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CH Lone Pine Kotzebue Neeka





STRONG WATER MALAMUTES "TURNING HEADS IN THE SHOW RING"



Multiple group placing, Int CH / Am. GCHB CH Shekinah Strong Waters

OFA tested with: Hips AM-13342G24F-VPI, eyes AM-EYE24/24F-VPI, elbows AM-EL742F24-VPI, patella AM-PA33/24F/P-VPI, cardiac AM-CA172/14F/C-VPI, & thyroid AM-TH129/26F-VPI, PN clear by DNA



Multiple group placing, BIS OH GCH CH Strong Waters Double or Nothing AOE (#5 NOHS Alas-

kan Malamute, per AKC 08/31/16) Sire: CH Wild Winds Double on The ROC Dam: Int CH / Am. GCHB CH Shekinah Strong Waters. OFA Hips Good AM-13962G37M-VPI /AM-EYE497/6M-VPI. Fresh or Frozen semen available to approved bitches.

CHIEF - CH Strong Waters Stands on Tree Trunks - Finishing with two 5pt majors!



Sire: BGCH CH Ice Falls Locked "N" Loaded AOM Dam: Int CH / Am. GCHB CH Shekinah Strong

OFA/Cerf: AM-EYE500/17M-VPI [too young]



Sire: BGCH CH Ice Falls Locked "N" Loaded AOM Dam: Int CH / Am. GCHB CH Shekinah Strong Waters.

AUTUMN - CH Strong Waters Let Them Fall OFA/Cerf: AM-EYE498/13F-VPI [too young]



MALEFICENT - CH Strong Waters Dark Fairy - Finishing at 11 months old.

Sire: BGCH CH Ice Falls Locked "N" Loaded AOM Dam: Int CH / Am. GCHB CH Shekinah Strong Waters. OFA/Cerf:AM-EYE496/23F-PI [too young]

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"Advertising shall be factual."

Heritage Malamute's (Chinook Reg)

In 1929, Milton and Eva B. Seeley bred the first registered litter of AKC Alaskan Malamutes, and in 1932, a puppy from this litter--CH Gripp of Yukon--obtained his AKC championship. Natalie Norris, a charter member of the AMCA, and a woman known by all for loving and using this breed in Alaska, is often quoted by breed enthusiasts around the world:

"The Malamute is too fine and distinguished a breed to be changed into anything but what centuries of adaptability to its environment has produced. Our efforts should be to breed not only beautiful Malamutes, but as good a specimen physically as were originally found in Alaska. It isn't a question of breeding a better Malamute but as good a Malamute."

We proudly present a pure Kotzebue bitch, **CH Lone Pine Kotzebue Neeka**, a combination of Sno Pak and Chinook lines. Pictured on the cover at 11 ½ years of age, Neeka finished her Championship 23 days shy of her 11th birthday.

Neeka completed 2015 in style! AMCA 2015 Awards include: #10 AMCA Class Bitch, #1 NE Breed Bitch and #1 NE Area Class Bitch. She began working on her Grand Championship on a limited basis in 2016 and was chosen as Select Bitch for two five point major wins her second time out as a special during the New Paltz, NY weekend. Thank you to judges Keke Khan (pictured) and Phillip Lee Marsman for these wins. She now has accumulated 11 points towards her Grand. Judge Pattie Bryce, who awarded her Best in Veteran Sweepstakes, summed up my feelings perfectly in saying, "I just love this Bitch!" Thank you to the judges for seeing her qualities and conditioning and to many exhibitors for your compliments and wishes of congratulations.

Pictured here winning her first major under judge: Mrs. Janet Leslie Buchanan. June 19, 2015. Sara Gregware, Handler.



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OFFICERS REPORTS

President's Report

Steve Anderson sta111@verizon.net

Throughout my three terms as President, I have used this space to tell you about current news and prepare you for upcoming events. But the "now and next" will shortly be the territory of my successor, so please forgive me as I indulge in a look back at the events and people who stand out for me from the past six years.

My primary focus when I took this job was to improve communication; to better inform all our members, to make decision-making more transparent and governance more inclusive. We now use a modern website, email bulletins, online voting and social media to exchange information and opinions within the Club. Externally, we email our Newsletter to all malamute judges, and our Illustrated Standard is available in six different languages. And thanks to **Mike McGuire** we can now renew online.

The advances weren't all electronic. Thanks largely to the efforts of Leesa Thomas and Karina Burger, our Newsletter was recognized in 2012 by the Dog Writers Association of America with a Maxwell Medallion for Best Club Newsletter. Holly Levinter and Betsy Morphew have maintained that standard through the shift to a bimonthly magazine.

We have enjoyed six consecutive, highly successful National Specialty Weeks, thanks to Chairs Barb White, Lucy Sanders, Linda Goba, Marion Scire and Gloria Touissaint, Ruth Levesque [twice!] and the teams they put together. Nationals just keep getting better and better.

Sandi Shrager, Karyn Colman, and the Health Committee have made research a priority, raising tens of thousands of dollars for our Donor Advise Fund to support relevant projects, and organizing blood-draws that have put over 700 malamutes in the CHIC DNA Bank.

Vicky MacLean, Turid Teigen, and Edie Thomas provided the foundation and catalyst for an effective and affordable DNA test for Polyneuropathy, giving breeders everywhere a tool to remove this killer condition from their lines.

Performance Chair **Amy Novak** has given a big boost to this under-served segment of our membership. **Laura Heft** found a way to convert our unused Agility licenses into a revenue stream that has not only funded Malamute Agility but contributed significantly to Health and Public Education.

We saw two major kennel seizures--totaling over 225 dogs---but the membership was quick and generous in their response. Thanks to **Bob Sutherland**, and AMAL affiliates across the country, all the dogs found new

homes. We are working to strengthen our partnership with AMAL to make future incidents less likely overall, and less stressful when they do occur.

I had the great pleasure of getting to know **Bob Zoller**, and helping celebrate his 100th birthday.

But all-too frequently I have had to mark the passing of a member---Richard McClure, Virginia Grefe, Jean Lane, Linda Dowdy, Dick Tobey, Ione Zeller, Alice Spawn, Kay Moustakis, Jerry Musyj, Al Holabach, and Natalie Norris---each sad occasion a reminder that we should show our appreciation while we still can.

I have been very fortunate to have many energetic and conscientious Board members, but I owe **Ruth Levesque** and **Jo Ann Krause** special mention. They have always been devoted to the best interests of the breed and the club, which made them the best possible allies when I was right, and the most persuasive friends when I wasn't.

I hope no one feels slighted. I wish I had the space to properly thank the dozens of committee volunteers, or the 400 plus members I have heard from over the years. Good work, all. Keep it up!

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Recording Secretary

Cindy Neely

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Motion # 18: 20015/16: that AMCA advance to the Top Twenty Committee \$750 for the purchase of glasses as fund-raisers for the 2016 Top Twenty event, to be reimbursed after the glasses are sold. (Colman)

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Treasurer's Report - July-August 2016

	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	<u>Change</u>
Bank Accounts	85,407.58	81,521.08	81789.8	268.72
Reserve Funds	29,192.19	29,957.95	30005.56	47.61
Committee Total	22,921.84	23,776.84	23,776.84	0.00
	\$137,521.61	\$135,255.87	\$135,572.20	\$316.33

	Rever	nue				Expens	es		
	2015 Year	Jul-16	Aug-16	2016 YTD		2015 Year	Jul-16	Aug-16	2016 YTD
Newsletter/Directory					Newsletter/Membership				
Advertisements	3,607.25	450.00	100.00	2,070.00	Print-Basic	11,245.29	1,896.62	0.00	5,545.30
Newsletter/Directory	13,315.00	152.50	175.00	11,080.72	Newsletter/MD coordinator fee	4,665.00	700.00	0.00	1,775.00
Subscriptions/Add. NL	119.00	0.00	0.00	57.00	Prep-Mail & Supplies	5,290.00	915.00	0.00	2,115.00
Mail/Delivery	3,030.00	0.00	20.00	1,724.97	Mail/Delivery/CD	3,329.16	830.37	0.00	1,690.22
Breeders List	2,700.00	25.00	25.00	2,634.06	Bulk Postage	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Newsletter/Directory Total	22,771.25	627.50	320.00	17,566.75	Newsletter artist fees	60.00	25.00	0.00	200.00
					Newsletter/Membership Total	26,589.45	4,366.99	0.00	11,325.52
Membership									
Application	533.00	60.00	0.00	460.00	Officer/Board/Delegate	1,995.71	855.00	0.00	2,617.79
Membership Fees	5,550.01	67.50	110.00	6,193.02					
Late Fees	1,055.00	80.00	160.00	900.00	Pass-Throughs				
Membership Total	7,138.01	207.50	270.00	7,553.02	National Specialty	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
					AMAL Donation/CHF	4,143.00	0.00	0.00	3,005.00
Pass-Through					NS/RS Trophy Donation	1,787.00	0.00	0.00	1,595.00
National Specialty	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Legislative/Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AMAL/CHF Donation	3,938.00	120.00	20.00	5,633.76	Pass-Through Total	5,930.00	0.00	0.00	4,130.00
NS/RS Trophy Donation	1,655.00	0.00	0.00	1,515.00					
Legislative/Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	National Specialty	662.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pass-Through Total	5,593.00	120.00	20.00	7,148.76	Affiliate Clubs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
					Donations	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Committees' Total	2,174.44	0.00	0.00	7,229.27	Bank/CC Processing Fees	845.64	19.63	19.94	799.02
					AMCA MEM/AKC Expense	1,282.87	0.00	280.00	604.52
Other Revenues					Elections Costs	1,487.85	0.00	0.00	715.56
Affiliate Clubs	390.00	0.00	0.00	275.00	Insurance	1,690.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
National Specialty	27,920.00	365.00	1,082.00	16,447.00	External Financial Review	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Purina Partnership	797.07	0.00	715.90	715.90	Web Site	248.36	15.00	15.00	120.00
Miscellaneous/Interest/Fees	461.06	56.82	7.76	103.20	Miscellaneous/Legal/Other	3,140.82	6.70	0.00	675.46
Other Revenues Total	29,568.13	421.82	1,805.66	17,541.10	AMCA Equipment	0.00	0.00	1,082.00	1,082.00
					Committee's	2,164.66	0.00	750.00	8,745.12
					Other Expense Total	12,772.70	41.33	2,146.94	13,741.68
Subtotal Receipts	\$67,244.83	1,376.82	2,415.66	\$57,038.90					
Reserve Fund	\$27.59	\$765.76	\$47.61	\$1,109.55	Total Expenses	\$47,287.86	\$4,408.32	\$2,146.94	\$31,814.99
Total Receipts	\$67,272.42	\$2,142.58	\$2,463.27	\$58,148.45					

¹⁾ This report shows treasury funds reported as of 8/31/16

²⁾ The "Pass-Through" lines contain funds collected by AMCA for others. They are held temporarily in the General Fund but are not owned by the General Fund.

AMCA Calendar of Events

(Prepared by Ruth Levesque, Vice President & Specialty Events Coordinator)

AMCA Specialties & Affiliated Club Specialty Events

Area/Host / Kennel Club	Dates	Location / Closing	Supt / Event Contact	Judging Panel	Competition
RM AMCA Regional Specialty	10/25 & 25	Hotel Elegante Colorado Springs, CO	BaRay Event Services, Inc. P O Box 508 Burlington, WA 98233-0508	Cheryl Paterson Cynthia Neely Sara Karl	C PS/VS Jr. Show
		Closes 10/5	dogshows@barayevents.com 360-755-7086 Robert Pratt, Chair valhallamals@falconbroadband.net	Susan Oviatt-Harris Karen Lamb	OB RA
RM AMCA National Specialty	10-26 thru 10/29	Hotel Elegante Colorado Springs, CO Closes 10/5	BaRay Event Services, Inc. P O Box 508 Burlington, WA 98233-0508 dogshows@barayevents.com 360-755-7086 Robert Pratt, Chair valhallamals@falconbroadband.net	Ruth Zimmerman Terry Toussaint Susan Oviatt-Harris Karen Lamb Janet Cherne	C/Jr. Show PS/VS OB RA 4-6 Mo.
SO AMC of Greater Houston Independent Affiliate Specialty	12/2	Montgomery Cty Fairgrounds Conroe, TX Closes 11/16	Onofrio Dog Shows P O Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Kimen Wheeler, Show Chair ravenfeather2@att.net	Mrs. Judith Brown Caroline Watson	C/NOHS/JR PS/VS
IL/WI AMCA Area Specialty w/Skokie Valley KC	12/10	Donald Stephens Convention Ctr Rosemont, IL Closes 11/23	Jack Onofrio Dog Shows P O Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 405-427-8181 Kevin Kelly, Chair skokievalleykc@gmail.com	Lourdes Carvajal Pending	C PS/VS
MW Minnesota Malamute Club Independent Affiliate Club Specialty TWO CONCURRENT SPECIALTY EVENTS	1/7	St. Paul River Centre St. Paul, MN. Closes 12/21	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Jan Croft, Show Chair 612-727-4116 jan.croft@nwa.com	James Taylor Dawn Droel Thomas Alexander Karen Taylor	C PS/VS C PS/VS

^{*} Pending AKC approval

SUPPORTED ENTRY EVENTS

		SOLI OKIED ENTRI EVENTS						
Area/Host / Kennel Club	Dates	Location / Closing	Supt / Event Contact	Judging Panel	Competeition			
NE	11/25	Eastern States Expo Ctr	MB-F, Inc.	Lawrence Sinclair	С			
AMCA Area & Yankee		West Springfield, MA		Janina Laurin	PS/VS			
AMC Supported Entry			Ruth Levesque					
events w/Windham Cty	11/26	Closes 11/9	·	Terry Temple	С			
KC, South Windsor KC,				Marion McNeil	PS/VS			
Springfield KC								
	11/27			Linda Clark	С			
				Kent MacFarlane	PS/VS			
IL/WI	12/11	Donald Stephens Conv	Onofrio Dog Shows	Denise Dean	С			
AMCA Area Supported		Ctr		Pending	PS/VS			
Entry w/Skokie Valley KC		Rosemont, IL	Kevin Kelly					
RM	2/17	Arapahoe Cty	Onofrio Dog Shows	Linda Clark	С			
Columbine Country AMC		Fairgrounds		Joyce Sliddall	PS/VS			
Supported Entry events		Aurora, CO	Barbara White	-				
with w/Plum Creek KC	2/18			William Sahloff	С			
				Mike Sullivan	PS/VS			

AGILITY TRIALS

Area/Host	Dates	Location / Closing	Trial Secy/ Event Contact	Judging Panel	Classes
AMCA National	10/23	Norris Penrose Event	Kelly Misegadis, Event Sec'y	David Nauer	
Specialty Agility		Center	4050 Haven Ln		All levels: STD,
Trial (Alaskan		1045 Lower Gold Camp	Colorado Springs, CO 80917		JWW, FAST
Malamutes		Road	719-649-8910		
ONLY)		Colorado Springs, CO	hoosierboston@yahoo.com		
		Opens 7/20	Wendy Corr, Trial Chair		
		Closes 9/28	onakalmal@aol.com		

Updates to this event calendar will be made when the required AKC paperwork has been received from the Show Chairs and submitted to AKC for their approval by the Vice President.

Committee Reports & Special Report

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The Legislative Committee continues to monitor and address AKC legislative alerts

An interesting bill is working its way through the state legislature in California. Currently, it is illegal to leave a dog in a hot car, and the authorities may remove the dog. That's a good thing, but AB 797 would allow strangers to remove your dog from your vehicle if the dog is in danger or is perceived

to be in danger. There is no recourse for the owner for damage to property and leaves the owner liable if the dog harms someone as a result of being forcibly removed from the vehicle.

A proposal has been submitted to the Baltimore County Council that would prohibit dogs being used for hunting or training on county property. Current state law exempts dogs being trained for hunting as a violation of at-large dog laws. An educated guess would be the legislators are against hunting with your dog. That's just a guess.

The Legislative Committee sends AKC legislative alerts to AMCA members randomly urging participation in

the legislative process. With no feedback or very little feedback, the Legislative Committee isn't sure members are responding. Over the past couple of years, only two members have indicated an interest in assisting the legislative committee when receiving an AKC legislative alert. In communities where dog owners fought back, they have had great success. When dog owners remain silent, harmful dog laws are passed. The AKC web site has good information under its Government Relations Department and always gives step-by-step instructions what to do. The Legislative Committee urges AMCA members to get involved.



Best of Luck to Everyone at the 2016 National Specialty in Colorado Springs, CO.

2016 SECOND QUARTER CONFORMATION STATISTICS

If you have any questions or corrections, please contact Karen Berry (committee chair) Please make sure you notify the committee chair in writing if you are the primary owner of a dog (first name listed on the AKC registration) but the dog is residing with another co-owner. In that case, the dog will be noted in the area in which the co-owner is residing. All statistics reflect points and titles earned as of June 30, 2016.

Congratulations to all the winners and best of luck through the rest of 2016!

TOP 10 BEST OF BREED/BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

	DOG	S		
1	GCH CH Ice Fall's Locked "N" Loaded	IL/WI	D Roberts/ L Ryer	217
2	GCH CH Taolanquest Flying Cloud	RM	L Newburn/ R Pohl	172
3	GCH CH Windswepts The Games Afoot At Stormrunner	RM	C Rogowski/ L Rogowski/ M Wild	115
4	GCH CH Northern Lites Mr. Lincoln	GL	H Donovan	113
5	GCH CH Kasaan Snokist Ropin 'N' 'T' Fortune	IL/WI	D Roberts- Burrill	98
6	GCH CH Alcan Disco Dancer At Ranmar	RM	A Rubenstein/ H Rubenstein	79
7	GCH CH Winter Park's Look Sharp Live Smart	ME	M Park/J Park/ S Park	67
8	GCH CH Pale Moon's Arctic Chaos	GL	K Mccallum/ J McCallum/ P Scheid	67
9	CH Battlefield Legacy Of Excellence	ME	G Schimming/ D Schimming/ S Pistolesi/ J Pistolesi	66
10	GCH CH Snoklassic Pokerflat Silverice Mr. Freeze	WC	A Syar/M Stone	61

	BITCHES					
1	GCH CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class	PNW	J Dewing/ R Dysart	252		
2	GCH CH Ixa's Addicted To Love	SO	A Mayberry- Welch	83		
3	GCH CH Peace River's Bling It On	PNW	M Coburn	70		
4	GCH CH Kloud Burst's Sweet Emotions	ME	R Deutsch/ R Deutsch	64		
5	GCH CH Silverice's Sensational Celebutante	WC	A Syar/ M Stone/ P Harrison	47		
6	CH Snocreek's Oh The Drama!	NY/NJ	B Martin/ J Martin	47		
7	GCH CH Vykon's Aluk Busy Bein' Fabulous	RM	B Erickson/ C Erickson	42		
8	GCH CH Northern Lites Miss Riley	GL	H Donovan	42		
9	GCH CH Ixa's Dontcha Wish Your Girl Friend Was Hot Likeme	SO	A Mayberry- Welch	38		
10	CH Thunderkloud T' Secret's In T' Starz	IL/WI	P Mcgovern/ T Mcgovern	38		

TOP 10 BRED-BY EXHIBITOR DOGS/BITCHES

1	(CH) Catoico's Creative Genius	so	S Moore	43
2	Kohoutec Kaboom	ME	D Collins/ C Collins/ K Corkum	38
3	Illusion's One Man Show	GL	P Fusco/J Fusco	32
4	(CH) Valhalla's Brave Vali	RM	R Pratt/S Pratt	22
	Bad Axe Fade To Black	IL/WI	L Missana/ J Missana/ A Missana	22
6	(CH) Kloud Burst's The Obsession Continues	ME	R Deutsch/ R Deutsch	19
	(CH) Powerpaw's Pleasantly Punchdrunk	RM	A Allen	19
8	Tundra's On The Rocks	GL	P Kovac	14
9	Adair'N'Hug Mts Mark Of Excellence	RM	R Hug/J Hug	11
	Double T And Onak's Black Gold	WC	T Dunn/ W Corr/J Corr	11

DOGS

1	(CH) Adair'N'Hug Mts Tumoki's Lake Effect	RM	J Hug/R Hug	43
2	Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie Of Dreamekatcher	IL/WI	P Warrichaiet	39
3	(CH) Thunderkloud T' Secret's In T' Starz	IL/WI	P Mcgovern/ T Mcgovern	26
	Obsidian's Black Canary	RM	C Erickson/ B Erickson	26
5	Catoico's Grand Slam Adventure	SO	S Moore/ B Maxwell	24
	Luv Sno's Uptown Girl	NE	J Palinkas/ V Palinkas	24
7	Tru North's Pink Sapphire	RM	L Cathey	21
8	Staghorn & Snokist Enchantress	IL/WI	C Villano/ D Roberts-Burrill	20
9	Powerpaw Moake's Lady Jaye	RM	M Moake/ A Allen	15
	Snocreek's Shake It Off	NY/NJ	B Martin/ J Martin	15
	Winterchills Blackltrflourish	MW	A Card/ G Robertson/ L Jeske	15

BITCHES

TOP 10 CLASS DOGS/BITCHES

DOGS BITCHES

-	Г	г	F	-
1	Istari's Imriel: Illustrated By Hobbit	IL/WI	H Schultz/ J Schultz	36
2	(CH) Catoico's Creative Genius	SO	S Moore	31
	Illusion's One Man Show	GL	P Fusco/J Fusco	31
4	(CH) Masasyu's Mighty Hammer	NY/NJ	L Hicks	30
5	(CH) De Fonz Illa Kuvianartok	ME	B Ferianc	29
6	Spiritrun's Hunt For Lucanus	MW	A Card	27
7	Adair'N' Hug Midnight Marauder	NY/NJ	C Benton	25
	Sno Klassic Kumata Take It Easy	GL	P Peel/ J Taylor/M Peel	25
9	Kohoutec Kaboom	ME	D Collins/ C Collins/ K Corkum	21
10	(CH) Battlefield Bernardo	GL	K Schmidt/ S Pistolesi	20
	(CH) Masasyu Anticipating Epona's Next Move	NY/NJ	L Hicks/M Frank	20
	Kasaan Kumata's Bring'N Home T' Fortune	GL	B McMahon Howen/S Bedell	20
	Uyak Ggm Tom-Tom Travis	GL	K Schmidt/ P Honigman	20

1	(CH) Mfy Kasaan Snoklassic's Foreign Exchange	GL	B McMahon Howen/P Peel	43
2	(CH) Uyak Lloyd Neck Lola	NY/NJ	P Honigman	31
3	(CH) Adair'N'Hug Mts Tumoki's Lake Effect	RM	J Hug/R Hug	30
4	(CH) Kasaan N Seeka's T' Sum Of All Fortune At Sigma	GL	B McMahon Howen/ S Lindeman	29
5	Tugar's America's Top Model	NY/NJ	K Hausner	27
6	Adair'N'Hug Out Of The Blue	RM	R Hug/J Hug/ K Hug	26
7	(CH) Vykon's Ixa Heart Of The Matter	SO	V Jones	25
8	(CH) Thunderkloud T' Secret's In T' Starz	IL/WI	P Mcgovern/ T Mcgovern	23
	(CH) Uyak Cyclone Cindy	NY/NJ	P Honigman	23
10	(CH) Aeon Mytuk's Phoenix Rising	PNW	A Milburn/W Lei	21

TOP 10 PUPPY DOGS/BITCHES

DOGS BITCHES

1	(CH) De Fonz Illa Kuvianartok	ME	B Ferianc	29
2	Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets	IL/WI	K Manassa	23
3	Catera N Chikara's Drive It Like You Stole It	IL/WI	A Kanzelberger/ J Dewing/ A Bennett	22
4	Kasaan Kumata's Bring'N Home T' Fortune	GL	B McMahon Howen/ S Bedell	14
	Tru North's Blood Sugar Sex Majik At Quinault	RM	T Baker	14
6	Jee Jav's Artium Of Power Paw	PNW	M Lauridsen/ A Allen	13
7	Orionblu's Got My Mojo Working	PNW	B Reiser/ S Soares	10
	Mytuk Silverice Linebacker	WC	A Syar/ M Stone	10
9	Mytuk "N" Keno Let It Ride	WC	L Katlarz/ T Katlarz	8
10	Kasaan's Dreamvision Man About Town	RM	L Lampe/ B McMahon Howen	7

1	(CH) Uyak Cyclone Cindy	NY/NJ	P Honigman	38
2	Adair'N'Hug Out Of The Blue	RM	R Hug/J Hug/ K Hug	30
3	Quinault's Better Sorry Than Safe Of Tru North	RM	T Baker	23
4	Illusion Sno-Storm's Kiss This	GL	M Rotkowski/ D Rotkowski/ P Fusco	20
5	(CH) Vykon's Ixa Heart Of The Matter	SO	V Jones	19
6	Sno Quest's I Am The Fair One	IL/WI	L Goba	18
7	Kasaan's A Glimmer O' Fortune	GL	B McMahon Howen	16
8	Vykon's Chayo All That Sass	AL	S Ellis	14
	(CH) Kloud Burst's Sweet Brilliance At Battlefield	ME	J Pistolesi/ S Pistolesi/ G Schimming/ R Deutsch	14
10	Chikara N Catera's M.V.P.	IL/WI	A Kanzelberger/ J Dewing/ R Dysart	13

TOP JUNIORS

1	Justin Scoffield	3 ВЈН	61
2	Coby Kearl	BJH	14
3	Hailey Gillotti	BJH	13
4	Jayden A Durst	BJH	6
5	Megan Christensen	BJH	5
6	Jaiden M Christensen	BJH	4
7	Emily Flores	BJH	2

GREAT LAKES

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D	GCH CH Northern Lites Mr. Lincoln	H Donovan	114
CD	Illusion's One Man Show	P Fusco/J Fusco	31
BBD	Illusion's One Man Show	P Fusco/J Fusco	32
PD	Kasaan Kumata's Bring'N Home T' Fortune	B McMahon Howen/ S Bedell	14

В	GCH CH Northern Lites Miss Riley	H Donovan	42	
СВ	(CH) Mfy Kasaan Snoklassic's	B McMahon Howen/	43	
СВ	Foreign Exchange	P Peel	43	
DDD	Malaczar Fallmoon Call Me	J Lind/L Sanders/	3	
BBB	Gwen-Nevar	E Price		
PB	Illusion Cno Storm's Viss This	M Rotkowski/	20	
РВ	Illusion Sno-Storm's Kiss This	D Rotkowski/P Fusco	20	

ILLINOIS/WISCONSIN

D	GCH CH Ice Fall's Locked "N" Loaded	D Roberts/L Ryer	217
CD	Istari's Imriel: Illustrated By Hobbit	H Schultz/J Schultz	36
BBD	Bad Axe Fade To Black	L Missana/J Missana/ A Missana	22
PD	Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets	K Manassa	23

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	В	CH Thunderkloud T' Secret's In T' Starz	P Mcgovern/T Mcgovern	38
	СВ	(CH) Thunderkloud T' Secret's In T' Starz	P Mcgovern/T Mcgovern	23
	BBB	Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie Of Dreamekatcher	P Warrichaiet	39
	РВ	Sno Quest's I Am The Fair One	L Goba	18

MID-EAST

D	GCH CH Winter Park's Look Sharp Live Smart	M Park/J Park/S Park	68
CD	(CH) De Fonz Illa Kuvianartok	B Ferianc	29
BBD	Kohoutec Kaboom	D Collins/C Collins/ K Corkum	38
PD	(CH) De Fonz Illa Kuvianartok	B Ferianc	29

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	В	GCH CH Kloud Burst's Sweet Emotions	R Deutsch/R Deutsch	64
	СВ	(CH) Peace River's Black Pearl	S Pistolesi/M Coburn/ J Pistolesi	17
	BBB	Kwik-Pak Flow Rider	D Childers/T Bussard	14
	РВ	(CH) Kloud Burst's Sweet Brilliance At Battlefield	J Pistolesi/S Pistolesi/ G Schimming/R Deutsch	14

MIDWEST

D	CH Love Spirit Stormyth	A Koehlert/L Ste.Jhourre	14
CD	Spiritrun's Hunt For Lucanus	A Card	27
BBD	None	None	
PD	(CH) Snokyse's Salty Dog	A Green	4

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NEW ENGLAND

D	GCH CH Luv Sno's Liking It Rugged	J Palinkas/V Palinkas	28
CD	Tugar's Built To Last	B Scully/K Hausner	11
BBD	(CH) Pekaboos Hot Licks	J Theriaque	6
PD	None	None	

В	CH Maskaraidnluvsno's Maidn Tiffney	J Palinkas/V Palinkas	2
СВ	None	None	
BBB	Luv Sno's Uptown Girl	J Palinkas/V Palinkas	24
РВ	None	None	

NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY

D	GCH CH Tugar's Taking On Tyson	K Hausner	55
CD	(CH) Masasyu's Mighty Hammer	L Hicks	30
BBD	None	None	
PD	Nyrakym's Absolutely Wonderful At Samaljankan	K Colman/J Nirhamo	2

В	CH Snocreek's Oh The Drama!	B Martin/J Martin	47
СВ	(CH) Uyak Lloyd Neck Lola	P Honigman	31
BBB	(CH) Owyhee's Best Is Yet To Come	G Kuehnel-Hisatake/ B Turrin	11
РВ	(CH) Uyak Cyclone Cindy	P Honigman	38

PACIFIC	NORTH	IWEST

D	GCH CH Peace River Rogue You Just Gotta Believe	S Weston/J Weston	56	В	GCH CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class
CD	Jee Jav's Artium Of Power Paw	M Lauridsen/A Allen	14	СВ	(CH) Aeon Mytuk's Phoenix Rising
BBD	Orionblu's Got My Mojo Working	B Reiser/S Soares	5	BBB	Icicle Creek's Lookin' For A Boy
				BBB	Peace River's Hallstatt Fairydust & Fireball
PD	Jee Jav's Artium Of Power Paw	M Lauridsen/A Allen	13	РВ	Peace River's Hallstatt Fairydust & Fireball

WEST			
В	GCH CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class	J Dewing/R Dysart	252
СВ	(CH) Aeon Mytuk's Phoenix Rising	A Milburn/W Lei	21
BBB	Icicle Creek's Lookin' For A Boy	K Fraser/D Fraser	5
BBB	Peace River's Hallstatt Fairydust & Fireball	M Coburn	5
РВ	Peace River's Hallstatt Fairydust & Fireball	M Coburn	6

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

D	GCH CH Taolanquest Flying Cloud	L Newburn/R Pohl	172
CD	(CH) Powerpaw's Pleasantly Punchdrunk	A Allen	19
BBD	(CH) Valhalla's Brave Vali	R Pratt/S Pratt	22
PD	Tru North's Blood Sugar Sex Majik At Quinault	T Baker	14

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	В	GCH CH Vykon's Aluk Busy Bein' Fabulous	B Erickson/C Erickson	42
	СВ	(CH) Adair'N'Hug Mts Tumoki's Lake Effect	J Hug/R Hug	30
	BBB	(CH) Adair'N'Hug Mts Tumoki's Lake Effect	J Hug/R Hug	43
	РВ	Adair'N'Hug Out Of The Blue	R Hug/J Hug/K Hug	30

SOUTHERN

D	GCH CH Corazon Wild Wind Pedal To The Medal	G Box-Young	59
CD	(CH) Catoico's Creative Genius	S Moore	31
BBD	(CH) Catoico's Creative Genius	S Moore	43
PD	Windstar Kumata's Knock Out Punch	E Thomas/S Bedell	2

В	GCH CH Ixa's Addicted To Love	A Mayberry-Welch	83
СВ	(CH) Vykon's Ixa Heart Of The Matter	V Jones	25
BBB	Catoico's Grand Slam Adventure	S Moore/B Maxwell	24
РВ	(CH) Vykon's Ixa Heart Of The Matter	V Jones	19

WEST COAST

D	GCH CH Snoklassic Pokerflat Silverice Mr. Freeze	A Syar/M Stone	61
CD	Mytuk "N" Keno Let It Ride	L Katlarz/T Katlar	13
BBD	Double T And Onak's Black Gold	T Dunn/W Corr/J Corr	11
PD	Mytuk Silverice Linebacker	A Syar/M Stone	10

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	В	GCH CH Silverice's Sensational Celebutante	A Syar/M Stone/P Harrison	47
	СВ	Monikoona Joshuas Only Time	C Chauvie/C Sires	20
	BBB	None	None	
	РВ	Monikoona Joshuas Only Time	C Chauvie/C Sires	2
	PB	Onak's The Blonde Enchantress	J Corr/W Corr/T Dunn	2
	РВ	Vykon's Windansea Rock Siren	J Say	2

AT LARGE

D	None	None	
CD	None	None	
BBD	None	None	
PD	None	None	

В	None	None	
СВ	Vykon's Chayo All That Sass	S Ellis	14
BBB	Poker Flat's G&G Sophia Loren	G Masotina/R Haggard	9
PB	Vykon's Chayo All That Sass	S Ellis	14

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No Report

ILLINOIS/WISCONSIN

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Yay . . . we have news . . . lots of news.

Linda Goba's pretty young girl, KENZIE, **SnoQuest's I Am The Fair One,** snagged her first 3 point major at the Kishwaukee Kennel Club show on July 16 under Judge Mareth Kipp. KENZIE is up to six points now and looking lovely. Linda and KENZIE's Breeder/Handler, Andrea Sautbine, are both very pleased at how well KENZIE is showing.

The Alaskan Malamute Club of Wisconsin held its annual picnic on Saturday, July 23. The picnic was moved indoors this year and boy, were we glad of it. Heat and humidity had been nasty and we had a brief thunderstorm in the afternoon, but we were all cool and dry inside. Food was, as always, outstanding. Lots of great cooks in this club. Puppy match was rather small, but one of Karin Fischer's very cute baby girls won Best in Match. Congratulations Karen. It was also nice to see some new members attending. Welcome everyone.

Wisconsin Club's The summer specialty weekend was a great success. This year, again, saw two specialties on Friday, July 29, both with sweeps so lots of chances for ribbons. Bev and Rick Pfeiffer were happy to report that EDDY, Am/Can GCH Awanuna's Tornado of Snow. CD WWPD WWPDA has yet another Specialty Win under his collar thanks to Judge Pat Jenkins. He also was Best in Veteran Sweeps for both of the shows. Bev says thanks to all for the congrats. She would also like to congratulate all the winners for the weekend.

I think everyone had a great time. It takes a lot of work to put on a successful

Specialty. Linda Goba did a great job as show chair and wanted to say thank you to all the folks that worked so hard on our shows. See the Specialty Wins and Major Show Reports to see who else did well.

The following comes from LeAnn Missana: "Of course I would like to brag...we finished our first home bred Bad Axe champion! LARS, CH Bad Axe Fade to Black. Thank you to all for your support, the competition was tough. Friday July 29 in the first and second specialty shows LARS went Best in Sweeps and Winners dog from the bred by class. Thank you to all four judges for recognizing him: Robin Malchow, Pat Jenkins, Dale Meyer, and Joe Droel. It was a great day and a fabulous show as usual put on by the Alaskan Malamute Club of Wisconsin."

Several club members spent a verrrrrrry long day at the Wisconsin State Fair with their dogs. The club had a booth to promote breed awareness and show what the malamute can do. Jen and George Leveille, Ken Marsicek and Mark Reisner were there. Could have been more people, but I'm not sure. Their dogs spent a lot of time schmoozing the crowd and getting loads of attention from the public. What a great day for our breed to show off.

Our girl STARZ, ThunderKloud's T' Secret's In T' Starz had a great weekend at the Blackhawk KC and Kishwaukee KC shows on July 15, 16 and 17. She was Best of Breed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday under Judges Marjorie Martorella, Robert D. Smith and Mareth Kipp. It was pretty hot so we passed on the regular working group a couple of days to concentrate on the Owner Handler groups and I'm glad we did. She came away with OH Groups 4, 2 and 1. STARZ is seriously blowing coat, but we showed her anyway and got OH ribbons on Sunday at Waukesha and Monday at Burlington and came away with two OH group 3s. Even in her summer bikini, she showed very well, but she is too naked to be seen in public now. With luck, she'll have hair by the National.

Helen Schultz said that TANIST and John had a good weekend at the Vizsla club agility trials Aug 6 and 7, achieving three scores of 100 - Two in Open Jumpers Preferred and One in Open Standard Preferred. It is really fun to watch them as they become more of a team. Helen is still celebrating retirement into the second week, but it doesn't seem real yet. Give it another few weeks Helen . . . you'll get used to it.

The Tri-State Malamute Club puts on a couple of really fun, just for fun, races as well as weight pulls over the season. The schedule of events can be found at tsamc.org

Sharon Kalous sends the following: "I guess I should brag that Storm Kloud & Storm Sky's Kaptured The Start For Wintuk lovingly known as BOBBI, went winners bitch and Best of Winners at the afternoon specialty on July 29 in Waukesha under Judge Joel Droel for a 5 point major. It was a thrill as this exciting win was shared by all her breeders as they were all at Waukesha. The cute little puppy that represents so much history is staying true to her heritage."

Jen Leveille has some serious bragging to do here: BUMPER has struggled for many years with the teeter in agility. He is otherwise a beautiful running dog, often changing direction with a flick of my finger or a 'gee' or 'haw'. One experience on bad equipment caused a major setback early in the training and over the years we'd have steps forward...then a big step back. He always looked like he wanted to do what I asked, but he would second guess himself and couldn't bring himself to tip it. It will never be his favorite but at the WWCDTC all-breed agility trials in July, he placed first on all three days, to earn his Novice Agility Preferred title. All the work and creative training paid off. Though it is a low level title, it's one of the most special. BUMPER is RO2 AG1 **UKC/AKC CH Powderhound's Silver**

Lining WWPDX WTD WPD CGA RE NAP OJP OFP VAM AAAM. The next weekend, we switched things up and hit the conformation ring in Belvidere. Friday, IVY, RO1 AG1 U-CH Amaggut's On The Pull WWPDX WTD WPD RE NAP OJP VAM AAM. was Best of Breed for a couple points and then Saturday she picked up her first major! We took a few weeks off and came back out at Waukesha where she won the Open bitch class (which was a major in numbers by itself) under breeder judge Pat Jenkins. At the second specialty, BUMPER and his new co-owner and handler Megan Marshall won Best Junior Handler. That was their first day competing together and he does better for her than anyone, including me. Monday of that weekend IVY picked up more points and then a couple weeks later she minored out by going Best of Breed at the South Milwaukee shows under Cindy Meyer. Once she grows some hair, it's just a major to go!

One of our new folks, Patrice Herzfeld, has added another title to her boy ROCKET. ROCKET is now Winterstarz Rocket J. Dog CGC, TDI, WPD, having earned his Working Pack Dog title. Good job Patrice and Rocket!

From Pam Warrichaiet:

I have been out playing with my girl MAMIE this month after patiently waiting for her to grow some hair and wanted to share some news. We took a trip over to Lake Elmo, MN to hang out with our Canadian friends Pam Kovac, Julie Hurd, Shelley Gerig, and new comer Juila Berquist. I am proud to report that MAMIE took WB and BOS on Saturday August 27 under judge Mrs. Marion Ward. It was a great time. Hung out with some great people and had a chance to catch up with some people I haven't seen for a while and had some nice competition. Fun weekend.

So in the hunt for the last single we headed up to the Marquette Kennel Club show in Marquette, MI. What an awesome trip. Again we had a great time with some great people and enjoyed visiting with my family. We got to take in the beautiful sites the city

has to offer. We went into Show One winning Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex. Thank you to our Judge Mr. Roger Hartinger for awarding her the point to finish her championship from the Bred By Class. Show Two: I left MAMIE in the class to hold the point for my friend Sabrina Czarapata and her handsome boy RELIC and pretty girl Visa. We again go Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite. Thank you to Judge Mrs. Paula Hartinger.

On Sunday, under Judge Mrs. Toddie Clark, we went Winners Bitch, Best of Opposite, Best Owner Handler. So with a bundle of nerves, we go into the Owner Handler Group ring. I am looking at the other breeds and handlers thinking wow we have our work cut out for us. So I focus on my girl, MAMIE, and she's like:"it's okay mom. I got your back", so I knew we were both on the same page. Our judge Mr. Dennis Laturie was very pleasant and really good with the dogs. I was over the moon and shocked when he awarded us the Group 1 placement. We then have about a two hour wait for OH BIS. I am a basket of nerves. I am so grateful to have some wonderful friends there to help calm me down. So here we go back under Judge Mr. Dennis Laturie. MAMIE did a phenomenal job and I could not have asked anything more from her. She was on her game and so when he pointed to us and said: "Best in Show goes to..." I was completely shocked, numb and happy all at the same time. It was truly an honor. Mr. Laturie had been the judge for all the owner handler groups and knowing that for him to pick my girl over ALL the other beautiful breeds was truly an honor. I am so truly blessed to have bred, whelped, trained and finished her from the bred by class to then get this Owner Handler Best in Show win. I was/am speechless. HUGE thank you to all of those who cheered us on and clapped for us. This is something I will remember forever.

So after having a once in a lifetime weekend for me, I didn't think it could get any better HOWEVER, I learned on my way home from the show that my other MOOSE, GCH/BIMS CH UKC Pale Moon's Dream Catcher CGC RN

granddaughter QUINN, GCH Kasaan N' Seeka's Sum to All Fortune At Sigma owned by Bonnie McMahon Howen and Stephanie Lindman also takes an Owner Handler Best in Show. I mean really, what are the odds to have two malamutes' grand kids go OHBIS the same day? I was brought to tears. I miss MOOSE everyday but am so happy and proud that his legacy lives on with his children he left behind.

Thanks everyone for sharing your accomplishments. Keep up the great work. We look forward to seeing many of our far away friends at the National.

NEW ENGLAND

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"By now our annual AMRONE Camp-N-Pack has happened. I will have more about it next issue." Camp is now in its 19th year. It was started to help people who rescued dogs through AMRONE, to not only get together and have a great time, BUT to learn about some of the things you can do with your dog. In the beginning, we had two qualifying hikes for back packing "legs". Now we have one every other year. (Most of the younger legs have moved on or finished titles.) We have a great time, in the fall in New England." Jane Palinkas

From: Carol Williams, Heritage Malamutes, "Chinook Reg."

Pure Kotzebue Bitch's NEEKA, CH Lone Pine Kotzebue Neeka and Kennel Mate CORAL were returned to me at nine years of age. NEEKA finished her Championship two weeks shy of her 11th Birthday. She was handled by Sara Gregware in 2015 at the AMCA Annual Awards where she was named the number 10 AMCA Class Bitch, Number One NE Area Breed Bitch, and the Number One NE Area Class Bitch, at the New Paltz NY Weekend. It was only second time out as a champion. On June 24 she was awarded Select Bitch for five points under Judge Keke Khan with owner handler, yours truly. June 26 she repeated the win under Philip L. Marsmen, handled by Bonnie Martin, for another five points toward her Grand Championship. Now she has accumulated 11 points towards her Grand Champiopnship. On Sunday

June 26 she was awarded the Best In Veteran Sweepstakes under Judge Pattie Bryce, CORA, Epona Kotzebue Tell N' Tails", () and the Number One New England Bred By Bitch. The breeders are Michelle Frank and Carol Williams, owner Carol Williams, ZIGGY, Paha Sapa Introducing Heritage of Ziggy Stardust, an import from Italy bred by Alessandro Avigni and co owned with Carol Williams. The first time he was shown, in the 6-9 puppy class, he won Best of Opposite sweepstakes. The first time he was shown by Sara Gregware at the New Paltz shows in the 6 to 9 puppy class, Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstake's. On June 24, the judge was Rich Harrison and on June 25, Tracy Brosque and June 26, Patti Bryce New Paltz Show June 24, Reserve Winners Dog, Judge, Keke Kahn. Thank you all for the congratulations, best wishes and compliments. I also compliment all the exhibitors who make this all possible.

NEW YORK / NEW JERSEY

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Everyone must be busy working/ trialing/showing in the NY/NJ area as not much has been sent in, but here is what I have. In the Show Ring, Kathy Hausner writes that her boy TYSON, CH Tugar's Taking on Tyson MBIS, MRBIS, MBISS captured two Best in Shows wins in the same weekend along with a Group 2. Kathy writes that it was a great time at lovely shows sponsored at the Chery Capital Classic in Traverse. Ml. The BIS rosettes were donated in honor of John Swire of Hill Frost Alaskan Malamutes. The Kathy was honored and deeply moved that TYSON won these honors. How nice it was that an Alaskan Malamute, who John held so dear, was able to capture two of the three top awards. Kathy never met John but she is sure that he is thrilled that his breed went Best in Show twice during the cluster! Winning Best in Show is a thrill; winning two in the same weekend is beyond imagination.

On to the agility arena, I missed this before Pam Rennock writes that KODA, **Abernaki's Piece of Cyberspace** Qd and took firstplace in Standard on April

23 at the Susque-Nango Agility Trial in Groton, NY. He got 12 MACH points.

Now for some up to date agility news: While most of us were wiling away our summer over the Labor Day weekend. the NY/NJ members were gearing up for the three day AMCA Agility Trials at Syracuse Obedience Training Center. It takes a lot of work to run an agility trail and the NY/NJ members had their work cut out for them, so much so that I only have a partial report so here is goes. It sounds like they had a good weekend. Pam Rennock's KODA, Abernaki's Piece of Cyberspace Qd on Friday in Masters JWW and took second place. Pam and Amy Novak did their annual mal swap in Time To Beat for the third year in a row. Amy's LAYLA, MACH Owyhee's Spirit in the Night CD BN RN MX MXB MXJ XF CA CGCA CGCU TT NTD THD and Pam's KODA both Qd. KODA took first in his class with Amy running him. Since it was a long weekend the news is brief but hopefully we can update it in the next issue.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

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August started off for us with the Mt. Rainier Working Dog Shows at Enumclaw Washington. We finished our girl ADELE, who is now CH BluMoon's Rumour Has It - CGC despite the horrible heat. Thank you to judge Mrs. Donna Buxton for awarding WB to our lovely baby girl. We attended the Snow King Alaskan Malamute Fanciers Specialty at the new Sammamish Clubs location, nice setting and certainly nice to see some folks we have not seen in a while. Although ADELE did not do anything at the specialty the next day at the Sammamish Kennel Club show she and another specials bitch were in competition for the breed, and ADELE ended up with SELECT BITCH over some other very nice specials bitches. Not bad for our baby girl, and just a week after becoming a champion. We are very proud of ADELE. Her movement was flawless and she free stacked like a pro! Many thanks to Judge Ms. Linda Clark and to ADELE's handler Janet Warner for showing her so beautifully. (See Something to Howl About)

Karen Hussey wrote in to share that **CH BearHug's Heart Hunter** went BOS at the Snow King Alaskan Malamute Fanciers Specialty on Sat Aug 27 Breeder Jorge De Andrade. Ron Dysart did a nice job handling him. We had such a nice time at the club potluck it was really nice to see everybody together. (See Something to Howl About)

Cindy Neely writes: "We had a great weekend visiting with friends, and it was made even better by the accomplishments of the three dogs that accompanied me. First there was the SKAMF Specialty, ROXIE, AM/CAN CH Jazzland Rocks On. won Best Veteran in Sweepstakes at the tender age of 11.5. Not to be overshadowed. her granddaughter MYA, Jazzland's Another Little Piece of My Heart, won Best Puppy in Sweepstakes, COOPER. Taolan Quest Total Eclipse, won WD, and MYA was Reserve Winners Bitch to a major. The following day at Sammamish, MYA was WB and BOW from the 6-9 puppy class. Thank you to SKAMF for the great trophies and for picnic that followed. It was appreciated." (See Something To Howl About).

Kathi Fraser writes: After a great Fall, Winter and Spring of running dogs, we decided to enter the OKC shows, in Enumclaw. I only showed GIGI one day, but then two of the days she and her brother REBEL were entered in Coursing Ability. Saturday was about 82 degrees when they ran the 600 yard course, but both were fully engaged, and had Qualifying runs. Thankfully, Sunday was cooler, and again, both GIGI and REBEL had qualifying runs, and their times were amazing. REBEL ran the 600 yard course in 47 seconds and GIGI in just over 48 seconds, Both GIGI and REBEL finished their CAT titles, and GIGI also got a leg toward her next title. Not to be outdone by her kids. CALI was entered in the Open Class at the Barn Hunt Trials. Her first run earned her first Q, and a Second Place! CALI is loving this sport, and loves the 90 degree turn tunnel, and climbing the hay bales. She is last at finding the rats, but I am not always fast at calling it. We enjoyed seeing old friends and making new ones."

Michele Coburn writes:

July brought more fun to the ring for

the Peace River furries. Diva went to Coeur d'Alene with friend Julie Despot and came home with back to back Best of Breed wins. We then went to the Portland Kennel Club Shows where there were actually majors to be found.

Saturday July 23rd the results were BOB: GCH Peace River's Bling It On aka DIVA; BOS: GRCH Peace River's Rogue You Just Gotta Believe aka EZ; BOW/WB: Peace River's Hallstatt Fairdust And Fireball aka KATIE; WD: Orionblu You Got My Mojo Working aka MOE; RWD: Luka Of Gh Racing Mals Jp aka LUKA.

Then, to my excitement Miss DIVA took a GROUP 1 under Judge David Denis. My love and thanks to all who stayed and cheered us on to this win.

Sunday, July 24 BOB: GCH Peace River's Bling It On aka DIVA; BOS: GRCH Peace River's Rogue You Just Gotta Believe aka EZ; BOW/WB: Peace River's Hallstatt Fairdust And Fireball aka KATIE; WD: Luka Of Gh Racing Mals Jp aka LUKA; RWD: Nyrakym's Strangers When We Meet Samaljankan aka ATLAS.

Off to Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club for a beautiful sunny weekend, not to hot, lovely breeze, super site!!!

Saturday July 30, BOB: GCH Peace River's Bling It On aka DIVA; BOW/BOW/WD: Jee Jac's Artium Of Power Paw; WB: Peace River's Hallstatt Fairdust And Fireball aka KATIE. Sunday July 31, GCH Peace River's Bling It On aka DIVA; BOW/WB: Peace River's Hallstatt Fairdust And Fireball aka KATIE; WD: Jee Jac's Artium Of Power Paw.

This weekend resulted in a new champion at Peace River at 8 months and 1 week, we would like to present CH Peace River's Hallstatt Fairdust And Fireball aka KATIE.

To Top off the weekend, DIVA, **GCH Peace River's Bling It On** earned a Group 3 under Judge Bill Shelton.

This week, the crew is entertaining two of my Great Grandchildren with pool parties, grooming, handling lessons, garden veggies, bed time and many, many treats. They are thrilled with all the extra attention, proving life here is

not all about dog shows.

"August was a very busy month for the Peace River furries, DIVA, GCH Peace River's Bling It On, took off without me for the Nisqually shows, and brought home a BOS to brother EZ and a BOB. In the meanwhile I stayed home and whelped a litter of Border Collie puppies. such fun. The following week we headed off to the Mount Rainier Working Dog Shows and Olympic Kennel Club. Thursday, DIVA was Select Bitch, and HARRY, Battelfield SuperNova, who I was showing, owned by Brenda Manus was RWD to the major. Friday DIVA was BOB, HARRY again was RWD and baby KATIE, CH Peace River's Hallstatt Fairydust and Fireball, won the Grand Sweepstakes. KATIE made the cut in a lovely Puppy Group. Saturday at Olympic Kennel Club, DIVA was BOS to brother EZ and HARRY, vet another RWD to the major. Sunday DIVA was SELECT BITCH and HARRY brought home BOW for his third major. However, the points broke, so HARRY still needs one point to finish.

"It was crazy hot that weekend, so we stayed hunkered down at our set up trying to keep cool. The real highlights happened there with three days of pot lucks and the final night, Saturday, attended by 28 people. I can't believe I didn't get a picture of that. Great friends, great times. DIVA then headed to Santa Barbara, California with her best friend Julie Despot and had an amazing four days, going BOB all four days. My love and thanks to all the wonderful California friends who welcomed DIVA and supported her with some lovely compliments and in the Groups."

Michele Coburn writes

Thank you and congratulations everyone!

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

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No Report

SOUTHERN

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First, I have to apologize that the

Alaskan Malamute Club of Houston Specialty and Texas Working Dog Assn. of Houston show reports are not listed in this NL. The marked catalog I received and the results on Onofrio website did not match, and I needed the Sweeps results too. I am very sorry about this. It was a big show and I will get it into the next NL. However, I do have tons of things to report, including some howls made at the specialty that are in the Howls section where a couple of our southerners really cleaned up!

Lisa and Ray Staley's girl, **Staghorn Snokist Sweet Southern Charm**, was RWB to a 5 pt. major on Saturday and then turned right around on Sunday to win a 4 pt. major for her championship during the weekend of the New River Valley KC in August. Great job: This "southern girl has a lot more going for her than just charm. Awesome. See the full Howl Report.

I think our Southern Area is going to take up half the NL with all the notices and wins Not just Lisa had a great run, but Amber Shireman has also been a winner this summer!

Amber writes: "It has been a great summer show circuit for Strong Water AURORA, AUTUMN, Malamutes. CHIEF and MIRIAM all had strong wins in July, and MIRIAM also had a nice win in June. In May, at Caddo KC of TX MIRIAM, Int'l. CH/A GRCHB Shekinah Strong Waters won OH Group 3 and Working Group 4 under Judge Mrs. Cindy Meyer. CHIEF, Strong Water' Stands on Tree Trunks was WD at Flatirons KC Inc. under respected Judge Mrs. Linda Clark. At the KC of Texarkana, Inc. show, AUTUMN, became CH Strong Waters Let Them Fall by taking WB for a 3 pt. major under Judge Mrs. Murrel Purkhiser. In Dallas at the Texas KC Inc. AURORA, Strong Water's Northern Lights achieved WB and BOS over specials for two points.

Then, last but certainly not least, at the Houston World Series of Dog Shows Cluster, our guys had some GREAT wins. (I'll say!) On 07/20/2016 under respected breeder judge Mrs. Shilon L. Bedford, with an entry of 30 Alaskan Malamutes, MIRIAM, Int'I. CH/A GRCHB Shekinah Strong Waters won BOB, and a Working Group 2.

This was a special Group win, as my niece, Ashlyn Reeves was handling her. On the same day at the AMC of Greater Houston Inc. show, our CHIEF, Strong Waters Stands on Tree Trunks won WD/BW from the BBE class for a 5 pt. major under Judge Dr. Steve Keating. The next day was another great win with WD/BW out of BBE class for another 5 pt. major under Judge Mr. David W. Haddock to finish his championship with three majors. On 7/22/2016 at the second Houston Kennel Club Inc. show, under long time respected judge and AKC Chairman of the BOD, Mr. Ronald H. Menaker, honored our CASINO, BIS NOH CH Strong Waters Double or Nothing with SD for a 5 pt. major over specials to earn his Grand Champion title and AUTUMN, CH Strong Waters Let Them Fall was SB for a 5 pt. major over specials. (Area reporter writes: Whew. I wish I was there to see all this. Jiust typing it is exciting) The next day at Beaumont KC show, under Judge Mr. Andrew Bruce Kidd, AURORA, Strong Waters Northern Lights was WB and best BBE for a 3 pt. major. The next day and last of the Houston series, once again AURORA, Strong Waters Northern Lights was WG and best BBE for another 3 pt. major. AURORA, only needs two singles to finish. WOW. And there is one more, on 07/31/2016 at Longview KC Inc. under Judge, Mrs. Carolyn A. Herbel, CASINO, BIS NOH **GCH Strong Waters Double Or Nothing** was NOH Reserve Best in Show."

Amber, those 30 days are ones to remember, simply amazing and you must have kept them on ice all summer to keep coats on them. Bet you all did some celebrating. Everyone reading this can find the complete info in Something to Howl About.

I take the free trials offered for ebooks, music, videos etc. It's usually for a limited time, but unlimited downloads during that time. Audible is one of the best, so is Amazon Prime and Google. If you haven't tried any you should do so. I have found some great reference books, fiction and non-fiction, and tons of music and once it's yours, it's yours. You can download it to your lpod, phone, Kindle, laptop any media on your network, even your TV. I found some good reads this summer, my favorite is titled, "Thunder Dog" (yellow lab) The true story of a blind

man, his guide dog and the triumph of trust at Ground Zero 911, by Michael Hingston and Susy Flory. The other is "Superfoods Cookbook" Book One by Don Orwell, and, Naturally Treating & Preventing Dog Arthritis, by Allison Rathert.

Many of you know about the litter of four week old pups from extreme neglect by the person that did the breeding. Our almost 12 year old, Brio, was the sire. I learned a horrible lesson the hard way by trusting someone with the care of the seven puppies he sired. She wanted to learn to be a good breeder and do things the right way, and I spent almost a year helping to mentor her in breeding and whelping a litter. At four weeks old they were put outside in a shed like building in the 95-100 degree outside temps. no AC for the pups. They were on a dirt floor and eating junk kibble. They quickly became infested with fleas, worms and coccidian, and with those infestations less and less blood and less and less oxygen were delivered. She had already put one of the pups to sleep by animal control because they were so sick and she didn't know what to do. When she told me, I told her don't do anything else with them until we could get there the next day. She killed another pup and then called us if we could come get them because she didn't know what to do. Gary and I went there and took the five babies that were left and in very bad shape. The sight sickened us. I can't believe anyone could sit by and watch the babies die one by one. I cried all the way to the vet. We eventually lost one of them. It was heartbreaking. We never lost a puppy to anything. The remaining four have been with us since. We have not bred a litter in eight years, so there was no usual waiting list for the pups. We are keeping two. A girl was placed a few weeks ago and the last one is leaving Thursday to live with a very good friend who had a pup from one of our first litters that just passed away at 16 years old. So, at least eventually, and through a terrible ordeal no puppy should have to go through, the pups have loving homes. And, we have not heard from the person that did this since then.

Nothing else going on in the area that I know of. Anyone know a good book? How about any cute puppy names you want to share? Do you have any

other interesting info? Dogs doing silly things? How about a movie, for kids or grown-ups? Let me know so I can list it.

Hope everyone is having a great summer. It may be Labor Day but this is when the weather I like comes around to North Carolina, cool dry air, add a bit of snow here and there and life is good.

MIDWEST

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What a beautiful weekend we are having here I am hoping that Fall is here to stay. Not a whole lot on reports this month. The National specialty will be over by my next report so I should have a lot to report after the National.

ROCKY has been doing well in the Owner Handler groups. The groups have gotten much larger and very competitive and he is still able to place. In early July ROCKY took an owner handler Group 1 at Ottumwa Kennel Club the group was large and very competitive. What made that win even more special is my husband and our boy Grant were at the show. They went fishing and got back to the show in time to watch the owner handler group. Grant told me that when ROCKY was placed 1st Curt said, "Oh that is nice, Oh shit now we have to stay for Best In Show!"

Last weekend ROCKY and I went to the Topeka shows and we got to see Diana Edwards again. Her boy took BOB both days. Rocky took Select dog and on Saturday Rocky got BOB/OH. So we both stayed for the groups and hung out for the day. ROCKY took an Owner Handler Group 2 in an even larger group than the one we were in, in Ottumwa. Diana is such a hoot. I had a great time be able to hang out with Diana for the day in Topeka. It was nice not to have to be in a hurry to get home or to have to get back to the motel.

Andrea Koehlert has several brags about her 2 boys. BRAVO (AM/INT CH Love Spirit Stormyth, CGC) has done quite a bit of winning. At the Duluth Kennel Club shows in July BRAVO took BOB 3 times along with an Owner Handler Group 1 and Group 4. The end of July at the Waukesha

Kennel Club BRAVO took Select Dog at Specialty #2 under Mr. Joe Droel and the next day Bravo took BOBOH under Mr Vincent Chianese. Then last weekend the end of August BRAVO took BOB /BOBOH finishing his Grand Championship and then went on to take another Owner Handler Group 1. Way to go BRAVO. Check out all his wins in the Howl section.

Now BRAVOS son YOGI (Windchaser's The Right To Bear Arms) is also making his dad proud. In July he took a Group 1 at the Puppy Spectacular on July 15 at the Duluth Kennel Club. Then he also went to the specialties at the Waukesha Kennel Club and took RWD out of the puppy class at Specialty # 2 under Mr. Joe Droel and the next day he took another RWD under Mrs. Marion Ward and then Winners dog the next day under Mrs. Jane Treiber.

Congrats on all your great wins Andrea and Lynda.

Be sure to look at all Howls and we even have a major show report for the Midwest Area. Looking forward to seeing many of you at the National. Enjoy the weather.

MID-EAST

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From Bonnie Ferianc: On May 28, 2016 New Castle KC, Dana Cline judge, FONZIE, **De Fonz Illa Kuvianartok** went WD And BOW for a 3 point major. May 29, 2016 Trumbull Co. KC, judge Pat Mowbray-Morgan, **De Fonz Illa Kuvianartok**, went WD and BOW for a 3 point major. June 11, 2016 Mc Kinley KC, Dr. Robert Smith judge, FONZIE went WD and BOW for a 3 point major. June 12, 2016 NcKinley KC, Dr. Gerald Penta judge, and FONZIE went WD and BOW for two points to finish his Championship.

June 18, 2016 Greater Clarksburg KC, Mr. Robert Slay judge, FONZIE went BOB. July 17, 2016 Grand River KC, Mr. Hiroshi Kamisato judge, Ice Cream's Taylor Made went WB for a 3 point major then went BOS over three bitch specials for a 5 point major.

Don and Gina Schimming from Somerset, VA and Joe and Sandra

Pistolesi are excited to report the following: "We begin with our lovely new addition BRINLEY, Kloud Burst's Sweet Brilliance at Battlefield. This beautiful girl came to us last year and we figured we have plenty of time to work with her and to enjoy many shows while she matures. Well, she certainly proved us wrong! BRINLEY took the ring by storm, wild as can be, and finished her Championship at just 11 months of age. In a blink of an eye she earned her first couple of points, than two back to back 5 point Majors in Fredericksburg, VA and finished with another 3 point Major in West Friendship, MD. This is truly a record for us and we cannot wait to see what her future holds once she matures. BRINLEY is now CH Kloud **Burst's Sweet Brilliance At Battlefield** (Sire, TAG, CH Kasaan's Race'n To T' Fortune and dam, WHITNEY, BISS **GCH Kloud Burst's Sweet Emotions**) owned by us and co-owned by Rosanne and Rich Deutsch. We are forever grateful to Rosanne and Rich Deutsch for entrusting us with BRINLEY.

"Next up is: BERNARDO, CH Battlefield Bernardo co-owned by Kathy Schmidt and Sandy Pistolesi, out of our "Magnificent Seven" litter (Sire: "DOZER" BIS CH Battlefield Delta Force CGC and Dam: MIMI, GCH Peace River's Sexy And I Know It CGC) returned to the ring with a bang earning two back to back 5 point Majors at Fredericksburg, VA alongside our BRINLEY who earned his Championship after a long break. He is the third boy out of our litter to earn his title

"RADAR, **Battlefield Counter-Battery** (littermate to BERNARDO and LEGEND) is our last class dog to show and he is one we hold dear to our hearts. RADAR returned to the ring earning his second 3 Point Major in West Friendship, MD back in February leaving him only points away from finishing. He earned another couple of points at the Harrisburg, PA show and surprised us as a Novice for his first go at weight pulling at AMCA Mid-East Region Specialty earning an Achievement Award proving that he's natural.

"Last, words cannot express the emotions we are having of our boy LEGEND, Battlefield's Legacy of Excellence. With limited showing, he's accomplished so much in such

a short time span. Many of you who are breeders, and handle your own dogs, know exactly what we're going through. Last year at the 2015 AMCA Regional/National in Sturbridge, MA, LEGEND, handled by Don Schimming, was recognized with an Award of Merit. The compliments we received then were overwhelming, and many asked what is going to be our next step. Our answer; "We are simply going to enjoy every moment." We have since decided to not show LEGEND until the AMCA Mid-East Regional Specialty (Harrisburg, PA), while we concentrate on championship titles for his brothers BERNARDO and RADAR.

"On Thursday, 4/14/16, LEGEND received Select Dog and Best of Breed - Owner-Handled, handled by Gina Schimming. After a very long day due to judge changes and scheduling issues, LEGEND went on to win the OH Working Group 1 and Best in Show Owner-Handled!

"On Friday, 4/15/2016 LEGEND, still not tired, showed beautifully and won the Breed for the Best In Show Specialty (BISS) title over a strong line along with another Best National Owner-Handled. Still not showing any signs of slowing up LEGEND went on to win Owner-Handled Group 2 and a Group 4 in a strong Working Group. The best part of the day, it was dads (Joe Pistolesi) birthday, a day he'll never forget.On Saturday, 4/16/2016 we went in expecting nothing else, however LEGEND decided he was not done. He went on to earn Best of Breed again, making him a Multi Best In Specialty Show (MBISS) winner and another Best National Owner-Handled ribbon. Later that afternoon he won the OH Working Group 3 and continued to show magnificently in the Working Group. He did not make the cut this go around but he had already proven himself beyond our imagination.

"We are proud to announce LEGEND's new titles as MBISS NOHBIS AOM CH Battlefield Legacy of Excellence with multiple Owner-Handled group placings and a Working Group 4 at a young age of two. He is well underway to earning his Grand Championship.

"At the Fishersville show the weekend of 6/11/2016, it was another surprise for us. We brought both LEGEND, **MBISS**

NOHBIS CH Battlefield Legacy of Excellence, AOM and BISHOP CH Nyrakym's Magical Moment Samaljankan to the show to get BISHOP back out in the ring as practice after a long hiatus of over two years.

Saturday the weather was extremely hot and thank goodness this was an indoor show. Many thanks to the Club who put on a fabulous show and ensured all dogs were safe from the heat. That morning, LEGEND took Best of Breed and another Best in Owner-Handler with his sidekick BISHOP earning his very first Select Dog. Throughout the day the boys were spoiled by many Club members who held their Club Meeting next to our setup. Needless to say BISHOP never fails us and always has to voice his opinion. As soon as he got loving's from others than he relaxed quietly while we waited for LEGEND's time to return to the ring. With great company and lots of applause, LEGEND won the Group 1 Owner-Handler and immediately went to the other ring to win Group 2 in the Working Group. And WOW, what a line up it was and we couldn't have been prouder. With a bit of wait, LEGEND took to the Owner-Handler Best In Show ring with pride. As one person stated, he owned that ring and went on to win his second Best In Show -Owner Handled!

"We move on to the Salem, VA Cluster Show. As of Friday, 8/5/2016, we are proud to introduce our fourth Champion from our "Magnificent Seven" litter born on 7/7/2013. RADAR, CH Battlefield Counter-Battery Radar (Sire: BIS CH Battlefield Delta Force CGC aka DOZER and Dam: GCH Peace's River Sexy And I Know It CGC aka MIMI) went on to follow in his brothers footsteps. The compliments and remarks received from Judges were overwhelming. Keep your eye on this one; we expect many great things to come from RADAR.

"On this same day, RADAR's brother LEGEND, **Battlefield's Legacy of Excellence**, couldn't stay on the sidelines and went on to earn his Grand Championship with limited showing. We love this boy to the moon and back, and he never ceases to amaze us.

"With honor, we have passed on the

baton to Brenda Snow Manus who loves and cares for NOVA. Battlefield Supernova with his new call name HARRY. HARRY is only a few points away from earning his Championship. We're looking forward to announcing a new title for HARRY and a new title for our beautiful MIMI, GCH Peace's River Sexy And I know It, CGC. HARRY would become our fifth champion out of MIMI's first litter. We could never thank Michele Coburn enough for entrusting us with MIMI. MIMI is currently being spoiled everyday (she even has her own couch) by our parents Joe & Sandy Pistolesi. Next up for her is earning her Rally title, Sandy Pistolesi is well underway with training and we cannot wait to see her in her first competition."

Alicia and I (A & M McGuire) had a rather exciting weekend with their girl RAVEN, **Staghorn & Ali-Mic's Marion Ravenwood, CGC**, at the Staten Island KC show the weekend of 5/27/2016. RAVEN took a handful of ribbons; WB, BOW, BOS, OH-BOB, and an OH Group IV in Sundays show under Judge Mr. David Chan.

From Carlene Way: Carlene and her girl HALLE, CH Banshee's Shining Star, had a great weekend at the **Empire Alaskan Malamute Associations** Supported Entry and Specialties starting on June 24 where HALLE took BOB in the Supported Entry under judge Mr. Richard Harrison Friday. HALLE then took BOS on Saturday at the AMCA Regional Specialty under judge Mr. Robert Shreeve. Sunday was another very good day for Carlene and HALLE as HALLE once again took BOS at the EAMA Specialty, but the added "birthday weekend present" for Carlene was when Alicia and my boy INDIANA, BISS GCH Banshee's American Adventurer, CGC TDI WWPD AOM took Best of Breed for his Best In Specialty Show win under judge Mr. P. Levi Marsman with Paul Levesque handling. Thank you again Paul.

Until next time ... Michael G. McGuire

WEST COAST

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Terry & Gloria Toussaint shared the following:

"The newest member here at Terraglo is BOGIE, Terraglos Heres Lookn At You Kid. BOGIE is the product of using dual sire breeding from father/ son; namely SIZZLE and QUAKE. QUAKE ended up being the sire of all of BOGIE'S litter-mates. Well anyhow, he was eligible to show starting June 23 and so proceeded to go RWD at two of the Ventura shows and at the SCAMC Specialty show. Then we took a road trip to the San Antonio/Houston summer shows in July. BOGIE was WD at all four shows in San Antonio under Judges Mr. Cline, Mr. Stacey, Mr. Horn and Mr. Miller. In Houston at the Working Dog show he was BOW for a 5 pt major under Breeder Judge Mrs. Shilon Bedford. BOGIE followed that up with another RWD under Mr. Haddock. We are very proud of this young man who has the sweetest personality! BOGIE is a "show machine" at least at this point!"

Marion Scire shares:

"I finally have something to brag about. We have a new champion. ROCKY, **CH Koolrunnings Rock of Ages**. ROCKY got his first major at the Mission Circuit (Los Encinos Kennel Club) on 5/30/16 from Ms. Sharon Zaker. On his next weekend out, Dr. Steve Keating gave him his second major at the Santa Maria Kennel Club show on 7/10/16. We are so proud of this boy."

Cyndi Chauvie and Christy Sires sent their news:

"Our new girl LUCY, Monikoona Joshuas Only Time, in May, had two single points. At the four day Mission Circuit at the end of May, LUCY did pretty well. She won WB for two points at the Antelope Valley K.C under breeder judge Roger Gifford. Then at the San Fernando K.C. under judge Steve Keating she won WB/BOW/ BOS/BOBOH for a four point major. On the third day, at the San Gabriel K.C. under judge Bonnie Linell Clarke, she picked up her second major by going WB/BOW. The last day of the circuit was the Los Encinos K.C. where under judge Sharon Zacker, LUCY won WB for a single point, giving her a total of 12 points with both majors!! LUCY then decided to blow ALL of her coat just in time for the SCAMC Specialty in July.

Wanting to hold the points, we decided to show her totally buck naked! She received one RWB and promptly ate the ribbon...in true LUCY style.

"On July 23 all efforts turned to saving Christy's house during the Sand fire. Eighty foot flames came within a few feet of her house. It was a horrible day which made us all realize, yet again, what is really important in this life....the love of one's family, above all else. Thank God everyone came out ok and Christy and her husband John are busy still cleaning up and repairing their place.

"Back to the show game: LUCY picked up two points at the South Bay K.C. shows under judge Terry Depietro and judge Philip Frelich winning WB/BOWs at both shows. At the end of August at the Simi Valley K.C. under Judge David Powers, she won WB/BOW for her third major to become our newest AKC Champion at the ripe old age of 14 months! Christy trained her and showed her from beginning to completion. The next day at the Santa Barbara K.C. she won Select bitch, for another major, towards her Grand Championship under judge Kathy Mackai.

"Of course, then there is our SARAH, BISS GCHS Joshua's Guns and Roses, who had a great time at the SCAMC Specialty weekend. She was entered for only two shows out of the available four, and she made the best of her time. SARAH repeated her win of last year of Best Veteran in the sweeps under judge Linda Tonnancour, and in the breed ring she won BOS under judge Patricia Trotter. Two days later at the Santa Maria K.C SARAH won Best of Breed and a Group 4 under Judge Jeraldeen Crandall. She is still loving it at nine years of age. Hope everyone has a lovely fall season!"

From Linda Katlarz:

"This weekend we showed at Gold County Kennel club show in Grass Valley Ca. It was a major in bitches both days. We were so happy when RIDER, Mytuk "N" Keno Let It Ride, got his fourth major. We are so thrilled with this boy. I have never had a dog so close to finishing at this young age."

And from Debbie Hunyada:

"I'm exhausted and can't think of anything clever to write but wanted to share a couple of brags on ELPHIE, GCH Majestic's Greyrock Wonderfully Wicked CGC. We had been out of the ring for a while but decided to do a few shows and get back in the swing of things. At the Reno KC little Miss ELPHIE went BOB not once but both days! Then we had our home town show in here in Grass Valley. The little Stinker did it again and went BOB under judge Honey Glendinning in a very nice line up of dogs. The next day she picked up a BOS under judge John Wade. So, four shows, three BOB's and an opposite. Not bad little girl"

Huge Congratulations to all and thanks for all the contributions to our West Coast Area Report.

On July 23 my own COMET earned her first Preferred Open leg under judge Lora Cox at the County Wide Obedience Trial in Rohnert Park with a score of 180 and first Place in the class.

On August 6 at the Sonoma County Agility Club Trial in Rohnert Park, COMET earned her eighth Master Standard leg under judge Art Brest with seven MACH points.

On August 7 COMET and I went up to Citrus Heights for an NoseWork2 Trial put on by Haute Dawgs. Out of 38 dogs entered, 12 earned their NW2 titles, including COMET! She placed fifth overall. I'm so proud of her, she was a rockstar!!

On August 12, 13 and 14 we attended three days of County Wide DTC Agility Trials at the Fairgrounds in Petaluma. COMET qualified in Master Jumpers all three days under judge Debby Wheeler with a second and two third places. The first day she earned 14 MACH points, the most we've ever gotten.

On August 27 at the Mensona KC Agility trial in Santa Rosa, COMET got another JWW Q with eight MACH points under judge Mary Mullen!

AT LARGE - N HEMISPHERE

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Hello from Europe.

UK member Sharon Loades has sent some news; "Four years ago, in May 2012, I visited my friends, Gaylene and Troy Robertson at their beautiful home in Manitoba, Canada. When I arrived Gaylene introduced me to all her wonderful dogs, but one beautiful young male took my eye the moment I saw him. He was a crazy, happy, clown and he took my breath away just seeing him mooch about in the yard. I fell instantly in love with him - his name was OZ.

In September that same year I flew back to Manitoba to collect OZ and bring him back home to live with Mark and me in England. Thus began a wonderful, happy, adventure with him. Since then, I have shown OZ lightly in the UK and amongst his showing achievements here, he earned a BIS win, two x CCs and six RCCs.

In May of this year, Mark and I were looking forward to a much-anticipated visit from Gaylene and Troy. It was their second trip to stay with us in England, but there is never enough time to fit everything in. With only 12 days to play with, we had a busy schedule of visits and sightseeing planned.

On their previous visit, in 2014, Troy had mentioned that his ancestors were from Scotland. With that in mind, we decided it was essential for us to include a trip to take in some of the sights and highlights of Scotland. The two boys decided on a 'Man's' trip north; one that funnily enough, incorporated some of the finest Scottish breweries!

Gaylene and I planned part of the holiday to include a dog show (of course). Along with friends Nicola Singh, Hayley Henworth and Jo Haywood, we had organised a three-day girls' road-trip to the Scottish Kennel Club Championship Show, held at Ingliston in Edinburgh. With five girls, six dogs, a jam-packed Sprinter van and plenty of butterscotch candy, we couldn't fail to have fun! Little did we know that our trip to the SKC show was to surpass all our hopes and dreams. Gaylene, and the Winterchill

Kennel, made breed history here in the UK with breeder-judge Mr. Jim Broadberry awarding OZ his crowning CC and Best of Breed, making him the first ever Canadian-bred malamute to earn a UK champion title (see howl about). To end a perfect day, he then placed Group 3 in a strong Working Group under judge Keith Nathan.

Bred by Gaylene and co-owned with her sister Leslie Jeske and myself, OZ is now officially known as BIS BPIS UK/Can CH Winterchill's Task Force (Imp Can).

Our home-bred OZ daughter, CHICK, Snowolf Blackpowder Chick also won the RCC, at age 17 months, earning her a KC Stud Book number. Our travelling companion Hayley Henworth won a third and crowning CC with her home-bred female NEBBIE Wolfraven Rumor's Nebula JW. All the kids qualified for Crufts 2017 and, despite our best efforts, we even made it home with some Butterscotch left over!

At Birmingham National Championship Show KISSI, **Hyteton Tebo Miss Magnum By Snowolf** won the RCC in the Veteran class under judge Mr. Frank Kane."

UK member Hayley Henworth has sent a howl for NEBBIE'S new champion status (see howl about).

News from Dutch member Erna Hartveld-Upmeijer; "We have had our ups and downs this summer in the dog world. First of all we lost our QIL

Pameiyut Qillarik whose name means black pearl. Well, a pearl she was all these 14 years and we've never had such a happy, joyful dog. She gave us a lovely litter, and we still have her daughter around. QIL was on the team for lots of years, as a lead dog. Happy as she was, and always willing to work, she was not a strong girl but was intelligent enough to do her job. BISS Dutch CH Kataum Inua's Pitorag left us a week later at nearly 13 years old. PITORAQ was born in October while outside, during the first snowstorm that autumn. The whole litter came rather early into the world, and all eight of them were small. We had lots of concern, but no worries for PITORAQ. His mum Chikara's Wayartok took very good care of them and they all became, good, strong kids. PITORAQ was my soulmate for all of these years. He had lots of fun going to the shows, loved people, was good in the kennel vard, and kept his gangline straight in the team. But it was when he had to follow another team, that he worked really well. We are fortunate that we own one of his grandchildren.

"More cheerful news: Kataum Inua's Tipsinartok earned best of opposite sex at the International show in Mechelen Belgium, owned by Whitney de Wilde. At home Kataum Inua's Akimaruk did well at the local dog show, AKIMA was awarded best puppy in show. AKIMA is only seven months now and will take a long time to mature, so I have to have patience when I take him to the showgrounds. We are looking forward to hooking him up in

the team this coming season.

"We were pleased to be the hosts for Tim and Karina O'Brien-Burger's visit from Winterstarz Malamutes in the U.S.A when they came over for a week to visit the Netherlands. Fortunately they wanted to spend some time with us as well, so they could see their bred dogs **Winterstarz Mahuk** and **Winterstarz Kuyannamik**. We enjoyed their visit enormously and in the evenings we had lots of dog talk."

Our own news this month;

We welcomed a new arrival in July, STAX Mountain Home Sledog Staxtacular (Imp USA) (Dances With Wolves Des Plaines De Valinor x Mountain Home's Tracks On The Trail, WTD) who flew here from our dear friends, Sue and Roy Fuller in Washington. Our thanks, of course) go to Sue and Roy for our third Mountain Home pup. We are very excited to see what the future holds for him.

From our breeding, ZIVA, **Sledog Forest Trail for Cherubini, WPD** who is owned by Ange Anderson, won the Veteran Working Group at the Dunster County Fair and Minehead open show.

Please remember to send me your news. If any member is not receiving my bi-monthly reminder, please let me know.

AT LARGE - S HEMISPHERE

Michelle White, Area Reporter michelle@tsawakemals.com No Report

SOMETHING TO HOWL ABOUT

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB TITLES & AWARDS

I apologize sincerely to the Schimmings and Pistolesis for their two early Howls not appearing in previous two issues of NL

NEW CHAMPION

CH KOOLRUNNINGS ROCK OF AGES (D)

Sire: CH Glenhaven's Mostly Mozart Dam: Koolrunnings Lady Madonna Owners: Marion and Robert Scire' Show: Santa Maria Kennel Club

Date: 7/10/2016

Judge: Dr. Steve Keating

CH MONIKOONA JOSHUA'S ONLY TIME (B)

Sire: Monikoona's Most Wanted Dam: Roma Monikoona's Sunrise Breeder: Izabela Nawrocka

Owner: Cynthia Chauvie & Christina Sires

Show: Simi Valley Kennel Club

Date: 8/26/2016 Judge: David Powers

CH STAGHORN N SNOKIST EN-CHANTRESS (B)

Sire: GCH Ice Fall's Locked 'N' Loaded

Dam: Staghorn's Eye Candy

Breeder: Cheena & Lenny Villano & Donelle

Roberts-Burrill

Owner: Cheena & Lenny Villano & Donelle

Roberts-Burrill

Show: Waukesha Kennel Club

Date: July 31, 2016 Judge: Susan C. Catlin

CH FALL MOON'S MAGNIFICENT MAMIE OF DREAMEKATCHER GCN CA (B)

Sire: Zulem Morning Singer

Dam: GCH Dreamkatcher's Miki Qannik CGC

Breeder: Lucy Sanders & Pam Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela J.Warrichaiet
Show: Marquette Kennel Club
Date: September 3, 2016
Judge: Roger Hartinger

CH BATTLEFIELD BERNARDO

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Kathy Schmidt & Sandra Pistolesi Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don & Gina Schimming

Judge: Ms. Beverly Capstick

Name of Show: Charlottesville-Albemarle Ken-

nel Club, Inc. Date: 1/17/2016

CH KLOUD BURST'S SWEET BRILLIANCE AT BATTLEFIELD

Sire: CH Kasaan's Race'n To T' Fortune Dam: BISS GCH Kloud Burst's Sweet Emo-

tions

Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Gina

Schimming & Roseann Deutsch
Breeders: Richard & Roseann Deutsch

Judge: Ms. Beverly Capstick

Name of Show: Charlottesville-Albemarle Kennel Club, Inc.

Date: 1/17/2016

CH DE FONZ ILLA KUVIANARTOK SIRE: UK CH BIS BISS SHOMONTS

Rasin Cain

Dam: Polish CH Chilam Snowbird Illa Kuvianartok

Owner: Bonnie Ferianc Breeder: Gizela Makarewicz Judge: Dr. Gerald Penta

Name of Show: Mc Kinley KC Canton, Ohio

Date: June 12,2016

CH BATTLEFIELD COUNTER-BATTERY RADAR

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming Judge: Mrs. Keke Kahn

Name of Show: Roanoke Kennel Club, Inc.

Date: 8/5/2016

CH LONE PINE KOTZEBUE NEEKA (B)

Sire: CH Arja's Kotzebue Keynai Dam: Lone Pine Kotzebue Artctic Angel Breeder: Eric C. and Helena Sias Witte

Owner: Carol Williams
Show: Eastern Dog Club
Date: December 5, 2015
Judge: Ed Hall

CH STAGHORN SNOKIST SWEET SOUTHERN CHARM (B)

Sire: BISS GCH Ootek's Game On Dam: CH Staghorn Eye Candy

Breeder: Cheena & Lenny Villano, Donelle

Roberts-Burill

Owner: Lisa & Ray Staley and Cheena Villano

Show: New River Valley KC
Date: August 07, 2016
Judge: Mrs. Paula Hartinger

CH MONIKOONA JOSHUA'S ONLY TIME (B)

Sire: Monikoona Most Wanted Dam: Roma Monikoona's Sunrise Breeder: Izabela Nawrocka

Owner: Cynthia Chauvie and Christina Sires

Show Simi Valley Kennel Club

Date: 8/26/2016 Breed: David Powers

CH PEACE RIVER'S HALLSTATT FAIRYDUST AND FIREBALL (B)

SIRE; BIS BISS GCH Peace River's Gathers

No Moss At Sunstra CHC

Dam: Ch Peace River's Dream Girl At Hallstatt

Show: Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club

Date: July 30, 2016 Judge: Christie Martinez Owner: Michele S. Coburn

Breeder: Laura Maffei and Michele S. Coburn

NEW GRAND CHAMPION

GCH BATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCELLANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming Judge: Mrs. Keke Kahn

Name of Show: Roanoke Kennel Club, Inc.

Date: 8/5/2016

GCH LUV SNO'S LIKING IT RUG-GED CGCA, BN, CD, RE, WPD, WWPD.(D)

Sire: Judge: Sendaishi's Lightfoot Gordon
Dam: CH MaskaRaidN;LuvSno's Maid'n Tiffney

CD, RE,WWPDX,WPD,WTD Breeder: Jane & Vicki Palinkas Owner: Jane & Vicki Palinlkas Show: York Kennel Club Date: March 18, 2016 Ms. Patricia Mowbray Morgan AM/INT CH. LOVE SPIRIT STOR-MYTH, CGC (D)

Sire: GCH CZ Igual Du Grand Stormyth Dam: CCH CZ Adore Princess Arctic Storm

Breeder: Katerina Scheuflerova

Owner: Lynda Ste. Jhourre & Andrea Koehlert

Show: St. Croix Valley Kennel Club

Date: 8-28-16

Breed Judge: Ms Linn Klingel-Brown

NEW TITLE WORKING PACK DOO

WINTERSTARZ ROCKET J. DOG CGC, TDI, WPD (D)

Sire: BISS CH Black Ice's High Voltage AOM,

WTD, WPD

Dam: Winterstarz Flaming AE Aurigae WTD,

WPD, WLD, ROMWD

Breeder: Tim O'Brien and Karina Burger

Owner: Patrice Herzfeld

Show: Nordic Hiking Trail of Kettle Moraine

State Park (Southern Unit), WI

Date: 5/23/2016

NEW TITLE: NOVICE ACILITY
PREFERRED

RO2 AG1 AKC/UKC CH POWDER-HOUND'S SILVER LINING WWPDX WTD WPD CGCA RE NAP OJP OFP VAM AAAM (D)

Sire: CH Awanuna's Pfalkor Pfur Istari WWPD

WTD ROM ROMWD

Dam: Storm Kloud's As Good As It Gets WW-PDX WTD WPD WLD ROMWD ROM-PERF ROM-AG

Breeder: Jennifer L Effler-Leveille
Owner: Jennifer L Effler-Leveille
Show: Western Waukesha County Dog

Training Club
Date: July 10, 2016
Judge: Lisa Selthofer

BEST IN SHOW OWNER. HANDLED

CH FALL MOON'S MAGNIFICENT MAMIE OF DREAMEKATCHER GCN CA (B)

Sire: Zulem Morning Singer

Dam: GCH Dreamkatcher's Miki Qannik CGC Breeder: Lucy Sanders & Pam Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela J.Warrichaiet Show: Marquette Kennel Club Date: September 4, 2016 Breed Judge: Toddie Clark Group Judge: Dennis Laturie BIS Judge: Dennis Laturie

BEST OWNER HANDLED GROUP 1

CH FALL MOON'S MAGNIFICENT MAMIE OF DREAMEKATCHER GCN CA (B)

Sire: Zulem Morning Singer

Dam: GCH Dreamkatcher's Miki Qannik CGC Breeder: Lucy Sanders & Pam Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela J.Warrichaiet Show: Marquette Kennel Club Date: September 4, 2016 Breed Judge: Toddie Clark Group Judge: Dennis Laturie

CH THUNDERKLOUD T' SECRET'S IN T' STARZ (B)

Sire: GCH Illusion's Beyond Imagination
Dam: CH ThunderKloud's Can't Keep A Secret
Breeder: Patricia & Thomas McGovern

Owner: Patricia & Thomas McGovern
Show: Kishwaukee Kennel Club

Date: July 16, 2016

Breed Judge: Dr. Robert D. Smith Group Judge: Cindy Meyer

AM GCH CH/U-CH NORTHERN EXPO-SURE ROCKET MAN OF SNO-CUB CGC RN R01 (D)

Sire: CH Mach GCH Halatsuu Indiana Snow

Raider MXJ CD RN

Dam: CH Sno Shire's Sahara Snow Angel RN

OAJ

Breeder: Tammy Doukas Owner: Cindy and Curt Foster

Show: Southeastern Iowa Kennel Club

Date: 7-9-16

Breed: Ms. Grace Fritz Group: Andrea Bradford MD

AM/INT CH. LOVE SPIRIT STORMYTH, CGC (D)

Sire: GCH CZ Igual Du Grand Stormyth Dam: CCH CZ Adore Princess Arctic Storm

Breeder: Katerina Scheuflerova

Owner: Lynda Ste. Jhourre & Andrea Koehlert

Show: Duluth Kennel Club

Date: 7-17-16

Breed Judge: Mr. Arley Hussin Group Judge: Mr. Mr. Arley Hussin

AM/INT CH. LOVE SPIRIT STORMYTH, CGC (D)

Sire: GCH ĆZ Igual Du Grand Stormyth Dam: CCH CZ Adore Princess Arctic Storm

Breeder: Katerina Scheuflerova

Owner: Lynda Ste. Jhourre & Andrea Koehlert

Show: St. Croix Valley Kennel Club

Date: 8-28-16

Breed Judge: Ms Linn Klingel-Brown Group Judge: Ms Linn Klingel-Brown

BEST OWNER HANDLED GROUP 2

CH THUNDERKLOUD T' SECRET'S IN T' STARZ (B)

Sire: GCH Illusion's Beyond Imagination
Dam: CH ThunderKloud's Can't Keep A Secret
Breeder: Patricia & Thomas McGovern

Owner: Patricia & Thomas McGovern Show: Kishwaukee Kennel Club

Date: July 17, 2016 Breed Judge: Mareth Kipp Group Judge: Mareth Kipp

AMGCH CH/U-CH NORTHERN EX-POSURE ROCKET MAN OF SNO-CUB CGC RN R01 (D)

Sire: CH Mach GCH Halatsuu Indiana Snow

Raider MXJ CD RN

Dam: CH Sno Shire's Sahara Snow Angel RN OAJ

Breeder: Tammy Doukas Owner: Cindy and Curt Foster

Show: Manhattan Kansas Kennel Club

Date: 8-27-16

Breed: Mrs. Monika Pinsker Group: Mr. Garry L. Clausing

BEST OWNER HANDLED GROUP 3

CH THUNDERKLOUD T' SE-CRET'S IN T' STARZ (B)

Sire: GCH Illusion's Beyond Imagination
Dam: CH ThunderKloud's Can't Keep A Secret
Breeder: Patricia & Thomas McGovern
Owner: Patricia & Thomas McGovern
Show: Waukesha Kennel Club

Date: July 31, 2016

Breed Judge: Susan C. Catlin Group Judge: Pat Jenkins

CH THUNDERKLOUD T' SECRET'S IN T' STARZ (B)

Sire: GCH Illusion's Beyond Imagination
Dam: CH ThunderKloud's Can't Keep A Secret
Breeder: Patricia & Thomas McGovern

Owner: Patricia & Thomas McGovern Show: Burlington Kennel Club

Date: August 1, 2016

Breed Judge: Donna Beckman Group Judge: Donna Beckman

BEST OWNER HANDLED GROUP 4

CH THUNDERKLOUD T' SECRET'S IN T' STARZ (B)

Sire: GCH Illusion's Beyond Imagination
Dam: CH ThunderKloud's Can't Keep A Secret
Breeder: Patricia & Thomas McGovern
Owner: Patricia & Thomas McGovern

Show: Blackhawk Kennel Club

Date: July 15, 2016

Breed Judge: Marjorie Martorella Group Judge Delores Burkholder

STAGHORN & ALI-MIC'S MARION RAVENWOOD, CGC

Sire: GCHB Ootek's Game On Dam: CH Staghorn's Eye Candy Owners: Michael & Alicia McGuire

Breeders: Cheena Villano & Lenny Villano &

Donelle Roberts Burrill Judge: Mr. David Chan

Name of Show: Staten Island Kennel Club

Location: Freehold, NJ Date: 5/28/2016

AM/INT CH. LOVE SPIRIT STOR-MYTH, CGC (D)

Sire: GCH CZ Igual Du Grand Stormyth Dam: CCH CZ Adore Princess Arctic Storm

Breeder: Katerina Scheuflerova

Owner: Lynda Ste. Jhourre & Andrea Koehlert

Show: Duluth Kennel Club

Date: 7-15-16 Breed: Ms Elizabeth Muthard Group: Ms Elizabeth Muthard

OWNERHANDLED BEST IN SHOW

CH BATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCELLANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming Judge: Mrs. Polly Smith Name of Show: Lebanon KC Location: Harrisburg, PA Date: 4/14/2016

CH BATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCELLANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming
Judge: Mrs. Molly Martin

Name of Show: Skyline Kennel Club, Inc.

Location: Fishersville, VA

Date: 6/11/2016

PUPPY GROUP 1 AKG

WINDCHASER'S THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

Sire: AM/INT CH. Love Spirit Stormyth, CGC Dam: Ch. Windchaser's All Eyes on Me Breeder: Lynda Ste. Jhourre & Andrea

Koehlert- Ste. Jhourre

Owner: Lynda Ste. Jhourre & Andrea Koehlert-

Ste. Jhourre

Show: Duluth Kennel Club

Date: 7-15-16

Breed: Ms Elizabeth Muthard Group: Ms Elizabeth Muthard

BREED - BEST IN SHOW SPECIALTY

BISS CH BATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCELLANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Judge: Mr. John Constantine

Name of Show: Lebanon KC - Mid-East

Regional Specialty Location: Harrisburg, PA Date: 4/15/2016

MBISS CH BATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCELLANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming Judge: Mrs. Pat Putman

Name of Show: Lebanon KC - Mid-East

Regional Specialty Location: Harrisburg, PA Date: 4/16/2016

BISS GCH BANSHEE'S AMERI-CAN ADVENTURER, CGC, TDI, WWPD, AOM

Sire: GCH Banshee's Reign Supreme Dam: CH Banshee's Rising Sun Owners: Alicia & Michael McGuire

Breeder: Carlene Way Judge: Mr. P. Levi Marsman

Name of Show: Mid-Hudson Kennel Associa-

tion – EAMA Specialty Location: New Paltz, NY Date: 6/26/2016

GROUP I

GCH PEACE RIVER'S BLING IT ON (B)

Sire: CH Silverice Lichen Standing Stone ROM Dam: CH Peace River's All That And A Bag of

Chips CGC ROM

Breeder: Michele S. Coburn
Owner: Michele S. Coburn
Show: Portland Kennel Club

Date: July 23, 2016 Judge: Mr. David Denis

GCH PEACE RIVER'S BLING IT ON (B)

Sire: Ch Silverice Lichen Standing Stone ROM Dam: Ch Peace River's All That And A Bag Of

Chips CGC ROM

Show: Portland Kennel Club

Date: July 23, 2016 Judge: Mr. David Denis Owner: Michele S. Coburn Breeder: Michele S. Coburn

GROUP 2

CH BATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCELLANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Judge: Dr. Klaus Anselm

Name of Show: Skyline Kennel Club, Inc

Location: Fishersville, VA Date: 6/11/2016

GROUP 3

GCH PEACE RIVER'S BLING IT ON (B)

Sire: CH Silverice Lichen Standing Stone

ROM

Dam: CH Peace River's All That And A Bag of

Chips CGC ROM

Breeder: Michele S. Coburn
Owner: Michele S. Coburn

Show: Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club

Date: July 31, 2016

Judge: Mr. William Shelton

GCH PEACE RIVER'S BLING IT ON (B)

Sire: Ch Silverice Lichen Standing Stone ROM Dam: Ch Peace River's All That And A Bag Of

Chips CGC ROM

Show: Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club

Date: July 31, 2016 Judge: William Shelton Owner: Michele S. Coburn Breeder: Michele S. Coburn

GROUP 4

SGCH JOSHUA'S GUNS AND

ROSES (B)

Sire: GCH NorthFace SnoKlassic Glory Days Dam: CH Joshua's Sweet Emmotion Breeder: K & C Chauvie & C Sires Owner: Cynthia Chauvie & Christina Sires

Show: Santa Maria KC Date: July 9, 2016

Breed Judge: Jeraldeen Crandall Group Judge: Jeraldeen Crandall

ATTLEFIELD LEGACY OF EXCEL-LANCE

Sire: CH Battlefield Delta Force

Dam: GCH Peace River's Sexy And I know It Owners: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming

Breeders: Joseph & Sandra Pistolesi & Don &

Gina Schimming
Judge: Mr. Robert Slay

Name of Show: Lebanon KC - AMCA Mid-East

Regional Specialty Location: Harrisburg, PA Date: 4/15/2016

SGCH JOSHUA'S GUNS AND ROSES (B)

Sire: GCH. NorthFace SnoKlassic Glory Days Dam: CH Joshua's Sweet Emmotion Breeder: K and C Chauvie and C Sires Owner: Cynthia Chauvie and Christina Sires

Show Santa Maria KC Date: July 9, 2016

Breed: Jeraldeen Crandall Group: Jeraldeen Crandall

INTERNATIONAL KENNEL CLUB TITLES & AWARDS

NEW CHAMPION - UK

CH WOLFRAVEN RUMOR'S NEBULA JW (B)

Sire: Akaila's Wolfraven Tuk-So (Imp USA)
Dam: Hyteton Relu Rehab For Wolfraven
Breeder Mr J & Mrs H Henworth
Owner: Mr J & Mrs H Henworth

Date: May 20, 2016 Breed: Mr J Broadberry

Show:

BIS BPIS UK/CAN CH WINTER-CHILL'S TASK FORCE (IMP CAN) (D)

The Scottish Kennel Club

Sire: Can Ch. Winterchill's Blackpowder Keg Dam: Can Ch. Winterchill's Mystical Wyldkat

Breeder Gaylene Robertson

Owner: Mmes Robertson, Jeske & Loades

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Show: The Scottish Kennel Club

Date: May 20, 2016 Breed: Mr J Broadberry



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PNW (submitted by Cindy Carriegan)

Name of Show: Mt. Rainier Working Dog Club - 8/18/16

Judge: Mrs. Donna Buxton

9: D=5 (4 pts) B=4 (3 pts) 4 (1D, 4B)

BOB: CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (Dewing/Dysart/

Kanzelberger)

SELECT BITCH: GCHS Peace River's Bling It On (Co-

burn/Syar)

BOS: GCH Peace River's You Just Gotta Believe (Weston) WB: Blumoons Rumour Has It, CGC (Carriegan/Smith) RWB: Inushuk Try My Patience At Red Skye (McGee) WD/BOW: Luka of GH Raching Mals JP (Nojima)

RWD: Battlefield Supernova (Manus)

Name of Show: Mt. Rainier Working Dog Club - 8/19/16

Judge: Ms. Deborah Wilkins

9: D=5 (4 pts) B=3 (2 pts) 4 (1D, 6B)

BOB: GCHS Peace River's Bling It On (Coburn/Syar) SELECT BITCH: CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class

(Dewing/Dysart/Kanzelberger)

BOS: GCH Peace River's You Just Gotta Believe (Weston)

WB: Inushuk Try My Patience At Red Skye (McGee) RWB: Hallstatt "X" Marks The Spot (Maffei/Snyder) WD/BOW: Luka of GH Raching Mals JP (Nojima)

RWD: Battlefield Supernova (Manus)

Name of Show: Olympic Kennel Club - 8/20/16

Judge: Mr. Adrain Woodfork

9: D=5 (4 pts) B=2 (1 pt) 4 (1D, 4B)

BOB: GCH Peace River's You Just Gotta Believe (Weston) SELECT BITCH: CH Kumata's Elevate Your Game (Dewing (Developed))

ing/Dysart)

BOS: GCHS Peace River's Bling It On (Coburn/Syar) WB/BOBOH: Hallstatt "X" Marks The Spot (Maffei/Snyder) RWB: Inushuk Try My Patience At Red Skye (McGee)

WD/BOW: Luka of GH Raching Mals JP (Nojima)

RWD: Hallstatt's Ominous Silence at Svalbard (Guzman/

Coburn/Maffei)

Name of Show: Olympic Kennel Club - 8/21/16

Judge: Mr. Kenneth Buxton

9: D=4 (3 pts) B=2 (1 pt) 4 (1D, 4B)

BOB: GCH Peace River's You Just Gotta Believe (Weston) SELECT BITCH: GCHS Peace River's Bling It On (Co-

burn/Syar)

BOS: CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (Dewing/Dysart/

Kanzelberger)

WB/BOBOH: Inushuk Try My Patience At Red Skye (Mc-

Gee)

RWB: Hallstatt "X" Marks The Spot (Maffei/Snyder)

WD/BOW: Battlefield Supernova (Manus)

RWD: JeeJac's Artium of Power Paw (Lauridsen/Allen)

MID WEST (submitted by Cindy Foster)

Manhattan Kansas Kennel Club Inc 8-27-16

Judge: Mrs. Monika Pinsker

Total Entries 6 D: 0 B: 4 (3 pts) 2-D 0-B

BOB: GCH CH WINWARD JEE JACS CHILL'N WITH FLINT

WLD WT (Edwards & Lauridsen)

SD/BOBOH: GCH CH NORTHERN EXPOSURE ROCKET

MAN OF SNO-CUB RN (Foster)

WB/BOS: SPECTRE'S 'N WONDERLAND (Cole)

RWB: KAVIAK'S SNOW SPRITE (Delay)

Topeka Kennel Club, Inc 8-28-16

Judge: Mr John C Ramirez

Total Entries 6 D: 0 B: 4 (3 pts) 2-D 0-B

BOB: GCH CH WINWARD JEE JACS CHILL'N WITH FLINT

WLD WT (Edwards & Lauridsen)

SD: GCH CH NORTHERN EXPOSURE ROCKET MAN OF

SNO-CUB RN (Foster)

WB/BOS: SPECTRE'S 'N WONDERLAND (Cole)

RWB: KAVIAK'S SNOW SPRITE (Delay)

Total Entries 20 D:6 (3 pts) B: 6 (2 pts) 6-D 2-B

BOB: GCH CH Kasaan Snokist Ropin 'N' 'T' Fortune (Burrill)

BOS: GCH CH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (Dewing/ Dysart/Kanzelberger)

SD: Winterchill's Blackpowder Keg (Robertson)

SB: CH Kasaan's Heart Of A Fighter (Lindeman/McMahon-

Howen)

BOW/WD: Chikara N Catera's Bringing Classic Back (Kan-

zelberger/Renzelman)

WB: Bimba De Kabluna (Iglesias/Kelley)

RWD: Kasaan's Your Fortune Awaits (Howen/Burrill)

RWB: Storm Sky's It's Game Time (Czarapata/El Dissi/Gon-

zalez)



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IL/WI (submitted by Pat McGovern)

Name of Show: Kishwaukee KC 7-15-16

Judge: Dr. Robert D. Smith Total Entry: 10 (2d –8b) D= 2 (1 pt) B=7 (3 pts)

BOB: CH ThunderKloud T' Secret's In T' Starz (B) (P & T McGovern)

WD/BOW/BOS: Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets (D) (K Manassa & J Wieczorek)

WB: Amaqut On The Pull RA NJP NAP (J Jeffler-Leveille) RWD: Storm Kloud's Ddistant Thunder (G & K Thompson)

RWB: Anua's & Wintuk's Sailing Into The Wins (S & L Kalous & K Fischer)

Name of Show: Kishwaukee KC 7-16-16

Judge: Mareth Kipp Total Entry: 12 (3d –9b) D= 3 (1 pt) B=7 (3 pts)

BOB: CH ThunderKloud T' Secret's In T' Starz (B) (P & T McGovern) WD/BOS: Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets (K Manassa & J Wieczorek)

WB/BOW: Sno Quest's I Am The Fair One (L Goba)

Select Bitch: Iceberg N Icecube's Pick Me First (L Hofer & A Olmem)

RWD: Bad Axe Fade To Black (J & L Missana & A Missana) RWB: Poker Flat's Burn Notice (R Haggard & J Kuehl)

Name of Show: Waukesha KC 7-30-16

Judge: Vincent P. Chianese Total Entry: 27 (11d-16b) D= 7 (3 pt) B=12 (5 pts)

BOB: GCH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (B) J Dewing, R. Dysart & A Kanzelberger)

BOS: GCH Ice Fall's Locked 'N' Loaded (L Ryer)
WD/BOW: Sno Quest's Gentle Buccaneer (K Marsicek)

WB: Staghorn & Snokist Enchantress (C & L Villano & D Roberts-Burrill)
Select Dog: GCH Pale Moon's Arctic Chaos (J & K McCallum & P Scheid)
Select Bitch: CH Storm Sky's Every Second Counts (S Czarapata & J El Dissi)

RWD: Windchaser's Right to Bear Arms (L Ste Jhourre & A Koehlert)
RWB: Katalla Sno Klassic Busy Being Fabulous (T Newport & M & P Peel)

Name of Show: Waukesha KC 7-31-16

Judge: Susan C. Catlin Total Entry: 19 (7d-12b) D= 4 (2 pt) B=8 (4 pts)

BOB: GCH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (B) J Dewing, R. Dysart & A Kanzelberger)

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RWD: SnoQuest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko) RWB: Akiak's A League Of Her Own (S & P Reed)

AFFILIATE & INDEPENDENT CLUB SPECIALTY SHOWS

Kennel Club Name
Date
Conformation Judge:
42 total
D = 11 (4 pt.)
AMCA – Wisconsin Specialty #1
July 29, 2016
Pat Jenkins
B = 12 (5 pt.)
7 Veterans: 7 B
1 Working: 1D

BISS: GCH Awanuna's Tornado of Snow BN (D) (R & B Pfeiffer) CH Awanunas Pfalkor Pfur Istari & CH Storm Klouds WWF at Awanuna

<u>SD:</u> GCH Ice Fall's Locked `N' Loaded (L Ryer) CH Sno Ridge's Sudden Impact & GCH Kasaan's Royal Fortune

<u>WD:</u> Bad Axe Fade to Black (J & L Missana & A Missana) GCH Bad Axe You Don't Know Jack & GCH Bad Axe Soul of the Samurai

RWD: Sno Quest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko) SnoQuest's Mission to Pale Moon & Sno Quest's Gold 'N' Opportunity <u>BOS:</u> GCH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (B) (J Dewing & R Dysart & A Kanzelberger) GCH Catera's Fun Fast & World Class & CH Bearhug's Miss Pussy Galore

SB: Ixa's DontCha Wish Your Girlfriend Was Hot Like Me (A Mayberry-Welch) CH North Face Ixa Cat In The Hat & CH Ixa's You're So Vain

WB/BOW: Katalla Sno Klassic Busy Being Fabulous ((T Newport & P & M Peel) CH Poker Flats Big Bang At Katalla & Katalla Snoklassic Hell On Wheelz

RWB: Akiak's A League Of Her Own (S & P Reed) CH Akiak's Sweep The Series & CH Foxfire's Dott'N The I In Akiak

Regular Classes

Puppy Dogs 6 – 9 months

- 1. Windchaser's Right to Bear Arms (L Ste Jhourre & A Koehlert-Ste Jhourre)
- 2. ThunderKloud's Secret is a Magic Stone (P & T McGovern)
- 3. Storm Kloud's Ddistant Thunder (G & T Thompson)

Puppy Dogs 9 – 12 months

- 1. Sno Quest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko)
- 2. Amaruq's Illusion On Ice (K Kelly)

Dogs 12 – 18 months

- 1. Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets (K Manassa & J Wieczorek)
- 2. **Bearhug's Take The Money and Run** (A Mayberry-Welch & J DeAndre)

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

- 1. Bad Axe Fade to Black (J & L Missana & A Missana)
- 2. Arctic Knight N Istari Magic RA (W & K Kerr)

Open Dogs

- 1. Sno N Ice N Lightning At Amarug (K Kelly)
- 2. Teton&Wintuk's Over The Moon (J Berquist)
- 3. Sno Quest's Gentle Buccaneer (K Marsicek)

Puppy Bitches 6 – 9 months

- 1. Akiak's A League Of Her Own (S & P Reed)
- 2. Oakiok's Wind Beneath My Wings (C & T Uraynar

& P & M Peel)

Open Bitches

1. Amaggut On The Pull RA NJP NAP (J Effler-Leveille)

2. Poker Flat's Burn Notice (R Haggard & J Kuehl)

1. Katalla Sno Klassic Busy Being Fabulous (T Newport

- 2. **Staghorn N Snokist Enchantress** (C & L Villano & D Roberts-Burrill)
- 3. Anua's Riptide (K Fischer)

3. Anua's Hot Piper (K Fischer)

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

4. Istari's Absi Kire (H Schultz & K Grossen & J Schultz)

Working Dogs

1. CH Powderhound's Silver Lining RE OJP OFP CGC (J Effler-Leveille)

Non-Regular, Veteran Classes (Entry: 7 = 7 Veteran Bitches)

Veteran Bitches 8 - 11

- 1. GCH Istari's Epic Trilogee WTD WW PD (H & J Schultz)
- 2. CH Sno Klassic Hot Lips (T Newport & M & P Peel)
- 3. GCH Wintuk's Let Me Steal Your Heart (L & S Kalous)
- 4. Quinault's Ridge Runnin Hussy (K Fischer)

Veteran Bitches 11+

- 1. **GCH Wintuk's Kiss Of Silver** (T & C Chaban & S Kalous)
- 2. Istari Th' Road Goes EvFurOn (H Schultz)

Junior Showmanship Judge: Mary Alice Eschweiler

Best Junior Handler in Specialty Show: **Anna Missana GCH Bad Axe Soul of the Samurai** (J & L Missana & A Missana))

Open Intermediate: CH Powderhould's Silver Lining (J Effler-Leveille) Junior Handler: Megan Marshall Open Senior: GCH Bad Axe Soul of the Samurai (L & A Missana & A Missana) Junior Handler: Anna Missana

SWEEPSTAKES - Judge Mrs. Robin Malchow - Entry: 9

Best In Sweeps: Bad Axe Fade to Black (D) (J & L Missana & A Missana)

Best Opposite in Sweeps: Akiak's A League Of Her Own (B) (S & P Reed)

Dogs 6 - 9 months

- 1. Windchaser's Right to Bear Arms (L Ste Jhourre & A Koehlert-Ste Jhourre)
- 2. Storm Kloud's Ddistant Thunder (G & T Thompson)
- 3. ThunderKloud's Secret is a Magic Stone (P & T McGovern)

Dogs 9 - 12 months

- 1. Sno Quest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko)
- 2. Amarug's Illusion On Ice (K Kelly)

Dogs 12-15 months

- 1. Bad Axe Fade to Black (J & L Missana & A Missana)
- 2. Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets (K Manassa & J Wieczorek)

Bitches 6 – 9 months

- 1. Akiak's A League Of Her Own (S & P Reed)
- 2. Oakiok's Wind Beneath My Wings (C & T Uraynar)

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES - Judge Mrs. Robin Malchow - Entry: 8

Best Veteran in Sweeps: GCH Awanuna's Tornado of Snow (B & R Pfeiffer)

Best of Opposite Sex Veteran in Sweeps:

Veteran Dogs 8 - 11

1. GCH Awanuna's Tornado Of Snow CD (B & R Pfeiffer)

Veteran Bitches 8 - 11

- 1. CH Sno Klassic Hot Lips (T Newport & M & P Peel)
- 2. GCH Istari's Epic Trilogee WTD WW PD (H & J Schultz)
- 3. GCH Wintuk's Let Me Steal Your Heart (S & L Kalous)
- 4. Iceberg N Icecube's Pick Me First (L Hofer & A Olmem)

Veteran Dogs 11+

None

Veteran Bitches 11+

- 1. Istari Th' Road Goes EvFurOn (H Schultz)
- 2. GCH Wintuk's Kiss of Silver (T & C Chaban & S Kalous)

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AFFILIATE & INDEPENDENT CLUB SPECIALTY SHOWS

Kennel Club Name Date **Conformation Judge:** 39 total D = 10 (4 pt.)B = 12 (5 pt.)July 29, 2016 AMCA - Wisconsin Specialty #2 Joel Droel Waukesha, WI 5 Veterans: 5 B 1 Working: 1D

BISS: GCH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (B) (J Dewing & R Dysart & A Kanzelberger) GCH Catera's Fun Fast & World Class & CH Bearhug's Miss Pussy Galore SD: CH Love Spirit Stormyth CGC (L Ste Jhourre & A Koehlert) GCH Igual Du Grand Stormyth & GCH CZ Adore Princess Arctic Storm

WD: Bad Axe Fade to Black (J & L Missana & A Missana) GCH Bad Axe You Don't Know Jack & GCH Bad Axe Soul of the Samurai

RWD: Sno Quest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko) SnoQuest's Mission to Pale Moon & Sno Quest's Gold 'N' Opportunity

BOS: GCH Pale Moon's Arctic Chaos (D) (J & K McCallum & P Scheid) GCH Pale Moon's Frozen Concoction & GCH SnoPeak's Acrtic Princess.

SB: CH Wild Wind's Y' Adier Mind (J Wild & L Missana) CH Wild Wind's Grizzly Of Snohawk & CH Wild Wind's Sophisticated Ladv

WB/BOW: Storm Kloud's Storm Sky Kaptured The Start For Wintuk ((S & L Kalous & K Fischer) CH Storm Kloud's Vvanilla Snoman CD & GCH Storm Sky's Every Second Counts

RWB: Anua's Riptide (K Fischer) Kaviak's Sea The Stars & Anua's The Bees Knees

Regular Classes

Puppy Dogs 6 – 9 months

- 1. Windchaser's Right to Bear Arms (L Ste Jhourre & A Koehlert-Ste Jhourre)
- 2. Storm Kloud's Ddistant Thunder (G & T Thompson)

Puppy Dogs 9 – 12 months

- 1. Sno Quest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko)
- 2. Amaruq's Illusion On Ice (K Kelly)

Dogs 12 - 18 months

1. Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets (K Manassa & J Wieczorek)

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

1. Bad Axe Fade to Black (J & L Missana & A Missana)

Open Dogs

- 1. Sno N Ice N Lightning At Amarug (K Kelly)
- 2. Sno Quest's Gentle Buccaneer (K Marsicek)
- 3. Arctic Knight N Istari Magic RA (W & K Kerr)
- 4. **Teton&Wintuk's Over The Moon** (J Berquist)

Working Dogs

1. CH Powderhound's Silver Lining RE OJP OFP CGC (J Effler-Leveille)

Puppy Bitches 6 – 9 months

- 1. Akiak's A League Of Her Own (S & P Reed)
- 2. Oakiok's Wind Beneath My Wings (C & T Uraynar

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

- 1. Katalla Sno Klassic Busy Being Fabulous (T Newport & P & M Peel)
- 2. Poker Flat's Burn Notice (R Haggard & J Kuehl)
- 3. **Anua's Hot Piper** (K Fischer)

Open Bitches

- 1. Amaggut On The Pull RA NJP NAP (J Effler-Leveille)
- 2. Anua's Riptide (K Fischer)
- 3. Anua's & Wintuk's Sailing Into The Wins (S & L Kalous & K Fischer)
- 4. Istari's Absi Kire (H Schultz & K Grossen & J Schultz)

Non-Regular, Veteran Classes (Entry: 5 = 5 Veteran Bitches)

Veteran Bitches 8 – 11

- 1. CH Sno Klassic Hot Lips (T Newport & M & P Peel)
- 2. GCH Wintuk's Let Me Steal Your Heart (L & S Kalous)
- 3. GCH Istari's Epic Trilogee WTD WW PD (H & J Schultz)
- 4, Iceberg N Icecube's Pick Me First (L Hofer & A Olmem)

Veteran Bitches 11+

1. Istari's Quoth Th Run NvFurMor (H Schultz)

Junior Showmanship Judge: Joel Droel

Best Junior Handler in Specialty Show: **Anna Missana GCH Bad Axe Soul of the Samurai** (J & L Missana & A Missana))

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SWEEPSTAKES - Judge Mr. Dale Meyer - Entry: 8

Best In Sweeps: Bad Axe Fade to Black (D) (J & L Missana & A Missana)

Best Opposite in Sweeps: Akiak's A League Of Her Own (B) (S & P Reed)

Dogs 6 - 9 months

- 1. Windchaser's Right to Bear Arms (L Ste Jhourre & A Koehlert-Ste Jhourre)
- 2. Storm Kloud's Ddistant Thunder (G & T Thompson)

Bitches 6 – 9 months

- 1. Akiak's A League Of Her Own (S & P Reed)
- 2. Oakiok's Wind Beneath My Wings (C & T Uraynar)

Dogs 9 – 12 months

- 1. Sno Quest's You're My Only Hope (M Timko)
- 2. Amaruq's Illusion On Ice (K Kelly)

Dogs 12-15 months

- 1. Bad Axe Fade to Black (J & L Missana & A Missana)
- 2. Vykon's Ixa's Man In The Nets (K Manassa & J Wieczorek)

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES - Judge Mr. Dale Meyer - Entry:

Best Veteran in Sweeps: GCH Awanuna's Tornado of Snow (B & R Pfeiffer)

Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweeps: Istari's Quoth Th Run NvFurMor (H Schultz)

Veteran Dogs 8 – 11

1. GCH Awanuna's Tornado Of Snow CD (B & R Pfeiffer)

Veteran Bitches 8 – 11

- 1. GCH Istari's Epic Trilogee WTD WW PD (H & J Schultz)
- 2. GCH Wintuk's Let Me Steal Your Heart (L & S Kalous)
- 3. Iceberg N Icecube's Pick Me First. (L Hofer & A Olmem)
- 4. CH Sno Klassic Hot Lips (T Newport & M & P Peel)

Veteran Dogs 11+

None

Veteran Bitches 11+

1. Istari's Quoth Th Run NvFurMor (H Schultz)

AFFILIATE & INDEPENDENT CLUB SPECIALTY SHOWS

Snow King Alaskan Malamute **Fanciers**

Saturday August 27, 2016

Judge: Lisa R. DeRoulet [7623]

3 D (2pt), 5 B (4 pts), 1D-5B Veterans 0 D, 1B

BOB:

CH KUMATA'S ELEVATE YOUR GAME. (Dewing/Dysart) (Bitch)

WD:

TAOLAN QUEST TOTAL ECLIPSE (Neely/Newburn/Pohl)

RWD: BATTLEFIELD SUPERNOVA (Manus)

Select Bitch:

CATERA'S KEEPIN' IT WORLD CLASS (Dewing/ Dysart/Kanzelberger)

AOM Bitch: None Offered

6-9 Puppy Dogs

None

9-12 Puppy Dogs None

12-18 Dogs

1. JEEJAC'S ARTIUM OF POWER PAW (Lauridsen/Allen)

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

None

Open Dogs

1. TAOLAN QUEST TOTAL ECLIPSE (Neely/Newburn/Pohl) 2. BATTLEFIELD SUPERNOVA (Manus) BOS:

CH BEARHUG'S HEART HUNTER

(Hussev) WB/BOW:

AKAILA'S BLACK GOLD

(Evensen)

RWB:

JAZZLAND'S ANOTHER LITTLE PIECE OF MY

HEART (Neely)

Select Dog:

None entered

AOM Dog: None Offered

6-9 Puppy Bitches

1. JAZZLAND'S ANOTHER LITTLE PIECE OF MY

HEART (Neely)

9-12 Puppy Bitches

1. HALLSTATT "x" MARKS THE SPOT (Maffei/Snyder)

2. TRU NORTH'S THE SKYE'S THE LIMIT (Parsons)

12-18 Bitches

None

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

None

Open Bitches

1. AKALIA'S BLACK GOLD (Evensen)

2. INUSHUK TRY MY PATIENCE AT RED SKYE (McGee)

Veteran Dogs 10 yrs & Older

None

Veteran Bitches 7 yrs & Under 10 yrs

1. GCH AKAILA'S SPIRIT DANCER (Evensen)

PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES - Judge: Cindy

Crawford-Gorath (Entry: 3 = 1D, 2B)

Best In Sweepstakes:

HALLSTATT "X" MARKS THE SPOT(Maffei/Snyder) By GCH.Ch. Peace River's Gathers No Moss At Sunstra CGC x Ch. Peace River's Dream Girl at Hallstatt RN.

Best of Opposite Sex to Best In Sweepstakes:

JEEJAC'S ARTIUM OF POWER PAW (Lauridsen/Allen) By CH Silver Shadow's Polar Drift X Slartik Scandalous Show Girl

Puppy Dogs 6 Mos & Under 9 Mos

None

Puppy Bitches 6 Mos & Under 9 Mos

1. JAZZLAND'S ANOTHER LITTLE PIECE OF MY HEART (Neely)

Puppy Dogs 9 Mos & Under 12 Mos

None

Puppy Bitches 9 Mos & Under 12 Mos

1. HALLSTATT "x" MARKS THE SPOT (Maffei/Snyder)

Junior Dogs 12 Mos & Under 18 Mos

None

Puppy Bitches 12 Mos & Under 18 Mos

None

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES - Judge: Crawford-

Gorath (Entry: 4 = 1D, 3B)

Best In Veteran Sweepstakes:

CH JAZZLAND ROCKS ON (Neely)

By Ch. Taolann's Copywrite Protected x Jazzland's Gypsy Swing

Best of Opposite Sex to Best In Veteran

Sweepstakes:

CH SNO-KING SINGULAR
SENSATION(LaBelle/Kirchner)
By CH Alcan Sno-King Chieftain x Ch. Belle's
Special N'thrn Lyts.

Veteran Dogs 7 Yrs & 10 Yrs

1. Ch. Sno-King Singular Sensation (LaBelle/Kirchner)

Veteran Bitches 7 Yrs & 10 Yrs

 Ch. Akaila's Spirit Dancer (Evensen)
 Gryphon's Northern Moonflower CGCA RN (Parsons/Rowe)
 Gryphon's

Veteran Dogs 10 Yrs & Older

None

Veteran Bitches 10 Yrs & Older

1. CH Jazzland Rocks On. (Neely)









Sun,. 10/23 - Sat, 10/28/2017

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September, 30, 2017 – Otherwise NO Refund of \$50.00 per room deposit.

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Dog occupied rooms will be blocked together on the first floor and second floor wings.

Room for 60 RV's with electric – close to the ballroom entrance Indoor Grooming with 2 indoor bathing tubs with hot and cold water



TOP TWENTY

Standings through August 31, 2016

Hey everyone!

The Standings below are now for the 2017 Top Twenty Event, to be held in conjunction with the October 2017 National Specialty in Huron, OH. As of these Standings, we are one-third of the way through the qualifying period. As a reminder, Top 20 points are awarded only to the Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex. One point is earned for each Malamute defeated through the Best of Breed competition. Below you'll see the Top 20 Standings through August 31, 2016. As always, if you have any questions, comments, worries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. Congratulations to the winners!

Stacey Moore Top 20 Statistician stacey.culaw@yahoo.com

Rank The Top 20	Points	Area	Owner			
1 GCH Catera's Keepin' It World Class (B)	355	PNW	J Dewing/R Dysart			
2 GCH Corazon Wild Wind Pedal To The Medal (D)	167	SO	G Box-Young			
3 GCH Windswepts The Games Afoot At Stormrunner (D)	113	RM	C Rogowski/L Rogowski/M Wild			
4 GCH Peace River's Bling It On (B)	110	PNW	M Coburn			
5 GCH Northern Lites Mr. Lincoln (D)	101	GL	H Donovan			
6 GCH Ice Fall's Locked "N" Loaded (D)	100	IL/WI	D Roberts/L Ryer			
7 GCH Taolanquest Flying Cloud (D)	95	RM	L Newburn/R Pohl			
8 GCH Snoklassic Pokerflat Silverice Mr. Freeze (D)	83	WC	A Syar/M Stone			
9 GCH Ixa's Dontcha Wish Your Girl Friend Was	82	SO	A Mayberry-Welch			
Hot Likeme (B)						
10 GCH Peace River Rogue You Just Gotta Believe (D)	80		J Weston/S Weston			
11 GCH Kasaan Snokist Ropin 'N' 'T' Fortune (D)	72	IL/WI	D Roberts-Burrill/B McMahon Howen			
12 CH Thunderkloud T' Secret's In T' Starz (B)	53	IL/WI	P McGovern/T McGovern			
13 GCH Alcan Disco Dancer At Ranmar (D)	51	RM	A Rubenstein/H Rubenstein			
14 GCH Koolrunnings Terraglo Quesyrah (B)	43	WC	G Toussaint/T Toussaint			
14 GCH Wolfmountain's Warhammer (D)	43	RM	P Jenkins/E Jenkins			
16 GCH Vykon's Aluk Busy Bein' Fabulous (B)	42	RM	B Erickson/C Erickson			
17 GCH Awanuna's Tornado Of Snow (D)	41	IL/WI	B Pfeiffer/R Pfeiffer			
17 GCH Sno Quest's For The Holy Grail (D)	41	IL/WI	A Sautbine/M Sautbine			
19 GCH Shekinah Strong Waters (B)	39	SO	A Schireman			
20 GCH Northern Lites Miss Riley (B)	38	GL	H Donovan			
The Contenders						
21 GCH Kasaan N Seeka's T' Sum Of All Fortune	34	GL	B McMahon Howen/S Lindeman			
At Sigma (B)						
22 CH Banshee's Shining Star (B)	33	ME	C Way			
22 GCH Battlefield Legacy Of Excellence (D)	33	ME	G Schimming/D Schimming/S Pistolesi/			
- ,			J Pistolesi			
24 GCH Tru North's Eve Of Destruction (B)	29	RM	L Cathey			
25 CH Northern Lites Miya Faith (B)	24		R Humr/H Donovan			
25 GCH Snocreek's Silver Lining (D)	24	NY/NJ	M Mustich/B Martin/M Mustich			
NOTE: No Area is listed when the primary owner is not an AMCA member.						

SNAKES ALIVE! AND IT WAS

By Dian McComb

There must be a deity that watches over the elderly. If so, I would like to thank her right now. At 1:30 a.m., I was putting two dogs up which left outside their run when I fell asleep. Coyotes have been prowling our neighborhood, partially disemboweling a filly at the next door horse ranch and I didn't want to take any chances. Bond, a 14 months old, didn't want to go into the run with his mother, Paris. He kept looking back at my other runs, ears perked. Great, I thought, there's a coyote already sniffing around back there. So in my nightshirt, and armed with nothing, I went back to investigate.

Not bothering to put on the kennel lights, I opened the gate to the runs and went in. I heard a noise sounding like the kennel hose had burst, and must be spraying water everywhere. Grand, I thought. Here we are in the midst of a horrendous drought, and this has probably been going on for hours.

Then I realized that water wasn't anywhere, and the sound came and went. It was a hissing noise, and coyotes don't hiss.

Lola and grandson Seamus in the first run were staring intently at something. The very faint light from the kennel building revealed a very large rattler, coiled up and hissing, right in the threshold that I had just crossed. I had stepped over him or walked about two inches from him, in the darkness. He wasn't moving, and I didn't want to spend the night there, waiting for dawn and him to move. Besides, the fastest line of retreat for the rattler back into the arroyo from where he came, was through Lola's and Seamus's hillside run, and I wasn't for that at all.

I had no weapon, nothing. Looking around, I spotted the dog owner's best friend, the pooper scooper. So I advanced on the rattler, pushing the scooper in front of me, hoping it would get him to leave without striking me or anything else. He moved about two feet to a pile of pavers, and again coiled to strike. It was far enough that I could get Lola out — with the promise of a cookie, she would walk over ground glass. Seamus was petrified, and not moving. Okay, I thought, if you are that scared, you won't come near the snake when it leaves in the morning. With that thought, I gratefully went to bed.

California is on fire, made even worse by a fouryear drought. Wildlife habitat is taking an awful hit. Snakes need water too, and they are attracted by the water buckets hanging in my runs.

My neighbor, Andy Zimbeck, who is both a fire fighter and paramedic, says the best solution to a coiled rattler in your runs is to call the fire department.

"We get snake calls all the time," he said, "twenty-four hours day. Don't approach the snake, they only strike when threatened. And they are sluggish if the weather is cold." The firemen will capture the snake, and by law, decapitate it and bury the body. They will use a snake catcher stick, which is basically a 36 inch to 70 inch pole with a hook on the end. They may be purchased on Amazon and cost from around \$33.00 to \$71.00. As to my escape out of the run with nothing punctured, thank you whoever you are.

Dian McComb, alcan@att.net

Where to park — here, there or anywhere

By Dian McComb, alcan@att.net 818-700-0733

Let's see. It was \$138 for entries, \$90 for gas and now, \$24 for a three-day parking pass.

"Okay, where's the handicapped parking and a receipt for my \$24 bucks?" I asked. "There isn't any. And you park where you can." was the reply." This was the dialogue at a new show site at Camarillo, CA. Two clubs, plus some specialties had moved away from a three-day circuit at the Ventura County Fairgrounds in Ventura. Two clubs remaining at the fairgrounds site, had held their shows the previous weekend, and these two clubs were launching into a new four-day circuit.

"You park there", said the attendant, pointing to a lot that was exactly one-half mile away. "And the shuttle will take you to the show grounds," he said. The shuttle was a golf cart. I get around at shows in an electric cart which is smaller than most, but certainly isn't going to fit into a golf cart. And there was the even bigger question if my battery had enough juice to get me to the ring and back (it did, just).

Aside from the fact California law requires handicapped parking be provided, parking in general is something that most clubs ignore. They figure their shows to be like what Kevin Costner once said: "if you hold it, they will come." Not in Southern California. There's too much going on, and a lot of it for free. Attending a dog show isn't cheap. When I showed my first Malamute in 1970, entry fees were \$3 for puppy class, and \$5 for open and specials. Now it's \$32.

Although many show committee members don't realize it, parking is one the priorities for handlers and exhibitors. Both were moaning about it at this show, and none wanted to return next year.

As one who has chaired our National, regionals, specialties and all-breed shows, I know there has to be a financial plan. Judges need to be hired and paid, site selected and paid for, insurance purchased, vendors attracted, and, yes, parking provided. As of

last week, a Southern California show let exhibitors know that it won't be providing power at its show because of lack of vendors. Fees collected from vendors help defray the cost of providing a public generator, which provides power for those in reserved parking. Vendors depend on foot traffic for business, more than they do on exhibitors. And at this particular show site, general parking is just plain lousy. Locals who dropped in to see a dog show last year and spent money will not return if they have to park in a deeply rutted field away from the action.

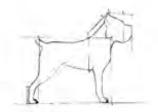
Then there's handicapped parking. I've often thought that if the clubs could get a piece of the fine that would be levied against those parking illegally in the handicapped parking, they could pay for their entire judging panel. In California, it's \$250 - \$1,000 plus the possibility of a six-months jail sentence. When I arrive on the show grounds, the handicapped spaces are usually full, some with handicapped placards thoughtfully provided by owners to their handlers.

At the Riverside KC show at Lake Perris, I was directed to a pot-holed field away from the show where my cart couldn't possibly run, while a handler that I know hopped out of her car in the handicapped parking with her client's sporting dog, and headed for the ring. The upshot of this is that I have not returned to that show, nor have my dogs or handler. Losing me as an exhibitor isn't a big deal to the club, but losing enough of us exhibitors is going to hurt financially.

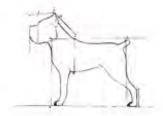
There is one club where the parking is beautifully and efficiently run with clockwork precision. It's the KC of Palm Springs, whose January show is the fifth largest in the nation, and the parking is chaired by a malamute person — Terry Toussaint. Terry is out there in the parking lots in his golf cart and sunhat, overseeing the ebb and flow of cars, vans and RVs from two days of crowded specialties that accompany this two-day show. You may not like the judging panel but you certainly can't complain about the parking. It's done with precision and courtesy. So see, show chairs, it can be done.

The Show Must Go On!

Conformation and our Future







AKC Chairman's Report September 12, 2016

Since we last met as a Body, the American conversation has become saturated with dialogue about the presidential election and the excitement of US athletes on the Olympic world stage. Both events are inspiring people all over America to think about what is important to us — to act for the greater good, to show pride in our nation, and to keep our traditions alive. For all of us, our dog sports are the traditions that have kept us by the whelping box, inside a ring or in the field, and on the road so many weekends a year. It is our sports — and more importantly our dogs — that motivate us to serve in this Body and make positive changes that will benefit everyone who shares our love of purebred dogs.

Conformation is our flagship event





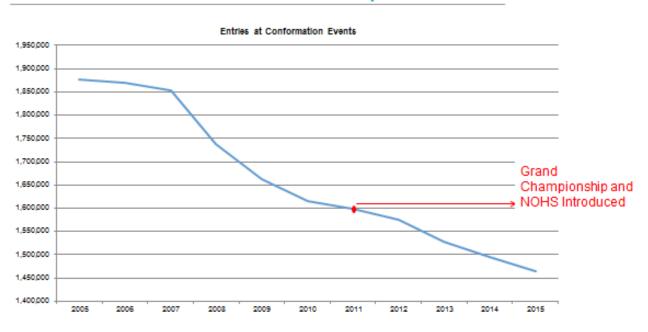
The sport of Conformation is the flagship AKC event, and is the sport that is at the very foundation of our Registry. The pursuit of Championship points, records and rankings is only a set of mileposts along a journey that is at its core about the evaluation of breeding stock. We have held true to this purpose for the last hundred and forty-two years, when the first documented all-breed dog show in the United States took place back in 1874.

Yet, the trends over the past ten years show us that Conformation is in a tenuous position. "The graying of the Sport" has become something of a buzzword in recent years, but we know that the issue is far more complex than the simple fact of an aging population. As a community, we need to take a close look at what is happening within Conformation, and work together to find solutions. I would like to take this opportunity to show you where things stand today and describe the work that is being done to address the matter head on And, just as importantly, I would like to ask you to think about how you can help as well.

The numbers show a pretty clear picture.

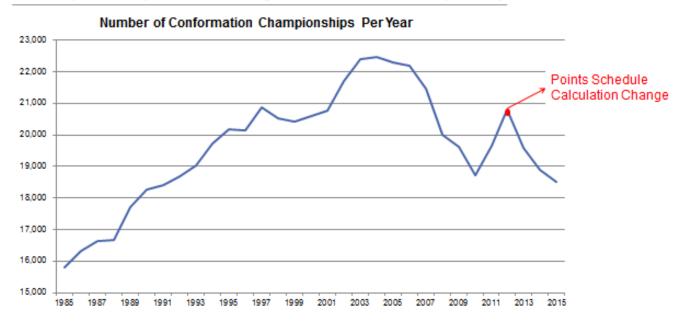
All-breed and conformation entries have been falling over the past ten years.

Conformation entries need help



Fewer conformation championships have been earned.

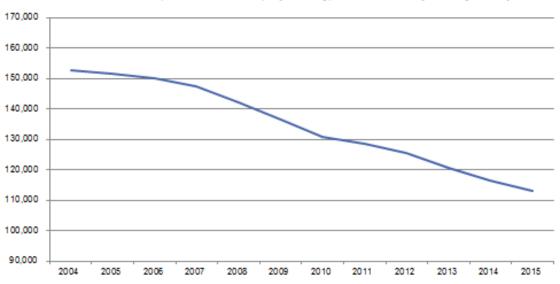
Championships are being earned less frequently



Every year, fewer dogs are exhibited in conformation.

Fewer dogs are being shown

Unique Conformation Entries
All-Breed, Limited Breed, Specialty, and Parent Specialty Competitions



Why is this happening?

There are a lot of factors against us

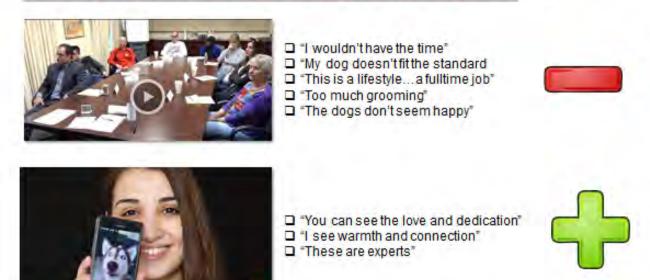
- Aging population
- Concerns about judging
- Busierlives
- Societal pressures/AR
- Canine legislation
- Division instead of unity online
- Public misconceptions



Yes, we're getting older. At least some of us are! Our constituents have told us about other reasons too. Concerns about judging, perceptions of professionalization of the sport and busier lives with more choices are some of the challenges we face.

Other factors certainly include cultural pressures and their resulting canine legislation. We all know that the animal rights movement has waged a war against breeding and purebred dogs for decades now. Zoning laws keep some of us from owning as many dogs as we would like to maintain our breeding programs. The Internet age has created a proliferation of platforms that play host to "keyboard warriors" engaged in all manner of debate, often anonymous and not constructive.





Fundamentally, the American public's understanding of conformation is limited to what they see on television two or three times a year. Recent focus groups revealed that we have a long way to go when it comes to educating the average dog owner.

What are we doing about it? None of us, including the clubs we represent, should be passive observers. There is too much at stake; we cannot risk the loss of our heritage in the coming generations. That is why we have taken strides in the past year and with our additional staff leadership, to create programs that will retain, if not attract, people in and to the sport.

Grand Champion Keeps Some Showing

- Over 45,000 Grand Champions awarded since 2011
- Base level, plus bronze through platinum provide incentive to continue



If a new prospect isn't waiting in the wings or in the cards, a compelling reason to stay in the game is crucial for retention. To fill that gap, we created the Grand Championship title, which has given thousands of exhibitors a reason to keep showing their Champions and remain part of the community that they built through the quest for those first fifteen points. And it is working. Since we introduced the Grand Champion and its subsequent levels of competition, over 45,000 dogs and exhibitors have experienced the joy of earning these titles instead of perhaps hanging up their leads.

4 to 6 Puppy Class can be a launch pad

- □ 25% of the owners that enter 4-6 month puppy competition are new to conformation
- 75% of these new owners go on to enter regular AKC events





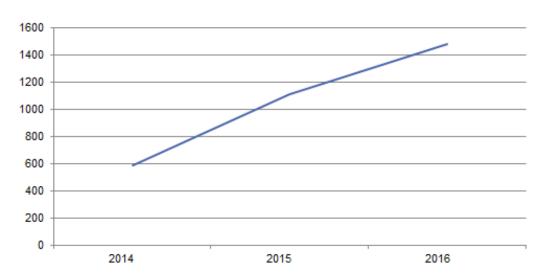


On the opposite end of the spectrum, there are also those who are just starting out. The 4-6 puppy class is another place where seeds of hope have been planted. We have been able to follow the trajectory of those who have entered this class with their young prospects, and we have seen that these exhibitors have continued in the sport with subsequent entries in other events.

We have broadened opportunities for devotees of Miscellaneous and FSS breeds with Open Shows, and we have seen these enhance entries as well.



1500 events offer NOHS this year



We heard many of you and your constituents express frustration about the challenges of competing against professionals. The National Owner-Handled Series has become a forum to celebrate and reward the dedication and contributions of show-dog owners. Our data show that the availability of owner-handled classes does drive entries to some degree. In some cases, the need for bigger rings is proof enough that NOHS is at the very least helping to slow the decline of entries overall.

Juniors are a critical audience



- New approach to Ranking: Participation
- New awards for Juniors earning titles or participating in multiple venues
- Expanding outreach to the 4H
- Tracking individuals 18-25 years of age



Casting our gaze on the future would be a fruitless exercise if we did not put special emphasis on our Juniors program. Juniors is where passion for dogs is sparked, skills are honed and young talent is encouraged. We must recognize that if fewer parents participate in conformation, the Junior classes will not grow. Juniors who are active today face compelling choices for all types of entertainment and ever-dwindling free time. We must engage with our Juniors to keep them involved – to help them keep dogs and canine sports a central part of their lives. To do that, we want to expand opportunities for these young competitors. Significant changes are being considered for our Juniors ranking program. There will be stronger outreach to community organizations such as 4H. To prevent falloff among the "aging out," we aim to reach the 18 to 25 age group with more ways to be involved and more targeted communications to maintain and build continuing relationships with this important segment. Cultivating our youth is key to preserving our future.

Clubs deserve a helping hand

- All Breed Advisory Group can help
- A "proactive" approach to assist Clubs improve the overall performance of their all-breed shows
- Focus on low entry shows

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□ Contact Doug Ljungren dvl@akc.org



The health of our clubs is an important area of focus for all of us. Running on the sheer dedication and efforts of volunteers like you, our clubs are the fuel and the backbone of our sport. Dog shows owe their success to the careful planning and seamless execution by their event-hosting clubs. But, as it is said, "it takes a village." That's why AKC has created the All Breed Advisory Group, which began last July offering clubs the opportunity to work with a panel of experienced peers to pinpoint areas for improvement and to help put changes in place. After all, enhancing the dog show experience benefits not only our clubs, but exhibitors and spectators as well. If your club would like to learn more about working with the All Breed Advisory Group, contact Doug Ljungren in the Raleigh office.

Our digital audience is growing rapidly

Jenuary 2015

□ Web sessions surpass 4 million a month □ Monthly View: Jan 1, 2011 to July 2016 Sessions 8,000,000

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One of AKC's greatest strengths is our use of digital tools to communicate on different levels with a variety of audiences, all linked by a common passion for dogs. Thousands of new dog owners are added to the Registry every month, but in the course of that same month, the people who visit AKC online number well over four million! We need to harness that potential for the benefit of our sport.

Digital campaigns create customer relationships

☐ Triggered emails drive awareness and participation



Marketing strategies are being put in place today that will allow us to tell prospective exhibitors and spectators about dog shows, matches, open shows, puppy classes and other events that may be just right for them. The "e-blasts" of old will be replaced by targeted messaging that tells our customers, "we know you, we listen to you, and we think this event may be right for you." Our new capabilities in trigger campaigns will drive even better response to our communications; the science of data management is already helping us react strategically to our customers' needs. Years ago, a new owner would register a puppy, and after the certificate came in the mail, AKC became a distant memory. We are changing that. Today, new registrants receive an email inviting them to a match, an open show or a 4-6 month puppy class. After all, as we all know, every Champion started somewhere.

Enhancements to our web site will have prospective exhibitors and the uninitiated in mind. Our Events Calendar should be a destination that serves the seasoned exhibitor as well as the newcomer. With over 4 million unique people coming to <u>AKC.org</u> every single month, there is an excellent opportunity to tell the world about what we have to offer. It has been said, "If you build it, they will come." We believe, "If we build it right, they will learn." To share the joy of showing dogs, we have to begin with education and sharing our knowledge with newcomers to our sport.

All of these efforts to support Conformation are only the beginning of a broader strategy to breathe new life into all Events across the board. We are committed to conducting market research to define our strengths, identify weaknesses, and uncover new opportunities. We want to fully understand the barriers, so we can work towards removing them.

Let's work together

- Mentor someone
- New approach to rule changes
- New approach to votes
- Keep an open mind

We won't give up on the Sport we love!





There is more that we can do together, as a community. Most of us would agree that what keeps us in the fancy is the joy of being with our dogs the camaraderie in sharing a weekend with friends who understand our great passion for this sport. It's up to all of us to widen the circle. Let's each make an effort to mentor one person in the coming show season – a new club member, an unfamiliar face at a dog show, a new puppy owner. Tell them your story, and one day they will tell their own.

As a delegate body, let's allow ourselves to think creatively and keep our minds open to new concepts. Instead of voting ideas away, let's take a hard look at rule changes and consider sunset clauses for out-of-the box proposals that deserve a try. Let us not fear failure. As any dog show exhibitor or obedience trialer will remind us, even an unsuccessful day brings a learning opportunity and a plan for what to improve upon next time.

It is always a challenge to evolve and adapt in order to preserve tradition. Many of us have spent a lifetime in the sport, inspired by legendary breeders and majestic purebred dogs that live on through pedigrees we revere. For all of us who care to sustain and nurture the magic of the human-canine bond inside our rings, and for generations who will follow to experience that same joy, we must work together constructively. We owe it to the sport that has given us all so much, and to our much loved dogs, who have made it all possible.

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GET CONNECTED...AND STAY CONNECTED.

by Sandy Rogers.

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In 2009 Twentieth Century Fox released an Oscar-winning fantasy film called Avatar, which portrayed a utopian world (Pandora) inhabited by beings (the Na'vi) thought to be more evolved than humans in many ways.

The humanoid creatures had long hair woven into a single thick braid (a neural queue). At the end of the braids were plugs to their internal power sources. There were also some flying horselike creatures (direhorses) living on this world and those were used for transportation. The humanoids would plug their braids into an antenna that was at the base of the direhorse's mane before they climbed aboard. When the rider and mount were connected by antenna and braid they traveled at high speed. The catch was that the rider had to maintain constant intense mental focus on the task at hand or the connection with the animal was lost. When that happened the animal lost all power and the crash that ensued would not be a minor one since they were flying miles above the ground.

Do You Have a Connection with Your Agility Dog?

This article is not going to be a recipe for a training session. It can't be; I don't know your dog. This article is about what a connection is. I wanted to write it because so many handlers don't fully understand the concept.

When you lose your connection with your dog you might not risk plummeting to your death as the humanoids did, but that path can lead to serious frustration for the dog. It can be hard on the handler too. What I like best about the story in Avatar was that the responsibility for the connection between the rider and his mount was not put on the animal. It was taken on by the rider 100% of the time. The well-being of the animal was at the mercy of the rider. Get it?

Before we discuss the doghandler connection, I would be negligent if I did not advise you to please have any unmotivated dog checked by your veterinarian. I think that some dogs just might not feel well and medical reasons can keep them from their full potential.

Creating a Connection

We need to understand that if the dog does not bring his own drive and intensity to the job (I'm referring to genes), the handler will have to take on the job of manufacturing and maintaining the connection. It takes dedication and determination beyond what most people can imagine. It takes will power to connect and maintain that connection. You can want to reach a goal more than anything in the world, but until you do what it takes you simply won't be able to accomplish it. It seems like the goal we want to achieve the most is so often the most challenging to

get. Seeking an awesome connection with your dog is both the most frustrating and the most rewarding training road you will travel. But, I can promise you will be a better trainer for it in the end.

There are not many dogs out there that are never connected to their handlers. Their handlers know that their dogs are capable of being connected to them but the connection comes and goes. These people ride an emotional roller coaster and they believe they are at the mercy of their dogs' moods. They do not take responsibility for the connection at all times. I learned early on in my dog training career that my dog's attitude had to take a front seat to all other skills at all times. I also learned that a good attitude could be carefully cultivated.

Competition obedience the venue that taught me what I know about being solidly connected when working with a dog. I was taught to hold in my mind's eye what an enthusiastic working dog looked like and to never lose sight of that mental image. I'm not talking about the typical robotic obedience dog with his head cranked sideways, dulleyed and bored. I'm talking about when a dog looks at his handler with pure intensity and is absolutely and undisputedly connected. My mentor, Pat Cook, takes pride in taking the non-traditional working breeds to the highest

expectations of "the utmost in willingness," words taken from the obedience regulations. She would not allow her students to ever bore their dogs during training. Their enthusiasm was built up as carefully as one would nurture a small delicate flame when a large fire was needed and the last match had already been used. The dogs were not worked if the enthusiasm was not there in the first place or could not be mustered up with one or more of Pat's drive-building methods. The fact is most people can't even imagine the extreme level that Pat would take that one idea to-the idea that if the dog was not in the correct frame of mind she would not ask him to work. Period!

To illustrate the extent of her belief in her method. I want to share a true story with you. A few years back we entered the prestigious Golden Gate Kennel Club show. It is one of the last benched shows in the U.S. and is held in San Francisco, California. Pat drove from Oregon to show her hot new prospect, BUZZ, a Jack Russell Terrier who already had posted some perfect 200 scores. She won her class with a 198 and tied for high in trial. Pat declined to perform in the runoff, not because she wasn't keen for the challenge of competition but because she felt her dog's attitude had been a bit off during the initial performance. I questioned her judgment and she said, "Why would I risk his changing his mind about loving to work in the ring? I have nothing to gain." Being the trophy monger that I am, I said, "But check out that huge silver plate for high

in trial!" Pat replied, "I would prefer to be proud of his future performances than to have a silver plate today." BUZZ had worked beautifully for Pat that day. If you watched the video of that performance you would deem her crazy, but Pat did not have the connection she requires from BUZZ. She requires the level of connection that will serve a dog's performance throughout a career, not just a year or two. She protects and nurtures it and all else comes second. She also puts her money where her mouth is. If the dog is not in the frame of mind to give her the ultimate in connection, she will not show the dog. I have seen her pull from a competition, not being willing to risk stepping into a world that might suggest to the dog that it is okay to work any way but one way, the connected way.

I hope I have proven to you that people can and will go to great lengths to achieve and maintain a high level of connection with their performance dogs. And, yes Virginia, there is a Santa Claus and there are dogs out there that were not born with the natural ability or desire to stay connected at this optimum level and that have learned how to remain connected. But those dogs determined, dedicated handlers that take full responsibility for that training and they will not settle for less.

Taking Responsibility for Your Connection

Here are some things to remember in your quest for a better connection with your dog.

Disconnection creates disconnection. Connection creates

connection. Be critically aware of the amount of connection you are offering your dog. I often see the dog disconnect before my student sees it. That can only happen if the student disconnects from the dog first.

- Connection has a beginning and an ending and neither the dog nor the handler should be confused about that. What specific cues do you use to "turn on" your dog? Which cues give your dog permission to disconnect?
- Expecting the dog prone to disconnect not to disconnect at certain times is a waste of time and energy and leads to disappointment. Expect nothing, just keep working toward the goal of having that connection.
- Every training session is a fact-finding mission: Listen to the dog! Do not get into the habit of begging the dog or negotiating with him. You must be willing to cut your losses and end the session if it is not going well. It is entirely irrelevant how far you drove, how much you paid, or what leg or title you want so badly.
- Dogs do not "blow people off" but they do get told to work without the proper comprehension level they need for the skill. When that happens, it is rarely a pretty picture.
- Patience is the key to success. You will need a boatload of patience.

Building Drive

Learning how to build drive in dogs is a skill. You will need to learn all you can about building and maintaining drive. Whether you never had a great connection or you slowly lost it or it comes and goes like a fickle lov-

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er, the steps to create and keep a good connection are the same and building drive is a key component.

There are three key steps to building drive:

- · Lifestyle Adjustments: You need to know that changes outside training are often needed. This can include a great many details in how you live with and interact with your dog at home and in the "real" world. This kind of stuff can take some getting used to. I recommend everyone read Susan Garrett's book, Ruff Love. You may need to think about it for a while before you start to implement her ideas. It is a philosophy that might take some warming up to. In many cases the more resistance that is felt the more the program is really needed.
- Break Down the Behaviors: This is another area where many can miss the boat. Good dog trainers will break down a behavior into components just as small as the dog needs them to be.

Listen to the dog and break down what you need to. If you break down what you don't need to, you will bore the dog. If you don't break down what you need to, the dog will struggle too much. This is a real mood-killer in learning. Making training simple for the dog builds his drive to work because he can be successful. What feels better than that?

• Play: You have heard it before but you really do have to learn how to teach your dog to tug and fetch as well as play with you. These are three different things and they look totally different.

- Ø Tug: The dog pulls very hard in one direction with a strong steady hold. He is neither chewing nor re-gripping. His paws can be lifted a few inches off the ground via the toy and handlers can hold still with their arm straight (not swinging the toy about). The dog has all his weight on the toy and is also tugging the handler!
- Ø Fetch: The dog runs out grabs the toy and brings it directly back to the handler hoping for, but not initiating, a tug game. He is eager to release the toy for a reward of tug (re-grip) or food treat.
- Ø Play: The dog is combining tug and chase and chewing all at the same time. The handler is swinging the toy around and the dog is happily biting at it and tugging at it and chasing it. This is fun for both but is not as intense as tug and fetch can be. Play is a good place to start a connection but will never take the same place as "true" tug and "true" fetch.

If you build it... they can run!

I wish there were a way around all this play stuff but there is not. You can't build drive and confidence to its fullest if your dog can't play games with you. Don't give up. You know more about your dog than anyone. Get him excited the way you do at home, not by trying to force it the way you saw some other trainer do it that your dog does not relate to.

Are You Trialing a Disconnected Dog?

The best and fastest way to make a mediocre connection worse is to show the dog before his performance behaviors are fully trained. If the behaviors (all of them) are not trained to a high level of comprehension, they will be difficult for the dog to some degree. When things are hard they are not fun. When you take a bunch of separate tasks that are only a little bit hard and pile them on top of one another (full course work) it makes it super hard, right? Please be sure all required behaviors are well understood by your partner before you show. Your dog has to like the trial environment to perform well in it. This can be yet another completely separate training project for some. My test for the dogs comfort level is whether he can do obedience and tug and fetch (on leash) on all four sides of the ring. If he can't, he is not comfortable enough to show that

Perfecting Your Leadout Routine

I am convinced that how you walk into the ring determines how connected to you your dog will be. If you can't happily heel into the ring totally connected with your dog, how can you expect your dog to do course work? The next time you are at a trial I want you to study, scientist-style, dogs going into the ring. Start watching a dog when there are two dogs before his run. Watch what the handlers do with their dogs. Study the dog's expression at every moment. Likely, you will see what part of the process the dog is not keen about. You will see the disconnection happening, sometimes several times. Notice when and where it happens.

 Before the handler ever stepped into the ring?

- As the handler stepped into the ring?
 - When the handler said Sit?
- When the leash comes off?
 (This is a biggie)
- When the handler said Stay?
- When the handler took a step away? At 5'? 10'? Or 20' on the lead-out?
- When the handler released the dog?

Now ask the same questions about the handlers that you just watched. It's not just about the dog. Are the handlers more interested in the course than the dog? Are they looking around lost and nervous? Handlers should lead out quickly and be business-like. They must look and act confident and march to the exact predetermined spot they planned. They should hold their head in a way to keep one eye on the dog and one eye on the destination, staying connected every second as they lead

out. This tells the dog, "We are working now. This is important." You must look confident to your dog for him to be confident about taking instructions from you. I do not mean you should rush. Handlers that rush the lead-out process often lose their dog as they do it. Please take your time; this is good manners and shows your dog that what is happening is important. There is time to get it all just right. When you say Sit or Stay, do it with purpose. Smile down at your dog and look into his eyes; feel your connection to your dog. Count to one before you move a single foot. Make it all a very familiar routine that has a high rate of reinforcement. It will not bore the dog. He will relish the familiarity ("I know this one! I know this one!") and he will love all the steps if they are easy steps that he knows well and has been rewarded for many, many times. When was the last time your dog got a cookie when

the leash came off in class or a training session? Add this ring entrance routine into your training program. It is fun and easy and cheap too!

If you videotape your dog and you entering the ring I am sure you will see where you and your dog are first losing your connection. Watch for subtle signs, not just the big ones. Your dog may dart his eyes about or lay his ears back. You may see him slightly bow his head or hunch his back. The signs are not always as obvious as standing up or sniffing or chewing the grass. When you see those signs your dog needs some help. Your job is to notice that he needs it and make a plan to address it.

Get help from a professional if you need to. But more than anything else, listen to your dog; he will teach you what he needs better than I ever could!

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