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## CCTC Tracking Dog Test Oct 2, 2011



In Bowmanville On. in 3 degrees and up to about 6 degrees with rain on and off, we had a good time in the tracking fields. Thanks to our tracklayers every track ran smoothly !! Very much appreciated.

We also had one of our Club members apprenticing to become a judge. Laura McKay should be out judging TD & TDX's in 2012. Wishing her all the best !! Then she'll be ready to start apprenticing with Urban as she's already had a Tracking Championship on a dog.

Thank you to Bev Wiggans for letting us use her property for our presentation and to warm up with a great lunch as always !!

1- Ebony CD CGN TD (4 yr. old female) German Shepherd Dog Owned by Joseph Weir of Toronto On. Club Member

2- Barefoot Kookie Kutter TD (5 yr. old female) Chocolate Labrador Retriever Owned by Sandy Briggs of Powassan On.

3- CH Gatehouse Igotsumxplainintodo TD (4 yr. old female) Doberman Pinscher Owned by Barry Robinson of Toronto On.

4- CH Elliquin Whistlin' Thru TD (1 yr. old female) Black Labrador Retriever Owned by Maryke Warwick of Markham On. Club Member

5- OTCH Goldendreams Quika Picka Upper SH WCX TD (8 yr. old female) Golden Retriever Owned by David Simm, handled by Cindy Trann of Stouffville On. Club Member

## CCTC Members' Brags

### CH Elliquin Whistlin' Thru TD P-CD

"Whistle" finished her Championship at Grey Bruce K C Dog Show Aug. 2011. She also had a 2nd Group Placement. She earned her P-CD Oct. 2011  
Labrador Retriever

Owned by ; Maryke Warwick



### CH Usonia's Devilish Michabou RN TD

"Mich" finished his Championship Aug. 2011 at the Grey Bruce K C Show. He also had a 3rd Group Placement Std. Wire Haired Dachshund

Owned by; Eileen Fisher.



### Jaymar Remember the Roses P-CD N-CD AGNS AGNJW RN

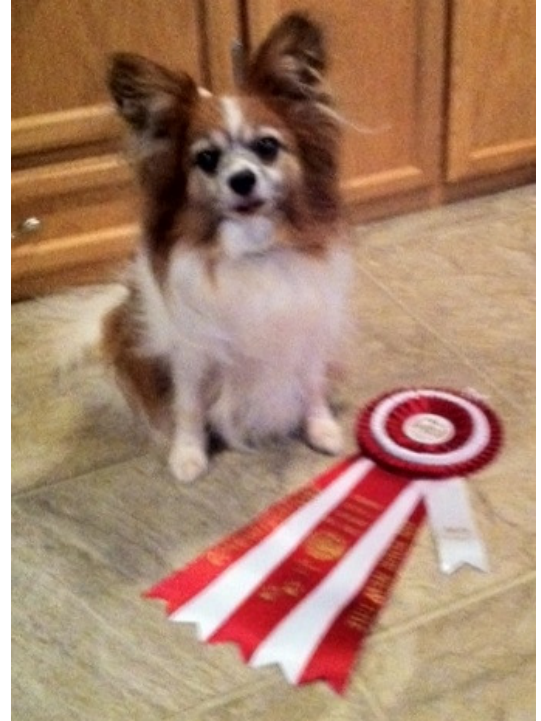
"Rosie" earned her CKC RN at the Barrie KC Trial July 2011 and her AGNJW Sept. 2011 handled by Marg Hacking Papillon Owned by Ricki Abrams

## More CCTC Members' Brags



**CH. Castlegar JG TDX UTD WC JH CD RN CGN**

Candy Rennie finished **Jersey's** Junior Hunter title Sept.2011



**OTCH Jaymar's Well Dressed at Luvits  
AGNS, AGNJS, AAC ADC, SGDC AGIJS.**  
"Gucci" earned his AGIJS Title Aug. 2011.  
Owned by Ricki Abrams



**RBIS CKC/Int/UKC CH Brantwood's Sweet Vanilla  
Eclair CKC RE, AKC RN, CL3-H, CL2, CL1, CHIC**

"Allie" earned her CKC RE title Oct. 2011

Owned by Kathleen Dahmer

## More CCTC Members' Brags...



**CH Elliquin Whislin' Thru TD P-CD**  
"Whistle" earned her TD Title Oct. 2011  
Owned by Maryke Warwick



**OTCH Goldendreams Quika Picka Upper SH WCX TD**  
"Gabby" earned her TD Title Oct. 2011.  
Owned by Cindy Trann



**L to R** Eileen Fisher, Kathleen Dahmer, Judge Marie-P Babin,  
Andrea Thomas, Ruth Ann Miller, Sue Godbehere, Candy Rennie.  
**Without our great tracklayers we'd have no test !**



**Ebony CD CGN TD**  
"Ebony" earned her TD Oct.2011  
Owned by Joseph Weir

**And more CCTC Members' Brags.**



**AGMCH SATChC Suebel's Tri the Waves, CDX, RN, TD  
"Trudy" earned her TD title Sept. 2011  
Owned by Michelle Armitage**

**Autumwynd Storm Tracker CD TDX UTD WC RE  
"Tank" earned his UTD Sept. 2011  
Owned by Susan Couatts**

**23 Tracking Champions in Canada**

(Statistics researched by Laura McKay)

- 7 German Shepherd Dogs
- 4 Golden Retrievers
- 3 Labrador Retrievers
- 2 Weimaraners
- 2 Australian Shepherds
- 1 Standard Poodle
- 1 Cavalier King Charles spaniel
- 1 Toy Poodle
- 1 English Cocker Spaniel
- 1 Belgian Shepherd Dog (Malinois)
- No Working group, terrier group or hound group yet.

3 handlers have 2 dogs each; Karen Boyes, Carol Aiken, Kim Cooper, so 20 handlers have TCHs.



## New Little Trackers.....



**Oracle's The Billionaire** (1 year old)  
"Forbes" is a Australian Shepherd  
Owned by Mirkka Koivusalo



**Lieder von Lowenherz** Born June 20, 2011  
"Lieder" is a Std. Wire Haired Dachshund  
Owned by Pamela Burns



**Redwood Krest's Saskia** Born April 25, 2011  
"Saskia" is a Rottweiler  
Owned by Anne Turner



**Bourncrest Shining Star Abbey** Born May 18 2011  
"Abbey" is a Mini Longhaired Dachshund  
Owned by Tascha Gagnon

## New Little Trackers....



**Sally Valley's Jack in a Box**  
"Jack" is a Papillon  
Owned by Marg Hacking



**Bluechip Bow Ty at Luvits**  
"Ty" is a Papillon  
Owned by Ricki Abrams

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### Nikita's Famous Pumpkin Biscotti

(From "Better Food for Dogs", A complete cookbook and nutrition guide)  
Preheat oven to 350F Non stick baking sheets

#### Ingredients:

- 1 cup canned pumpkin puree (not pie filling)
- ¼ cup each liquid honey and water
- 2 tbsp canola oil
- 1 large egg
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- ¼ tsp baking powder
- ¼ tsp baking soda

#### Cooking Steps:

1. In a large bowl, whisk together pumpkin puree, honey, water, oil, egg and vanilla. Stir in flour, cinnamon, baking powder and baking soda until well incorporated.
2. In the bowl and using hands, knead until dough holds together. Transfer to lightly floured surface. Divide dough into 2 equal pieces. Shape each piece into a log. Flatten the logs to make about 4 inches wide.
3. With a fork, poke holes all over the surface of the logs. Place logs about four inches apart on baking sheet.
4. Bake in preheated oven for 35 to 40 minutes or until firm. Place pan on a rack and let cool for 30 minutes.
5. Reduce oven temperature to 300 F
6. Once cooled, with a sharp knife, cut each log into ¼ inch thick slices. Place, cut side down, about ½ inch apart on baking sheets. Bake for 30 minutes longer or until hard. Transfer cookies to a rack and let cool completely. Store in a tightly sealed container for up to 30 days.

## Gone But Not Forgotten.....

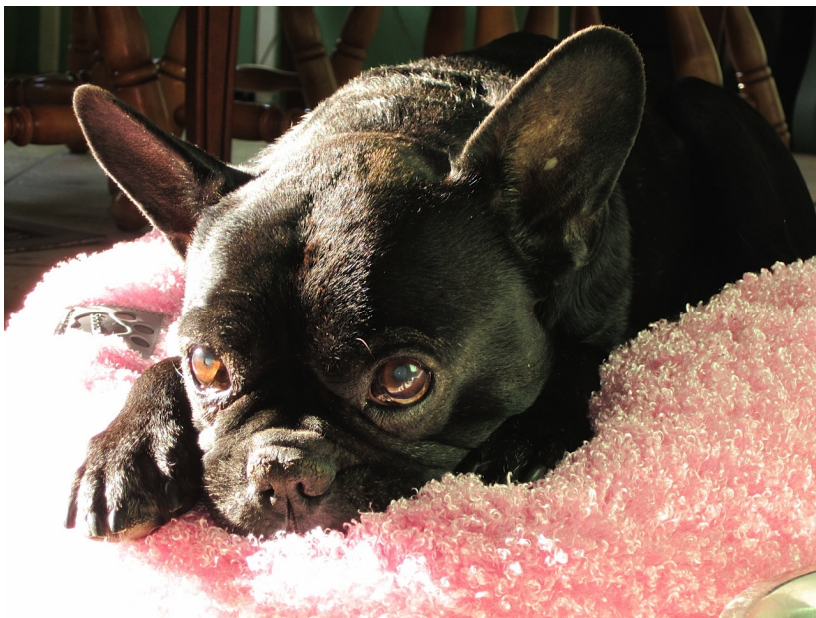
**CH. VICTORY'S HELL'S ANGEL  
(Kenny's Sister)**

**JANUARY 10, 1997-AUGUST 30, 2011**

**Std. Wire Haired Dachshund**

**“Angie”** was the beloved companion of Wendy Mackie and Fay Meeson and of her daughter Katie and great-granddaughters Mona and Lisa who also lived with her.

She was a gentle and loving soul who will live on through her many descendants and in the hearts of the people who knew her well.



**“Magoo”**

French Bulldog was rescued, loved and will be missed by Anne Turner.  
He was 15 years old



## Gone But Not Forgotten.....



### **“Phoebe”**

June 8th, 1999 - Nov.1, 2011

Will be greatly missed by Maureen Smith

### **CH. ARAGLIN’S BEGORRA TUILELAITH, Am./Cdn. CD, RE, CGC**

June 4, 1999 – Sept.30, 2011  
**“Tallula”** was an Irish Water Spaniel

She will be greatly missed by Susan  
Rickwood and Marg Schneider.



## TANK MAKES GRANDMA PROUD!

Tank made his mom (me) proud as well as his grandma (Marie) on Sept. 23rd. I guess I should say his dad too, as he was originally his dad's birthday present! Tank turned six years old the Monday before the test and this summer was very difficult for us to train in Northern Ontario with high heat and humidity. He was doing pretty well, but I didn't feel totally where I like to be before a test. But weather conditions were cooler and damp and he was raring to go. The trial was at EPS in Powassan and we drew Track No. 1 - always my first choice so a good start, I felt. We had a long drive out to our location, a township works department office and yard. Marge Schultz from the U.S. (a very cheerful lady) was our judge. I didn't know the tracklayer, but she must have smelled pretty good to Tank! Our track began near the roadway, with a chain link fence paralleling us off to the right. Tank took off like a shot on the short grass, and across a roadway fairly soon in the grass portion. I was trotting behind him, he was very confident. There was a long stretch of grass ahead, but suddenly, he stopped dead and turned right, towards the fence. I looked and saw a small opening, looking about 2' wide. A little concerned, I had to go. He hesitated a bit once through it, but took off running again. It HAD to be the track. We were headed towards a pile of sand, but just ahead of it, he dove on his first article, a cloth glove (I think) I just grabbed it and put it in my bag as he was moving again! I barely waved it before doing so and then he was making a right turn just in front of the sand pile. Off we go on a longer leg into the centre area heading towards the mother of all sand piles. Oh-oh! Now this is where it got tricky. With the weather we had the night before, and that morning fog holding the scent down, then wind twirling it around this mother of all sand piles, he began hunting around it, then towards the building, back and then forward around the base of it. I thought at this time we may be past his turn and going forward much more was perhaps the wrong way. About that time, he picked up (what I found out later was the tracklayers' "exit") scent, but then turned back on our track and rushed back to the turn left and over to the far side. Turning right again, took us on the other side of the giant pile and moving up beside metal culverts. He scented into the open ends of each one as he moved on past, obviously, scent was sucked into them. I figured we must be getting close to the end by now but with a large open expanse in front of us, there sure was nothing to be seen. I'm thinking then, it must be a lot longer than I thought and perhaps another turn. Tank is working hard and fast, nose down, snuffling along but suddenly turns back again. Then turns back again, almost flipping and did this twice more. What is going on, I see nothing, he obviously has the scent! Then suddenly, he dives at the same instant I see it! Yay! He did it!! The glove was between the culverts and a bit of pokey up weeds and walking past I never saw it until he was jumping towards it. Tank was very happy, hopping around and showing off for the three of us. We played with the glove, tugged and threw it and I thanked Marge and my tracklayer and we finally headed around the 'mother' pile out towards the road. No-one out there could see us behind the sand pile and didn't hear us yelling so they were all gathered waiting to see if we passed or not...YES! Tank then got to visit everyone there for more pats and he was quite a happy fellow. Marge was saying it was a tricky spot in there with the way the scent was moving around, and I was very proud of Tank - Autumnwynd Storm Tracker CD RE WC TDX and new UTD! Best of all for him, it was just great fun, he so loves to track!

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**More CCTC Members' Brags**



**Windgates Kiss Me Kate CD CGN N-CD**  
**"Katie"** earned her CKC CD Oct. 2011  
 Owned by Carolyn Bray



**CH C'Harbr Dancing By The Sea CGN P-CD**  
**"Charlston"** earned his Canadian Championship Oct 2011  
 and his P-CD July 2011  
 Owned by Anne Passafiume



**OTCH Bluechip The Great Houdini VAGI**  
**VAGXJ (AAC) VAADC VAGDC**  
**"Rocky"** earned his (AAC) VAADC July 2011  
 And his (AAC) VAGDC Sept. 2011.  
 Owned by Marg Hacking.



**"Tory" & "Murphy"**  
**SHR Gowrielea's Notorious WC CD RN JH CGN Am. RN**  
**SHR CH Gowrielea's Murphy WCI JH CDX RA TD**  
**VCI CGN Am. WC RN**  
 Both boys earned their **CGN & (AKC) RN**  
 Owned by Sandy Brodie

## More CCTC Members' Brags.....



**Am/Cdn Ch Grandgables Playing with Pixies JHD**  
**“Pixie”** Earned her AHBA JHD  
Owned by Maureen Smith



**Windgates Keeper's Legacy CD RN CGN HI HRD HTAD1**  
**HTD1 Am CD**  
**“Legacy”** earned his AHBA HRD (herding ranch dog) and  
HTD1 (Herding trial dog 1) CKC HI  
Owned by Maureen Smith

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### DECISION MAKING/ GUIDING

You get to the start flag. Your dog pauses long enough to get scent from the article you show him. You are organized, the line laid out untangled. You give a quiet command to track, and the dog leaves the flag. You wait to see the dog's level of commitment before you move. You know your dog's typical start behavior and know when to follow. You play out line to the required distance and set off. You study your dog as he moves along the track, and at the same time you're aware of your surroundings. You recognize your dog's tracking behavior and follow. You stop and wait for him to sort things out when his head comes up and he seems confused. You don't wander aimlessly behind him when his head is up in the air and he's obviously broken off from his typical tracking behavior. You know when to give verbal cues to get his mind back to business, and you know when to be quiet & let him work. You notice the dog's head tip at one point, and remember it in case you find the dog has possibly overshot a turn. You recognize your dog's loss of scent cues, and are able to encourage the dog to search and work back to a turn. You've trained for this, you know your dog will search for and find the track again without any help from you other than a willingness to follow. You also know how far beyond a turn your dog will usually give you that loss of scent indication, so you have a good idea of how far back the turn could be, and once you're beyond that distance you trust that the dog's continued forward motion is correct. You don't restrain or force him back to investigate just because you think there could be a turn. When the dog does indicate a turn, you follow. You don't make the dog repeat the turn indication over and over before going with him. You know by his attitude when he's got the track, and that knowledge may be confirmed by your initial notice of something as subtle as that head tip. You also realize when the dog breaks off after making a turn that it's also possible that it wasn't a turn, after all. You let the dog decide and don't push or pull. You follow. You look ahead, noticing things that might affect your dog's behavior on the track. A change of cover to the left, a woods to the right. A fence up ahead that may draw your dog. You notice, but make no decisions, allowing the dog to make the choice. You react to your dog's cues of potential articles nearby. You have taught an article indication so you know the articles belong to the track. You keep a consistent tension on your line, and give and take with the dog's motion to maintain it. Above all, you know your dog, are patient and willing to wait while your dog figures out the scent puzzles along the way. A good handler is almost like a dance partner. You follow, the dog leads. You understand each other and know what to expect of each other.

Written by Terri Everwine

**And, More CCTC Members' Brags....**



**The 1st CKC Dual Champion Sheltie !**

**DCH, WTCH, OTCH, ATChC, C-ATCh, ChST, VTCH, VCX, UR-03 & U-UD  
Autumngold Dawson's Creek  
Am. CD, CRNMCL, CRAMCL, CRXMCL, CRAT, RA, Am. RN, FMX, AGX, AGXJ, NAC, NJC, NT, OAC, O-OGC, NA, NAJ, JS-N, RV-N, RG-N, MSCDC, Silver Award of Merit, ExTRB, ExJB, ExSB, ExGS, ExSCS, ExSTS, VBA, HSA-sd, CKC HA, HRDIII, HTDII-ds, HTADI-d, HTADIII-s, TT, CGC, CGN**

**"Tyler"** earned these titles this year

April - **UKC Utility**  
May - CKC Herding Championship **ATD-c**  
July - ASCA Advanced Cattle title **ATD-c**  
ASCA Herding Championship **WTCH**

**"Tyler"** has 8 Champion titles DCH is Conformation Champion (CH) Herding Champion is HCHA title.

**CH** - CKC Conformation Champion  
**HCHA** - CKC Herding Champion  
**OTCH** - CKC Obedience Champion  
**WTCH** - ASCA Herding Champion  
**ATChC** - AAC Agility Champion  
**C-ATCh** - CPE Agility Champion  
**ChST** - CPE - Champion Standard  
**VTCH** - AWSS - Versatility Champion

and 3 of those were earned this year at 11 1/2 yrs. Old

He now has a total of 133 titles and still working. Owned by Sharon Palmer



**CH. U-CD, UR-02, Jubilee Dark Side of the Moon  
CD, MADC, AGDC, CL2-R, CL2-H, CL2-F, CL2-S, CL2, JS-N, RA, CRNMCL, CRAMCL, CRXMCL, AGX, AGXJ, FDX, AKC HT, HCT-s, CKC HI, HTADI-d, OTD-sd, TT**

**"Sky"** earned these titles this year

June - TT Temperament tested  
July - ASCA **OTD-s** title (Open Trial Dog – Sheep  
Oct -(ACC)MADC title (Master Agility Dog of Canada)  
Sept -**CL2-S** (CPE Level 2- Strategy)  
-**CL2-F** (CPE Level 2- Fun)  
-CL2 (CPE Level 2-Completed)  
-**CL2-R** (CPE Level 2- Regular)

Owned by Sharon Palmer

## Tracklayers' Trials and Tribulations...

I love to be a tracklayer. But, sometimes....it just doesn't work out like you expect....

At a recent tracking trial, I volunteered to lay tracks, and was asked to do the last two TDX of the day. The location was one of the most beautiful places in this area, not far from my home. The fields are gorgeous, everything you could possibly want, wide and open, forests behind, a river runs through, wildlife, isolated and quiet, a one lane dirt road, referred to as a summer road, divides the area in half, easily 400+ acres.

The only drawback would mean that due to location and timing for TDX, I wouldn't be able to be at the draw to meet people, but I'd be able to see everyone back at the presentations. It would also be too difficult to drive the distance to watch the other tracks being done. I "volunteered" Tascha to be my cross track layer, and then she was asked to lay a TD in a field between my 2 TDX's. This was ok, I would still be able to see three tracks of the day. Having two people in this 'isolated' location was also a good thing, as we'd be there for three to four hours before anyone arrived. Trust came along also, the "protection" dog and she was thrilled thinking she was going tracking. She had a few nice walks, and I figured that I could put her on a track afterwards, perhaps.

Plotting day, the fields were perfect, and there was a slight drizzle, the fields were also wet from rain the previous day. The times were worked out, and I was to start the first of my two TDX's at 8:30. This time was great, as it would be well after sunrise, sometimes there were bears in this area, so I wasn't thrilled about heading out in the dark.

We arrived at the location of the first TDX a little after 8 a.m., and found a place to pull a little off the road to leave Tascha's car. We then drove down to make sure everything looked ok with all 3 fields so I could start laying the 1st track for 8:30. (Remember, TDX is aged a minimum of 3 hr.) Checking my map and articles, I headed out and it was just picture-perfect walking that track. We would next drive down to the location of the other TDX and wait to lay it. On the way, we double-checked the entrances and exits for Tascha to get in and out of both TDX's for the cross tracks. These were very tricky, we had marked with tape, as she had to climb through brush and over stumps and downed trees. Neither were easy to access. So, the second TDX would be put down, we'd rush back to do her first cross on mine, then do her TD and back down for the second cross track. Well-planned and thought out!

Then, in my rear view mirror, I see 'something large' slowly coming up over the little hill back where we left Tascha's car. OMG it's a huge tractor pulling a wagonload of large round hay bales. I began to back up, no space to turn, as he appeared to be stopping..not enough room to get by! Then he looked like he was going to try and squeeze past, and was on a tilt. About that time, Tascha looked back (I hadn't said anything) and it looked like he might topple the hay over on to her car. I back up a little faster! By some miracle, he had squeezed past, on a tilt! So then we had to drive on ahead out to the next concession road, to let him come out behind us. That done, he turned and headed off, we waved, and back up we go again. Whew! Someplace, I had to find a spot to turn around to head back down in the right direction, finally did. Tascha went out to do the first cross-track, I took Trust into another field for a walk. Then I saw the farmer coming back up the road, pulling an empty wagon!!! He was obviously going for another load of hay...Oh no! That meant he'd be coming back down again!!

When Tascha came off the field, we searched and found a place where she could at least pull over a little bit more, and a spot for when we returned, to back my van off enough to leave the farmer a little more room to pass when he came back. We had to finish our track-laying and cross tracks. That went well, except for barking dogs and watching not to stampede a few horses when we came out of the bush into the fields to put down the cross-tracks. I had to turn around again down on the concession road, so we could drive back up the laneway to park and keep an eye out for the farmer.

When we finally saw him coming, we stopped him to explain what we were doing there, and that a lot of vehicles were scheduled to arrive within an hour and would be parking along the roadway. He wasn't too happy, he was planning to bring in his hay all day! But said he would take the long route around for the next few trips. We thanked him, it was certainly a lot longer for him to do this.

After we finish our track-laying, we wait for everyone to show up, and wait, and wait... Obviously, they were running late and then I was concerned about the farmer showing up again, thinking we would be finished. It could be a real mess. Tascha's cell phone worked out there, a miracle in itself, and we called back to explain the situation with the farmer and the road for parking. There was a laneway, a long way back, and they would all have to pull in there and walk down with the dog for the first TDX. We relaxed again, enjoying the peace and quiet....

The convoy eventually arrived, we had been out there now for nearly four hours, and the first dog/handler were driven down to start their track. It went without a hitch, I am pleased to say the dog passed. The TD track Tascha laid was not required, so I planned to put Trust on it later.

On to the next TDX, and as the dog didn't get to the first corner, I could use this track for Trust, instead, as I had to pick up the three articles anyway. So, everything ended up working out great....!?

Tascha was asked to drive the judge (from the previous day) to the airport and time was getting tight now to get her there. Because of the parking situation, not everyone had come out for these two final tracks and were waiting for us all to return for lunch and presentations at headquarters. Everyone had begun to leave, I walked back to my van to move it down to take Trust out on the track for the gloves. My van was dead! By this time, hardly anyone was left there. Tascha absolutely had to leave with the judge, and thank goodness for Mary-Anne who said she would drive back to get her booster cables. Poor Mary-Anne was an apprentice judge at this test and should have been back for the presentations. I really appreciated her helping me out. My cell didn't work in this area, as I had tried to reach my husband. Our son had come up overnight to help put our winter wood away and they were outside working anyway. Mary-Anne came back with the cables, and my van still didn't start. So..we load up my stuff and Trust and depart leaving my van totally blocking the road, heading back to my house.

On the way, we meet the farmer! He had a full load, and was planning to come down the road, having seen all the vehicles leave! Where my van was now stuck, he would have been totally stuck there himself, no place to get out. We tell him the sad story, he is really not happy now, but what can one do?! On we go. Up ahead a truck is flying over the bridge towards us. It's my husband, who didn't even notice it was us as he raced by. Turns out, Tascha was able to reach him on her way to the airport and told him we were stuck down Beach Rd. Mary-Anne turns around, and we head back again. Wouldn't start for him, either. I finally had to insist that Mary-Anne return to headquarters as she should have been there. She was very helpful to stay and try to help, but she was needed there. Couldn't call CAA - no cell service.

David insisted that he stay with the van for anyone that may come down the road (and hopefully not the farmer!) and I take his truck and Trust home and call CAA there.

Reach home, poor son working away, didn't know what was going on. He was getting anxious to be leaving soon, a 2 1/2 hr. drive for him, hoping to be home by dark. I call CAA. Here's a lesson learned, for others that didn't know. After telling them what I needed and the location, they said that "I" had to be there with the vehicle. I said my husband was there. I, as the cardholder, HAD to be there, I was told. They also would not give the estimated time of arrival for the tow truck until I was there! I explained (trying very hard at this point to be polite!)that I would have to drive back, I would be there in five minutes, even though my husband was THERE and there was no cell service to call from there....after putting me on hold, she came back and said I would still have to be there to present my card and identification, but would give me an ETA...which was 30 to 45 minutes. I thanked her, whipped back over.

As I had been in no mood to take Trust on the track previously, I figured I might as well walk out and pick up the gloves while waiting. Well, although I had the map, and had laid the track, I am not a dog and have a useless nose! Was across the field, could not find it, and heard the truck driving down the road. Then I had to try and run across the field to be there to show him my card and identification. I was dead by the time I pushed through the bushes. He already was working on the van and chatting away with my husband. Turned out, he had been to our place in the winter when my husband drove off the driveway in a storm. He said, he knew us, didn't need to see anything, but just needed the number for his paperwork. This is the nicest fellow, worked away and eventually got it going so it didn't need to be towed.

Thanked him, gave him a tip, and off we went. I would come back in the morning with Trust or Blast to find the gloves. Got home, whipped up some food for son to eat on his way, had no visit with him myself....it was now 4:30 in the afternoon. What a day!

I still love to be a tracklayer, but you just never know what may happen!

Maybe you will think about this next time you are in a tracking trial. I always say to my students,....ALWAYS remember to say thank you to your tracklayer regardless of the outcome of your own track.

Tracklayers are volunteers who give up two days of their weekends so we can have tracking trials! And please give back to your sport by offering to volunteer to lay tracks, the judges will show you the ropes on plotting day....or help with food or transportation if required. We cannot have tracking trials without volunteers.

This was NOT a normal tracklayer's day, but you just never know what's happened "behind the scene"....

susan coutts

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## CCTC Urban Test Oct. 23, 2011

Heather MacLeod of New-Brunswick judged the Urban Test.

Thanks to all our tracklayers; Maryke Warwick, Ruth-Ann Miller, Candy Rennie, Sue Godbehere and myself, the tracks all ran well.

We had partly sunny and temperature was from 5 to about 13... light wind.

There were 4 UTD dogs and just one passed. Congratulations to "Rosy" the Welsh Springer Spaniel !!!  
Trystyn's Dragonfly TD UTD (3 yr. old female) Owned by Kim Laird & Sandra Holmes. A very pretty dog !  
Handled by Kim.

The others were a Mini Dachshund, a German Shepherd & a Vizsla

There were 3 UTDX dogs and sad to report there were no passes;  
They were two Labrador Retrievers and a German Shepherd Dog.

Marie-P Babin



The Gallery



Judge Heather MacLeod

With

Kim Laird & "Rosy"  
UTD



## CCTC TDX Test Nov. 6, 2011

Cross Country Tracking Club's TDX Test in Bowmanville On.

It was a gorgeous sunny day all day with a medium wind .. The fields were from 8" grass to 2' alfalfa, golden rods and Queen Anne's Lace.

Thank you to our tracklayers, Eileen Fisher, Candy Rennie, Laura McKay and Joseph Weir and X-track layer Maryke Warwick.

Also to Bev Wiggans for the use of her property for our HQ. Also to all members who brought all the great food for lunch !!

We had 4 dogs entered but only one passed. One took a X-track, one quit and one made it to the very last corner but kept going.

The successful team was;

Fantasia Von Narnia TDX "Lulu" German Shepherd Dog (7 year old female) Done in 11 min.

Rosamund Northey of Ottawa On.

The others were a GSD, a Labrador and a Golden Ret.

Congratulations again and good luck to the others at their next test.

Judge of the day, Marie-P Babin



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Judge Marie-P Babin with Rosamund Northey & Lulu  
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