



Brainerd Kennel Club Gazette



The Newsletter for Our Club

November 2010

Winter Classes

Visit our webpage www.bkcdogs.org or call 838-6070 for a description of classes and registration form. Member registration begins December 2nd; non-member registration begins December 9th .

Puppy Class

Instructor: Dianna Anderson

Begins January 13th

6:30-7:30 pm

Limit 8

*For puppies 3-5 months of age
on their first night of class

Therapy Dog Class

Instructor: Traci Vosen &
Barb Schilling

Begins January 6th

7:45-8:45 pm

Limit 10

Rally Obedience

Instructor: Heather Baird

Begins January 6th

7:45-8:45 pm

Limit 10

Beginners Class

Instructor: Kip Dixon

Begins January 6th

6:30-7:30 pm

Limit 15

CGC & TDI

March 10th



New S.T.A.R. Puppies!

On October 21st, BKC held another AKC Puppy S.T.A.R. test. Five puppies and their owners passed the test:

**Kayla Rubbelke & Abby the
Min Pin**

**Elise Jensen & Max the Shih Tzu
Steve Allen & Josie the
Shepherd mix**

**Elaine Gilbertson & Gus the
Labrador Retriever**

**Mary Reetz & Radar the
Border Collie mix**

Congratulations to all!

Therapy Class Offered

BKC will be offering a new class this winter! Have you ever wanted to volunteer with your dog, visiting people in need, hoping to cheer up their day? If so, you may enjoy taking our new therapy dog class. This class will go over the steps of how to certify both you and your dog, give training tools in how to master these skills and of course, have lots of practice with these tools. The last night of class will offer the TDI therapy test needed for you and your dog to begin making your visits. There are no limits on places to visit once you are certified. The rewards are endless for both you & your dog and even more so for those you visit!



New Web Site for BKC

As many of you know, we have had quite the struggle with getting our new website up and running. BKC now has a fully functioning "new" website. Though our web address is the same, the site is new. Our web address is still www.bkcdogs.org, but must be retyped into your address bar and "resaved" again to your Favorites. We plan to stay as up to date as possible and add

plenty of photos of our members and their dogs. Please e-mail or hard mail us photos, brag rights and anything else you would like to see on the web. Some areas of the BKC site are "restricted" to BKC members only, so any member who would like access to these areas must e-mail BKC to request a log-in and a password. The BKC e-mail is: bkcdogs@hotmail.com.



BKC Member Show Results

Dianna Anderson and her Bearded Collies have had a busy summer at agility trials. **Logan (Spindrift Nonesuch Made Ya Look, CD, RE, NA, NAJ, NF, AD, SSA, SJ, SG, SS, SR, CL2-RFH, VD, CGC)** finished his AKC Novice F.A.S.T. title (**NF**) with a 1st place. In USDAA agility He finished up his Agility Dog (**AD**) title, as well as his Starters Snooker (**SS**), Starters Gamblers (**SG**), Starters Pairs Relay (**SR**), and his Starters Standard Agility (**SSA**) titles. In CPE (Canine Performance Events) Agility he finished his Level 2 Handlers and Fun Games titles (**CL2-H and F**). Logan also qualified for his Versatility Dog (**VD**) title which is given by the Bearded Collie Club of America for dogs receiving titles in 3 of the following 5 areas: Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Herding or Agility. **River (Nonesuch Smoke On The Water, NA, SJ, CL1-RFH)** finished all of his Level 1 CPE titles this summer (**CL1- Regular, Fun Games, Handlers and Strategy**). In USDAA Agility he finished his Starters Jumpers title (**SJ**). River also received legs in AKC agility, Novice Standard, Jumpers and F.A.S.T. In October the Beardies went on the road (with their Doberman mascot, Raya) to

the Bearded Collie Club of America National Specialty, in Loveland, CO. River received qualifying scores in Novice F.A.S.T and Novice Standard agility. He also finished his Novice Agility (**NA**) title at the specialty. Logan received a 1st place in Open Jumpers with Weaves, and a 2nd Place in Open Standard agility. Then, Logan moved on to the obedience ring, where he received 1st place in Open A, which was his 1st leg towards his Companion Dog Excellent (**CDX**) Title.

Bug & Deb Steen debuted in the June AKC trial held by Canine Agility of Central MN. They placed first in Nov A Standard and Jumpers, qualifying them for their first legs in these events. In July, they competed at the MAC AKC trial with a qualifying and first place run in Standard. Bug performed a very entertaining & unique Jumpers course, but the judge apparently did not appreciate the innovative approach. August brought the Tails In Motion USDAA trial. It was a lot of fun – with qualifying runs and first place finishes in: Starters Jumpers, Pairs and Gamblers. Bug qualified and placed second in Starters Standard. In September, the

team headed to the AKC Bloomington Obedience trial – and qualified and placed first in Jumpers. Finally in October it was off to St. Peter, for the Key City AKC trial. The team competed in Standard and Jumpers, with qualifying and first place finishes in both. This completed Bug's **AKC Novice A titles in Jumpers and Standard.**

Traci Vosen & her Golden Retriever, Boston finished their Grad-Novice (**GN**) Title in Fargo this summer. Boston took first place both days he showed. Traci's Gordon Setter, **Briley** got his first 2 legs towards his CD Title in Fargo as well.

Jaci & Nestle earned their “**Obedience Master 1**” title 10/2/2010 (I believe that is the 2nd one for BKC). They earned their “**UDX**” title Oct. 24th at “**TCOTC**”. You must pass Open B & Utility B at the same show 10 times to earn this title. Nestle is 4 years old and just got his Utility title in May so Jaci is pretty happy & proud!!! Nestle also took a 1st place in Utility B at TCOTC for 14 OTCH points.

Carol Manley and her Bernese Mountain Dogs “**Rumble**” competed at the Red River Valley Obedience Club trial in July. They

qualified all three days with scores of 195, 196.5 and 195, completing their **Companion Dog** title. They also competed in draft at the end of October. Rumble qualified both days in the open level, earning his **Draft Dog** title and 2 legs towards his Master Draft title.

Colleen Adrian competed at the CPE Agility Trial on October 31, 2010 with her Papillons **Seiko & Cara**. Seiko got her new title **CL3-F** & Cara got her 1st title **CL1-H**.

Janet Hennies & Miko have been working hard on agility this summer. So far they've earned their **USDAA P1J** and **CPE Level 1**.



**Congratulations
& Great Work
Everyone!!**

Congratulations to Roger & Kihei

By Traci Vosen

Roger Peterson and his Black Lab, Kihei, were surprised with one of the highest honors a competing obedience team can have. They were invited to the AKC National Obedience Invitational held in Long Beach, California on December 4 & 5, 2010. I was able to sit down and talk with Roger to ask him a few questions about this upcoming show.

During this two day event, approximately 100 to 125 dogs will compete to become the top obedience dog in the country. The top 25 dogs in America are invited, based on OTCH points, along with the top 3 dogs of each breed, also based on OTCH points. Points had to be earned from July 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2010. Roger and Kihei have not only earned the required OTCH points, but earned them in only 9 months! When I asked Roger if this was something he had been striving for he replied "No, I hadn't even considered it. At that time Kihei was only 4 years old. Maybe in a couple of years I would have hoped for this".

Roger is no stranger to competing with his dogs. He has trained 5 other obedience dogs over time. He has placed 5 different Utility Titles and 4 Utility Excellent Titles. I asked him how much time he puts in for training. "I try to put in 20 to 40 minutes a day, per dog. I try to train at least 6 days out of the week. At Kihei's level most of my training is simply a run through. When the dogs are young however, much of the training is broken into several sessions of doodles throughout the day".


I asked Roger what recommendations he would give any BKC member hoping to compete with their dogs. "Start young, the day you bring your puppy home. Puppy class, beginner class, advanced class, any class you can get into and train with a good experienced trainer. And always, get your dog into different locations to practice. Don't always practice in the same place".

Although obedience is a huge area for Roger and Kihei, it's not their only love. Roger also enjoys tracking and hunting, as he stated, "activities that come natural to a dog".


My last question to Roger pertained to his first childhood dog. He told me his first dog ever was a Pekingese. However, his first "memorable" dog was a Cocker Spaniel. As a child he had wanted his own dog more than anything. His mother traded a piece of furniture for a Cocker Spaniel puppy for him. Sadly, while Roger and his puppy were out playing in fresh snow, he watched as his new best friend was hit and killed by a car. Roger told me "The lesson I learned from that was to ALWAYS leash your dog, no matter how trained you think he is. I never want to experience that again".

To end on a happier note, congratulations Roger and Kihei, on this incredible honor and good luck in December! All of us here at BKC will be cheering for you and are anxious to hear about your National Obedience Invitational experience.

THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB
is pleased to invite
Wildrose Rojas Kihei UDX2 OM3 RN
Labrador Retriever ~ SR28383504
To participate in the sixteenth
AKC NATIONAL OBEDIENCE INVITATIONAL
Sponsored by
EUKANUBA, LUBRISYN CA AND
J & J DOG SUPPLIES
December 4th & 5th, 2010
Long Beach Convention Center
300 East Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802 USA



AKC NATIONAL
OBEDIENCE INVITATIONAL
By American Kennel Club Gift



**AMERICAN
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Your dog is among the select few being honored with this invitation to compete at this prestigious event. To enter complete and return the enclosed entry form in the envelope provided. To decline, return the reply card in the enclosed envelope. Either way, you **must RSVP** as soon as possible or no later than:

August 27, 2010 @ 4:00 p.m. EDT



Brainerd Kennel Club
 Attn: Traci Vosen
 623 NW 4th St
 Brainerd, MN 56401



Upcoming Events

December 4-5, 2010

Northstar Rottweiler Club, St. Paul
 All breed obedience & rally obedience
www.dogshowsbydesign.com

December 10-11, 2010

Granite City Kennel Club, St. Cloud
 All breed conformation & obedience
www.royjonesdogshows.com

January 8, 2011

St. Paul Dog Training Club
 Obedience & rally obedience
www.dogshowsbydesign.com

January 9-10, 2011

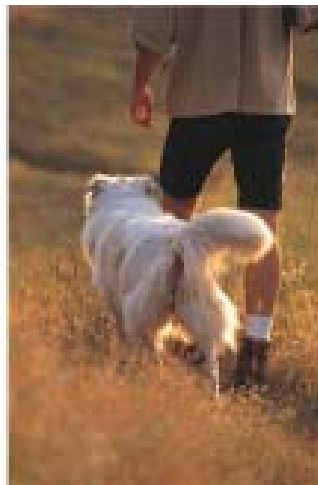
Land O Lakes Kennel Club, St Paul
 All breed conformation, obedience &
 rally obedience
www.onofrio.com

January 29-30, 2011

Northstar Working & Herding group
 Assoc.
 Obedience & rally obedience
www.dogshowsbydesign.com
****Herding & Working Breeds Only**

“He is your friend, your partner, your defender, your dog. You are his life, his love, his leader. He will be yours, faithful and true, to the last beat of his heart. You owe it to him to be worthy of such devotion.”

— *Unknown*



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BKC Monthly Member Meetings

At the Armory at
 7:15pm

January 13th,
 February 10th,
 March 10th

Monthly Meeting Drawing

As an incentive to members to attend the monthly meetings, we now have a drawing at each meeting for a cash prize. All current member's names will be entered in the drawing, but you must be present to win.

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