



NEBCA News

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Paul Batz

Paul Batz's sheep consume hay after one of the season's first snowfalls at Ox Creek Farm in Canandaigua, NY.

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From Your Secretary - Martha Walke

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The ballot for the election of your next Executive Board and new members of the NEBCA Board of Directors is enclosed in this newsletter. Please read the directions carefully, and mail the completed form back to me no later than December 31, 2018. *I will accept ballots that are postmarked January 1, 2019.*

If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting and cannot get to a remote site, there is a Proxy Form on the back of the ballot. Please make certain that the person you wish to be your proxy is willing and will be attending the meeting, either on-site or remotely.

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The 2019 membership form has been updated to include information concerning how your personal information is/will be used by the association.

If you are paying by using PayPal, please make certain you send me a completed form in a separate email (the form arrives blank if you fill it in and send it with notice of payment).

Thank you.

I wish you all happy holidays and a sheepdog trial filled New Year.

From Your Editor

Martha Walke has been a dedicated partner in our Newsletter process. She retrieved the issues from her local printer, prepared the labels for recipients, affixed the labels, stuffed envelopes as needed, and mailed the printed issue. Martha is retiring from the process.

Lori Tsuruda is retiring as Layout Editor as of the Summer 2019 issue.

Please thank Lori and Martha for their considerable efforts in creating and delivering the Newsletter.

What shall we do without them? We'll need volunteers for layout editing and mailing. *See ad below.*

Please continue to send working-bordercollie themed ideas, articles, photos, drawings, poetry, etc., for the Newsletter, at least one month prior to the publication date, to KryptoMongo@verizon.net.

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Clever, inspiring, confident, problem-solver who appreciates challenges?

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Lori Tsuruda is retiring as Layout Editor as of the Summer 2019 Newsletter issue. We're searching for a dragon to replace her.

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Method and Eye

By Julie Hill

NEBCA Newsletter Editor's Note:

Building on previous Newsletter articles regarding eye of the border collie in sheepdog work, Julie Hill describes method in connection to eye.

What is meant by "method"?

The method each dog employs is intrinsic to that animal which is partly why there is no specific distance for the dog to be from its stock - that will vary according to the predatory energy and intentions of the dog and the flightiness of the stock.

The method of some dogs can calm stock at the same time as moving them forward, and dogs with good feel for sheep can work close to stock without upsetting them. These dogs have natural qualities that make handling much easier.

Ultimately, we are looking for a dog with not too much or too little eye; however, balance and feel are most important attributes that will help the handler.

For me personally, class is the style and method that draws you in to look at the dog - we could liken it to charisma in some people. I like a dog with style but I also need the dog to be capable of working on the hill.

What are the key qualities and attributes that should be encouraged in trials judging and breeding?

Ideally, the dog should have good balance to fetch the sheep and save energy with a smooth flow of motion, making adjustments himself as he reads his sheep.

Likewise, in driving, the dog should take control of his sheep and balance, again making independent fine adjustments so as to control sheep - it is this that makes shepherding chores seem effortless.

*Julie Hill is the author of *The Natural Way, Sheepdog Training using the Dog's Own Language, Second Edition*, and is available with a companion DVD through the Shop at International Sheep Dog Society <https://www.isds.org.uk/shop/books/dog-training/the-natural-way-by-julie-hill/>. Julie has won ISDS Supreme International and International Brace Championships, and is a shepherd with over thirty years of experience.*



Melanie Behrens

Fall Foliage sheep at Caora Farm.

Ginny Prince



Dan Weeks' Teddy driving sheep across a rill on the course.

Fall Foliage at Caora Farm on October 12-14, 2018

By Sallie Butler

Judge Michael Gallagher presided over cool autumn days at Caora Farm, site of NEBCA's Fall Foliage competition, with grateful thanks to Mich Ferraro and Kak Weathers. The first two days were elimination challenges, and 15 top scorers from either day entered the last day's Double Lift.

Fall Foliage's Champion was Amanda Milliken and Dorey, with Reserve Champion Amanda Milliken and Howell.

Melanie Behrens



Maria Mick's Nick3 starting the drive.



Ginny Prince

Bud and Mary Ames' sheep grazing at Novice Finals.

Novice Finals at Cascade Farm, NH, September 15-16, 2018

By Mary Ames

Bud and I want to say thank you to the NEBCA Novice Finals committee, Sheila Crepeau, Barb Ericksson, Peggy Flanagan, and Amy Hershberger, for organizing and running the finals at our farm. This was our third time hosting the Novice Finals. They set the bar high. They came early and helped with the set up of the trial field. They stayed on top of all the little jobs that needed doing as well as running their dogs. They stayed focused and organized.

Warren Mick and Dave Young set the course. Warren judged all three rounds and Dave organized the set out crews, who did a great job at bringing quiet, unfrazzled sheep to the set out point. Ginny Prince, Dylan W., Frank E., and Blake were the main pen crew and did an excellent job sorting and putting out groups of sheep.

The handlers who entered and ran their dogs had a great time cheering everyone on. All their hours working with their dogs over the summer showed in their runs.

The handlers' dinner was a traditional New England Lobster bake complete with seaweed

provided by friends of Peggy. They also offered grilled steak and chicken.

When the trial was over, everyone pitched in to help disassemble the trial and pick things up. The only sign that everyone had been here were their tire tracks in the grass.

Congratulations to the class winners: N/N Gaby Melancon and Watson, P/N Francois LeBlanc and By & Away L'Joy, and Ranch Liz Shaw and Poe.



Sandy Lockwood

Ranch class at Novice Finals 2018

Sandy Lockwood



Novice-novice class at Novice Finals 2018

Sandy Lockwood



Pro-novice class at Novice Finals 2018

Congratulations to Amanda Milliken and Hazel, Reserve Nursery Champion at the 2018 USBCHA National Sheepdog Finals, held in Alturus, CA, September 24-29!



Sallie Butler

Amanda Milliken's Hazel masterfully studies the trial field at Caora Farm, Millerton, NY, site of NEBCA's 2018 Fall Foliage.

Book Review of *Nine Secrets of Perfect Horsemanship* by Don Blazer

By Dave Fetterman

Editor's Note: Dave Fetterman donated this book to the NEBCA library. Thanks, Dave!

This title does not seem like one that would be related to handling and training border collies, but it is. Patrick Shannahan advised this book at his clinic a couple of years ago. If you find yourself frustrated, losing your temper, not progressing in your handling and training, spend a few hours to read this book, and you may find it time well spent.

A Pilgrimage... of sorts

Lancaster, NH, August 30 and Blue Hill, Maine, September 1-2, 2018

By Dave Young

The Labour Day fair trial circuit got off to its usual start in Lancaster, NH, on August 30 and moved to Blue Hill, ME, on September 1-2. However, before I continue it must be stated that this series is at the root of northeastern trialing. Unlike the serious road warriors of the east, who travel to the great western trials, this trail to Blue Hill is haunted by hands of the past and present for over 62 years and have entertained thousands of fair goers. The Pulfer Brothers, Pences, Deschambeaults and Mckinvens, to name a few. As we made our way out east, you could only imagine their yearning to compete with their dogs. Trials were few and far in between. To prove themselves, a drive from Ohio and beyond was the norm. Roads were not what they are today. No trailers, none of the comforts we take for granted and demand today. Regardless of the fact that the course was slightly larger than a couple of shedding rings, it still brought them here, year after year.

These trials are essentially arena trials. Horse rings, show rings, race tracks in front of grandstands. Not a lot of space. Steady, biddable dogs can shine with the right draw. All spectators enjoy the dogs. The Blue Hill crowd cannot get enough, probably due to years of enjoyment that we give them. They get it. They cheer. They groan. All in the anticipation of seeing a winning run. The image remains in our mind of this year's winner Nancy Phillips raising her trophy over her head not unlike the Stanley Cup, the crowd went wild. Just as they have for 62 years.

Results

Lancaster: Maria Mick and Nick3, Champion;
Fiona Robertson and meG, Reserve Champion.

Blue Hill: Sallie Butler and Roo, Champion;
Steve Wetmore and Floss, Reserve Champion,

Blue Hill Northeast US Sheepdog Trial:
Nancy Phillips and Dewey, Champion;
Tim Molinero and Finn, Reserve Champion.



View of course at Loon Mountain.



Ginny Prince

Mike Nunan holds sheep (from Bud and Mary Ames' flock) for Dave Young's Bess to glide her sheep down the ski slope.

Loon Mountain, New Hampshire Highland Games Sheepdog Trial, Sept. 21, 2018
 By Sallie Butler

Chris Bowen and Bella won the Campbell Cup trophy at the Highland Games and Scottish Festival. Dave Young and Pic earned Reserve Champion.

Gratitude to Lynn Deschambeault for organizing the event, which was cheered, as always, by an enthusiastic audience.

TRIAL SCHEDULE *as of 11/14/18*

Date	Sheepdog Trial Name	Location	Contact Person	Telephone#
Dec. 30, 2018	May Brook Farm	Pittsfield, MA	Sue Schoen	413-344-9514
Jan. 5-6, 2019	PA Farm Show	Harrisburg, PA	Emily Falk	717-574-7265
June 8-9, 2019	True Colors Farm	Washington, ME	Brenda Buja	603-534-6718

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Anyone joining NEBCA after October 1 will receive membership for the rest of that year and the following year.

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NEBCA Membership Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2018 Cooperstown, NY
 Meeting called to order at 5:44PM.
 32 members present.

- I. The minutes from the 5/26/18 Cummington Meeting were approved.
- II. Executive Committee Reports
 - A. Secretary's Report (Martha Walke)

There are currently 246 members who have renewed or joined. There are 7 Life members; 43 Family/Farm members and 196 Individual members. There are 39 new members this year, down from 42 at this time last year. At this time in 2017, we had 261 members. So there are 15 members who have not renewed. But if we compare it to the most members we have had (272), we are down 26 members. But, this is misleading as it does not take into account members who have moved out of the area or members who have died. I am rarely told of these things.
 - B. Treasurer's Report (Denise Leonard) *See Financials attachment.*
- III. Board of Director's Report (Barbara Leverett)

The Information Policy, adapted from one that Warren Mick wrote at an earlier time, is being remodeled for current use. Discussion on the need for a policy concerning dissemination of personal information. The BOD would like more time in looking at this as well as a policy for use of the membership list.

The BOD, with the help of Mary Ann Duffy, has looked into the purchase of a first aid kit and an AED that would be available at trials for any and all emergencies. The cost would be approximately \$2,000. There would be a need for someone to "own" this project: house it, get it to trials, make certain it is complete. Mary Ann Duffy volunteered to do this. There was a motion to continue work on this policy and then request funds at the Annual Meeting. Motion passed.
- IV. Standing Committee Reports
 - A. Open Trials Committee (Sue Schoen)

The Committee has been finalizing the Fall Foliage trial. They have a site (Caora Farm, Millerton, NY); a judge (Michael Gallagher); sheep; and a food truck. There is a work day for the Committee on Saturday, September 16. There was a question as to which day the double lift would take place. The two open trials are Friday and Saturday, October 12 and 13, and the double lift will be Sunday, October 14.
 - B. Novice Trials Committee (Dave Young)

The committee is working well together. They have dropped the point requirement to 1 point to participate in the Novice Finals. The location for the Finals is Cascade Farm, Bath, NH (the Ames' farm) and the judge will be Warren Mick.

All of the Quebec novice trials have been sanctioned by NEBCA.
 - B. Learning Trials Committee (Rose Redick)

There is a lot more interest in requesting help this year for putting on learning trials. Sharon Barrett, Amy Hershberger, and Ginny Prince have requested help.

This Committee also supported the Whistle Challenge at the Cummington Trial.
- V. Select Committee Reports
 - A. Merchandise Committee (Joanne Krause)

There will be a profit from sales from now on. They did not order a lot so there will not be a lot of merchandise to hold over for next year. Joanne is retiring as chair of the committee.
 - B. Calendar Committee (Kate Collins & George Northrop)

The 2019 calendars are dribbling out. They hope to sell more this weekend at the trial. A reminder to announcers to talk-up the calendar. Requested a volunteer to take some to the Maine trials.
 - C. Library Committee (Martha Walke)

The library continues to be used most especially by new members. We have had a fairly steady number of borrowers this summer. Carleen Etapence has donated 36 books and 8 videos to the library. All of the videos are duplicates of ones we own. Very few members have borrowed a video in the past couple of years. I have asked a friend to give me a price for having some of our videos put on DVDs. If it is less than buying new DVDs, I will have him proceed to convert the most popular items.
 - D. Newsletter (Sallie Butler)

The Autumn Newsletter is in production and should be available shortly.

We appreciate members' articles, photos, artwork and suggestions for items to include in the Newsletter.

Thank you to Martha Walke for picking up, preparing, and mailing printed copies to members.

VI. Old Business

- A. Pam Davies is working on the Novice Points and finding dogs not currently running.
- B. Data Base Status Report (Maria Armodei)
The work on the points database has been tabled for the summer and will be picked back up in October.

VII. New Business

- A. Steve Wetmore suggested the purchase of a digital clock to be used at the bigger trials. Someone would need to be the "point" person for this (housing it; sending it to trials; etc.). Discussion followed and it was suggested that if one could be rented, the trial manager should ask NEBCA to fund the rental. There were no volunteers to follow this up.
- B. Steve Wetmore suggested that NEBCA purchase a bench to be placed near the handlers' entrance to the Grass Creek field in Kingston, ON. There would be a sign attached saying this bench had been donated by NEBCA. Dave Young will look into this.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha M. Walke, NEBCA Secretary

NEBCA ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 19, 2019

The NEBCA Annual General Meeting will be held January 19, 2019 (snow date: January 26) at the Monadnock Humane Society on NH Route 10 in Swanzey, NH (GPS Address: 101 West Swanzey Road, Swanzey, NH). Starting time is 10 a.m. sharp. There will be a pot luck lunch.

The Monadnock Humane Society is located about one mile south of the roundabout in Keene, NH, and 11 miles north of the traffic light in central Winchester, NH. Use the entrance on the left-hand side of the building near the Training Center sign.

As was done last year, remote participation will be offered to groups of three or more members. Additional information regarding this will be provided on the NEBCA website and Facebook page.

NEBCA Financials 1/1/18-7/31/18

INCOME	1/1/18 to 7/31/18	2018 Budget	
Advertisements	\$60.00	\$100.00	
Breeders Directory			
Breeders Directory: Calender	\$40.00		
Breeders Directory: Listing Newsletter	\$30.00		
Breeders Directory: Web Link	\$100.50		
TOTAL Breeders Directory	\$170.50	\$300.00	
Calendar Sales			
Calendar Sales to Members	\$402.50		
Calendar Sales to Non Members	\$41.95		
Calendar Sales: Shipping	\$12.80		
TOTAL Calendar Sales	\$457.25	\$2,800.00	
Donation	\$1.50		
Interest Income	\$31.94	\$55.00	
Library Income	\$47.00	\$200.00	
Membership Dues			
Membership Dues: Family	\$606.00		
Membership Dues: Individual	\$2,483.00		
TOTAL Membership Dues	\$3,089.00	\$6,400.00	
Merchandise Sales			
Merchandise Sales to Members	\$2,280.00		
TOTAL Merchandise Sales	\$2,280.00	\$6,000.00	
Rental of Equipment	\$20.00	\$50.00	
Trial Income			
Novice Finals Donation	\$200.00		
TOTAL INCOME	\$6,357.19	\$15,905.00	
Account Balances as of	7/31/2018	7/31/2017	12/31/2017
Bank of America Checking	\$29,343.27	\$20,993.98	\$27,935.54
ING Business Savings	\$13,789.37	\$13,734.43	\$13,757.43
PayPal	\$ 986.94	\$ 1,136.80	\$ 150.41
Overall Total	\$44,119.58	\$35,865.21	\$41,843.38

EXPENSES	1/1/18 to 7/31/18	2018 Budget
Administrative	\$149.08	\$600.00
Advertisement		\$50.00
Awards		\$350.00
Pamphlets		\$350.00
Calendar		
Printing 2019 Calendar	\$870.19	
Postage	\$36.62	
TOTAL Calendar	\$906.81	\$1,200.00
Insurance		\$650.00
Learning Trials	\$130.00	\$400.00
Library		
Books And Videos Purchase	\$160.95	
Library Administration	\$45.05	
TOTAL Library	\$206.00	\$350.00
Merchandise		
Merchandise - Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,844.19	
Postage	\$5.29	
Administration	\$26.83	
TOTAL Merchandise	\$1,876.31	\$4,000.00
Newsletter		
Postage	\$218.97	
Printing	\$510.67	
Supplies	\$11.79	
TOTAL Newsletter	\$741.43	\$2,000.00
PayPal Transaction Fees	\$36.22	\$150.00
Fall Foliage		
Ribbons and Awards 2018	\$35.14	
TOTAL Fall Foliage	\$35.14	\$2,500.00
Novice Finals		\$2,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,080.99	\$14,600.00
NET INCOME	\$2,276.20	



Nancy Phillips

Martha Walke and Jude at the chute, the final obstacle, with Lisa and Tim Molinero's flock of Gulf Coast Native sheep, a heritage breed. The sheep are well appreciated by the cheering audience.

Fryeburg Fair Sheepdog Trial, September 30, 2018

By Nancy Phillips

Congratulations to Deb Donahue and Cap for first place at the Fryeburg Fair Sheepdog Trial, Maine, and to Sallie Butler and Roo for second place. Both had perfect scores, but Deb had the faster time.

New York Triple Crown

The 2018 New York Triple Crown Champion is Steve Wetmore and Stu. The Reserve Champion is Mary Ann Duffy and Jill. Congratulations!

The best single score from each of the three trials, Caora, Dancing Ewe, and Leatherstocking, are summed to determine the highest-score winners.

The Infamous Dead Spot

By Warren Mick

Sheepdog handlers are a creative bunch. Just when you thought you've heard every excuse imaginable for a bad run, a new one surfaces. It couldn't possibly be poor handling, inadequate training or even just some bad luck. More likely, a bird was mimicking their dog's whistles or the sheep were startled by a flapping tent panel. Those unfamiliar with sheepdog trials are usually amazed how often astronomical events, conspiracies of all sorts and spontaneous medical conditions can sabotage a winning run. Occasionally, handlers caught off guard, will resort one of the old standby excuses: sun in my eyes, a bitch in season, a blind sheep or the always popular dead spot on the field. It's always a good idea to keep a few of these classics at hand in the event things don't go well on the field.

"Dead spots," while a popular excuse, do in fact occur. It's painfully obvious at the occasional trial when one handler after another loses control of their dog at the same area on the course or during a certain part of the day. Terrain, time of day, weather, ground cover, and sound pitch can all affect the volume and clarity of the commands we send to our dog. These factors can cause sound waves to dissipate, distort and bend resulting in a substantial loss in volume or altering what the dog actually hears. In addition, echoes of sound off buildings, trees, hill sides can distort and muddy the sound that does reach the dog. The dog may hear a command more than once, often overlapping, and coming from different directions. Whether at trial or at home, handling a dog at a distance requires good communication and acoustical factors, mostly out of our control, do occasionally get in the way.

In most cases, there isn't much that can be done to counter bad acoustical conditions. More volume helps in most situations. Switching to voice commands, while often tried, usually doesn't help. Then again, some handlers can really belt out the commands. When dealing with echoes, giving commands slower or cupping one's hands to focus the sound can help a little. Dogs can become better

and more discerning listeners with some experience, learning to interpret the little or distorted sounds they do hear. Echoes can totally befuddle a dog if they've never dealt with them before. The same goes for working in a strong wind. If a dog has experience working under such conditions, they will likely have less trouble.

At Walt Jagger's old Sheepy Hollow Trial, the approach to the cross-drive panel was a notorious dead zone. My theory is that echoes were involved though some considering the pain it caused suspected it was an ancient burial ground. Regardless, making the cross-drive panel was a true feat. Dogs would not just get unresponsive but often take opposite flanks or start driving the sheep off in some odd direction oblivious to the handlers' desperate cries. Interestingly, Walt's dogs rarely ever had trouble there, likely because they were accustomed to the acoustic anomalies on that field. On the same course, I can recall watching Alasdair MacRae running the renowned Nan. As Nan neared the cross-drive panel and missed taking a whistle or two, Alasdair seriously upped the volume as finger whistlers can do and just powered through the dead spot.

"....good communication is important and often necessary in trials and everyday work."

The 2003 national finals were in Sturgis, SD. It was a beautiful setting running unbroken range sheep on a large uphill course. The three-day preliminary ran Wednesday-Friday to qualify 45 dogs for the semifinal on Saturday. On Friday, a strong headwind picked up and lasted the whole day. The sheep which were difficult to begin with, combined with the wind, caused a lot of heartache. By the end of the day, only 11 dogs qualified for the semifinal compared to 34 in the prior two days.

Recently, running on the final day of the 2018 USBCHA Finals was brutal to say the least. There also, due to a strong head wind. Even the finger whistlers had trouble. The dogs simply couldn't hear. Most first fetches were down the side of the field. Some sheep got all the way to the exhaust before the dogs started responding. I can only imagine how frustrating it was for the handlers and

The Infamous Dead Spot - *continued*

how incredulous they must have been that the dog that got them to the finals was now totally ignoring them.

We try to train our dogs to do as much as possible without our help. The gather is certainly one place handler involvement should be less

critical. Nonetheless, good communication is important and often necessary in trials and every-day work. We can be more effective and certainly more accurate when we can tell our dogs what we need done. This becomes painfully apparent when communication goes awry.



Sandy Lockwood

Roger Millen and Jessie pen sheep on the first day of the Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial.

Leatherstocking Sheepdog Trial in Cooperstown, NY, August 25-26, 2018

Barbara and Bernie Armata helped organize the trial for many years. Barb writes:

I would like to thank the LSDT committee for continuing the tradition of a great trial at a great venue! Thank you all!

Wish Barbara and Mary Ann had kept sheep like these years ago...loved them!

First time I had dogs to run here since we "retired". Had a little twinge of sadness that we weren't involved ...but that left quickly as I saw every one running around to get things ready and keep it rolling! Nice to sit back and enjoy running my dogs!

Helen Dunning writes:

A big thank you to all those involved in putting on the Leatherstocking trial. It was a pleasure to be part of

such a well organized and well-run trial. The venue is so picturesque, the weather cooperated, and it was well worth the long drive to get there. Congratulations to all!

Results

2018 Champion:

Roger Millen and Jessie

Saturday's Top Scores:

Mark Billadeau and Lee

Barb Leverett and Bob

Dan Weeks and Tilly

Roger Millen and Jessie

Sunday's Top Scores:

Roger Millen and Jessie

Mary Ann Duffy and Gwen

Cheryl Williams and Ruby

Sallie Butler and Roo

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