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CCTC Urban Test (2 UTD & 1 UTDX) May 21/23 Judge Marie-P Babin — Test Secretary Eileen Fisher Tracklayers; UTD Anne Passafiume , Cassia Devison, UTDX; Vivien Brennan

We had no passes today. :-(Hopefully our Fall Tests will be successful



Anne, Cassia & Vivien





Marie

Eileen & Maryke



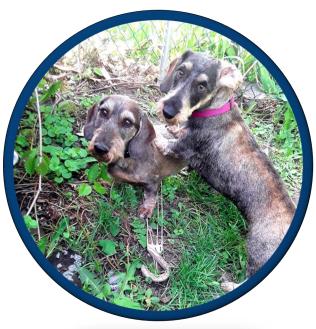
"Ella-Mae"

FC Gabriella Mae von Lowenherz TD, JE, RATN, AS, VN, received the Dachshund Club of Greater Ontario's MacKenzie Award for her 2022 performance achievements.

I asked mom to use this picture of me on my buddy Lieder's back because I beat him out for the award by one point. ward for her 2022 performance achievements.

The award is named after one of the greatest (imho) performance Dachshunds in Canada "MacKenzie" who was owned by Eileen Fisher.

Owned by Pamela Burns







"Lieder"

TCH Lieder von Lowenherz, RN UTDX VN JE SX RATA Rats Canada NBRH NBAR ITL MBRH AKC Field CH. TD

Lieder earned his Rats! Canada Advanced Barn Ratting title on April 22, 2023 in Terrebonne QC. It took us a year to earn that last qualifying leg. He also had the opportunity to receive his Veterans 4th place Winter Cup plaque for Champion Brush Hunt category. Lieder will now start a long, slow process into retirement from competition. At almost twelve, he needs to relax a bit. We'll still be "out there", just not as much.

Owned by Pamela Burns

"Stirling"

Can. GCH/ UKC CH, URO2, AN, SC, SI SE AHD Gowrielea's Scots Wha Hae CGN RE CD ATD SDIN SDO, VE, GRCC VCI Am CCA, RI, TKA, CD-V **"Stirling"** earned his UKC Advanced Handler Discrimination (AHD) with a High in Class on April 23/23

On May 27/23 Stirling finished his Superior Exterior title (SE)

Owned by Sandy Brodie



"Casey"

UKC-NV SC NHD OTCHX Longgun's Sharp Shooter RE SDE SDC VB SX CGN IPS AGIS JH AGNJ WC earned his **UKC Novice Vehicle**,

Novice Handler Discrimination and Superior Container at Oxford Dog Sports April 22/23. 2023.

Also placed **high in class 3 times**. A huge shout out to the Judges Jane Taylor and Sean Kent, plus the staff who work so hard to keep the trial running smoothly.

On May 6/23 Casey also earned his SDC

(Scent Detection Container Title)

Owned by Anne Whan





"Salsa"

Charbr's Dancing on the Edge CD RA SDE SDI SDX NS JTS VN CGN

"Salsa" earned his CKC SDI Title (Scent Detection Interior) on April 29/23

Then at the PWDCC Scent Trial on May 14/23 he passed his Master Exterior to earn his **SDX** (Scent Detection Exterior)

On June 10/23, Salsa got his 10th Q in Jumpers and Tunnels so now he has his Jumpers & Tunnels Excellent Specials Titles **JTXS**.

Owned by Anne Passafiume







"Sterling"

U-RO1 U-NN NHD AC AV AE SE EC MI MC

Reynard's Folly Sterling SPOT CGN PCD CD RA RI CA SX-8 SDX SDM CRN ETD VB JRTCA RO1 JRTCA PNO AKC RI

Success this weekend of April 22/23 includes 3 x Best in Class, UKC Novice Vehicle Search title, Superior Interior title, Masters Container title and Novice Handler Discrimination title.

Earned his UKC (NN) Novice nosework title. Completed Advanced Exterior (AE) and Advanced Vehicle (AV) and his (EC) Elite Containers.

With three High in Class !

June 4/23 he also earned Master interior (**MI**) Title and Owned by Lynda Rupay & Tricia Budrow.

"Sterling"

My apologies to Lynda Rupay.....

I missed putting in this **Extra Special Title** in the last Newsletter !!

Scent Detection Master !

HE DID IT!... Reynard's Folly Sterling achieved his CKC **SDM** (Scent Detection Master) title Nov. 28/22 Thank you buddy for being such a awesome boy. I am so proud of you. Thank you to the Red Barn Event Centre for putting on another great trial. Champagne to celebrate tonight

A special dinner for Sterling

Owned by Lynda Rupay & Tricia Budrow.



"Forest"

SD-MACH Bluforewe Like Peas'N Carrots **SDO** S ETD TD CARO Novice SDDA Excellent SD-GD

"Forest" completed his CKC (Scent Detection Open) **SDO** title by accomplishing his exterior search and was also successful in getting his excellent containers on May 1/23

Owned by Cassia Devison



"Solana"

Reynard's Folly Solana NS

"Solana" earned her first title **NS** May 7/23 (Novice Sprinter) Great plans ahead for this little girl.

Solana's first experience at a JRT trial . She had had several placements in Go To Ground moving up from Novice to Open.

Also placed in Trail and Locating, completed the Lure course and Barn Hunt and earned Reserve Champion at Ball Toss.

Owned by Anne Whan



"Keely"

CH. Castlegar Elliquin On An Even Keel

"Keely" finished her **Championship** at the Victoria County Kennel Club Show on April 28/23 at 8months, under Judge Kim LeBlanc.

BP from the 6-9 class, WB BOW and BOS

Owned by Maryke Warwick





"Bonny"

U-CH. Bonny vom Steinkreuz O AS CGN TD UTD

"Bonny" earned her AS (Advance Sprinter title)

on May 8/23

Owned by Vladimir & Olga Semechko



"Piper"

BPIS U-NN CH. Elliquin's Pipin' Aboard CD RN TD SX SDO SDE VA CGN HIC

"Piper" earned her SDO (Scent Detection Open Title) on April 29/23

Then on May 6/23 Piper earned her SDE title

(Scent Detection Excellent Title)

Owned by Maryke Warwick



"Stirling"

Can GCh/UKC CH, URO2, AN, SC, SI, AHD Gowrielea's Scots Wha Hae CGN RE CD ATD SDIN SDO, VE, GRCC VCI Am CCA, RI, TKA, CD-V

Stirling finished his Superior Interior title for nosework. (SI)

Owned by Sandy Brodie



"Elroy"

RBIS MBISS MBOSS MBPISS BPIS UKC CH. U-RO-3 NN AHD AC SI GCHB. OTCH. Castlegar Elroy At Autumwynd CGN RM HIC SX SDI SDC SDX SDM TT VS , AKC RN NTD

"Elroy" earned his SDX (Scent Detection Exterior) title

That finished the **SDM** (Scent Detection Master) Title

on April 29/23 which earned him the VS

(Versatility Silver Title)

Owned by Marie-P Babin





"Levon"

UKC NI NE BPISS MBPIG GCH. Castlegar Autumwynd He Shall Be Levon RI PCD SDIN S VN TD SDN SDO

Levon earned his Novice Interior NI and Novice

Exterior NE title ,May 22/23 at the Maple Leaf Club in Kingston, with a Novice **High in Trial.**.

Owned by Marie-P Babin



"Piper"

BPIS U-NN AE AC Ch Elliquin's Pipin' Aboard CD RN TD SX SDN VA CGN HIC

Piper earned her Advanced Exterior Title (AE) and

Also one pass in advanced interior with a **High in Trial** for Adv. Interior. On May 22/23

On June 4/23 Piper earned her Advance Containers (AC)

With a High in Class !

Owned by Maryke Warwick





"Whistle"

U-NE NV NC NI NN AE AC SC SE GCh Elliquin Whistlin' Thru TDX RE CDI WC SDN VE CGN HIC

Whistle earned her Novice Interior (NI) which finishes the Novice Nosework title. (NN)

She was High in Trial for (AC) and for (NI) on May 22/23

On June 4/23 Whistle earned her Superior Container Title (SC)

And her Superior Exterior title (SE) and a High in Class !

Owned by Maryke Warwick.



CCTC Brags...



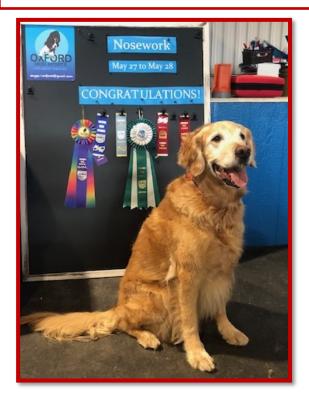
"Conasauga Copper Lily" & "Reynard's Folly Sterling" back from the Yankee Jack Russell Terrier Club trials

in Brooklyn Connecticut. So proud of these two wonderful dogs. ^{See} As always Sterling pours his heart into every event he enters. Both dogs excelled at GTG, Super Earth, Lure, Brush Hunt, Trailing & Locating, Ball toss, and Lily in Racing & Agility. I was thrilled that Lily successfully completed and placed in Super Earth for her first time. But, I am most proud of her for staying "focused" on the lure during her races (flats & hurdle's) in the rain and sunshine to bring home a Reserve Racing Championship .

On June 11/23. Lily earned her Sprinters Excellent Title 4 "SX4"

Sterling earned his Sprinters Excellent 8 "SX8"

Owned by Lynda Rupay & Tricia Budrow



"Casey"

UKC NN AE OTCHX Longgun's Sharp Shooter

VA SX RA CGN IPS AGIS JH AGNJ WC SDE

On May 28/23 "Casey" earned his Novice Exterior title (NE) to finish the UKC Novice Title (NN)

On June 4/23 he also earned his Advance Exterior (AE)

Casey finished the Advanced Exterior with a High in Class and a time of 4 seconds !

Owned by Anne Whan



"Kara"

U-RO1 MC ME NN SN MI SV EE NHD Goldencol's Karamel Delight WC TD PCD RA CGN CD NTD HIC **SDE SDI SDC SDX SDM SX UTD VA**

Kara earned her UKC Elite Exterior Title (EE) on June 4/23

Owned by Eileen Fisher.



"Zach"

UKC NC NI AC Vomgussaroff Victory Lap

Zach earned his first working title at 7 months on May 22/23 in Nosework. He now has his Novice Container title. **(NC)**

Then on May 28/23 he earned his Advanced Container Title. (AC)

June 4/23 he also earned his novice Interior (NI)

Owned by Eileen Fisher

"Nash"

UKC CA CH. Hellgigg's Firestorm SDIN SDN RN CGN Nash earned his UKC Coursing Aptitude Title June 4/23 Owned by Adrienne King Almey



"Bonny"

UKC CH. CKC CH. Bonny Vom Steinkreuz O

TD UTD CGN AS

Bonny finished her Conformation Championship June 3/23

Owned by **Vladimir and Olga Semechko** Handled by **Olga.**



"Keely"

BPISS CH. Castlegar On An Even Keel Keely was Best Puppy in Specialty Show at the LOC Specialty Show (BPISS) on June 3/23 under judge Sylvia Powers of Victoria Australia. Handled by Marie-P Babin

"Jamie"

Can CH, U-CH Gowrielea's Scottish Glory

RI, WC, VN, Am RI

Jamie finished his Conformation Championship at the Kent KC Show May 2023

Owned by Sandy Brodie



The Importance of Reading Your Dog on a Track

by Laura McKay, 2023

Novice handlers are often told to "always trust your dog". There should be an asterisk beside that with a footnote that says "as long as you can read your dog well". As a judge, I have seen many dogs fail because their handlers follow them off the track when they shouldn't or fail to go with their dogs when they should. A primary reason for these failures is the inability to read their dogs well enough to know when they should follow their dog and when they should wait for the dog to reconnect to the track.

Reading your dog requires lots of practice and intense focus while your dog is tracking. A handler that reads the dog's body language well can tell when the dog is:

- 1. Well-connected to the track.
- 2. Aware that the scent is fading and or has disappeared .
- 3. Actively searching for the track scent.
- 4. Recovering the track scent and confirming the continuation of the track.
- 5. Searching for a nearby article.
- 6. Sight-seeing, crittering, checking out peemail or otherwise not tracking or searching for the track.
- 7. Temporarily stalled and processing the situation.

To learn a dog's body language you need to know exactly where the track is, so marked tracks are necessary. Use blind tracks laid by another track layer to test your ability to read your dog when you won't know where the track goes. Focus intensely on your dog the whole time you are on a training or test track, continually asking yourself what what the dog thinking based on what you see and feel in the tracking line. Videoing each track from your perspective allows you to watch the dog on the track multiple times to pick up small, seemingly insignificant visual cues such as a very brief head flick at a turn. Some handlers try to write down all the differences they see in their dogs or feel in the tracking line for each of these behaviours.

A dog that is confidently tracking typically moves with purpose, perhaps leaning into the harness, often with the head down and nose on or near the ground. Tail carriage and or movement may be distinctive.

An experienced dog may be aware of a turn and may flick the head very briefly at the turn but continue forward a short distance just to be sure. A dog that has run out of scent may lift the head and pause to process before launching into the search to find the next leg.

A dog searching for the track may appear to be tracking, but there are usually subtle differences. The dog's head may come up briefly. Often the dog turns off the direct line forward and casts around the area where the scent was lost. There may be diminished commitment or purpose in the dog's movements. However, novice dogs that haven't developed an efficient search pattern may head off strongly in the wrong direction. In training, the handler can restrict the dog from moving too far off the track until the dog learns to restrict his searching to the immediate area. In a test if it isn't clear if the dog is past a turn, the handler can play out the line to its end and hope that the dog will realize that the track scent is diminishing before getting to the end of the tracking line.

Often a dog signals quite clearly when finding the next leg. A 'spark' may come back up the line to you. There may be a head snap and or a sudden increased intensity. However, some dogs are tentative on the new leg as first, gradually picking up speed as the become more confident.

Searching for a nearby article may look a bit like searching for the track, but often there is more air scenting behaviour and the dog's search is restricted to a smaller area.

Casual walks around your neighbourhood are great opportunities to observe what your dog looks like when he is checking out other scents. The dog may study the scent at one spot longer. The dog's ears may perk up when he is crittering.

Reading your dog well allows you to support your dog better on a blind track. You can slow down or stop moving forward completely when you think your dog has lost the scent and is searching. If you continue to follow your dog forward while your dog is searching, some dogs will read that as confirmation that the track is likely ahead and will continue moving forward until they fail. Wait until you see your dog reconnect and commit to the track before moving forward with him.

Dogs that are sight-seeing can be gently urged to get back to tracking. But a dog that is temporarily puzzled, may lift the head for a few moments. Be patient and give your dog the time to process and figure out what to do next. Some dogs may shake as a reset. Stay silent while your dog is processing, but if the dog hasn't resumed working after a minute or so, give a brief word of encouragement. Nagging your dog with continuous verbal commands while trying to work out a problem is usually not helpful and could stress the dog to the point of failure in a test.



WHY TITLE A DOG?

Not just a brag, not a stepping stone to a higher title, not just an adjunct to competitive scores, a title is a tribute to the dog that bears it, a way to honor the dog, an ultimate memorial. It will remain in record and in memory for as long as anything in this world can remain. Few humans will do as well or better in that regard.

And though the dog itself doesn't know or care that its achievements have been noted, a title says many things in the world of humans, where such things count.

A title says your dog was intelligent and adaptable, and good-natured. It says that your dog loved you enough to do the things that please you, however crazy they may have sometimes seemed.

And a title says that you loved your dog, that you loved to spend time with it because it was a good dog, that you believed in it enough to give it yet another chance when it failed, and that, in the end, your faith was justified.

A title proves that your dog inspired you to that special relationship enjoyed by so few, that in a world of disposable creatures, this dog with a title was greatly loved, and loved greatly in return.

And when that dear short life is over, the title remains as a memorial of the finest kind, the best you can give to a deserving friend, volumes of pride in one small set of initials after the name.

A title earned is nothing less than love and respect, given and received, and permanently recorded.



-Sandra Mowery

New Club Member;

Jasmine Herzog-Evans Samoyjh@yahoo.com Bloodhound ..

