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from July 7 Club
meeting.***

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Affiliate Report

Braggs

Hi Everyone -

Well it doesn't look like there will be any slowing down with the 2014 calendar. There will be lots of opportunities next year to get out and have fun with your two and four legged friends! The 2014 proposed list of activities is included in the meeting minutes.

2014 will also be bringing opportunities for people to lead this active group and help support all of these activities. Below are some of the positions that are open. Please consider serving!

1. **Nominating Committee.** Two members are needed for the nominating committee. Please contact me
2. **Board Positions** - Think about reaching out to the nominating committee (once established) to volunteer for office or seriously consider serving if you're asked. There will be at least three available openings on the Board.
3. **Newsletter Editor** – Contact Anne St. Pierre if you're interested. She can provide more details
4. **Stockdog Coordinator** – Pete Dolan can provide details on this one.
5. **Agility Showbox and Ribbons** – We need someone to keep these items. I can provide details.

So please think about serving the Club. To contact me, Pete, or Anne, please see the back page of this newsletter for email addresses.

Have a great day and stay cool!

Summer Stockdog Training Clinic 2013

Sponsored by ASCNE

Dates: August 12, 13, and 14

Clinician: Marti Parrish from Washington State

Marti has been breeding and working Australian Shepherds since the mid 1970's. She is the owner of the ASCA Hall of Fame Kennel, "Justus", home of numerous WTCH recipients. Marti has competed in a variety of stockdog trials and now judges ASCA, AKC, CKC, and AHBE trials. She has been sharing her positive training methods at clinics around the United States, as well as Austria and France.

Location: Riverfare Farm, Webster, NH on August 12 and 13

Riverbank Farm, Salisbury NH on August 14

Time: 8:00am to 5:00pm

Fees: Participant fee for all 3 days: \$375

Two days is \$275 or one day for \$160

Auditors are \$35 per day

All fees include lunch and drinks each day

Livestock: Cattle, sheep, goats, ducks, and geese

The first two days of the clinic will be held at the trial site to allow participants to work through problem areas on the ASCA courses and to gain experience in navigating the various obstacles. Marti will coach handlers and their dogs throughout the day and provide constructive information to help everyone improve.

The third day of the clinic will be held at Riverbank Farm in Salisbury, NH. Wednesday will provide a different venue for the dogs and handlers to work in as well as opportunities to work on "basics" and farm tasks with various livestock.

Entries: Post marked on or after July 17, 2013

Participation entries should be submitted on an ASCA Stockdog Trial Entry Form and checks made payable to ASCNE. Mail checks to:
Matt Mason, 557 West Salisbury Rd, Salisbury, NH 03268



ASCA SANCTIONED *
ALL BREED
AGILITY TRIAL
(Open to ALL Dogs)

Hosted by

The Australian Shepherd Club of New England

(*Sanctioning pending)

1st Fall Fling Agility Trial

November 16 & 17, 2013
SureFire Dogs Training Center
57 Brigham St. Westborough, MA

JUDGE:

Ben Philibert, Massachusetts

CLASSES OFFERED:

Regular (2 Runs per day)
Jumpers (2 Runs Saturday/ 1 Run Sunday)
Gamblers (1 Runs Saturday/ 2 Runs Sunday)
Exhibition Class for Retired Canine Competitors (Saturday only)
Pre-novice (2 runs per day)
For Novice, Open, and Elite
Standard, Veterans and Jr. Handlers

LIMITED TO 350 Runs per Day

Entry by Postmark Date (not delivery date)

Please be sure that the envelope postmark is legible. Hand stamping
by the Post Office is recommended.

NO POSTMARKS EARLIER THAN September 25, 2013

ENTRIES/MOVE-UPS CLOSE November 6, 2013 @ 9 PM



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Presents

Three days of Conformation & Stock
Two days of Obedience*, Rally* & Agility**

20th ANNUAL

HARVEST MOON MANIA SHOW

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

October 18, 19, and 20, 2013

Westfield Fairgrounds, Westfield, MA

** Sanctioning Pending **

Pre-Entry Opening Postmark Date: September 3, 2013

Pre-Entry Closing Postmark Date: October 4, 2013



JUDGES

Conformation

Carol Ann Hartnagle, CO
Terri Morgan, CO
Richard Pittmam, CA
Sheila Polk

Stock

Joan Carillo, OR
Rick Pinney, OR
Larry Teaff, TX
Agility
Sandra Katzen, WA

Obedience

Janet Kelly, SC
Linda Ferrullo, NY
Rally
Linda Ferrullo, NY

BRAGS

ATCH Mariners Cinnamon Teal STDs, RNX RAX REX
ATCH Sakonnet Razzmatazz STDs JS-E-SP, RNX RAX REX
Snicker received her ATCH on 5/12/13 in Seekonk and Razz received her ATCH on 6/8/13 in Westfield. Chuck Klein (pictured with Snicker (L) and Razz (R) judged both trials.

Tucker, ATCH Buff Cap Sterling, handled by Lee Prager achieved his ATCH at the WASCUNY agility trial on June 22nd at Sugarbush Farm!

Below, **StoneCircle Fine Bi Design, STDs**, bred, owned and handled by Mary L. Lupien, finished her started sheep title at the Maine stockdog trials in July.



Congrats to **WTCH W Lazy J Rudie Mason** and Matt Mason for achieving their WTCH at the Maine stockdog trials in July!

JUNIORS

ASCNE juniors now have their very own website!

This site will be used as a place to post pictures, show results, ASCA points, and other news regarding the juniors.

Check it out at:
<http://ascnejrs.webs.com>



ASCNE Meeting – July 7, 2013 at Jean Janotta’s home – Raymond, NH

- **Meeting was called to order at 12:50pm by President Jean Janotta**
- **Attendance**
 - BOD – Jean Janotta, Gull Gullicksen, Pauli Haggis, Anne St. Pierre
 - Members – Kathie Chouinard, Lyn Scribner, Robin Goodman, Karen Souza, Bill Haggis, Art Landry, Carol Landry
 - Guests – Alan and Maureen Aulson from Groveland, MA (Bongo’s parents!)
- **Secretary’s Report – Karen Miller**
 - Motion by Robin to accept March meeting minutes as printed in newsletter; second by Pauli; motion approved
- **Treasurer’s Report – Pete Dolan (presented by Jean as Pete is traveling)**
 - Account balance as of 03/03/13 \$9,347.26 (includes \$140.54 Rescue Fund)

Show	Date	Income	Expenses	Profit / (Loss)
Rescue Show	March 16 – 17, 2013	\$4,845	\$4,376	\$469
March Agility Trial	March 30 – 31, 2013	\$7,959	\$5,218	\$2,741
Cindi Hayden Clinic	April 6 – 7, 2013	\$2,650	\$2,377	\$273
April Obedience and Rally Trial	April 20 – 21, 2013	\$1,569	\$1,651	(\$82)
Introduction to Herding	April 21, 2013	\$925	\$720	\$205
Jim Hartnagle Clinic	April 27 – 28, 2013	\$3,005	\$3,356	(\$351)
May Obedience and Rally Trial	May 5, 2013	\$486	\$436	\$50
May Agility Trial	May 25 – 26, 2013	\$8,494	\$7,674	\$820
Colors of Summer	June 8 – 9, 2013	\$12,385	\$11,897	\$488
June Stockdog Trial	June 15 – 16, 2013	\$3,990	\$3,617	\$373
November Agility Trial to Date	November 16 - 17, 2013		\$1,100	
Ribbon Expenses to Date			\$6,352	

- Account balance as of 07/07/13 \$12,223.63 (includes \$140.54 Rescue Fund)
- Pauli asked if there was a breakdown for COS by venue. Jean stated Treasurer’s report is high level and that detailed breakdowns can be requested. Pete is traveling but will be asked for one on his return. Initial feedback is Obedience and Rally did very well, agility was down but still in the black.
- Lot of discussion around budgeting
- Motion by Robin to accept treasurer’s report; second by Kathie; motion approved
- **Affiliate Report – Anne St. Pierre**

OBEDIENCE

PLACEMENT: Section 8: DIRECTED OPEN EXERCISES – FOR ODX ONLY.

Prior to the start of the ODX class, the judge shall measure the radius around the cone and also mark the point over which the cone will be placed. The measuring shall be done as follows: The spot on which the cone will be placed for all teams shall be marked for consistency in placement. Once the cone is placed, the 3’ radius for the directed sit shall be determined by measuring 36 inches from outside edge of the base of the cone in each quarter-hour direction (front, back and both sides). The quarter hours on the radius must be marked to allow the judge to more readily discern if the dog has met the requirements. The four foot radius shall also be determined by measuring 48” from the outside edge of the base of the cone and shall be marked as described for the three foot radius. A different color may be used for the three and four foot diameter marks if desired. Chalk or a similar substance may be used for marking. Outdoors, the use of golf tees and similar items is not recommended, but if used, the item must be pushed fully into the ground so that the top is flush with the ground for the safety of the dogs. It is recommended that clubs have a yardstick or other measuring device that can be used.

STOCKDOG

Addition of Stock Dog Champion Title (SDCH)

SDCH awarded to dogs who have completed the following requirements:

- Working Trial Champion-X
- Advanced Farm Trial Dog on cattle and one other stock
- Ranch Trial Dog on sheep and cattle
- Post Advanced Trial Dog on sheep and cattle

Rationale: To develop advanced titles for those who enjoy trialing their dogs in ASCA. If approved it will be incorporated into the January 2014 rulebook.

What Constitutes a Farm Trial

Each sanctioned Farm Trial may consist of any or all of the different combinations of the classes of livestock (cattle, sheep, ducks, and/or mixed).

Rationale: A clarification of what makes a single Farm Trial. Arena trials allow all classes of livestock to be sanctioned as one trial, this addition will avoid inconsistencies in interpretation of what a single Farm Trial is as the SDC Farm Trial review changes membership over time.

Budget deadline requirements in the National Specialty Rulebook from:

From: 12.1 The final budget for the Finals is due at least ninety (90) days prior to the Nationals. Budget must state the number of head of stock to be used in each go-round and final go-round.

To: 12.1 The Host Club shall submit a proposed budget to the Board and Stockdog Committee at least six (6) months prior to the Finals. The budget must state the total number of head of livestock to be used in each class of stock for all go-rounds of Finals. This number should reflect extra livestock on hand to be used in case of injury or illness, with a written breakdown of what is to be considered back-up or extra.

Rationale: This will satisfy the Board Directive issued the Stockdog Committee and bring the budget requirements in line with the other programs within ASCA. This will also allow the Board and Stockdog Committee the opportunity to review and request any necessary changes without creating a hardship on the Host Club. This will be placed in the January 2014 rulebook.

- **Library Report – Carolyn MacDonald**
 - Carolyn too busy getting married to come to the meeting!!
- **ASCA BOD Report – Linda Gray**
 - Linda not present
- **Sunshine Report**
 - Wedding congratulations to Carolyn MacDonald – now Carolyn Rancourt!
- **Event Updates:**
 - April 27&28 – Stock Clinic with Jim Hartnagle – Matt Mason
 - Art said the clinic went well and that Jim’s presentation and feedback skills have improved a lot over the years; he’s still honest, but communication is much improved
 - May 25&26 – Agility Trial – Contoocook, NH – Jean Janotta
 - Small but went well; expensive site when trial doesn’t fill
 - June 8&9 – COS – Agility, Conformation, Obedience, Rally – Keli Gaunt
 - Conformation paperwork process needs some improvements
 - Looking for new agility chair for 2014
 - June 15&16 – Stock Trial – Portland, CT – Linc Keiser
 - Nice stock
 - July 12&13&14 – Stock Arena/FarmTrial – Prospect, ME – Diane Menard
 - Mentioned there were still runs available

OLD BUSINESS

- **New Members:**
 - The following were accepted as new members:
 - Kristie Foss sponsored by Kathy Bishop and Dee Williamson
 - Kathleen Nicolazzo sponsored by Emmy Adasiewicz and Sharon Ruppel
 - Dan & Carol Thomsen sponsored by Nancy Gagnon and Mary Ann Stoddart
- **Newsletter Distribution – Jean Janotta**
 - Haven't heard any more issues regarding receipt of newsletter announcement emails

NEW BUSINESS

- **Membership Applications – Dottie Duclos**

<p>Applicant Diane Marshall 70 Spring St. Wrentham, MA 02093 ASCA # 132094</p>	<p>Sponsors Kathie Chouinard Gull Gullicksen</p>
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- **ASCA Voting**
 - ASCA Director votes
 - Ronnie Bates
 - Pete Dolan
 - Preston Kissman
 - By-law change - voted Yes
- **2014 Proposed Calendar**
 - January 5 – meeting – Canine Mastery, Seekonk, MA
 - January 11&12 – Agility – Hamden, CT – Wendy Richmond
 - February 1 – Obedience – Seekonk, MA - ??
 - TBD: February 2 – Breed – Seekonk, MA – Karen Miller??
 - March 2 – ROM banquet, Log Cabin, Holyoke, MA – MaryAnn and Joe Stoddart
 - March 15&16 – Rescue Show – Breed – Taunton, MA – Sue Winters
 - March 29&30 – Agility – Manchester, NH – Jean Janotta/Chris Carlson
 - March 29&30 – Cattle clinic with Cindi Hayden - Webster, NH – Matt Mason
 - April TBD – Intro to Herding – Lebanon, CT – Tenley Dexter
 - April 19&20 – Obedience & Rally – Seekonk, MA – Kathy Buckley
 - April 26&27 – Stock clinic – Webster, NH – Matt Mason
 - May 4 – Obedience & Rally – Goshen, CT – Claudia Reed
 - TBD: May 10&11 – Agility – Seekonk, MA – hosted by ActUp Agility – sanctioned by ASCNE
 - May 24&25 – Agility – location TBD – Jean Janotta
 - June 7&8 – Agility, Breed, Obedience, Rally – Westfield, MA – Keli Gaunt
 - June 14&15 – Stock – Portland, CT – Linc Keiser
 - June 29 – Meeting – location TBD
 - July 18&19&20 – Stock – Prospect, ME – Diane Menard
 - TBD: July 26&27 - Agility – Manchester, NH – hosted by Bo-Gee Agility – sanctioned by ASCNE
 - August 1&2&3 – Obedience & Rally – Seekonk, MA – Kathy Buckley
 - TBD: August 16&17 – Agility – N. Smithfield, RI – hosted by ActUp Agility – sanctioned by ASCNE
 - September 7 – meeting – Brooklyn, CT – The Haggis'
 - September 13&14 - Stock – NH – Art Landry
 - September 20&21 – Breed – ME – Anne St. Pierre
 - October TBD – Harvest Moon Mania – Westfield, MA – Peter Kontos
 - October 31-Nov 8 – ASCA Nationals – Bryant, TX
 - November 2 – meeting – NH – TBD
 - November 8 – Obedience/Rally – Seekonk, MA – Kathy Buckley
 - TBD: November 9 – Breed – Seekonk, MA - ??
 - TBD: November 15&16 – Agility – Westborough, MA – Joey Mason

- **2016 Nationals - Email Inquiry from Cherie Soule (PENN-NY ASC) – May 28 - Jean**
 - There are some people from New York talking about hosting the 2016 ASCA Nationals. Cherie has volunteered to be the event coordinator. Initial discussions were to limit hosting to New York clubs. She was considering a recommendation to include all Northeast clubs, including ASCNE, Brandywine and Garden State, but wanted to check with each club on their level of interest before actually making the proposal.
 - Discussion included
 - Insuring the venue chairs were experienced in both the venue as well as budgeting for the venue
 - Would it make more sense to communicate to ASCNE members that if they wanted this to happen to reach out and volunteer as individuals
 - Insuring the entire consortium would work as a team and not splinter into individual venues
 - The overall leader needs to be able to keep all venue leads on task and budget conscious
 - ASCNE's bank account is not at the level it was in 2005 when the planning began for the 2007 Nationals
 - Final decision was more information is needed – how will things be run, what exactly is being asked of ASCNE. Perhaps Cherie could make a presentation or something.

- **Election Year - Jean**
 - This is an ASCNE election year and there are going to be many opportunities for individuals to contribute to the Club.
 - At a minimum, the President, Treasurer, and Affiliate Rep are not seeking re-election
 - A nominating committee will be established around the first of September (one Board Member and two ASCNE members). This committee is tasked with presenting a slate of candidates to the BOD by the first of October. This slate will then be presented at the November membership meeting. Others may be put on the ballot at that time. All this is in the by-law document on the web.
 - If you are interested in running for a position, feel free to check the ASCNE bylaws (on the Members page of the website) or ask an existing Board member about the position.
 - If you're interested in being on the Nominating committee, let Jean know.
 - Terms are two years.
 - Keep in mind all the events that are listed above for 2014 – the Club needs to exist to sanction these events and for the Club to exist, it needs a Board!!

- **Newsletter – Anne St. Pierre**
 - Anne will be stepping down as Newsletter Editor
 - She proposed doing away with the newsletter as all the information is contained elsewhere on the website
 - Jean pointed out that although the Club By-laws don't specifically state the requirement for a newsletter, there might need to be wording changes if the newsletter was no longer published.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Pauli; seconded by Kathie; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm

Respectfully submitted by Robin Goodman and Jean Janotta

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Please consider volunteering at Club events or the ASCNE BOD!

Your participation is highly encouraged, very much appreciated, and necessary to help run the Club and events.

2013 Trials, Shows, Clinics

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT
12 & 13-Jan	Agility Trial (closed)	Hamden, CT	W. Richmond
2-Feb	Obedience (closed)	Seekonk, MA	Kathy Buckley
3-Feb	Conformation (closed)	Seekonk, MA	Karen Miller
16 & 17-Mar	Conformation (closed)	Taunton, MA	Susan Winters
30 & 31-Mar	Agility Trial (closed)	Manchester, NH	Kathy Fretz
6 & 7-Apr	Cattle Clinic (closed)	Webster, NH	Matt Mason
21-Apr	Intro to Herding (closed)	Lebanon, CT	Tenley Dexter
20 & 21-Apr	Obedience & Rally (closed)	Seekonk, MA	Kathy Buckley
27 & 28-Apr	Stock Clinic (closed)	Webster, NH	Matt Mason
5-May	Obedience & Rally (closed)	Goshen, CT	Claudia Reed
11 & 12-May	ASCNE Agility Trial (closed)	Seekonk, MA	ACT-UP
25 & 26-May	Agility Trial (closed)	Contoocook, NH	Jean Janotta
8 & 9-June	Colors of Summer (closed)	Westfield, MA	Keli Gaunt
15 & 16 Jun	Stock Trial (closed)	Portland, CT	Linc Keiser
12-Jul	Farm Trial (closed)	Prospect, ME	Diane Menard
13 & 14-Jul	Stock Trials (closed)	Prospect, ME	Diane Menard
3 & 4-Aug	Obedience & Rally	Seekonk, MA	Kathy Buckley
10 & 11 Aug	Stock and Farm Trials	Webster, NH	Matt Mason
12 - 14-Aug	Stock Clinic w/ Marti Parrish	Webster, NH	Matt Mason
17 & 18-Aug	ASCNE Agility Trial	N. Smithfield, RI	ACT-UP
18-20-Oct	Harvest Moon Mania	Westfield, MA	Peter Kontos
9-Nov	Obedience & Rally	Seekonk, MA	TBD
10-Nov	Conformation	Seekonk, MA	Sharon Ruppel
16 & 17-Nov	Agility Trial	Westborough, MA	Joey Mason

Reimbursement - Expenses Incurred on Behalf of ASCNE

Requests for reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the club (whether for a trial, show, clinic, seminar, or whatever) must be submitted within 30 days of the event. Exceptions will be handled on an individual basis but the Treasurer must be notified before the 30-day limit is reached, effective March 2006. (From the ASCNE Policy and Procedures Manual Revision 0, 1/10/08 on the club web site)

NEW ENGLAND AUSSIE
Newsletter Deadlines

September 15, 2013
November 15, 2013

UPCOMING CLUB MEETINGS DATES
All Club Members Welcome

September 8, 2013: Pomfret, CT
November 3, 2013: Canterbury, NH