STCA Performance Awards

There are more performance venues than ever before in the AKC history. In addition to obedience events, agility and rally offer titles at beginning, intermediate and expert levels. Our naturally athletic dogs enjoy these activities as well as tracking. There is no question that, in an atmosphere of increasing irrational public hostility toward our breed, the presence of our dogs in performance venues is a strongly positive example of their stable temperaments. Quite often their comic personalities entertain onlookers during these events as well!

There are presently two performance awards in the STCA. The **Register of Honor (ROH) Award** is a highly coveted award to American Staffordshire Terriers that have earned a CH (AKC Champion title), CD (Companion Dog Obedience) or above and CGC or equivalent temperament test and are owned by STCA members. Beginning in 2008, four ROH levels are awarded – Bronze (CD), Silver (CDX), Gold (UD) and Platinum (UDX).

The STCA **Versatility Award**, first given out at the 2008 National Specialty, rewards those Am Staffs excelling in several performance venues and/or achieving very high levels in a single venue. It is awarded to American Staffordshire Terriers (including ILP Am Staffs) that have earned enough points in any AKC recognized performance event to achieve the stated point total (see below for specifics). This award also has four levels - Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. Similar to the ROH, a CD and CGC or equivalent temperament test are required and owners must be STCA members. Unlike the ROH, this award does not require a championship, and it encourages and rewards titles in multiple venues.

These titles were awarded retroactively to any living qualifying dog at the 2008 National Specialty in St. Louis, MO. Since 2008 the awards are presented annually at the STCA National Specialty. The Performance Committee and Board of Directors hope that this recognition will encourage Am Staff owners to train and show their dogs in performance events. The challenge is on! Let's show them all what our dogs can do!

Other performance titles will be added when approved by the AKC.

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If you are an active **STCA member** and have an Am Staff working in performance events you may be eligible for an award. The following document outlines the two awards. Here is a quick rundown (for more details – see below):

- ROH Award requires your dog to have: AKC Championship, CGC or equivalent temperament test and AKC CD. Advanced ROH awards are Silver (CDX), Gold (UD) and Platinum (UDX). You must be an STCA member to receive these awards.
- 2. Versatility Award if you have an Am Staff (including ILP) with a CD obedience title or above, CGC or equivalent temperament test, and has titles in any other AKC recognized venue (rally, agility, tracking, coursing, barn hunt) you may be eligible for a Versatility Award. The worksheet below will help you tally up the points and can be mailed or emailed with copies of the highest title in each venue.

Dogs can receive basic or Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum awards based on the level of advancement in performance events.

- 3. To qualify for all awards:
 - Owner must be a current STCA member.
 - Dog must have a CD and CGC (or equivalent temperament test*).
 - Verification of titles must accompany application (highest title).
- 4. A lapel pin and certificate will be awarded to each dog and handler. The deadline for awarding this year is Sep 15th (however, if you add titles after that date, we will try to accommodate you). You do not need to be present at the National Specialty to get an award.
- 5. Don't miss out on this opportunity to recognize your accomplishments as a team!

STCA ROH Award

Requirements:

- ROH Bronze = CH, CD and CGC (or equivalent temperament test)
- ROH Silver = CH, CDX and CGC (or equivalent temperament test)
- ROH Gold = CH, UD and CGC (or equivalent temperament test)
- ROH Platinum = CH, UDX and CGC (or equivalent temperament test)

OTCH = Special award presentation.

STCA Versatility Award

Requirements:

Bronze Versatility award = CD, CGC (or equivalent temperament test) and other performance titles in obedience, rally, agility, coursing or tracking to reach 2549 point total (e.g. CD RN NA NAJ = 25 points (see attached worksheet and examples).

- Versatility Silver = Bronze plus additional titles to reach 50-99 point total
- Versatility Gold = Silver plus additional titles to reach 100-149 points
- Versatility Platinum = Gold plus additional titles to reach 150 or more points

MACH, VCD1-4, OGM, OTCH, MT = Special award presentation.

Point Schedule for Versatility Award

Obedience

Levels of Competition

- CD (Companion Dog) = 10 pts
- CDX (Companion Dog Excellent) = 15 pts
- UD (Utility Dog) = 25 pts
- UDX (Utility Dog Excellent) = 50 pts (each)
- OM (Obedience Master) = 50 pts (each)
- OGM (Obedience Grand Master) = 75 pts
- OTCH (Obedience Trial Champion) = 75 pts (each)

Optional Titling Classes

BN (Beginner Novice) = 3 pts

- PCD (Pre-Companion Dog) = 5 pts
- GN (Graduate Novice) = 7 pts
- PCDX (Pre Companion Dog Excellent = 10 pts
- GO (Graduate Open) = 13 pts
- PUTD (Pre-Utility Dog) = 15 pts
- VER (Versatility) = 20 pts

Agility

Regular or Preferred

- NA NAJ (Novice Agility/ Novice Agility Jumpers) = 5 pts (each)
- OA OAJ (Open Agility/Open Agility Jumpers) = 10 pts (each)
- AX AXJ (Excellent Agility/Excellent Agility Jumpers) = 15 pts (each)
- MX MXJ (Master Agility/Master Agility Jumpers) = 25 pts (each)
- MACH (Masters Agility Champion) = 75 pts (each)

Rally

- RN (Rally Novice) = 5 pts
- RA (Rally Advanced) = 7 pts
- RE (Rally Excellent) = 10 pts
- RAE (Rally Advanced Excellent) = 15 pts

Tracking

- TD (Tracking Dog) = 10 pts
- TDU (Tracking Dog Urban) = 10 pts
- TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent) = 25 pts
- VST (Variable Surface Tracking Dog) = 50 pts
- CT (Champion Tracker) = 75 pts

Coursing

- CA (Coursing Ability) = 5 pts
- CAA (Coursing Ability Advanced) = 10 pts
- CAX (Coursing Ability Excellent) = 15 pts

- RATN (Novice Barn Hunt) = 5 pts = RATO (Open Barn Hunt) = 7 pts
- RATS (Senior Barn Hunt) = 10 pts
- RATM (Master Barn Hunt) = 15 pts
- RATCH (Barn Hunt Champion) = 20 pts
- RATCHX (Barn Hunt Champion X) = 25 pts (each)

Temperament Tests

- CGC = 5 pts
- CGCA = 7pts
- CGCU = 7pts
- TT = 10 pts
- Therapy Dog Award (any system other than AKC) = 15 pts
- IPO BH = 20 pts
- THD (AKC Therapy Dog Title) = 25 pts
 *Only AKC Titles (except temperament tests) will be recognized.

Regular or Preferred agility titles will be counted, but not both. Points will be cumulative in each category (e.g. CD + CDX = 10 + 15 = 25 pts). Multiples of titles allowed by AKC will be counted separately (e.g. UDX2 = 100 pts, MACH3 = 150pts, etc.).

Application for STCA ROH and Versatility Awards

Deadline: Postmarked by September 15th

- Owner *must be an STCA member* (join now if you are not a member and you will be eligible for this year's awards)
- Please note that the dog *must have a CD and temperament test* to be eligible for both the ROH and Versatility awards
- Only AKC titles are recognized for this award (except temperament test)
- Fill out the attached worksheet for the Versatility Award
- Make copies (electronic or Xerox) of highest level title in each event
- Fill out the form below and send with title certificates and versatility point worksheet electronically or by regular mail to:

Jeannette O'Hanlon (<u>iohanlon@msn.com</u>) 304 Beaver Dam Road

Obedience	CD	10		
	CDX	15		
	UD	25		
	UDX (#)	50 Multiply by #		
	OM	50		
	OGM	75		
	OTCH (#)	75 Mulitply by #		
	BN	5		
	PCD	7		
	GN	8		
	PCDX	13		
	GO	16		
	PUTD	17		
	VER	20		
	V Liv	20	Total Obedience Points	
A gility	NA	5		
Agility	NA	5		
	OA	10		
	OAJ	10		
	AX	15		
	AXJ	15		
	MX	20		
	MXJ	20		
	MXB, MJB, ETC.	30		
	MACH(#)	75 Mulitply by #		
	T2B	10		
	FAST - Novice	5		
	FAST - Open	10		
	FAST - Excellent	15		
			Total Agility Points	
Rally	RN	5		
	RA	7		
	RE	10		
	RAE (#)	15 Multiply by #		
			Total Rally Points	
Tracking	TD	10	-	
	TDU	10		
	TDX	25		
	VST	50		
	СТ	75		
			Total Tracking Points	
Coursing	СА	5		
Coursing	CAA	10		
	CAA CAX (#)	15 Multiply by #		
	BCAT	3 7		
	DCAT			
	FCAT (#)	12 Multiply by #		
			Total Couring Points	
Barn Hunt	RATI	3		
	RATN	5		

	RATO	7		
	RATS	10		
	RATM	15		
	RATCH (#)	20 Muliply by #		
			Total Barn Hunt Points	
Dock Diving	DN	5		
	DJ	10		
	DS	15		
	DM	20		
	DE	25		
			Total Dock Diving Points	
Trick Dog	TKN	3		
	ТКІ	5		
	ТКА	8		
	ТКР	15	Total Trick Dog Points	
Farm Dog	FDC	8	Total Farm Dog Points	
Weight Pull	WWD	15		
_	WWDX	20		
	WWDS	25		
			Total Weight Pull Points	
Temperament	CGC	5		
	CGCA	7		
	CGCU	7		
	TT	10		
	Therapy Dog	20		
	IPO BH	20		
	AKC THD	25	Total Temperament Points	
			Total of All Points Earned	

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STCA Awards – please print legibly

Owner's Name: ______Email address:

Dog's name:

I am an STCA member:	Yes_	No_
My dog has a CD title:	Yes_	No_
My dog has a CGC or equiv	No_	
My dog is a CH:	Yes_	No_

Versatility Title Worksheet