a pretty easy go until the first drive panels. As the sheep came through those panels they pushed to go down to the exhaust. When the dog covered that side

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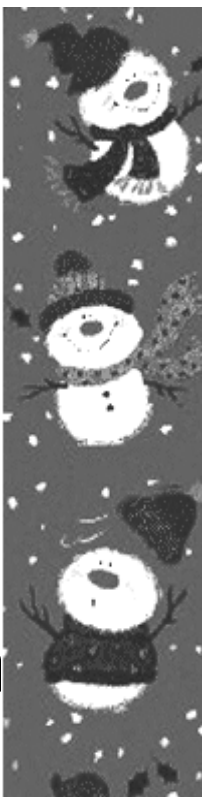
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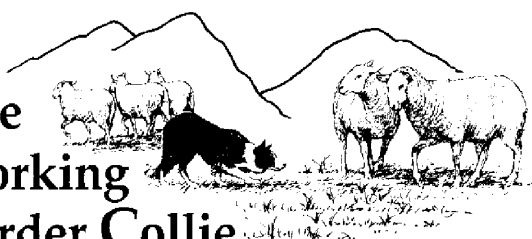
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Correction: In the Fall 2004 issue of NEBCA News, the ad for The Working Border Collie magazine was omitted by mistake. Please accept my apologies! The Editor.

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A Note From Your Trial Chairperson:

Barb Armata

I'd like to thank all the members of the committee as well as Bill Foshier and Chris Smart for putting on one of the best run Fall Foliage trials I have been part of helping with.

It is always difficult to locate a setting that will be conducive to double lifts; and the second [maybe first] hardest thing is locating a large number of sheep that don't belong to the person running in the trial! Both these items were presented to NEBCA by Bill and Chris; both of whom I'd like to thank very much. It was a beautiful setting to be running dogs.

Nancy Ortiz-Sharpe was in charge of the entries and notices; and she was not even going to be able to take part due to taking care of her "invalid" husband.....sorry Dave; hope you're doing great!

George Northrup had the most physical aspect of the jobs. His responsibility was to get the site ready for the trial. I know he spent a lot of time [along with some other NEBCA members which, unfortunately, I don't have all the names] getting everything set up prior to the weekend. The rest of the committee, Allan Lynch, Cheryl Jagger-Williams and myself worked on all the other odd jobs that go to making a trial run smooth.

And last, but by no means least, our president, Warren Mick, was the push behind it all to keep the ball rolling. There isn't any trial I know of that Warren isn't out there pedaling his bike from spot to spot helping deliver food or services as needed!!

A special thanks must go to Emily Yazwinski ,her daughter, Molly and Kitsy McCormick for doing the pen all weekend. Thanks to all of you and to all the members; those that were running and all those that were there just to support and help out. I have to say that this was the smoothest running Fall Foliage trial because of it.

Barbara Armata Trials Committee Chairperson



The Resurrection (of the Halloween Trial)

Poem by Mary Ann Fallon

The Hunter Moon Trial had pumpkins lined up with all smiles. The host asked the handlers to go to the post as a witch, a goblin, or even a ghost.

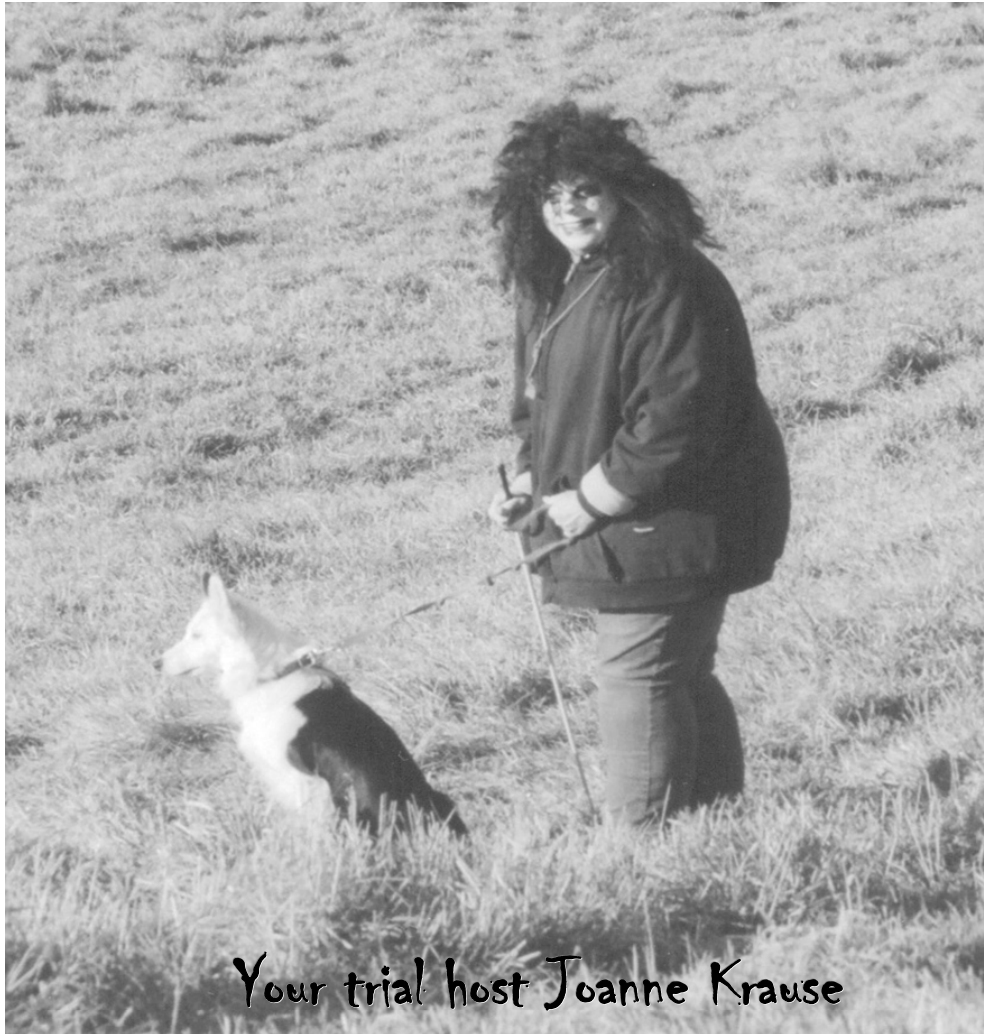
Our judge was quite fair as she judged us with flair, but probably she was laughing the most.

Thanks Betty for the candy, it sure came in handy as we went to the field hoping our three sheep would yield.


Little Red Riding Hood had a good run and it looked like the Matrix was having some fun. The nun went to the field with all the great views, she didn't act like she belonged in a pew. I saw something red, and I saw something blue, I even think I saw thing one and thing two.

Merlin looked wise and ended up with a tie, the hunchback lurked to the post and I think that he won. We saw Annie Oakley on the run. I saw scary faces taking their places on the beautiful field as the sheep took their paces.

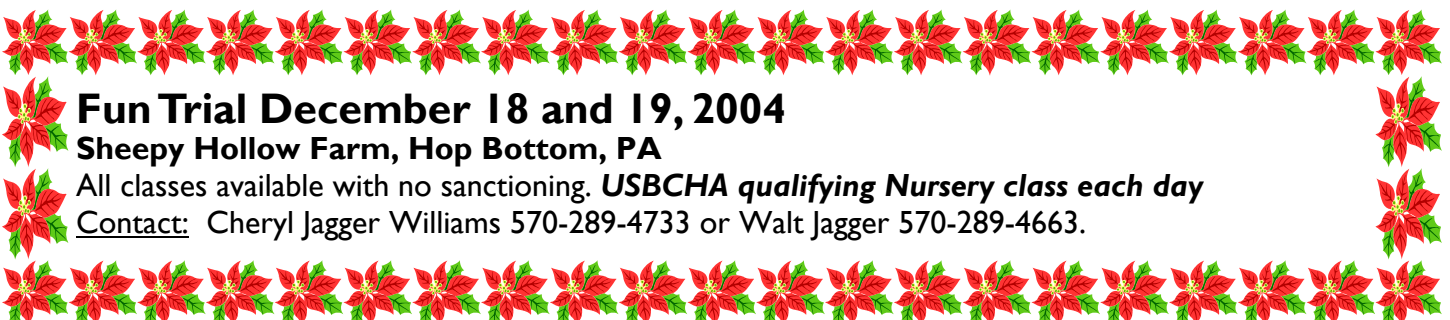
I saw sheep run up the lot right to the shop and one even ended up by the pot. One sheep on a jeep and one on a leap, one took a hike right up the pike. This spooky Halloween trial was everyone's delight.



The lights in the barn gave off just the right charm, the food was abundant and really quite good, the friendly handlers laughed and talked while they ate just like they should.

All kidding aside we all take great pride in having a trail with such a great style. We thank you Joanne and Jody for the wonderful trial, one we will be talking about for quite awhile. We will all give a cheer if you have it next year! 

For complete results and more pictures, please see page 9.



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Trial Results



NEBCA Novice Finals, Morristown, NJ Sept. 18-19

Judge: Maria Mick, Altamont, NY

Submitted by: Pat Wayne

The 2004 NEBCA Novice Finals were held at the Fosterfields Living Historical Farm in Morristown, N.J. on September 18-19. Hurricane Ivan was coming up the coast, and both the organizers and the competitors were keeping a wary eye on the weather forecasts. Friday was a day of quiet expectation, starting off sunny and still and only gradually clouding over. Those arriving at Fosterfields on Friday evening staked out camping sites on high ground, but the rains had not yet come.

3:00 Saturday morning, the wind came up. 4:00 Saturday morning, the rains came – and came. Luckily, the trial was not scheduled to start until 10:00 that morning, and we waited out the weather. Shortly before the handlers meeting, the worst of the rain stopped. We were gifted with a day that was only cloudy, breezy, and cool. A few little showers, but that was it. All in all, good trialing weather. By Sunday, the sun was out for good.

Competitors came from as far south as Maryland and there was a sizeable contingent from Canada. Judge Maria Mick of Altamont, N.Y., officiated. For each of the three classes – Novice/Novice, Pro-Novice, and Ranch – the

sum of the best two scores out of three runs determined the placements. Special awards were the Long Road Award in each class for the highest scoring team in which the handler has owned and trained the dog from the time it was six months or younger and the Alex McKinven Trophy for the highest scoring Pro-Novice dog trained from puppyhood and handled by someone who has never trialed in Open.

Overall winners were Joanne Murphy and Bess of Canada for Novice/Novice; Mary Thompson and Holly, also of Canada for Pro-Novice; and Emma Court and Marshall of New Jersey for Ranch. The NEBCA Novice Trials Committee, Sally Molloy, Rob Drummond, Michele Higgins, and Ron McGettigan, organized and ran the trial with true efficiency and good humor. We all thank Gene Sheninger and Warren Mick for their behind-the-scenes work and two days of set-out. Honorable Mention goes to Heather Nadelman for all the record keeping and the many unheralded things that made the trial a success.

And thanks to Ivan, for making life exciting but not too exciting! **Profiles on winning dogs begin on page 11.**

Novice/Novice:

1. Joanne Murphy and Bess	137
2. Emma Court and Kane	136
3. Carol Lockhart and Gwen	130
4. Darleen Muhly and Jessie	129
5. Ian Talbot and Moss	121
6. Donna Stoneback and Clair	114
7. Mike Churcher and Ben	111
8. Wendy Warner and Jayne	110
9. Ellen Rusconi-Black & Stevie	102
10. Cheryl Whitmore and Kit	100

Long Road Award:

Emma Court and Kane

Pro-Novice:

1. Mary Thompson and Holly	141
2. Joanne Murphy and Maude	134
3. Barbara Klein and Tad	128
4. Lorna Savage and Zoe	128
5. Gene Sheninger and Dot	123
6. Chris Bowen and Jake	121
7. Nancy Obernier and Nick	115
8. Mike Churcher and Dan	113
9. Tina DeAngelo and Joe	109
10. Dave Fetterman and Chief	107

Long Road Award:

Mary Thompson and Holly
Alex McKinven Trophy: Chris Bowen and Jake

Ranch:

1. Emma Court and Marshall	162
2. Mary Brighoff and Don	157
3. Jim Murphy and Kit	151
4. Linda Fossetta and Jean	150
5. Mary Felegy and Becky	149
6. Deb Mickey and Jill	144
7. Kim Baker and Becky	143
8. Molly King and Storm	133
9. Dave Fetterman and Leah	127
10. Jim Murphy and Megan	116

Long Road Award: Emma Court and Marshall



Top 20 NEBCA Open dogs for 2004

As of September 25, 2004

For complete details, go to
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Listed as:

Last name, First name (or initial),
Dog, # Points, # of Open placings.

1. Mick, Warren Glen	742	12	3. Lambert, Bev Bill	679	12	13. Wetmore, Steve Dart	420	10
2. Lambert, Bev Pippa	738	12	4. Mick, Warren Jinty	668	12	14. Leonard, Denise Kate	385	12
			5. Wetmore, Steve Gyp	661	12	15. Seaman, Rich Zoe	375	10
			6. Leonard, Denise Rose	526	12	16. Levin, Betty Kyle	348	9
			7. Lynch, Allan Joe	526	10	17. Deschambeault, R. Ken	341	10
			8. Sheninger, Gene Jess	518	11	18. Tesdahl, Linda Jayce	323	5
			9. Sheninger, Gene Jen	501	10	19. Hobart, Ed Bonnie	318	8
			10. Dathe, Michael Trot	496	10	20. Geier, Joyce Clue	316	6
			11. Williams, C.J. Andy	465	9			
			12. Schoen, Sue Nap	459	12			

Fall Foliage Championship

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these marvelously flexible sheep agreed with the redirection and headed for the set out. The cross drive seemed to go smoothly for most teams until about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way across. There was a sort of ovine Bermuda Triangle shortly before the second drive gates. Some traffic just cruised through, but other teams had ewes suddenly veering left or right as if that side of the field was offensive. It looked fine to me.

There was a split, then pen, then a single. The sheep mostly split easily. The teams that had troubles were those unfortunate souls that had a free spirit in their draw. The dog had to work to keep the wayward single in the ring, making a bit of challenge getting a split.

The pen was the killer for many runs. The pressure was directly behind the pen, making it very hard for the dog to cover. The best approach was to bring the stock towards the pen a bit off to the side, allowing them to almost pass the opening. Then the dog could wrap past the sheep and work them in from a position below the gate. These girls were not volunteering for confinement so there was definitely work to do. For those who got the pen the single seemed to come easily.

Sunday was the double lift finals with an international shed. The top 15 scores from Friday and Saturday were in the finals, with the best score of each team's two qualifying runs being used. Our first outrun was at a 90 degree angle from the direction we had sent the previous two days. Those 10 sheep were taken on a dog leg fetch down a ridge, through a small wet area and some trees and through the fetch gates.

We were instructed to leave the sheep at a very large pumpkin that had been plunked about 50 feet inside the fetch panels, then redirect our dogs to the second group of 10 who were set out near the Friday/Saturday set out location. The drive went reasonably once the group was put together.

We had 20 sheep for our international shed, 5 with very

chic fabric collars. I was privileged to watch some very expert handlers neatly facilitate the escape of any naked sheep. This was particularly instructional after I had spent 15 minutes trying to get my group sorted to no avail. Next time I'll have a plan.

The International Shed continues to provide lots of challenges to NEBCA competitors. To learn more about this phase of work, and how it is judged, see Beverly Lambert's article in the Fall, 2004 issue of NEBCA News.



The pen had been moved to the opposite side of the field so that now the dogs were working the pressure side. Those that got the shed, got their collared girls in pen.

The day completed with the presentation of the NEBCA top 10 points awards, the Fall Foliage placements, and the Open Long Road Award and Edgar Gould Breeders Award.

It was a great weekend. There was lots of excellent work by both dogs and handlers to see and learn from, lots of opportunity to test our own skills, and lots of good humor and companionship. I'm sure the Bramble Hill Farm Ovine News will have a different account.

NEBCA and all the competitors would like to thank our hosts Sheepscares and the Open Field Foundation for providing the perfect setting for this trial. Chris Smart was our judge and Bill Fosher was always working setting up, sorting sheep, and ensuring the facilities and stock were taken care of. Bill and his wife Lynn hosted an incredible dinner Friday night that will be the talk of the trial circuit for some time to come.

The trial committee of Barb Armata, George Northrup, Allan Lynch, Cheryl Jagger Williams, Nancy Ortiz-Sharp and our president Warren Mick worked hard well in advance to put together an organized event, and continued to

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NEBCA Funnies

The Evolution of the NEBCA Dog

By Warren Mick

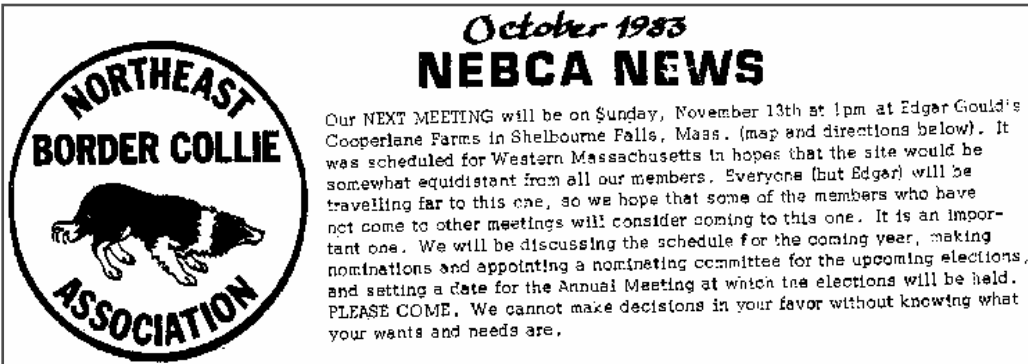


Fig. 1 (Left)

Circa 1983: Earliest known record of the NEBCA sheepdog

Fig. 2 (Right)

Circa 1988:
Here we see
what is believed
to be a throw-
back to times
unknown.

While the head

resembles the earlier dog, the body is clearly more primitive. (Note the coarse fur and sloth like build). The cunning expression and heavier build suggests a keen and successful hunter.

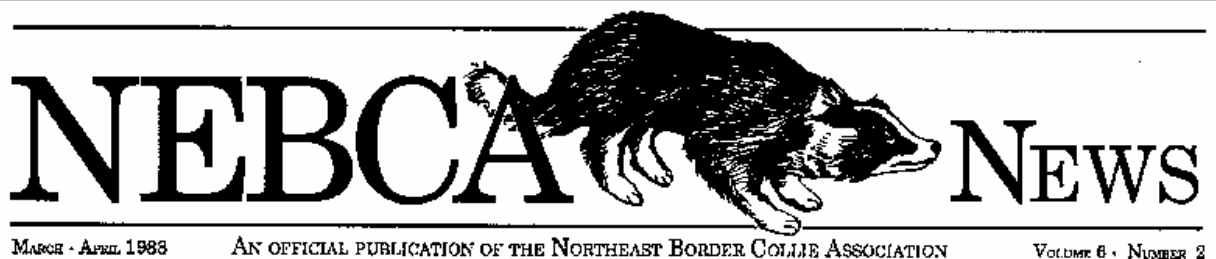


Fig. 3 (Left)

Circa 1990: A quick bit of genetic development bought this dog into the 1990s. Taller, more athletic and now prick eared. These features suggest speed, agility and keener senses were required for survival.

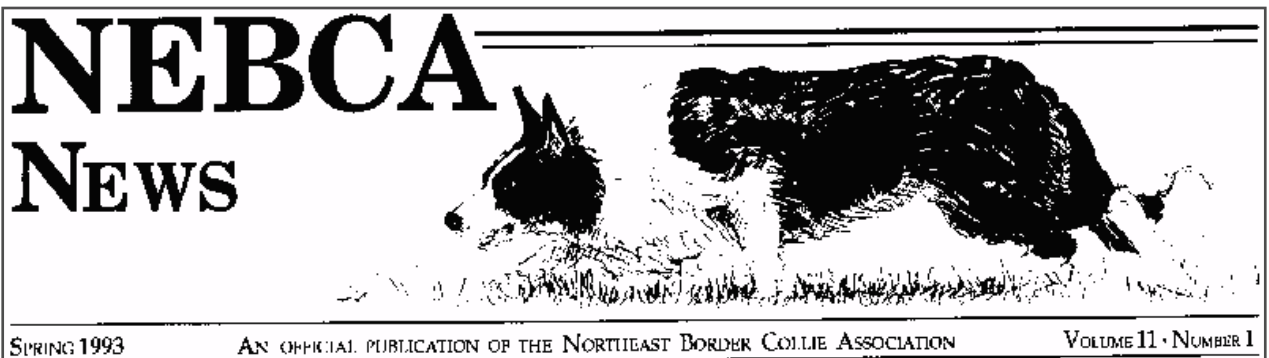


Fig. 4
(Right)

Circa 1993:
Just three
years
brought
more subtle
changes.

Here we see
here a longer

and stealthier looking dog. Prey must have been scarce during this period. The greater proportion of white may be the result of the tougher winters, perhaps NH influence.



More NEBCA Funnies



Pepsi! THAT'LL DO!!

(Printed with Peter's permission)

NEBCA Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Maria Mick

October 2, 2004
Center Conway, NH

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.
by Warren Mick, 25 members present.

1. Warren's opening comments was to thank our trial hosts for a good dog trial and for providing a meeting place for the club.

2. Secretary's Report: Current membership is 262 members with 67 Fam-

ily memberships. This compares to 287 memberships at the close of 2003.

3. There were no committee reports and no new business to report.


4. Club elections are approaching. All four executive positions are up at the end of the year. The Board will oversee the nomination process

The floor was opened for general discussion.

There are still 2005 calendars left to sell.

Members are encouraged to submit articles to the newsletter editor for publication.

Betty Levin motioned to adjourn, seconded by Jean Kennedy.

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m. 

NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship

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work hard throughout the weekend to keep things running smoothly. Betty Murray had all the scores up quickly for competitors and spectators alike, while keeping the paperwork organized. George Northrup worked non stop as Course Director. There were the hard working set out and exhaust crew members some like the Yazwinskis who worked the whole trial, and competitors who worked during free time or stayed an extra day. There were scribes, the wonderful cooks providing food, and a host of other tasks

being performed by volunteers keeping the trial running smoothly.

Double Lift / Int'l Shed Final

1.	Bev Lambert	Bill	160
2.	Bev Lambert	Pippa	156.5
3.	Allan Lynch	Joe	149.5
4.	Steve Wetmore	Dart	133
5.	Warren Mick	Glen	125.5
6.	Lori Cunningham	Tess	114
7.	Warren Mick	Jinty	112.5
8.	Betty Levin	Folly	112.5
9.	Michael Dathe	Trot	109.5
10.	Lori Cunningham	Riff	101.5
11.	Maria Amodei	Cato	93.5

12.	Maria Mick	Ben	88.5
13.	Denise Leonard	Rose	DQ
14.	Steve Wetmore	Gyp	DQ
15.	Joyce Geier	Clue	DQ

Edgar Gould Breeders Award -
Becky Peterson for Breeding Steve Wetmore's Dart (Peterson's Libby x Sue Schoen's Nap)

Open Long Road Award - Steve Wetmore and Dart 



Trial Results



Willow Hill Halloween Trial, Granville, NY, Oct. 29-31

Hosts: Jody Somers & Joanne Krause

Judge: Maria Mick, Altamont, NY

Jody and I would like to take this time to thank everyone that helped make the Willow Hill Farm Halloween trial a great success. From the judge, Maria Mick who sat in the biting wind and the scribes that sat with her...thank-you. From Bud Ames and MaryAnn

Kras who were out in the pen, to the many handlers that set out sheep...thank-you. From Joyce Westcott, Kym Hance and everyone in between who helped everywhere and anywhere...thank-you. Betty Murray who is always there to take care of all the paperwork, always having your figures ready and offering friendly encouragement...thank-you. It's hard to name everyone so thanks to you all. Anyone that has put on a trial knows without these volunteers we could not have such a successful trial.

Friday Novice (15 dogs)

1 Joanne Krause	Lucy	57
2 Lois Urda	Kasi	55
3 Joyce Westcott	Mibs	55
4 MaryAnn Fallon	Jade	49
5 Mary Liebau	Annie	45
6 Ellen Rasconi Black	Stevie	44
7 Martha Walke	Moss	32
8 Paul Garwood	Guin	24

Friday ProNovice (21 dogs)

1 Bud Ames	Dirk	73
2 Eric Johnson	Faith	68
3 Chris Bowen	Jake	66
4 Lynn Deschambeault	Chip	65
5 Nancy Phillips	Buster	60
6 MaryAnn Kras	Bay	56
7 Peter VandeCar	Russ	55
8 MaryAnn Fallon	Bailey	52

Friday Ranch (6 dogs)

1 Warren Mick	Rock	67
2 Denise Leonard	Jessie	59
3 Kate Collins	Jan	46
4 MaryAnn Kras	Gyp	39

Friday Team 1st place

Eric Johnson
Chris Bowen
MaryAnn Kras

Friday Costume Judging

Best Costume:

Kitze McCormick...Flying Nun

Original Costume:

Ellen Rasconi Black... Penguin

Her dog...Parochial Student

Funniest Costume:

Lynn Deschambeault...Witch

Honorable Mentions:

Joyce Westcott...Merlin

Warren Mick...Hunchback

Friday Long Road Award

Lois Urda & Kasi

Saturday Open (31 dogs)

1 Barb Armata	Rhett	82
2 Bud Ames	Luke	73
3 Ron McGettigan	Clue	72
4 Denise Leonard	Kate	72
5 Michael Dathe	Trot	71
6 Jody Somers	Twist	70
7 Sharon Nunan	Gael	68
8 Michael Dathe	Cooper	67
9 Steve Wetmore	Dart	66
10 Peter VandeCar	Bud	60

Sunday Open (33 dogs)

1 Peter VandeCar	Bud	83
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2 Warren Mick	Jinty	82
3 Steve Wetmore	Gyp	80
4 Peter VandeCar	Katie	76
5 Barb Armata	Rhett	75
6 Michael Dathe	Trot	73
7 Barb Leverett	Nan	72
8 Warren Mick	Glen	72
9 Paul Heidenburg	Jodi	70
10 Bernie Armata	Bobby	69

2-day Combined Scores

Champion: Barb Armata & Rhett

Reserve: Michael Dathe & Trot

Long Road Trophy: Michael Dathe & Trot

Weekend Costume Judging

Best Costume

Joyce Westcott...Merlin

Original Costume

Barb Leverett...Trapper

Funniest Costume

Michael Dathe...Border Collie Fairy

Weekend Team 1st Place

Steve Wetmore

Barb Armata

Michael Dathe



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Trial Results



Willow Hill Halloween Trial, Granville, NY, Oct. 29-31 (cont.)

Hosts: Jody Somers & Joanne Krause

Judge: Maria Mick, Altamont, NY



“Annie Oakley” (Nancy Phillips) and “Sister Ellen” (Ellen Rusconi Black) and Schoolgirl Stevie (Ellen’s dog) from the Order of Penguins... *Photo by Bill Black*



“Trinity” (from the movie The Matrix) AKA Mary Ann Kras and her dog Baylee *Photo by Bill Black*



Sister Kitzie *Photo by Bill Black*



Above photo by Ellen Rusconi-Black (and wasn't actually taken at the Willow Hill Trial, but at a demo, where this big guy was researching penning methods...)

Right: That Devil, Bud Ames

Photo by Bill Black



NEBCA Novice Finals:Winners Profiles

Joanne Murphy's Bess, 2004 NEBCA Novice Champion

Submitted by: Joanne Murphy

Jim & I first saw Bess at Lena Bailey's Farm in Shipman, VA in Feb 2003. Lena was planning to travel to Florida for their triple crown and asked us to transport a dog, as she was short on room. It was Gita's bitch, Bess, who she ran a few times. We brought her in the trailer and she was just so easy to get along with.

After we arrived, Lena called, said she couldn't get away would one of us run her. Jim ran her, but only knew one whistle, so Bess could do the away but not the come bye. I immediately fell in love with her, as she was so

calm and collected. When we got back I asked if we could buy her. However, she belonged to Gita and wasn't for sale. They promised to keep me in mind if they decided to sell her. Bess had come over from Wales in 1999 and is from Glyn Jones breeding.


In Feb 04, Lena called me and said Gita had a new job and was spending long hours at work. So Bess was for sale. I



was overjoyed and we went for her. We had her spayed and brought her in our center part of the trailer to bond with me while she healed.

Since Bess was on whistles and had no verbal commands, I listened to a tape for 2 weeks that Lena had made. After she healed, we went out and started practicing. At first she'd look at me and say, "What are you asking for"?

Within no time my whistles got better & she was taking them. We headed off for the Florida Triple Crown and we managed to place. I was thrilled.

I have run her since February 2004 and she placed in almost every trial we entered. Now she gives me everything I ask and more. We are planning to move to ProNovice later this fall. 




Emma Court's Kane, 2004 NEBCA Novice Reserve Champion

Submitted by: Emma Court

Kane is my second Border Collie and second trial dog. I purchased Kane from Cheryl and Dick Williams in 2002, when he was just a six-week old pup. Kane is the son of Cheryl's Andy and Dick's Dot.

Kane is very different from my first Border Collie, Marshall, but different is good. Different teaches me how to be a better handler.

Kane and I will travel the long road from Novice to Open together and we will enjoy each and every challenge along the way. I look forward to our many years of learning together.

Kane has a wonderful fun-loving temperament and he is a joy to have around. He makes me smile and laugh. His youthful exuberance often leads to some unexpected surprises. I think that with more time, he is going to mature into a great trial dog.  *(More profiles on page 14)*



Trial Results



NH Highland Games, Hopkinton, NH Sept. 24


Judge: Carroll Goodwin

Submitted by: Lynn Deschambeault

We were fortunate this year to have perfect weather for the NHHG trial held at the Hopkinton Fairgrounds. The trial was a points trial judged by Carroll Goodwin, secretary was Pollie Goodwin and announcer was Fran Wheeler. Thanks go out to Clint Brake who did the fencing and helped Katelyn work in the sheep pen. Roger Deschambeault supplied his horned Dorset sheep. I would like to thank all the handlers who came and made this trial a success.

1. Ed Hobart & Joy
2. Warren Mick & Glen
3. Betty Levin & Kyle
4. Warren Mick & Kess
5. Steve Wetmore & Dart

6. Steve Wetmore & Keegan
7. Maria Mick & Ben
8. Ed Hobart & Bonnie
9. Roger Deschambeault & Trim
10. Lynn Deschambeault & Di

Joe Kennedy's family has generously taken over the Joe Kennedy Memorial Award. This year it was awarded to the Long Road Award winner who was Ed Hobart and Joy. 

NYS Sheep & Wool Festival, Rhinebeck, NY Oct. 16-17

Judge: Dick Williams & Walt Jagger

Submitted by: Warren Mick

Saturday (42 dogs)

Judge: Dick Williams

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| 1. Warren Mick | Jinty | 95 |
| 2. Warren Mick | Kess | 91 |
| 3. Steve Wetmore | Dart | 90 |
| 4. Paul Heidenberg | Jodi | 89 |
| 5. Bev Lambert | Maid | 87 |
| 6. Bev Lambert | Pippa | 86 |
| 7. Joan Worthington | Sam | 85 |

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| 8. Michael Dathe | Cooper | 83 |
| 9. Mary Felegy | Tam | 83 |
| 10. Barb Armata | Rhett | 83 |

Sunday (42 dogs)

Judge: Walt Jagger

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|----------------|-------|----|
| 1. Maria Mick | Ben | 91 |
| 2. Bev Lambert | Pippa | 91 |
| 3. Warren Mick | Kess | 91 |

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| 4. Bev Lambert | Maid | 90 |
| 5. Barbara Leverett | Nan | 87 |
| 6. Barb Armata | Jazz | 87 |
| 7. Steve Wetmore | Gyp | 84 |
| 8. Mary Felegy | Tam | 84 |
| 9. Maria Amodei | Cato | 83 |
| 10. Barb Armata | Rhett | 82 |



Renaissance Farm SDT, Sydenham, ON Oct. 2-3

Judge: Ivan Weir, Seeley's Bay, ON

Submitted by: Lorna Savage

Renaissance, always a beautiful location for a sheep dog trial, and this year was no exception! JP and Angela's rolling hay field was lush and green, and the sheep were surprising agreeable this year, not pulling their usual "run for the hedgerow and save yourself stunt". Lorna had warned the entrants that she would not be held responsible for their actions and was very relieved that they decided on the most part to behave and cooperate with the program.

Ivan Weir, from nearby Lynhurst, Ontario, was the man in charge of the pencil and did an admirable job of sorting out the placings. Even mother nature gave the organizers a break and only dumped a bucket full of rain on the Novice class on Saturday late afternoon, the rest of the time bestowing cool sunny weather which agreed with the sheep and the dogs. My favourite spectator and prize contribu-

tor, Joanne Slater (better know as the chocolate lady) and her husband Barry donated two beautiful "Mia Lane" framed picture tiles to the Novice/Novice and the ProNovice classes, as well as the delicious chocolates that she's famous for.

Saturday evening JP and Angela graciously hosted a superb "pot luck" at the main house, there was so much delicious food that everyone had to be rolled out the door later that evening. At one point the hub-bub was so loud I was sure the windows would give under the pressure! A very, very, good time was had by all, thank you JP, Angela, and Alex. If there were hangovers on Sunday morning it wasn't apparent as the good runs continued, ending in a very successful trial. Thanks Lorna for notching up another good one.

Saturday Open (19 Dogs)

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| 1. Lorna Savage & Dot | 91 |
| 2. Amanda Milliken & Ethel | 86 |
| 3. Amanda Milliken & Grace | 86 |

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| 4. Lorna Savage & Brock | 83 |
| 5. Werner Reitboeck & Jan | 78 |
| 6. Jim Murphy & Kit | 76 |
| 7. Leslie Gamble & Tim | 73 |

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| 8. Mary Thompson & Hawk | 72 |
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Trial Results



Lancaster Fair Points Trial, Lancaster, NH

Sept. 4

Judge: Carroll Goodwin; Trial Manager: Roger Deschambeault

Submitted by: Gabe Merrill

It was ideal weather for us all, dogs as well as people! And what a beautiful area, with mountains all around the valley we were in.

We have to travel through Crawford Notch or Pinkham Notch to get to Lancaster N.H., so we get to see some of the areas many mountains and real great scenery. The sheep were testy at times as some of us can attest to!!!!!! . But many had some good runs. The top ten runs had a chance to run again completing the day for the top prizes. All ties were broken by time, there were 36 dogs entered.

1. Rich Seaman	Penn	42	6. Dee Woessner	Joy	31
2. Betty Levin	Kyle	34	7. Dee Woessner	Jed	28
3. Roger Deschambeault	Joe	33	8. Fiona Robertson	Pat	20
4. Rich Seaman	Zoe	33	9. Roger Deschambeault	Ken	19
5. Dave Young	Patch	32	10. Maurice Macgregor	Flash	19



Blue Hill Fair Points Trial, Blue Hill, ME Sept. 6-7

Submitted by: Gabe Merrill

The Blue Hill Fair, we believe, is the oldest fair in the United States. Jim and May Davidson have been managers of this trial since 1956- that's 48 years! We look forward to this fair trial. It's a beautiful area to travel to on the coast of Maine, and lots of new friends are made. Hope to see these fine folks again next year. All ties were broken by time.

Saturday (42 dogs)

1. Maggie & Gabe Merrill
2. Penn & Rich Seaman
3. Keegan & Steve Wetmore
4. Sam & Maurice MacGregor
5. Patch & Dave Young
6. Zoe & Rich Seaman
7. Zip & Jim Allen
8. Jann & Maurice MacGregor
9. Mirk & Dave Craven
10. Folly & Betty Levin

Long Road Award to Maggie & Gabe Merrill

Sunday (36 dogs)

1. Ken & Roger Deschambeault
2. Flash & Maurice MacGregor
3. Zoe & Rich Seaman
4. Dart & Steve Wetmore
5. Jack & Rich Seaman
6. Joy & Dee Woessner
7. Kyle & Betty Levin
8. Gyp & Steve Wetmore
9. Sam & Maurice MacGregor
10. Folly & Betty Levin

Long Road Award to Ken & Roger Deschambeault



Quechee Scottish Festival & Spring Valley Open Trials, VT Aug. 28-29

Submitted by: Steve Wetmore (Trial Manager)

Saturday (Quechee) 64 dogs

1. Ben, Maria Mick
2. Jinty, Warren Mick
3. Gyp, Steve Wetmore
4. Rose, Denise Leonard
5. Kyle, Betty Levin
6. Trim, Roger Deschambeault
7. Glen, Warren Mick
8. Kate, Denise Leonard
9. JJ, Alan Lynch
10. Sue, Gabe Merrill
11. Robin, Sally Lacy
12. Lass, Barb Levinson
13. Penn, Rich Seaman (owned by Connie Weller)

Long Road Award: Steve Wetmore & Gyp

Sunday (Spring Valley Farm) 53 dogs

1. Zoe, Rich Seaman
2. Rhett, Barb Armata
3. Lass, Barb Levinson
4. Jake, Craig Rogers
5. Gyp, Steve Wetmore
6. Rose, Denise Leonard
7. Willy, Sue Schoen
8. Gem, Werner Reitboeck
9. Kyle, Betty Levin
10. Robin, Sally Lacy
11. Cato, Maria Amodei

Long Road Award: Rich Seaman & Zoe

Combined 2 day Champ: Gyp, S. Wetmore

Combined 2 day Reserve Champ: Zoe, R. Seaman



NEBCA Novice Finals:Winners Profiles

Mary Thompson's Holly, 2004 NEBCA Pro-Novice Champion

Submitted by: Mary Thompson

My good friend Lorna had told me about Ivan Weir's most recent litter by his old Moy. I was in the market for a female pup and there were three in this litter, and I was to have third choice. You would think these were not good odds but someone has to be last!

I agreed to take one and waited patiently for the time when I could travel up to Quebec to see them. Lorna had advised me that the bitches were all tri, two smooth coats and one rough, AND the smooth coats each had one blue eye, not my favourite!

When we arrived at the Weir residence on Dec. 8, 2001, I had to wait impatiently upstairs in the kitchen while Lorna made her final decision, as she was the second person in line having already made her 1st and 2nd choice.

Finally Lorna came up the stairs with her puppy, the little split face smooth coat, which meant that the rough coat was going to the other buyer and that I was left with the remaining smooth coat. "Well, let's see her." "I decide, and rush down the stairs to have a look. Yup-really smooth and maybe with prick ears, balanced tri markings, which was exactly what I wanted, except for that blue eye!!

After having the chance to observe the three females all together, I realized that had I been granted first choice, I still would have picked Holly, she was a little more thoughtful and reserved than her rather brash sister Zoe.

Interestingly, all three of us had ended up with the pup that we wanted. I became very sure when on the way home in the van, Lorna suddenly gasped and then said "Uh- oh, one of them was just car sick", and lucky me, it wasn't Holly!!

It's taken me quite awhile to get used to that blue eye, but all can be forgiven when a dog trials as well as Holly does. She's quite a handful, kinda like driving a Ferrari, incredible speed, hairpin turns, with stylish sleek lines, thank goodness for abs brakes.

Having a natural out-run from the beginning, coupled with square flanks and an intense desire to work, made training her a joy and a challenge. I started her at six months because I knew that I needed to get a handle on her early because of her incredible physical ability. Holly is definitely a collie that would work herself into exhaustion, so that is something that I'm quite cautious of. She also runs hot mentally and I'm careful to slow things down or quit for awhile and take a break. I'm still working on slowing her pace, and am hopeful that maturity will help accomplish part of this task! She is still quite young and I feel that I have lots of time to smooth out the wrinkles.

I think that the biggest challenge that I faced in 2004 was getting my timing right, it's difficult to trial a really fast dog and then switch over to another one that is steady and slow. I found myself missing panels with Hawk and being generally late with my commands.

Once I discovered the problem I was able to re-adjust and give Hawk a little more time to manoeuvre. I'm sure that he was thankful for the advance notice. Thanks to NEBCA for a wonderful season, see you all in 2005 and good luck to everyone!

PS: Lorna, Holly's blue eye is in the right eye, the left would be totally wrong!



Joanne Murphy's Maude, 2004 NEBCA Pro-Novice Reserve Champion

Submitted by: Joanne Murphy

In 2001 when we were traveling from VA to Canada, we had a call from Cheryl Jagger Williams asking if I would run Maude for a summer in Novice to get her out of the kennel, as she had too many dogs. Since I had never done that before, I was a bit leery. We picked up Maude and brought her home. In May we ran at Genesee and placed. We were calm and relaxed.

I ran her all summer and we worked well together. In Sept, Cheryl said she would pick up Maude and take her home. Well I was devastated and wanted to keep her. Cheryl really didn't want to sell her because she was emotionally attached to Maude. A truck had hit Maude when she was a pup and she was one of the few dogs that ever came in the house. After Cheryl talked it

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NEBCA Novice Finals:Winners Profiles

Joanne Murphy's Maude, 2004 NEBCA Pro-Novice Reserve Champion

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over with Dick, Maude became mine.

So we started on our career in Novice Novice. I had planned to keep Maude in Novice Novice for at least a year. Much to my surprise, Maude decided that she wouldn't stay in that class long. She pointed out before the year's end 2002; however, her handler wasn't quite ready. In September 2003 Maude placed 8th in ProNovice at the NEBCA Novice Finals. This year we have been slowly

coming together as a team on both whistles and commands which culminated in Maude placing 2nd in the NEBCA Novice Finals. Now I have noticed that we are almost due to point out of ProNovice. This time I'm a little more prepared.

What I love about Maude is the little tilt of her head, when she gives me the look that says "Are you unreal, that's not what we need to do"



Emma Court's Marshall, 2004 NEBCA Ranch Champion

Submitted by: Emma Court

Marshall is my first Border Collie and my first trial dog. In 1999, as a little nine-week old pup, Marshall was delivered to me from the "Sheninger Stork." Right from his arrival, Marshall proved to be a sweet and lovable lad. He always listened well and tried to do his very best.

Marshall never wants to be wrong. He is an extremely consistent competitive dog. Although teaching him to drive has been

our biggest challenge, we never gave up. This coming spring, Marshall and I will begin to compete in Open.

I admire Marshall for his determination and his endless desire to please. I am honored to have him as my partner. Marshall is more than just a working dog - he is a family member and here to stay!



Mary Brighoff's Don, 2004 NEBCA Ranch Reserve Champion

No profile submitted



Trial Results



Renaissance Farm SDT, Sydenham, ON Oct. 2-3

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Saturday Pro-Novice (17 Dogs)

1. Tara Dier & Earl 73
2. Lorna Savage & Zoe 69
3. Mary Thompson & Holly 67
4. Lorna Savage & Trace 65
5. Dee Woessner & Spot 65
6. Joanne Murphy & Maude 63
7. Mike Churcher & Dan 62
8. Viki Kidd & Retta 61

Saturday Novice (12 Dogs)

1. Teresa Castonguay & Pearl 72
2. Kim Purich & Jack 65
3. Tara Dier & Stella 63
4. John McKay & Max 59
5. Janet Fahey & Jim 59

6. Cynthia Palmer & Pam 54
7. Margaret Wheeler & Nell 48
8. Lena Band & Echo 48

Sunday Novice (15 Dogs)

1. Joanne Murphy & Bess 75
2. Margaret Wheeler & Nell 70
3. Ian Talbot & Moss 70
4. Shona Mutton & May 68
5. Mike Chrcher & Dan 67
6. John McKay & Max 59
7. Janet Fahey & Jim 55
8. Kim Purich & Jack 54

Sunday Pro-Novice (18 Dogs)

1. Lorna Savage & Zoe 84
2. Tara Dier & Earl 80
3. Louise Tackaberry & Clare 76

4. Joanne Murphy & Maude 76
5. Lorna Savage & Trace 72
6. Ian Talbot & Maeve 72
7. Mike Churcher & Dan 71
8. Dee Woessner & Spot 69

Sunday Open (17 Dogs)

1. Amanda Milliken & Bart 91
2. Amanda Milliken & Ethel 89
3. Dee Woessner & Joy 87
4. Lorna Savage & Dot 86
5. Jim Murphy & Kit 84
6. Mary Thompson & Hawk 83
7. Bill Younger & Mica 83
8. Werner Reitboeck & Jan 79





Trial Results



NH State Championship, Conway, NH Oct. 2 Freyeburg Fair SDT, Freyeburg, ME Oct. 3

Judge: Mike Canaday, CA

Submitted by: Gabe Merrill

Saturday Oct. 2, NH State Championship

Fall is arriving in the northeast area again, and at the N.H. Championship we never know what the weather will bring. This year brought early morning fog and as the day progressed, overcast and misty weather. But it was not too bad and was easy to put up with.

The sheep were very even throughout the day for all 49 dogs entered. They were a nice herd of Horned Dorsets owned by Roger Deschambeault.

We had many handlers who helped set out and scribe for the judge. Thank you all.

Of course Betty Murray was there to help keep the scores posted. Thanks go out to her for all the help throughout the year.

Kris and Roger had a great dinner with lamb and roast pork from the grill, supplemented by a pot luck from the handlers. What a great meal! Roger and Kris always do a great job preparing a nice dinner for trialing night.



Judge Mike Canaday (right) with NH State Championship winner Roger Deschambeault (center) and reserve Warren Mick (left).

Oct 2, 2004 NH State Champs Results:

1. Roger Deschambeault & Joe 84
2. Warren Mick & Glen 77
3. Warren Mick & Jinty 76
4. Beverly Lambert & Pippa 75
5. Brenda Buja & Dice 75
6. Beverly Lambert & Maid 74
7. Maria Mick & Jim 73
8. Carol Campion & Patch 73
9. Steve Wetmore & Dart 72
10. Bud Ames & Luke 71

Oct 3, 2004 Freyeburg Results:

1. Roger Deschambeault & Trim 107
2. Steve Wetmore & Gyp 103
3. Beverly Lambert & Bill 100
4. Carlene Eitapence & Anna 99
5. Steve Wetmore & Keegan 99
6. Jean Kennedy & Bonnie 97
7. Carol Campion & Patch 94
8. Warren Mick & Glen 93
9. Denise Leonard & Rose 92
10. Betty Levin & Bryn 88

Sunday Oct. 3, Freyeburg Fair SDT

Here we are again at the annual Freyeburg Fair trial, which is always much anticipated by many of the spectators. What a great response we have! So many of us look forward to this event each year. We had 53 dogs running on the nice flock of Horned Dorsets from Nearfield Farm. Some of the sheep had a mind of their own and were not ready to flock with the others at times, but that made things interesting for some of us that had to keep them together on the runs. That's the way things can go! THATS TRIALING! Roger had a score of 107 with Trim

out of a possible 115 early in the day for all to try to better, but we never did catch him, not that we all did not try! I want to thank all that helped set up the panels as the judge wanted and all that helped throughout the day.

Lynn did a good job of announcing throughout the day, as well as a few that took over when she ran her dogs. Betty Murray did a great job of keeping scores straight as she usually does. I hope I didn't miss anyone! Thanks to Freyeburg Fair for having us, we enjoy the great crowds we get there!





Trial Results



Butternut Creek SDT, Kingston, ON Oct. 24-25

Judge: Sandy Beaton

This year's Butternut Creek Fall sheepdog trial was truly a treat! Absolutely great weather and super judging by Yorkshire's Sandy Beaton. Everyone says they are coming back next year! See you all then! Thanks to all those 'volunteer' set-out people - your good cheer was most appreciated.

Saturday Novice (15 Dogs):

1.	Natalie Labelle	Tyke	58
2.	Janet Fahey	Jim	54
3.	Mike Churcher	Ben	53
4.	John McKay	Max	53
5.	Kim Purich	Jack	46
6.	Nathalie Labelle	Jules	44
7.	Teresa Castonguay	Pearl	44

Sunday Novice (14 Dogs)

1.	John McKay	Max	69
2.	Joanne Murphy	Bess	63
3.	Kim Purich	Jack	52
4.	Nathalie Labelle	Tyke	52
5.	Janet Fahey	Jim	50
6.	Mike Churcher	Ben	49
7.	John McKay	Chase	47

Saturday Pro-Novice

1.	Bruce Smart	Missy	72
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2.	Mary Thompson	Holly	66
3.	Tara Dier	Earl	61
4.	Joanne Murphy	Maude	58
5.	Mike Churcher	Dan	56
6.	Lorna Savage	Trace	52
7.	Lorna Savage	Zoe	51

Sunday Pro-Novice (17 Dogs)

1.	Peter Matwiy	Trin	75
2.	Mike Churcher	Dan	73
3.	Viki Kidd	Retta	68
4.	Mary Thompson	Holly	67
5.	Lorna Savage	Zoe	59
6.	Lorna Savage	Trace	56
7.	Tara Dier	Earl	51


Saturday Open (34 Dogs)

1.	Mary Thompson	Hawk	79
2.	Lorna Savage	Dot	78
3.	Betty Levin	Kyle	78
4.	Bruce Smart	Peg	77
5.	Amanda Milliken	Ethel	74
6.	Joyce Geier	Tait	71

7.	Werner Reitboeck	Gem	71
8.	Betty Levin	Mattie	69
9.	Amanda Milliken	Grace	66
10.	Joyce Geier	Clue	61

Sunday Open (33 Dogs)

1.	Amanda Milliken	Ethel	89
2.	Amanda Milliken	Bart	81
3.	Viki Kidd	Cash	80
4.	Lorna Savage	Dot	78
5.	Amanda Milliken	Grace	78
6.	Lori Cunningham	Riff	71
7.	Bruce Smart	Peg	70
8.	Bruce Smart	Dolly	70
9.	Lori Cunningham	Tess	62
10.	Betty Levin	Kyle	58

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NEBCA Business: 2005 Annual Meeting

The 2005 Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January 15 (snow dates January 16 & 22) at the Firehouse in Deerfield, MA. We hope you'll come to support the organization. The meeting will start at 10AM but do try to get there by 9:30. We are usually done by 3PM. Please check the NEBCA web site on Friday 1/14 or call a NEBCA director or officer to make sure the meeting will be held as planned. **Don't go without checking.**

Please bring a dish to share for lunch. Crock-pots would be great as oven space is limited. Utensils and drinks will be provided.

Directions to the Deerfield Firehouse

From the South:

Take Interstate 91 North to Exit 24 in South Deerfield. Take a right off the ramp and go north on Rts 5&10 for 5 miles. Turn left at the Sunoco station and the sign for

Historic Deerfield. Go about 1/2 mile. The firehouse is on your right.

From The North:

Take Interstate 91 south to Exit 26 in Greenfield. Go 1/2 way around the traffic circle for Rt 2A East. Turn right at the 2nd traffic light (Dunkin Donuts) for River Street. Turn Right at the next light onto Rts 5&10 (Deerfield Street) and go 2-3 miles. Turn right at the sign for Historic Deerfield. Go about 1/2 mile. The firehouse is on your right.

The Firehouse is a gray building with red trim, set back from the road across from the Deerfield Inn. Please park to the rear of the building.

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2005 Annual Meeting

Saturday Jan. 15

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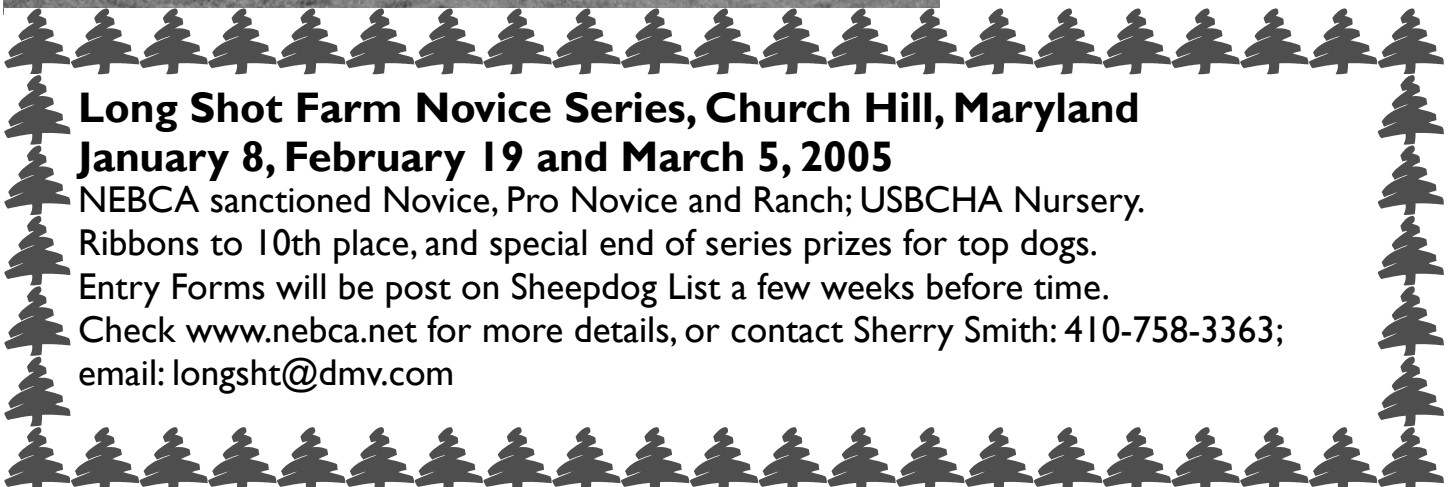
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Approval of past meeting minutes
Committee Reports
Executive Committee
President
Secretary - Membership status
Treasurer - Financial summary for '04
- Budget for 2005
Election committee - election results
Board of Directors
Open Trials Committee
High Points and Fall Foliage Report
2005 Fall Foliage Preparations
Novice Trials Committee
Nursery Finals Report
2005 Novice Finals Preparations
Fund Raising Committee
Calendar Committee report
Newsletter report
Library report
New Business
Presentation of awards
Committee appointments
Any new business from the floor,
Announcements
Meeting dates for 2005
Adjournment



Roger & Trim laying down a winning run at the Freyeburg Fair trial.



Gabe Merrill singling at Freyeburg.



Long Shot Farm Novice Series, Church Hill, Maryland

January 8, February 19 and March 5, 2005

NEBCA sanctioned Novice, Pro Novice and Ranch; USBCHA Nursery.

Ribbons to 10th place, and special end of series prizes for top dogs.

Entry Forms will be post on Sheepdog List a few weeks before time.

Check www.nebca.net for more details, or contact Sherry Smith: 410-758-3363;
email: longsht@dmv.com

NEBCA Classifieds

BORDER COLLIE STUD SERVICE: "Glen" (ABCA 136198/CBCA 471) - 2003 NEBCA Supreme Champion, 7th place 2002 USBCHA National Open, 13th place 2001 USBCHA National Nursery. At the age of 5, Glen has placed in nearly 60 Open trials, winning 11. Grandson of Berhow's "Nick" (3 time National Champ), very biddable & stylish worker.

Imp. "Jim" (ABCA 207627/CBCA 2141), grandson of Dalziel's International Champion "Jim", classy in appearance & working style. Both dogs eyes clear, hips OFA certified. Warren & Maria Mick, Altamont, NY (518) 861-5854, or mickwa@capital.net.

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 20 years. References available. Barbara Leverett, 1512 Burrell Rd., St. Johnsville, NY, 13452. (518) 568-2833.

IVAN WEIR BORDER COLLIES: *Where Champions are born.* Clinics, private lessons, and judging. Ivan Weir, 176 Lyndhurst Rd., RR #1, Seeleys Bay, Ontario, Canada. K0H 2N0. (613) 387-2696.

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.

PUPPIES DUE EARLY DECEMBER: **Mary Thompson's "Hawk"** (Jim Clark's "Mirk") 2003 Ontario Open Reserve Champion x **"Holly"** (Ivan Weir's "Moy") 2004 Nebca & Ontario Pro-Novice Champion. Tri-color puppies expected 1st week in December. Deposits required. Contact Mary Thompson 519-666-3750 or E-mail: mary.thompson2@sympatico.ca .

PUPS DUE IN JANUARY out of **Imported Fly** (Mon Jaff, Owen's Bet, Dalziel's Wisp, Welsh Sal, Longton's Tweed) by **Andy** (Templeton's Roy, Imported Max, Reed's Dot, Davidson's Ben, Fortune's Glen,) Sire and Dam proven open trial winners. Both dogs hips & eyes clear. Contact Cheryl Jagger Williams at: 570-289-4733 or email at culleymont@epix.net .

HEY! Trial Managers! Get your dates confirmed and advertise your trial in the Spring Issue of NEBCA News. Deadline February 1st, 2005.



NEBCA 2005 Election Ballot

The four executive positions and three of the four board of director positions are to be filled. Both executive and board positions are two year terms. Normally two directors terms expire every other year. As one director resigned in 2004 there are three board positions to be filled.

Board of Directors - Vote for Three

☐ Eve Marschark; ☐ Gene Sheninger; ☐ Warren Mick; ☐ Emily Yazwinski; ☐ MaryEllen Young;

☐ Write in: _____; ☐ Write in: _____;

☐ Write in: _____

President: ☐ Denise Leonard; ☐ Write in: _____

Vice President: ☐ Barbara Armata; ☐ Write in: _____

Secretary: ☐ Maria Mick; ☐ Write in: _____

Treasurer: ☐ Maria Amodei; ☐ Write in: _____

Voting Information:

Mailed in ballots must be received by **January 10, 2004**

Ballots will be accepted at the annual meeting up to the start of the meeting

Write In's must be NEBCA members and have agreed to be a candidate.

Mail ballots to: NEBCA c/o Sue Schoen, 51 Marvin Circle, Falmouth MA 02540

Thank you for voting!!

BREEDER'S DIRECTORY

This listing of breeders of Border Collies is for informational purposes only and in no way represents an endorsement of these breeders by the Northeast Border Collie Association. When making inquiries for purchasing a pup, NEBCA strongly recommends selecting from sound, proven, working stock. We suggest you see both parents work. If you are not able to see the parents working at the farm, do attend the trials and see them working there. Watch for trial results and seek the advice of experienced handlers. *Not all breeders listed here are handlers.

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