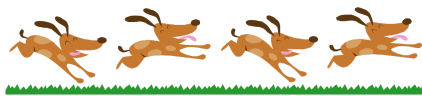




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DKC - News

From the President

Dear DKC Conformation Enthusiasts,

I am writing to request a meeting with you, and the Conformation Working Group to be held at the Durham Kennel Club. Meeting Friday 22, 2019 7:00pm–8:30pm. All DKC members are welcome to participate. You're all a vital part of the success of our club, and I would like to hear your feedback.

Most of you are already aware that DKC is in the process of implementing a new management group structure that is being incorporated throughout the club. The goal of this new structure is to drive better communication and a clear vision for each of the major focus areas and provide an opportunity for newer members to actively participate in the club.

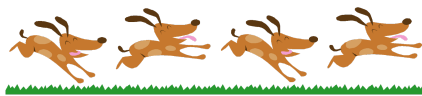
Agenda Items:

- The Conformation Fall and Spring Show
- We want to improve the overall effectiveness of our Conformation Handling Classes and Clinics.
- I have two new initiatives I'm looking forward to sharing with the new conformation group:
 - DKC Junior Membership Development Program.
 - Mentorship program designed for adults new to conformation showing.
- Have a discussion on other common goals to consider that may be of mutual benefit for the DKC members and the Conformation community at large.

If you would like to participate in the Conformation Working Group and are unable to participate at this time and can't make the scheduled meeting. Please contact me directly so, I can add you to the Conformation Working Group and include you in future activities.

Sincerely,

Thomas Wrath
President, Durham Kennel Club
919-943-1627 gotallyho@gmail.com



Meeting Agenda, Membership Meeting -11/18/2019

- Potluck Dinner: 6:30 pm
- Program: 7:15 pm
- Meeting 7:45 pm
- Program: Dr. Caitlyn Getty, NCSU Nutrition Department, Lifestage Nutrition and the NCSU Red Bowl Fund
- Call to Order:
- Approval of the minutes of the Oct 27, 2019 member meeting as published
- Report of the President:
- Report of the Recording Secretary:
- Report of the Corresponding Secretary:
- Report of the Treasurer:
- Report of the AKC Delegate:
- Reports of the Committees:
- Members: Terri Toohil
- Unfinished Business:
- Group Management Strategy, Progress Update -Thomas Wrath
- 3- & 5-Years Planning Committee, Progress Update - Nancy Akers
- Update on DKC by-laws – Thomas Wrath
- New Business:
- Brags
- Adjourn

From DKC Member: Lisa Roberts wonderdogs@earthlink.net

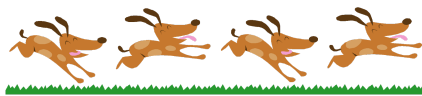
October Member Meeting Draft Minutes

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Proposed New Members

Candidate Membership

- Debbie Crownover; Durham, NC; Golden Retriever and All-American; Participates in Therapy; Learned about the club from class participation; Seeking membership to have access to club facilities and to have first notification of classes.
- Mona Gitter; Hurdle Mills, NC; Poodle, BC, Pom, Sheltie and All-American; Participates in Obedience, Agility, Therapy and Freestyle; Many titles including MACH, ADCH, PDCH; Learned about the club from Facebook and the internet; Looking for an agility group and possibly to help with demos of bite prevention.
- Carolyn Maddox; Raleigh, NC; Chihuahua (longhaired) and All-American; Participates in Agility, Barn Hunt and Nose Work; Learned about the club from friends in classes and trials; Seeking membership in order to have more activities with her dogs and learning about more activities to do with her dogs.
- Sharon Minda; Bahama, NC; Labrador Retriever; Interested in Obedience; Learned about the club by word-of-mouth many years ago when seeking to train previous dogs;



Seeking membership to focus on dog training now that she is retired and to participate and help with activities in the DKC .

Full Membership

- Susan Morrison; Bahama, NC; Weimaraner, German Shepherd; Has requirements; Sponsors: Terri Toohil and Jodi LaBombard.

Submitted by Theresa Toohil ttoohil13@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

February 1st. and 2nd. Scent Work Trial in Sanford, NC

[Click here for Premium List](#)

April 10th. and 11th. Scent Work Trial in Chapel Hill, NC

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December Rally/Obedience Trial Sponsors Still Needed

December is approaching fast and that means it is almost time for our December 2019 Obedience/Rally Trials! We are looking for members to sponsor classes for our December 6 Rally Trials and our December 7 & 8 Obedience Trials.

Price Cut!! COST TO SPONSOR A CLASS HAS BEEN REDUCED FROM \$25.00 TO \$20.00 PER CLASS PER DAY! By purchasing ribbons in bulk and purchasing toys and treats on sale I was able to reduce the costs for DKC. Sponsoring a class includes all placement prizes, placement rosettes, qualifying ribbons and qualifier prizes! Your name will appear in the catalog, be posted in the building during the trials and appear on the placement prizes as the class sponsor. In addition, you may claim a delicious FREE lunch for each class sponsored—soups, stews, sandwiches, etc— all of which were made by your fellow club members.

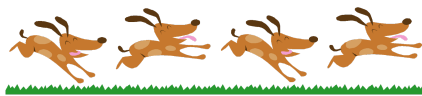
To sponsor a class for the Rally or Obedience Trials please contact Lisa Roberts at wonderdogs@earthlink.net

We would love to continue the tradition of having all of our classes for the December trials sponsored by our members! Your help ensures that our trials will be a success.

If you would like to sponsor a breed/group or other specific prize, please let me know what class, what breed/group and the prize you would like to donate.

The following is a list of classes we are offering:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rally – Friday only - 2 trials! • Rally Novice A • Rally Novice B • Rally Intermediate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferred Open • Open A • Open B • Preferred Utility
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Rally Advanced A● Rally Advanced B● Rally Excellent A● Rally Excellent B● Rally Master● Obedience Classes Saturday and Sunday:● Beginner Novice A● Beginner Novice B● Preferred Novice● Novice A● Novice B	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Utility A● Utility B● Prizes for All Rally and Obedience Classes● 1st - 4th Dog Toy & Dog Treats● All other qualifiers will receive choice of dog treats, dog toy, etc.● Obedience Trials only:● High in Trial Each Day - \$25.00● High Combined Each Day - \$10.00 and Engraved Plaque
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WE NEED ALL SPONSORS AND PAYMENT BY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26th!

Make checks payable to Durham Kennel Club. Please note on your check that it is for the December Obedience or Rally Trial class sponsorship and which class you are sponsoring.

Mail obedience and rally trial sponsor checks to Lisa Roberts 120 Argonne Drive, Durham, NC 27704

We appreciate your support!
Nancy Akers – Trial Chair
Lisa Roberts & Florence Archer – Trophy Chairs

From DKC Member: Lisa Roberts wonderdogs@earthlink.net

Call for Volunteers

AKC Sanctioned Trials

DKC Obedience Trials

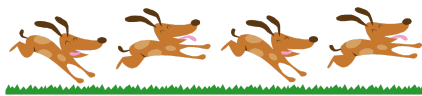
It's that time of year!

- Ring Stewards needed for the DKC Obedience Trial
- Saturday December 7 and Sunday December 8

Contact Sally Ridge ksridge@earthlink.net

DKC Rally Trials

It is that time of year again! We need volunteers for the DKC Rally Trials on Friday, December 6. We are having a trial starting at about 8 in the morning and then one to follow its completion.



We will be able to estimate times based on entries once entries have closed. Any help you can give will be very appreciated and will count as a service to DKC for building access and awards.

This is what is needed:

- **Friday Rally Trial #1:**
- Rally Table Steward
- Rally Timing Steward
- Rally Gate Steward
- Rally Ring Stewards
- **Friday Rally Trial #2: (Probably starting at about noon)**
- Rally Table Steward
- Rally Timing Steward
- Rally Gate Steward
- Rally Ring Stewards

Sally Ridge will be recruiting volunteers for the obedience trials on Dec 7 & 8, but I would like to have a “just in case” volunteer for each day. You would need to come to the trial a few hours in case a volunteer has an emergency.

Don't hesitate to volunteer! We will train anyone who is unfamiliar with the job!

From DKC Member: Nancy Akers nakers56@gmail.com

Show and Go Events

Novice Obedience Show & Go

November 30, 2019

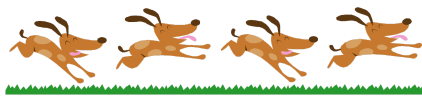
DKC will be holding a novice show & go on Saturday November 30 from 9am till. We will be offering beginner novice, novice and preferred novice run thrus in preparation for our obedience trial. Looking for volunteers to steward, judge and man registration table. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Please let me know if you can help and if you have any job preferences. Remember this counts as one of your club services.

Thanks in advance for your help. George Beglane - beglane@mindspring.com

Open/Utility Show & Go

December 1, 2019 8:30am – 3:00pm

Our December Open & Utility Obedience Show-N-Go is soon approaching and I am in need of volunteers. If you are available to help, please contact me at vgillow@imagnetics.com or call (540)-557-7910.



PRE-REGISTRATION on LINE OR BY MAIL entry only. You can find the sign up [Here](#) where you may pay for your runs on-line or by mailing your check to me PRIOR to December 1st. Please make checks payable to “DKC” and mail to: Vicky Gillow 1833 Allen Jarrett Dr, Mebane, NC 27302

NOTE: Pre-register and payment must be made in advance and if you are not able to attend, money will not be refunded (just like a trial).

We will begin at 9am. Cost: \$5.00 for 10 minutes of ring time and you may sign up for as many slots as you would like. We will be offering two rings; one OPEN and one UTILITY. You may use your ring time as you wish for Open and Utility exercises. A judge and stewards will be available for run throughs if desired. Food and toys will be allowed in the ring. A timer will be used at each ring to keep on schedule.

There will no longer be a registration table or waiting lines.

We are in need of VOLUNTEERS! Two judges and six stewards for the morning and the same are needed for the afternoon. Judges will be given two FREE run throughs; stewards will receive one FREE. Be sure to sign up online if you would like your free run through. Please email me at vgillow@imagnetics.com or call 540-557-7910 if you are available to help. This is a great opportunity to fulfill one of your club services.

Hope to see you there!

Help needed for the Obedience Trials: Bring a Dish

This cold and rainy day makes me think of soup! And the best place to get it is the DKC December Rally & Obedience trials, coming up December 6-8, 2019.

The food at this trial is legendary; the people who come are just totally impressed that it's all made by club members.

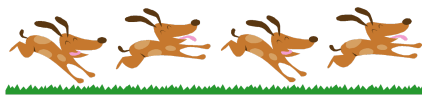
Once again, I'm asking for your help. We need crockpot entrees (soups, stews, chilis) and desserts for the competitors, workers, and on-lookers. The club will also provide fixings for sandwiches.

If you are willing to help out, it is greatly appreciated; come on, show off those cooking skills! I would like to know the following:

- (1) What you want to bring: A main crockpot entree (soup, stew, chili, etc), or dessert (cookies, brownies, cake, pie, individually packaged if possible).
- (2) What day you want to bring it; if it doesn't matter to you, I'll pick a day.
- (3) If you have a crockpot; if not, that's no problem, we have plenty.

I like to balance the offerings so there is a variety each day.

Thank you SOOO much! I look forward to hearing from you.



Cathy Wells mstmillerunc@gmail.com

Thank you to our volunteers

Scent work Trial

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Howloween themed Scent Work trial this past weekend. Neither the ghosts, spiders, or the rain scared anyone away! Without our volunteers this event could not have happened with the same success. What a great group of volunteers. Thank you one and all!

The judges, Silke Satzinger, Sharon Yon, and Linda Wozniak, provided nothing but kind words about the volunteers, which included Emilie Beglane, Barbara Blaisdell, Paula Botkin, Laura Boyce, Mary Cain-Murphy, Susan Cicone, Renae Crosby, Alice Donoho, Robin Early, Donna Goldstein, Lori A Grove, Joe Haggerty, Linda Hobbet, Ron Hobbs, Mira Jones, Trish Koontz, Jodi LaBombard, Penny Leigh, Dale McElrath, Marcia McGrory, Sharon Pitz, Pam Rocque, Diana Rutherford, Nancy Vest, Roseanne Wallace, Thomas Wrath, Joseph Zawadowski.

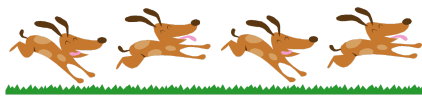
Special thanks to Linda Wozniak, Joyce McHenry, Tamara Dunn, George Beglane, Nancy and Roger Akers, who, in addition to their time during the trial weekend, provided their time and muscle on the Thursday and Friday ahead of the trial to get the site setup for the trial. Boo Donoho and Donna Goldstein did a fantastic job organizing the cleanup at the end of the trial. Of course the trial could not have happened if not for the endless efforts of our trial secretary, E L Wozniak.

The judges were supportive and complementary to the exhibiting teams, awarding lots of qualifying ribbons and new titles.

Our sincere thanks to all involved in making the trial a success.

Happy Howloween! Christie & Patrick Murphy

Christie Murphy csmofnc@gmail.com



AKC News - Linda C Wozniak

AKC Delegate's Notes - October 2019

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Agility Regulation Changes

[Agility Regulations 8-1-2019 added to reference section.](#)

Section 9. Collars. At the handler's option, dogs may run a course with or without a collar. The only collars allowed when running a course are flat buckle or rolled leather collars, but there shall be no attachments hanging or otherwise allowed on the collar. This shall not preclude painted or stitched designs or information on the collar. Dog's names and/or identifying information may appear on the collar. No title, awards, or advertising may appear on the collar. Dogs may be brought to the start line on slip leads, choke chains, body harnesses, head halters or other collars that are permitted on the trial grounds. Pinch/prong and electrical collars (dummy or not), head halters and special training collars are not allowed anywhere on the trial grounds. When an agility trial is held on the same show grounds as other AKC venues (such as obedience and conformation), collar regulations of the other venues if more restrictive than agility shall take precedence.

Tickets on Sale for Meet the Breeds NYC

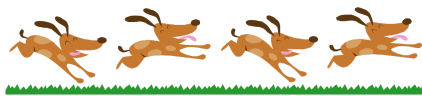
New York, NY – Tickets are on sale NOW for the 11th annual AKC Meet The Breeds[®], which returns to New York City's Jacob Javits Center on January 25th and 26th, 2020. The American Kennel Club[®] (AKC) and The International Cat Association[®] (TICA[®]) bring this two-day educational event to New York to give attendees the unique opportunity to meet and play with hundreds of dogs and cats all while learning about responsible pet ownership and which breed(s) is best for their lifestyle straight from the experts.

“We're very excited for the 11th annual AKC Meet the Breeds event,” said Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary of the American Kennel Club. “We can't wait for the public to see all of the demonstrations we have planned and meet the hundreds of dogs and cats that will be on hand. It's the perfect opportunity for people to do their research and find what breed best fits their lifestyle.”

The 2020 extravaganza, the largest of its kind in the United States, will feature exciting demonstrations by New York City K-9 Police Officers, sponsored by the US Police Canine Association, as well as popular sports, including AKC Agility and AKC Scent Work, presented by the Port Chester Obedience Training Club and other groups.

For more information and to buy tickets, visit www.akc.org/meetthebreeds.

About Meet the Breeds:



From Afghan Hounds to the Turkish Van and everything in between, AKC Meet the Breeds® gives pet lovers the unique opportunity to meet and play with more than 150 different dog and cat breeds in booths individually decorated to depict each breed's country of origin, historical purpose/function, and attributes as a family pet, all while learning about responsible pet ownership and which breeds may be right for them. Event sponsors include AKC Pet Insurance, Motel 6, TrailTrax, AKCSM Visa® Card, and Pet Brands Products, LLC. For more information, visit www.akc.org/meetthebreeds.

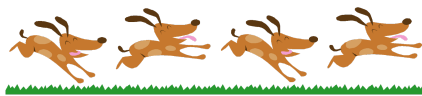
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Training and Relationships

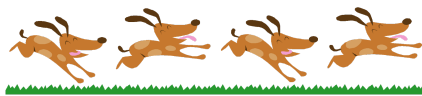
I Never Said I Liked You! The Magic of Relationship in Dogs and Training - [McCann Dog Training](#)



With some dogs, it all seems easy, as if they were born to love you. Put on the earth with the sole purpose of being yours entirely and doing whatever you ask them to do. That was my Tyler. He was mine from 4 weeks of age. I would visit him at his breeder's home and everything else in the room became nonexistent. He would see me and I was all he focused on.

We had a special bond. One that I can't quite describe as anything other than magic. If they could all be like Tyler, life would be wonderful and we would never need to think outside the box or develop good dog training skills. With Tyler, I got to rest on my laurels and just enjoy teaching him whatever I wanted to.

Then there are the others. The ones we seem to have to sweat over for even the slightest bit of attention or compliance. The ones we seem to constantly feel frustrated over; dogs who make us have to think outside the box — WAY outside the box, to get even the smallest successes to foster our motivation to continue. That dog was my Jayden. Jayden was a beautiful, bouncy, happy Toller puppy. He was the same breed of dog as Tyler, but that's where their similarities ended. Jayden was, by far, the most independent dog I've ever owned. When I visited his litter,



he was the one playing in the dirt under the deck by himself, while all of the other puppies were keen on each other and the guests who were gushing over them.

With the grace of hindsight that life gives us, I now know how lucky I am to have loved and shared my life with both types of dogs. As I write this, I feel choked up by the absence of the dog I had to fight the hardest over. Turns out that life with Jayden was also magic — it was a completely different kind of magic, but it was magic nonetheless. Jayden taught me how to train dogs. I never once got to rest on laurels with Jayden, but as soon as I figured out how to make things intriguing for him, I enjoyed Jayden in an entirely different way. Jayden had a long and wonderful life that ended just shy of 14 years. He titled in obedience, agility, flyball, rally-o and field work. He was an amazing demo dog while teaching classes and running with the McCann demo team at events like the Royal Winter Fair and the Toronto Sportsmen's Show. He had a full and wonderful life and despite the frustration of him being an independent dog, he's the one I will compare all other dogs to for the rest of my life. He became THAT dog! What some would call a Heart Dog.

We see this so often. Dogs who are totally out of sync with their owners. The dog who pays zero attention to their handler and the handler who is frustrated beyond description at the dog on the end of the leash. I can't count how many times I've heard one of the following from a frustrated student:

- "He has a mind of his own!"
- "Why doesn't he listen me?"
- "Why doesn't he like me?"
- "My dog's too stubborn to be like your dog."

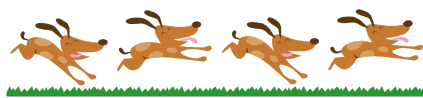
And to that, we often respond with the following:

"They lack relationship."

These 3 words say it all. There is no mathematical formula to training dogs. Every dog is unique and an individual. They have breed traits and predispositions, but other similarities are very limited. So, by their very nature, not all dogs will fit into a "2 + 2 = 4" sort of mold when it comes to breaking through with your training.

Dog training fits the same description. We have practices we use commonly that will work on about 80% of dogs, but when you come into contact with those other 20%, you'd better have some other tricks up your sleeve or a soft wall to bump your head repeatedly against. This is where relationship plays a very strong role. If you have it, your dog will look to you for guidance and will try their best to figure out what it is you are asking of them. If relationship is lacking, dogs are much more likely to continue looking for reinforcement elsewhere.

All of the above complaints could have been made about Jayden at the beginning of our time together. When Jayden and I didn't see eye-to-eye initially, it was because we lacked relationship. We didn't have the easy and convenient "click" that I got with Tyler. Ours started out as a round hole and square peg deal, and it was my job to foster a better relationship so that we could find a way to fit. Once I realized I needed to build my training program around him



rather than trying to make him fit into my preconception of who he should be, we found our stride.

If you find yourself with a Jayden, it's okay and more importantly, it's not anything you're doing wrong! You'll have to learn as you go. Don't give up and most of all, train the dog you have, NOT the dog you wish you had. This is your learning opportunity — your chance to make it work despite the obstacles. Build a relationship and watch magic happen.

So, what does all this mean? Relationship is such a “buzz” word these days when you talk dog training, but it is crucial to the outcome and success of your endeavor to train the new puppy in the house. Relationship is such a broad term, but it truly is central to creating a dog who wants to listen and looks to you for guidance. The key is viewing life from their perspective. What does your puppy need? What do they want?

Now, how do you prove to them that you can fulfill those wants and needs?

Reinforcement in the Home

This is where it all starts since this is the mainstay of your dog's life. There are many resources that you can use to help enhance a relationship.

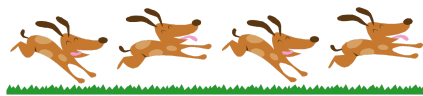
Freedom

Freedom is a huge commodity in any puppy's life. Allowing them too much means they will make the wrong decisions (accidents in the house, chewing the wrong things, etc.), but it will also allow them to entertain themselves. In a perfect world, we want our dogs to look to us for entertainment. That means, we need to expend the energy it takes to manage and entertain them! Rather than letting the pup or dog make up their own fun, play with them! Play is an amazing way to build a bond with your dog. Yes, sometimes life is busy, but we need to make the time if we expect to reap the rewards. Use your crate to control your puppy's freedom and when they come out, use that time wisely! These are the opportunities to train, play and get to know them. It doesn't have to be formal training. Training tricks and cute behaviors are just as important as obedience and manners. Have fun with it. Get them used to earning rewards from you. Establishing value for working for you is crucial to creating a good relationship. Teach them fun games like scent work, tug and retrieve which will go a long way toward fostering relationship.

Food

Food is a giant commodity that all puppies want. Even those that aren't extremely food motivated need to eat to live. Refrain from free feeding (leaving a full bowl down for the dog). You will only create a lack of value for food if it's always available. Put the bowl down at set meal times and if the measured out bowl isn't empty in a specific amount of time, remove it. You can offer it again at a later time, but make sure the puppy isn't allowed to graze.

Sometimes, use your puppy's meal as training treats. We want our dogs to see that this very important resource comes from you.



Reinforcement on the Street

This is tricky because it entails trying to control the environment and other people around you. Who doesn't love a cute puppy? We always want to say hello when we see one on the street. So does everyone else when you're walking with your new pup. This creates a great socialization opportunity, but it also can create a problem with manners and over-excitement toward people. I always try to give permission to my dogs to greet strangers. Yes, I want them to be friendly with people on the street, but not at the cost of jumping all over every new person to come along. I ask for simple focus and a simple task before I allow them to say hello. Usually, with a youngster, it's something like a shake-a-paw, sit or a spin. One of their easy tricks or skills that holds its own value already (you'll need to have established this first). That way, they get reinforcement and permission from me before heading off for "free love" from that stranger. Most of the time, people are really good at being patient if you let them know that your pup is in training. Allowing your young pup to pull you to a stranger for greeting sets a bad precedent and it allows the puppy to reinforce themselves when they want to.

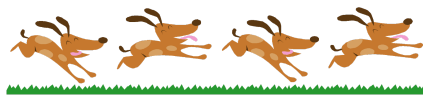
Reinforcement from Play and Exercise

Play is huge for most dogs. That means we have to own it! We know that life is often busy and sometimes, we don't have the energy after a long day to exercise the dog. In this "fast food" world, we often look for the quick fix. With dogs, that might mean a trip to the leash-free park. There are so many issues that can be created by leash-free areas. We won't get into that here. Check out this article on the [Pros and Cons of Leash-free parks](#) for the inherent risks these areas have. I will say this, none of our instructors would ever take their dogs to a leash-free zone.

Taking the easy road when it comes to exercising the dog can have a damaging affect on relationship building. If you allow your dog to meet their exercise requirements with other dogs, they will look to other dogs for that reinforcement. This dog is the one who becomes so over enthusiastic about meeting other dogs, that they are difficult, if not impossible, to control on outings. Instead, play with the dog. Take him for a short walk with some training elements to help curb some of his mental energy. Tiring your dog mentally will go a long way towards shedding excess energy. Teaching a young dog to retrieve for you is a great way to get them running and to burn off some steam. It also reinforces them playing with you, which will enhance your relationship once they start to look to you for their exercise needs. Get to know your puppy and learn what tires them out best, while still helping to build your relationship.

To build relationships, one must think about things from the dog's perspective. Break it down between wants and needs and try to ensure most of those are covered by you. Jayden's life could have gone much differently had I continued to view him as independent, or worse, stubborn — a term grossly overused in the misrepresentation of dogs like Jayden.

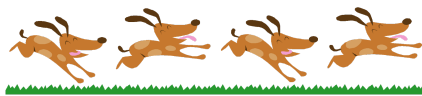
In hindsight, when I think back over Tyler's life, aside from his death, I can't think of a single time I was ever upset about that dog. He was easy. He wanted to please me. He wanted to work with me. It was who he was. Quite the contrary, Jayden was his own man. Jayden did what Jayden wanted to do and that was who he was. Trying to change who he was wasn't an option and I'm so glad I didn't have that power, for in the end, it was he who taught me, and far more



than I ever thought possible. When I think back at all of the frustration, all of the perceived misses and do-overs, these days, they always make me smile. You see, I had it all wrong in the beginning. It wasn't my job to change who Jayden was, it was Jayden's job to change me.... and there will never be enough gratitude. I thank you, Jayden.



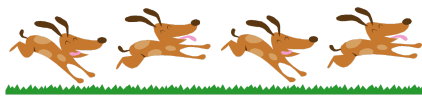
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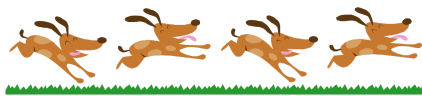
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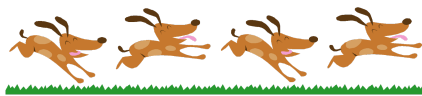
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Owner's Name	Dog's Call Name	Breed	Date	Show	Class	Placement	Highest Win
Christine Gibson	Zoe (Zielonagoras Umbral Moonshine)	Polish Lowland Sheepdog	10/12/2019	Hanover Kennel Club	BOB	BOB	Grand Champion - Bronze



Performance Events

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Owner's Name	Dog's Call Name	Breed	Date	Show	Event	Class	Leg	Place	Titles & Awards
Emilie & George Beglane	Kylie	Labrador Retriever	10/20/19	DKC	Scent Work	Advanced Buried	1	3	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/19/2019	DKC SW Trial	Scent Work	Novice A Buried	3	1	Novice Buried and Novice SW titles
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/19/2019	DKC SW trial	Scent Work	Container Novice B	4	1	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/19/2019	DKC SW trial	Scent Work	Interior Advanced	1	4	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/19/2019	DKC SW trial	Scent Work	Exterior Advanced	2	4	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/19/2019	DKC SW trial	Scent Work	Buried Advanced	1	2	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/19/2019	DKC SW trial	Scent Work	Interior Advanced	2	1	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/26/2019	Charlottesville/Albemarle Kennel Club	Scent Work	Adv. Containers	1		
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/26/2019	Charlottesville/Albemarle Kennel Club	Scent Work	Adv. Interiors	3		Adv. Interiors title
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/27/2019	Charlottesville/Albemarle Kennel Club	Scent Work	Adv. Containers	2	1	
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/27/2019	Charlottesville/Albemarle Kennel Club	Scent Work	Adv. Exteriors	3	4	Adv. Exteriors title
Renaë Crosby	Stella	All-American	10/27/2019	Charlottesville/Albemarle Kennel Club	Scent Work	Adv. Interiors	4	1	
Brian Stringall	Jade	Golden Retriever	11/02/019	DKC	CGC	Obedience	1st title	passed	CGC title



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