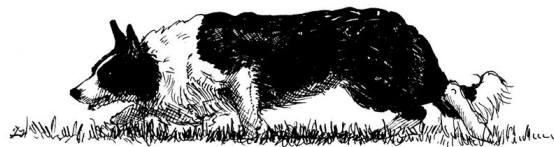


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# Herdahaulics Anonymous (HA)

By Susan Allen

Dear Readers,

The stories we all hear of how each of us became involved in Border Collies and trialing are numerous, interesting, humorous and often very helpful to other "newbies" hoping to become more involved in the sport. I am proposing a column that features one such story (or more) each issue. We already saw a very humorous one written by Betsy Drummond's wife (*The Conspiracy*, Volume 23, issue 3 Spring 2005) and several other accounts over the years. I encourage all "herdaholics" to submit their story! Winter deadline November 1st!

The Editor

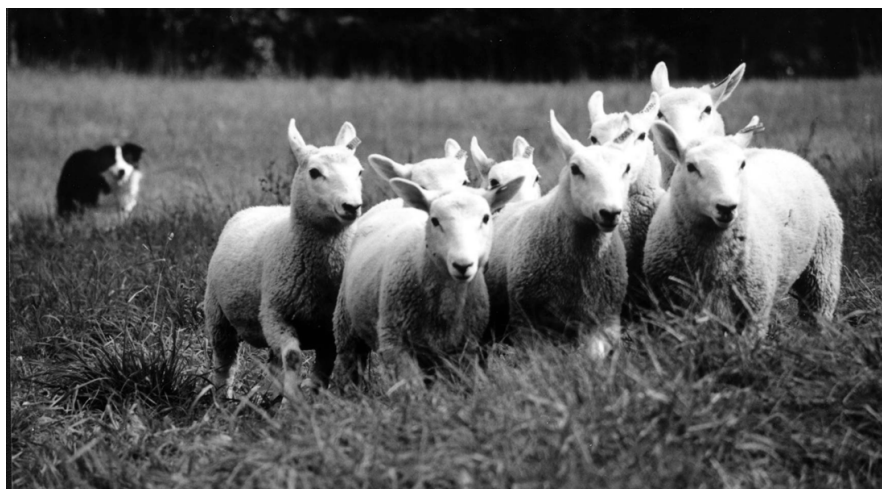
We are Susan and Jim Allen and we are "herdahaulics."

We spend most of our year in Sharpsburg, Maryland, but in late spring we haul our sheep north with us to Post Mills, Vermont, for the summer and early fall.

Over the winter we take on ewes in lamb for a friend to give us a larger flock and to gain more experience with lambing and the entire spectrum of shepherding. We work with Border Cheviot-Perendale crosses, sheep that can be either very light or somewhat heavy, depending on how you handle them. They don't become sour, are excellent for training, and are very hardy. They are particularly good for training young dogs, as they require a delicate touch in driving, but they split easily and stay apart for properly-executed sheds. Their greatest benefit from our point of view is that the ewes are also light in weight, ranging from 85-105 pounds, making them easy for

us older shepherds to shift during inoculation and examination.

We don't often train together, other than when we visit with friends or they come to our place. Each of us has



different needs to be met in training ourselves and our dogs, so we find it helps our marriage if we do it separately.

In Maryland we work with Linda Tesdahl and eagerly await Patrick Shanahan's twice-a-year clinics. We also owe a lot to Barbara Ray for her valu-

able tips. Just as we do in Vermont, we can trailer our sheep to the nearby farm of a friend for longer outruns and drives than our small fields allow.

In Vermont, we go to Steve Wetmore's or Roger Deschambeault's farms or trailer our sheep, often meeting with other handlers at different available fields. This gives us a variety of locations, ranging from 2-3 acres for close work to huge fields with the possibility of 600-yard outruns and widely separated double lifts. All of this depends on the kindness of farmers and their needs for cutting hay or running three-day eventing meets.

Wherever we are, our Cheviot-Perendale crosses show themselves as excellent training and breeding sheep.

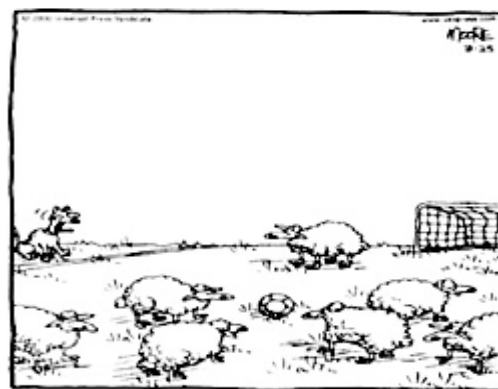


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The rare bored Collie

## IN THE BLEACHERS



"The goal! Kick the ball into the goal! Geez, can't you idiots do anything without me barking instructions at you?"

# Over the Border

## By Sue Schoen

Without doubt this was the easiest trip to Canada I'd ever taken. The kid's collection of DVD's was forever lost in the wilderness of Emily's room, but amazingly they were content to watch the LAND BEFORE TIME XXVIVVXX (first in French, then in English) and HOLIDAY INN over and over for the first 8 hours of the drive. As we neared the border on 81 they suddenly began to ask "Are we there?" "How much longer" at increasingly short intervals and a brief, but violent, skirmish broke out over custody of the DVD player. Happily, a trip to MacDonald's was all it took to send them back into a sugar/grease induced torpor and we arrived at the border quite peacefully.

This was looking good. It was not yet dark and all we had to do was cross the border and hit the 401 to Kingston. I was pretty sure I remembered the way to Amanda's 80 acre field where we would camp for a couple of days. No time pressure, no where's the best spot or leveling angst. We would be the only camper there. I popped in my LET IT BE CD and slowed to a halt to wait to be asked up to the kiosk.

Border crossings always evoke a tiny fear response in me. Do I really have all those rabies certificates? Did I check them thoroughly enough? One time the lady gave me grief because Willy's paper expired one day shy of our return to the states. I almost told her- "Don't worry I'm a vet I can fix that." But I have been warned sternly by friends never to be flip or even to speak to the customs people unless asked a direct question.

On one of our first crossings as we were pulling away from the check point cheeky Emily asked in a fairly loud voice "Mommy, were you really telling the truth?"

So I handed over our passports and birth certificate and answered the usual questions about our visit.

"Seven dogs? Where are they all?"

"In the truck. I have all the papers right here." I said helpfully.

To my astonishment the nice looking young man started to laugh.

"And do you have seven leashes?"

"Is there a leash law in Canada?" I

asked innocently. This was sounding weird and this man was enjoying himself far too much.

"See this orange manifest?" He handed me back my papers along with a slip that resembled a parking ticket and said "7 dogs" across the front. My good mood was starting to slip. I hate parking tickets.

"Go park over there and get them all out of the truck. Your vehicle has been chosen for X-ray inspection. And we don't want to irradiate the dogs."

Well that was something. I looked over and saw a huge van with a long boom with a scanner on the end of it, poised to irradiate our camper. Had I gone into whale medicine I certainly would have hankered after one of these babies. I pulled up and the kids sprang into their typical cooperative, eager to be of service mode.

"I want Jenny and Tyne and Clair on the pink, blue and green leashes!"

"No! Jenny's my dog. I want to hold her! Mom! Get the leashes. I want Jenny. That's not fair."

"What will we sleep in at Amanda's? The camper is going to be full of radiation!"

The hysteria was mounting.

I eased out of the truck forgetting to put it in gear and it began to roll slowly backwards.

"Oopsy." I jammed the parking brake down with my foot and hopped into secure the rolling rig.

The second fellow watched horrified and without mirth. I think he wore a bullet-proof vest and had a radio sticking out of the left side of his shirt collar.

"You forgot to leave it in gear."

"Yeah well, It's a little hectic getting all the dogs and kids out here..."

"Well we can't spare anyone the search you know. What are all the dogs for?"

I explained to the blank face about the Canadian Finals at Grass Creek. What if they found something they did not like? They opened our camper once before a few years back but when they glimpsed the swimming pool and bikes and other kid paraphernalia that

threatened to spill out on the pavement they had quickly retreated.

"Well I thought sheepdogs had hair over their eyes."

Fortunately we then passed along to another fellow in blue garb who watched in amusement as we fished all the dogs out of the truck. Seven dogs for seven leashes.

I kept thinking what a tough job they had. Searching all these nice people over and over again. Such tedium, but if something bad slipped through- who gets blamed- these guys.

Nap kept trying to breed Tyne who was just out of heat and the girls stood around trying to hang on to their charges- all of whom had been in the truck for 4 hours and thought this was a bummer of a pee break.

As the x-ray rig rolled past the camper, the third customs fellow regaled us with stories of his kennel of schutzhund Belgian Malinois'. His eleven-year daughter had just competed with her dog in an adult class and had covered herself in glory. Emily (12) stood mutely, her eyes ablaze with desire to tell him that she was training Jenny, but the fellow would not have been impressed unless Em was already qualified for the double lift at the Finals. Emily could read this, so she seethed silently. I could feel the heat and resentment as I stood next to her, but she was remarkably poised. It is at times like this that I am most proud of her.

"She comes by it naturally, of course- generations of schutzhund trainers in our family,....." the fellow droned on.

The x-ray session was concluded and we were free to go. We drove off to the tune of "Long and Winding Road." It really wasn't that bad. And now I finally understood what becomes of Werner and Dave and Mary Ellen's dog food when it is seized at the border. Into the tummies of all those hungry schutzhund champions.







# NEBCA Trial Results



**Merck Forest Open Trial, July 8 - 9, 2006**

**Submitted by: Debra Fuller**

## Saturday - 52 dogs

1. Warren Mick	Glen	89
2. Peter VandeCar	Katie	82
3. Roger Deschambeault	Ken	82
4. Peter VandeCar	Bud	80
5. Joan Worthington	Hope	80
6. Denise Leonard	Jessie	76
7. Joan Worthington	Sam	74
8. Sue Schoen	Willy	72
9. Rich Seaman	Ki	72
10. Steve Wetmore	Dart	70

## Sunday - 54 dogs

1. Bernie Armata	Bob	94
2. Denise Leonard	Kate	92
3. Michael Dathe	Trot	89
4. Steve Wetmore	Dart	85
5. Rich Seaman	Boo	84
6. Warren Mick	Glen	83
7. Sally Malloy	Zac	82
8. Denise Leonard	Jessie	82
9. Chris Bowen	Jake	81
10. Maria Mick	Ben	78

2 Day Champion: Warren Mick & Glen

2 Day Reserve: Roger Deschambeault & Ken



## Ames Mountain Meadow Open Trial, June 10 - 11, 2006

**Hosts: Bud and Mary Ames**

**Judge: Dean Holcomb**

**Submitted by: Mary Ames**

It all started late Friday afternoon- rain all evening, rain all night, rain all day Saturday. Wet ground soon turned to mud - the very slippery, boot removing kind. Handlers remained upbeat despite the conditions. The Katahdin sheep were difficult to pen and even more difficult to shed. They tended to stick to the handler and at the same time flying away at the least amount of pressure from dog or handler. Dean judged each run fair and consistent. Handlers gathered for the evening potluck in the Ames home and appreciated the warmth from the fire in the woodstove. Sunday was a much better day with very little precipitation and occasional sparkles of sunshine. The footing was just as treacherous as the day before despite additions of gravel. The shed was replaced with a chute. More pens were completed with handlers and dog working together. The three way tie for first place and two day champion were broken with a run off, all other ties were decided by outwork. Bud and Mary would like to thank everyone who helped make the trial a successful one. Dean Holcomb - Judge. Set out crew- Michael, Daniel and Carlene. Spotters- Warren, Maria, Steve, Werner, Sue, Ed, and Michael. Scribes- Martha and Maria.

## Saturday - 44 dogs ran

- 1- Steve Wetmore, VT and Dart 79
- 2- Warren Mick, NY and Glen 78
- 3- Sue Schoen, MA and Brook 76
- 4- Denise Leonard, MA and Kate 76
- 5- Bruce Smart, ON and Jim 74
- 6- Michael Dathe, VT and Cooper 74
- 7- Peter Vandecar, NY and Bud 73
- 8- Michael Dathe, VT and Trot 72
- 9- Roger Deschambeault, NH and Trim 71
- 10- Warren Mick, NY and Jinty 71

## Sunday - 44 dogs ran

- 1- Roger Deschambeault, NH and Trim 91
- 2- Ed Hobart, MA and Bonnie 91
- 3- Warren Mick, NY and Jinty 91
- 4- Lynn Deschambeault, ME and Chip 90
- 5- Steve Wetmore, VT and Gyp 90
- 6- Chris Bowen, NH and Jake 87
- 7- Roger Deschambeault, NH and Bob 85
- 8- Maria Amodei, MA and Cato 82
- 9- Sue Schoen, MA and Willy 82
- 10- Bud Ames, NH and Luke 82

Two-day Champion: Roger Deschambeault and Trim

Two-day Long Road Winner: Ed Hobart and Bonnie



**Deafness:** This is a malady which affects dogs when their humans want them in and they want to stay outside. Symptoms include staring blankly at the human, then running in the opposite direction or lying down.



# NEBCA Trial Results



## Ames Mountain Meadow Novice Trial, June 17 - 18, 2006

**Hosts:** Bud and Mary Ames

**Judge:** Sue Schoen

**Submitted by:** Mary Ames

The weekend weather was good even if it was a little hot on Sunday. At least there wasn't any rain although distant thunder could be heard at times. The terrain and Katahdin sheep proved to be a challenge, very few pens were made on Saturday as you have to be spot on with this flock. Handlers were called off when they had lost their pen points. Pro-novice handlers had the hardest go with a fairly long drive that retired quite a few runs. Since the runs finished early in the afternoon the judge, Sue Schoen, made the suggestion for \$10 critiqued runs with the proceeds to go to the Nationals in Gettysburg, PA. Handlers readily accepted and \$300 was raised. Everyone that could gathered for a potluck that evening in the Ames home. The course was changed for Sunday's run with a chute instead of a pen. Again handlers had to use their dogs effectively to get the sheep through. There was a tie for first in Novice/novice which was broken by a run-off. All other ties were broken on the outwork. Our thanks to the judge, Sue Schoen. We would also like to thank the set-out pen crew- Carlene, Michael, and Dan. Thank you to the handlers that came down to help in the pen and spot sheep, it was definitely appreciated. Thanks go to open handlers Jim, Steve and Roger who came to help even though they weren't running dogs. All the handlers that scribed, thanks. Bud & Mary Ames

### Saturday - Novice

- 1- Joyce Westcott & Mibbs
- 2- Deborah Donahue & Ross
- 3- Anne Devine & Sue
- 3- Joe Evans & Peg
- 5- Martha Walke & Moss

### Saturday - Pro Novice

- 1- Ginny Prince & Martha
- 2- Nancy Phillips & Susie
- 3- Darlene Hutchins & Lil

### Saturday - Ranch

- 1- Michael Nunan & Moss

### 2- Carlene Eitapence & Floss

- 3- Carlene Eitapence & Kodi
- 4- Susan Allen & Corrie
- 5- Liz Phillips & Vicky

### Sunday - Novice

- 1- Anne Devine & Sue
- 2- Jim Perkins & Z
- 3- Ann Mazur & Cricket
- 4- Eileen Wientz & Jaime
- 5- Martha Walke & Moss
- 6- Joyce Westcott & Moli
- 7- Deborah Donahue & Ross

### Sunday - Pro Novice

- 1- Nancy Phillips & Susie
- 2- Darlene Hutchins & Lil
- 3- Mary Anne Fallon & Bailey
- 4- Rob Drummond & Maggie
- 5- Carlene Eitapence & China


### Sunday - Ranch

- 1- Carlene Eitapence & Kodi
- 2- Anne Devine & Ben
- 3- Michael Nunan & Moss
- 4- Susan Allen & Corrie
- 5- Liz Phillips & Vicky

## TWO-DAY CHAMPIONS AND LONG ROAD WINNERS

**NOVICE/NOVICE:** Deborah Donahue & Ross

**PRO-NOVICE:** Nancy Phillips & Susie Champion; Ginny Prince & Martha Long Road

**RANCH:** Michael Nunan & Moss 

## Brome Sheepdog Trial, June 24 - 25, 2006

**Lac Brome, QC**

**Hosts:** Dave & Mary Ellen Young

**Judge:** Werner Reitboeck

**Submitted by:** Mary Ellen Young

150th Anniversary of the Brome Agricultural Society  
Sheepdog Trials and RCMP Musical Ride

*By: Amanda Milliken*

This Eastern Townships community in Quebec, got a celebration off the ground with two special events, a Sheep Dog Trial, and the RCMP Musical Ride. There was a little carny on the side-pig races, hot dog sales-but the real focus fell to us and the Mounties.

Too bad it conflicted with the Shepherd's Crook trial. Planning. While Quebec trials are not sanctioned by Ontario, we

have traditionally supported them, being part of our national fabric and to give them a hand, since they lack the strong cohesive community from which we benefit in the Ontario club. We are, in effect, their club.

Dave and Mary Ellen Young, seasoned trial managers, ran the trial capably. Ontario's own Werner Reitboeck did a good job judging under difficult circumstances.

The trial was held on the infield of the Brome fair grounds. It was sizable, with lots of outrun up both sides. The sheep though, were Dave and Mary Ellen Young specials-Oxford/

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# NEBCA Trial Results



## Brome Sheepdog Trial, continued

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Suffolky crosses-big, bullyish, obstreperous, and a little too canny, insofar as they quickly became familiar with the charmed parts of the fairgrounds. The exhaust was very popular. The set out was just slightly less of a refuge. On occasion, the odd one realized the large tract of bush, to the left of the field, was an ideal setting for escape from the trial proceedings. More than once, our judge was deep in the Eastern Townships jungle, hunting ovine game. The scores were not all that high. But the running was entertaining and challenging.

The real action started at about four each day. The men in red, the navy jodhpurs with the yellow stripe up the side, spit and polish on every detail, the seventeen hand black horses, 32 of them, Canada's pride and joy, the RCMP Musical Ride.

I thought Dave Young was kidding when he told me they would be there. But they were larger than life. The show was on the wide part of the race track, in front of the Grand Stand. The place was packed. "Here they come." Bleachers at each end, seated the sheep dog handlers and a lucky location it was.

One day, we saw the charge from the rear. The next day, (there was a show each day) I sat at the other end and saw the charge from the fore-thirty two horses skidding to a halt, from a gallop, in a drama of dust and late afternoon sun. What a great day to be a Canadian!

There was big barbeque dinner in the Agricultural Hall and the Mounties showed up in civilian uniforms-navy golf shirts, khakis-I tried to buy their table a round of drinks with my winnings, but they got me one instead. I love the Mounties.

### Saturday - 21 dogs to the Post

1. Amanda Milliken	Ethel
2. Steve Wetmore	Dart
3. Steve Wetmore	Gyp
4. Roger Deschambault	Trim
5. Jim Allen	Zip
6. Dave Young	Patch
7. Betty Levin	Kyle
8. Lynn Deschambault	Chip
9. Betty Levin	Folly
10. Claire Garwood	Rhos

### Sunday - 20 dogs to the Post

1. Amanda Milliken	Ethel
2. Amanda Milliken	Bart
3. Steve Wetmore	Dart
4. Dave Young	Patch
5. Roger Deschambault	Ken
6. Steve Wetmore	Pace
7. Roger Deschambault	Trim
8. Bruce Smart	Peg
9. Betty Levin	Kyle
10. Lynn Deschambault	Chip



**Handlers at the Brome Sheepdog Trial. The event was generously sponsored by Iams Canada. Mr. Martin Larochelle of Iams is pictured 4th from the left, next to Mary Ellen. Judge Werner is trying to hide to the right.**



# NEBCA Trial Results



**Ewesful Acres Sheepdog Trial, Aug 3 - 6, 2006, Portland, ON**

**Judge: Warren & Maria Mick, Altamont, NY**

**Trial Hosts: Jim and Joanne Murphy**

## *If You Build It They Will Come - Newly Expanded Ewesful Acres SDT*

*By Mary Thompson*

With great anticipation, I strode up the gravel drive to get my first look at the newly expanded Ewesful Acres trial field, owned and created by Jim and Joanne Murphy of Portland, Ontario. I wasn't disappointed. Wow!! Earlier in the year Jim had told me that he had bulldozed the separating hedge-row from between the adjacent fields, leaving only the largest of the trees at the bottom end. Additionally, he had also removed the horizontal hedgerow which had originally separated the handler parking area from the trial field effectively tripling the size of the field. Incredible! The field now looked so different. On a horizontal rise about 100 yards straight out from the post, was a broken line of majestic trees dotted with some large boulders the size of a Volkswagen beetle. And to the right, a grove of smaller trees strewn with golf cart sized boulders, creating a rather unique obstacle course for any dog sent in that direction. In my mind the choice of outrun was simple. It was far too distracting to send right, left would be the easiest. Well, not so easy! Beginning with the Novice runs, the slight rise in front of the natural tree line caused many dogs to come in tight, looking to cut across as they could no longer see their sheep. Even in the following more advanced classes, I observed the same reaction of the dogs going out to the left. They became very distracted by the trees and boulders, slowing down to negotiate and then seeming to lose their cast line and coming in tight. Perhaps they expected to come across a fence line or barrier, inherently knowing that there used to be one there. Still not quite as tough as going right, though! This was proven as we progressed into the Open class. The terrain to the right was made more difficult by the fact that the grass had not regrown after construction and the area also was still in need of some levelling. Many open dogs chose to stay in tight, missing the tree grove and rough ground, and then followed the old hedgerow dirt line taking them rather tightly to the top.

I recall only a handful of dogs being sent to the right that actually kicked out through the tree grove and used the new area to get wide and deep behind their sheep at the top. The judges, Warren and Maria Mick from Altamont, NY took points appropriately, Maria in Novice and Warren in Open. I was relieved to find that most of the Open dogs sent left were able to traverse that side without mishap, going wide and coming in correctly at the top. However,...the mix of Katahdins and border cheviot wools proved the theory; luck of the draw. Many of the Katahdin groups made like deer, taking off right from the set and making a bee-line for the grazing area hidden behind a barrier of trees at the top right of the field. The border cheviots on the other hand were more concerned with eating and many groups had to be "carried" by the dog around the difficult drive portion. My Hawk in particular literally came nose to nose with a young wool lamb just at the turn and I broke out laughing at the look on his face-priceless!!

The catered turkey dinner under the new coverall was amazing, kudos to the cooks! Several of us found a lovely spot in the near by village of Portland for a refreshing swim. Hopefully our noisy splashing and high spirits didn't upset the locals resting comfortable on shore enjoying the late afternoon sunshine.

"If you build it, they will come", and you should. This newly created field is very challenging both on the outrun and the cross drive portion set amongst the boulders and trees. The cross drive's elevated rise, light and dark patches created by the shade trees, and the boulders define an obstacle course unlike any other trial that I've attended. If you want a challenge, enter this trial in 2007, I dare ya!

Thanks to Jim, Joanne, and family for another wonderful trial. Oh yeah, almost forgot to mention the complimentary bacon and egg breakfast. Gotta love that!

### **Round -1-OPEN-76 dogs**

1. Milliken, Amanda	Bart	93
2. Milliken, Amanda	Ethel	89
3. Gamble, Leslie	Bob	87
4. Thompson, Mary	Hawk	86
5. Dathe, Michael	Trot	85
6. Lalonde, JP	Fly	85
7. Thompson, Mary	Holly	82
8. Williams, Dick	Mirk	81
9. Whittington, Don	Fionn	81
10. Wetmore, Steve	Dart	80
11. Williams, Cheryl	Toby	80
12. Lambert, Beverly	Maid	80
13. Boyce, Dawn	Karch	79
14. Boyce, Dawn	Tink	79

### **Round - 2- OPEN-76 dogs**

1. Stephens, Bob	RMS Pat	96*
2. Boyce, Dawn	Karch	96*
3. Obernier, Nancy	Nick	95
4. Williams, Cheryl	Spot	95
5. Williams, Dick	Lass	93
6. Stephens, Nancy	Jenn	93
7. Milliken, Amanda	Ethel	92
8. Guy, Carol	Piper	91
9. Furman, Sam	Tucker	91
10. Gamble, Leslie	Bob	91
11. Milliken, Amanda	Bart	90
12. Thompson, Mary	Holly	89
13. Furman, Sam	Fred	89
14. Geier, Joyce	Clue	88



# NEBCA Trial Results



## Ewesful Acres Sheepdog Trial, Continued

CHAMPION: Amanda Milliken - Bart

RESERVE: Amanda Milliken - Ethel

\*Runoff

### Round - 1- NOVICE

1. Knowlton, Kelly	Ben	67
2. Fahey, Janet	Jock	67
3. Hoeber, Tom	Taz	65
4. Fredericks, Joyce	Kai	61
5. Donnelly, Ellen	Stella	58
6. Hoeber, Tom	Nikki	57
7. Williams, Malcolm	Jock	55
8. Talbot, Shona	Saede	54
9. Palmer, Cynthia	Pam	52
10. Elliott, Heide	Sweep	52

### Round - 2- NOVICE

1. Brown, Ann	Ash	65
2. Donnelly, Ellen	Stella	63
3. Fredericks, Joyce	Trim	62
4. Hoeber, Tom	Taz	61
5. Fredericks, Joyce	Cory	61
6. Knowlton, Kelly	Ben	56
7. Murphy, Brittany	Lady	56
8. Hoeber, Tom	Nikki	53
9. Palmer, Cynthia	Pam	52

10. Fredericks, Joyce Kai 49

CHAMPION: Tom Hoeber - Taz

RESERVE: Kelly Knowlton - Ben

### Round - 1 - Pro-Novice

1. Milliken, Amanda	Clive	76
2. Mick, Warren	Sweep	75
3. Williams, Eileen	Robbie	71
4. Jewell, Sue	Breeze	71
5. Dier, Tara	Spot	70
6. Savage, Lorna	Spy	70
7. Purich, Kim	Jack	70
8. Matwi, Peter	Maddie	70
9. Fahey, Janet	Jim	68
10. deKenedy, Andrea	Nap	67

### Round - 2 - Pro-Novice

1. Jagger, Walt	Gem	75
2. Williams, Eileen	Robbie	72
3. Thompson, Mary	Coal	72
4. Milliken, Amanda	Clive	71
5. Purich, Kim	Jack	69
6. Matwi, Peter	Maddie	65
7. Dier, Tara	Spot	60
8. Thompson, Mary	Rio	59
9. Mick, Warren	Sweep	58

10. Jewell, Sue Winn 53

CHAMPION: Amanda Milliken - Clive

RESERVE: Eileen Williams - Robbie

### Round - 1 - Ranch

1. Bailey, Lena	Hemp	80
2. Palmer, Annie	Sea	74
3. Murphy, Jim	Trim	73
4. Stephens, Bob	Pete	72
5. French, Robin	Zac	71
6. Reitboeck, Werner	Tara	70
7. Jagger, Walt	Floss	68
8. Murphy, Jim	Megan	67
9. Mick, Warren	Dale	65
10. Lash, Carolyn	Dell	63

### Round - 2 - Ranch

1. French, Robin	Zac	71
2. Stephens, Bob	Pete	65
3. Mick, Warren	Dale	64
4. Purich, Kim	Jack	60
5. Boyce, Dawn	Giordi	58
6. Lash, Carolyn	Dell	55
7. Churcher, Mike	Ben	51
8. Murphy, Joanne	Maude	46
9. Murphy, Joanne	Bess	44



## Shepherd's Crook Sheepdog Trial, June 24 - 25, 2006

Lorneville, ON

Judge: Dick Williams

Trial Managers: Ian and Shona Talbot, Dan Churcher; Trial Secretary: Sylvia Forster

### Round-1-Open-dogs:16

1. Thompson, Mary	Holly
2. Williams, Cheryl	Spot
3. Younger, Bill	Mica
4. Churcher, Mike	Dan
5. Savage, Lorna	Zoe
6. Thompson, Mary	Hawk
7. Tackaberry, Louise	Claire
8. Murphy, Jim	Kit

### Round-2-Open- Double Lift-dogs:21

1. Savage, Lorna	Zoe	121
2. Savage, Lorna	Brock	120
3. Williams, Cheryl	Toby	119
4. Williams, Cheryl	Andy	118
5. Williams, Cheryl	Spot	114
6. Younger, Bill	Clay	112
7. Thompson, Mary	Holly	101
8. Weir, Ivan	Nell	100
9. Matwi, Peter	Trin	91
10. Thompson, Mary	Hawk	91

### Round-1-Ranch-dogs: 7

1. Murphy, Joanne	Maude
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### Round-1-Pro-Novice-dogs: 16

1. Savage, Lorna	Spy
2. Purich, Kim	Jack
3. Murphy, Jim	Trim
4. Cross, Frank	Aben
5. Matwi, Peter	Maddie
6. Thompson, Mary	Rio
7. Jewel, Sue	Winn
8. deKenedy, Andrea	Nap

### Round-1-Novice-Novice-dogs: 14

1. Hoeber, Tom	Taz
2. Fredericks, Joyce	Kai
3. Hoeber, Tom	Nikki
4. Talbot, Ian	Faye
5. Comeau, Linda	Nell

### Round-2-Novice-Novice-dogs: 12

1. Hoeber, Tom	Nikki
2. Hoeber, Tom	Taz
3. Fredericks, Joyce	Kai
4. Purcell, Sherry	Wyley

5. Fredericks, Joyce Trim

6. Brown, Ann Ash

Champion- Tom Hoeber - Taz

Reserve- Joyce Fredericks - Kai

### Round-2-Pro-Novice-dogs: 18

1. Thompson, Mary	Coal
2. Thompson, Mary	Rio
3. Talbot, Ian	Maeve
4. deKenedy, Andrea	Nap
5. Murphy, Jim	Trim
6. Savage, Lorna	Spy
7. Fahey, Janet	Jim
8. Purich, Kim	Jack

Champion- Lorna Savage - Spy

Reserve - Mary Thompson - Rio

### Round-2-Ranch-dogs:7

1. Murphy, Joanne	Bess
2. Talbot, Ian	Maeve
3. Churcher, Mike	Ben
4. Murphy, Joanne	Maude





# NEBCA Trial Results



**Lennoxville International Sheepdog Trial, July 29 - 30, 2006**

**Lennoxville, QC Canada**

**Judge: Carol Campion**

**Trial Committee: Dave and Mary Ellen Young, Fiona Robertson**

Perfect weather was ordered up for the weekend spent behind the Bishop's University Sport Complex in Lennoxville, Quebec. As usual, Dave and Mary Ellen's flock of fit Hampshires provided a challenge for all dogs and handlers—some more than others! However, many high scores were achieved and also many wonderful displays of dogs' great working talent on some of the absolutely unwilling draws. Many spectators were present to add to the excitement and an added purse provided by Iams Canada allowed the committee to pay back 100% of entries—much to the delight of all the placing handlers—and dogs too, who received wonderful prizes in the form of yummy Eukanuba treats and food, new leashes, and a load of other great "Iams" prizes. Alas, the famous lamb roasting dentist, Dr. Herten-Greaven was not able to do his stuff this year, but pizza was provided by a local restaurant for the Saturday night handler's dinner, with dessert and salad being pot luck. The great surplus of Iams goodies was given away in a fun, random draw lottery during the dinner party, which added the festivities—and with the handlers bags (again, provided by Iams Canada), everyone went home with something. The coveted Lennoxville bird carvings, given to the Champions in each class, were won by Amanda Milliken (who no doubt adds to her collection!) and Mary Thompson. Reserve Champions also got special gifts—provided (of course!) by Iams Canada. Thanks to all who helped make this trial a success! See you all next year, eh?

*Fiona Robertson*

## Saturday Open 55 dogs

1. Bev Lambert	Pippa	90
2. Bruce Smart	Dolly	89
3. Amanda Milliken	Ethel	86
4. Denise Leonard	Kate	79
5. Warren Mick	Glen	79
6. Mary Thompson	Hawk	77
7. Lorna Savage	Brock	75
8. Mary Thompson	Holly	75
9. Maria Mick	Kit	74
10. Sue Schoen	Bonnie	72
11. Bill Younger	Mica	69

## Sunday Open 54 dogs

1. Chris Bowen	Jake	91
2. Kate Broadbent	Rob	86
3. Amanda Milliken	Bart	86

4. Mary Thompson	Holly	84
5. Dave Young	Patch	83
6. Sue Schoen	Bonnie	82
7. Michael Dathe	Trot	81
8. Amanda Milliken	Ethel	80
9. Sally Lacy	Robin	80
10. Maria Mick	Kit	80
11. Roger Deschambault	Trim	79

Champion: Amanda Milliken & Ethel  
Reserve: Mary Thompson & Holly

## Saturday Pro-Novice 19 dogs

1. Barb Armata	Jill
2. Warren Mick	Sweep
3. Mary Thompson	Coal
4. Fiona Robertson	Tap
5. Betty Levin	Selkie

## Sunday Pro-Novice (Not NEBCA sanctioned) 16 dogs

1. Mary Thompson	Coal
2. Tara Dier	Spot
3. Nathalie Labelle	Jules
4. Fiona Robertson	Tap
5. Lena Bailey	Hemp

Champion: Mary Thompson & Coal  
Reserve: Fiona Robertson & Tap

## Saturday USBCHA Nursery Qualifiers

1. Beverley Lambert	Hemp
2. Fiona Robertson	Tap

## Sunday USBCHA Nursery Qualifiers

1. Fiona Robertson	Tap
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# Blast From the Past!

**Open results from the very first Eastern Townships Sheepdog Trial (Now Lennoxville Int'l) in September 1993**

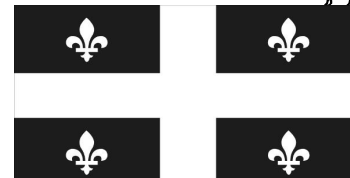
*by Betty Levin*

Dave and Mary Ellen Young put on the Eastern Township Sheep Dog Trials, a first-time event in North Hatley, Quebec on September 25-26. The course was beautifully laid out on twenty-five rolling acres with spectacular views in every direction. Mr. Tommy Brownrigg of Cumbria, winner of the 1991 English National Championship, was the judge. D'Arcy Ryan and Ginette Cote were the gracious and generous hosts. There was a delicious dinner in their house on Saturday evening.

The sheep, two flocks combined, worked well on Saturday when the weather was fine and they were fresh. They were less cooperative on Sunday when the weather turned foul. Because of all of the Youngs' advance work, there was even a good audience during Sunday's downpours. The entire weekend was exceptional for its spirit of cooperation and mutual enjoyment among all who participated.

On Saturday 22 dogs ran in Open, 20 on Sunday.

Open	9/25/93	22 Dogs	Open	9/26/93	20 Dogs
1. J. P. Lalonde	Madi	94	1. Amanda Milliken	Hazel	95
2. Amanda Milliken	Boy	93	2. Roger Deschambeault	Don	93
3. Gabe Merrill	Meg	89	3. Amanda Milliken	Boy	88
4. Roger Deschambeault	Don	89	4. Sally Lacy	Tru	86
5. Dave Young	Ben	85	5. Roger Deschambeault	Glen	84
6. Mark Bustard	Trim	81	6. Bruce Smart	Skye	78
7. Amanda Milliken	Hazel	78	7. J. P. Lalonde	Madi	77
8. Steve Wetmore	Ben	78	8. Steve Wetmore	Mirk	72
9. Alex McKinven	Glen	77	9. Mark Bustard	Jed	70
10. Betty Levin	Kelty	72	10. Steve Wetmore	Ben	56





**Jim Perkins' 18 month old pup, Jock.**  
*Photo by Sharon Perkins*



**Roger Deschambeault's Jet.**  
*Photo by Sharon Perkins*



**A friend for Gracie ! Photo submitted by Elizabeth Kilpatrick.**





# NEBCA Trial Results



**Mad River Sheepdog Trial, July 15 - 16, 2006**  
**Judge: Saturday - Maria Mick, NY; Sunday - Michael Dathe, VT**  
**Trial Manager: Nancy Phillips**

The weather was blistering hot as we started the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mad River Valley SDT. The Mad River made for a very cooling experience for handlers, kids and dogs alike. The trial moved along smoothly due to the wonderful planning of Nancy Phillips, Stephen Doherty and Kim Kathan. Their goal was to make the trial very enjoyable for all who participated.

Two flocks of Katadin sheep were used. They were switched for the different classes and they proved to be quite a hand or pawful. There were ample water tubs set out for the dogs although there were a few handlers that wanted to jump in the tubs too. The Shed was eliminated the second day and a Pen-Chute obstacle was added. It was in the shape of an M or W, with three openings. The strategies under the tent were as amusing as usual. It appears that the handlers and audience enjoyed this new challenge invented by Michael Dathe.

After the day on Saturday the handlers came to the potluck with good appetites. There was plenty of good food and the homemade pies with ice cream which ended the day perfectly.

Thank you to Maria Mick who judged on Saturday and Michael Dathe who judged on Sunday. Through the heat they remained cool, calm, and collected. Most classes had fairly competitive scores each day, which made choosing the two-day champion or reserve champion in some classes a bit of a challenge.



**Michael Dathe's old Cobb "coaching".**  
**Photo by Bill Black.**



**Ellen Rusconi-Black and Stevie after a successful pen. The pen had an open back which helped to encourage the sheep to go in. The beautiful setting of the Mad River Valley Trial makes it a favorite amongst handlers from near and afar. Photo by Bill Black.**

Once again a trial cannot run without the work of volunteers who scribed, announced, hauled water, set out sheep, worked the pen, came early to set up or stayed late to tear down. The

trial depends on the support of Bud and Mary Ames who are there from start to finish. Michael Nunan was back to help Bud with the set out pen along with numerous volunteers. Besides the river, the set out pen was the fun spot to be. Betty Murray came to keep the paper work in order. Ellen Rusconi-Black, her husband Bill, and Val Pietraszewska came up early and stayed late. They were available at the drop of a hat to do what ever needed to be done. Bill was responsible for raising \$100 for the 2007 Nationals by selling 50/50 Raffle tickets. Thank you to all that volunteered.

The Lions Club and the Boy Scouts provided the lunch, a tent, tables and chairs. Other businesses that donated to the trial included: Green Mountain Coffee Roasters, Vermont Animal Cookies, and Eagle Brand Dog food. Once again a thank you to the Kenyon Family for providing the field and exhaust panels.

*Nancy Phillips*

**Complete results beginning on page 14.**



# NEBCA Trial Results



## Mad River Sheepdog Trial, Continued

### Saturday Novice/Novice (14 dogs)

- 1 Jim Perkins – Z 75\*\* (Long Road)
- 2 Carol Weigand – Mc Duff 73
- 3 Joyce Westcott – Mibs 70
- 4 John Hartman – Meg 67
- 5 Joe Evans – Peg 63
- 6 Val Pietraszewska – Leaf 62
- 7 Jan Berger – Chopper 62
- 8 Michelle Brothers – Roy 57

### Sunday Novice/Novice (15 dogs)

- 1 Michelle Brothers – Roy 79\*\* (Long Road)
- 2 Joe Evans – Peg 75
- 3 Carol Weigand – McDuff 72
- 4 Eileen Wilentz – Jamie 70
- 5 Deb Donahue – Ross 69
- 6 Joyce Westcott – Mibs 69
- 7 Jim Perkins – Z 67
- 8 Val Pietraszewska – Leaf 64

Champion: Carol Weigand – McDuff 145

Reserve Champion: Jim Perkins – Z 142

### Saturday ProNovice (23 dogs)

- 1 Sue Schoen – Tyne\*\* 71 (Long Road)
- 2 Sally Lacy – Grainne 70
- 3 Warren Mick – Sweep 70
- 4 Betty Levin – Selkie 69
- 5 Joe Grady – Johnny 68
- 6 Mary Ann Fallon – Bailey 67
- 7 Steve Wetmore – Beal 67
- 8 Ginny Prince – Martha – 66

### Sunday Pronovice (22 dogs)

- 1 Joe Grady – Johnny\*\* 76 (Long Road)
- 2 Nathalie Labelle – Jules 75
- 3 Betty Levin – Selkie 75
- 4 Sue Schoen – Tyne 74
- 5 Sally Lacy – Grainne 73
- 6 Fiona Robertson – Tap 69
- 7 Kate Collins – Rex 68
- 8 Nancy Phillips – Susie 67

Champion: Sue Schoen – Tyne 145

Reserve Champion: Joe Grady – Johnny 144  
(tie broken by outwork)

### Saturday Ranch (6 dogs)

- 1 Mike Churcher - Ben 54 (Long Road)
- 2 Fiona Robertson - Kap 53
- 3 Tom Leigh - Jo 33
- 4 Warren Mick - Dale 27

### Sunday Ranch (6 dogs)

- 1 Warren Mick - Dale 83 (Long Road)
- 2 Michelle Brothers - Snap 81
- 3 Tom Leigh - Jo 51
- 4 Mike Churcher - Ben 49
- 5 Mike Nunan - Moss 39

Champion: Warren Mick - Dale 110

Reserve Champion: Mike Churcher - Ben 103



**Trial Host Nancy Phillips and Susie beginning the drive.**  
*Photo by Bill Black.*



**Tom Leigh's Jo.**  
*Photo by Bill Black.*

*Open Scores on page 14.*

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# NEBCA Trial Results



## Mad River Sheepdog Trial, Continued

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### Saturday Open (38 dogs)

- 1 Michael Dathe – Trot 83 (Long Road)
- 2 Dave Young – Patch 79
- 3 Dick Williams – Mirk 77
- 4 Fiona Robertson – Pat 75
- 5 Sue Schoen – Bonnie 73
- 6 Steve Wetmore – Dart 73
- 7 Cheryl Jagger Williams – Toby 71
- 8 Betty Levin – Folly 71

### Sunday Open (39 dogs)

- 1 Warren Mick – Jinty 94
- 2 Cheryl Jagger Williams – Spot 92
- 3 Cheryl Jagger Williams Toby 91
- 4 Peter Vandecar – Bud 85
- 5 Steve Wetmore – Dart 84 (Long Road)
- 6 Betty Levin – Kyle 84
- 7 Mary Felegy – Tam 80
- 8 Peter Vandecar – Katie 80

Champion: Warren Mick – Jinty 162 (tie broke on outwork)

Reserve Champion: Cheryl Jagger Williams – Spot 162



## Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial, August 18 - 20, 2006

Cooperstown, NY

Judge: Linda Tesdahl, MD

The eleventh annual Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial was held August 18, 19, and 20th, 2006 at the Clark Field on Beaver Meadow Road near Cooperstown, New York. The event was sponsored in part by the Farmer's Museum, a complex of historic buildings dedicated to rural life. The trial has come a long way since Chalmers Means first viewed an empty field several years ago and envisioned what could happen there. Many spectators viewed dogs and handlers from Vermont, New York, New Hampshire, Mass., Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, Conn., Canada, and handler Albion Urdank who traveled all the way from California. Linda Tesdahl of Maryland patiently and fairly judged each run.

It was a mixed forecast of weather-cloudy with showers, slightly humid, heavy rain on Saturday night, and welcome sunny skies Sunday afternoon. Just after the last run of the week-end the wind picked up and the skies let loose. Roger and Heather Millen's flock of 84 Katahdins provided lively runs. The large field proved challenging to both novice and open handler. For some novice dogs it was difficult to hold the line on the fetch due to pressure toward the exhaust. It was great to see 11 year old Emily Schoen giving it a try with her novice dog Jenny. Instead of a shed a chute was set up and it was difficult to receive a perfect score with this obstacle. Most handlers sent to the left.



**Ed Pabst presenting overall Open winner Tom Lacy with hand crafted gate.**  
***(Don't think any credit can be given to the little poodle under Tom's arm, though!)***

We appreciated our set out man Tom Forrester who provided a consistent opportunity on top for the dog to pick up sheep, and Brian and Chris Wilber our pen crew did an excellent job. The beautiful hillside provided a spectacular back drop for the trial.

Vendors were also on hand with hand made soaps, and freshly baked dog treats. Fiber artists demonstrated spinning

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# NEBCA Trial Results



## Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial, Continued

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and sold yarn. Jean Walsh of Jordanville had a wonderful display of framed dog art, sheep prints, and quality plush toys that were hard to resist. Pat Decoux and her walking sticks were very popular and all proceeds came back to the trial committee. Steve Hotchkiss manned the ice cream truck and profits from that were collected toward next year's event as well. Fly Creek Methodist Church had a food tent complete with their famous home made pickles and kept everyone well fed. The trial could not take place without the spectators. Most were in awe of what the Border Collie has been bred to do. Several plan their vacations around this event. Betty Levin and Maria Amodei as well as others were observed talking to a roving Boston Globe reporter.

Blue Seal Feeds provided the dog food prizes and specialty feed sales representative Linda Donegan and division manager Dan Denner were on hand to answer any questions about their premium all natural By Nature food. They also sold small sample bags and dog biscuits with the money coming back to the trial committee toward next year's event. We appreciated this very much.

On Saturday night, barbequed lamb, macaroni salad, tossed salad, potatoes and a Leatherstocking themed cake were provided, and potluck selections from the handlers rounded out the meal. A NEBCA meeting followed the dinner and awards.

Ed Pabst of Guilford Iron Works fabricated a steel gate with Border Collie accents and a special hand made crook for open and reserve open champions. Tom Lacy of Virginia and Barbara Levinson of New Jersey had the highest combined scores and were the respective winners.

Special thanks to our scribes, gate keepers, Heather Millen with entries, and everyone else who pitched in- including our interesting announcers who make the trial come alive for the crowd.

The trial committee of Barb and Bernie Armata, Linda Hotchkiss, Ed and Tina Pabst, and Liz Phillips wishes to thank all who made this trial possible and look forward to seeing everyone next year.

*Tina Pabst*

### FRIDAY - NOVICE - 17 dogs

- 1 Cymerman, Jack Dee 53
- 2 Hoeber, Tom Taz 51
- 3 Evans, Joe Peg 51
- 4 Evans, Joe Molly 50
- 5 Westcott, Joyce Mibs 38
- 6 Fuge, Heidi Gar 29
- 7 Hotchkiss, Linda Moss 29
- 8 Hotchkiss, Linda Gyp 27
- 9 Hoeber, Tom Nikki 26
- 10 Urda, Lois Denver 19

Joyce Westcott/Mibs Long Road Award

### FRIDAY - PRO/NOVICE - 22 dogs

- 1 Levinson, Barb Ryn 66
- 2 Thompson, Mary Coal 65
- 3 Thompson, Mary Rio 62
- 4 Pabst, Ed Kim 58
- 5 Liebau, Mary Patch 55
- 6 Schoen, Sue Tyne 54
- 7 Warner, Wendy Jayne 53
- 8 Savage, Lorna Spy 50
- 9 Fetterman, Dave Chief 47
- 10 Fetterman, Dave Jared 43

Mary Thompson/Coal Long Road Award

### FRIDAY - RANCH - 10 dogs

- 1 Kras, Mary Ann Gyp 70
- 2 Hotchkiss, Linda Mae 65
- 3 Murphy, Joanne Maude 60
- 4 Higgins, Michelle Bracken 58
- 5 Murphy, Joanne Bess 49
- 6 Urdank, Albion Buck 49
- 7 Murphy, Jim Trim 48

Albion Urdank/Buck Long Road Award

### SATURDAY - OPEN - 71 dogs

- 1 Levinson, Barb Ginnie 88
- 2 Lacy, Tom Megan 87
- 3 Lacy, Tom Peg 87
- 4 Vandecar, Peter Bud 85
- 5 Mick, Warren Jinty 84
- 6 Mick, Warren Glen 83
- 7 Thompson, Mary Hawk 82
- 8 Ortiz-Sharp, Nancy Alderbaran 82
- 9 Cunningham, Lori Riff 80
- 10 Smart, Bruce Dolly 80

- 11 Sheninger, Gene Jess 78
- 12 Urdank, Albion Asa 77
- 13 Amodei, Maria Cato 76
- 14 Obernier, Nancy Ben 76

### SUNDAY - OPEN - 69 dogs

- 1 Sheninger, Gene Jess 90
- 2 Mick, Warren Jinty 87
- 3 Armata, Barb Rhett 86
- 4 Lacy, Tom Megan 86
- 5 Levinson, Barb Ginnie 84
- 6 Vandecar, Peter Bud 84
- 7 Savage, Lorna Zoe 84
- 8 Williams, Cheryl J. Spot 81
- 9 Williams, Dick Lass 81
- 10 Amodei, Maria Cato 78
- 11 Sheninger, Gene Jen 78
- 12 Mick, Maria Ben 78
- 13 Savage, Lorna Brock 77
- 14 Leonard, Denise Kate 76

Champion - Tom Lacy/Peg  
Reserve - Barb Levinson/Ginnie  
Long Road - Lorna Savage/Zoe

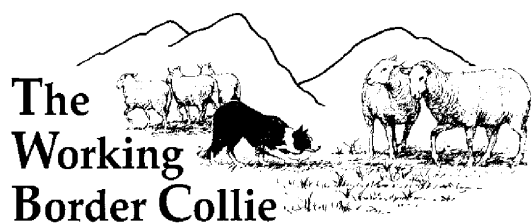


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December 2006.**

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November 1st !  
(or thereabouts!)**

**WANTED:**

- Christmas photos with dogs and or / sheep,
- "Herdaholics Anonymous" submission
- Fall trial results (Trial Managers: PLEASE cc the Editor when sending your results to Heather!)
- Don't be shy! Send your articles and stories and photos!
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**Killing time at trials - Here is past NEBCA President, Dave Young entertaining himself and others.**

**Left: Kate Broadbent's Hummer: "The Wave" at Kingston. (Thanks to Jim Allen for this photo) Above: Dave riding Jessie Schoen's bicycle at Cummington. (Thanks to Wendy Warner for sending this!)**



# NEBCA Classifieds

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**Got something to sell? Looking to buy? Looking for a trainer? Classified ads are just \$3 per issue for members, or \$10 annually! Send ad to creekside-farm@sympatico.ca and send payment to NEBCA c/o treasurer, Maria Amodei (for address, see page 2).**

## Help Wanted (Funny)

A local business was looking for office help. They put a sign in the window, stating the following: "HELP WANTED. Must be able to type, must be good with a computer and must be bilingual. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer."

A short time afterwards, a Border Collie trotted up to the window, saw the sign and went inside. He looked at the receptionist and wagged his tail, then walked over to the sign, looked at it and whined.

Getting the idea, the receptionist got the office manager. The office manager looked at the dog and was surprised, to say the least. However, the dog looked determined, so he lead him into the office. Inside, the dog jumped up on the chair and stared at the manager.

The manager said, "I can't hire you. The sign says you have to be able to type." The dog jumped down, went to the typewriter and proceeded to type out a perfect letter. He took out the page and trotted over to the manager and gave it to him, then jumped back on the chair. The manager was stunned, but then told the dog, "The sign says you have to be good with a computer."

The dog jumped down again and went to the computer. The dog proceeded to demonstrate his expertise with various programs and produced a sample spreadsheet and database and presented them to the manager. By this time the manager was totally dumb-founded! He looked at the dog and said, "I realize that you are a very intelligent dog and have some interesting abilities. However, I \*still\* can't give you the job."

The dog jumped down and went to a copy of the sign and put his paw on the sentences that told about being an Equal Opportunity Employer. The manager said, "Yes, but the sign \*also\* says that you have to be bilingual."

The dog looked at him straight in the face and said, "Meow."

# USBCA NATIONAL FINALS 2007



## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The 2007 USBCA National Finals will be held September 18th through the 26th on the beautiful and historic Redding Family Farm in Gettysburg, PA. The Redding Farm is host to the annual Gettysburg battlefield re-enactment each July. The sheepdog competition will replicate the same types of chores the working dogs and their handlers perform daily on their home farms. The view of the trial field and surrounding area is simply spectacular.



This venue, containing several hundred acres of rolling terrain, will make a tremendous finals field, with plenty of room for spectators, parking and vendors. It is centrally located on the East Coast and within easy driving distance to several large cities and airports.

### \$2500 - \$5000

- Full page ad in the souvenir Trial Program
- Your company logo/link on the Nationals Finals website
- Recognition by announcer of your business as a sponsor throughout the event
- Premium Banner Placement at the Trial
- Gate passes for two for entire event
- Preferred parking & admission to the handler's tent to meet and greet the competitors and their dogs
- A selection of sportswear custom designed for the 2007 National Finals

### \$1000 - \$2500

- Half page ad in the souvenir Trial Program
- Your company logo/link on the National Finals website
- Recognition by announcer of your business as a sponsor throughout the event
- Gate passes for two for entire event
- Preferred parking & admission to the handler's tent to meet and greet the competitors and their dogs!
- Custom designed 2007 National Finals t-shirt & hat

### \$500 - \$1000

- Quarter page ad in the souvenir Trial Program
- Recognition by announcer of your business as a sponsor throughout the event
- Gate passes for two for two days
- Free parking & admission to the handler's tent to meet and greet the competitors and their dogs!
- Custom designed 2007 National Finals hat

### Something Special!! Dog Sponsorships

Each of the 150 Open dogs will have a special sponsor. \$100 will purchase the sponsorship of one of the competing dogs. Dog sponsors will be randomly assigned after the running order is drawn.

#### *Dog sponsors will also receive:*

- Listing in the souvenir trial program next to *your* dog!
- Recognition as the sponsor of the dog each time the dog competes
- Gate passes for two for two days
- 2007 souvenir trial program
- Custom designed national finals hat



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**Thank you for your support!**



# NEBCA Business - Meeting Minutes

## Submitted by Maria Mick

NEBCA Meeting Minutes  
August 19, 2006  
Cooperstown, NY

Meeting called to order at 7:32pm by Denise Leonard. 37 members were present.

### Secretary's Report – given by Maria Mick:

Current membership is 248 members, which is up 22 since the May meeting and up a total of 66 since the annual meeting. Membership includes 74 family memberships. Betty Levin motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the annual meeting and from the May meeting. The motion was seconded by Walt Jagger and approved.

### Treasurer's Report – given by Maria Amodei:

Total NEBCA balance as of 8-17-06 was \$9,284.33. This was further broken down in Maria's report to a total Inflow from 1-1-06 to 8-17-06 of \$10,379.45 and Outflow of \$12,425.74. The net difference is (-)\$2,046.29.

### Novice Trials Committee Report – given by Steve Wetmore:

Entry forms are now available for the Novice Finals to be held on the Armata' farm in Esperance, NY. The cost is \$40 entry fee for three runs. The combined best two scores will determine final placing. Lorna Savage will judge the event. A suggestion was made by Jim Murphy to change the number of points needed to qualify to run in the novice finals from the current requirement of 3 points. The novice com-

mittee will consider the suggestion. Any changes will require an official proposal by the committee to the membership with a vote to follow at the annual meeting.

### Open Trials Committee Report – given by Sue Schoen:

The committee has accepted the proposed site for the Fall Foliage Trial and the finals will be held near Rochester, NY. There will be 90 undogged sheep for the trial and no double lift final round. The event will be a 2-day event, occurring on the Saturday and Sunday of Columbus day weekend (October 7 & 8, 2006). Details of the entry requirements will be on the entry form, which will be available soon. In the effort to revitalized the Fall Foliage Championship and to assist members to gain USBCHA points to qualify to run in the 2007 Nationals, the committee will open up this particular trial as an open trial, but will give first preference to qualified dogs and members for the traditional championship.

### Board of Directors Report - given by Warren Mick: Nothing to report.

### Old Business – no old business

### New Business – no new business

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maria Mick



**The National Finals Committee is looking for willing volunteers to assist with the planning and execution of the finals. If you are interested in assisting in any way, please contact us at [NationalFinals2007@att.net](mailto:NationalFinals2007@att.net) and we will be in touch. If you would like to be a sponsor or would like to contact a company, we have all the necessary information including a sample letter to send to a potential sponsor . all available to you at <http://groups.google.com/group/National-Finals-2007-Documents> We will be updating these documents as we go forward. This site is open to all. Take a look.**

**We thank you for your support.  
Without you and others who are like-minded, these events would not exist.**

**Barb Levinson**

## TRIAL LISTING UPDATE

**October 26-29**

**Butternut Creek SDT, Kingston, Ontario**

**Two NN, PN, Nursery & Open trials**

**Running on Thursday if numbers require**

**NOTE: Only open is NEBCA sanctioned**

**Amanda Milliken, 613-531-9405; [ajmilliken@gmail.com](mailto:ajmilliken@gmail.com)**

**Please note that the Novice trial originally scheduled for Nov 4-5 has been cancelled.**

## 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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Taravale Farm  
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Esperance, NY 12066  
518-875-6471  
taffaway@aol.com

Carol & Larry Campion  
Bittersweet Farm  
109 Hammond Hill  
Hampton, CT 06247  
(860) 455-9416  
carmacampion@yahoo.com

Kate Collins & George Northrup  
Aurora Ranch  
P0 Box 119, Taft Hill Road  
Royalston, MA 01368  
(978) 249-4407  
george01368@yahoo.com

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Merlynn Kennels  
342 Hio Ridge Road  
Denmark, ME 04022  
(207) 452-2898  
merlynn@fairpoint.net

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Conway, NH 03813  
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Lincoln, MA 01773  
(781) 259-8799  
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Eve Marschark  
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3118 Farm School Road  
Bedminister, PA 18910  
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evemarschark@verizon.net

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68 Misty Lane  
Brownfield, ME 04010  
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(973) 299-9785  
esheninger@optonline.net

Steve Wetmore  
Spring Valley Farm, Box 54  
Strafford, VT 05072  
(802) 765-4466  
swwet@valley.net

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