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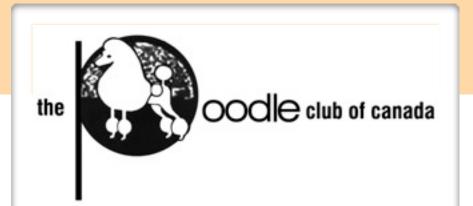
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## Dog Training....by Deb DaCosta

It really doesn't matter what dog sport we choose, most people will agree we need......attention and motivation. Clean Training is the key......less does equal more if applied correctly! I have been competing in a wide range of dog sports to include obedience, agility, rally, field, carting, conformation and freestyle and love them all in their own unique way. Throughout the years I was lucky to mentor with some extremely talented instructors, we began our journey over 20 years ago with the only method I knew......corrections! Remember positive training does not mean you let the dog do whatever they like and laugh at mistakes as the dog will not be able to determine the correct behaviour from the incorrect behaviour. We want them to engage and keep trying hence the elimination of the correction. We learn by mistakes, seize each and every learning opportunity. Set the dog up for success, think-plan-do is my approach. Keep the training short and fun, pay attention to your rate of reinforcement, timing and the criteria you have set. Don't feed the grey! I read somewhere "Failing to plan is planning to fail"; I certainly believe that is a correct assumption.

Clean means......effective training and communication.

Rewards and Handler Movements......should not interfere with training. The presence of a reward should not be required for a response. Rewards should never be food alone......toys and "ME" are very important.

The dog must know when training starts and stops, they can't be expected to know when this happens nor continue with full attention at all times. We as handlers need "time outs" to think. We want to quit when the dog wants more, never after the dog has had enough!

Naming the response is a great idea!

Attention ON example "Ready"

Attention OFF example "All done", "Alright", "Relax"

OFF DUTY...but in control "Free"

There are many components to good dog training. I would like to focus my attention on a few that contribute to attention and motivation. First I would like to discuss food. People often say my dog is great when I have food and when I take the food away I have nothing! Correct for most cases as the food transition is often missed and people go from food to no food with definite differences in application.

There is no issue with having food on you when you train. I find it beneficial to pre-load without the dog seeing you put the food on you. The dog needs to understand your hollow leg is full of treats and you never know when one will come out of the left or right pocket or yes even your mouth. Please don't look like a chipmunk as the dog will know when that particular food pouch is empty. Always vary where you get the food, remember to include food rewards that are not from your body and mix up the value of the rewards to include toys. Place the food or toy on a chair/table or dish around the room, these are all great places to release your dog to go and get the reward. Run to get the reward, be fun. Do not show the dog you have the reward and then pretend to hand it off. They truly are smarter than you might think. Keep the rewards a surprise and keep them guessing where and when it will appear. Duration is a skill, it must be taught. You must transition from rewarding a correct behaviour to linking various behaviours together until you are able to incorporate a competition length time frame. A dog should never know when the reward will be delivered. The dog should understand the reward is for doing the correct or expected behaviour and to keep working until released. Competition length time frames should not be practiced often. Try sequencing smaller segments then put them together when you need them.

Marking the behaviour will enhance training especially if a clicker is used. There is scientific proof behind this. Using a clicker will give you faster results than voice if done correctly. It is important to mark the behaviour then reward. Too often people reach for food before or as they mark the behaviour. The dog will begin to anticipate reward when the hand moves verses marking a behaviour we want to repeat and getting fed for the behaviour. A click is simply a clear cue to the dog, you did something I like a reward is coming.

Cure the lure!!! So many people lure their dog; eventually the dog will get it but never truly understand it nor maintain the behaviour like a dog that isn't taught with a lure. I have personally lived this journey and see the benefits of not teaching using a lure. When teaching new behaviours you may apply the 3 lure rule to initiate and get it started......then get rid of the lure. Let the dog offer behaviours reward the good, don't reward unsatisfactory behaviour, let the dog make mistakes, they will keep trying to do what you want to get the food/toy. Set your criteria and stick to it! Be sure to increase the criteria at a suitable level for your dog. Try not to lump everything together, split the behaviour into smaller and

## Dog Training continued....by Deb DaCosta

simple behaviours that you can join together or increase the difficulty as they learn. Build a strong foundation. Remember to have fun. Someone once said to me "work equals play and play equals work", these are words I now live by! The result is obvious my dogs love to work with me. They are happy and enjoy what we do. They show enthusiasm and maintain attention and are motivated. Recently a judge in the obedience ring at the open level commented on how enthusiastic my dog Kallysta was, she said she has never seen a dog have this much fun in the ring! Her comment to me brought tears of joy! After all isn't that what it's all about, having fun with your dog! Unfortunately I see so many dogs and handlers in the ring and training that obviously aren't having fun.

There are many unintentional lures......food pouches, food in bulging mouth, food in hand, movement toward food in clothes. Trainer self awareness will bring you far and fast! When you get to the stage in your training where the presence of food and toys does not affect your training you will come to enjoy working with a dog that wants to work with you and won't leave you to go get a toy rather keep working till released to play with the toy. This could be one of my next newsletter topics! Stay tuned!

Maintenance is important! Please don't confuse this with drills as it certainly is different in my eyes! Yes many of us have great heeling dogs then take it for granted and wonder what went wrong when they find the dog looks away more and more. Behaviour needs to be maintained or it will never be as crisp as it once was. Yes just like riding a bicycle, you don't forget but you certainly aren't as stable riding if you haven't rode for a long time. Spend a few minutes every week to maintain what you have worked so hard to get.

The following is a great attention exercise. The goal for this exercise is attention and fun with heeling. Many dogs have great attention for the first step then look away. This exercise will help maintain the attention you desire and is fun for both you and the dog to practice. This exercise should be done on a short leash and then progressed quickly to no leash. Pre-load with treats, have your clicker if you use one, get your dog and your ready to begin. The first step of attention heeling is to put back the enthusiasm into heeling right from the start. You may give your heel command or just say "ready", take half a step, click (mark) and feed right by your leg close to your body. Placement of reinforcement is critical. Take a very tiny balance break and repeat! Do not heel forever, otherwise you will be boring. This is not a duration exercise, you should take between half a step to a maximum of three steps! You want to focus on half a step at first to build that enthusiasm with the step off, then as you progress you can get up to no more than three steps remember don't feed like a robot, the dog should never know how many steps you might take and when the treat is coming. It is important the dog knows when the exercise begins and ends. Break off and play then start again. Find a game for everything, enjoy the results, celebrate your accomplishments.

Knowledge is Powerful! The dog needs enough knowledge to perform the task, technically, physically and mentally. Observation skills are very important. When you see someone training their dog you should understand what they are trying to train if you don't I am sure the dog doesn't either. Video yourself, was the result what you expected? Did you do what you thought you were doing? Pay attention to what your dog tells you. Don't keep digging a bigger hole, stop and reassess.

Plan what you are going to accomplish, write it down if only in point form. Work on the difficult behaviours first not what you already know. Save the new behaviours for when the dog is fresh!

Failing to plan is planning to fail!

#### Things to keep in Mind:

- \*Have Fun with your Dog! Find a way to make it a game!
- \*Do not feed for nothing! Eventually you will get what you're rewarding...Nothing!
- \*Vary the value of your rewards and the timing of your rewards.....use high value rewards when you need them.
- \*Avoid rewarding the grey, plan and know your criteria, know what you are rewarding and reward what you planned.
- \*Are you rewarding undesirable behaviours outside of your training sessions that are affecting your training sessions?
- \*"If you always do what you always did, you will always get what you always got"!

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- \*Create a training program to prevent problems.
- \*Observe and manage trends
- \*Ask yourself "How is that working for you?" Reassess!
- \*Use what stimulates your dog in your training sessions and routines.
- \*Don't tell a dog not to do something, give them something to do. Backchain!
- \*Track problems, don't be emotional, see what you have and plan for what you want.
- \*Remember behaviours need to be maintained!
- \*Be a splitter not a lumper

Break it down, short sessions, plan ahead, keep it clean and simple...... reward the good, encourage attempts celebrate the successes! Observe, we learn by our mistakes......be mindful of your rate of reinforcement, timing and criteria! Place of reinforcement is of utmost importance. Think, plan, do, test then reassess.

I hope you have enjoyed the many hints I have learned and acquired throughout the years......it has been a great journey, learned lots and lots more to learn......have Fun with your Training.

Debby DaCosta, The Poodle Farm

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Editor's note: have a look on p.22 to see how successful Deb DaCosta is with her own training program......

## Request from your President MTJ Weir:

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a fire last year. Thank you!



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http://www.epaperflip.com/aglaia/viewer.aspx?docid=234f7f8b43c54e66a319bb1c83958806

## "Deciding When a Pet Has Suffered Enough" by Jessica Pierce

ODY died peacefully last year, Nov. 29. He was 14 and a half. Truth be told, Ody didn't just die. I killed him. I paid a vet to come to my house and inject a chemical solution into a vein in Ody's back leg.

People ask me how I knew it was time. There was no watershed, but a slow accumulation of miseries. Ody had been in serious decline for six months. Partial paralysis of his laryngeal muscles made it hard for him to breathe, and he would begin to pant at the slightest exertion. His once deep tenor bark had transformed into a raspy Darth Vader croak. The signals from his addled brain often failed to reach

his body, so when I walked him he left a Hansel and Gretel trail of pee and poop behind him. His muscles atrophied, and his walk was crab-like and unsteady. He grew increasingly uninterested in food and people, his two great passions. Worst of all, he began falling more and more frequently and was unable to get up by himself.

Toward the end, I would wake in the night to scuffling sounds. I'd search the house and find Ody trapped behind the piano or tangled up in the exercise equipment. It was on the fourth such night that my husband said: "It's time. We can't do this to Ody anymore."



"Ody" photo by Roger Pierce

Euthanasia is deeply entrenched in the culture of pet keeping in America, and for the vast majority of companion animals, death will be orchestrated by a human caretaker, the time and date chosen in advance and not, as it were, decided by "nature" or some higher power. Yet despite its ubiquity, we rarely question its moral appropriateness.

Euthanasia is typically thought of as a choice between suffering and death – and, indeed, it can offer relief from unyielding pain. But death is too often prescribed as a de facto treatment for suffering when much less aggressive possibilities exist. We can ease our animals into the valley of death, rather than abruptly shoving them off the cliff.

Pain is the barometer most often used to assess whether an animal should be euthanized, and one of the most important improvements we can make in caring for our pets is to provide them with better palliative care. Untreated or undertreated pain is epidemic among companion animals. Kevin Stafford, an authority on veterinary ethics, estimates that 10 million dogs in the United States suffer from osteoarthritis but that only a small fraction get treatment. Of those dogs that do, he says, many are treated ineffectually or are given too little pain medicine for too short a time. The only treatment many arthritic dogs receive is euthanasia.

Effective and affordable pain treatments for animals are available; many human pain drugs were developed using animals. We can also lessen the pain for ailing pets with structural alterations to our homes, like ramps.

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Why, then, are so many animals in pain? The reasons are largely cultural. Some veterinarians, particularly older ones, have been taught that animals don't feel pain (the same convenient skepticism under which the animal research juggernaut labors). Few vets specialize in palliative care, and treating pain effectively takes a tenacity that harried and underpaid vets may find difficult to muster on a daily basis. And pet owners can be inattentive, even lazy.

To be sure, animal pain can be <u>tricky to recognize</u> and treat. Cats and rabbits are notorious for their so-called stoicism, but dogs, too, <u>may not display pain</u> in ways we easily see. As with humans, responses to pain vary. Effective pain management often requires trial and error with various types of drugs, as well as the use of non-drug therapies like weight management, controlled exercise, physical therapy, massage, acupuncture and nutritional supplements.

Pain must be understood broadly, as it is in human medicine, to include psychological suffering. Ody's physical ailments were mostly caused by neurological decline. The fact that he wasn't obviously in physical pain made the decision to euthanize a difficult one, because I was left to make an imperfect judgment about his overall well-being.

Quality-of-life assessments have long been used within human end-of-life care, and similar tools for assessing our animals are increasingly available, well-refined and imminently useful. One nice example is the veterinarian Alice Villalobos's <u>"Pawspice"</u> program, which directs pet owners to assess their pet on <u>a 1-to-10 scale</u> on seven measures – hurt, hunger, hydration, hygiene, happiness, mobility and "more good days than bad" – with the lowest number being the worst. During Ody's final decline, I would force myself to think through this assessment. It was hard to be honest. Ody's score just kept getting lower. But the exercise at least offered a measure of objectivity.

One of the most troublesome moral challenges involves money. We could say that money shouldn't matter when an animal's life is in the balance, but this is neither realistic nor fair to pet owners. We might feel a justified repugnance toward the financially well-positioned pet owner who refuses to cough up the money for an antibiotic or inexpensive pain medicine. But the question of money can be gut-wrenching, as when prolonged care for an ill animal is balanced against college education for a child. Luckily, basic palliative care is not particularly expensive, and the emerging field of animal hospice will allow more owners to give respite to their dying animals without going broke.

AT animal hospice, the therapeutic agenda is not abandoned, but its goals shift, sometimes subtly, from cure to compassionate care and comfort. We put aside the desire to fix - the

## "Deciding When a Pet Has Suffered Enough" continued

stem-cell treatments, joint replacements, X-rays and biopsies, and the other marvels of modern veterinary medicine – and focus instead on managing pain and allowing death to unfold in its own time. When things get really ugly, we retain the option – still largely unavailable for our human loved ones – of a gentle release.

Unfortunately, the love we feel for our animals can inure us to their suffering. We may wait for our animal to "tell us she is ready," but our love can make it hard to hear her cries. I couldn't bear the thought of losing Ody, so I sugarcoated his suffering. I focused on caregiving, feeling vindicated when he showed his typical interest in hot dogs and processed cheese. When, prodded by my husband, I finally called the euthanasia vet, I asked her to come the following day. I need one more day with Ody, to say goodbye, I thought. After realizing that this extra day was for me, not for Ody, I called back, and when I was able to control my voice, I asked her to come as soon as she could.

When the vet arrived at our house that night to perform the procedure, Ody was crouched under the piano, peering out at the family and friends gathered to say farewell. Normally he was drawn to people, but not this night. I watched him turn and stumble off. I followed him onto the flagstone patio, where he stood still, his back legs with their awkward bent. It was a bitterly cold night. I sat next to him and wrapped my arms around his chest and buried my face in the soft red fur of his neck. I didn't want this moment to end. A few minutes later, my husband opened the door and called, "The vet's ready." I sat for another long moment with Ody and then got up and moved toward the door, beckoning him after me. He stood still, looking into the dark. I got behind him and gently touched his back, urging him on.

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http://jessicapierce.net/

I came across a website that might be of interest especially to older breeders who know the names of several of these dogs. I discovered that you can copy and paste the pictures/don't have to buy.

http://www.encore-editions.com/ Then I went to canine breeds/ poodles

submitted by Susan Fraser





## Introducing Katrina, the love of my life =:0)

Katrina, her "trialing loot", acquired at the PCC booster at the Nanaimo Kennel Club, here in BC. First of all, Katrina was born with a job that she excels at! Secondly, she is the dog who introduced me to "dog sports", with a little help from her breeder, Jac Harbour. I still claim that they conspired against me..... ... =:0)

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**Katrina, aka Tudorose Kat of Braganza**, has a bunch of titles in four different venues. Her most important is "Service Dog". She is my ears, and gives me the confidence to live and travel alone. Well, alone, so long as she, and now her Apprentice, are with me.

Her breeder, Jac Harbour, asked that in addition to her Service Dog title, I put at least one other title on Katrina. Silly me, not knowing any better, I chose Conformation. It looked like the easiest. I mean really, how hard can it be to run around the ring with a dog while the judge looks on????? Oh yeah, she is a POODLE and had HAIR! What a learning curve!!

I won't go into the sad sorry details, but during a show, a judge mishandled my hearing equipment and left me without sound and no idea what was going on in the ring. I was devastated. I had no idea how to handle the situation, but didn't want to be "back balled", so said nothing to anyone 'official'. A fellow competitor saw what was happening, took pity on me and helped me through that show. Later, when I stated there was no way I was going back into the ring, she offered to show Katrina for me. I had managed to put Katrina's first points on her before this upset. With Deb's very capable assistance, Katrina earned her CKC CH.

One day, with Katrina still in show coat we were visiting Jac. Suddenly Jac looked at her watch, jumped up and said she had "a class to teach" and invited us to tag along. I said, "sure, why not", and then somewhat hesitantly asked what sort of class it was. Well, it was an introduction to field work class. I had no idea what the heck she was really talking about but said, "sure, why not?" I mean really, what harm could it do???

We stood on the sidelines and watched. Katrina appeared to be taking careful notes. Then Jac turned to us and asked, "Would Katrina like a turn?" Katrina answered with a very positive tug on her lead... toward Jac. It was the first movement she had made after settling in to watch what was going on. So I said the only thing open to me, "Katrina says, "yes!"".

Jac teased her with a bumper and then tossed is a short way out. Katrina looked at Jac, looked back at the bumper, looked at Jac again and said, "You threw it, you go get it!" And Jac obeyed.

Next, Jac teased her with a very dead bird, then tossed it a bit further out than the scorned and rejected jumper. Katrina zipped out, picked it up and delivered it,.... to my hand. I still don't know if Jac was more pleased/surprised that Katrina did "what came naturally" and fetched the bird, or because I accepted the proffered "road kill" without comment, except to say, "good dog". In any case, although she had already started in the show ring, and would earn a CH, well 2 actually, in my mind this was Katrina's "official start in dog sports". Her training up to that point had all been for her "real job",.... her Service Dog work. I figured, that since her "job in life" had been dictated to her, she was free to choose what to do to relax. You see, first and foremost, Katrina is my ears. So I was training her to alert me to sounds, to fetch things I had dropped, and to generally watch out for me. She earned her CKC WC and PCA WC and somewhere along the line, I was lured to a UKC obedience trail, "just to watch". The neat thing about UKC trials is the allowance for "day of" entries. We had been doing informal obedience work. I knew that UKC, AKC, and CKC all had similar but different requirements for the various sports but had not reviewed any of them. While watching the morning

applause, everybody seems to be doing really well. Still, I don't really understand what the heck is going on. The rules must be way more relaxed here." She agreed and I dared her to enter the afternoon trial. She countered with a double dare........... Need I say more???

Astoundingly, with only half a clue about what the heck we were doing, Katrina and I took HIC, and the other part of the double dare took 2<sup>nd</sup>. No one else in our class passed. I will only say that we passed. Not how well we did. However, I did realized just how much I didn't know about the sport of cap O Obedience and decided we would do Rally as I wouldn't have to worry about hearing, or not, the Judge. That lasted until Katrina accumulated two RN titles, AKC and CKC.

I couldn't figure out how to teach off lead healing and so we were "stuck at RN". I asked around and enrolled us in a competition Novice Obedience class where Katrina struggled to teach me how to handle for ring work. It has taken a lot of patience on her part, but she finally taught me well enough that she earned her CKC CD, and RN. Along the way she took a batch of ribbons at the Poodle Club of Canada Booster, at the Nanaimo Kennel Club. (I love all those pretty ribbons!!)

We have continued with Obedience work and she earned her CKC CDX this spring and is looking forward to earning her Utility titles before she retires from Obedience.

While CKC is our "home club", we still support the UKC, where we continue to "test the waters" before attempting CKC titles. She has earned a UCD and a UCDX.

Next On the list is a UUD, just as soon as the dreaded "articles" have been mastered. To that end, we have started training with metal articles. Dare I say, she is doing her level best =:0) Oh yes, I now review the rules for each club (several times actually) very carefully and especially just before we trial!

As long as Katrina enjoys playing the game, we will continue pursing titles... We'll likely switch back to Rally, now that we understand off lead heeling. Her long awaited Apprentice has joined us and Ruby is benefiting from, and very grateful for, Katrina's patient teaching..... of me!

- submitted by Sylvia Dodgson

OTCH, NAHRA SR WALNUTHILL CASTOR OF TUDOROSE MH, WCX, AKC CGC and JH, PCA WCX, VIP VCX; (D) GW482357 BLACK 5/11/97; (CH/OTCH Ellery's Kierney WC, TT, AKC CDX,



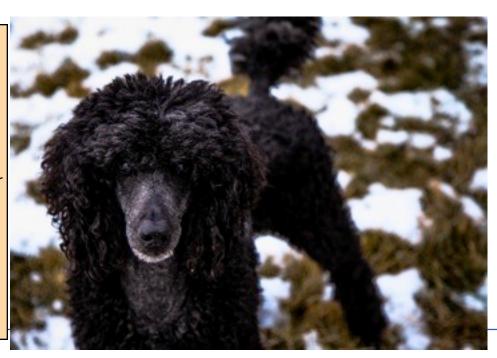
VIP VC x OTCh Walnuthill Jiffy of Tudorose WCI, JH, AKC UD/CGC, Bda CD, TT, VIP VC); WC (MVRTC) June 24/99; WCI (MVRTC) July 8/99; JH (SWORTC) Aug. 28/99; NAHRA SR (HHRTC) June 10/01; WCX (MVRTC) June 14/01 (third SP CKC WCX); SH (MVRTC) Oct. 7/01 (first SP CKC SH); MH (YRFTC) Aug. 20/05 (first SP CKC MH). Call name: Castor; Owner: Emily Cain (Ontario); Breeders: Jacqueline Harbour and Emily Cain.

Castor was the second Standard Poodle to run in the Gold Whistle indoor retriever trials at the 2002 Toronto Sportsmen's Show. There were no indoor retriever trials in 2003 because of renovations; Castor was invited to run in 2004, and, on Friday evening, 21 March, he picked up a CM. We put down Castor in September 2012 because his life had become burdensome to him--there was no single reason. We miss him very much:

he was one of the best dogs I've ever known, and a lovely companion. Submitted by Emily Cain; Photo credit Lynne Oslach Photography

Being a senior has not slowed her down one bit. Piper's love of life, affection and sense of humour make her an awesome teammate and friend. Like fine wine, a great poodle gets better with age.

"Piper" aka OTCH Ravendune Piping Hot RE AGN CGN HIC (s) RNMCL VC



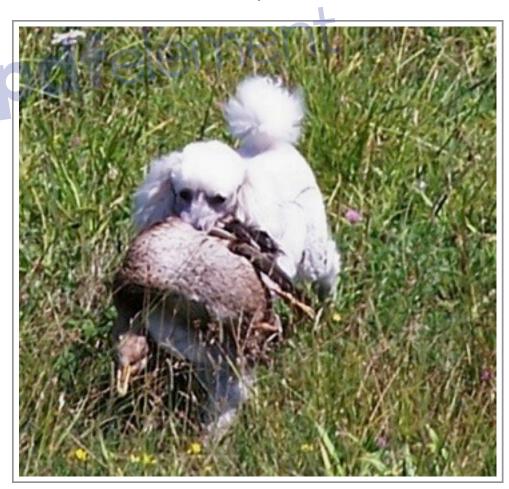
In response to your request for senior poodle candidates, I am pleased to introduce you to my Simon ... MOTCH Samkel's Cream Machine, WCX. Simon was born on Aug 7/99 and joined our multiple dog household in November of that year. He has lived with a Samoyed, German Shepherd and 7 Golden Retrievers ... he considers himself equal to all of them in size, attitude and especially intelligence. Simon was supposed to be a Toy, but grew a little taller in height with the appropriate weight of 16 lbs. Because I have been active in field with my Goldens, Simon came along to training days. Our instructor encouraged me to work him ... he was a retrieving fiend, and quickly transferred that desire to birds on land and in water. He was the first Mini Poodle to achieve his WC (June/02), the first Mini to reach WCI (June/06), and with the continued support and encouragement of our mentors (Emily Cain and Cheryl Ingwersen) he became the first Mini to reach Working Certificate Excellent (WCX) in May/07. The following year, Simon capped off his obedience career when he attained Master Obedience Trial Champion.

At age 13, Simon's eyes are now clouded by cataracts. However, his desire to work remains intact. He still comes along to field training days where he gets the occasional short retrieves ... ones thrown low so he can see them. He loves obedience, and can still do his Utility routine.

As each Golden entered our household, Simon would instill his position in the hierarchy when the puppies were smaller than him (a very brief period of time!) ... they all grew up to respect him while they towered in size over him. A very wise little dog ...

To net how I feel about Simon? If I could clone any one of my dogs, it would be Simon ... he is one in a million! And we love him to pieces ....

submitted by Leila Marshall



## Adanac Poodles is very proud of our boy Paul!

Am. Can. Ch. Saruko's Opening Knight finished his show career on a high note winning an Award of Merit at The Poodle Club of Canada's National Specialty. The previous day he won Best Canadian Bred in Specialty and Best of Opposite at The Poodle Club of Ontario Specialty. Watch for this versatile dog in the performance ring in the future and his offspring in the conformation ring!

Thank you to Paul Clas and Chrystal Murray for his beautiful presentation this past year. submitted by Michelle Kerr of Adanac Poodles



## Multi BPIG Ch Beaucaniche Cosi Fan Tutti (Cosi)

earned his championship with multiple group 2nds, a group 4th and many Best Puppy In Groups. His championship was earned at the Essex County Kennel Club, Sept 2012. He was just shy of his 10 month birthday. He was shown, beautifully, to his championship by Cathy Siverns. His Dam is owned, and loved, by Sherry Stanley of Beaucaniche Standard Poodles, Ch. Beaucaniche Raven Marlisse CGN. His sire is owned by Renee Koch of Gardenpath Standard Poodles, Tch Ch Pannovia's Chasing Hearts CGN RA CD HIC(s) VC (Chase).



**Bellefleet Raven Lucky Lizette CGN** 

(Lizzie) earned her Caro Rally Novice (CRN) title at the Poodle Farm in August 2012. She is owned, and very loved, by Sherry Stanley of Beaucaniche Standard Poodles.



## New Obedience Trial Champion:

**OTCH U-HR Tudorose True Blue WCX JH AGN** finished her Utility Title with two high in class scores on a sunny weekend in Victoria this spring 2012. We even earned back our entry fees in prize money. ;-) Blue was 10.5 years old at the time and well, I was so proud of her in the last trial that I started to cry after the signal exercise when she did it nicely for me and then I couldn't remember what was next! The poor judge...

Blue is my first dog and she has cheerfully gone along with the path from pet manners puppy classes to me deciding to do obedience, field and agility with her. I am in awe of what this poodle has been capable of doing! Thank you, Jac Harbour, for bringing this wonderful poodle into our lives.

Submitted by Teresa Myrfield

## NEW CHAMPION & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

## BPIS. CH. TAMERAL'S SCANDAL N THE MAKING

Ch. Eaglehill's Keep them Guess N AgN, Aglj, FM x Kasalland Blackopal of Tameral T.P. In Limited showing "Scandal" completed her Canadian Championship as a junior puppy obtaining three group 3 placements, two Best Puppy in Group and a Best Puppy in Show. Scandal was owner handled to her first nine points and expertly



handled to her last point by Hander Katheryn Murray & "Team Alexander". A special thank you to Renee Koch of Gardenpath poodles for her breathtaking photos of Scandal. Watch for Scandal and her sire Denim in the Agility, Rally, Obedience and Flyball rings.

Owner: Dawn Thomas, Acton, Ont

Website: cheaglehillskeepthemguessn.blogspot.ca

HIGH IN TRIAL & HIGH COMBINED

#### OTCH RAVENDUNE PIPING HOT RE AGN CGN

We couldn't be prouder of our girl Piper. She's always a happy competitor and fun team mate who loves to be in the ring. Thank you to all the people who work so hard to make the National a wonderful show and performance venue.

Renee S. Koch, Gardenpath Poodles, Kitchener Ontario



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## CH CANZONE BELLA NINA OF GARDENPATH TD CD RE CGN HIC

"NINA" has had an amazing summer! Passing every leg she entered with awesome scores Nina completed 6 titles in short order finishing her Companion Dog, Rally Novice, Rally Advance, Rally Excellent and Canine Good Neighbour as well as her Herding Instinct evaluation on sheep in straight trials. She's a super fun girl who loves to train and trial. Watch for Nina next year to return to performance competition in Obedience, Tracking and for her BH after her maternity leave. Thank you to Jeff Smith and Geoff Hunnicutt for such an outstanding girl. submitted by Renee Koch of Gardenpath Standard Poodles



#### **AMERICAN GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP**

## Am. GCh. Can. Ch. Bellefleet's Living In The Fast Lane

Laney - Black Miniature bitch

- owned by William Lee & Alysia Reichertz (Am. Ch.Clarion Camelot Quill ex Am. Ch. Jordan Minuet) Shown en route to her American Grand Championship taking a Group 1st in the USA. "Laney" is a Multiple Specialty & Group winner in Canada and a Multiple group winner in the USA

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#### **NEW CHAMPION**

## Ch. Bellefleet Looknomore For Love

Dove - Black Miniature bitch

- owned by Alysia Reichertz, Bred by Irena Kesminas

(Can. Am. UKC. Ch. Bellefleet Dynamic Force TP ex Can. Ch. Lilu Likimo Uzgaida)

Shown finishing her Championship finished at the Valley Kennel Club Show July 2012.

Fifth Champion for her sire "Mic"
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# NEW CHAMPION Ch Bellefleet Keep me in Mind

Georgia- Brown Standard bitch, owned and bred by Joanne Reichertz (Can. Am. Ch.Ascot Rosebar Double Daika ex Can.Am.UKC. Ch. Bellefleet Apiele Let It Be Me) shown finishing her championship in July 2012

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"Troy" Can CH, UCH,UCD
Bibelot Tolka VIP of Vibrant
WC,JH,CD,RE,HIC earned his
Working Certificate at Mountain
Valley Retriever Training Club in
June, then went on to qualify in
three trials to earn his Junior
Hunter title. Troy is owned and
handled by Vivienne Swarbreck
and was bred by Susan Fraser and
Debra Drake.

## CH. Glicks Midsummer Night Nala RN CGN TPOC

Nala (the brown girl) earned a

HIC and a 2nd place towards
Rally Advanced at her last CKC
trial, while her half-sister
Mango (the black girl tangled
up in her leash) CH. Glicks
Midwinter Magic RN CGN
HIC earned a HIC and a 4th
place and her Rally Novice title.
Good teamwork girls! Shown
with CKC Judge Aileen Murray.
Bred, loved and owned by
Lisa Kimberly Glickman,
Glicks Standard Poodles



CH Lemuria's Kallysta Wanna B Yu CD, CDX, CGN, AGI, AGX, AGNJ, AGIJ, ADC, SGDC, RN, RAMCL, RVMCL, RVXMCL, RNTMCL, RATMCL, RXTMCL, RVTMCL, CRB, CRS, CRG, CRMCH, HTM Bronze Bar, W-FD/MF, W-FDX/MF, W- FDM/MF, ADC, SGDC, AADC, AGDC, MADC, MGDC, MSDC, MJDC, ATChC, MSCDC, PCC Versatility Award, AM CD

#### **Titles Obedience**

CDX-Companion Dog Excellent

AKC - AM CD

#### Titles Rally

CARO Rally Versatility Excellent Title

CARO Rally Versatility Team Title

CKC Rally Advanced Title RA

CKC Rally Excellent Title RX

#### **Titles Agility**

**AKC Novice Std** 

AKC Novice JWW

CH Palman Mystic Phantom du Opera CRNMCL, CRAMCL, CRXMCL, CRVMCL, CRNT, CRAT, CRXT, RN, RA, ADC, SGDC, W-FD/MF, W-FD/HTM



New Champion!! I handled P2 for the first 9 points with help on the grooming front from Chyrstal Murray, Allison Cowie and Laurie MacDonald. Thanks to Allison Cowie for getting my last point and finishing her title in style. She looked Gorgeous!!! Thanks to Betty and David Pateman for breeding such a wonderful dog! Let the fun

#### Titles Rally

begin!

CARO Rally Versatility
CARO Rally Advanced Team
CARO Rally Excellent Team

CKC Rally Advanced Title RA

CH Palman's Krystal Blue Angel, CRN, CRNT
New Champion! Thanks to Laurie Macdonald Campbell,
Allison Cowie, and Chrystal Murray for showing her!
Thanks to Betty and David Pateman for breeding such a
wonderful dog! Now on to more of the fun stuff!

Titles Rally

**CARO Rally Novice** 

CARO Rally Novice Team



## Canadian Specialty Results

#### Poodle Club of Canada- Specialty Results Sunday June 3 2012

Judge Carlos Fernandes Renau

**BIS**: CH. Dawin Avion Wouldn't You Know **BOS**: CH. Bellefleet's Living in the Fast Lane

**BPIS**: CH. Dawin At the Ready

**Best Canadian Bred in Show**: CH. Dawin At the Ready **Best Bred by Exhibitor in Show**: Bellefleet's right of Way

Best Stud Dog in Show: Kalen's Jimeny Cricket

## TOYS:

BOB: Pomroth Sweet Lucy Liu BOS: CH Innovations Superman BPIB: Pomroth Sweet Lucy Liu

#### **MINIATURES:**

BOB: CH. Bellefleet's Living in the Fast Lane

BOS: CH. Sanvar's Canadian Idol BOW: Bellefleet's Right of Way BPIB: CH. Sanvar's Canadian Ido AOM: CH. Saruko Opening Night

#### **STANDARDS:**

BOB: CH. Dawin Avion Wouldn't You Know

BOS, BPIB, Best Canadian Bred: CH. Dawin At the Ready

BOW: Brighton Blue Suede Shoes AOM: Sanvar's Vesuviana at Giulfo

#### **BIS**

CH. Dawin Avion Wouldn't You Know





CH. Bellefleet's Living in the Fast Lane



## PCC Specialty Photo Gallery





## **Provincial Specialty Results**

#### Poodle Club of Ontario - Specialty Results Saturday June 2 2012

Judge Eugene Blake

BIS: CH Bellefleet's Living in the Fast Lane

**BOS**: Brighton Blue Suede Shoes **BPIS**: Brighton Blue Suede Shoes

Best Canadian Bred in Show: CH Sakuro Opening Knight

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: CH Sincerely Born In the USA (Miniature, 11 years and over)

Best of Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweepstakes: CH Avivim Terra Santa Le Sanvar (Standard, 9- 11

vears old)

#### TOYS:

BOB: CH Innovations Superman BOS: Pomroth Sweet Lucy Liu BOW: Pomroth Sweet Lucy Liu BPIB: Pomroth Sweet Lucy Liu

Best Canadian Bred: CH Innovations Superman

Best Bred by Exhibitor in Breed: N/A

#### **MINIATURES:**

BOB: CH Bellefleet's Living in the Fast Lane

**BOS: CH Sakuro Opening Knight** 

BOW: Lyn-Del Aberwyn Razzle Dazzle BPIB: Lyn-Del Aberwyn Razzle Dazzle

AOM: CH Dassin Giselle

Best Canadian Bred: CH Sakuro Opening Knight Best Bred by Exhibitor in Breed: Imperii Ablaze

#### **STANDARDS:**

**BOB: Brighton Blue Suede Shoes** 

BOS Litilann's Powershot

BOW: Brighton Blue Suede Shoes BPIB: Brighton Blue Suede Shoes



Best in Show
Can/AM Gr CH Bellefleet's Living in the Fast
Lane



**Best Puppy in Show**Brighton Blue Suede Shoes

## Regional Specialty Results

#### Ottawa Valley Poodle Club - Specialty Results Saturday June 15 2012

Judge Elaine Whitney

**BIS:** CH. VETSET KATE WINSIT

**BOS**: MOONSTONE'S STORY TELLER V TOKELRY **BPIS**: CARRINGTON'S BAREFOOT CONTESSA

Best Bred by Exhibitor in Show: CH. GLICKS MIDSUMMER BREEZE

Best Brood Bitch in Show: CH. GLICKS MIDSUMMER NIGHT NALA RN CGN TPOC

#### TOYS:

BOB/BPIB: CH. POMROTH SWEET LUCY LIU

**WB: ACE PASSION LUCY** 

RWB: BONJOURS ANGEL JARDIN DEDEN:

#### **MINIATURES:**

BOB: CH. TOMAR JLC HARLOW AT SIGNET

BOS/BOW: KASALLAND ZACHARIAH

BPIB: BELLEFLEET'S LIFE FORCE

#### **STANDARDS:**

**BOB: CH. VETSET KATE WINSIT** 

BOS, BOW: MOONSTONE'S STORY TELLER V TOKELRY

BPIB: CARRINGTON'S BAREFOOT CONTESSA





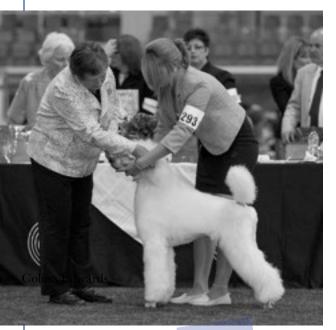
Photo of Donna Wilson and CH Tomar JLC Signet by Colina Edwards



Photo of Breeze ringside before winning BBE by Colina Edwards

## OVPC Specialty Photo Gallery

by Colina Edwards



BOS Moonstones Story Teller V Tokelry



Alison Foley and BIS CH Vetset Kate Winsit





Graeme Burdon and BPIS Carrington's Barefoot Contessa

## Specialties Photo Gallery



Glicks Standard Poodles: Brood Bitch - Ch Glicks Midsummer Night Nala RN CGN TPOC Ch Glicks Midsummer DayDream & Glicks Midsummer Breeze

## DOG HUMOUR

#### Dog-related Barbie dolls

Herding Barbie This very popular Barbie comes with her very own authentic drover coat, Stetson cowboy hat, several pair of cowboy boots, waterproof boots for very inclement weather, silk long johns, wool socks, and an monogrammed staff. Much like Tracking Judge Barbie, this version of Barbie has perpetual "bad hair", so be prepared to leave the cowboy hat on at all times. Also included is her very own monogrammed stretcher so that she can be carried out of the arena when the sheep run over her. Barbie comes with her own Sheltie, "Round 'em Up's Chaser HI", or "Yapper". "Yapper" comes with her own gold-plated chain so that she can be hooked up to the barbed wire fence with all the Cattle Dogs and Border Collies (barbed wire fence not included). Barbie also comes with several sheep, cows, and ducks, making her one of the more expensive Barbies.

Agility Barbie Unlike most slim, attractive versions of Barbie, this Barbie is quite muscular from hauling very heavy A-frames, teeter-totters, and dog walks. She can carry an A-frame panel with one arm and set up all of the contact obstacles single-handedly. Barbie comes complete with a full set of agility equipment, lawn chair, cooler, stopwatch, battery-operated fans, an open-sided tent for shade, sunscreen, bug spray, rain suit, waterproof boots, 57 different agility rule books for all occasions, and her very own courier (Ken) who can hand deliver agility entries to the most popular trials and stand in line for Barbie. Ken also helps set up the equipment. Barbie also comes with her own agility dog, Border Collie "MACH Runaround's Speed Demon MXF, TQX, etc., etc., etc., or "Contact". Trailer for hauling agility equipment sold separately.

Obedience Barbie Barbie comes with a training bag full of gear, a set of utility articles, a full set of regulation obedience jumps, her own lawn chair, cooler, a subscription to Front and Finish, and her very own obedience Golden Retriever "OTCh Sparklepond's Shorestepper's Heelalong Fool" better known as "Two-hundred". Accessories such as HIT ribbons and high scoring club plaques can be purchased separately.

Tracking Judge Barbie Barbie comes with a Polartec snowsuit, Gore-Tex rain gear and boots, wool socks, leather tracking gloves, silk long underwear, sunscreen, bug spray, a baseball cap, a waterproof clipboard, mylar paper and space pens in three colours. She also comes with whistles in two different colours to match the snowsuit and rain gear, a complete set of tracking flags, a compass, and a set of 12 different tracking articles. Unlike most Barbies, this Barbie always has a "bad hair day" so it's best to leave a hood or the baseball cap over her hair at all times.Included in the deluxe version is Barbie's tracking dog "Pokealong's Can't Find Squat TD", or "Sniffer", a Siberian Husky, who comes with his own harness

and rope as well as a lifetime supply of hot dogs. Sniffer has been known to eat start articles with one gulp and turn the start flag into a large toy at TDX tests, grabbing it in his mouth and running in large circles around the field (especially when there is a large audience watching). This version also comes with a case of Valium for Tracking Judge Barbie for this very reason. This is the most expensive Barbie and most collectors prefer to leave her in the original box.

Earthdog Barbie Barbie comes with her very own monogrammed shovel, a custom-built liner for training, and a cage with three live rats. Also included are several pair of jeans, flannel shirts, t-shirts, rain gear, sunscreen, bug spray, and waterproof boots. Barbie comes with several small terriers (you choose the breed) and two first aid kits (one for the dogs when they get in fights, and one for Barbie when she gets her hand in the way) as well as a .38 revolver for emergencies (don't ask). This version of Barbie can be removed from the box but some collectors prefer to leave the terriers in the original box.

And last, but not least, the most popular one of all is the Dog Club President Barbie, who comes with TWO cases of Miss Clairol hair colour (to colour her own gray hair), a monogrammed strait jacket, a leather-bound copy of Robert's Rules of Order, and a gold-plated gavel. The gavel unscrews at the end and is secretly a .357 magnum which can be used to keep unruly club members under control or just get rid of them all together!

Four-wheel-drive sport utility vehicles and minivans complete with dog crates are sold separately for all versions of Barbie.

The only one missing? Flyball Barbie! Coming this Christmas!

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THE POODLE SCENE

## PCC Fun Day

On June 17, 2012, The Poodle Club of Canada held a fun day at Shepherd's Watch Farm in Utopia, Ontario. Though the skies threatened rain early in the day, we were lucky enough to have just a few drops fall and the rest of the day was cloudy but dry, which proved to be perfect weather for outside activities.

The day was open to all breeds, but was well attended by poodles. A number of activities were offered, a barbeque lunch was available and we all had fun with our dogs.

Sue Jewell was our Herding Instinct Certificate tester, and she and her Border Collie, Kat, delighted the crowd as they expertly moved groups of sheep in and out of the testing pen. A total of sixteen dogs were tested, with eight poodles (six standard and two miniature) earning their instinct certificate. Sue was very pleased with the turn out and was impressed with the potential shown by many of the dogs. Congratulations to all!

Peter and Diane Welsh set up a Rally course, and offered some guidance and insight about the signs to people wishing to try out this fun activity.

PCC member, Nancy Musters was our judge for the Canine Good Neighbour. Seven dogs (four poodles) earned their CGN, which was a 100% pass rate!! Way to go good neighbours!!

Cheryl Ingwersen offered a retrieving instinct test with real (dead) birds. A number of dogs showed keen interest in the birds and a desire to go and get them when they were thrown for them. As poodles were originally water retrievers, it is good to see that instinct still intact in so many of them.

Many thanks to Sue, Peter and Diane, Nancy and Cheryl for running the activities. You did a fantastic job of making the day successful. I'm also grateful to my daughter, Amanda and husband, Brian, who came out on Father's Day to barbeque burgers and sausages in support of the club, Dawn Nagata for her fabulous signs and beautiful handwriting on the herding certificates, and of course, my right hand lady, Deb Drake, without whose help the day would not have been possible.

submitted by Vivienne Swarbreck, PCC Versatility Chair

