

# NOMAD NEWS

Northern Magic Agility Dogs

JUNE

2007

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**Cynthia and Heather get their C-ATCH**

## **Heather finished her C-ATCH (CPE Agility Trial Champion) title this past weekend at the NEMASC CPE Trial**

in Westminster VT. We went into the weekend needing one Standard leg which we got on Saturday and one Wildcard leg which we got on Sunday. Cheryl had secretly let everyone know, so immediately after the run we were honored with a very large ribbon, bar, and victory lap. Heather really liked running with me carrying a big ribbon.

I believe Heather is the 3rd English Springer Spaniel to earn a C-ATCH. The other two are in California and Ohio, so she is the first in the Northeast.

*Cynthia & C-ATCH Heather*

## **NOMADS USDAA TRIAL JUNE 16-17**

*from Lisa Barrett*

Plans are under way for another great NOMAD USDAA Trial. We will be at the TopNotch Meadow in Stowe. If you haven't entered yet, you can still get your entry in. Premium and Entry form can be found at <http://usdaa.com/entryforms/VT0271103294.pdf>. Directions to the trial site are in the premium.

This trial is the party NOMAD throws for our agility pals throughout the northeast, and a fun party it is!

If you aren't planning to run a dog at our trial, please come and participate by volunteering at the trial. We love our workers, and we will teach you how to do whatever job you choose. If you come and work for a whole day, we have special gifts for you. If you can commit in advance to a day or part of a day, please contact Lisa Barrett [mytmuts@yahoo.com](mailto:mytmuts@yahoo.com), or Lynne vonTrapp [lynne@pshift.com](mailto:lynne@pshift.com), or 253-7673.

We'll have some special goodies for everyone at this trial: You can decorate your body with temporary tattoos with the NOMAD logo! Each volunteer will earn "NOMAD Doggie Dollars" that can be used for breakfast or lunch, for future NOMAD entries, or to enter our Worker's Raffle.

The judge will be naming this year's winner of the Katy Schultz Award, given to the dog and handler having the most fun (regardless of success!) in Saturday's Starters Standard and Performance 1 Standard

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## WILDWOOD FARM GOOD NEWS

*from Lynne von Trapp*

Good news! NOMAD can have the use of Wildwood Farm's arena again for the '07-'08 winter season. (The October 13, 1-day seminar, and Saturdays November - March.) The Steering Committee will decide on how to use it for practice and lessons based on suggestions made at the fall meeting.



*Kim Rubin, Aspen (the dog) and Alexis (the new addition to the Rubin household)*

### New Members

**Jane Bronson** and **Elliot Kaplan** have joined NOMAD. Some of us had the opportunity to meet Jane and her 2 year old Golden Retriever **Beamer** at the Elicia Calhoun Seminar. After competing for only 10 months, Beamer has his AKC Excellent titles, and has recently started competing in USDAA. Jane and Beamer have set their goal to be competitive at the National level while continuing to have fun together.

Elliot's agility partner is **Wrigley**, a 4 year old Labrador Retriever. Wrigley has his AKC Open Standard and Novice Jumpers titles and has also recently started competing in USDAA. Wrigley also has his Obedience CDX title.

**Marian Mumford** has also joined NOMAD. She has two one year old Labrador Retrievers, and is just getting started in agility. Her dog **Rory** will finish her 12 weeks of classes at The Dog School on June 12, and looks forward to also joining NOMAD at that time!

### NOMAD's Steering Committee

*Contact them if you have questions or suggestions.*

#### President

Lynne von Trapp \_\_\_\_\_ 253-7673

#### Vice-President

Karen Clark \_\_\_\_\_ 527-8355

#### Treasurer

Linda Ladd \_\_\_\_\_ 879-3461

#### Secretary

Kim Rubin \_\_\_\_\_ 899-3382

e-mail: som13@aol.com

#### Members at Large

Don Denette \_\_\_\_\_ 872-8767

Kit Erskine \_\_\_\_\_ 586-9932

Patty McMahon \_\_\_\_\_ 434-3423

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## SUMMER PRACTICE

Tuesday Nights from 6:30 til dark at  
Roberta Dumas' Field

**\$3.00 per session or \$30 for the summer**

**Bring bug spray**

**Dogs need to be crated or tied up while waiting to run.**

### Directions

#### From Burlington

Take I-89 to Richmond exit. Take a left at the end of the exit ramp and follow Rt. 2 under the I-89 overpass. Take the next right onto Rt. 117. Take another immediate right onto Governor Peck Hgwy. Go 2.2 miles to Brown's Trace Rd. and turn left. Go .9 mile and take a right onto Nashville Rd. Follow Nashville Rd. for 2.6 miles and turn right onto Leary Rd. My driveway is about a half mile up Leary Rd. on the right (#54). You can't see the house from the driveway.

#### From Underhill

Turn left off Rt. 15 onto Brown's Trace Rd. (at Clarks Truck Center). Follow Brown's Trace Rd. through Jericho Center and keep heading toward Richmond. It's 2.6 miles from Clarks Truck Center to Nashville

Rd. Look for the West Bolton Golf Course sign. Turn left onto Nashville Rd. Follow Burlington directions from there.

#### From Essex Jct.

Take Rt. 117 (River Rd) toward Richmond. Turn left onto Barber Farm Rd. and follow until you come to Brown's Trace Rd. in Jericho. Turn right and go about a mile. Turn left onto Nashville Rd. Follow Burlington directions from there.

#### From Waterbury

Take I-89 to Richmond. Turn right at the end of the exit ramp and take an immediate right onto Rt. 117, and then another immediate right onto Governor Peck Hgwy. Go 2.2 miles to Brown's Trace Rd. and turn left. Follow Burlington directions from there.



*Fran Bartholomew's Bushey*



*Beth and Lizzie*



*Jo Renn, Kenny French*



*Shelby, the Shnoz*

*O.K. I warned you. Send me photos or this silliness will continue..*

# BRAGS

## April 28, 2007, BoGee CPE Trial, Deerfield, NH

### **Cynthia Gilliland and Heather**

Level 5 Standard, 16 in.- Q

Level 5 Wildcard, 16 in \_\_\_\_\_ 4th and Q

Level 5 Colors, 16 in \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd and Q

## April 28-29, K9 Logix USDAA, Greenfield, MA

### **Lisa Barrett and Fly**

Advanced Gamblers, \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

Advanced Snooker, \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd and Q

Starters Standard, \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

### **Little One**

16" PII Gamblers \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd

Snooker \_\_\_\_\_ 4th

## May 19, Guides Canin AAC, Ste. Lazare, Quebec

### **Don and Joshi**

Veterans expert snooker \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

## May 19-20, NEAT USDAA Hampton Falls, NH

### **Lisa and Fly:**

Adv. Snooker \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd, Q, and title

Masters Jumpers \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

## May 6th, ACE Granby MA Performance II

### **Kit and Lil**

Gamblers \_\_\_\_\_ Second and Q

## May 5-6, ACE USDAA Grnby, MA

### **Lisa Barrett and Fly**

Advanced Standard \_\_\_\_\_ Q

Masters Jumpers \_\_\_\_\_ Q

Advanced Snooker \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd and Q

### **Lynne von Trapp and Chance**

PIII Gamblers \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

## May 12-13, 2007, JAZZ CPE Trial, Greenwich, NY

### **Cynthia Gilliland and Heather**

Level 5 Colors, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

Level 5 Wildcard, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd and Q

Level 5 Standard, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

## May 12; PCNUT AKC trial; Yorktown Heights, NY

### **Ashley Fischer and Spike**

8" Excellent A Preferred JWW - 2nd and Q

## May 27; Toy Dog Classic AKC trial; Fitchburg, MA

### **Ashley Fischer and Reggie**

8" Preferred Novice FAST \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

## May 26-27, 2007, NEMASC CPE Trial, Westminster, VT

### **Cynthia Gilliland and Heather**

Level 5 Fullhouse, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

Level 5 Standard, 16 in \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

Level 5 Snooker, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

Level 5 Jackpot, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and Q

Level 5 Colors, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ Q

Level 5 Wildcard, 16 in. \_\_\_\_\_ Q

and..... C-ATCH!!!!

## **A plea from your editor**

**PLEASE** send your brags in the following format:

**DATE, Trial, Location** paragraph return

**Handler's full name Dog's name** paragraph return

**Class Placement and Q (or not)**

This may seem like a small thing, but it is a very big thing for me when I am trying to get the newsletter out. It takes me a very long time to redo everyone's slightly different formatting.

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO ARE ALREADY DOING THIS AND A THANK YOU IN ADVANCE TO THOSE WHO WILL IN THE FUTURE.**

*-Caroline*

*TRIAL continued from front page*

class. Clean Run has donated a wonderful prize—a Tyvek agility jacket to be ordered in the winner's size.

Also, the Humane Society of Chittenden County will be holding an agility and dog stuff silent auction and tag sale. Bring items to donate, and bring a little cash to snag a bargain.

We will be setting up the tents, rings, and equipment all day on Friday, June 15 at the TopNotch Meadow. All are welcome to come to the field and help us transform an empty meadow into a colorful, busy agility trial site!

When the trial is over on Sunday, all are equally welcome to stay and have a celebratory beer while we pack up and reminisce about the wonderful and strange things that will have happened at the trial.

We are having our final planning meeting for the trial Wednesday June 6 at Maxi's (Rtes100&2) in Waterbury. All NOMADers are welcome. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact Lynne or Lisa.



*Lisa Barrett's jenny running as Bat Girl*

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## SEPTEMBER 2007

**Sept. 1-2; USDAA;** Open to all dogs; ARFF Agility Club, Middlesex County 4-H Fairgrounds, South Chelmsford Rd., Westford, MA; Limit: Unlimited; Classes: All Classes/All Levels, Steeplechase Qualifier, Other, Performance Speed Jumping; Email: debra@necsi.org .

**Sept. 1-3; AKC;** Open to purebreds; Eastern English Springer Spaniel Club; Granby, MA; Opens: 6/27/07; Closes: TBD; Limit: 750; Contact: Trial Secretary: Noreen Bennett, 1 West St., Belchertown, MA 01007, 413-283-4490; Email: noreen@pawprinttrials.com; Website: www.pawprinttrials.com .

**Sept. 7-9; USDAA;** Open to all dogs; Y Agility, Blackthorne Resort, 348 Sunside Rd., East Durham, NY; Limit: Unlimited; Classes: All Classes/All Levels, Standard, Jumpers, Gamblers, Snooker, Pairs Relay; Contact: Donna Young, 4 Haber Way, Castleton, NY 12033, 518-732-2180; Email: yagility@nycap.rr.com ; Website: www.usdaa.com .

**Sept. 8-9; AKC;** Open to purebreds; Old Colony Agility Club; Topsfield, MA; Opens: 7/12/07; Closes: TBD; Limit: 660; Contact: Trial Secretary:

Noreen Bennett, 1 West St., Belchertown, MA 01007, 413-283-4490; Email: noreen@pawprinttrials.com; Website: www.pawprinttrials.com .

**Sept. 8-9; CPE;** Open to all dogs; Agility Dogs of Schenectady, Greenwhich, NY; Limit 350 runs per day; Closes: 8/22/07; Contact: Trisha Stall; Email: trisha@agiledogs.net ; Website: www.sdtcinc.com .

**Sept. 15-16; CPE;** Open to all dogs; CATS, Wheelock Park, Park Ave., Keene, NH; Limit: 700 per day; Classes: All Classes/All Levels; Trial Secretary: Trial Sec. Services, 128 Chesham Rd., Harrisville, NH 03450, 603-827-3594; Website: www.trialsecretary.com or www.canineagility.org .

**Sept. 15-16; USDAA;** Open to all dogs; Riverside Canine Center, Wakeda Campgrounds, Hampton Falls, NH; Secretary: Valori Duff, 252 Boynton St., Manchester, NH 03102 .

**Sept. 15-16; AKC;** Open to purebreds; Pioneer Valley Kennel Club; Granby, MA; Opens: 7/18/07; Closes: TBD; Limit: 660; Contact: Trial Secretary: Noreen Bennett, 1 West St., Belchertown, MA 01007, 413-283-4490; Email: noreen@pawprinttrials.com; Website: www.pawprinttrials.com .

**Sept. 22-23; NADAC;** Open to all dogs; Maplewood Assistance Partners, Inc., Wrentham Developmental Center, Wrentham, MA; Limit: 500; Classes: All Classes/All Levels; Contact: Katrin Andberg, 12 Maple Ave., Foxboro, MA 02035; Website: www.maplewooddog.com .

**Sept. 22-23; USDAA;** Open to all dogs; K9Logix, Franklin County Fairgrounds, Greenfield, MA; Limit: Unlimited; Classes: Standard, Jumpers, Gamblers, Snooker, Pairs Relay, Grand Prix Qualifier, Steeplechase Qualifier; Contact: Sharon Wirant, 59 Aldrich Rd., Westmoreland, NH 03467, 603-399-4813; Email: events@k9logix.com ; Website: www.k9logix.com .

**Sept. 22-23; USDAA;** Open to all dogs; Happy Trails Agility Club, Bullis Park, Macedon, NY; Closes: 9/7/07; Event Secretary: Sue Bartleson, 7704 School St., Sodus, NY 14551.

**Sept. 22-23; AKC;** Open to purebreds; Wachusett Kennel Club; Bedford, MA; Opens: 7/18/07; Closes: TBD; Limit: 660; Contact: Trial Secretary: Noreen Bennett, 1 West St., Belchertown, MA 01007, 413-283-4490; Email: noreen@pawprinttrials.com; Website: www.pawprinttrials.com .

**Sept. 29-30; USDAA;** Open to all dogs; Contact Agility Club, Putnam Cty Veterans Memorial Park, Gypsy Trail Rd., Carmel, NY; closes: 9/17/07; Limit: Unlimited; All Classes/All Levels, Grand Prix Qualifier, Steeplechase Qualifier; Contact: Melanie Behrens, 74 Carter Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569, 845-635-1489; Email: melanieowl@gmail.com .

*The above listed events are in the following states within a reasonable driving distance for most of us: MA, ME, NH, NY and VT. Please note for some events full information is not yet available. Please contact Cheryl French (Cheryl.P.French@comcast.net) with any corrections of the events. Sources include www.cleanrun.com, www.akc.org, www.trialsecretary.com, www.pawprinttrials.com and various other sources.*

## Letter from Lisa Divoll-Painter

*I recently received this letter from Lisa Divoll-Painter, who was a NOMAD member along with her little JRT Gracie. With her permission I am sharing it with you.*

*Lynne von Trap*

I am writing to correspond about my lack of participation in agility this season. I think that NOMAD is a fabulous organization. The NOMAD family members are welcoming, warm, and quick to mentor newcomers. Most importantly, they genuinely love their dogs. I hope to rejoin the organization in the future. But this season Gracie and I need to take a break from agility. The addition of my daughter Louisa has turned my busy life upside-down. After 5 months at home, I am about to return to the classroom. Free time is minimal. What little extra time I can carve out, I anticipate spending around the barn

I hope you understand. Please pass on my warm regards and wishes of good luck for the 2007 season to all of the NOMAD members, (particularly to my mentor, Judy Kessler

By the way, Gracie is a fabulous older sister. I feel her training in agility helped to transform a shy little dog into a content and happy member of our growing family

Sincerely, Lisa Divoll-Painter

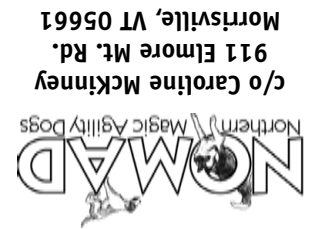
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*Patti McMahon and Cedric*



*Randi Barret's Hazel*



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