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Tracking Dog Test October 6, 2013



Cross Country Tracking Club held it's TD test Oct 6th in Bowmanville in very lush alfalfa fields with myself judging. A Big Thank You to our tracklayers!!

Dorothy Phillips, Gladys Kinsman, Cynthia Thomas, Laura McKay, Lesly Taylor, Maryke Warwick & Wendy Downing.

We enjoyed our wonderful lunch supplied by our Club Members and the (piece de resistance) the "Berries on a Cloud " made by Bev Wiggans who also allows us to use her son's workplace as our HQ. Thank you all !!

Track 1. The day started with the first dog (a Doberman Pinscher) in the rain.

As soon as she was at the start, the sky opened up with wayyyy too much rain. After the dog started to get upset. I sent her back to her van till it slowed down. We waited 15 minutes and went back to the start. She got to the first corner but on the second leg started barking and me and my tracklayer. Probably still upset. Not much rain after that.

Track 2. A Flat Coated Retriever who got to the first corner and went the wrong way.

Track 3. A Wire Haired Dachshund who also got to the first corner and went the wrong way. Makes you think there must have been a coyote or some animal who had that path in the field.

Track 4. A Flat coated Retriever who got to the first corner , circled a bit and continued straight then turned ..too far off.

Track 5. "Oracle's The billionaire TD" an Australian Shepherd Dog male (3 yrs old) owned by Ayella Grossman of Orton On. but lives with and handled by Mirkka Koivusalo of Toronto. PASS !!! (Club Member) Very nicely done !

Track 6. "CH.Charbr By The Sea CD RA Agn CGN TD" a Portuguese Water Dog male (5 yrs. old) Owned by Anne Passafiume of Unionville On. PASS !!! (Club Member) Well done !!

Track 7. A Doberman Pinscher who Moved beautifully to the first corner and went the wrong way...

Track 8. "CH. Follyhill Winoka ABC Show Off FDJ RN CGN TD" a Weimaraner female (2 yrs. old) Owned by Greg & Nicki Newton of Warkworth On. PASS !!! Very fast an accurate dog !

Track 9. "Nasti Adams TD" a German Shepherd Dog male (7 yrs. old) owned by Dwyn Tomlinson of Scarborough On. PASS !!! (Club Member) Schutzhund style...beautifully done !

Track 10. "Lindenhof's Redmond TD" a German Shepherd Dog male (2 yrs. old) Owned by Greg Gavin & handled by Connie Gavin of Foxboro On. who also earned a TD on her Field Spaniel Sammie last month elsewhere. PASS !! (Club Member)) Fast mover and very well done !

Track 11. A German Shepherd Dog who worked very nicely to the second corner and went the wrong way..

Track 12. "Marvel's Sir Isaac RE CREMCL TD" A German Shepherd Dog male (4 yrs. old) owned by Debbie & Rod Durno of King On. , handled by Debbie. PASS !!! Another super tracking dog !

Congratulations to 6 passes out of 12..... 50%!! The others will do it next time!

Marie-P Babin

Urban Tracking Dog and Urban Tracking Dog Excellent



CCTC held it's Urban test Oct 20th in Whitby.

We had a great time with Donna Brinkworth of Penhold Alberta judging for us from picking her up at the airport till Eileen & I took her back to the airport.

We had two new tracklayers who said they really enjoyed the opportunity to learn more from Donna (Connie Gavin & Phyllis Shortt) Our experienced tracklayers were Maryke Warwick, Eileen Fisher, Pamela Burns, Sue Godbehere. Thanks to them all, the test ran very well.

We had 4 UTD and 2 UTDX.

Only one dog passed. **"Fortknox's Control Top TD UTD"** a Golden Retriever female, 5 years old owned by Vivienne Stubbs, Kathleen Stock & David Mahon. She was handled by Vivienne of Port Robinson On.

Congratulations to her !!



The other breeds were; A Rough Collie , two Labrador Retrievers, a Weimaraner & a Wire-haired Dachshund who all worked really hard but had difficulties whirling winds and other problems.

Thanks again Donna for having come to Ontario and a reminder...watch out for cars when you're not in Alberta !!

I had a GREAT time with the CCTC group! When I arrived, Marie Babin and Eileen Fisher told me that I had to prove my worthiness as a judge by finding my way to the van parked in Terminal 3 at Toronto. Marie had drawn a chalk start flag by the exit doors and there were chalk lines all the way to the 4th floor leading to a van with a big X beside it. I must say - I nailed a couple of those turns! But was did get a bit visual, running at one point over to a Tim's cup someone had tossed in the parkade. I was doubled over with laughter and the rest of the weekend was the same, filled with great company and hospitality.

Plotting in the rain was still fun and we had such high hopes for the next day. The venues are really nice for urban tests! Sadly, the winds picked up causing gusts between buildings and swirling conditions that picked up during the morning causing problems for urban tracking dogs away from more sheltered areas. I saw all great teams that will have their passes another day for sure. Great teamwork and handling and very determined dogs.

The day started with a Rough Collie entered in UTD. This dog worked through the a parking lot that was slowly filling for a baseball game later in the morning. She worked through the activity, and even had a tracking break when a man and little toddler came over to pat Lassie - right at her transition to hard surface. She carried on and I could see her literally gulping air to find her track, making it to the non-veg turn, dead on. At that moment, she was attracted up onto a curb of veg, then proceeded back onto the parking lot but just below her leather glove - missing it and continuing on until she was too far to recover to the track. I felt like I would pass out, trying to wish her back to the last article. I started with Rough Collies (with two titled tracking roughs) and was thrilled to a collie work like this. Despite missing the article the CCTC gang gave this team a big round of hearty applause.

This was the kind of work I saw from other dogs too. As with every test I felt the heartbreak along with the handlers. CCTC has a wonderful group of tracking people who are so supportive of the spirit of this sport. We were very happy to have our Golden team pass! Congratulations to Vivienne and Lacey UTD - she pulled hard when she was on track ... we ran to keep up and were rewarded to see Lacey finish with great confidence.

Thanks to the club for having me. I was happy to meet people and put faces to names I've known for a long time. Ontario is beautiful at this time of year - what better way to spend time than out with our dogs!

*I did nearly step out in front of oncoming traffic on a busy road, and thankfully someone grabbed me from behind! I have been in Alberta for 5 years now where cars stop for pedestrians (they really do STOP)! That was close! :)

Donna Brinkworth

Tracking Dog Excellent Test Nov 3, 2013



Today was CCTC's TDX test. We offered 4. We originally had space for 4 TDX's.

Then Friday when I was in Courtice I was shocked to see that the farmer's field was all plowed in wide strips leaving three or four 20m. strips up the fields. The plowed areas were awful with big lumps of soil about 1 1/2 - 2' high all over.

All we had left was 1 field big enough for 1 TDX in another area.

We had to cancel the other three in order as there was no time to find anymore fields.

We believe that it wasn't the farmer who did this, it's the government with the upcoming extension of the 407 hwy. I hear they do this to test the soil. It was a total surprise to all of us. I think it was done either Wed. or Thurs. as it was very freshly done.

We're very sorry at CCTC that this happen but it was beyond our control..

It drizzled all day yesterday but today was a clear blue sky and a gorgeous day !

The test went on with the first entry which was a 5 year old male German Shepherd Dog owned by Wendy Peters of Merrickville On. Bred by Robin Winter.

"Quincy 2nd Von Narnia TDX" Very nice working dog and did his track in 14 min.

Congratulations Wendy & Quincy !!

Tracklayer was Candy Rennie and the X-track layer was Eileen Fisher.

We will be searching for more fields before our Spring test.



North American Mixed Breed Registry Nov 10, 2013



I had the great pleasure of judging the NAMBR Tracking Test in Whitby and Clarington Nov 10, 2013.

We had a wonderful assortment of dogs: 2 UTDs, 8 TDs and 1 TDX. The weather wasn't great: very windy and bits of rain at times. Nevertheless we had some stunning performances and 3 dogs passed:

English Shepherd, Robbie, passed his UTD with a very nice performance. Proud owner is Laura Johnson. Robbie just has his UTDX to finish to become a NAMBR TCH. Hope to see him next year!

Flatcoat, Abby, passed her TD in great style. Proud owner is Carolee Furze.

Bohemian Shepherd, Zanna, did a great job on her TD track. Proud owner is Susanne Rokas.



Many thanks to all the tracklayers: Pamela Burns, Connie Gavin, Sue Godbehere, Candy Rennie, Marie Babin, Sandy Brodie and Kim Oatway. Thanks to Sue Godbehere and her crew for organizing and staging this event.

Laura McKay

CCTC Members' Brags



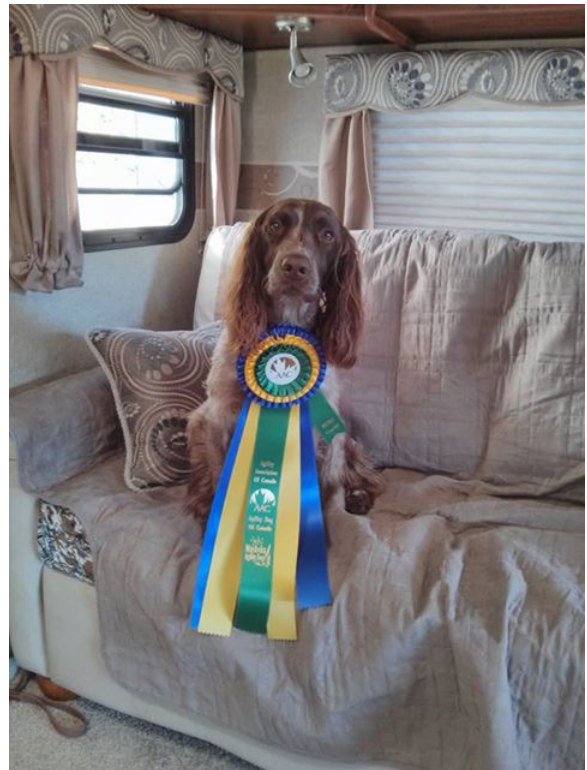
Pinebank's Encore Performer WCX TDX JH RA Am TD
"Tenor" earned his TDX Oct 2013 and his RA in Sept
Owned by Laura McKay



BriMac's Reese's Pieces
"Reese" earned his Ultimate Air Master Champion
and his Dock Dog Master titles Sept 2013.
Owned by Pauline Norman



Ch Gardenpath's Archangel
"Boomer" finished his CKC Championship Oct 2013
Owned by Debbie Ng



Pheasant Ridge's Just You Wait TD SGDC ADC
English Cocker "Higgins" earned his SGDC Sept 2013
(starters games dog of Canada) (Agility Dog of Canada)
Owned by Phyllis Shortt

More CCTC Brags



Connie Gavin's Field Spaniel "Sammie" earned his TD Sept,28, 2013 and his SDDA (Sporting Detection Dogs Association)

Dragonflytes DancinThrough Life ADC, SGDC, RN TD



Connie Gavin's German Shepherd Dog "Redmond" earned his TD Oct.6, 2013.

Lindenhof's Redmond TD



Dwyn Tomlinson's German Shepherd Dog "The Dude" earned his TD Oct.6, 2013.

Nasti Adam TD



Mirkka Koivusalo's Australian Shepherd "Forbes" earned his TD Oct. 6, 2013.

Oracle's The Billionaire TD

More CCTC Brags



Ch Charbr Dancing By The Sea CD RA AgN CGN TD
“**Charlie**” earned his TD title In Oct 2013
Owned by Anne Passafiume



FC Streak von Lowenherz TD CD RN ME
“**Streak**” earned his Master Earthdog title in Sept.
Owned By Pamela Burns



FC Lieder von Lowenherz TD
“**Lieder**” earned his AKC Field Championship in Sept.
Owned by Pamela Burns



Sallysvalley Jack In A Box P-CD
“**Jack**” earned his Pre Novice Title Oct 2013
Owned by Marg Hacking

CCTC Members' Brags



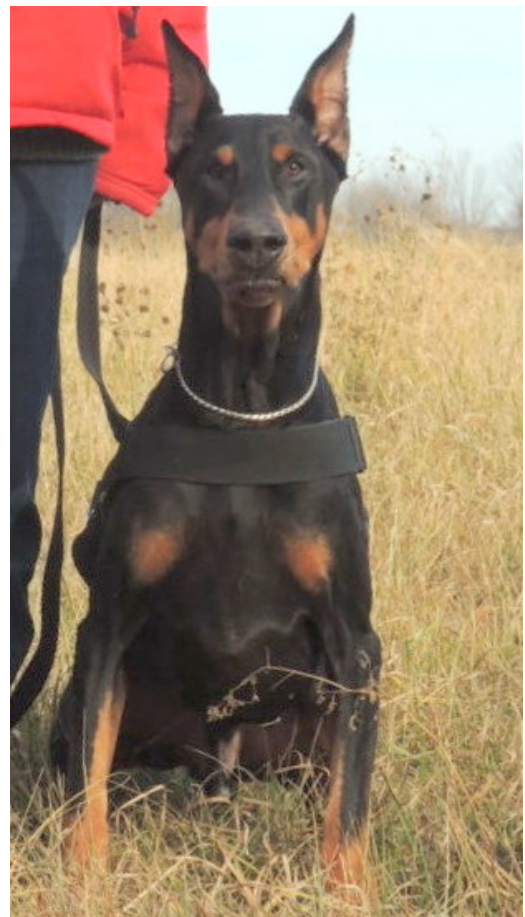
Castlegar Miss Behaving RN TD
"Abby" earned her RN title in Aug. and her TD title
Sept 2013
Owned by Candy Rennie



Ch Elliquin Whistlin' Thru P-CD TD RE CGN
"Whistle" earned her CGN title in June & her RA & RE
titles in Aug 2013
Owned by Maryke Warwick



OTCHX Umber Doncy RN WCX SH TD
"Umber" achieved her Obedience Trial Champion Excellent Title
Oct, 2013
Owned by Ron Bobson

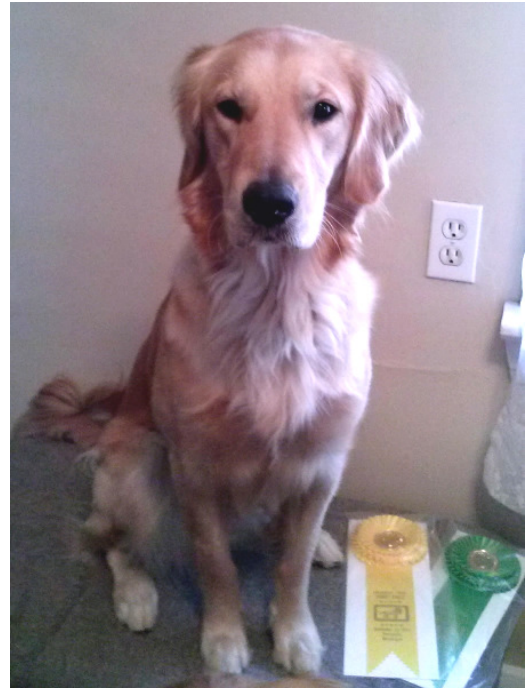


King Diablo's Royal Dylan CGN P-CD RA
"Dylan" earned his P-CD and RA titles.
Owned by Mary Mackey

CCTC Brags



OTCH UCDX RO1, Thistledoon Tu Hot Fur Me WC RN ,
(AKC) UD, RN (UKC) CDX (NAMBR) CD
“**Ouch**” earned his (AKC) UD (UKC) CDX (NAMBR) CD
Owned by Irene Mullan



Thistledoon On The Road Again (AKC) CD
“**Roady**” earned his AKC CD
Owned by Irene Mullan

Gingerbread Mailmen

1 ½ cup oat flour
1 ½ cup brown rice flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. ground ginger
1 tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. baking soda
1 egg
¼ cup safflower oil (or other oil)
½ cup molasses
¼ cup peanut butter
1 tbsp. Apple cider vinegar

Preheat oven 350*. Combine all ingredients together and mix thoroughly until dough forms.

Roll the dough out on a lightly floured surface to ¼” in thickness. Cut out the treats.

Use a gingerbread cookie cutter (mailman one if you have one)

Place on an un-greased cookie sheet. (they can be close together as they don’t spread while baking)

Bake 18-22 minutes or until edges turn golden brown. Let cool completely on a wire rack.

Store at room temperature in a loosely covered container.

Apple Cider Vinegar

It seems you can’t go wrong giving your dog apple cider vinegar – inside & out.

The easiest way to introduce it to your dogs’ regular diet is to put a tiny amount in the water bowl. As they become used to the taste, increase the amount ever so gradually until you are adding about a teaspoon a day in the water.

ACV is good for arthritis, allergies, itchy skin, correcting pH levels, eliminating tear stains around the eyes (on light colored dogs), fighting fleas and other pests, and so much more.

Gone But Not Forgotten.....



Zazou's Bravo Amelia Bedelia C.D., CGN, N.T.D.(Novice trick).
July 4, 2006, - August 20, 2013.

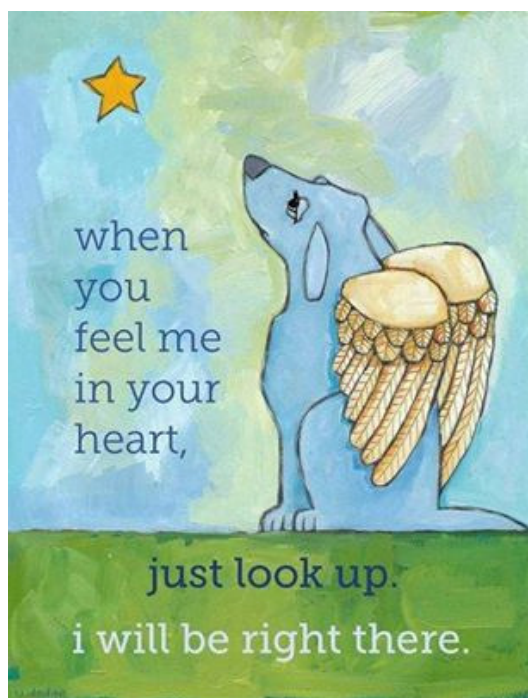
“**Amelia**” had eight points to her championship, and was trained for Rally, Open, Agility and Freestyle, her health had me stop training her, and she became my constant companion

She accomplished her Trick title with Kyra Sundance, without ever having been in a class. Tricks were like a giggle to her. She lead our entry in the Bowmanville Santa Claus Parade for a number of years.

She performed in Demos with Team K9, at the Chin Picnic and other locations, and numerous times at Pawsway. Doing agility, tricks and races, she won the hearts of the audience.

I miss her daily, she was a dear sweet girl, with the heart of a lion.

Owned and missed by Ruth Ann Miller



New Little Trackers



Buffy vom Bergblick **"Buffy"** a German Shepherd Dog, was born May 3, 2013
Owned by Dwyn Tomlinson



Cairnbrae Hobbes **"Hobbes"** a Parson Russell, was born May 5, 2013. He is a 1/2 brother to Spider
Owned by Sue Godbehere



At helping my heart to heal, I would like to introduce UCI Puppy Champion Starfyre Chrysocolla NTD

"Kohl", is a Silken Windhound puppy born on June 2, 2013. KOHL's owner flew him on her knee, from Southern California. He walked through Arrivals, with his long tail, just wagging!
Once I knew I was going to get a Windhound, I joined the yahoo list, where I sent them my bio. KOHL's breeder contacted me that night. She said, I understand if you are not ready, and I am in no hurry, but I thought the two of you should meet! My trainer, is an AKC judge in Rally and Obedience, and she said this is his home. Another breeder told me KOHL had not been for sale.
There were so many meant to be's, in me getting this boy! He is such a happy boy, loves to work. He is currently in a trick class, and could already qualify for his trick title! He starts obedience class on Sunday, and is currently tracking with Marie P Babin on Fridays. He is already doing scent discrimination, and go outs.
When he is much older, we will do lure coursing, but I want him to grow up first. In Nov, Kohl earned his Novice Trick Dog Title

Owned by Ruth Ann Miller

More New Little Trackers

Cavanhills Act of Courage **“Grai”**
a Labrador Retriever, was born July 21, 2013
Owned by Victoria Vidal-Ribas



Ch Nonnies Ace High **“Shawn”** an English Cocker Spaniel,
born Oct 2011, has come to live with his dad Ace Ventura.
Owned by Helena Tracz

More CCTC Brags

CH. ATChC, U-CD, UR-03, VTCH, VCX Jubilee Dark Side of the Moon CD, MSCDC, CL4, CL5-F, CL5-R, JS-N, RAE, CRNMCL, CRAMCL, CRXMCL, CRXT, CRS, AGX, AGXJ, FDCH-S, AKC HT, HCT-s, CKC HTT, HI, HI-sd, HTADI-d, HTDI-d, ATD-sd, OTD-c, TT, CGN

“Sky” earned the following titles in 2013

1. CKC RAE - RALLY - Rally Advanced Excellent
2. AAC MSCDC - AGILITY - Master Steeplechase Dog of Canada
3. CPE CL4-H - AGILITY - CPE Level 4 - Handler
4. CPE CL4 - AGILITY - CPE Level 4 - Completed
5. CPE CL5-R - AGILITY - CPE Level 5 Regular
6. CPE CL5-F - AGILITY - CPE Level 5 Fun
7. ASCA OTD-c - HERDING - Open Trial Dog - Cattle
8. ASCA ATD-d - HERDING - Advanced Trial Dog - Ducks
9. ASCA ATD-s - HERDING - Advanced Trial Dog - Sheep
10. AHBA HTDI-d - HERDING - Herding Trial Dog - Level 1 -Ducks

The following are not Titles but still big brags:

1. Sky placed 10th in Canada in the CKC Herding Championship Standings
2. ParAgility World Cup in Hungary
3. Standard Class - Silver Medal
4. Jumpers Class - Gold Medal

4th Place overall in the World!

Owned by Sharon Palmer



New CCTC Member

Tracey Burns

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Rottweilers

Tracking Champions In Canada

According to Laura McKay's records we have 37 TCHs.

11 GSD

8 Goldens

5 Labs

3 Weims

2 Aussies

1 each of Std. Poodle, Toy Poodle, CKC spaniel, BSD (Mal), English Cocker, Berner, Chessie, Border Collie.

Group 1 is winning with 18, followed by Group 7 with 15, Toys with 2 and Working and Non-sporting with 1 each.