



New England Aussie

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WELCOME

The following new members have been voted in
since the last newsletter:

Janice Raphael
1062 Westgate Street
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Sponsored by Kathy Buckley & Dottie Duclos

Anne Marie & Keith Hopkins
259 Plymouth Street
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Sponsored by Kathie Chouinard & Dottie Duclos



President's Message

Art Landry

I hope your new year has started off well. Our club has been very busy lately adding events and working out the details in our 2015 calendar. We've made the decision to cancel Harvest Moon Mania for this year due to its conflict with the Finals and Nationals in Tennessee. The general consensus seems to be that we will all have too much on our plate this year to do a nice job with HMM.

We've had some folks step up to take on some new roles. Kelly Sweeney will be chairing conformation at Colors of Summer. Nancy Gagnon will be taking over the ROM bowl call for 2016 from Karen Miller.

Carol Landry will take over as Stockdog Coordinator from

Pete Dolan. Carol also filled in as Interim Board Secretary and was recently appointed to finish Karen Miller's term in that office. We still have a few key positions to fill. This will definitely be Jean's last year as ROM Meeting and Banquet chair. If no one takes over that job we may have to make the difficult decision to discontinue it in future years. Maybe we need to discuss an alternate event for our annual meeting?!? Food for thought!!! Cancelling HMM for this year gave us a little time but we still need a stock Course Director for future Harvest Moon events. The position of newsletter editor is also available—very, very available !



Please take a good look at the calendar you'll find in the following pages. I'm sure you'll find something for everyone.

Meanwhile, I'll look forward to seeing you at the ROM Banquet and Meeting on March 1st! Happy Valentine's day!

*Sincerely,
Art*

General Membership Meeting Minutes of Sunday, November 2nd

Dr. Matt Mason Household – Carol Landry (stepping in for Karen Miller, secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 PM. Board members present: Arthur Landry, Gull Gullicksen, Kathie Chouinard, and Mike Kur-dzo. Members present: Carol Landry, Karen Souza, Matt Mason, Alexis Reidy, Lyn Scribner, Kate Viles, Jean Janotta, Lee Prager, Linda Prager, Cindy King, William King, and Linda Heath.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Lee Prager and seconded by Jean Janotta to waive the reading of the minutes from September 7th. Motion passed. Motion to accept was made by Lee Prager and seconded by Karen Souza. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Kathie Chouinard presented the Treasurer's Report:

Balance last meeting - \$10,378.15

Changes in balance –

September Stock Dog Trial – Profit of **\$159.11** (\$15.00 bank charge – Canadian check)

Harvest Moon Mania:

Obedience/Rally	1244.85
Stock	4687.46
Conformation	-488.79
Agility	1899.61
MVA	-238.35
TOTAL PROFIT	7104.78 ** has not been reviewed yet, can change.

****SOME ITEMS WERE PREPAID**

Fall Fling Agility Trial

Sanctioning/rental	1309.52	Expense
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Witches – Lynn Scribner	55.91	Expense
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Checkbook Balance - \$22,565.01 ** (not balanced with current bank statement)

The motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Lee Prager, seconded by Kate Viles. Motion passed.

Affiliate Report: Pauli Haggis presented the Affiliate Report:

I apologize that this meeting's report is incomplete. For the past 3 weeks I have been trying to access the Current and Past motions of the various program committees on the ASCA website. The site won't open, so I was not able to retrieve the most recent activities of the ASCA BOD. I asked a few other club members try to open the files and they were also unsuccessful.

Of particular interest to the ASCNE members, are the outcomes of

1: The agility committee's motion to discontinue offering a Veteran Handler Division; which was voted down.

2: The Rally committee sent the BOD a motion to allow praise at the end of each task at the Masters Level. This motion was passed.

The only program information I could access was from the stockdog committee.

Motions from the stockdog committee and passed by the ASCA BOD include:

1: No competing dogs may enter the trial arena or holding pens except during their run. A non-competing dog may be used in the pens to move stock at the discretion of the judge and/or Course Director. A trial is considered to have concluded when awards/scoresheets have been presented. At the conclusion of a trial the trial arena can be used for other stock events such as jackpots, clinics, lessons, and demonstrations with the approval of the judge, course director, and stock owner.

2: Open and Advanced Farm Trial competitors need a minimum score of 70% of the total points offered to qualify (90 of 130 points). They also must at least make an attempt at each element of each task to qualify, regardless of total points earned. Tasks must include 6 categories: gather, sort, pen work, chute and 2 location specific tasks. Tasks that are divided into separate segments would require an attempt at each segment to achieve a qualifying score.

3: Since many clubs have trouble finding sufficient workers, trials are no longer required to have 2 timekeepers per arena. There will now be a minimum of 1 scorekeeper/timer who will be responsible for tallying points on the scoresheet and operating 2 stop watches.

4: The stock dog committee is clarifying judges duties and developing a guideline in table format describing general offenses, infractions, and reinstatement policies.

Library Report: No report.

Newsletter Report: Art Landry stated that submission deadline for the next newsletter is November 15th.

BOD Report: ASCA Board member Cindy King was present. She announced that Matt Mason is the new Stockdog Committee member representing our area. She also shared that the DNA contract has been renewed for five years, but there will be an increase of \$1 in the price of a kit. Lastly, there have been issues associated with non ASCA agility clubs holding ASCA events. These issues will need to be addressed or this program will be discontinued.

Sunshine Report: Cards to be sent to Bill Haggis and Sue Vitro.

Event Updates:

- November 2 – ASCNE Meeting – Webster, NH – Matt Mason's
- November 8 & 9 – Cranberry Classic Obed & Rally – Kathy Buckley
- Nov 15 & 16 – Agility – Westborough, MA – Joey Mason
 - Budget submitted and accepted
 - Judge hired
 - Overfilled!!!

A motion was made by Lee Prager and seconded by Kathie Chouinard to accept all the Reports. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Member applications pending:

Janice Raphael, 1062 Westgate St., New Bedford, MA 02745, ASCA #535763 sponsored by Kathy Buckley and Dottie Duclos.

Anne Marie & Keith Hopkins, 259 Plymouth St., Halifax, MA 02338, ASCA #209758 sponsored by Kathie Chouinard and Dottie Duclos.

The 30 day waiting period ends November 18th. The BOD will vote on the applications at that time.

Still looking to fill positions of ROM banquet and meeting coordinator (Jean Janotta will mentor and provide info, and has contracted for the facility) and 2015 Course Director for HMM stock trials.

Kelly Sweeney has stepped forward to Show Chair for COS 2015. Kathie Chouinard is helping her with info.

Harvest Moon Mania 2015: After much discussion of possible other dates to hold it since it's current date conflicts with the Nationals in Tennessee, the majority of the members present were in favor of not having it at all. Agility may look into holding a 3 day agility trial with NY in September at Westfield, MA or Washington County, NY.

Nationals conformation pre-show: Members felt they needed more info and to get a sense of how many volunteers they would need/could get.

2015 Calendar: A motion was made by Art Landry and seconded by Karen Souza to allow Rally and Obedience to take over the February 7th & 8th date from conformation. Motion passed.

Conformation ROM: A committee of five has formed to address the award duplication: Karen Souza, Gull Gullicksen, Kathy Chouinard, Sue Winters and Nancy Gagnon.

New Business:

No new membership applications.

A member questioned if the ACE classes would count toward our ROM special awards. They will not count this year.

Skype meetings for BOD: In order to hold meetings via Skype, a change would have to be made in the ASCNE bylaws, and that change would have to be approved by ASCA.

Art Landry made the following motion:

“I make a motion to ask the general membership to approve adding the following section C to the ASCNE bylaws as indicated below:

Add section 4.2.2. C to the following

4.2.2. The Board shall meet not less than six times yearly to conduct business of the Club. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President at any time, with 15 days' notice to the members of the Board.

A. A quorum shall consist of 4 Directors. The presence of a quorum is necessary for all voting. Unless otherwise specified in these By-laws, any matter may be passed by the Board of Directors by a simple majority of those Directors present to vote.

B. All meetings of the Board of Directors may be attended by the general membership except when it is considering matters of discipline. When considering matters of discipline, only members of the Board and the person whose conduct is in question may be present.

C. *Board meetings may be held in person or by audio, video or audio-video conferences either by phone or by internet means at the discretion of the Board so long as sections 4.2.2.A and B are followed.”*

I further move to change

“Section 5.4. Votes of the Board of Directors may be taken by any of the following methods: telephone, e-mail, U.S. mail, fax, or in person.”

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Section 5.4. Votes of the Board of Directors may be taken by any of the following methods: *internet or telephone conferencing*, telephone, e-mail, U.S. mail, fax, or in person.” “

A suggestion was made to change “or in person” at the end of section 5.4 to read “and/or in person” to allow for votes to be taken both in person and electronically at the same meeting. This suggestion was passed as an amendment and the motion as amended was passed.

Carol Landry was appointed the new Stockdog Coordinator.

Next Meeting will be a General Membership Meeting January 4th at Canine Mastery, Seekonk.

Cindy King would like to hold an event for juniors in the spring. She was encouraged to explore the possibilities.

Motion to adjourn was made by Kathy Chouinard and seconded by Karen Souza. Meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Landry (in place of Karen Miller)

General Membership Meeting Minutes of Sunday, January 4, 2015

Canine Mastery, Seekonk, MA – Carol Landry, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 PM. Board members present: Arthur Landry, Gull Gullicksen, Kathie Chouinard, Carol Landry, Mike Kurdzo, Pauli Haggis & Kathy Buckley. Members present: Dianne Barrett, Kathy Bishop, Pete Dolan, Lisa Andrade, John Andrade, Karen Souza, Susan Winters, Katalina Bravo, Ellen Kurdzo, Joanne Mason, Dottie Duclos, and Diana Williamson.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Mike Kurdzo and seconded by Dottie Duclos to waive the reading of the minutes from November 2nd. Motion passed. Motion to accept as published on the ASCNE website was made by Dianne Barrett and seconded by Kathy Buckley. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Kathie Chouinard presented the Treasurer's Report:

Balance last meeting - \$22,565.01 (not balanced with current bank statement)

Corrected Balance - \$22,420.01 (due to foreign check fees)

2014 changes – HMM - \$350.00 for stock hay (ck#3382)

HMM - \$120.00 run reimbursement in agility (ck#3388)

November Cranberry Classic - \$107.58 profit

Fall Fling Agility Trial - \$3,144.66 profit

Expenses:

Office supplies - \$152.38 (ck#3389)

Sanctioning for Jan agility trial - \$50.00 (ck#3368)

Obedience/Rally ribbons - \$331.17 (ck#3370)

Deposit for Canine Sports Center - \$160.00 (ck#3384)

Affiliate renewal - \$100.00 (ck#3390)

Agility ribbons - \$3059.00 (ck#3392)

Arm bands (conf, obed, rally) - \$92.83 (credit card)

ASCA sanctioning on events - \$125.00 (credit card)

Bank balance 12/31/14 - \$22847.14 (before bank statement)

Dues monies - \$722.50

Checkbook Balance - \$23,569.64

It was noted that anyone doing a premium for a trial should be sure to put on it that no foreign checks or currency would be accepted. A hefty handling fee is charged by the bank.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Dottie Duclos and seconded by Susan Winters.

Affiliate Report: Pauli Haggis presented the Affiliate Report:

For those interested in the 2015 ASCA National Specialty in Tennessee, the website is up, and you are encouraged to make your plans/reservations soon.

Legislative

The KODA lawsuit to oppose implementation by the USDA to license and control breeders who have 4 or more intact females has failed . The when and how they intend to enforce the licensure act is uncertain, so breeders, especially if they sell and ship pups to buyers sight unseen , are encouraged to get licensed and review the restrictions imposed by the USDA.

Stock Dog

Changes/clarifications in the stock dog program are primarily aimed at clarification of procedures for running the Finals. They include time-lines/guidelines for submission of budgets, submission of receipts for reimbursement, minimum number of workers and positions which need to be filled, and a list of supplies to be supplied by the host club. For a complete description you should consult the ASCA website. Of interest to Course Directors and competitors;for courses D + F, the location of Obstacle I will always correspond with the Advanced handlers line. This will accommodate arenas of varying shapes/dimensions.

Obedience

For Obedience Finals , there is a clarification that Bitches in Season will run last and must wear pants.

Beginner Novice is to include a walk through without the dog of the healing pattern for both B and A divisions. The judge is to be present to point out the direction of the pattern and answer questions. The walk through is expected to last 10 minutes.

BOD Protocol

If rule changes in a particular program concern you, please be advised that you have a voice. The ASCA BOD posted the protocol for considering motions forwarded to them by the program committees. The program board liaison reports committee recommendations to the Executive Secretary as a proposed motion . The BOD then discusses the motion. At that time, the Executive Secretary posts the proposal to the membership on ASCA-L and the ASCA website for member comments. Members are to send their comments/concerns to the Executive Secretary by the 15th of the month. The BOD then reviews the feedback and makes its final decision.

The other recent post by ASCA to the membership is an outline of the protocol for filing a complaint. The primary change made by the BOD is to provide an option whereby they can authorize a reimbursement of the filing fee if they find in favor of the complainant. This post is especially noteworthy to ASCNE as your BOD recently had to decline handling a complaint because it was filed inappropriately. Please know that if you feel that someone has put you or your dogs at risk, or has directly interfered with your ability to participate at an ASCNE event , you do have recourse. As an Affiliate of ASCA, we must honor ASCA's protocol in the filing of a formal complaint : to the letter. So, before you take pen in hand, please review the dispute rules on the ASCA website under ASCA information, governing docs. and follow proper protocol.

Library Report: Carolyn Rancourt was unable to attend the meeting, no report. Pete Dolan brought a contribution for the library.

Newsletter Report: Art Landry stated that submission deadline for the next newsletter is January 15th.

BOD Report: Pete Dolan shared with the members that ASCA committees have from the 1st to the 10th of the month to submit a motion and it is posted for comment and then the BOD reviews it. Unfortunately it seems that the current BOD supports committees without regard to the business and/or financial end of the motion. He recommends that the general membership should take note of motions and put some effort into commenting on them.

Sunshine Report: Linda Prager's father passed away. A card will be sent.

Event Updates:

Event Schedule 2015

January

- 1 – New Years Day
- 4 – ASCNE General Membership Annual Meeting (Seekonk, MA)
- 10 & 11 - ASCNE Winter Blast Agility (CT) – Wendy Richmond
- Judge hired
- Trial has filled?

15 – Newsletter deadline

19 – Martin Luther King day

February

7 & 8 – ASCNE Winter Warm Up Weekend Rally & Obedience (Seekonk, MA)

Flier is on website, Rally Sat, Obedience Sunday

14 & 15 WASCUNY Agility @ High Goal Farm – confirmed!

14 & 15 MAASC Agility – confirmed!

16 – President's Day

20, 21 & 22 MAASC C/O/R cluster – confirmed!

March

1 – ROM & ASCNE General Membership Meeting

Flier is done

Jean Janotta taking reservations

Karen Miller doing Bowl Call

Susan Winters doing Performance Awards.

8 – Daylight Savings

15 – ASCNE Winter Thaw ASCNE Conformation (Seekonk) – Susan Winters

Premium is up – pre entries close March 9th

Replaces Rescue Show

15 – Newsletter Deadline

28 & 29 – ASCNE Agility (All Dogs') –Jean Janotta

John Raymond is judging

Looking for chief ring stewards

April

4 & 5 MAASC Agility – confirmed!

5 – Easter

11 & 12 - WASCUNY Agility @ High Goal Farm – confirmed!

18 & 19 - ASCNE Obedience (MA) - confirmed

25 & 26 – ASCNE Stock Clinic (NH) - will cancel this year

25 & 26 – HONYASC C/O/R new date!

26 – Intro to Herding (CT) – Tenley Dexter – confirmed!

Flier is finished

May

1 – Farm Trial (Sturbridge, MA) - tentative

2 & 3 – PEN-NY Agility – confirmed!

2 & 3 – Arena Trials (Sturbridge, MA) - tentative

3 –May-Kin' It Happen ASCNE O/R (Goshen, CT) – Claudia Reed – confirmed!

Flier is up on website

9 – NYASA C/O

9 & 10 – ASCNE Agility (CT) – new location & chairperson - Wendy Richmond – confirmed!

10 – Mother's Day

23 & 24 – ASCNE Agility (NH) – Jean Janotta

@ American Canine

Mike Black (TX) is judging

Looking for volunteers

25 – Memorial Day

30 & 31 – PEN-NY Agility – confirmed!

June

6 & 7 – Colors of Summer (MA)

Site reserved

Agility & overall chairperson – Lee Prager

Agility judge hired

New Conformation Chairperson – Kelly Sweeney

20 & 21 WASCUNY Agility @ Sugarbush Farm – confirmed!

21 – Father's Day

28 – ASCNE Meeting (?)

July

4 – July 4

15 – Newsletter Deadline

18 & 19 – WASCUNY C/R

August

1 & 2 – ASCNE O/R (MA)

7, 8 & 9 – HONYASC C/R/O

8 & 9 - ASCNE Farm & Stock Trials (NH) – Matt Mason - confirmed

Jim Hartnagle has been hired.

10, 11 & 12 – Possible herding clinic with Jim Hartnagle – Matt Mason

15 & 16 – Act-Up ASCA Agility - confirmed

15 & 16 - MAASC Agility – confirmed!

22 & 23 – Farm Trials (Sturbridge)

September

4, 5 & 6 PEN-NY A/C/R

7 – Labor Day

11-13 USDAA Trial

15 – Newsletter Deadline

19 & 20 – WASCUNY Agility??? *May cancel, WASCUNY is interested in hosting a 3rd day of Agility at Harvest Moon*

?? – Board Meeting

October

3 & 4 PEN-NY O/R

10-17 Nationals in Tennessee **

12 – Columbus Day

24 & 25 – PEN-NY Agility??? *Thinking of cancelling?*

November

1 – ASCNE General Membership Meeting @ Jean Janotta's

7 & 8 – ASCNE O/R (?)

14 & 15 - ASCNE Agility (MA)

14 & 15 - MAASC Agility – confirmed!

15 Newsletter deadline

December

5 & 6 WASCUNY Agility

25 – Christmas

** Harvest Moon Mania has been cancelled for this year

A motion was made by Dottie Duclos and seconded by Mike Kurdzo to accept all the Reports. Motion passed.

Old Business:

The Board of Directors has approved the following two applications as members:

Janice Raphael, 1062 Westgate St., New Bedford, MA 02745, ASCA #535763 sponsored by Kathy Buckley and Dottie Duclos

Anne Marie & Keith Hopkins, 259 Plymouth St., Halifax, MA 02338, ASCA #209758 sponsored by Kathie Chouinard and Dottie Duclos

Open positions:

Kelly Sweeney has stepped forward for Colors of Summer.

ROM Bowl Chairperson-Nancy Gagnon will take over for Karen Miller in 2015.

Club Secretary- Since no one else has expressed interest in taking over the position, the motion was made to appoint interim Secretary Carol Landry to be Secretary. Pauli Haggis made the motion, Mike Kurdzo seconded. Motion passed.

ROM Banquet and meeting coordinator- Jean Janotta will mentor and provide info. Jean has contracted for the facility and has stepped up for this year, but we need someone to step up for next year.

Dottie Duclos made the motion to officially cancel HMM for 2015. Kathie Chouinard seconded. Motion passed.

2016 Course Director for HMM.

Newsletter editor!!!!

Karen Souza presented the findings of the Conformation ROM Committee:

Conformation ROM Review Committee Recommendations

1/4/15

Committee members: Karen Souza, Kathie Chouinard, Nancy Gagnon, Gull Gullicksen, Susan Winters

The Conformation ROM Review Committee proposes the following updates to the current rules. The purpose of the changes is to differentiate Class and Winners awards. The categories current similarities have resulted in a very large percent (95%) of dogs winning both awards.

During our discussions we also decided to keep ROM ribbons for both Class and Winners.

The proposed changes include:

1. Returning Best of Winners to Class Award.
2. Removing Reserve WD/WB form Winners Award.
3. Adding Best Opposite to Winners Award.
4. Adding Best of Breed to Winners Award.

During our email discussion another issue came up. The committee feels that the ROM forms should be done on an honor system (no judge signature). Others clubs have already started doing this.

Class - Bitch and Dog

- 1 point for each dog defeated.
- Winners Dog/Bitch receives the number of points that is equal to the total number of Dogs/Bitches entered in the regular classes minus 1 (since they did not defeat themselves).
- Reserve receives the number of points that is equivalent to the total number of Dogs/Bitches entered in the regular classes minus 2 (themselves and winners).
- Best of Winners also receives the number of points equivalent to the number of dogs/bitches, (*whichever they are not*) entered in the regular classes.

Winners - Bitch and Dog

- Only dogs/bitches who go Winners are eligible to earn points in this category. They receive one point for each dog/bitch defeated.
- Best of Winners works the same as in the Class Dog/Bitch category. Best of Winners also receives the number of points equivalent to the number of dogs/bitches, (*whichever they are not*) entered in the regular classes.
- Best Opposite is awarded one point for each dog or bitch (class and special) of the same sex or total entered of the same sex minus 1.
- Best of Breed is awarded one point for each dog and bitch (class and special) or total number entered minus 1.

Pauli Haggis made the motion to accept the recommendations of the Conformation ROM Committee and Dottie Duclos seconded. Motion passed. Art Landry asked Karen to work with Robin to update the rules on the website and to update the Conformation ROM Form.

Skype Meetings- will submit application to ASCA regarding.

New Business:

No new membership applications.

Renew your memberships with Dottie!!

Next Meeting will be a General Membership & ROM Meeting , March 1st at the Log Cabin in Holyoke, MA

Kelli Gaunt will handle the breeder referral list.

A motion was made by Kathy Buckley, seconded by Dianne Barrett to not donate to the stock finals this year. Motion passed.

There was a discussion on to start replacing the outdated club computers and software. Art Landry made the motion and Mike Kurdzo seconded it, to appoint Dianne Barrett to communicate with other venues and see what their needs are in this regard. Motion passed.

Susan Winters made the motion to adjourn. Pete Dolan seconded. Motion passed. Meeting Adjourned at 1:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Landry, Secretary

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Reimbursement Policy for 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, available on the club web site)

BRAGS!

Mike Kurdzo (right) finishing
Haley's ATCH under judge Ben
Philibert!



Iggy Landry earns High Combined, has 5 High in
Trials and 8 scores over 100 in 11 runs at a stockdog
trial in Berryville, VA



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(send an email to Dottie Duclos c/o

woodchip@meganet.net

asking for an invitation)

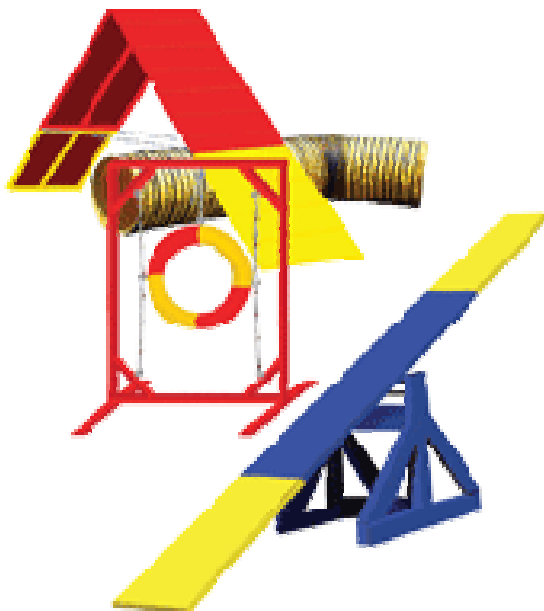
Winter Blast Agility Trial Tunnelers Results

Dog's Name	Handler	Time	Faults	Total	PLACE
Haley	Mike Kurdzo	19.97		19.97	1
Ozzy	Wendy Richmond	20.74		20.74	2
Drew	Ellen Halperin	20.94		20.94	3
Zuni	Judy Schachte	20.99		20.99	4
Lira	Judy Schachte	21.58		21.58	5
Ziva	Laura Tanner	22.53		22.53	6
Marlee	Jon Hoadley	23.4		23.4	7
Rio	Kathy Fretz	25.13		25.13	8
Chance	Aline Hoadley	25.32		25.32	9
BooBoo	Kristi Kerr	26.13		26.13	10
Red	William Haggis	26.15		26.15	11
Tony	Jessica Meyer	26.78		26.78	12
Ike	Linda Prager	27.66		27.66	13
Shiner	Carolyn Rancourt	27.81		27.81	14
Olive	Kathy Horn	28.66		28.66	15
Bindi Su	Audrey McKay	29.02		29.02	16
Roxy	Ellen Kurdzo	29.14		29.14	17
Misty	Alicia Cyr	29.4		29.4	18
Tugboat	Art Landry	30.65		30.65	19
Maizie	Kathy Horn	31.26		31.26	20
Quay	Lyn Scribner	32.32		32.32	21
Iggy	Art Landry	32.38		32.38	22
Kyra	Linda Prager	32.87		32.87	23
Junie B	Fran Swanson	33.69		33.69	24
Flynn	Jon Hoadley	34.72		34.72	25
Denver	Linda Prager	37.08		37.08	26
Sherman	Kelly Bowie	27.55	10	37.55	27
Sieger	Lyn Scribner	39.22		39.22	28
Penny	Barbara Miller	39.69		39.69	29
Gidget	Carol Landry	42.22		42.22	30

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Winter Blast Agility Trial Tunnelers Results

Casey	Jo-Ellen Vought	42.8		42.8	31
Skye	Ariane Bailey	44.61		44.61	32
Murphy	Jon Hoadley	36.77	10	46.77	33
Sadie	Lee Hadden	28.19	20	48.19	34
Beezus	Karen Stoudt	35.58	20	55.58	35
Meg	Carol Landry	37.02	20	57.02	36
Ginger	Jane McLoughlin	57.45		57.45	37
Darby	Audrey McKay	29.46	40	69.46	38
Twizzler	Barbara Miller	32.94	40	72.94	39
Miranda	Linda Prager	27.16	50	77.16	40
Crook	Pauline Haggis	E		E	41
Kiri	Kristie Foss	SCR		SCR	42
Tease	Christine Seibert	SCR		SCR	43
Dugan	Kelly Balantic	SCR		SCR	44
Arlo	Connie & Jackie Ceberek	SCR		SCR	45
Wizard	Christine Seibert	SCR		SCR	46
Gillie	Kelly Balantic	SCR		SCR	47



"We will once again have Tunnelers at the May trial. We will donate proceeds to Aussie epilepsy research."

- Mike Kurdzo



Australian Shepherd Club of New England

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Renewals are due by January 1.

Membership dues not paid by 31 January will be considered lapsed. New membership applications accepted and approved after Sept 1st will be considered paid for the following year.

ASCNE offers the following membership types:

- Single Membership - \$15.00
- Family Membership - \$22.50
- Persons under 18 and not living with an ASCNE member - \$7.50.
- Newsletter only (non-voting, non participating do not require ASCNE sponsors nor can they sponsor new members) - \$12.00

Fill out the following information and send with payment made out to ASCNE to:

Dottie Duclos
P.O. Box 896
Assonet, MA 02702
774-644-0693
woodchip@meganet.net

Date _____ **ASCA Membership #** _____

Name _____

Kennel Name _____ Web Address _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Membership Type * Single _____ Family _____ Junior _____ Newsletter Only _____

NOTE: Dues must be paid to be eligible for the following:

- ROM program
- Voting privileges
- Access to ASCNE-L



The Australian Shepherd Club of New England
(ASCNE) invites you to attend our
**Winter Warm Up Weekend
Rally & Obedience**



2 All-Breed Rally Trials and 2 All - Breed Obedience Trials
(Sanction Pending)

February 7 & 8, 2015

Canine Mastery, 102 A Pond St, Seekonk, MA 02771

Ribbons are awarded for qualifying scores and placement

No flexi-leads in the building

February 7, 2015 Rally

and

February 8, 2015 Obedience

Saturday AM

Donna Blews-Papas, Westfield MA

Sunday AM

Denise LaCroix, Spencer, MA

Saturday PM

Donna Blews-Papas, Westfield MA

Sunday PM

Denise LaCroix, Spencer, MA

Rally

Classes: Masters A, B, C, Excellent A, B, C, Advanced A, B, C, Novice A, B, C

AM Trial - Entries taken 7:30-8:00, Trial starts at 8:30

PM Trial - Entries taken 11:30-12:00 trial starts at 12:30 or 1/2 hour after the AM trial ends, if it runs later than noon

Obedience

Classes:

Regular - Utility A, B, Open CDX A/B & Open ODX A/B, Novice A & B, Beginner Novice A & B

Non-regular - Sub-Novice, Wild Card

AM Trial - Entries taken 7:30 - 8:00, Trial starts at 8:30

PM Trial - Entries taken 11:30 - 12:00 trial starts at 12:30 or 1/2 hour after the AM trial ends, if it runs later than noon

Sits and Downs will be held After individual exercises.

This is an ASCA sanctioned show, no food or corrections allowed.

Fees

Pre-entries close on January 31, 2015

Pre-entry: \$18 for regular and \$15 for non-regular

Day of show entries: \$20 for regular and \$18 for non-regular

Make checks out to ASCNE and mail entries to:

ASCNE SHOW, c/o Canine Mastery, 102 A Pond St., Seekonk, MA 02771

**Entry
Information**

For more information: Kathy Buckley @ Canine Mastery 508-399-5867 or pupmum@comcast.net

- Do not forget to sign the back of the entry form
- All dogs must have an individual ASCA registration or LEP number or an ASCA tracking number to compete in ASCA sanctioned Obedience Trials
- All Dogs must have proof of registration and rabies certificate available.
- For information regarding what Obedience classes you may enter, refer to the Obedience and Rally rules on the ASCA site: <http://www.asca.org/formsandrulebooks>
- The Novice A Class is for handlers that have not placed a C.D. title on a dog from any registry and the dog does not have a C.D. title from any registry. For the Open A and Utility A classes, your dog must not have earned an Open or Utility title in any registry.
- All dogs competing for ASCA Obedience titles are required to start at Novice and work through Utility regardless of Obedience titles awarded by other Registries. ASCA Obedience judges may not enter or handle in the A classes.
- No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA Conformation program; a dog or handler disqualified from all ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA
- Show site is indoors on matting
- The show site is available at 7:00 AM

**ASCA
Information**

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**Site
Information
Registration &
Tracking**

Lodging

Accommodations That Accept Well Behaved Dogs, please confirm when calling

Comfort Inn 341 Highland Ave. Seekonk, MA – pet fee

America's Best Value

Extended Stay 1000 Warren Ave. East Providence, RI – pet fee

Motel 6, 821 Fall River Ave, Seekonk, MA (508) 336-7800 – 10 minutes from show site

Clarion, 940 Fall River Avenue, Seekonk, MA (508) 336-7300 – 10 minutes from site

Red Roof Inn, Mansfield, MA, (508) 339-2323 25 minutes from show site

Holiday Inn, Mansfield, MA (508) 339-2200 25 min from show site

Arns Motor Lodge, N. Attleboro, MA, (508) 695-5102 15 minutes from show site

Normandy Campground, Foxboro, MA, (508) 543-7600 20 minutes from show site

Motel and Campground Courtesies:

- Cover the motels bedding with a sheet, whether or not you think your dog will get on the bed.
- If you crate your dog, please bring a towel to put under the crate to keep marks off the rug. Bring a towel to put under your dog's food dish.
- Make every effort to have your dog free of fleas BEFORE arriving.
- All poop must be picked up, bagged, and disposed of properly by the dog's handler. The Event Committee will excuse competitors who fail to pick up after their dogs at the test site or the motel.
- Do not leave your dog unattended. If you must leave, take them with you.

On-Site Camping

On site camping is available for self-contained units only. No electricity is available. \$10/night.

On-Site Camping Registration

\$10 per night with no electric

Total Fees: \$_____

Camping on: Friday Saturday

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Check one:

Trailer___ Motor Home___ Fifth Wheel___

Length ___feet x Width ___feet Slide-out ___Yes ___No

Send in with your entries. Please enclose a **separate** check payable to Canine Mastery.

Directions

From Rt.95 South of Attleboro

Take Exit 2A (Newport Ave.) to the 1st light. Take that left onto Cottage St. Go approximately one mile and turn Right onto Read St. Take 2nd Right onto Pond St. Watch for the Orion Industrial Park on your right (3/10 mile). Turn into the park, we are the second building on the left.

From Rt.95 North of Attleboro

From Rt. 95 North of Attleboro: Take Exit 3A Rt. 123. At the 2nd set of lights take a right onto County St. Follow along and after the Stone E Lea golf course take a left onto Read St. (There are signs for the animal shelter). Take the 2nd right onto Pond St. Turn right into the Orion Industrial Park in approximately 3/10 mile. We are the 2nd building on the left.

From Rte. 195 East or West

Take Massachusetts Exit 1. Follow 114 A (north). In approximately one mile you will reach a fork in the road, bear to the right (Grist Mill Restaurant will be on your left). This is Arcade Street. You will come to the intersection of Route 44. Go Straight across and continue on Arcade to the end. This is the Jct. of Route 152. Take a right onto 152 North – Newman Ave. Follow along for about 5 miles. You will come to the intersection of Central Ave. (Which is after the Rojacks) Go ½ mile and take a left onto Pond Street. Watch for Orion Industrial Park on the left (2/10-mile). Turn into the park, we are the second building on the left.

Veterinary Hospital

Bay State Veterinary Emergency Services, 76 Baptist Street Swansea, MA 02777 (508) 379-1233

Food Vendor

No food vendor is available on site

Canine Mastery
102A Pond
Street
Seekonk, MA
02771
(508) 399-5867

Calling all ASCNE members !!!

Come one !!! Come all !!!

To join the Australian Shepherd Club of New England at the
Annual March Get Acquainted -Volunteer Appreciation

ROM Awards - Meeting

A day of food, fellowship and fun

Sunday March 1, 2015

Log Cabin Banquet and Meeting House, 500 Easthampton Rd, Holyoke, MA 01040

11:30 AM -?

Luncheon Buffet will be served. ~*~ Dogs are not welcome in the restaurant.

In Appreciation - ASCNE Members who have volunteered for any event or club service are the guests of the club.

\$10.00 per person for non-volunteer ASCNE members

\$20.00 per person for non-members

\$10.00 for children (non-volunteer, under 12 yrs of age)

As a special event we are hoping to post:

1. Pictures of club members from the past. Please put on the back of the picture the name of the club member. It will be fun to look at these pictures and see if we can identify the club members.

2. Pictures of our Aussies. Please identify the dog (s). I will post them at the restaurant.

Please either send COPIES of the pictures or let me know that you will be bringing them so I will know how much space to plan for. I cannot guarantee that the photos will be returned. Thanks!

Directions

From the Mass Pike, take Exit 4 to I-91north.

From I-91, take Exit 17 to Route141 west (towards Easthampton, MA). Proceed two miles.

Note: Because the club must pay in advance for all attendees, this is a reservation only (RSVP) meeting. To reserve your place, please send the following reservation (or e-mail) by Feb 15, 2015. Please reserve your seat early!!!! Please CANCEL if you cannot attend.

To: Jean Janotta

24 Country View Drive

Raymond, NH 03077

For more information email jjanotta@myfairpoint.net or call (603) 895-5436

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail: _____

Numbers attending: _____

Volunteers: (please include which event): _____

Volunteer Members: _____

Non-members: _____

Amount included: _____



The Australian Shepherd Club of New England
invites you to attend our
Winter Thaw



Sunday, March 15, 2015 ~ * ~3 Conformation Shows
Canine Mastery - 102A Pond St. Seekonk, MA

Held Indoors on mats - Prizes include placement ribbons

No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA Conformation program; a dog or handler disqualified from all ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA.

Show 1 Judge	Margaret Cook	Show 2 Judge	Debra Ann Hokkanen	Show 3 Judge	Roland L Pelland
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NO CHALKING IN THE BUILDING!	Conformation	Entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre show entries close March 9th, 2015 • Day of show entries taken – Show 1: 7:30 - 8:30, Show 2: 11:00 - 11:30, Show 3: 1:30 – 2:00 • Entries will be \$20.00 day of show, bundled rate for 3 shows entered will be \$54.00, Juniors \$5.00 • Conformation Classes are open to Australian Shepherds only. • All Australian Shepherds over 6 months of age must have proof of ASCA registration. • Entry forms may be found at ASCA.org Make all checks payable to ASCNE • All Dogs must have proof of registration and rabies certificate available.
		Judging	The building opens at 7:30a.m. Show begins at AM shows start at 9:00, 2nd show starting 1/2 hour after the first and so on
		Classes	Jr. Showmanship, 2-4, 4-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-18, Novice, American Bred, Bred by Exhibitor, Open Blue Merle, Open Red Merle, Open Black, Open Red, Winners & Best Of Breed and all Altered Classes

Mail Conformation entries to: Kathie Chouinard, 37 Spring St., Plympton, MA 02367

Lodging

Accommodations That Accept Well Behaved Dogs, please confirm when calling
Motel 6, 821 Fall River Ave, Seekonk, MA (508) 336-7800 – 10 minutes from show site
Comfort Inn, 341 Highland Avenue Seekonk, MA 02771 – 10 minutes from show site
Clarion Inn, 940 Fall River Avenue, Seekonk, MA (508) 336-7300 – 10 minutes from site
Extended Stay, 1000 Warren Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914 – 10 minutes from show site
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**Emergency
Vet Care**

Bay State Veterinary Emergency Services 76 Baptist Street Swansea, MA 02777 (508)379-1233

We will be having a pot lunch... crock pot/salad/sandwich fixings....donations of \$5.00 will net you a nice hot lunch!

There is no food vendor available on the premises

- To volunteer or for more information, call Susan Winters at 508-285-2847 or email foxfireas@aol.com



ALL-BREED ASCA Sanctioned AGILITY TRIAL



Hosted by
Australian Shepherd Club of New England
March 28 & 29, 2015
All Dogs Gym, Manchester, NH

JUDGE:

John Raymond (NH)

CLASSES OFFERED:

Regular (2 Runs/Day); Jumpers (1 Run Saturday; 2 Runs Sunday); Gamblers (2 Runs Saturday; 1 Run Sunday)
Novice, Open and Elite Levels
Championship Standard/Veteran/Jr. Handler and ACE Standard/Senior Divisions
Pre-Novice Regular (2 Runs / Day)
Exhibition Class for Retired Canine Competitors (Sunday only)
FEO Entries Accepted

LIMITED - 350 Runs per Day

NO POSTMARKS EARLIER THAN January 28, 2015

ENTRIES CLOSE March 13, 2015 @ 9 PM

Pre-entry only

(Premium available on-line at www.ascne.org – mailed by request only)

For a premium contact

Chris Carlson
61 Clinton Ave, Budd Lake, NJ 07828
(973) 691-2955_katerpoo@aol.com

DIRECTIONS TO TEST SITE:

From Rt 293/101 – Take Exit 1-South Willow St/Mall of NH. Go 3/4 mile past the Mall, staying in the left lane. At the fork, bear left. At the yellow blinking light, take a left onto Sheffield Rd. All Dogs Gym is ahead on the right.

From the North (Concord) – Take Rt 293/101 and follow the directions for Rt 293/101 above.

From the South (Salem, NH) – Take Rt 93 North. Take Exit 5. Go left at the bottom of the exit towards Manchester. Go 3.5 miles to the yellow blinking light (past the Yard Restaurant). At the yellow blinking light take a right onto Sheffield Road. All Dogs Gym is ahead on the right.

FOOD: Breakfast and lunch will be provided by ASCNE to volunteers.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Accommodations are listed in the premium.

Beginner Introduction to Herding Fun Day

Sunday April 26, 8:30 AM

given by Tenley Dexter

Open to all breeds.

Held at the Benson's Starshine Farm

33 Oliver Road, Lebanon, CT

Rain or shine (indoor work arena available)



The Fun Day will consists of a morning lecture explaining the basics of herding and the fundamental concepts of training, followed by a demonstration of the basic training steps and ending with an individual exposure to stock by the clinician of each dog entered.

COSTS:

\$45.00 per dog which includes the full day's schedule and lunch

\$20.00 per person for those just wishing to attend the lecture and observe the demo but not entering a dog to be worked, also includes lunch. Bring a chair and shade for your dog.

\$20.00 for additional dog ONLY if time and the schedule permits on the day of the clinic.

PRE ENTRY IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED DUE TO SPACE LIMITS

Entries: made out on a ASCA Stock Trial entry (gotten at www.asca.org) and check made out to ASCNE can be sent to:

Tenley Dexter

PO Box 58

Gaylordsville, CT 06755

Ten11ey@yahoo.com

270-378-5910 Jan 1st - April 1st

860-354-9069 after April 1st

Directions from Rt. 2, take exit 13 (Rt.66) through Columbia Center (approx 10 miles). Take a right on to Rt. 87South and Go 4.6 miles (0.3 miles after "LogCabin" Restaurant and turn right onto Oliver Road. Second driveway on left #33 across from horse barn.



The Australian Shepherd Club of New England
invites you to attend our 5th Annual

May-Kin' It Happen

(Sanction pending)

Sunday, May 3, 2015

Rally and Obedience Shows

Canine Sports Center

Diamond Creek 416 Old Middle Street (Route 63)

Goshen, CT 06756

Held Indoors on mats, building opens at 8:00 on Sunday

*No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the
ASCA Conformation program; a dog or handler disqualified from all
ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA.*



Judging Schedule

Sunday	Obedience AM	Begins at 9:00 a.m. beginning with Utility	Linda Ferrullo
	Rally PM	Begins at 1:00 PM	Linda Ferrullo
		Prizes include placement ribbons	

Class Information **Obedience Classes:**
Regular Utility A, B, Open CDX A/B & Open ODX A/B, Novice A & B, Beginner Novice A & B, Sits and Downs will be held after individual exercises.

Non-Regular Sub Novice, Beginner Novice A & B

Rally Classes: Masters A, B, C, Excellent A, B, C, Advanced A, B, C, Novice A, B, C

This is an ASCA sanctioned show, no food or corrections allowed

Entry Information **Entries:** Limited to 30 regular class entries per show, Pre-entry or day of the show from 8:00 to 8:45am or when numerical limits are reached

Mail the completed signed form and a check made payable to ASCNE to:

Claudia Reed, 11 Silano Dr., Harwinton, CT. 06791,

860-485-1426 creedobagaussies@sbcglobal.net

- Obedience Entry Form: <http://www.asca.org/Portals/0/obedwtxentry.pdf>
 - Rally Entry Form: <http://www.asca.org/Portals/0/forms/rallyentrywtx.pdf>
 - Please print clearly and do not forget to sign the back of the entry form
 - Do not forget to sign and fill out emergency contact information.
 - Include a legible copy your ASCA Registration for each dog.
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Fees **Pre-entries:** Obedience Classes \$20.00, All Non-Regular Classes \$18.00

Day-of-show entries: Obedience Classes \$22.00, All Non-Regular Classes \$20.00

Entries for pre-entry opens April 10 Closes April 24.

Registration & Tracking

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- Don't leave your dog unattended. If you must leave, take them with you.
- When making reservations, verify the lodging takes dog and if they have a pet fees

Motels

Quality Inn,

395 E. Winsted Rd., Torrington
496-8808
They have some pet rooms

Litchfield Inn,

432 Bantam Rd., Rte 202, Litchfield,
567-4503
Will take pets

Days Inn,

492 E Main St., Torrington
496-0811
No pets

Campgrounds

Valley In the Pines Campground

www.rvthereyet.cc
36 Lucas Rd, Goshen
(860) 491-2032

Camp Mohawk

www.campmohawk.org
246 Great Hill Rd, Litchfield
(860) 672-6655

Hemlock Hill Camp Resort

www.hemlockhillcamp.com
118 Hemlock Hill Rd, Litchfield
(860) 567-2267

Directions

- <http://www.caninesportscenter.com/page.php?12>
- **From the North:** Rte. 8 South to Exit 44 in Torrington. Take Rte. 4 West to the Rotary in Goshen. Go left at the rotary, onto Rte. 63 South. Continue 2.0 miles and the Center is on the right - #416.
- **From the South:** Rte. 8 North to Exit 42 to Rte. 118 West to Litchfield. Turn right in the center of Litchfield onto Rte. 63 North. Continue North 4.3 miles and the Center is on the left - #416.
- **From Torrington:** Take Rte. 4 West to the Rotary in Goshen. Go left at the rotary, onto Rte. 63 South. Continue 2.0 miles and the Center is on the right - #416.

Veterinary Hospital

- Northwest Corner Veterinary Hospital, 646 Bantam Rd., Bantam, CT 06750 , 860-567-0766
- Litchfield Veterinary Hospital, 289 Torrington Road, Litchfield, Connecticut 06759, (860)567-1622
- Stonehill Kennel, 345 Sharon Turnpike (Rt. 4 West), Goshen, CT 06756, 860-491-2202

- There is no food available on-site.

- To volunteer or for more information:

Obedience Show Chair - call Alicia Campbell 860-309-4405 or e-mail to moonstone6295@yahoo.com