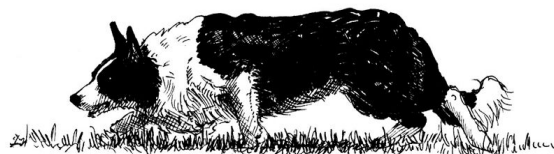


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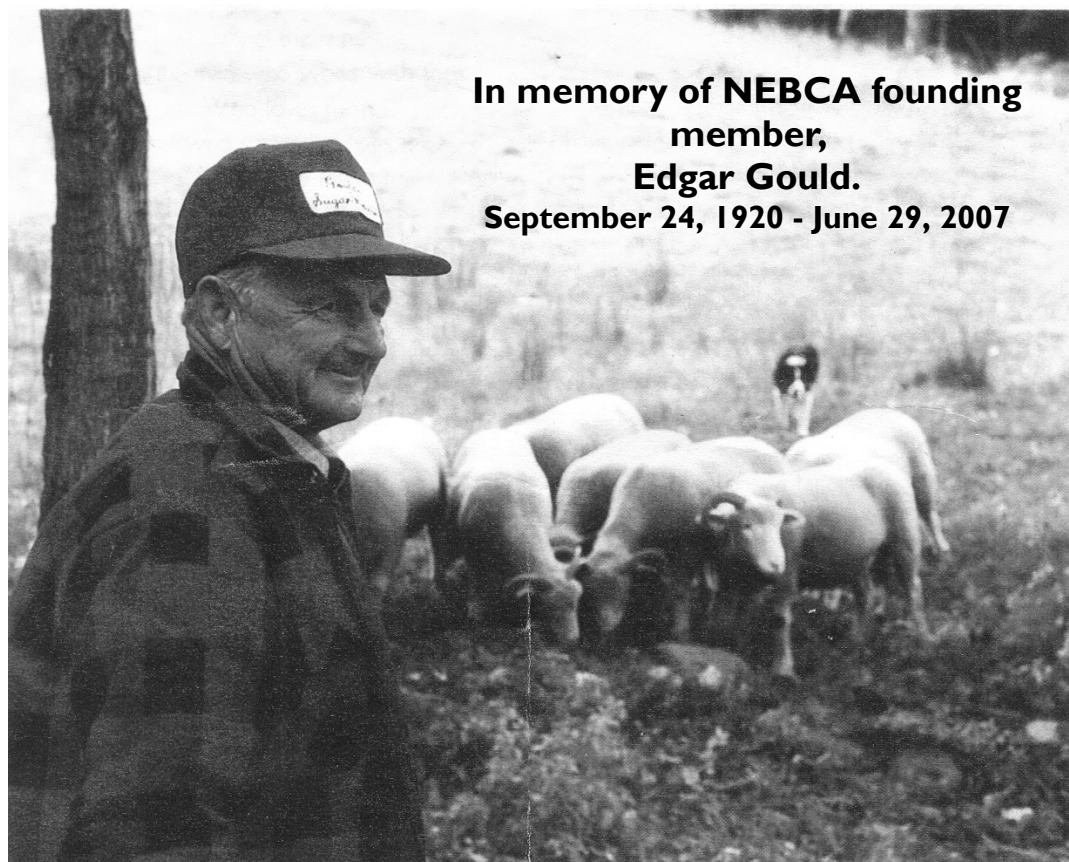
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**In memory of NEBCA founding member,  
Edgar Gould.  
September 24, 1920 - June 29, 2007**

## Editorializing...

First, I apologize for the lateness of the Fall issue of NEBCA News. What a crazy summer it's been! Trial season here in the Northeast has been a busy one for many who aimed to qualify dogs for the USBCHA Finals, which being in Gettysburg, PA - the first time East in many years - drew a lot more NEBCA handlers into the points race. By the time this reaches you, the Finals will be underway, so check the website: [www.sheepdogfinals2007.com](http://www.sheepdogfinals2007.com) for breaking news!

Next, it is with great sadness that the news of Edgar Gould's passing reaches the NEBCA membership. Many of our members got their start in sheepdogs through Edgar and the great hospitality provided by he and his wife, Helen. Cooperlane Farm was the site of many Novice trials and Edgar welcomed all novice handlers and dogs, and provided pointers and tips that were always helpful. Afterwards, Helen provided something delicious from her kitchen and we all sat around talking dogs.

It is because of the generosity of Edgar Gould and the NEBCA founding members, their devotion to the breed, and their direct impact on the development of the working Border Collie in the Northeast that the sport of sheepdog trialing has grown to what it is today. NEBCA owes a lot to Edgar Gould.

Fiona Robertson, Editor NEBCA News

## NEBCA NEWS

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## *Edgar A. Gould - a Tribute*

### *I'm Only a Farmer - Author is Unknown*

*I'm only a farmer.  
I know the sun better than anyone.  
And the soil.  
And the wind.  
And the rain.  
I am the man who works with them.  
Who loves them.  
And who sometimes fears them.*

*I'm only a farmer.  
I am the sower of seeds.  
I am the tender of stock,  
I am the reaper of harvest.  
I am sweat.  
And tears.  
And pride.*

*I'm only a farmer.  
I am the man who feeds the young.  
And the old.  
The weak,  
And the strong.  
I am the black earth of Spring.  
The green hills of Summer.  
The harvest gold of Autumn.  
And the cold white stillness of winter.*

*I'm only a farmer.  
I am warm memories of the past.  
The steely reality of the present.  
And a hopeful dream of the future.  
I am a optimist.  
A thinker.  
A watcher.  
And a doer.  
I'm only a farmer.  
I live in a complex world.  
Made of simple things.  
And they are my source of joy.  
And hope.  
And comfort.  
I have walked the morning fogs.  
I have paused for the Summer song of the meadowlark,  
And I have savored the breeze off freshly cut hay.  
I have paused, remembering, by the stream I knew as a boy.  
I have felt the power of a thousand storms.  
And rejoiced in the fresh world left in their wake.*



**Photo courtesy of the Gould Family**

*I'm only a farmer.  
I am an accountant.  
A chemist.  
And doctor.  
I am a midwife.  
And a mechanic.  
I am a seller.  
A trader.  
And buyer.  
I am husband.  
Helper.  
And partner to my wife.  
I am a father.  
Comforter.  
And teacher to my children.*

*I'm only a farmer.*

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## *Edgar A. Gould - a Tribute*

### *I'm Only a Farmer - Author is Unknown*

*(Continued from page 3)*

*Not a man of riches.*

*But a man of great wealth.*

*I have learned to treasure life.*

*And all things living.*

*To respect their maker.*

*And my own.*

*I am humbled by the earth's bounty.*

*And awed by endless rebirth.*

*I am fascinated by the marvelous minutiae of my world.*

*And enriched by their beauty.*

*I'm only a farmer.*

*If a man can be truly free, then I truly am.*

*The day.*

*The week.*

*The month.*

*They have been entrusted to me.*

*They are mine to spend.*

*They are mine to invest.*

*They are mine to use wisely.*

*It is a solitary profession I have chosen.*

*Or, perhaps, that I have been chosen for.*

*A profession where there are no certainties.*

*Where no guarantees are granted.*

*No promises given.*

*No excuses taken.*

*I have but one man to answer to.*

*One man to depend upon.*

*One man to confide in.*

*And in the quiet of the years, I have come to know him well.*

*I'm only a farmer.*

*I am perseverance.*

*And creativity.*

*And courage.*

*I'm only a farmer.*

*I am confidence.*

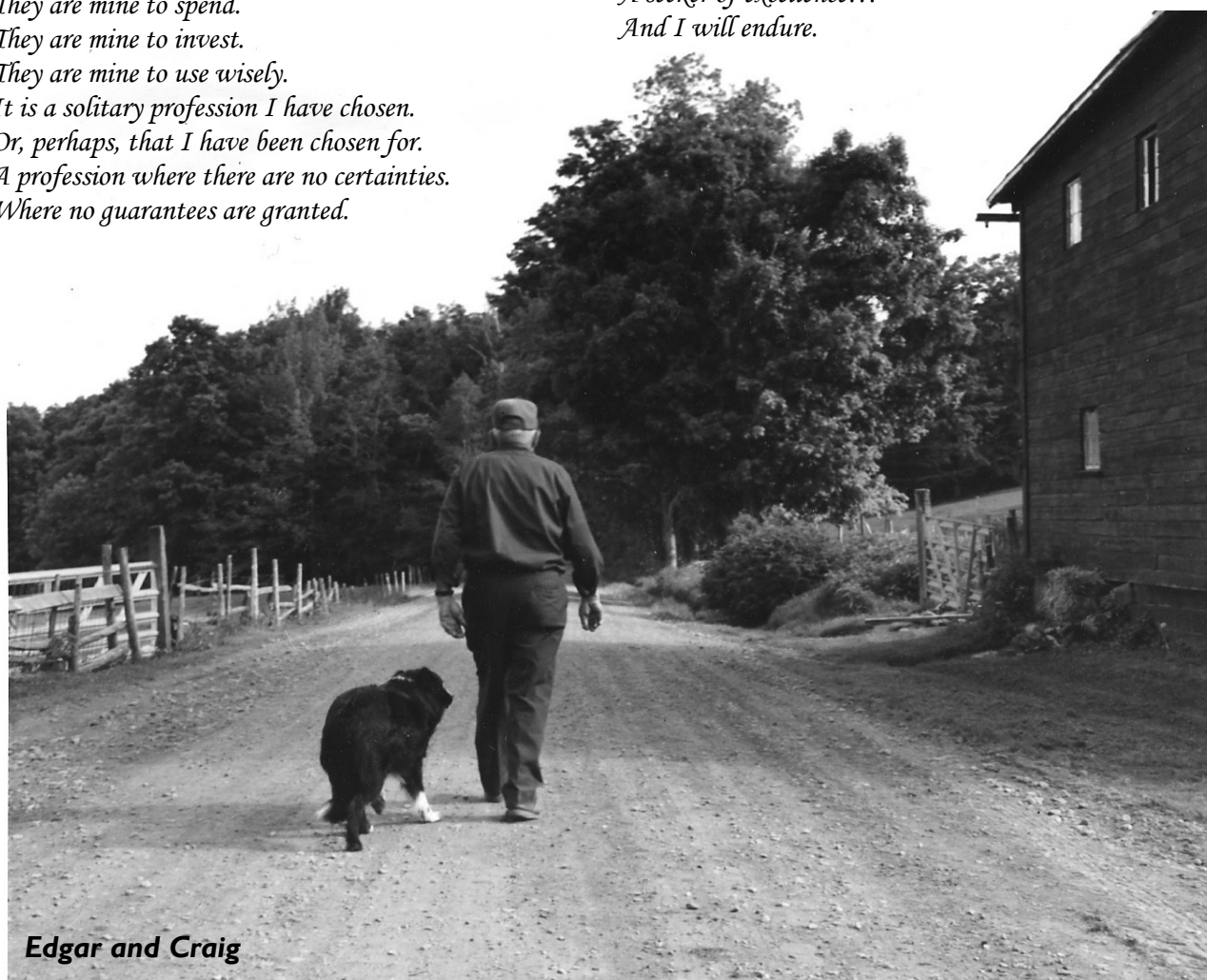
*And ingenuity.*

*And intelligence.*

*I'm only a farmer.*

*A seeker of excellence...*

*And I will endure.*



**Edgar and Craig**



## Remembering Edgar A. Gould



**Above: Ed working 2 dogs at Cooperlane Farm in front of a large crowd.**

**Below: Current NEBCA President Denise Leonard got her start with Edgar.  
Both photos courtesy of the Gould Family.**



# Remembering Edgar A. Gould

I have so many stories about Edgar that I decided to write down a few memories that I think of most. I remember the 1/2 smile and twinkle in his eye when a dog worked well, though compliments were few and far between...The conversations on the porch after a lesson, discussing the issues while eating pie (which Helen always seemed to have) and watching the lambs play in the field in front of us...Going there on my own to work my dogs on his Horned Dorset x Kangaroo sheep, one of which would always jump the fence. I would look for hours, not finding it, and leave him a note. When I got home I would call him—he always said it was “in the cornfield”, “behind the swimming pool”, or “in the garden” and still invite me back next weekend, seemingly never annoyed. I also thank Helen for taking my young son into her home during lessons as she thought that the round pen was not an appropriate playpen, the soda and snack for the drive home. I will miss Edgar and will remember him every time I think about training and trialing dogs.

Wendy Warner

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Helen, I just learned about Edgar passing away...I think of him often and always with a smile on my face. If not for him, I would not be where I am today in the wonderful world of Border Collies! He touched many, many people as he introduced them to his border collie world of which I will be eternally grateful!

Jan DeMello

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I attended Edgar's service last Monday and the little church was overflowing. That said a lot for the influence he had on so many people. I'm attaching the front of the program from the service. I think it's a great photo of Edgar and I'm passing it on to you with the family's permission. If you need or want any other pictures they said to let me now and I can get you some more.

The dogs meant so much to Edgar. Last October I brought back another imported bitch for him from Doug Lamb in Scotland. He really wanted one more good dog and I give him a lot of credit for looking forward even when he knew he was winding down. He wanted to see the bitch bred but unfortunately she never came into heat before he passed away, but it gave him something positive to be thinking about and looking forward too.

We have lost another great border collie mentor but he lives on in so many that he got involved with the dogs over the years.

Emily Yazwinski, Deerfield, MA

From the start, Edgar seemed to think it was his duty to reform me.

“You girls,” he'd say, “you don't have any business trying to compete with us men.” Or, “You girls, you're wasting your time trying to pick the best puppy. Just close your eyes and reach out, and take the first one you touch.”

The thing was that while he went to great lengths to show that he was tough, underneath the crusty exterior was the real Edgar, who was smart, dedicated, often (in spite of himself) kind, funny, and, more important, fun. We worked together to form the first Northeast Border Collie Association, and when Edgar insisted that it be disbanded, we worked together to launch its successor, the current NEBCA. He was great to work with because he was serious about what he thought needed to be done, but his sense of humor could always lighten things up just when everything tended to bog down.

He hosted the first judging clinic in the northeast, imported outstanding dogs from Scotland, almost all through or from his friend Doug Lamb, and he kept track of some of the handlers he helped to get started, never sparing his opinions about runs that fell short, but always ready with advice and support.

He was fortunate to have his wife Helen by his side. Like Edgar, she could cut right through the bluster and gave as good as she got. Together they enjoyed so much, not the least their long friendship with Alex and Maimie McKiven. When you were with those four, you knew you were fully alive.

Betty Levin, Lincoln, MA

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It was early Spring of '88 when I first met Edgar---it was a life-changing event for me! From that purchase of my very first Border Collie, Cooperlane Kit, my job as a dairy farmer was made immensely easier and handling cattle a much more simple task with the help of these amazing dogs! Any farmer who has ever purchased a dog from Edgar Gould can attest to that fact!

I wanted to share the following story:

As a large animal practitioner and a State Veterinarian my father-in-law, Dr. Ray Allen, often had some interesting if not challenging calls. TB and blood-testing cattle, particularly beef cattle, could often be one of those more challenging calls. Years ago he related the story of a call out to Western Mass to TB and bloodtest a herd of Scottish Highland Cattle. Highland cattle, with their almost Texas Longhorn-like horns were known among veterinarians to be difficult to restrain, let alone restrain one long enough to draw blood for testing! On the ride out to the farm with seasoned livestock inspector and friend Franny DeWitt, my father-in-law began to question him about han-

# Remembering Edgar A. Gould

dling this herd. According to the story, Franny told his friend not to worry, things would be under control on THIS farm!

Taking a left-hand turn just before the famous Gould's Sugarhouse on the Mohawk Trail they soon arrived at the farm. The group of Highlands were scattered across a rugged hillside field, appearing only as mere brown dots across the landscape. Dr. Allen thought to himself: "This will be a long, long day." He wondered why Franny hadn't mentioned more about the rugged terrain. And why didn't this farmer have the cattle confined in a smaller area? Dr. Allen looked across the farmyard to catch a glimpse of Franny and the farmer shaking hands and sharing a good laugh. While walking towards Franny and the farmer he suddenly heard a shrill whistle and turned around just in time to see two Border Collies leap into action hurtling down over the hillside into the midst of the brown dots.

The farmer was of course Edgar Gould! Within minutes the two Border Collies had every last Highland pushed into a small holding pen. The two dogs kept the cattle up tight with just enough room for Dr. Allen to reach in behind each animal, draw a blood sample from the vein under the tail and inject them for the Tuberculin test. At the same time Franny was in front of each animal reading and recording the eartag numbers. By noontime the testing was complete.

With the morning's work done the three men chatted for a few minutes. Franny reminded Edgar that they'd be back on Wednesday to check the injection site on each animal for the State's TB report. At that point Dr. Allen couldn't contain himself any longer and had to tell Edgar just how impressed he was with the work of those incredible dogs! Edgar just shrugged and said: "That's what these dogs do-they handle the stock for me. And, yes, they ARE good dogs!"

*Alice Allen, Wells River, VT*

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I always liked the sparkle he had in his eyes, kinda like the twinkle you see in Santa's eyes. I ran at his trial a couple of times a very long time ago when I first got in to BCs. I don't have any memories that are extremely special, just that he was full of helpful advice. I am sure there are many you will receive from others.

*Sylvia Murray*

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I've known Edgar most of my adult life. He was a good friend, mentor and outstanding example of a man dedicated to the land he farmed. He really appreciated the Border Collie for the steps the dog could save him throughout the day. One visit to Cooperlane Farms would tell you why. What land did not slope up from the farmstead tended to slope down.

he had very little flat land. I always enjoyed hearing the stories about his past border collies.

In my younger days I would visit and spend several days shearing his horned Dorsets. An incident that both of us would laugh about over the years was while I was shearing, Edgar was always going off to do something else (no moss grew under his boots). This left me to pack the wool. He didn't have a wool rack and the bag would hang off the stairway to the loft. I jumped in to pack the wool not realizing that there was less wool in it than it seemed. I spent the good part of an hour stuck in the bag not being able to pull myself up and out without something for my feet to push off on. He got a big kick out of that and teased me for many years over it.

My fondest memory of him is one time he and Alex stopped in on the way home from Hop Bottom to help me with a my dog Glen (whose wickedness became legendary). He was busting out after the sheep whenever I called him off. They carefully positioned themselves between Glen and the sheep and attempted to divert that dog as he took off after the sheep. What a sight, it was very comical! It was the only time I ever saw him run after a dog. They're advice, have him drag a line.

Edgar did much for NEBCA as one of it's earliest members. He donated a breeders trophy for many years, he promoted the Fall Foliage trial and came up with the idea of a Supreme Champion for the rare dog that was both High point winner and Fall Foliage Champion. He always encouraged new handlers, with many of them having their first go at trialing in the small field by his house. Over the past several years I've made a point to stop in to visit him and Helen and they've always been so welcoming. I've felt like I was coming home. I'll miss Edgar a lot but know I just have to drive up the lane to Cooperlane farms to feel his presence.

*Barbara Leverett, St. Johnsville, NY*



This is the beautiful **Ed Gould Breeder's Award** that is awarded each year to the breeder of the highest scoring dog bred in the NEBCA region at the Fall Foliage Championships.

The 2006 winner is Ivan Weir of Seeley's Bay, ON for breeding Lorna Savage's Zoe.

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# Remembering Edgar A. Gould

[ Originally published on: Monday, July 02, 2007 ]

SHELBURNE -- Edgar Allen Gould, 86, of 311 Cooper Lane Road, died Friday (6-29-07) at home.

He was born in Shelburne on the family homestead on Sept. 24, 1920, the son of Arthur J. and Adeline (Delphine) Gould. He was one of nine children.

He was a 1938 graduate of Arms Academy in Shelburne Falls. As an honor agriculture student and not wanting to miss school, his trip to Arms was walking over Mt. Massamet in good weather and skiing the winter months and many times bragging that he could get there by the time the school bell was ringing.

Gold was a long time breeder of Horned Dorset Sheep which he exhibited at many local agricultural fairs.

He was a trainer and breeder of Border Collie Working Dogs, making many trips to Scotland to acquire breeding stock. He had been a director of the American Border Collie Association and an original member and director of the New England Border Collie Association.

In his younger years he was a breeder of Milking Shorthorn Cattle and was past president for a term or two of the New England Milking Shorthorn Association.

A former director of the Massachusetts Maple Association, he was a pioneer of the thought that New England farmers would have to be diversified farmers to continue farming in New England, with this in mind he built and operated Goulds Sugarhouse on the Mohawk Trail in Shelburne since its opening in 1960. Since his family was old enough to work, they have sugared and worked together.

An avid deer hunter, he inspired the Mass. Fish and Wildlife to have a deer season check station at the sugarhouse which has been active all 46 years since it was originated.

Gould was one of the original directors of the Franklin Land Trust. He was also a former Town of Shelburne assessor, a position he served for 20 years.

He married the former Helen E. Woodard in Greenfield on October 12, 1945.

Survivors, besides his wife, include his children, Launie M. York of Shelburne and her husband, Tony, Linda R. Herrera of Shelburne and her husband, James, Lorraine A. Shippee of Sherman, Maine, and her husband, David, Leonard F. Gould of Greenfield and his wife, Kathy Chagnon, Larry J. Gould of Shelburne and his wife, Karen; two sisters, Irma Warnock of Easthampton, Phyllis Nichols of California; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. A daughter, Louise J., pre-deceased him in 1958.

Funeral services will be Monday, July 2 at 1 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Shelburne.

Burial will be in Franklin (Center) Cemetery, Shelburne.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial gifts may be made to either Hospice of Franklin County, 329 Conway St., Greenfield MA 01301, or to the Shelburne Grange #68, in care of Gordon Taylor, South Shelburne Road, Shelburne MA 01370.

Smith-Kelleher Funeral Home in Shelburne Falls/Greenfield is in charge of arrangements

**Photo taken by  
Peter McDonald  
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Courtesy of the  
Gould Family**



# NEBCA Classifieds

## BORDER COLLIE STUD SERVICES:

**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 8, Glen has placed in the top 10 of approximately 140 Open trials. CEA/CH genetic test "normal". Grandson of Berhow's "Nick" (3 time USBCHA National Champ). Glen is a very biddable & stylish worker. Eyes clear, hips OFA certified.

**Doc:** (ABCA 214103, CBCA 3846) - 2005 Canadian National Nursery Champion, descendant of Julie Simpson's ## Moss and #Gwen and Stuart Davidson's #Whiterose Kep. A good gathering dog and serious minded worker with a terrific temperament. OFA Good and eyes clear.

**Dale:** (ABCA 227438, CBCA 4515) - 2006 NEBCA Ranch Reserve Champion and Long Road Winner, out of Wetmore's "Gyp" by Mick's "Glen", from Berhow's "Nick" line. A dog that is focused and quick. OFA Excellent, eyes CEA/CH genetic test "normal".

**All three above dogs are standing at Mick's Border Collies: Warren and Maria Mick, Altamont, NY 518-861-5854 or mickwa@logical.net.**

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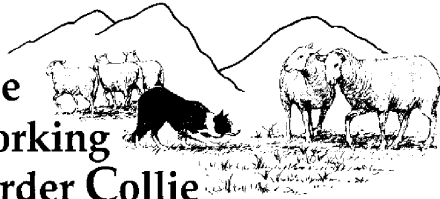
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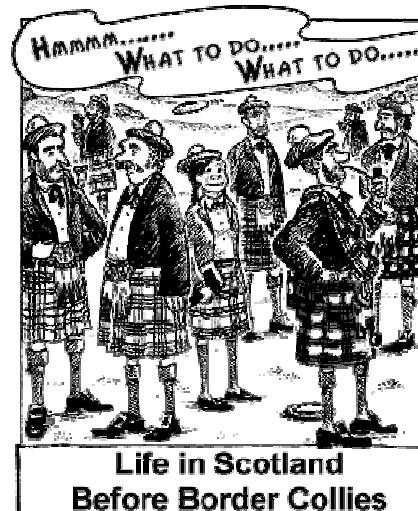
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# 2006 Edgar Gould Breeder's Award Recipient: Ivan Weir of Seeley's Bay, ON



Lorna, Zoe and Ivan.



The beautiful Edgar Gould Breeder's Award plaque


The 2006 Edgar Gould Breeders Award goes to Ivan Weir of Sealy's Bay Ontario for breeding Lorna Savage's Zoe. The award is given to the breeder of the highest scoring NEBCA bred dog at the Fall Foliage Trial and recognizes the breeding of excellent working dogs within the NEBCA region. Lorna and Zoe won the 2006 Fall Foliage Championship. Zoe is by Ivan's Moy and goes back to Ivan Weir's Imported Jim (grandfather). Jim was also the sire of Ralph Pulfers Tweed and Corrie who was Reserve International Supreme National Champion with Alasdair Macrae in 1992. In September of last year, Imported Jim was inducted into the ABCA Hall of Fame. For more on Lorna's Zoe, please see the Spring 2007 issue of NEBCA News! 

## NOVICE RULE CHANGES GO INTO EFFECT SEPTEMBER 4TH 2007

*Submitted by Joanne Krause for the Novice Committee*

The novice committee would like to remind all handlers that the novice rule changes that were passed by membership vote at the 2007 meeting will go into effect as of September 4th, 2007.

The changes are as follows:

1. The 40 Points for the Novice classes shall be changed to 30 points. This means all dogs with 30 or more points will be moved up to the next level class.
2. Once a dog moves up to a higher class, that dog may not move back down to a lower class.
3. If a dog is transferred to a different handler but remains in the same class, all points the dog has earned will go with the dog, but if a transferred dog is moved to a lower class, then all points earned by that dog will be dropped. 





# NEBCA Trial Results



## Ewesful Acres Sheepdog Trial, Portland, ON

Date: August 4 - 6, 2007

Trial Managers/Hosts: Jim and Joanne Murphy

Submitted by: Joanne Murphy

### Round-1-Novice-Novice (22 dogs)

1.	Palmer, Annie	Dot	75
2.	Murphy, Ashtyn	Bess	72
3.	Mycroft, Jay	Wisp	71
4.	Dunning, Helen	Jess	71
5.	Hinton, Tracy	Boy	69
6.	Talbot, Shona	Saede	68
7.	Williams, Malcolm	Spin	67
8.	Keats, Kathy	Moss	66
9.	Comeau, Linda	Roy	65
10.	Lee, Sherry	Breck	64

### Round-2-Novice-Novice (23 dogs)

1.	Lefever, Gwenn	Mirk	75
2.	Murphy, Brittany	Lady	73
3.	Comeau, Linda	Roy	72
4.	Palmer, Annie	Dot	69
5.	Williams, Malcolm	Spin	67
6.	Murphy, Ashtyn	Bess	64
7.	Walke, Martha	Sweep	63
8.	Talbot, Hailey	Maymie	60
9.	Dunning, Helen	Jess	60
10.	Keats, Kathy	Moss	58

**Champion: Palmer, Annie & Dot**

**Reserve: Comeau, Linda & Roy**

### Round-1-Pro-Novice (26 dogs)

1.	Cunningham, Lori	William	67
2.	Palmer, Annie	Dan	66
3.	Palmer, Cynthia	Kit	55
4.	Hall, Peter	Cap	55
5.	Pullan, Wendy	MrBlue	49
6.	Hoeber, Tom	Taz	48
7.	Jewell, Sue	Breeze	46

8.	Pullan, Wendy	Amber	44
9.	Burton, Janet	Data	43
10.	Palmer, Cynthia	Pam	42

### Round-2-Pro-Novice (26 dogs)

1.	Jewell, Sue	Breeze	52
2.	Palmer, Annie	Dan	50
3.	Comeau, Linda	Nell	42
4.	Pullan, Wendy	MrBlue	40
5.	Hoeber, Tom	Taz	39
6.	Elliott, Heide	Sweep	35
7.	Pullan, Wendy	Amber	24

**Champion: Palmer, Annie & Dan**

**Reserve: Jewell, Sue & Breeze**

### Round-1-Ranch (23 dogs)

1.	Levinson, Barb	Ryn	77
2.	Lacy, Tom	Belle	77
3.	Bailey, Lena	Hemp	77
4.	Tesdahl, Linda	Ryan	69
5.	Matwiy, Peter	Maddi	66
6.	Boyce, Dawn	Tristan	64
7.	Talbot, Ian	Maeve	62
8.	Williams, Cheryl	Sammi	59
9.	Murphy, Jim	Trim	58
10.	Boyce, Dawn	Giordi	58

### Round-2-Ranch (18 dogs)

1.	Levinson, Barb	Ryn	81
2.	Clingerman, Terri	Rhys	77
3.	Boyce, Dawn	Giordi	77
4.	Lacy, Tom	Belle	72
5.	Palmer, Annie	Sea	72
6.	Matwiy, Peter	Maddie	71

7.	Jagger, Walt	Gem	64
8.	Talbot, Ian	Maeve	58
9.	Boyce, Dawn	Tristan	57
10.	Bailey, Lena	Hemp	49

**Champion: Levinson, Barb & Ryn**

**Reserve: Lacy, Tom & Belle**

### Round-1-Open (58 dogs)

1.	Boyce, Dawn	Karch	94
2.	Lacy, Tom	Peg	93
3.	Boyce, Dawn	Juno	90
4.	Valley, Jim	Lita	90
5.	Levinson, Barb	Lass	90
6.	Gamble, Leslie	Bob	89
7.	Murphy, Jim	Trim	88
8.	Tesdahl, Linda	Jaffe	87
9.	Williams, Dick	Lass	86
10.	Williams, Cheryl	Spot	86
11.	Tesdahl, Linda	Ryan	85
12.	Lacy, Tom	Belle	84

### Round-2-Open (55 dogs) \* runoff

1.	Lacy, Tom	Megan	94*
2.	Mick, Maria	Kit	94*
3.	Boyce, Dawn	Tink	92
4.	Pullan, Wendy	Sara	90
5.	Mick, Warren	Glen	90
6.	Tesdahl, Linda	Ryan	89
7.	Kelly, Randy	Jimmy	88
8.	Boyce, Dawn	Karch	88
9.	Levinson, Barb	Ginnie	86
10.	Lacy, Tom	Peg	85
11.	Smart, Bruce	Peg	85
12.	Mick, Maria	Doc	85



## Kingston Sheepdog Trials at Grass Creek Park, Kingston, ON

Date: August 8 - 12, 2007

Trial Manager: Amanda Milliken

Submitted by: Amanda Milliken

### Round 1 - Open (112 dogs)

1.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	BART	91
2.	WARREN MICK	JINTY	85
3.	JEANNE WEAVER	LIZ	85
4.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	HEMP	82
5.	WENDY VILLARREAL	BREEZY	82
6.	JEANNE WEAVER	JACK	81
7.	GENE SHENINGER	JEN	80
8.	TOM LACY	MEGAN	79
9.	TOM LACY	PEG	78
10.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	PIPPA	78
11.	SALLY LACY	EVE	77
12.	BRUCE SMART	DOLLY	72

13.	JANET HARVEY	SCOTT	72
14.	CRAIG ROGERS	CELT	71
15.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	BILL	69
16.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	CLIVE	69
17.	MARILYN TERPSTRA	QUEEN	68
18.	JEANNE WEAVER	BETT	68
19.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	ETHEL	68
20.	NANCY OBERNIER	NICK	68
21.	PAUL TUCKER	BICK	68
22.	DON WHITTINGTON	FIONN	66
23.	WARREN MICK	GLEN	66
24.	GENE SHENINGER	JESS	65
25.	WENDY PULLAN	SARA	65

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## Kingston Sheepdog Trials at Grass Creek Park, Kingston, ON (continued)

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### Round 2 - Open (112 dogs)

1.	BARB LEVINSON	GIN	86
2.	MARILYN TERPSTRA	QUEEN	86
3.	GENE SHENINGER	JESS	86
4.	TOM LACY	MEGAN	83
5.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	ETHEL	82
6.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	BART	81
7.	J. P. LALONDE	FLY	78
8.	JIM VALLEY	LITA	76
9.	WARREN MICK	JINTY	76
10.	WARREN MICK	KESS	75
11.	DICK WILLIAMS	LASS	73
12.	NANCY ORTIZ	CASSY	73
13.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	HEMP	70
14.	JEANNE WEAVER	JACK	70
15.	JEANNE WEAVER	BETT	70
16.	STEVE WETMORE	DART	70
17.	C J WILLIAMS	SPOT	69
18.	LORI CUNNINGHAM	TESS	69
19.	VIKI KIDD	CASH	69
20.	LINDA TESDAHL	PEG	69
21.	SALLY LACY	EVE	68

22.	DONALD McCAIG	JUNE	67
23.	DAVE YOUNG	BRYN	67
24.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	BILL	67
25.	MARILYN TERPSTRA	GIN	67

### Double Lift Finals (20 dogs) \* Runoff

1.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	PIPPA	119*
2.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	ETHEL	119*
3.	BARB LEVINSON	GIN	112
4.	AMANDA MILLIKEN	BART	111
5.	JEANNE WEAVER	BETT	108
6.	CRAIG ROGERS	LUKE	104
7.	MARILYN TERPSTRA	QUEEN	98
8.	LINDA TESDAHL	PEG	96
9.	TOM LACY	MEGAN	96
10.	JANET HARVEY	SCOTT	91
11.	BEVERLEY LAMBERT	HEMP	91
12.	DON WHITTINGTON	FIONN	89

### The winner of the Market Square Rodeo arena trial:

Maria Mick and Kit with a perfect score and a blistering time of just over 49 seconds !



## Mad River Valley Sheepdog Trials

Date: July 14 - 15, 2007

Trial Manager: Nancy Phillips

Submitted by: Nancy Phillips

The fourth annual Mad River Valley SDT in Waitsfield, Vermont, opened after a morning fog to a perfect summer day for a trial. The Green Mountains were etched against blue skies punctuated by white cumulus clouds. The temperatures stayed in the mid seventies with the help of a breeze. The weather gods certainly looked after us, because the forecast on Sunday was for thunderstorms throughout the day. A morning rain and fog gave way to a pleasant afternoon.

About 50 handlers and 90 dogs competed in Novice and Open classes. The Novice classes had many good runs on Saturday in spite of the fact the Katahdin sheep were a challenge to pen. Laura Donaldson, with her dog Sam, was able to get a perfect score up to the pen in Novice/Novice. Patricia Hammel-Murphy, with her dog Bob, was the only Pronovice handlers to get a 10 point pen and took first place with that pen. In the Ranch class, Chris Bowen and Ben tied with Anne Devine

and Annie. A run off produced Anne and Annie as the winners. In the afternoon, the Open class ran on a flock of mixed wool and hair sheep. Again there were many fine runs. With the right amount of finesse the sheep were willing to separate for a shed. Maria Amodei and Cato had a near perfect run and took first place with a score of 96. Fiona Robertson and Tap followed her with a 90.

On Sunday the mixed flock was used for Novice/Novice and Pronovice. Again, there were several smooth runs and many more pens. Heidi Fuge, with Vic, took first place in Novice/Novice with a fine run that did not include a pen. Bernie Armata, with Roy, captured first place in Pronovice with a 75. Ranch ran again on the Katahdins and they continued to provide more of a challenge for the dogs and the scores reflected that. However, the Open dogs had a better time of it and there were many fine runs. This day instead of a shed there was a chute. Bruce Smart had a near

perfect run with Peg and took first place with 97 points.

The weather brought out the best in everyone. Particularly on Sunday there was a lot of light hearted and friendly bantering under the handlers' tent. Steve Wetmore entertained the crowd with a dance at the pen, in hopes that the sheep would go in, but that wasn't enough to entice them in. The audience certainly enjoyed the antics. Even the judges, Bruce Smart from Alexandria, Ontario, Canada, and Werner Reitboeck, from Winchester, Ontario, Canada, had smiles on their faces. They were able in their few minutes of free time to banter with the handlers, yet when it was time to get down to business, they were able to sort out the runs and offer tips to novice handlers. The time they put in is most appreciated. Several community groups provide support to the trial in a variety of ways. The Lions Club sold water and Vermont

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# NEBCA Trial Results



## Mad River Valley Sheepdog Trials (Continued)

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made Leonardo's Gelato. The Boy Scouts had lunch items for sale including Vermont lamb. A lovely evening enhanced a great dinner provided by a local caterer, Heidi Benjamin and her two young teenage daughters.

As always the trial can't run smoothly unless there are volunteers to help support the main crew. Thank you to Martha Walke and Tom Leigh who came early and stayed late to fill any task that was needed. Another thank you to Michelle and Geoff Brothers for coming up early from New Jersey to help set up tents and the sheep pens. The boys at the set out pen always enjoy the help from Ginny Prince. Thank you to all the other handlers who volunteered to work the set out pen, set out sheep, exhaust sheep, scribe, and announce. The public particularly enjoyed the superb announcing by numerous handlers.

Your explanations make the trial an event they want to come back to. You all did your best to help.

Besides the volunteers there is a core group who come early and stay late to make the trial happen. Bud and Mary Ames come early and stay late every year to help set up the sheep pens and tear down. This trial would not be possible without their support. During the trial Bud is working the sheep pens with his right hand man, Mike Nunan and various volunteers. Mary Ames mans the morning coffee and snacks. Kim Kathan, who quietly behind the scenes, is providing support for the trial before it even begins. Betty Murray, the trial secretary, keeps all the data in order and makes it easy for the trial manager, Nancy Phillips. And finally to Ellen Rusconi-Black and her husband Bill Black for working dawn to dusk pulling together all the loose ends. Our

appreciation is heart-felt.

This year Eagle Pack Dog Food, Border Collies Anonymous, and Vermont Animal Cookies provided prizes. Green Mountain Coffee Rosters provided the coffee. Northern Power Systems allows us the use of their dumpster. The Mad River Lions Club provides manpower and the Valley Rotary loaned the grill to the Boy Scouts to use. Finally hats off to the Kenyon Family who provide the field and panels for the exhaust. Howard Kenyon is out there on the tractor mowing the field and tiding up the edges several days before the trial. The trial would not be possible without their support.

Nancy Phillips and Stephen Doherty want to thank all the handlers who support the trial and we look forward to seeing you next year.

*Complete results beginning on page 14.*



**Above: Linda Samter's Wren (Joanne Krause's Lucy x Maria Mick's Doc) paying close attention.**

*Photo of Wren by Grace Smith  
Photos at right by Bill Black*



**Above Right: Chris Bowen and Dot completing the chute.**



**Right: Maria Mick carefully working the pen.**



# NEBCA Trial Results



## Mad River Valley Sheepdog Trials (Continued from page 13)

### LR = Long Road Award

#### Sat. Novice/Novice - 15 dogs

- 1 Heidi Fuge – Vic 62
- 2 Laura Donaldson – Sam 60
- 3 Paul Garwood – Taff 58
- 4 Heather Shaver – Jazz 57 LR
- 5 Jan Berger – Moss 56
- 6 Joyce Westcott – Tair 52
- 7 Sharon Perkins – Tweed 48
- 8 Eileen Wilentz – Jamie 43

#### Sunday Novice/Novice – 15 dogs

- 1 Heidi Fuge – Vic 66
- 2 Joyce Westcott – Tair 60 LR
- 3 Laura Donaldson – Sam 57
- 4 Eileen Wilentz – Jamie 56
- 5 Jan Berger – Moss 51
- 6 Deb Donahue – Ross 50
- 7 Sharon Perkins – Tweed 32
- 8 Sharon Perkins – Roy 27

*Champion: Heidi Fuge – Vic*

*Reserve: Laura Donaldson – Sam*

#### Sat. ProNovice – 25 dogs

- 1 Patricia Hammel-Murphy – Bob 72
- 2 Werner Reitboeck – Roy 61 LR
- 3 Patricia Hammel Murphy – Li 52
- 4 Wendy Pullan – Amber 51
- 5 Jim Perkins – Jack 51

- 6 Anne Devine – Sue 49
- 7 Ellen Rusconi-Black – Stevie 48
- 8 Bernie Armata – Roy 44

#### Sunday ProNovice - 25 dogs

- 1 Bernie Armata – Roy 75 LR
- 2 Wendy Pullan – Amber 68
- 3 Bruce Smart – Floss 68
- 4 Wendy Pullan – Blue 65
- 5 Anne Devine – Sue 65
- 6 Rob Drummond – Maggie 62
- 7 Patricia Hammel Murphy – Bob 59
- 8 Barb Armata – Gar 51

*Champion: Patricia H-Murphy – Bob*

*Reserve: Wendy Pullan – Amber*

#### Sat. Ranch – 13 dogs

- 1 Anne Devine – Annie 65
- 2 Chris Bowen – Ben 65 LR
- 3 Anne Devine – Ben 64
- 4 Michelle Ferraro – Skye 52
- 5 Michelle Brothers – Roy 43

#### Sunday Ranch – 11 dogs

- 1 Michelle Brothers – Roy 57LR
- 2 Chris Bowen – Ben 54
- 3 Anne Devine – Annie 51
- 4 Nancy Phillips – Susie 37
- 5 Ginny Prince – Martha 35

*Champion: Chris Bowen – Ben*

*Reserve: Anne Devine – Annie*

#### Sat. Open – 35 dogs

- 1 Maria Amodei – Cato 96 LR
- 2 Fiona Robertson – Tap 90
- 3 Werner Reitboeck – Tara 87
- 4 Maria Mick – Kit 84
- 5 Maria Mick – Doc 79
- 6 Paul Heidenberg – Jodi 76
- 7 Peter Van de Car – Katie74
- 8 Rob Drummond – Ben 66
- 9 Wendy Pullan – Sara 64
- 10 Denise Leonard – Jessie – 63

#### Sunday Open – 32 dogs

- 1 Bruce Smart – Peg 97 LR
- 2 Maria Mick – Kit 90
- 3 Steve Wetmore – Dart 89
- 4 Peter Van de Car – Katie 88
- 5 Maria Amodei – Cato 86
- 6 Steve Wetmore – Pace 84
- 7 Peter Van de Car – Bud 83
- 8 Denise Leonard – Katie 82
- 9 Maria Mick – Doc 81
- 10 Emma Court – Marshall 77

*Champion: Maria Amodei – Cato*

*Reserve: Maria Mick - Kit*



**Maria Mick and Doc waiting to run.**

*Photo by Grace Smith*



**Fiona Robertson's Tap earning a 10 point Single.**

*Photo by Grace Smith*

**WINTER ISSUE OF NEBCA NEWS: DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS NOVEMBER 1, 2007**

**DON'T FORGET TO TAKE LOTS OF PHOTOS AT THE FALL TRIALS!**

**Trial Managers: Please follow the following format when submitting results!**

**Trial Name, Location, Date, Judge(s), Trial Managers/Hosts, Submitted by.**

**Delegate someone to do a short write up: weather, sheep, challenges, highlights, thanks etc.**

**Thank you! The Editor.**

# When is it OK?

By Joanne Krause

When did it become OK or cool to let your dogs run loose at a trial? I'm sure everyone has been to a trial and had someone's dog run up to their dog. Usually not a handler in sight. Not only is this an annoyance but it can cause injury to one or both dogs.

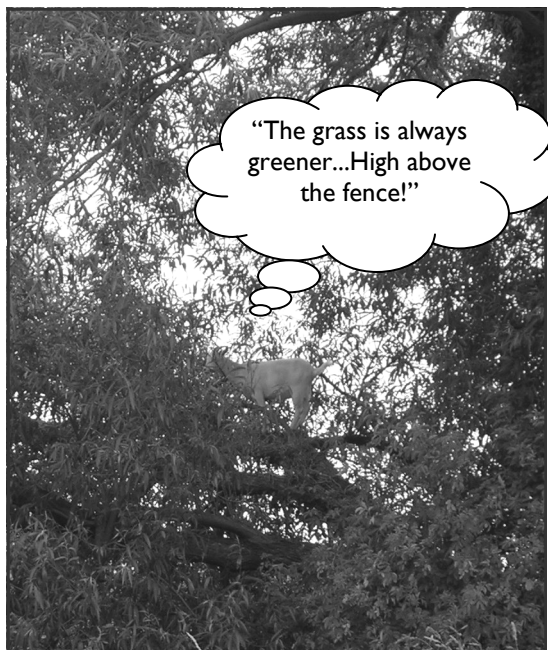
A handler pulls in to a trial sight opens up their truck or car and lets out their dogs. The handler starts to un-pack or they start talking to another handler as their dogs run all around unattended. Or they are taking their dog to the trial area to get ready for their run. As they are waiting for their turn they start talking to other handlers. They have forgotten about their dog that is now running up to any dog in their path. These things are an accident waiting to happen. Dogs can start fighting. The dogs can get injured or someone can get bit trying to separating them. Some times the dog on the leash is not friendly and may be leashed for a reason. When a loose dog runs up to that dog there can be a confrontation. While running loose they could run in front of a vehicle entering or exiting the trial area. Although this hasn't happened

often there has been some mishaps. I don't think handlers realize these things when they let their dogs run loose.

We have been lucky that these incidents haven't caused some real problems. If you can't keep your dog with you this dog should be kept on a leash.

A few weeks ago I was at a trial. There was a handler there that was walking 4 dogs, off leash which was fine. They stayed right with her as they walked to an area where they could run. When she got there she released them and let them do their thing. Then she gathered them up and walked back to her trailer. Why should someone that has their dogs on a leash or under control have to be subjected to fending off loose dogs. This is very inconsiderate and should not be tolerated.

These are not just my feelings but the feelings of many of us. We would like handlers to be more aware of where their dogs are and how inconsiderate this is to others.



**Above: Summer Grazing. Yes there is a sheep in the TREE!**

*Photo submitted by Maria Mick, taken by David Sykes, UK.*



**Jim Perkins and Z qualifying for the USBCHA Nursery Finals. Jim and Z will be making the trip to Gettysburg with a whole contingency of other NEBCA handlers!**

*Photo by Sharon Perkins.*



Get ready - winter's coming!

Send your fall/winter photos! See page 2 for submitting instructions.

*Photo at left taken by Clair Garwood.*



# Your Guardian Angel Will Never Say, "I Told You So!"

By Michelle Higgins

Several years ago I lost a wonderful working partner at too young an age to Cancer. I had been in a bad depression over her passing and did not trial that next season following her death. I had finally purchased a young project after months of not wanting to work the one dog I had. Bracken was just what the doctor ordered. I again was feeling excited about working dogs. She kept me on my toes enough that I did not have time to think of Swift not being part of my routine. She distracted me from the pain I just could not seem to shake. Poor Deigh, it was not her fault. I just could not work her without thinking of Swift. Tears would soon spill. Bracken changed this for me. She was new, had no connection to Swift and I am sure Deigh was relieved that she was finally getting work after so many months idle. Bracken was listening well enough by August that I entered Fosterfields SDT. As a prep for both her and Deigh a few days before the trial I loaded about ten sheep into my trailer and drove about 50 minutes east to my friends 130 acre horse farm. She was on vacation in Florida and said it would not be a problem, though the farm would be empty.

The day was incredibly hot and humid to the point you could see it in the air. I drove my truck and trailer out into one of the big empty pastures and started tuning up the dogs. We had to take many breaks during our time out there due to the heat. I was happy with both dogs and called it a day.

The sheep were at the far end of the pasture and I thought, "I'll send Bracken out on a big gather to wrap this up". At that very moment I had a flash or premonition of "something". I thought, "It's hot, the dogs worked well. Load them up and drive the truck out to the sheep and let them load themselves." I know I hesitated a moment to wrestle with what was the better choice and then brushed it off.

I sent Bracken and started jogging up the field. I had been working on her stops and frantic paced fetches. At about half way up the field, dead in the middle of it again I felt "something".

Bracken was coming on too hard down the fetch and the sheep were moving fast at me. I then slowed my pace and thought "Oh, I have a bad feeling about this". The sheep were still coming at me hell bent for leather. Bracken had stopped but had already set the motion by blasting them to me at the top part of her fetch. I made another bad decision and attempted

to flank a 1 1/2 year old dog around in front to head off sheep that were running at me. Bracken almost pulled it off but ran a bit wider than she should (we are working on that still!) I moved to my left to get out of the sheep's way thinking they would then run past me. They all did but ONE. Just as I moved to get out of the way she moved the same way and ran head down into me.

The rest was surreal. I remember flying up in the air like a rag doll, letting out a moan that you hear on the slow motion re plays of football players pummeling each other. I remember hitting the ground thinking "I'm toast".

The pain was intense and numb at the same time. I lay on the ground grabbing my leg, I then hear the sound of stampeding feet coming in my direction. Yes Bracken, had regathered the bolting sheep and was bringing them to my damaged body. I screamed "Lie down Lie down!" Thankfully she listened and the sheep stopped near me.

My leg in quick time had swollen more than twice it's normal size. I lay there assessing the situation. Can you believe the very first clear thought I had was "Darn, now I can't go to Fosterfields!"

My truck was a good 250 yards away. My Cell phone was IN the truck. I was in the middle of a 40 acre pasture with a very messed up leg. I was close to an hour away from home. At this point my leg did not really hurt, it was more numb than



Above: Michelle's Bracken

Below: Deigh



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# Your Guardian Angel Will Never Say, "I Told You So!"

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anything else from the knee down. I tried to get to my feet to see if I could put any weight on it. As I stood up careful not to use the damaged leg, I knew right away that there was no walking on it. It was bent in a very unnatural position. I sat down, again looked at my truck so far away. Deigh tied up to the bumper, sheep grazing at my feet, my young dog looking at me wondering what was next.

I got on my hands and one good knee and started my crawl back to the truck. I worked Bracken while doing this and had her push the sheep back to the trailer. Oh what a LONG crawl. I was covered in sweat and dirt by the time I got to the truck. I stood up on my "good" leg and opened the truck up, looking for my stick (I hardly ever use one when training). Got it only to find white stock sticks make for a lousy crutch. So I hopped around to the side of the trailer and opened the back door to load the sheep. Oh such good sheep about loading. Found my phone and called my husband Paul to let him know I was hurt.


For whatever reason after getting the dogs up in the cab of the truck, I never questioned driving home. I placed the bad leg on the gas pedal, saw I could bend my ankle and started the drive (though slowly) back home. Paul met me in the driveway, got me in the house with ice bags, unloaded the sheep and put the dogs up. Then off to the ER where I was a very interesting patient to the staff at our suburban hospital. I think I talked with thirty or more staff members about how I was hurt. "A sheep really did that to you?! You HAVE SHEEP on Long Island???"

Well, turned out I had a clean break through the Fibula and Tibia, some of which had shifted up into and tearing the Meniscus in my knee. No, I was not going to make Fosterfields or any other trial for quite a while. I had eight months of recovery to look forward to.

That evening after my trip to the ER we sat in the kitchen figuring out what would be the best plan for sleeping etc. I heard a digging, tearing sound. Paul looks into our living room. He finds my new young dog Bracken working on and unraveling a huge pile of loops in our two day old area rug! It was ruined.

Two days later I also came to find out I was covered in poison ivy that I crawled through getting back to my truck. What fun I was to be around. I had also bred Deigh the beginning of August and had pups due in October. Whelping and puppy raising with a cast on and crutches. That was quite a challenge.

I doubt I would have kept the small shred of sanity I had left those very long eight months in recovery if it were not for my good friends. Calling to check on me as well as keep me up to date on trials and whatever else was going on in the dog world. Or Paul dealing with my being not the best patient or the most pleasant person to be around those months.

So my hope is the next time I get that "feeling", to not go forward with my plans. That I listen to that voice. It has always been right, yet seems I don't pay attention to it nearly as much as I should. 

## NEBCA Meeting Minutes

*Submitted by Maria Mick, NEBCA Secretary*

**NEBCA Meeting – Cooperstown, NY  
August 18, 2007**

Called to order at 7:23pm.

Thirty-seven members present. The motion was made by Bernie Armata to accept the minutes from the Cummington trial meeting. The minutes were approved.

**Secretary's Report** – given by Maria Mick. Membership is currently at 252 including 69 family memberships. This compares to 231 at the last meeting.

**Treasurer's Report** – given by Maria Amodei. Current balance in the treasury as of 8-18-07 is \$9,867.09. All of the presented bills have been paid, including hats/shirts/calendars and insurance. The final contribution to the National Finals was paid in January. Maria anticipates that upcoming expenses will include the NEBCA Novice Finals, the fall newsletter, and income will include fund raising sales.

**Open Trial Committee Report** – given by Sue Schoen. Sue reported that no proposals were submitted for organizing a Fall Foliage competition this year. Whether or not a Fall Foliage trial will continue will be discussed further at the annual meeting in January. As previously decided, dogs that would have qualified for a Fall Foliage trial this year will be automatically qualified for next year. It was suggested to the trial committee that trial managers consult the USBCHA guidelines for pulling running orders.

**Novice Trial Committee Report** – given by Bernie Armata. A query was made to the committee whether dogs running in the USBCHA Nursery finals should be allowed to continue running in NEBCA Pro-novice class. The committee will be reviewing this suggestion and welcomes your input.

George Northrup will be judging the

Novice Finals to be held in Knox, NY on Columbus Day weekend (October 6 & 7). Trial host Peter VandeCar will appreciate any set-up help on Oct. 5.

**Board of Directors Report** – given by Warren Mick. Nothing to report.

**Calendar Committee** – given by George Northrup. Volunteers are needed to sell the calendars at the National Finals. See Joanne Krause or Clair Garwood for details.

**Old Business** – none to discuss

**New Business** - Jim Murphy mentioned that there are jackets for sale for the Nationals. Check the website for details.

Motion to adjourn – Motion by Warren Mick and seconded by Joanne Murphy. Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.





# NEBCA Trial Results



**Ossipee Valley Fair Arena Trial, Hiram, ME**

**Date: July 13, 2007**

**Judges: Carroll Goodwin (Pollie Goodwin as Scribe)**

**Trial Manager: Fran Wheeler**

**Submitted by: Fran Wheeler**

Friday the Thirteenth ushered in the first Open sheepdog trial at the Ossipee Valley Fair. This fair is a small, family oriented, agricultural fair located in Hiram, ME. For years the fair has had a sheepdog demonstration and this year they decided to expand to a full sanctioned trial. Lynn Deschambeault and Fran Wheeler, who have previously provided the demos, were the trial co-managers. Roger Deschambeault supplied the sheep and Carroll Goodwin, along with Pollie Goodwin as scribe, was the judge. Stu Miller, Bert Cowgill and Darlene Hutchins were the indispensable "gophers", setout pen personnel [along with various handlers... thank you!], and keepers of the score board ... thank you all very much!!! Lynn, Gabe Merrill and Betty Levin announced for the appreciative crowd keeping them well-informed. Thank you!!

This points trial was sanctioned by NEBCA and USBCHA. Five sheep were set for each handler and dog to maneuver the eight obstacles for a possible score of 40 points. Each team had four minutes to complete the course. Seventeen dogs ran in Open. Five dogs ran in Nursery. After a break for lunch, thirteen dogs participated in fun runs with the proceeds split between the winner and the National Finals. One handler, Joe Grady, who had to pull out of the trial due to a commitment at work, graciously donated his entry fee check to the finals. A check for \$100 was sent from the trial as a donation for the USBCHA National Sheepdog Finals in Gettysburg, PA in September 2007.

We are especially grateful to our sponsors, Metcalf's Feed Store and Garden Center, for their generous support; and to Border-Collics Anonymous for their support! Thank you!!

## **Open [17 dogs]**

1. Maurice MacGregor – Flash
2. Fiona Robertson – Tap
3. Maurice MacGregor – Rob
4. Lynn Deschambeault – Chip
5. Roger Deschambeault – Pat
6. Lynn Deschambeault – Di
7. Fiona Robertson – Pat
8. Betty Levin – Kyle
9. Jim Perkins – Z
10. Gabe Merrill – Jill

*This was a first time placing for Jim Perkins and Z in an Open trial. Congratulations Jim!!*

## **Nursery [5 dogs]**

1. Lynn Deschambeault – Druid

*Dru is now qualified to run at the Nationals!! Congrats Lynn and Dru!*

**Fun Run Winner: Maurice MacGregor with Flash**



**Clair Garwood's Rhos and housemate enjoying summer!**  
**Photo submitted by Clair Garwood**



**Time to wean?**  
**Photo submitted by Liz Sharpe.**



# NEBCA Trial Results



## Quechee Highland Games Sheepdog Trial & Spring Valley Farm Sheepdog Trial

Date: August 25 - 26, 2007

Judge: Warren Mick (Saturday); Maria Mick (Sunday)

Trial Manager: Steve Wetmore

Scorekeeper: Betty Murray

### NEBCA members brave severe weather ! *By Fiona Robertson*

The Quechee trial is known for its heat and humidity. It's like summer's last hurrah and temperatures this year on Saturday were into the ninety's and 100% humidity. The sheep were Bud Ames' flock of Katahdins, known for their lightness and difficulty to pen. Thankfully, there was plenty of shade for the sheep both at the top and in the exhaust pen, and they remained quite willing throughout the day, with the exception of the pen, of course!

With all the heat and humidity, it is not surprising that thunderstorms hit late that afternoon. The unexpected aspect was the incredibly high winds, clocked at 80 mph, which did a considerable amount of damage in a very short period of time (maybe 15 minutes). I was en route to Steve's for the handler pizza party at the time the winds hit. A friend who lived nearby promised me a hot shower (which I got) and a chance to swim my dogs, for which they were very appreciative! Plus, she lived right on Steve's road, not 10 minutes from Spring Valley Farm.

Well, I was driving along, with windows down and stereo on, when suddenly, debris began flying through my car. It was like a gigantic poltergeist flinging apples, branches, dirt and even stones around like they were mere feathers. I quickly rolled up my windows and slowed the car, mindful of falling trees that seemed to be everywhere!

I never made it to Steve's that evening, although I tried for about 2 hours—huge fallen trees or powerlines blocked every route! People were stranded everywhere. Michael Dathe could not get home that night, and Jim Allen drove 70 miles of detours to get home (usually a 20 minute drive). The next morning, many roads were still blocked and town workers were frantically clearing the debris. There was a huge tree resting precariously on a power line right in Steve's driveway, which my car made it under but no RV was going to get out!

I was amazed that the "commuters" all made it to the trial that day, where we all had a lot of fun running Bud's sheep on Steve's tricky terrain. Thankfully the town came and cut the tree across the power line and everyone made it home safely. But oh boy, the things we go through to get to a dog trial!

\* Runoff; LR = Long Road Award

### Quechee—Saturday (45 dogs)

1	Peter V	Bud*	
2	Fiona R	Tap*	
3	Michael D	Trot	LR
4	Steve W	Pace	
5	Peter V	Katie	
6	Maria M	Doc	
7	Paul H	Jodi	
8	Dee w	Spot	
9	Denise L	Jessie	
10	Chris B	Jake	

### Spring Valley Farm—Sunday (42 dogs)

1	Warren M	Glen	LR
2	Peter V	Bud	
3	Fiona R	Tap	
4	Denise I	Jessie	
5	Denise L	Kate	
6	Maria A	Rhyme	
7	Roger D	Jet	
8	Fiona R	Pat	
9	Peter V	Russ	
10	Kate C	Jan	

**Champions: Peter Vandercar & Bud.** *Peter wins a watercolor of Bud by Barb Armata.*

**Reserve: Fiona Robertson & Tap**




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### Lancaster Fair Open Points Trial

Date: August 30, 2007

Judge: Carroll Goodwin (Pollie Goodwin as scribe)

Trial Manager: Roger Deschambeault

33 dogs to the post

1. Roger Deschambeault & Jet	4. Roger Deschambeault & Bob	9. Rob Drummond & Andy
2. Rich Seaman & Boo	5. Lynn Deschambeault & Druid	10. Sue Allen & Corrie
3. Rich Seaman & Ki	6. Bud Ames & Luke	11. Sue Allen & Lexie
	7. Maurice MacGregor & Rob	12. Chris Bowen & Jake
	8. Fiona Robertson & Pat	





# NEBCA Trial Results



## Blue Hill Fair Open Points Trial

**Date: Sept. 1 - 2, 2007**

**Judge: Carroll Goodwin**

**Trial Manager: Jim Davidson**

**Submitted by: Gabe Merrill**

*All ties were broken by time.*

### Saturday

1. Lynn Deschambeault/ chip/ 32
2. Maurice Mc gregor/jan/32
3. Betty Levin/Kyle/32
4. Roger Desc./Jet/32
5. Rich Seaman/Boo/32
6. Dee Woosner/Joy,32
7. Betty Levin/Selkie/28
8. Bud Ames/Luke/32
9. Roger D./Bob/31
10. Rich Seaman/Ki/31

### Sunday

1. Maurice Mc./Sam32
2. RichSeaman/Boo/31
3. Dave Craven/Moss/31
4. Rich seaman/Zoe/29
5. Maurice Mac./Flash/28
6. Lynn Des./Dru/28
7. Dee Woosner/joy/28
8. Gabe Merrill/Mzggie/27
9. Betty Levin/Folly/26
10. Roger D./Ken/26




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## 12th Annual Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial, Cooperstown, NY

**Date: August 17 - 19, 2007**

**Judges: Open & ProNovice - Eve Marschark; Novice - Sue Schoen; Ranch - George Northrup**

**Submitted by: Tina Pabst**

The 12th annual Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial was held August 17, 18, and 19th, 2007 at the Clark Field, Beaver Meadow Rd., near Cooperstown, NY. The event was sponsored in part by the Farmer's Museum a historical complex which cultivates an understanding of the rural heritage that has shaped our land. Dog food sponsor was Blue Seal Feeds, Inc. Handlers came from far and near to run on the beautiful hillside.

As usual it was a mixed forecast of weather with surprisingly cold temperatures Friday evening and Saturday morning. High winds on Friday night caused a few problems, but once the fog burned away on Saturday it proved to be a beautiful day. Spectators came all three days and seemed to be very interested in watching the runs and keeping track of scores. There was a change in the type of sheep that were used this year. This provided quite a different challenge to the dog/handler teams. Barb and Bernie Armata of Taravale Farm provided over 90 sheep which were a combination of Scottish Blackface, Montadales, and their crosses, as well as lambs contributed by Denise Leonard and Betty Levin. A dog had to be correct to control these sheep around the course.

The excellent sheep pen crew, Brian, Maggie, Rose, and Wayne, as well as set out people, J.P. LaLonde, Denise Leonard, and Warren Mick, assured that the sheep were as quiet and settled as possible. Handlers were happy to scribe and we thank all who contributed; the gate keepers, Mike Mulhair who hauled the sheep, Heather Millen with entries and score keeping, our announcers who helped clarify what was going on, and our judges George Northrup and Eve Marschark. George had unexpected mechanical problems with his truck and arrived just in the nick of time to judge Ranch class. In the meantime, Sue Schoen judged Novice/ Novice and Eve

rated the many Pro Novice runs.

Ed Pabst of Guilford Iron Works made a weathervane for all around Open Grand Champion winner and a farm sign bracket with Border collie for Reserve Champion. Bev Lambert of Andover, Conn. and Cheryl Jagger Williams of Hop Bottom, Pa. were the respective winners. He also made the Long Road awards for the Novice classes. Key chains were hand crafted by Elaine Bloom of PawPourri for the top two in the Novice classes. Long Road winners in Open Heather Millen and Amanda Milliken, received folk art paintings of the trial done by Kitty Johnson. Carol Champion won the Pro Novice class after a run off with Warren Mick and she went home with the Long Road awards for both Pro Novice and Ranch, while Linda Hotchkiss won the award in the Novice/ Novice.

Linda Donegan Blue Seal representative, had a display of their new Life Stages pet food and was on hand to answer any questions and give out samples. This premium dog food features no meat by-products, is wheat and soy free, and contains blueberries and sweet potatoes. Bags of food were presented to the top winners in each class as well as prize money and ribbons.

Many vendors were on the grounds selling such items as folk art paintings, jewelry for animal lovers, framed art, and quality plush toys and puppets. Katie's Kind Hands was there to offer dog massages. Steve Cox sold ice cream and Pat Decoux sold many hand made walking sticks both with the proceeds coming back to the trial. Dog Wild canine supply from Cooperstown supplied the handlers with "goodie bags" consisting of Mother Hubbard dog biscuits. Home to Home, a pet adoption service was represented, as well as Sweet Border Collie

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# NEBCA Trial Results



## 12th Annual Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial, Cooperstown, NY (continued)

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Rescue from Morris, NY. Fly Creek Methodist Church served lunches and snacks from their food tent.

The Saturday night dinner was well attended and the trial committee under the direction of Liz Phillips provided lamb,

ham, potatoes, salad, and baked beans. A trial themed cake was made and decorated by Gertie Pierce Boyd.

The trial committee of Barb and Bernie Armata, Linda Hotchkiss, Ed and Tina Pabst, and Liz Phillips hope to see everyone back next year. Special thanks as always to Chalmers Means.

### Friday Novice/Novice (14 dogs)

1. Hotchkiss, Linda	Gyp	71
2. Palmer, Annie	Dot	70
3. Sharpe, Liz	Gift	70
4. Fuge, Heidi	Vic	67
5. Westcott, Joyce	Tair	67
6. Donaldson, Laura	Sam	60
7. Reiter, Sara	Cash	59
8. Simmons, Nancy	Hope	45
9. Wasielewski, MaryZen		44

*Long Road Award: Linda Hotchkiss / Gyp*

### Friday ProNovice (45 dogs)

1. Campion, Carol	Floss	75
2. Mick, Warren	Nick	75
3. Pullen, Wendy	Amber	71
4. Armata, Bernie	Roy	67
5. Leverett, Barbara	Tot	65
6. Chambers, Maggie	Shane	63
7. Heasley, Michael	Taj	63
8. Vandecar, Peter	Leif	62
9. Pullen, Wendy	Mr.Blue	61
10. Lacy, Sally	Kitty	60

*Long Road Award: Carol Campion / Floss*

### Friday Ranch (26 dogs)

1. Murphy, Joanne	Bess	66
2. Jagger, Walt	Gem	65
3. Levinson, Barb	Ryn	65
4. Campion, Carol	Floss	64
5. Marshark, Eve	Doll	62
6. Williams, Cheryl J.	Sammi	59
7. Kras, Mary Ann	Gyp	58
8. Schoen, Sue	Tyne	52
9. Hornung, Sandy	Ozzie	45
10. Murphy, Joanne	Maude	43

*Long Road Award: Carol Campion / Floss*

### Saturday Open (65 dogs)

1. Williams, Dick	Lass	92
2. Seaman, Rich	Boo	89
3. Milliken, Amanda	Bart	85
4. Lacy, Tom	Megan	84
5. Lambert, Bev	Bill	84
6. Amodei, Maria	Cato	83
7. Lambert, Bev	Pippa	82
8. Leonard, Denise	Jessie	82
9. Williams, Cheryl J.	Spot	82
10. Williams, Dick	Mirk	80

11. Molloy, Sally	Paige	79
12. Leonard, Denise	Kate	79
13. Mick, Maria	Doc	79

*Long Road Award: Amanda Milliken / Bart*

### Sunday Open (62 dogs)

1. Sheninger, Gene	Jess	91
2. Lambert, Bev	Pippa	88
3. Williams, Cheryl J.	Spot	87
4. Levinson, Barb	Ryn	86
5. Millen, Heather	Spy	82
6. Higgins, Michele	Bracken	81
7. Milliken, Amanda	Clive	80
8. Seaman, Rich	Ki	79
9. Lacy, Tom	Peg	78
10. Schoen, Sue	Brook	77
11. Lacy, Tom	Megan	77
12. Mick, Warren	Glen	76

*Long Road Award: Heather Millen / Spy*

*Champion: Bev Lambert / Pippa*

*Reserve: Cheryl Jagger Williams / Spot*



**Beautiful handcrafted prizes at Leatherstocking SDT!**

**Left to Right:**

**Bev Lambert, Grand Champion Open with weathervane, Ed Pabst who hand crafted the prizes, and Cheryl Jagger-Williams Reserve Champion with sign bracket.**



# Tara's 17th Birthday Party

Tara turned 17 years old on June 2 !

For those of you who don't know Tara, she is the tail-less Border Collie you see hanging out by the Mick's RV. In her heyday, she was a consistent Open Trial Winner and was known for her fast paced fetches and not stopping until she was darn well ready!

Dave and Mary Ellen Young provided special peanut butter doggy ice cream for the party, held after the running at the Nearfield Farm Sheepdog Trial. It was a wild time! All the old Border Collies ate ice cream and partied well into the night—well, late afternoon anyways. Tara was a gracious host and didn't even try to steal anyone else's frozen treat! We learned later that Tara was not able to eat her dinner that night as she had spoiled her appetite.

All the good old dogs past and present were invited and remembered - in person, or in spirit.

By Fiona Robertson

Photos by Werner Reitboeck



The birthday girl enjoying her ice cream.

Dogs present (clockwise beginning at left):

1. Peter VanderCar's Bud, age 11
2. Betty Levin's Maddie, aged 12
3. Denise Leonard's Kate, age 11
4. Warren Mick's Tara (in the hat), age 17
5. Fiona Robertson's Boomer, age 15
6. Dave Young's Shim, age 13
7. Maria Mick's Ben, age 12
8. Michael Dathe's Cobb, age 14.





# Ben's Story

by Nancy Starkey

Little Ben was a well bred pup from a breeder in the mid-west, who is widely known and sells lots of pups and has been in the BC business for a long time. Ben's soon-to-be owners contacted the breeder and made arrangements for the puppy to be shipped to them via air. They lived in an affluent suburb of a large metropolitan area, and little Ben arrived at his new home at the tender age of 8 weeks. His new owners had already started making changes in and around their home to accommodate their new little family member: they had fenced their large back yard, they had bought toys by the dozen, and they had installed a dog door. Little Ben learned to use his access to the yard quickly, and the flapping of the door indicated that he loved going to and from the yard. Oh, his owners were delighted....what a bright pup....what an active pup...what a happy pup...after all, they had designed the perfect environment for a puppy.

Hadn't they?

While his family was away, Ben spent his time enjoying life to the fullest. He romped in the yard, he snoozed in the sunshine, he came inside for some lunch, he played with his toys, and he napped in his bed....the luckiest pup in the world....right? When his family came home, he was delighted to see them and to show them the evidence of all the fun he had had during their absence. Often, they weren't pleased with some of the choices he had made during the day. After all, they had provided Ben with lots of his own toys, why did he choose to play with things like the patio furniture pads? They had provided Ben with lots of rawhide bones to chew on, why did he choose to chew on their fine kitchen cabinetry? They had provided Ben with easy access to the yard for exercise, why did he still want to race around the house all evening? Ben's owners were perplexed...they had spent thousands of dollars to create a virtual puppy paradise....

Hadn't they?

Well, Ben continued to make poor choices regarding his activities, and his poor judgment was costing his owners more money all the time. Ben's owners could not make sense of this...after all; they had purchased a Border Collie pup, the smartest dog in the world. The final straw was added the day Ben made his worst choice, the day he decided to bring two of his outside toys into the house through his dog door. Ben's owners had an in ground pool in their yard, and the pool cover

was held in place by water-filled plastic tubes. It must have been too chilly to play outside that day, because Ben decided to bring two of these tubes into the house, after first puncturing them with his needle-sharp teeth. Ben's owners arrived home to find the tubes in the living room, leaking what was left of the stagnant water inside them all over their oriental rug. Poor Ben....his owners could not understand why he would do such a thing. They had provided him with everything a puppy could want...

Hadn't they?

Well, Ben's owners could not put up with a puppy that continually used such poor judgment, so Border Collie Rescue was contacted. His owners were advised to make some management changes to encourage their pup to learn appropriate behavior, but his owners didn't feel that Ben would ever be able to make the proper choices. So, he was relinquished to Border Collie Rescue. Poor little Ben....he was only fifteen weeks old, and he was being discarded much like the many items he had destroyed in the seven weeks he was in puppy paradise. Ben's owners simply did not understand how they could have purchased such an ungrateful puppy. They had provided him with everything a puppy could possibly want.

Hadn't they?

This story does have a happy ending. Little Ben spent six months living in a foster home, learning how to live life as a well-educated and well-adjusted Border Collie. He quickly settled into his temporary home, and he thrived within the parameters which were established for him there. He didn't seem to mind at all that he was no longer called upon to make judgments about how he spent his time. Fortunately, Ben was able to overcome his former owners' mismanagement, and the time that he spent in "puppy paradise" became a distant memory. Little Ben quickly grew into a handsome young dog, one that used very good judgment and made excellent choices. He then went to his forever home, where he still resides today (he is now twelve years old). Ben has become quite a respectable sheepdog, as well. He assists his owner with the management of a large flock of sheep, and he has competed in sheepdog trials and performs in working sheepdog demonstrations. If his former owners could see him now, they would be amazed by his many accomplishments.



"We don't stop playing because we grow old;  
we grow old because we stop playing."  
George Bernard Shaw



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