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Flagging in the heat at the Finals



Photograph by Tom Hoeber

The dogs are mostly away.....

Another season drifts closer to snow-bound lethargy. But what a season it has been.

Finally done

NEBCA members helped put on a glorious show at the National Finals. We focus our lens on NEBCA member, Lori Cunningham who showed what a good handler she has become and what a good dog her Matt is. We also include a photo essay of the competition courtesy of Christine Koval Henry and Tom

Hoeber.

More minutes

Formal business is taken care of in the magic of the NEBCA meeting minutes from Leatherstocking. There is also an important notice about soliciting nominations for Officer and Board positions as well as one detailing some proposed changes to the Novice guidelines.

VandeCar speaks

Peter VandeCar disdains mobile telephony and cloud computing in favor

of letters, the spoken word and old Volvos. However, he has an ear for music and a neat turn of phrase to annotate what he hears. He uses both to describe a memorable concert he attended a few years ago.

Also, Betty Levin's Kyle retired gracefully from big trials with an emotional farewell at Nearfield. The cheers can still be heard as this mighty team completed their pen and shed.

Who won?

As ever, the September issue is very results-oriented. Put your feet up by the fire, take a deep draught of Earl Grey tea and read who did what, where and how. This is today's form book for tomorrow's dogs. Our roving reporters and secret photographers travelled far and wide from Nearfield and Finality to the recent Novice Finals near Rochester, NY.

Joe Evans - Editor

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ADMIRE.....

**16 stunning pictures of
Border Collies, a few sheep and a
couple of errant geese**

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Sharon Perkins

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NEBCA at the National Finals



CE Henry 2010

Lori Cunningham and Matt staring daggers (or was it bullets ?) at Ewe # 2.

Photograph by Christine Koval Henry

NEBCA members were a dominant force in the 2010 National Finals at Belle Grove Plantation, Middletown, VA.

Off the field, Dick Williams's energy and leadership helped make the late September show a successful event. He came with a multitude of NEBCA right-hands, notably Annie Palmer, Jim Murphy and Tom Hoeber. Heather Nadelman revolutionized the competition by taking it to the masses huddled in front of their monitors around the world.

98° to qualify

On the field, the temperatures hovered nervously in the upper nineties for most of the qualifying round. Warm winds burnt the grass into dusty desert. The sheep almost rebelled but somehow kept on fighting. Dogs ran 100 yards for the water trough in the middle of their runs.

In the midst of this cauldron, Lori Cunningham & Matt scored 181 points making Matt the 9th highest placed dog out of 150 at this stage of the competition - a thrilling position. Roger Deschambeault & Bob and Beverly Lambert & Mirk came 26th and 28th respectively

with Amanda Milliken & Clive just behind. Chris Bowen & Jake, Sally Molloy & Bett and Amanda Milliken & Roz took the last three Semi Final spots. These three had a nerve-wracking wait as many big hats stunned the crowd in failing right at the day's end (hitherto an easier time to run). This included Alasdair MacRae and Star whose perpendicular outrun took in a barbed wire fence, a neighboring field, some Angus cattle and a distant white house. Off course. DQ.

Semi tough!

Semi Final Saturday saw a slight reduction in temperature - to about 90°. Amanda and young Roz took full advantage with an accomplished 197 points to come second in this round just behind local favorites, Tom Wilson and Sly. Having run first in the morning before the camera crew had even got out of bed, Lori Cunningham made it through to the Finals in 16th place (out of 17).

Final Madness

At last cool clouds rolled in on Finals Sunday. The dogs and sheep could dance on better terms. But the banana-bending

pressure to the exhaust and the marvelously fit, but stropky sheep made the look-back nigh on impossible. Once again, Lori and Matt ran very early and managed to round the course with a respectable score of 301.

Tom Wilson and Sly ran straight after Lori and laid down a steely challenge to the field. 505. Follow that!

Scott Glen's Maid did, but could only get within 100 points. Alasdair MacRae and Nap couldn't better Wilson's score either.

Wendy Schmaltz and Gin ran the most exciting race of the day splitting their single with less than one second left on the clock for 4th place. Amanda and Roz worked hard for a well-earned 7th place. Near the end of the day it took a calm, professional performance from Pat Shannahan and Riggs to shake Tommy Wilson off his perch.

As for NEBCA, we can be proud of our members. A lot more people have now taken notice of Lori Cunningham and her wonder-kind, Matt. 10th place at the National Finals? Quite an accomplishment.

Joe Evans

Belle Grove 2010 National Finals - Photographs by Christine Koval Henry



Chris Bowen's Jake stepping out

CKH 2010



Emma Court's Maia. Holding Position

CKH 2010



Patti Kallen to Jet: "Stop!"

CKH 2010



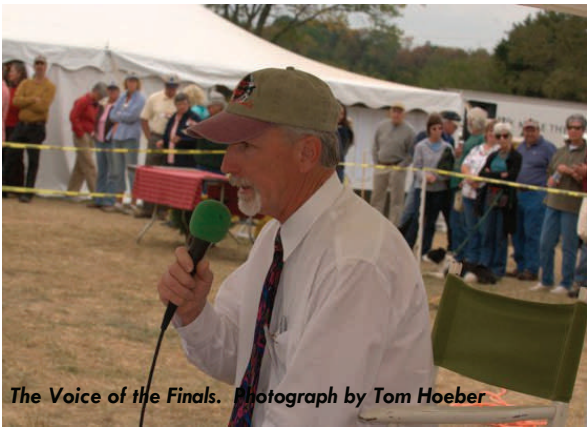
Exhausting the judges.

Denis Birchall, Alistair Lyttle,

Jennifer Clark-Ewers & Haley Howard

CKH 2010

Belle Grove 2010 National Finals - Photographs by Christine Koval Henry



NEBCA MEETING MINUTES - Cooperstown, NY. August 14, 2010

Called to order by Denise Leonard at 7:50 PM. There were 32 members in attendance.

The minutes from the May 2010 meeting as published in the June newsletter were approved.

Secretary's Report – given by Maria Mick

The membership now stands at a total of 268 memberships including 57 family, 5 Life and 1 Honorary. This is up from 252 members as of the prior meeting in May.

Treasurer's Report – given by Maria Amodei

The current balance in the treasury as of 8-14-10 is \$13,247.21.

Novice Trial Committee Report – given by Joyce Westcott

Joyce reported that the Novice Finals will be judged by Derek Scrimgeour on Columbus Day weekend at the farm of Joyce Geier in Mendon, NY.

The Novice Committee presented two proposed rule changes for discussion. One change concerned the situation where a dog is run by more than one person but does not formerly change ownership. The change would effectively prevent dogs from being run in two dif-

ferent Novice classes at the same time. The existing rule for young handlers would remain in effect. The second change adds a clarifying statement to the Novice Finals in the Guidelines. "No dog that is running in Open competitively can qualify to compete in the Pro-Novice class in the Novice Finals." The committee will put the wording of both proposed changes on the web site for the membership to review and comment.

Open Trial Committee Report – given by Chris Bowen

As noted at the last meeting, there will be no Fall Foliage trial this year due to the USBCHA finals in Virginia. The committee is looking for suggestions for the location of the 2011 Fall Foliage Finals.

An issue has arisen as to the procedure used to count trials to be included in the High Points tally. The membership voted at the 2007 Annual meeting to increase the number of trials from 4/state to 6/state. However, the counting method today remains at 4/state. The Open Trials Committee states that they cannot retroactively change any of the points tallies for prior years. A change in the software will be necessary to begin the 6/state tally commencing with the next trial year. Gene Sheninger agreed to make the appropriate changes to the software.

Newsletter Editor's Report – given by Joe Evans

The Fall Newsletter will be printed the end of October.

Fund Raising Report – general discussion

The club discussed ways to transport the fund raising items from trial to trial.

Calendar Report – given by George Northrup

2011 calendars are available for sale. The club will need volunteers to bring and sell the calendars at the Finals.

New Business

The nominating committee for 2010 will be Chris Bowen, Rob Drummond and George Northrup.

Several comments were made that the Mentoring Project conducted at the High Point Trial in June was a great success. More experienced handlers were teamed with less experienced and the teams evaluated a couple of mock runs. The project proved to be a valuable tool that could be utilized in future Learning Trials or in conjunction with an existing trial.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM



Betty Levin's Kyle at his last big-field trial. Photograph by Claire Garwood

Trial Reports & Results: Nearfield Farm, NH

Nearfield Farm Trial

Center Conway, NH

Friday, June 4

Novice: 7 dogs

- | | |
|----------------------------|----|
| 1. Martha Walke/Cal | 60 |
| 2. Karen Gorman/Ticket | 53 |
| 3. Danielle Erickson/Quinn | 49 |
| 4. Mary Burke/Brit | 31 |

Pro-Novice: 18 dogs

- | | |
|----------------------------|----|
| 1. Carlene Eitepence/Blaze | 61 |
| 2. Carol Campion/Becca | 57 |
| 3. Bruce Smart/Lucy | 55 |
| 4. Nancy Phillips/Dot | 54 |
| 5. Rich Seaman/Tess | 41 |
| 6. Paul Garwood/Quinn | 38 |
| 7. Emily Yaswinski/Peg | 32 |
- All the others retired or DQ

Ranch: 6 dogs

- | | |
|-------------------------|----|
| 1. Susan Allen/Ash | 70 |
| 2. Patricia Kallen/Jess | 58 |
| 3. Sharon Perkins/Roy | 55 |
| 4. Kate Collins/Ela | 46 |
| 5. Bud Ames/Cash | 32 |

Saturday, June 5

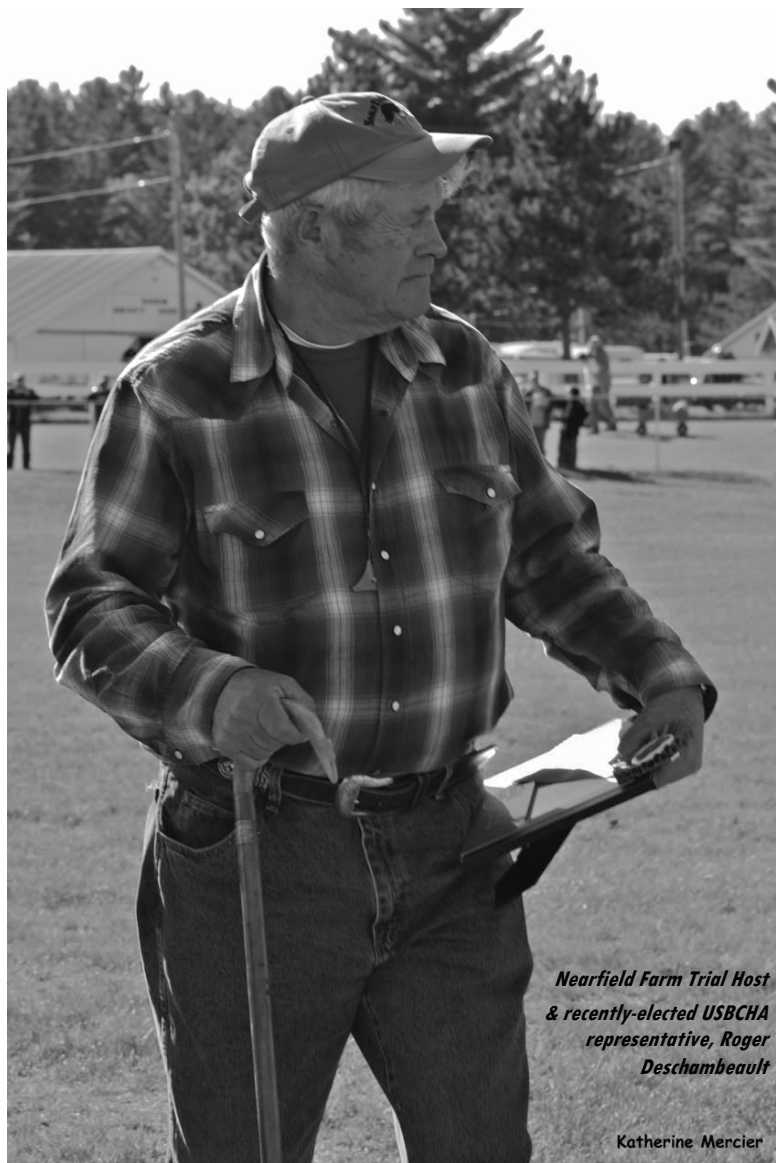
Open: 44 dogs

- | | |
|--------------------------|----|
| 1. Werner Reitbock/Tara | 94 |
| 2. Anne Devine /Annie | 92 |
| 3. Carol Campion/Floss | 91 |
| 4. Werner Reitbock/Roy | 90 |
| 5. Maria Amodei/Song | 84 |
| 6. Steve Wetmore/Pace | 84 |
| 7. Rob Drummond/Casey | 83 |
| 8. Warren Mick /Nick | 82 |
| 9. Sue Schoen/Brook | 81 |
| 10. Jim Perkins/Z | 81 |
| 11. Pat Kallen /Jet | 79 |
| 12. Carol Campion/Tam | 78 |
| 13. Peter VandeCar/Katie | 78 |
| 14. Steve Wetmore/Gile | 75 |
| 15. Sharon Perkins/Roy | 72 |
| 16. Bruce Smart/Link | 72 |
| 17. Peter VandeCar/Lief | 71 |
| 18. Jim Allen/Zip | 66 |
| 19. Warren Mick/Rock | 62 |
| 20. Betty Levin/Kyle | 59 |

Sunday June 6

Open: 43 dogs

- | | |
|---------------------------|----|
| 1. Carol Campion/Tam | 95 |
| 2. Werner Reitbock/Roy | 90 |
| 3. Werner Reitbock/Tara | 86 |
| 4. Rob Drummond/Cub | 85 |
| 5. Carol Campion/Floss | 84 |
| 6. Chris Bowen/Jake | 81 |
| 7. Peter VandeCar/Katie | 74 |
| 8. Nancy Phillips/Susie | 73 |
| 9. Bruce Smart/Link | 73 |
| 10. Sue Schoen/Brook | 70 |
| 11. L. Deschambeault/Chip | 69 |
| 12. Peter VandeCar/Russ | 68 |



*Nearfield Farm Trial Host
& recently-elected USBCHA
representative, Roger
Deschambeault*

Katherine Mercier



Finality Farm Trial Field & Sheep. Photograph by Amanda Milliken

Trial Reports & Results: Finality Farm Sheepdog Trial, Dover Plains, NY

Finality Farm

June 10-13, 2010

**Trial Managers, Mich
Ferraro/ Joe Evans**

Judge: Barbara Ray

USBCHA Nursery.

Thursday, June 10. 7 Dogs

Handler/ Dog SCORE

1 Kidd, Viki/ Macy	64
2 Conn, Tom/ Jim	57
3 Hoeber, Tom/ Mia	50
4 Williams, Dick/ Mick	44
5 Ferraro, Mich/ Wink	36
6 Sheninger, Gene/ Nick	22
7 Gansky, Suzaanne/ Cap	RET

USBCHA Nursery.

Friday, June 11. 11 dogs

Handler/ Dog SCORE

1 Milliken, Amanda/ Monty	72
2 Milliken, Amanda/ Purdy	65
3 Kidd, Viki/ Macy	63
4 Conn, Tom/ Jim	62
5 Schoen, Sue/ Peat	61
6 Hoeber, Tom/ Mia	54
7 Sheninger, Gene/ Nick	36
8 Williams, Dick/ Mick	34
9 Gansky, Suzanne/ Cap	31
10 Ferraro, Mich/ Wink	RET
11 Schoen, Sue/ Trim	RET

OPEN Round 1

Fri, June 11. 68 Dogs

Handler Dog SCORE

1 Williams, Cheryl/ Spot	75
2 Obernier, Nancy/ Nick	74
3 Milliken, Amanda/ Monty	74
4 Brothers, Michelle/ XPSnap	71
5 Milliken, Amanda/ Roz	71
6 Levinson, Barbara/ Gin	70
7 Cunningham, Lori / William	69
8 Conn, Tom/ Jim	68
9 Sheninger, Gene/ Jen	67
10 Kallen, Patti / Jet	66
11 Levinson, Barbara/ Ryn	64
12 Schoen, Sue/ Esta	64

13 Ferraro, Mich/ Moss

14 Ferraro, Mich/ Nimbus

15 Milliken, Amanda/ Clive

16 Obernier, Nancy/ Ben

17 Schoen, Sue/ Brook

18 Worthington, Joan/ Hope

19 Brothers, Michelle/ XPRoy

20 Higgins, Michele/ Bracken

21 Williams, Dick/ Mirk

22 Williams, Cheryl/ Toby

23 Higgins, Michele/ Dream

24 Palmer, Annie/ Dot

25 Higgins, Michele/ Spirit

26 Kidd, Viki/ Merle

27 Mick, Warren/ Dale

28 Cunningham, Lori/ Matt

29 Guy, Carol/ Roy

30 Mick, Warren/ Rock

31 Williams, Dick/ Lass

32 Court, Emma/ Maia

33 Leonard, Denise/ Maggie

34 Ortiz-Sharp, N/ Cassiopeia

35 Smart, Bruce/ Link

36 Murphy, Jim/ Jed

37 Sharp, David/ Tot

38 Stites, Clara/ Penn

39 Bowen, Chris/ Jake

40 Kroemelbein, Chris/ Jaffe

41 Sheninger, Gene/ Mac

42 Guy, Carol/ Piper

43 Sharp, David/ Dol

44 Kallen, Patti/ Trim

45 Simmons, Nancy/ Nickie

46 Leverett, Barbara/ Tot

47 VandeCar, Peter/ Katie

48 Murphy, Jim/ Kit

49 Murphy, Jim/ Trim

50 King, Molly/ Storm

51 Schoen, Sue/ Augie

52 Zieser, Walt/ Dave

53 Sheninger, Gene/ Dot

54 Cunningham, Lori/ Riff

55 Worthington, Joan/ Sam

56 Fetterman, David/ Elle

57 Nunan, Mike/ Moss

58 Kroemelbein, Chris/ Nip

59 Mick, Warren/ Nick

60 Smart, Bruce/ Missy

61 Ortiz-Sharp, N./ Aldebaran RET

62 Mick, Maria/ Doc RET

63 Fetterman, David/ Jared RET

64 Nunan, Mike/ Fly RET

65 Hoeber, Tom/ Tazz RET

66 Knowlton, Chris/ Keane RET

67 VandeCar, Peter/ Russ DQ

68 Mick, Maria/ Kit DQ

OPEN Round 2

Sat, June 12. 71 Dogs

Handler/ Dog SCORE

1 Mick, Warren/ Dale	69
2 Obernier, Nancy/ Ben	68
3 Higgins, Michele/ Dream	68
4 Cunningham, Lori/ Matt	67
5 Court, Emma/ Maia	67
6 Sharp, David/ Tot	66
7 VandeCar, Peter/ Katie	66
8 Milliken, Amanda/ Clive	65
9 Sharp, David/ Dol	64
10 Ferraro, Mich/ Moss	64
11 Bowen, Chris/ Jake	64
12 Milliken, Amanda/ Monty	63
13 Cunningham, Lori/ William	63
14 Milliken, Amanda/ Roz	63
15 Higgins, Michele/ Bracken	62
16 Kroemelbein, Chris/ Nip	62
17 Obernier, Nancy/ Nick	62
18 Jagger Williams, C/ Spot	62
19 Brothers, Michelle/ XPSnap	62
20 Kidd, Viki/ Merle	60
21 Mick, Warren/ Rock	60
22 Leonard, Denise/ Maggie	60
23 Phillips, Elizabeth/ Vicky	58
24 Mick, Maria/ Kit	58
25 Murphy, Jim/ Kit	57
26 Stites, Clara/ Penn	56
27 Kallen, Patti/ Jet	56
28 Sheninger, Gene/ Jen	55
29 Kidd, Viki/ Macy	55
30 Kallen, Patti/ Trim	55
31 Smart, Bruce/ Link	55
32 Guy, Carol/ Piper	54
33 Ortiz-Sharp, N./ Aldebaran	54
34 Higgins, Michele/ Spirit	54
35 Williams, Cheryl/ Toby	49
36 Phillips, Nancy/ Susie	49

37 Worthington, Joan/ Hope 49

38 Fetterman, David/ Jared 48

39 Brothers, Michelle/ XPRoy 47

40 Murphy, Jim/ Jed 47

41 Sheninger, Gene / Mac 47

42 Leverett, Barbara/ Tot 45

43 Ferraro, Mich/ Nimbus 45

44 Palmer, Annie/ Dot 45

45 Schoen, Sue/ Augie 43

46 Millen, Heather/ Kate 42

47 Hoeber, Tom/ Tazz 42

48 Ortiz-Sharp, N./ Cassiopeia 41

49 Simmons, Nancy/ Nickie 40

50 Smart, Bruce/ Missy 39

51 Worthington, Joan/ Sam 38

52 Schoen, Sue/ Esta 38

53 Williams, Dick/ Lass 35

54 VandeCar, Peter/ Leif 34

55 Sheninger, Gene/ Cap 30

56 Murphy, Jim/ Trim 27

57 Zieser, Walt/ Dave 27

58 King, Molly/ Storm 26

59 Knowlton, Chris/ Keane 26

60 Kroemelbein, Chris/ Jaffe 26

61 Mick, Warren/ Nick RET

62 Nunan, Mike/ Fly RET

63 Fetterman, David/ Elle RET

64 Conn, Tom/ Jim RET

65 Cunningham, Lori/ Riff RET

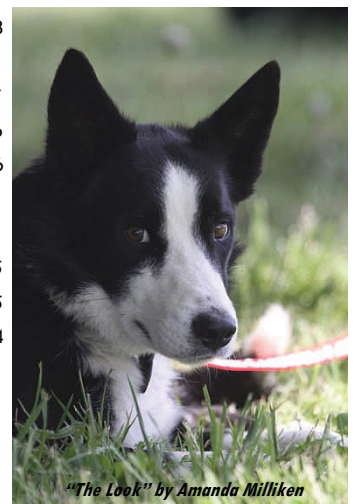
66 Guy, Carol/ Roy RET

67 Williams, Dick/ Mirk RET

68 Mick, Maria/ Doc RET

69 VandeCar, Peter/ Russ DQ

70 Nunan, Mike/ Moss DQ



"The Look" by Amanda Milliken

Trial Reports & Results: Finality Farm Sheepdog Trial, Dover Plains, NY

Finality Farm. (contd)

Sun, Jun 13

Novice-Novice 1. 12 dogs

1 Chute, Peggy/KC	50
2 Bacskey, Pat/Vic	37
3 Wheatley, Anne/Rob	32
4 Bacskey, Pat/Winslow	DQ
5 Reddick, Rose/Kensa	DQ
6 Berger, Jan/Ivy	RET
7 Clark, Linda/Meg	DQ
8 Weigand, Carol/Simon	DQ
9 Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Kita	DQ
10 Butler, Sallie/Krypto	DQ
11 Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Zac	DQ
12 Butler, Sallie/Sky	DQ

Novice-Novice 2. 12 dogs

1 Bacskey, Pat/Vic	51
2 Reddick, Rose/Kensa	40
3 Wheatley, Anne/Rob	32
4 Chute, Peggy/KC	29
5 Weigand, Carol/Simon	DQ
6 Clark, Linda/Meg	DQ
7 Berger, Jan/Ivy	RET
8 Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Kita	DQ
9 Butler, Sallie/Sky	DQ
10 Bacskey, Pat/Winslow	DQ
11 Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Zac	DQ

Pro-Novice 1. 24 dogs

1 Phillips, Nancy/Dot	57
2 Milliken, Amanda/Purdy	57
3 Millen, Heather/Chip	47
4 Leverett, Barbara/Kit	43
5 King, Molly/Meg	43
6 Millen, Roger/Rock	42
7 Zieser, Walt/Anne	40
8 Smart, Bruce/Lucy	40
9 Warner, Wendy/Jayne	39
10 Evans, Joe/Mist	38
11 Guy, Carol/Will	38
12 Ortiz-Sharp, N/Mercury	29
13 Ferraro, Mich/ Wink	24
14 Murphy, Joanne/Speed	18
15 Gansky, Suzanne/Cap	RET
16 Phillips, Elizabeth/Moss	RET
17 Mick, Warren/ Shep	RET
18 Kidd, Viki/Clint	RET
19 Bowen, Chris/Sam	DQ
20 Lockhart, Carol/Tess	DQ
21 King, Molly/Allie	DQ
22 Williams, Julie/Lucy	DQ
23 Murphy, Joanne/Tess	DQ
24 Mick, Warren/Becca	DQ

Pro-Novice 2. 22 dogs

1 Milliken, Amanda/Purdy	68
2 Ferraro, Mich/ Wink	67
3 Phillips, Nancy/ Dot	58
4 Gansky, Suzanne/Cap	53
5 Smart, Bruce/Lucy	47
6 Phillips, Elizabeth/Moss	45
7 Wilentz, Eileen/Ray	43
8 Millen, Heather/Chip	39
9 Millen, Roger/Rock	36
10 King, Molly/Allie	34
11 Murphy, Joanne/Tess	33
12. Williams, Julie/Lucy	26
13 Lockhart, Carol/Tess	RET
14 Mick, Warren/Shep	RET
15 King, Molly/Meg	DQ
16 Bowen, Chris/Sam	DQ
17 Wilentz, Eileen/Jaime	DQ
18 Mick, Warren/Becca	DQ
19 Murphy, Joanne/Speed	DQ
20 Evans, Joe/Mist	DQ
21 Warner, Wendy/Jayne	DQ
22 Zieser, Walt/Anne	DQ

Sat, June 12

Ranch 1. 14 dogs

1 Evans, Joe/Chip	67
2 Brighoff, Mary/Lance	57

3 Berger, Jan/Moss	50
4 Schoen, Sue/Peat	50
5 Sheninger, Gene/Cap	42
6 Evans, Joe/ Peg	36
7 Zieser, Walt/ Trim	20
8 Sharp, David/Sagitta	RET
9 Gansky, Suzanne/Roy	RET
10 Lockhart, Carol/Edge	RET
11 Hoeber, Tom/Nikki	RET
12 Simmons, Nancy/Moss	DQ
13 Lockhart, Carol /Gwen	DQ
14 Weigand, Carol/McDuff	DQ

Sun, June 13

Ranch 2. 12 dogs

1 Hoeber, Tom/Nikki	64
2 Gansky, Suzanne/Roy	59
3 Berger, Jan/Moss	59
4 Brighoff, Mary/Lance	57
5 Evans, Joe/Peg	47
6 Evans, Joe/Chip	44
7 Lockhart, Carol/Edge	33
8 Lockhart, Carol /Gwen	29
9 Weigand, Carol/McDuff	21
10 Zieser, Walt/Trim	0
11 Sharp, David/Sagitta	0
12 Schoen, Sue/Peat	0

FINALITY FARM'S

TRIAL BY EWERY

Report by Joe Evans

Mich Ferraro had a cunning plan. Buy 104 un-dogged sheep and let them loose on the NEBCA membership as preparation for the National Finals. 75% of these were range sheep from Oklahoma and Texas with a one year lay-over at a landscaper's barn in nearby Amenia.

The results were dynamic. Sheep ran over, through and around dogs. Sheep beat dogs for pace. Pens were as rare as hen's teeth. Successful sheds practically impossible. And a particularly cantankerous group of russet Katahdins haunted Dick Williams's every run.

As bruised and battered as the handlers were, most did admit that the sheep

were generally fair, just different to the woolies and hairies we usually face in the northeast.

Eagle-eyed reporters had plenty to describe though — if only they hadn't been stuck in the set-out pen with Mike Nunan. However, it was noted that Amanda Milliken and Viki Kidd's nursery dogs dealt superbly with these rambunctious sheep on Thursday evening and Friday morning. Cheryl Jagger Williams's Spot and Nancy Obernier's Nick brought relative calm to the storm in the first day of Open (when only 5 dogs managed to pen in the whole day!). On the second day, the sheep refused to cooperate with even more vim and vigor. Warren Mick's Dale took the top spot with a 69 and Nancy Obernier's other dog, Ben grabbed second place.

It's fair to say that these sheep were a bit too ornery for most Novice dogs. On a dank and misty Sunday morning Peggy Chute and KC won the first round with a respectable 50 but Pat Bacskey's Vic from Long Island was the consistent dog with a 51 in the second round.

In Pro-Novice, Nancy Phillips's Dot narrowly beat out Amanda Milliken and Purdy in the first run but, later in the day, Purdy just pipped Ferraro's young pocket battleship, Wink.

In the first round of Ranch Joe Evans's Chip marched the sheep round in good order to earn a score of 67, but Tom Hoeber's Nikki took the honors in the second round.

Mich Ferraro immediately set to work on devising another fiendish challenge for next year.

Trial Reports & Results: PA State Championship, Hop Bottom, PA. June 19-22, 2010

Cheryl Jagger-Williams - keeping a steady eye on events at Hop Bottom
Photograph by Tom Hoeber

Saturday, June 19**OPEN 1: 82 dogs**

Overall Champion: Cheryl Jagger Williams and Spot

Overall Reserve Champion: Robin French and Zac

- 1 Williams, Cheryl/Spot 92
- 2 Williams, Dick/Lass 81
- 3 Cunningham, Lori/William 80
- 4 Billadeau, Renee/BJ 79
- 5 Geier, Joyce/Jim 78
- 6 Reitboeck, Werner/Tara 78
- 7 Wilkinson, Peggy/Liz 77
- 8 Millen, Heather/Kate 77
- 9 Obernier, Nancy/Ben 76
- 10 French, Robin/Zac 75
- 11 Mick, Maria/Kit 72
- 12 Billadeau, Renee/Bette 71
- 13 Brothers, Michelle/XP Snap 70
- 14 Sharp, Dave/Dol 69
- 15 Brewer, Doug/Taff 68
- 16 Hickenbottom, Allen/Vic 68

Sunday, June 20**OPEN 2: 76 dogs**

- 1 Williams, Dick/Mirk 93
- 2 Clark, David/Clair 87
- 3 Sharp, Dave/Tot 85
- 4 Boyce, Dawn/Slim 83
- 5 French, Robin/Zac 83
- 6 Chambers, Chris/Tag 79
- 7 Billadeau, Mark/Peg 79
- 8 Chambers, Chris/Mollie 78
- 9 Reitboeck, Werner/Roy 78
- 10 Williams, Cheryl/Spot 77
- 11 Hickenbottom, Allen/Vic 77
- 12 Armata, Barbara/Jill 76
- 13 VandeCar, Peter/Katie 75
- 14 Brewer, Doug/Tess 74
- 15 Billadeau, Renee/BJ 73

Monday, June 21**Novice/Novice 1: 30 dogs**

- 1 Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Rudy 75
- 2 Madison, Ron/Chelsea 71
- 3 Costanzo, Kyra/Tess 69

- 4 VanWicklen, Gail/Mist 67
- 5 Dury, Wally/Max 67
- 6 Simpson, Peggy/Chip 66
- 7 Trewitt, Irene/Gwen 60
- 8 Morgan, Celia/Nash 60
- 9 Place, Laurie/Mattie 59
- 10 Chute, Peggy/KC 57

Pro-Novice 1: 42 dogs

- 1 Boyce, Dawn/Gage 74
- 2 Williams, Dick/Mick 73
- 3 Levinson, Barbara/Hemp 69
- 4 Urquhart, Alice/Chip 64
- 5 Madison, Ron/Greta 61
- 6 Herscher, Angela/Rhyme 61
- 7 Evans, Joe Mist/60

- 8 Murphy, Joanne Speed/60
- 9 Madison, Ron Duke/59
- 10 Shelden, Sherry/Tom 55

Ranch 1: 31 dogs

- 1 Hickenbottom, Allen/Jill 72
- 2 Evans, Joe/Peg 72
- 3 Clingerman, Terri/Rhys 71
- 4 Evans, Joe /Chip 69
- 5 Billadeau, Mark/Nell 65
- 6 Boyce, Dawn/Carson 61
- 7 Schragel, Mike/Jake 61
- 8 Schmitt, Cynthia/Jill 58
- 9 Simmons, Nancy/Nickie 56
- 10 Gansky, Suzanne/Roy 52

USBCA Nursery 1: 18 dogs

1. Williams, Dick/Mick 72
- 2.Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Rudy 67

Tuesday, June 22, 2010**Novice/Novice 2: 31 dogs**

- 1 Costanzo, Kyra/Tess 74
- 2 Madison, Ron/Chelsea 70
- 3 Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Modibo 68
- 4 Chute, Peggy/KC 67
- 5 Simpson, Peggy/Davy 65
- 6 Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Rudy 63
- 7 Trewitt, Irene/Gwen 63
- 8 Reiter, Sara/Taravale Rye 62
- 9 Fahey, Janet/Dod 62
- 10 Quigley, Megan/Dare 51

Pro-Novice 2 : 39 dogs

- 1 Evans, Joe/Mist 75
- 2 Levinson, Barbara/Hemp 72
- 3 Gansky, Suzanne/Cap 68
- 4 Sharon, Fran/Maid 67
- 5 Boyce, Dawn/Gage 66
- 6 Ortiz-Sharp, Nancy/Mercury 65
- 7 Costanzo, Kyra/Sue 62
- 8 Millen, Roger/Rock 62
- 9 Urquhart, Alice/Chip 60
- 10 Fahey, Janet/Jock/ 60

Ranch 2 : 29 dogs

- 1 Hickenbottom, Allen/Jill 87
- 2 Boyce, Dawn/Carson 81
- 3 Shelden, Mark/Jaff 80
- 4 Gansky, Suzanne/Roy 78
- 5 Billadeau, Mark/Nell 77
- 6 Evans, Joe/Peg 76
- 7 Williams, Eileen/Robbie 75
- 8 Simmons, Nancy/Nickie 73
- 9 LeFever, Gwenn/Mirk 72
- 10 Brighoff, Mary/Lance 68

USBCA Nursery 2: 28 dogs

- 1 Williams, Dick/Mick 81
- 2 Hoeber, Tom/Mia 74

Trial Reports & Results: PA State Championship, Hop Bottom, PA. June 19-22, 2010

Four glorious days of sunshine and moderate temperatures made the twenty-ninth annual PA State Championship Stock Dog Trials one of the most comfortable ever. Each and every year the town of Hop Bottom and Sheepy Hollow Farm open their doors to competitors from over 14 states and the provinces of Canada. This year close to 400 dogs ran in all classes over the four days.

The sheep were extremely good to work this year as they were relatively "un-dogged". With the open trials running first, the sheep were fresh and ready to give the handlers a run for their money. Difficult but workable would be the best way to describe the sheep. Lambs were added to the mix of katahdin/dorper crosses for the open classes and then removed for the young dogs. The plan of open first and the young dogs on Monday and Tuesday worked well to let the novice handlers and dogs have more of a chance to work the now more 'dogged' sheep. Dawn Boyce of Georgia made sure everyone had as fair a chance as possible while holding the sheep. Gene Sheninger was her relief person while she trialed her dogs. Mark and Renee Bil-

ladeau had the daunting job of holding the sheep for all of the young dogs on Monday and Tuesday. Our sincere thanks and respect to each of these hold out persons.

Barbara Ray from Virginia in Open and Werner Reitboeck of Ontario on novice days had their work cut out for them in sorting the placings of the runs. Both did a great job and we were thankful to have them.

Each year, Denise Maui gives trophies in honor of her deceased brother, William Radzwich, a border collie enthusiast. This daunting task was assigned to Werner Reitboeck to pick from any of the young classes. Joe Evans was picked as the Most Promising Young (Editor. Sic??) Handler. Mark Billadeau's Nell was picked as the Most Promising Young Dog.

This year brought many more vendors for all to enjoy. Also the silent auction of items to benefit the USBCHA National Finals was again a sport for the competitive people there. The silent auction resulted in close to \$1,800. Thanks to all who donated items and who bought them for this great cause.

The First Universalist Church provided their usual great breakfasts and other foods for all to enjoy. A Sunday church service with our friend Carolyn Lash playing the organ is a great way to reflect on the blessings our friends and dogs provide on this our Father's day. The Dimock Community 4-H provided foodstuffs for the novice days.

The Jagger/ Williams families thank all who make this trial a great event each year. Without all of the volunteers, the trial would not exist. Pat yourselves on the back and come back next year to put together our 30th year bash!!!

When you see Annie Palmer at the trials, give her a vote of thanks as this trial would not exist without her always willing assistance.

Cheryl Jagger Williams



Thanks & praise to Annie Palmer & Dot of Hop Bottom. Photograph by Tom Hoeber

Trial Reports & Results: High Point Farm, Knox, NY. June 26-29, 2010**Saturday, June 26****USBCA OPEN: 73 Dogs****Handler / Dog SCORE**

1. Mick, Maria/Kit	99
2. Milliken, Amanda/Monty	97
3. Williams, Dick/Lass	90
4. Thompson, Mary/Beauty	89
5. Mick, Warren/Nick	88
6. Champion, Carol /Tam	88
7. Bowen, Chris/Jake	88
8. Lambert, Bev/Mirk	86
9. Williams, Cheryl/Spot	86
10. Armata, Barb/Meg	86
11. Thompson, Mary/Coal	84
12. Hickenbottom, Allan/Meg	84
13. Molloy, Sally/Paige	82
14. Amodei, Maria/Song	82
15. Hickenbottom, Allan/Vic	82
16. Court, Emma/Maia	80
17. Williams, Dick/Mirk	80
18. Obernier, Nancy/Ben	79
19. Mick, Maria/Doc	79
20. VandeCar, Peter/Russ	78
21. Molloy, Sally/Bett	78
22. Worthington, Joan/Sam	76
23. Lambert, Bev/Fly	76
24. Reitboeck, Werner/Tara	76
25. Murphy, Jim/Jed	75
26. Milliken, Amanda/Roz	75
27. Wetmore, Steve/Gile	72
28. VandeCar, Peter/Leif	71
29. Sheninger, Gene/Jen	71
30. Savage, Lorna/Kaylee	71
31. Drummond, Rob/Casey	71
32. Robertson, Fiona/Tap	68
33. Kallen, Patti/Jet	66
34. Ferraro, Mich/Nimbus	65
35. Amodei, Maria/Fina	61
36. Champion, Carol/Floss	60
37. Armata, Bernie/Roy	59
38. Reitboeck, Werner/Roy	58
39. Sheninger, Gene/Mac	58
40. Allen, Susan/Ash	58
41. Wetmore, Steve/Pace	57
42. Obernier, Nancy/Nick	57
43. Devine, Anne/ Annie	56
44. Schoen, Sue/Esther	54

45. Ferraro, Mich/Moss	54
46. Lacy, Sally/Eve	50
47. Leonard, Denise/Maggie	50
48. Savage, Lorna/Trace	49
49. Smart, Bruce/Link	48
50. Allen, Jim/Zip	46
51. Yazwinski, Emily/Mabel	45
52. Worthington, Joan/Hope	42
53. Smart, Bruce/Missy	40
54. Williams, Eileen/Robbie	36
55. Simpson, Alistair/Taff	34
56. Knowlton, Kelly/Ben	31
57. Simpson, Alistair/Taz	RET
58. Murphy, Jim/Kit	RET
59. Palmer, Annie/Dot	RET
60. Woessner, Dee/Nell	RET
61. Kallen, Patti/Trim	RET
62. Armata, Barb/Jill	RET
63. Mick, Warren/Dale	RET
64. Drummond, Rob/Cub	RET
65. Schoen, Sue/Augie	RET
66. King, Molly/Storm	RET
67. Nadelman, Heather/Kim	RET
68. Allen, Jim/Sunny	RET
69. Knowlton, Chris/Keane	RET
70. Devine, Anne/Tip	RET
71. Leverett, Barb/Tot	DQ
72. Robertson, Fiona/Fen	DQ
73. Zieser, Walt/Dave	DQ

Sunday, June 27**USBCA OPEN: 70 Dogs**

1. Hickenbottom, Allan/Vic	96
2. Champion, Carol/Tam	96
3. Reitboeck, Werner/Tara	95
4. Williams, Dick/Lass	93
5. Milliken, Amanda/Roz	92
6. Ferraro, Mich/Nimbus	90
7. Hickenbottom, Allan/Meg	90
8. Schoen, Sue/Esther	89
9. Champion, Carol/Floss	88
10. Lacy, Sally/Eve	87
11. Lambert, Bev/Fly	87
12. Bowen, Chris/Jake	86
13. Mick, Maria/Kit	85
14. Mick, Warren/Rock	85
15. Zieser, Walt/Dave	83
16. Mick, Maria/Doc	83

17. Armata, Barb/Jill	83
18. Ferraro, Mich/Moss	82
19. Robertson, Fiona/Tap	82
20. Armata, Barb/Meg	82
21. Thompson, Mary/Rio	81
22. Murphy, Jim/Jed	81
23. Phillips, Liz/Vicky	80
24. Reitboeck, Werner/Roy	80
25. Kallen, Patti/Jet	80
26. Wetmore, Steve/Gile	78
27. Worthington, Joan/Sam	78
28. Worthington, Joan/Hope	77
29. Court, Emma/Maia	77
30. Sheninger, Gene/Mac	76
31. Savage, Lorna/Kaylee	76
32. Wetmore, Steve/Pace	75
33. Obernier, Nancy/Ben	75
34. Thompson, Mary/Beauty	74
35. Leverett, Barb/Tot	74
36. Molloy, Sally/Paige	74
37. Milliken, Amanda/Monty	73
38. Molloy, Sally/Bett	73
39. Leonard, Denise/Maggie	71
40. VandeCar, Peter/Russ	71
41. King, Molly/Storm	69
42. Amodei, Maria/Fina	69
43. Kallen, Patti/Trim	69
44. Yazwinski, Emily/Mabel	68
45. Williams, Cheryl/Spot	67
46. Nadelman, Heather/Kim	65
47. Allen, Susan/Ash	61
48. Simpson, Alistair/Taff	60
49. Simpson, Alistair/Taz	60
50. Schoen, Sue/Augie	58
51. Allen, Jim/Zip	58
52. Armata, Bernie/Roy	58
53. Amodei, Maria/Song	57
54. Hammel, Patricia/Fran	56
55. Sheninger, Gene/Cap	53
56. Smart, Bruce/Link	52
57. Williams, Eileen/Robbie	51
58. Woessner, Dee/Nell	47
59. Devine, Anne/Annie	47
60. Palmer, Annie/Dot	35
61. Williams, Dick/Mirk	RET
62. Drummond, Rob/Casey	RET
63. Lambert, Bev/Mirk	RET
64. Drummond, Rob/Cub	RET
65. Mick, Warren/Dale	RET

66. Allen, Jim/Sunny	RET
67. VandeCar, Peter/Katie	RET
68. Savage, Lorna/Trace	RET
69. Robertson, Fiona/Fen	DQ
70. Knowlton, Chris/Keane	DQ

Saturday, June 26**USBCA Nursery: 14 Dogs**

1. Lacy, Sally/Slipper	71
2. Champion, Carol/Abe	70
3. Gansky Suzanne/Cap	70
4. Ferraro, Mich/Wink	67
5. Thompson, Mary/Frost	63
6. Amodei, Maria/Levi	43
7. Williams, Dick/Mick	42
8. Lambert, Bev /Meg	40
9. Sheninger, Gene/Nick	34
10. Robertson, Fiona/Fen	33
11. Milliken, Amanda/Dorey	RET
12. Schoen, Sue/Peat	RET
13. Robertson, Fiona/Mirk	RET
14. King, Molly/Allie	RET

Sunday June 27,**USBCA Nursery: 13 Dogs**

1. Champion, Carol /Abe	69
2. Amodei, Maria/Levi	64
3. Sheninger, Gene/Nick	63
4. Thompson, Mary/Frost	53
5. Schoen, Sue/Peat	53
6. Gansky Suzanne/Cap	49
7. Lambert, Bev/Meg	47
8. Lacy, Sally/Slipper	41
9. Ferraro, Mich/Wink	36
10. King, Molly/Allie	RET
11. Robertson, Fiona/Fen	RET
12. Milliken, Amanda/ Dorey	RET
13. Robertson, Fiona/Mirk	DQ

**The High Point for
Rose Redick**

"Sounds like we all ate a lot of food over the 4 day period. The New England Border Collie Rescue made almost \$1000 - enough to spay or neuter 20 dogs when they come into rescue. This may be their biggest fundraiser for the year. Thanks for supporting them."

Rose

Trial Reports & Results: High Point Farm, Knox, NY. June 26-29, 2010

Monday, June 28,

USBCHA Nursery: 8 Dogs

1. Savage, Lorna/Kaylee	64
2. Lambert, Bev/Meg	59
3. Thompson, Mary/Frost	58
4. Ferraro, Mich/Wink	57
5. Champion, Carol/Abe	55
6. Lacy, Sally/Slipper	47
7. King, Molly/Allie	RET
8. Gansky, Suzanne/Cap	RET

Tuesday, June 29

USBCHA Nursery: 5 Dogs

1. Savage, Lorna/Kaylee	76
2. Lambert, Bev/Meg	55
3. Champion, Carol/Abe	53
4. Thompson, Mary/Frost	37
5. King, Molly/Allie	RET

Monday, June 28

Novice-Novice: 17 Dogs

1. Pietraszewska, Val/Blush	77
2. Costanza, Kyra/Tess	77
3. Pietraszewska, Val/Kep	71
4. Clark, Linda/Meg	70
5. Pietraszewska, Val/Rose	67
6. Reiter, Sara/Rye	67
7. Eriksen, Danielle/Quinn	67
8. Place, Laurie/Mattie	61
9. Wasielewski, Mary/Fizz	61
10. Van Wicklen, Gail/Mist	57
11. Acres, Kathryn/Swift	56
12. Trewitt, Irene/Gwen	53
13. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Zac	48
14. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Kita	30
15. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Lad	10
16. Dury, Wally/Max	RET
17. Butler, Sally/Sky	DQ

Tuesday, June 29

Novice-Novice: 17 Dogs

1. Butler, Sally/Sky	76
2. Costanza, Kyra/Tess	73
3. Pietraszewska, Val/Kep	72
4. Pietraszewska, Val/Blush	65
5. Pietraszewska, Val/Rose	63
6. Place, Laurie/Mattie	62
7. Eriksen, Danielle/Quinn	62

8. Clark, Linda/Meg	60
9. Dury, Wally/Max	58
10. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Kita	41
11. Wasielewski, Mary/Fizz	36
12. Trewitt, Irene/Gwen	31
13. Acres, Kathryn/Swift	RET
14. Van Wicklen, Gail/Mist	RET
15. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Lad	RET
16. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Zac	RET
17. Reiter, Sara/Rye	RET

Monday, June 28

Pro-Novice: 38 Dogs

1. Murphy, Joanne/Speed	72
2. Costanza, Kyra/Sue	71
3. Evans, Joe/Mist	70
4. Evans, Jackie/Cricket	68
5. Helton, Pam/Ellie	67
6. Lambert, Bev/Meg	67
7. Bowen, Chris/Sam	65
8. Hinton, Tracy/Boy	65
9. Leverett, Barb/Bess	64
10. Wilentz, Eileen/Ray	64
11. Thompson, Mary/Frost	62
12. Hammel, Pat/Bob	61
13. Woessner, Dee/Dibs	61
14. Trewitt, Irene/Boston	58
15. Yazwinski, Emily/Peg	58
16. Warner, Wendy /Jayne	57
17. Williams, Julie/Lucy	54
18. Knowlton, Kelly/Pepper	54
19. Leverett, Barb/Kit	53
20. King, Molly/Allie	52
21. Zieser, Walt/Anne	52
22. Leonard, Denise/Emmie	52
23. Devine, Anne/Belle	50
24. Wilentz, Eileen/Jamie	50
25. Murphy, Jim/Tess	46
26. Lacy, Sally/ Slipper	46
27. Redick, Rose/Kensa	41
28. Woessner, Dee/Meg	37
29. Phillips, Liz/Moss	30
30. Bowen, Chris/Tim	RET
31. Knowlton, Chris/Lucas	RET
32. Savage, Lorna/Tyler	RET
33. Hammel, Pat/Drew	RET
34. King, Molly/Meg	RET
35. Mick, Warren/Shep	DQ

36. Gansky, Suzanne/Cap	DQ
37. Helton, Pam/Bonnie	DQ
38. Lash, Carolyn/Huck	DQ

Tuesday, June 29

Pro-Novice: 30 Dogs

1. Wilentz, Eileen/Ray	70
2. Evans, Joe/Mist	70
3. Woessner, Dee/Dibs	69
4. Thompson, Mary/Frost	65
5. Evans, Jackie/Cricket	64
6. Leverett, Barb/Kit	63
7. Costanza, Kyra/Sue	60
8. Hinton, Tracy/Boy	58
9. Devine, Anne/Belle	53
10. Wilentz, Eileen/Jamie	51
11. Helton, Pam/Ellie	48
12. Redick, Rose/Kensa	46
13. Murphy, Jim/Tess	45
14. Leverett, Barb/Bess	45
15. Warner, Wendy/Jayne	44
16. Yazwinski, Emily/Peg	42
17. Murphy, Joanne/Speed	42
18. Trewitt, Irene/Boston	41
19. Savage, Lorna/Tyler	40
20. Zieser, Walt/Anne	25
21. King, Molly/Allie	RET
22. Phillips, Liz/Moss	RET
23. Plover, Carolyn/Jan	RET
24. Knowlton, Kelly/Pepper	RET
25. Mick, Warren/Shep	RET
26. Knowlton,Chris/Lucas	RET
27. Woessner, Dee/Meg	RET
28. King, Molly/Meg	RET
29. Helton, Pam/Bonnie	RET
30. Williams, Julie/Lucy	RET

Monday, June 28

Open-Ranch: 16 Dogs

1. Hickenbottom, Allan/Jill	82
2. Lambert, Bev/Awel	81
3. Brighoff, Mary/Lance	73
4. Evans, Joe/Peg	63
5. Gansky, Suzanne/Roy	61
6. Zieser, Walt/Trim	57
7. Dunning, Helen/Jess	56
8. Yazwinski, Emily/Teal	55
9. Woessner, Dee/Nell	54
10. Pietraszewski, Val/Jess	48
11. Knowlton, Chris/Keane	45
12. Dunning, Helen/Jack	41
13. Williams, Malcom/Jock	24
14. Northrup, George/Annie	RET
15. Evans, Joe/Chip	RET
16. Collins, Kate/Ela	RET

Tuesday, June 29

Open-Ranch: 16 Dogs

1. Dunning, Helen/Jess	76
2. Pietraszewska, Val/Jess	70
3. Lambert, Bev/Awel	68
4. Evans, Joe/Peg	68
5. Evans, Joe/Chip	63
6. Woessner, Dee/Nell	61
7. Brighoff, Mary/Lance	56
8. Yazwinski, Emily/Teal	53
9. Knowlton, Chris/Keane	52
10. Collins, Kate/Ela	50
11. Zieser, Walt/Trim	50
12. Hickenbottom, Allan/Jill	44
13. Knowlton, Kelly/Ben	43
14. Dunning, Helen/Jack	RET
15. Northrup, Geoge/Annie	DQ
16. Williams, Malcolm/Jock	DQ



Sight-seers on the porch. Photograph by Amanda Milliken

Trial Reports & Results: High Point Farm, Knox, NY. June 26-29, 2010 . Report by Lorna Savage

I had never been to High Point Farm, but had heard good vibes about the trial and so decided to head down. After hours of driving I made my way off I 90 and followed the instructions through twisty scenic roads to the trial site. As I pulled in I could see the new house Peter was working on. I thought what a neat place.

It is a copy of a historic house Peter had seen on his travels. It even has the old outside cellar doors and a veranda along the backside. I could just imagine sitting out there in the evening watching the sun go down.

Then I looked at the trial field. It runs kitty corner from the far left; you could send your dog left to go in front, through or behind a copse of trees or go by what appeared to be the safe way, to the right. From the post the field sloped ever so slightly down and then back up a rise to the set out. I estimated an outrun of around 300 yards or so but I am not good at distances.

The sheep were Pat Canaday's, a commercial

Dorset type, quite handy at fooling the dog. They could be somewhat difficult for the person setting out, so grain was used to try and insure they were still there when the dog got behind. Of course there were the normal good, bad and in between runs but the sheep generally worked well.

Open ran first on Saturday and Sunday with a mixture of weather. Cold when cloudy and hot when sunny with a continuous breeze. The absolute best place to watch was on the veranda and besides, there was no poison ivy there.

Surprise party

At the Open handlers' dinner, Peter was surprised with a house-warming and we made him open all sorts of gifts in front of everyone. I think he was somewhat humbled. We could all tell how appreciative he was. So intent was Peter on running the trial that he had not even noticed the green rocking chair with the huge yellow ribbon on his porch. I can see him now rocking back and forth, dogs lying by his feet, sheep in the field, birds singing, the sun starting to sink

low in the sky.....zzzzzzzzzz Hey Wake Up!

I had heard of the "Special Awards" at this trial and yes they were "special". Sweaters, jacket, hat from where???? I guessed the army surplus... Gee Maria, you sure look great in your winning army jacket..... Amanda how becoming that officer's hat is..... hmm.....

Monday and Tuesday were the novice days. Rose Redick had arranged a mentoring session when a novice and open handler teamed up. Names for the pairs were drawn from a hat and runs were critiqued and discussed. The teams shared in judging and discussed where and why points were lost. I enjoyed it thoroughly and think more trials should get involved. It is a great way to encourage novice handlers and to get everyone together.

Russ/Rock

Then there was the Russ/Rock challenge. Judged by teams of one novice and one Open handler, sheets were handed in to see who would be the closest to the Judge's score. Warren added some interesting moves during his run to make the teams

think. In the end Rock won the challenge. Sorry Russ.

The open and novice handlers' dinners as well as food during the day were put on by the New England Border Collie Rescue. They were invited to the Russ Rock judging. I hear they really enjoyed being able to see the dogs doing what they were bred to do. The food was home-made and great - I understand around \$1,000 was raised for the rescue operation, enough to spay or neuter about twenty dogs.

Special thanks goes out to the whole team who put on this trial. The names are too numerous to mention, but you know who you are. The trial was so organized with all the volunteers and lists of jobs so everyone knew what, where and when they were supposed to be. Hey guys, maybe for next year's jobs let's keep Peter away from the handlers' parking. I watched him drive a couple of rigs and I sure hope everything was tied down.

Thanks to the judges, Carol Campion and Roger Deschambeault for their days of judging run after run. Uh sorry, Carol, for having to judge my young dogs' first trial. I am sure the



Barbara Leverett and Tott - ballet in the shedding ring at Fetch Gate. Photograph by Shannon Anderson

Trial Reports & Results: Fetch Gate Farm , Cortland, NY. July 3-6, 2010**SATURDAY. Open
71 dogs**

1. Obernier, Nancy/Nick	99
2. Armata, Barb/Meg	94
3. Williams, Dick/Lass	92
4. Cunningham, Lori/Matt	90
5. Clark, Dave/Roy	90
6. Armata, Barb/Jill	89
7. Champion, Carol/Floss	89
8. Thompson, Mary/Coal	88
9. Lambert, Beverly/Awel	88
10. VandeCar, Peter/Russ	87
11. Millen, Heather/Kate	85
12. Terpstra, Marilyn/Snitch	84
13. Thompson, Mary/Beauty	83
14. VandeCar, Peter/Leif	83

**SUNDAY. Open
68 dogs**

1. Lambert, Beverly/Hemp	98
2. Anderson, Peg/Spot	90
3. Ortiz-Sharp, Nancy/Alderbaran	89
4. Molloy, Sally/Paige	88
5. Cunningham, Lori/William	86
6. Terpstra, Marilyn/Gin	86
7. VandeCar, Peter/Russ	85
8. Armata, Barb/Meg	83
9. Gardner, Pam/Rusty	83
10. Comeau, Linda/Bet	83
11. Cunningham, Lori/Matt	81
12. Thompson, Mary/Beauty	81
13. Wilkinson, Peggy/Liz	81

Overall Champion: Barb Armata/Meg**Reserve Champion: Peter VandeCar/Russ****NURSERY. MONDAY
11 dogs**

1. Williams, Dick/Mick	71
2. Thompson, Mary/Frost	65

**NURSERY. TUESDAY
9 dogs**

1. Thompson, Mary/Frost	83
2. Gardner, Pam/Meg	75

**NOVICE. MONDAY
22 dogs**

1. Madison, Ron/Chelsea	70
2. Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Rudy	69
3. Whitney, Leslie/Jess	54
4. Crain, Marion/Rev	53
5. Van Wicklen, Gail/Mist	52
6. Basial, Lisa/Cian	52
7. Herscher, Angie/Binx	51
8. Cameron, Pat/Mollee	49
9. Place, Laurie/Mattie	49
10. Morgan, Celia/Nash	47

**NOVICE. TUESDAY.
22 dogs**

1. Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Rudy	77
2. Madison, Ron/Chelsea	59
3. Hardin-Steiner, Edie/Modiho	56
4. Place, Laurie/Mattie	53
5. Morgan, Celia/Nash	51
6. Herscher, Angie/Binx	48
7. Trewitt, Irene/Gwen	43
8. Clark, Linda/Meg	43
9. Thompson, Diane/Riot	32
10. Fahey, Janet/Dod	31

**PRO-NOVICE. MONDAY.
39 dogs**

1. Leverett, Barbara/Bess	72
2. Madison, Ron/Greta	70
3. Keats, Kathy/Craig	68
4. Nunan, Sharon/Charlie	63
5. Sharon, Fran/Liz	63
6. Trewitt, Irene/Boston	60
7. Gansky, Suzanne/Cap	59
8. Costanzo, Kyra/Tess	57
9. Sharpe, Liz/Joss	57
10. Millen, Roger/Rock	54

**PRO-NOVICE. TUESDAY
26 dogs**

1. Madison, Ron/Greta	74
2. Madison, Ron/Duke	73
3. Thompson, Mary/Frost	70
4. Hoeber, Tom/Mia	63
5. Sharpe, Liz/Joss	61
6. Trewitt, Irene/Boston	59
7. Costanzo, Kyra/Sue	58
8. Williams, Dick/Mick	58
9. Sharon, Fran/Maid	57
10. Murphy, Joanne/Speed	57

**RANCH MONDAY
20 dogs**

1. Simmons, Nancy J./Nickie	83
2. Terpstra, Marilyn/Eve	80
3. LeFever, Gwenn/Mirk	68
4. Heasley, Michael/Tait	68
5. Gansky, Suzanne/Roy	62
6. Brighoff, Mary/Lance	61
7. Hoeber, Tom/Tazz	54
8. Dunning, Helen/Jess	52
9. Hinton, Tracy/Boy	45
10. Dunning, Helen/Jack	45

**RANCH. TUESDAY
18 dogs**

1. Brighoff, Mary/Lance	81
2. Herscher, Angie/Rhyme	79
3. LeFever, Gwenn/Mirk	78
4. Whitney, Leslie/Cap	77
5. Terpstra, Marilyn/Eve	77
6. Hoeber, Tom/Nikki	76
7. Gansky, Suzanne/Roy	75
8. Hoeber, Tom/Tazz	70
9. Williams, Cheryl J./Jen	60
10. Hinton, Tracy/Boy	56

Hot Hot Hot!! That was the weather for the Fetch Gate Farm trial held from July 3 - 6 at Heather and Roger Millen's farm in Cortland, New York.

Campers started arriving on Friday and took their spots in the spacious camping area a few hundred yards from the trial field. This was my first year at Fetch Gate; everything I was told was true. The most hospitable hosts, beautiful trial field, lots of walking/hiking areas for handlers and dogs and lots of water holes for swimming. The wonderful dinner on Saturday night left no one hungry, and the traditional pizza party on Sunday hit the spot.

Open classes ran Sat/Sunday and the young dog and nursery classes ran on Mon/Tuesday. All were very consistently and capably judged by Gary Westbrook from Arkansas. Congratulations to Saturday's Open winner, Nancy Obernier with Nick, with a score of 99! Gary said that was the first time he has ever scored a run that high - it was beautiful to behold. The sheep were a flock of very healthy Katahdins; all classes ran one ewe and two lambs. They ran consistently, although after the temps hit the 90s they started to get a bit cranky, but so did we! The skills of the dog and handler teams were put to the test for sure. Also of note was a spectacular water gun fight under and around the handlers tent.....you hooligans know who you are!

As always, there are many to thank for holding a sheepdog trial; first and foremost thanks to Roger, Heather and their family for all the hard work that went into hosting this trial. Thanks also to Gary for judging and to his wife Bonnie for the long job of scribing all weekend in the heat. To the pen crew, Mary Ann, Brian, Alexandria, Seth, and the other volunteers for keeping things calm while the groups were sorted out. Our set out teams were great! Thanks to Warren Mick and Lori Cunningham for handling open, and again, the many volunteers for handling the young dog classes. And thanks to all who helped push out over the very warm weekend, as well as all of you who pitched in to announce and handle anything else that came up.

Thanks again to all.

Sue Asten

Mechanicsburg, PA

Trial Reports & Results: Cascade Farm Results, Bath NH. July 3-5, 2010



Cascade Farm Trial Field from Set-Out. Photo by Ginny Prince

Hosts: Bud & Mary Ames

Judges: Maria Amodei, Lorna Savage, Denise Leonard

SATURDAY, JULY 3, 2010

OPEN: 33 Dogs

- 1 Steve Wetmore, VT. Gile
- 2 Dave Young, QC. Bryn
- 3 Steve Wetmore, VT. Pace
- 4 Don McCaig, VA. June
- 5 Fiona Robertson, QC. Tap
- 6 Lynn Deschambeault, ME. Chip
- 7 Nancy Phillips, VT. Susie
- 8 Rob Drummond, NH. Cub
- 9 Dave Young, QC. Patch
- 10 Barbara Levinson, NJ. Ryn

NURSERY: 6 dogs

- 1 Sally Lacy, VT. Slipper

RANCH: 11 dogs

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|-------------------------------|----|
| 1 Joe Evans, NY. Chip | 68 |
| 2 Dave Young, QC. Bess | 64 |
| 3 Val Pietraszewska, NH. Jess | 64 |
| 4 Jan Berger, MA. Moss | 57 |
| 5 Deborah Donahue, VT. Dart | 57 |

PRO-NOVICE: 25 dogs

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|-----------------------------|----|
| 1 Sally Lacy, VT. Slipper, | 68 |
| 2 Lorna Savage, ON. Tyler | 63 |
| 4 Fiona Robertson, QC. Mirk | 60 |
| 5 Joe Evans, NY. Mist | 58 |
| 6 Fiona Robertson, QC. Gem | 56 |
| 7 Denise Leonard, MA. Emmy | 53 |
| 8 Michael Dathe, VT. Keef | 52 |
| 9 Nancy Phillips, VT. Dot | 51 |
| 10 Joyce Westcott, VT. Mibs | |

NOVICE: 7 dogs

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|------------------------------|----|
| 1 Jan Berger, MA. Ivy | 57 |
| 2 Val Pietraszewska, NH. Kep | 53 |
| 3 Carol Weigand, CT. Simon | |
| 4 Kim Kathan, VT. Kadee | |

SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2010

OPEN: 34 dogs

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| 1 Werner Reitbock, ON. Tara | |
| 2 Rob Drummond, NH. Cub | |
| 3 Don McCaig, VA. June | |
| 4 Maria Amodei, MA. Song | |
| 5 Barbara Levinson, NJ. Gin | |
| 6 Lynn Deschambeault, ME. Chip | |

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| 7 Fiona Robertson, QC. Tap | |
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| 8 Rob Drummond, NH. Casey | |
| 9 Barbara Levinson, NJ. Ryn | |
| 10 Sally Lacy, VT. Eve | |

NURSERY: 5 DOGS

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| 1 Sally Lacy, VT. Slipper | |
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RANCH: 11 dogs

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|-----------------------------|----|
| 1 Dave Young, QC. Bess | 71 |
| 2 Jan Berger, MA. Moss | 68 |
| 3 Joe Evans, NY. Chip | 66 |
| 4 Joe Evans, NY. Peg | 55 |
| 5 Deborah Donahue, VT. Dart | |

PRO-NOVICE: 22 dogs

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|-----------------------------|----|
| 1 Fiona Robertson, QC. Mirk | 71 |
| 2 Denise Leonard, MA. Emmy | 69 |
| 3 Jackie Evans, NY. Cricket | 61 |
| 4 Chris Bowen, NH. Sam | 61 |
| 5 Joe Evans, NY. Mist | 60 |
| 6 Fiona Robertson, QC. Gem | 59 |
| 7 Nancy Phillips, VT. Dot | 56 |
| 8 Joyce Westcott, VT. Mibs | 51 |
| 9 Michael Dathe, VT. Keef | |
| 10 Sally Lacy, VT. Slipper | |

NOVICE: 7 dogs

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|----------------------------|----|
| 1 Jan Berger, MA. Ivy | 64 |
| 2 Carol Weigand, CT. Simon | 50 |

MONDAY, JULY 5, 2010

OPEN: 31 dogs

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|---------------------------------|--|
| 1 Steve Wetmore, VT. Gile | |
| 2 Steve Wetmore, VT. Pace | |
| 3 Rob Drummond, NH. Cub | |
| 4 Lorna Savage, ON. Kaylee | |
| 5 Ellen Rusconi-Black, CT. Tyne | |
| 6 Maria Amodei, MA. Song | |
| 7 Roger Deschambeault, NH. Trim | |
| 8 Werner Reitbock, ON. Tara | |
| 9 Maria Amodei, MA. Fina | |
| 10 Fiona Robertson, QC. Tap | |

Champion: Rob Drummond/Cub

Reserve & Long Road: Steve Wetmore/Gile

RANCH: 8 dogs

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|-----------------------------|----|
| 1 Joe Evans, NY. Chip | 70 |
| 2 Carol Weigand, CT. McDuff | 55 |
| 3 Joe Evans, NY. Peg | |
| 4 Deborah Donahue, VT. Dart | |

Champion: Joe Evans & Chip

Reserve: Joe Evans & Peg

Long Road: Carol Weigand & McDuff

PRO-NOVICE: 12 dogs

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|-------------------------------|----|
| 1 Fiona Robertson, QC. Mirk | 56 |
| 2 Joe Evans, NY. Mist | 56 |
| 3 Carlene Eitapence, VT. Cole | 51 |
| 4 Jackie Evans, NY. Cricket | 51 |
| 5 Paul Garwood, QC. Guin | |
| 6 Wendy Warner, MA. Jayne | |

Champion & Long Road: Fiona Robertson & Mirk

Reserve: Joe Evans & Mist

NOVICE: 6 dogs

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|----------------------------|------|
| 1 Dana Eriksen, NH. Quinn | 57 |
| 2 Martha Walke, VT. Cal | 56.5 |
| 3 Joanne Krause, NY. Gert | |
| 4 Carol Weigand, CT. Simon | |

Champion & Long Road: Carol Weigand & Simon

Reserve: Jan Berger & Ivy

Trial Reports & Results: Cascade Farm Report, Ossipee Valley Fair Results & Reflections by VandeCar

Summer arrived with a vengeance for the three one-day trials at Cascade Farm. The cool fogs of morning soon gave way to the sun. Saturday's cooling breezes were gone by Monday when temperatures went to 98F! Both handlers and dogs took advantage of the Ammonoosuc, riding its current to get out of the heat. The mists off the Pettyboro cascades created a cooling haven of relief as well. Never take shortcut directions to the waterfalls from Mary. Ask Denise and Lorna the details of their short cut uhm fall adventure! It led to some interesting conversations under the tents!

The Katahdin sheep proceeded to be as challenging as ever, proving over and over that both handler and dog had to be a good team to get the job done. Handlers beware - Betsy Drummond and camera recorded many of the expressions and poses at the pen and chute.

Our judges this year were a team of three women: Maria Amodei, Lorna Savage, and Denise Leonard. Each judged for a day and did an excellent job of scoring the runs. Tough but fair.

Betty Murray was on hand to record and tabulate scores and awards. She also sold items for NEBCA and the Nationals. Betty is an integral part of any trial's success!

Mike, Dan, Nara, Carlene, Ginny and Bud were the pen crew. If you have ever seen this group working together you'll know why "What happens at the pen, stays at the pen!"

Prizes and awards for this year's trials were provided by West Lebanon Feed & Supply, Blue Seal Feeds, Rob & Betsy Drummond, Green Mountain Monogram, and the Ames. Artist Heidi Osgood-Metcalf is providing a color portrait of the Open Champion Dog.

Heidi may be new to NEBCA handlers but she is well known in the horse world with several magazine covers and awards for her portraits. She is also an exceptional photographer. You can see her work online at www.artofheidiosgoodmetcalf.com.

Three day Open Champion and portrait winners were Rob Drummond and Cub. Steve Wetmore and Gile were Reserve and Long Road. Sweeping Ranch was Joe Evans and his two dogs Chip and Peg receiving both Champion and Reserve. Carol Weigand's McDuff was Long Road. Pro-Novice Champion and Long Road went to Fiona Robertson and Mirk. Joe Evans and Mist were Reserve. Carol Weigand and Simon took Champion and Long Road for Novice. Jan Berger and Ivy were Reserve.

Sundays Barbeque dinner was provided by Jim Benjamin followed by brownie sundaes with Slick's homemade ice cream.

Extra excitement was provided not once but twice when the town police cruiser arrived at the trial. It was amazing how many handlers claimed they didn't do it! Didn't do what??? First time was to watch the trial. Second time was to remind handlers about the weight limit on the historic covered bridge as they didn't want to issue any more tickets! No passenger vehicles over 6,000 pounds or 3 ton, and no trailers, campers or RVs!

Bud and Mary thank all the handlers who helped wherever needed: set-up, set-out, scribing, exhausting, take down. We couldn't have done it without you! Ellen and Val - hugs for all the extras. See you in 2011!

Bud & Mary Ames

Ossipee Valley Fair

Hiram, ME

July 8, 2010

Manager: Lynn Deschambeault

19 dogs ran

1. Rob Drummond & Ben
2. Roger Deschambeault & Ken
3. Lynn Deschambeault & Chip
4. Roger Deschambeault & Trim
5. Lynn Deschambeault & Di
6. Rob Drummond & Casey
7. Sharon Perkins & Roy
8. Don McCaig & Luke
9. Don McCaig & June
10. Sharon Perkins & Z



Good point VandeCar by Amanda Milliken

A Sheepdog Story from Long Ago

A recollection by Peter Vandecar

This adventure happened at Dave Young's Lennoxville Trial in 1998 or 1999. I was still dragging my antique camper. But that's a story for another day.

I was feeling a bit under the weather after the trial and was dozing in my camper. Most of the handlers had retired to a local pub for dinner and awards. The sun had set about 15 minutes past and all was quiet in the campground. As I was dozing off a solitary dog began to howl, at first tentatively, then with confidence. This continued for a minute or so until another dog joined in louder than the first.

Soon, three or four more, and an octave higher, added to the increasing music. Then, without warning, several dogs (most surely seasoned open level dogs) began with true wolf-

like howls and overpowered the less experience performers.

Then, several dogs with squeaky, unsure voices (perhaps Novice-Novice dogs) could be heard adding to the orchestra. Now, most of the remainder of the dogs overcame inhibitions and howled away with the primeval abandon.

The performance changed from time to time like a gentle wave under a small boat, sometimes melodic, sometimes discordant, always spellbinding.

A camper door flung open and an angry voice screamed "Shut up!" and the door slammed shut with a metallic thud. All was quiet. I dozed off again happy for the experience.

A note from Peter Vandecar:

Thank you to the NEBCA members who presented me with all the housewarming gifts. They are now in my new house and have helped make it my home.

Trial Reports & Results: Merck Forest Open , July 10-11, 2010, Rupert, VT

Trial Report by Ellen Black

The Merck Forest Sheepdog Trial was organized by the Merck Forest & Farmland Center, a 3,100 acre outdoor education and recreation organization, with Trial Manager Steve Wetmore and Joanne Krause. Located in the West Central part of Vermont near Manchester, VT and Granville, NY this rustic location offered many challenges to handlers and dogs. Visitors were transported from the parking area into the farm by horse drawn carts pulled by pairs of Suffolk Punch and Halflinger work horses. Merck is known for their heritage animals. Saturday the Merck Corriedale/Romney cross bred sheep were run. Soaked by rain the night before and not used to being worked by dogs or the heat of the day, they proved their lack of enthusiasm for the sport. On Sunday, Bud & Mary Ames's athletic Katahdin sheep were trialed, allowing for a reduction in time from 8 minutes to 7.5 minutes.

Lorna Savage presided as judge over the hilly terrain from across the brook in another small field. This offered her better viewing than from the handler's post. Handlers climbed a stand to strain for a limited view. Dogs sent on a come bye outrun were out of site an average of 16 seconds. The dogs' hearing was strained by the lay of the terrain up a hill from the handlers post and then down behind the hill on the outrun and cross drive. The cross

drive proved the make or break of most runs for the day.

Michael Dathe and Mike Nunan worked setout with Buddy (Betty Murray's grandson) in the pen. Thanks to these capable fellows for their high energy input needed to manage the top. Merck volunteers received much training throughout the weekend from NEBCA members on sheep care and handling. Betty Murray was our trial secretary. Saturday was overcast and comfortable. Sunday came bright, clear and hot in the Green Mountains.

The right combination of instinct, experience, timing and persuasion by teams working perfectly in sync were rewarded with the top scores. The leaders were separated by the thinnest of margins on Saturday with Joan Worthington & Hope (92), Amanda Milliken with both Monty & Clive (90) and Beverly Lambert & Mirk (89) & with Awel (87). Sunday's score proved to be a race to the top for Beverly Lambert & Mirk (98), Amanda & Monty (93) & with Clive (92), Sue Schoen & Brook (91) and Carol Campion & Tam (89) who was tied with Maria Amodei & Song (89) broken on the outwork.

The coveted Welsh handmade ram's horn hazel wood crook engraved with Merck Forest SDT 2010 went to Beverly & Mirk (187) as the combined two day winner for

the second year in a row. Amanda & Monty (183) were Reserve separated by only one point Amanda & Clive (182). The winner's name is engraved on the Francis Hatch Bowl, one of Merck Forest's most beloved supporters and son-in-law of founder George Merck. Francis Hatch was a great sheep dog trial enthusiast. He passed away in 2010 and the bowl was donated in his honor.

This trial offers challenging terrain that provides a clear assessment of training needs for both handler and their dogs to pursue. Half the competitors did not complete the course over the weekend. While a humbling experience, we were still able to practice our gracious skills at the exhaust. We appreciate and thank all trial managers and their crews who work very hard to provide handlers with the opportunity to rise to the occasion and hone our skills. There would be no trials without these dedicated souls.

The Merck Forest Trial is the first trial in the Vermont Triple Crown. The following week handlers met in Waitsfield, VT at the Mad River Trial for the second trial of the Triple Crown series. Mad River is as flat a river valley field as New England has to offer. The third leg of the series at Quechee and Stafford, VT offers the diversity of rolling hills, steep meadows, stream crossings and blind work.

Merck Forest Open SDT, Rupert, VT July 10-11, 2010

Saturday

1. Joan Worthington & Hope 92
2. Amanda Milliken & Clive 90
3. Amanda Milliken & Monty 90
4. Beverly Lambert & Mirk 89
5. Beverly Lambert & Awel 87
6. Rob Drummond & Ben 84
7. Peter VandeCar & Katie 81
8. Sue Schoen & Brook 80
9. Carol Campion & Floss 80
10. Sally Molloy & Bett 79

Sunday

1. Beverly Lambert & Mirk 98
2. Amanda Milliken & Monty 93
3. Amanda Milliken & Clive 92
4. Sue Schoen & Brook 91
5. Carol Campion & Tam 89
6. Maria Amodei & Song 89
7. Joan Worthington & Hope 85
8. Don McCaig & June 84
9. Beverly Lambert & Awel 82
10. Steve Wetmore & Gile 77

Combined High Score: Beverly Lambert & Mirk 187

Reserve Combined High Score: Amanda Milliken & Monty 183

Trial Reports & Results: Despairdale

Despairdale
Blackstock, ON
July 16-18, 2010

Friday. Nursery (8 dogs)

- 1 Lori Cunningham, PA. Matt
- 2 Viki Kidd, ON. Macy

Saturday Open (37 dogs)

- 1 Amanda Milliken, ON. Clive
- 2 Mary Thompson, ON. Coal
- 3 Werner Reitboeck, ON. Tara
- 4 Marilyn Terpstra, MI. Queen
- 5 Peg Anderson, WI. Spot
- 6 Lorna Savage, ON. Kaylee
- 7 Marilyn Terpstra, MI. Gin
- 8 Mary Thompson, ON. Beauty

Saturday Nursery (9 dogs)

- 1 Marilyn Tersptra, MI. Eve
- 2 Lorna Savage, ON. Kaylee

Sunday Open (33 dogs)

- 1 Amanda Milliken, ON. Monty
- 2 Amanda Milliken, ON. Clive
- 3 Viki Kidd, ON. Merle
- 4 Peg Anderson, WI. Spot
- 5 Amanda Milliken, ON. Roz
- 6 Marilyn Terpstra, MI. Queen
- 7 Werner Reitboeck, ON. Roy

Sunday Nursery (10 dogs)

- 1 Mary Thompson, ON. Frost
- 2 Lorna Savage, ON. Kaylee

Saturday Ranch (4 dogs)

- 1 Marilyn Terpstra, MI. Eve
- 2 Tracy Hinton, ON. Boy

Saturday P/N (11 dogs)

- 1 Chuck Dimit, IN. Cole
- 2 Terry Sheaffer, MI. Jess

Saturday Novice (6 dogs)

- 1 Mackenzie Murphy, ON. Bess
- 2 Kathryn Acres, ON. Swift

Sunday Ranch (7 dogs)

- Tracy Hinton, ON. Boy
- Marilyn Terpstra, MI. Eve

Sunday P/N (12 dogs)

- 1 Chuck Dimit, IN. Cole
- 2 Mary Thompson, ON. Frost
- 3 Terry Sheaffer, MI. Jess

Sunday Novice (8 dogs)

- 1 J-L Bigourdan, NY. Zac 75
- 2 Janet Fahey, ON. Dod 68
- 3 Mackenzie Murphy, ON. Bess 62

Mad River Valley
Waitsfield, VT
July 17-18, 2010

Results not submitted

Shuttleworth Farm
Westfield, VT
July 24-25

Results not submitted

Butternut Creek Farm
Kingston, ON
July 30-Aug 1

Results not submitted



Werner Reitboeck picks his ride home at Shuttleworth



Nancy Phillips's lovely summer dress brings them out of the woods at Mad River Valley by Wendy Warner

Trial Reports & Results: Kingston Sheep Dog Trails, Grass Creek Park, Kingston, ON, Aug 4-8, 2010

AUGUST 4TH AND 5TH,

106 DOGS

HANDLER/DOG SCORE

1. Amanda Milliken/Clive	102	1. Amanda Milliken/Roz	97
2. Michelle Brothers/Roy	97	2. Beverly Lambert/Mirk	94
3. Beverly Lambert/Hemp	96	3. Cheryl Jagger Williams/Spot	94
4. Marilyn Terpstra/Gin	88	4. Dave Young/Bryn	90
5. Nancy Obernier/Ben	88	5. Barbara Ray/Jobe	89
6. Mary Lou Campbell/Dyna	87	6. Amanda Milliken/Clive	88
7. Barbara Ray/Queen	86	7. Christine Henry/Bess	88
8. Mary Thompson/Beauty	85	8. Christine Henry/Rook	87
9. Sally Lacy/Eve	84	9. Warren Mick/Kess	87
10. Amanda Milliken/Roz	84	10. Beverly Lambert/Hemp	86
11. Chuck Dimit/Rex	84	11. Amanda Milliken/Monty	86
12. Beverly Lambert/Nell	82	12. Robin French/Zac	85
13. Cheryl Williams/Spot	80	13. Warren Mick/Dale	84
14. Barbara Ray/Britt	79	14. Linda Comeau/Bet	83
15. Lori Cunningham/William	77	15. Barbara Ray/Brit	82
16. Chris Chambers/Molly	75	16. Joni Swanki/Stoney	82
17. Christine Henry/Bess	73	17. Warren Mick/Rock	82
18. Steve Wetmore/Gile	73	18. Leroy d'Entremont/Ex	81
19. Amanda Milliken/Monty	72	19. Beverly Lambert/Nell	80
20. Nancy Obernier/Nick	71	20. Barbara Ray/Queen	79
21. Joyce Geier/Jim	71	21. Nancy Obernier/Ben	79
22. Denise Wall/May	71	22. Wendy Schmaltz/Gin	78

KINGSTON DOUBLE LIFT - AUGUST 8

1.	Amanda Milliken	Clive	269
2.	Robin French	Zac	234
3.	Wendy Schmaltz	Gin	234
4.	Barbara Ray	Queen	232
5.	Beverly Lambert	Hemp	229
6.	Amanda Milliken	Roz	218
7.	Barbara Ray	Brit	214
8.	Dave Young	Bryn	211
9.	Christine Henry	Bess	211
10.	Nancy Obernier	Ben	199
11.	Cheryl Jagger Williams	Spot	194
12.	Beverly Lambert	Nell	181
13.	Mary Thompson	Beauty	177
14.	Dave Sharp	Tot	156
15.	Chuck Dimit	Rex	127



Kingston Double Lift Champion Amanda Milliken



Reserve Champion Robin French



An exuberant third-placed Wendy Schmaltz & Gin



Barbara Ray tying herself up in knots for 4th

Photographs by and/or of Amanda Milliken

Trial Reports & Results: Leatherstocking, Cooperstown, NY. Aug 13-15, 2010

NOVICE: 13 dogs

1. Wasielewski, Mary/Fizz	57
2. Van Wicklen, Gail/Mist	55
3. Cameron, Pat/Mollee	54
4. Walke, Martha/Cal	41
5. Pimentel, William/Jem	41
6. Clark, Linda/Meg	36

Long Road Award - Martha Walke & Cal

PRO-NOVICE: 34 dogs

1. Keats, Kathy/Craig	70
2. Leverett, Barbara/Bess	70
3. Robertson, Fiona/Mirk	68
4. Peterson, Becky/Peg	66
5. Comeau, Linda/ Joe	65
6. Millen, Roger/Rock	60
7. Helton, Pam/Elle	59
8. Williams, Dick/Mick	56
9. Campion, Carol/Beca	56
10. Evans, Jackie/Cricket	55

Long Road Award - Becky Peterson & Peg

RANCH: 26 dogs

1. Keats, Kathy/Craig	75
2. Whitney, Leslie/Captain	66
3. Simmons, Nancy/Nickie	63
4. Peterson, Becky/Peg	62
5. Brighoff, Mary/Lance	60
6. Evans, Joe/Chip	58
7. Comeau, Linda/Joe	54
8. Williams, Dick/Mick	51

9. Whitney, Leslie/ Kite	49
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10. Walke, Martha/Moss	49
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Long Road Award - Leslie Whitney & Captain

SATURDAY OPEN: 61 dogs

1. Williams, Dick/Mirk	90
2. Mick, Warren/Dale	86
3. Bowen, Chris/Jake	82
4. Drummond, Rob/ Ben	81
5. Savage, Lorna/Kaylee	81
6. Thompson, Mary/Beauty	81
7. Thompson, Mary/Coal	78
8. Campbell, Mary Lou/Dyna	78
9. Williams, Dick/Lass	78
10. Armata, Barb/ Meg	77
11. Thompson, Mary/Holly	76
12. Campion, Carol/Floss	76
13. Murphy, Jim/Jed	75

Long Road Award - Warren Mick & Dale

SUNDAY OPEN : 59 dogs

1. Bowen, Chris/Jake	92
2. Molloy, Sally/Bett	92
3. Savage, Lorna/Kaylee	90
4. Thompson, Mary/Holly	87
5. Sharp, Dave/Tot	86
6. Keats, Kathy/Moss	85
7. Thompson, Mary/Coal	83
8. Levinson, Barb/Ryn	83
9. Armata, Bernie/Roy	82
10. Armata, Barb/Meg	82

The Leatherstocking Sheep Dog Trials were held on the beautiful Clark field near Cooperstown, New York. Special displays marked our 15th anniversary. The weather was partly cloudy and cooler with some rain on Sunday which was a welcome relief after the stifling heat and humidity the week before.

The ninety five sheep, primarily Scottish Blackface and Scottie crosses, were provided by Barb and Bernie Armata. There were also some colored lambs from Denise Leonard and selected additions from Barb Leverett. Older ewes were used in the Novice and Pro-Novice classes while a lamb was added in Ranch and Open .

The novice runs were ably judged by Denise Leonard from Greenfield, Mass., and the 60 plus open runs were efficiently sorted out by Cheryl Jagger Williams from Hop Bottom, PA. We had over 550 spectators, some of which return year after year.

The novice class was won by Mary Wasielewski and her Kelpie, Fizz. Kathy Keats came away with a blue ribbon in both pro novice and ranch with her Craig. On Sunday we had a run off for first place in Open between Sally Molloy and Chris Bowen, with Chris having the better second run. Long road awards were presented to Martha Walke and Cal, Becky Peterson and Peg and Leslie Whitney and Captain. In Open the Long road awards were won by Warren Mick and Dale on Saturday and Chris Bowen

with Jake on Sunday. These awards honor the handlers who have trained their dogs from a pup on. Chris Bowen and Jake received the overall championship, with Lorna Savage and Kalee reserve. Chris will receive an oil painting of his dog done by Barb Armata.

A very special thanks to our sponsor, Dog Wild, owned by Ray and Dana

Rice who provided wonderful gift baskets as prizes and who had a display of quality items from their store in Cooperstown. Sue Smith, with the assistance of the Butternut Valley Spinners and the Leatherstocking Shepherd's Association had a very interesting display on sheep farming in Otsego County.

Rose Redick won the raffle of a Border collie figurine.

The set out, pen and push out crews did a terrific job. Thanks to Mel Hanchett for organizing all of that. The trial could not continue without all of our dedicated help. Scribes, gate keepers, announcers, our sheep hauler, the Clark Foundation, advertisers and Heather Millen for entries - all contributed to the trial's success. Bennetts, a local motorcycle and snowmobile dealer once again let us use their Rhino, which saves countless time and effort. Something Wonderful Catering put on a great handler's dinner Saturday night, and Fly Creek Methodist Church provided breakfasts and lunches each day.

We had some wonderful vendors - Pat DeCoux with her walking sticks, with all proceeds coming back to benefit the trial, Glimmer Glass Alpacas, Butternut Valley Spinners, Greetings by Gosh, Handspun Yarns, and reiki by Ellen Sokolow.

As an additional fund-raiser for the trial we had Nap-perzzz mats for crates and cars. These one of a kind creations were hand made from mostly recycled materials by Jamie Hurley. They proved to be a great hit with handlers as well as spectators. We also sold T-shirts, sweatshirts, calendars and decals.

The trials committee of Linda Hotchkiss, Barb and Bernie Armata, Liz Phillips, Barb Leverett, Tina Pabst, and Warren Mick would like to thank everyone and look forward to next year's event.

Submitted by Tina Pabst



Leatherstocking Open winners, Chris Bowen & Jake . Photograph by Amanda Milliken

Trial Reports & Results: Maine Highland Games, Fetch Gate Farm Benefit Trial, Lancaster Fair & Blue Hill Fair**The Maine Highland Games Trial****Topsham Fairgrounds, ME****Aug 21: 20 dogs ran**

1. Sharon Perkins - Roy
2. Lynn Deschambeault- Mij
3. Roger Deschambeault-Ken
4. Roger Deschambeault-Bob
5. Lynn Deschambeault-Dru
6. Rob Drummond- Ben
7. Rob Drummond - Casey
8. Maurice MacGregor- Rob
9. Brenda Buja -Bronco
10. Jim Perkins - Z

Fetch Gate Farm**Benefit Trial,****Cortland, NY****Sept 4-6 (originally Aug 21-22)****NOV/NOV: SATURDAY****18 DOGS**

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|-------------------------------|----|
| 1. Pietrasewska, Valerie/Kep | 76 |
| 2. Place, Laurie/Mattie | 75 |
| 3. Morgan, Celia/Nash | 73 |
| 4. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Kita | 61 |
| 5. Pimentel, Bill/Jem | 54 |

PRO/NOV: SATURDAY**28 DOGS**

- | | |
|--------------------------|----|
| 1. Labelle, Nathalie/Nan | 79 |
| 2. Churcher, Mike/Daniel | 77 |
| 3. Woessner, Dee/Dibs | 75 |
| 4. Madison, Ron/Greta | 71 |
| 5. Sharon, Fran/Maid | 67 |

RANCH: SATURDAY**22 DOGS**

- | | |
|---------------------------|----|
| 1. Hoeber, Tom/Mia | 79 |
| 2. LeFever, Gwenn/Mirk | 77 |
| 3. Churcher, Mike/Daniel | 77 |
| 4. Clingerman, Terri/Rhys | 75 |
| 5. Robertson, Fiona/Mirk | 75 |

NURSERY: SATURDAY**5 DOGS**

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|--------------------|----|
| 1. Hoeber, Tom/Mia | 67 |
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NOV/NOV: SUNDAY**19 DOGS**

- | | |
|------------------------------|----|
| 1. Pimentel, Bill/Jem | 69 |
| 2. VanWicklen, Gail/Mist | 68 |
| 3. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Zac | 68 |
| 4. Place, Laurie/Mattie | 66 |
| 5. Dury, Wally/Max | 65 |

PRO/NOV: SUNDAY**27 DOGS**

- | | |
|-------------------------|----|
| 1. Robertson, Fiona/Gem | 78 |
| 2. Madison, Ron/Greta | 73 |
| 3. Woessner, Dee/Dibs | 73 |
| 4. Sharon, Fran/Liz | 67 |
| 5. Madison, Ron/Duke | 67 |

RANCH: SUNDAY**25 DOGS**

- | | |
|---------------------------|----|
| 1. Woessner, Dee/Nell | 79 |
| 2. Whitney, Leslie/Cap | 79 |
| 3. Robertson, Fiona/Fen | 75 |
| 4. Clingerman, Terri/Rhys | 73 |
| 5. LeFever, Gwenn/Mirk | 70 |

NURSERY: SUNDAY**5 DOGS**

- | | |
|-------------------------|----|
| 1. Robertson, Fiona/Gem | 80 |
|-------------------------|----|

NOV/NOV: MONDAY**14 DOGS**

- | | |
|------------------------------|----|
| 1. Bower, Lynn/Cael | 73 |
| 2. Bigourdan, Jean-Louis/Zac | 72 |
| 3. Pimentel, Bill/Jem | 71 |
| 4. Place, Laurie/Mattie | 67 |
| 5. Clark, Linda/Meg | 66 |

PRO/NOV: MONDAY**22 DOGS**

- | | |
|------------------------------|----|
| 1. Madison, Ron/Greta | 76 |
| 2. Lockwood, Sandy/Curly Sue | 71 |
| 3. Sharon, Fran/Liz | 71 |
| 4. Millen, Heather/Chip | 65 |
| 5. Sharpe, Liz/Gift | 63 |

RANCH: MONDAY**15 DOGS**

- | | |
|----------------------------|----|
| 1. Schmitt, Cindy/Jill | 84 |
| 2. LeFever, Gwenn/Mirk | 84 |
| 3. Hoeber, Tom/Mia | 77 |
| 4. Whitney, Leslie/Kite | 77 |
| 5. Williams, Eileen/Robbie | 71 |

Vermont State Championship**Waitsfield, VT****August 28**

Results not submitted

Spring Valley Open**Stafford, VT****August 29**

Results not submitted

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Lancaster Fair**Lancaster, NH****September 2****Trial Manager: Roger Deschambeault****33 dogs competed**

1. Fiona Robertson & Tap
2. Carlene Eitapence & Kodi
3. Rich Seaman & Boo
4. Dave Young & Bess
5. Lynn Deschambeault & Chip
6. Jim Perkins & Ben
7. Rob Drummond & Ben
8. Rich Seaman & Ki
9. Roger Deschambeault & Bob
10. Roger Deschambeault & Trim

Blue Hill Fair**Blue Hill, ME****September 4-5:****Trial Manager: Jim & Mae Davidson****SATURDAY: 30 Dogs**

1. Maurice McGregor/Jan
2. Roger Deschambeault/Bob
3. Maurice McGregor/Rob
4. Steve Wetmore/Pace
5. Rob Drummond/Pace
6. Rich seamn/Boo
7. Sharon Perkins/Cash
8. Lynn Deschambeault/Dru
9. Steve Wetmore/Gile
10. Jim Perkins/Ben
11. Roger Deschambeault/Jack
12. Jim Allen/Zip
13. Sue Allen/Ash
14. Lynn Deschambeault/Mij
15. Sharon Perkins/Roy

SUNDAY: 30 Dogs

1. Roger Deschambeault/Jack
2. Roger Deschambeault/Bob
3. Steve Wetmore/Gile
4. Rich Seaman/Kip
5. Dave Craven/Gwen
6. Rich Seaman/Zoe
7. Jim Perkins/Z
8. Lynn Deschambeault/Chip
9. Steve Wetmore/Pace
10. Maurice McGregor/Flash
11. Sharon Perkins/Roy
12. Jim Perkins/Ben
13. Maurice McGregor/Jan
14. Rob Drummond/Cub
15. Susan Allen/Ash

Jim and Mae Davidson have managed this trial for over 50 years (making it the longest-running trial in the U.S.)

This year we had to contend with Hurricane Earl, so not as many came to compete.

Gabe Merrill

Trial Report: Indian River & Fryeburg Fair**Indian River, ON Learning Trial, Sept 11-12****NN Sat**

1. Kevan Gretton	Jade	43
2. Kathryn Acres	Swift	41
John Milloy	Mabs	RT
Victoria Lamont	Dizzy	RT
Louise Hadley	Kate	RT
Chad Marquis	Apex	RT
Jay Mycroft	Mick	RT
Kathryn Acres	Jag	RT

NN Sun

1. Louise Hadley	Kate	50
2. Kathryn Acres	Swift	44
3. Victoria Lamont	Dizzy	38
4. John Milloy	Pam	29
Chad Marquis	Apex	DQ
Jay Mycroft	Mick	DQ
John Milloy	Mabs	DQ
Lena Band	Gypsy	DQ
Kathryn Acres	Jag	RT

PN Sat

1. Cynthia Palmer	Nickie	57
2. Tara Dier	Meg	55
Kevan Gretton	Jade (NC)	50
Teresa Castonguay	Ross	DQ
Chris Knowlton	Pepper	RT
Kelly Knowlton	Lucas	RT
Keith Donnelly	Stella	

PN Sunday

1. Janet Fahey	Jock	80
2. Cynthia Palmer	Nickie	72
3. Janet Fahey	Dod	51
Lena Band	?	DQ
Tara Dier	Meg	DQ
Louise Hadley (NC)	Kate	RT

Ranch Sat

1. Helen Dunning	Jess	64
2. Keith Donnelly	Kip	28
Mike Churher	Daniel	RT
Helen Dunning	Jack	RT
Jay Mycroft	Wisp	RT

Ranch Sun

Jay Mycroft	Wisp	RT
Janet Fahey	Jim	RT

NN Sat

1. Kevan Gretton	Jade	43
2. Kathryn Acres	Swift	41
John Milloy	Mabs	RT
V. Lamont	Dizzy	RT
Louise Hadley	Kate	RT
Chad Marquis	Apex	RT
Jay Mycroft	Mick	RT
Kathryn Acres	Jag	RT

NN Sun

1. Louise Hadley	Kate	50
2. Kathryn Acres	Swift	44
3. V. Lamont	Dizzy	38
4. John Milloy	Pam	29
Chad Marquis	Apex	DQ
Jay Mycroft	Mick	DQ
John Milloy	Mabs	DQ
Lena Band	Gypsy	DQ
Kathryn Acres	Jag	RT

PN Sat

T. Castonguay	Ross	DQ
Chris Knowlton	Pepper	RT
1. Tara Dier	Meg	52
2. Cynthia Palmer	Nickie	52
3. Kevan Gretton	Jade	50
Kelly Knowlton	Lucas	RT
Keith Donnelly	Stella	

PN Sunday

1. Janet Fahey	Jock	72
2. Cynthia Palmer	Nickie	68
3. Janet Fahey	Dod	48
Lena Band	?	T
Tara Dier	Meg	DQ
Louise Hadley	Kate	

Ranch Sat

1. Helen Dunning	Jess	64
2. Keith Donnelly	Kip	28
Mike Churher	Daniel	RT
Helen Dunning	Jack	RT
Jay Mycroft	Wisp	RT

Ranch Sun

Jay Mycroft	Wisp	RT
Janet Fahey	Jim	RT

Fryeburg Fair ME.**October 3, 2010****Trial Manager: Gabe Merrill****JUDGE: CARROLL GOODWIN****35 dogs. Points and time trial**

Our annual Fryeburg Fair trial had good weather and a great crowd of spectators.

Jahn Deschambeault sang the National Anthem before the trial making a nice start to the day.

The fair is enjoyed by all that come for the trial. There was good food, animals and many attractions.

We had a points trial this year. The crowd could follow this better than a judged one.

Roger and Jack were the only ones to get a perfect run all day so it was rather difficult.

Roger took home the trophy cane dedicated in memory of Darlene Hutchins for safe keeping until next year to be given out again to the winner of the two trials, N.H.Championship and Fryeburg Fair.

Susan Allen made a beautiful "stocking" for want of a better word) to protect the cane.

Lynn kept the crowd well informed as the announcer and Rob helped out at times as well.

Looking forward to another year of trialing,

See you all then.

Gabe Merrill

1. Roger Deschambeault/Jack /57
2. Steve Wetmore/Gile/54
3. Peter VandeCar/Lief/50
4. Bud Ames/Dirk/49
5. Sharon Perkins/Cash/46
6. Sue Schoen/Peat/46
7. Carlene Eitapence/Kodi/45
8. Lynn Deschambeault/Mij/45
9. Lynn Deschambeault/Chip/43
10. Maria Amodei/Levi/41
11. Sue Schoen/Brook/40
12. Sharon Perkins/Roy/38
14. Steve Wetmore/Dart/35
15. Michael Dathe/Q/32
16. Jim Perkins/Ben/31

Trial Reports & Results: NEBCA Novice Finals

2010 NEBCA Novice Finals, Honeyoye Falls, NY. October 9-10

Host: Joyce Geier

Judge: Derek Scrimgeour

The sun shone for the Novice Finals held October 9th and 10th at Sand Creek Farm in Honeyoye New York. Our thanks go to Joyce Geier for hosting this event at her beautiful farm. The trial field rolled gently downhill from the handler's post and then back up where the sheep were set out. The 90 sheep were well fit wool crossbreds from a flock of two thousand and were relatively undogged in small groups. They presented a good challenge for the handler and dog teams. There was a lot of good sheepdog work- congratulations to all participants.

Derek Scrimgeour from Lonscale Farm in Keswick, Cumbria was our judge. Derek has won the English National Trial and competed many times in the International Trial for England. He did an admirable job of sorting out the runs.

There were three runs for every

team in each class, with 77 runs on Saturday and 97 runs on Sunday. Placings were based on the total of the best two runs. The sheep were set out in groups of five for Novice Novice; groups of four for Pro Novice; and groups of three for Ranch.

Prizes for Champion and Reserve Champion were engraved whistles made by and donated to us by Rob and Betsy Drummond. They do a beautiful job. Each Handler received a Handler's bag with a bag of dog yummys and a ceramic Border Collie that came straight from the International Trial in Ireland to the Novice Finals in New York.

Linda Clark and Meg won the Championship in the Novice Novice class and Valerie Pietraszewska and Blush are the Reserve Champions. Denise Leonard and Emmie are the Champions in the Pro Novice class and Joe Evans and Mist are the Reserve Champions. Gwenn LeFever and Mirk are the Champions in the Ranch class and Joe Evans and Chip are the Reserve Champions.

The Long Road Award - presented to the highest placing teams in which the dog has been owned by the handler from the age of 6 months or younger, never trained by a professional, and trained primarily by the handler - went to Edie Hardin-Steiner & Rudy (Novice Novice), Denise Leonard and Emmie (Pro Novice), and Fiona Robertson & Fen (Ranch).

The Alex McKinven Award - awarded to the highest placing Pro-Novice handler who has never run a dog in an open trial and is running a dog that has never been trained by anyone except the current owner - went to Liz Sharpe and Joss.

The youngest handler was the capable ten year old Mackensie Murphy, grandson of Jim and Joanne Murphy.

The weather was exquisite. The catered dinner and home made pies were outstanding. Sheep handling at the set out pen was well done - thank you Mike Nunan and Liz Phillips. Hold out was good and consistent- thank you to too many to name. Many thanks go to Sue Hoeber for collecting the score sheets, tabulating the scores and putting them up on the board both days. Thank you to all the scribes and to everyone who pitched in with all the little and big things which need to happen to make a successful trial. Thank you all for coming.

**Joyce, Kate, Eileen, Annie
The Novice Committee**



*Judge Scrimgeour plus admiring spectator wearing Scottish hat.
Photograph by Kate Collins*

Trial Reports & Results: NEBCA Novice Finals (contd.)

Novice/Novice

- 1. Champion: Linda Clark & Meg 137**
- 2. Reserve Champion: Val Pietraszewska & Blush 131**
3. Edie Hardin-Steiner & Rudy 130
4. Ron Madison & Chelsea 123
5. Val Pietraszewska & Kep 123
6. Eileen Wilentz & Hattie 118
7. Laurie Place & Mattie 118
8. Edie Hardin-Steiner & Modibo 113
9. Jean-Louis Bigourdan & Kita 111
10. Lynn Bower & Cael 110

Long Road - Edie Hardin-Steiner & Rudy

Pro Novice

- 1. Champion: Denise Leonard/Emmie 140**
- 2. Reserve Champion: Joe Evans/Mist 139**
3. Peggy Chute & KC 138
4. Dee Woessner & Dibs 134
5. Dee Woessner & Meg 133
6. Roger Millen & Rock 132

7. Joanne Murphy & Speed 132
8. Liz Sharpe & Joss 132
9. Eileen Wilentz & Ray 130
10. Molly King & Allie 129

Long Road - Denise Leonard & Emmie

Alex McKinven Award - Liz Sharpe & Joss

Ranch

- 1. Champion: Gwenn LeFever & Mirk 165**
- 2. Reserve Champion: Joe Evans/Chip 153**
3. Mike Churcher & Daniel 146
4. Dee Woessner & Nell 145
5. Fiona Robertson & Fen 145
6. Kate Collins & Ela 140
7. Fiona Robertson & Mirk 140
8. Dick Williams & Mick 137
9. Val Pietraszewska & Jess 126
10. Tom Hoeber & Mia 117

Long Road - Fiona Robertson & Fen



Ranch Champions - Gwenn LeFever & Mirk.



Pro-Novice Champions - Denise Leonard & Emmie



Alex McKinven Award Winners - Liz Sharpe & Joss



Novice Champions - Linda Clark & Meg

Photographs by Kate Collins

Announcements - Nominating Committee**To All NEBCA Members:**

The Nominating Committee is soliciting members in good standing who are willing to run for the available offices listed below. Any NEBCA member from the NEBCA region is eligible to run for any of the offices identified. The region consists of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritime Provinces of Canada. You can refer to the NEBCA Bylaws to read about responsibilities and terms for the open positions or you can ask any of the Nominating Committee members.

The open offices are:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Member of The Board of Directors (2 positions)

The NEBCA Nominating Committee is endeavoring to put together a ballot of candidates to be published in the December newsletter. This is so the membership can vote prior to the Annual Meeting when the vote tallies are counted and the positions filled. The deadline for receiving these nominations is **November 15, 2010.**

If you are interested in running for any of the positions listed above, please contact any of the Nominating Committee members (telephone numbers listed on Page 2).

Finally, if you want to nominate someone other than yourself, that person should have agreed to run as a candidate.

Respectfully,

The NEBCA Nominating Committee

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Announcements

NOVICE COMMITTEE - PROPOSED CHANGE

The Novice Committee is proposing two additions to the Novice Guidelines.

1. To be added to the section titled "General Novice Trial Guidelines."

If a dog is run by multiple Handlers then the following apply:

- A dog may be run by more than one person in any one novice class.
- If one handler moves the dog up a class, the other handlers have to run the dog in the higher class.
- All points earned by the dog in any one class stay with the dog. Points will be assigned to either the owner of the dog or the primary handler of the dog.
- Upon accumulating 30 points, the dog will point out of that class.

2. To be added to the section titled "Novice Finals."

A dog that has run in Open competitively may not run in the Pro-Novice class in the Novice Finals.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact any member of the Novice Committee.

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