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Letter From Our President – Faye Adcox

Hope all are well and safe. This has been a crazy year so far, hopefully it gets better.

I first want to thank the nomination committee for their hard work in putting together this year's slate. It is not an easy job and it is an important job; the board and members appreciate all the time you spent working on this especially with so many other important things going on in the world. The nomination committee was given the task of coming up with the slate for the officers for the next two-year term, in doing so they looked at the regions where we have club members and took that into consideration making sure we have representation on the board from all regions. Again, thank you to the nomination committee. You will be receiving in the mail the official slate, there is also a copy of that slate and the bios of each person on the slate in this newsletter.

All of you should be getting emails and surveys from the NBCA group - it is an email we set up to better communicate with you and to get your ideas and comments. You have received several surveys and those results are in this newsletter, more surveys are on the way. Thank you for responding to them, please keep the lines of communication open. We do want to hear from you. You can contact any board member with ideas, suggestions or complaints.

Speaking of complaints, we have received several complaints about the sharing of your email address to non-board members. We apologize for that; the club does not have a policy on this but is working with AKC to come up with a policy on the sharing of emails and personal information. Again, we apologize to those who are upset about this.

A committee has been formed to take a look at our bylaws. With all the changes in how we may have to meet, we need to look into the laws of the state we are incorporated and how we are allowed to handle electronic voting and meetings. We will keep you informed on how this is going.

We are looking into having a summer specialty; this will not be the national. AKC only allows one of those a year. A Buhund member brought an idea to us to maybe share a specialty with the Bearded Collie Club in June 2021 at the Purina shows, if they are happening. We are looking into it more and hopefully we can work something out. Will keep you up to date on how this moves forward.

We would like to give you a run down on everything we have been working on this year so far and things that we are currently working on.

Things accomplished in the first part of 2020:

- ·Buhund Rescue is now a 501c3
- ·Set up the Buhund Rescue as a DB as under the NBCA
- ·Officially incorporated in Washington State
- ·Set up an email group to better communicate with membership
- ·Set up committees so that members could be more involved
- ·Sent out surveys to get your input on where to hold future Nationals
- ·Put all financial information on the website, including the annual budget
- ·All minutes to annual meetings are on the website
- ·Getting ahead of the game on Nationals planning at least 2 years in advance
- ·Developed a welcome packet for new members

For the remainder of 2020 we will be:

- ·Sending out more surveys for your input
- ·Developing a policy on the sharing of personal information such as address and emails
- ·Reviewing the bylaws and coming up with how to handle meetings based on the laws in the state we are incorporated
- ·Board meeting minutes will be added to the website
- ·Annual meetings will be made available to all via Zoom.

Our goals are to always put the needs of the club and its membership 1st.

Please stay safe, be smart, most important enjoy your Buhunds.

Congratulations On Your New Titles!

Title	Dog's Name	Owner/s Name
Companion Dog Excellent	GCH CH Jotunn's Dashing Darwin CDX GN RAE FDC NA NAJ BCAT SWN	Vali Eberhardt & Marti Kincaid
Trick Dog Novice	Blackrose's Moves Like Jagger CGC TKN	Adrea Benkoff & David Benkoff
Trick Dog Novice	GCHB CH Fabraj's Protector Of The Realm By Trollheimen THD CGCA CGCU TKN	Patricia Faye Adcox
Trick Dog Novice	GCH CH Trollheimen Beyla At Fabrajs NAJ TKN	Patricia Faye Adcox
Trick Dog Novice	Fabraj's Everyone Is Going To Know My Name TKN	Patricia Faye Adcox
Trick Dog Novice	CH Fabrajs I Am Not Throwing Away My Shot Hamilton TKN	Patricia Faye Adcox
Trick Dog Novice	Gullhjerte You'Re The One That I Want TKN	Carol Walsh & Kayellen Maden
Trick Dog Novice	GCHB CH Jotunn Darja Dyveke BN RN BCAT CGC TKN	Carol Walsh & Kayellen Maden
Canine Good Citizen	CH Hundehaven's Odin CGC	JoAnn Wright-Godfrey & Zarin Godfrey
Canine Good Citizen	GCH CH Trollheimen Black Pearl Of Gullhjerte CGC	Carol Walsh & Douglas W Walsh & Kayellen Maden
Canine Good Citizen	CH Trollheimen Private Eyes Of Vinter THDN CGC	Pat Jarvis
Advanced Canine Good Citizen	GCHS CH Hundehaven's Kendall CA CGCA	Erika David & Shahntae Martinez & Kenadi Stacey
Therapy Dog Novice	CH Trollheimen Private Eyes Of Vinter THDN CGC	Pat Jarvis



Results of Survey for 2022 National Specialty

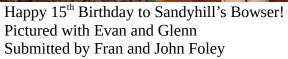
As you know, the NBCA sent out several surveys to discover where the club most wanted to hold the 2022 National Specialty. In 2022, the National Specialty is due to be held in the Midwest. Under consideration were several different sites, including show sites in South Dakota, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, and others.

After the first survey, voting was very very close on 3 of the show sites, so a survey with those 3 were sent out again. The winner (by a very close margin again) was the Kentucky show site, with the Kalamazoo, Michigan site an extremely close second. Therefore, we will hold the 2022 National Specialty in Kentucky in September 2022, and hold Kalamazoo as a possible secondary site if an alternate is needed.

Thank you, club members for your input. We appreciate hearing your views!

MEMBER PHOTOS









Alex and Angus Submitted by Carol Walsh





Kinzi playing with her toy and Finna hiking - Submitted by Jasmine Tata



Darja in the Blue Flags Submitted by Carol Walsh

Finna and Kinzi sleeping Submitted by Jasmine Tata



Please send pictures of your Buhunds for the next newsletter to Ann Wood benandannwood@gmail.com



NBCA Nomination Process

The nominating committee will put together a slate of candidates before August 1 and submit it to the Board, after which the slate will be sent to the membership at large. Additional nominations of eligible members in good standing may be made by written petition addressed to the Secretary (by U.S. Mail) and postmarked on or before August 24. "In good standing" means that dues are paid current and there are no violations of the Code of Ethics that have not been cleared up. The petition should be signed by five members and accompanied by the written acceptance of each additional nominee signifying his willingness to be a candidate. The Vice President, Treasurer, and two Board members shall be voted on this year, for a two-year term ending 2022. The President, Secretary and two Board Members shall be voted on next year for a two-year term ending 2023.

The following are the relevant sections in the bylaws:

ARTICLE III—DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

SECTION 1: Board of Directors-The Board shall be comprised of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and four Members-at-Large, all of whom should be members in good standing who are residents of the U.S., and eighteen years of age or older. They shall be elected for a rotating two-year term as provided in Article IV. The President, Secretary, and two board members shall be voted on in years ending with an odd number. The Vice-President, Treasurer and the remaining two Board members shall be voted on in years ending with an even number. General management of the Clubs affairs shall be entrusted to the Board.

ARTICLE IV—THE CLUB YEAR, VOTING, NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

The nominated candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected. The results of the mail in balloting shall be announced in the next quarterly newsletter.

- SECTION 4: Nominations and Ballots—No person may be a candidate in a club election who has not been nominated in accordance with these bylaws. A nominating committee shall be chosen by the Board before March 15. The Committee shall consist of three members from different areas of the U.S.A., and two alternates, all members in good standing, no more than one of whom may be a member of the current Board. The Board shall name a chairman of the committee. The Nominating Committee may conduct its business by mail.

 a) The Committee shall nominate from among the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each open
- office, and for each open position the Board and for the delegate to The American Kennel Club, and shall procure the acceptance of each additional so chosen. The Committee should consider geographical representation of the membership of the Board. The Committee shall then submit its slate of candidates to the Secretary, who shall mail the list, including the full name of each candidate and the state in which he resides, to each member of the club on or before August 1 so that additional nominations may be made by the members if they so desire.
- b) Additional nominations of eligible may be made by written petition addressed to the Secretary and postmarked on or before August 24. The petition shall be signed by five members and accompanied by the written acceptance of each additional nominee signifying his willingness to be a candidate. Except for the position of delegate, no person shall be a candidate for more than one position.
- c) If no valid additional nominations are received postmarked on or before August 24, the Nominating Committee's slate shall be declared elected and no balloting will be required.
- d) If one or more additional nominations are received by the Secretary postmarked on or before August 24 the Secretary or an independent firm shall mail to each member in good standing a ballot listing all the nominees for each contested position in alphabetical order with names of states in which they reside, together with a blank envelope and a return envelope addressed to the Secretary or the independent firm marked "Ballot" and bearing the name of the member to which it was sent. So that the ballots may remain secret, each voter, after marking his ballot, shall seal it in the blank envelope, which in turn shall be placed in the second envelope addressed to the Secretary or the independent firm, who shall check the returns against the list of members whose dues are paid for the current year prior to opening the outer envelopes and removing the blank envelopes, and shall certify the eligibility of the voters as well as the results of the voting. The membership shall be notified of the election results in the next Quarterly Newsletter.
- e) Nominations cannot be made at the annual Meeting or in any manner other than as provided above.

The Nomination Committee has met over the internet and is recommending the following slate of candidates for the Norwegian Buhund Club member's consideration for 2020. The recommendation of this slate was unanimous by the voting committee members. Alternates gave input and agreed. The slate is:

Mona Aasmul, Vice President Tina Hamlin, Treasurer Carol Walsh, Board Member Autumn Stensen, Board Member

Sincerely, Nomination Committee

Dennis Carlson-Rioux, Chair Ben Daniels, Member Christa Kenyon, Member Michelle Leathers, Alternate Kathleen Harris, Alternate NBCA Slate

Mona Aasmul -Vice President - Ohio Tina Hamblin -Treasurer - Maryland Member at Large - Carol Walsh - Washington Member at Large- Autumn Stensen - Washington

Other officers not up open this year Faye Adcox - President - Delaware Diana Gilgenbach - Secretary - Wisconsin Members at large Valina Dawson - Maryland Gayle Garbush - Washington

Meet the Slate

Mona Aasmul, Vice president

I got my first Buhund in 2012 and joined the NBCA in 2012. I've been actively involved in the club since I joined the club. I am also actively involved in the other clubs I am a member of, a local training club and two field clubs. I currently have 5 buhunds, both wheaten and black, and a beagle. I had my first buhund litter a year ago. Short time after joining NBCA, I became active in the club. I started with doing simple tasks like selling raffle tickets, help with setup for our specialty and teardown after the show. Taking on more responsibilities as I got more familiar with the club. I served as a board member prior to becoming vice-president of the club. I assist the president with tasks that need done. I organize supported entry shows, having large trophy engraved, taking care of club materials that need printed, organizing the luncheon and finding caterer, attend yearly specialties, which often means traveling cross-country, and any other jobs that may come up.

I currently, serve as an assistant director of training (ADOT) at one of the largest dog training clubs. As an ADOT, I put together training schedules, find instructors to teach the classes, orientations for those that are new to the club, mentor newly educated instructors, and teach part of the instructor class. In addition, I teach all levels of obedience and rally, conformation as well as puppy socialization and equipment familiarization classes. In addition to being ADOT an instructor, I have served as trial secretary, match chair, OC match judge, steward various dog trials. I've held the following board positions as recording secretary and trustee at my local training club.

I am also actively involved in the field clubs. I am currently serving as secretary and treasurer. During field trials, I do field marshal and assist with the benched shows. For scent work trials, I've been trial chair, chief staging master, organizing running orders, scent steward, and any other job associated with these trials.

I train and compete with my dogs in obedience, rally, working pack dog, tricks, and show dogs in conformation and I do a little bit of scent work and tracking.

In addition, I work a fulltime job as a senior information scientist. My job requires me to be detailed oriented. Some of my work responsibilities are mentor new hires, teach people how to utilize all our specialty computer tools, public speaking, quality control and I am very costumer focused.

Tina Hamblin, Treasurer

Tina Hamblin (Fifer) has been a member of the NBCA since 2001 after getting her hearing dog; a Wheaton colored Buhund named Echo. Today, she has two loveable Wheaton colored Buhunds, Kaitu (12) and Kenzie (8). She has been a volunteer with a non-profit organization that trains and provides assistance dogs and therapy dogs to communities in Maryland called Fidos for Freedom, Inc. for over 20 years. Fido's for Freedom is where she got her

late hearing dog, Echo – an wheaton colored Buhund that came from a family generation of hearing dogs named Windsor and Audie, also from Fidos for Freedom, Inc.

Tina currently is a Chapter Leader and Mentor for the Greater DC Metro Area BEA for Advanced Bionics which provides valuable information, education and awareness on cochlear implants for the past 10 years.

Tina has been serving as the NBCA treasurer for the club for the past 6 years. Her job is to make sure the club books are intact. Our fundraising goals are met, including our scholarship goals. She also takes care of any rescue fundraising and makes sure the vet bills are met from any rescue we do. She has been attending to the AKC's Meet the Breed in NYC when help is needed for the club to promote the breed and educate the public about the breed. She is also a graphic designer; she will create custom collectable baseball cards for member's Buhunds who are involved in therapy dog work or for us to hand out at large dog shows or meet the breed. She also donates custom made Buhund basket as raffle prizes every year for the specialty!

Tina loves to be a part of the NBCA board and be able to enrich the club. She has seen the club grow since 2001 when she went to her first specialty in Wisconsin before Norwegian Buhunds was accepted by the AKC. She has developed great friendships with board members and members in the club and they are practically family to her. If it weren't for those wonderful friendships that have been built since 2001, Kaitu and Kenzie would not be with her today and she's forever grateful for her fur kids.

Members at Large

Carol A Walsh

I have always been in love with animals, especially dogs. I have been owned by several different breeds; Airedale, Spaniel, Rough Collies, cross breds, and of course, Norwegian Buhunds. I have teamed with my dogs to do performance events such as agility (in 3 different venues), obedience, rally, herding, barn hunt, trick dog, CAT and FCAT, and conformation (again, in 3 different venues).

Currently I have 3 Buhund girls who live with me; Sparrow (UKC Ch, IABCA Ch, AKC GCh Ch Trollheimen Black Pearl of Gullhjerte CGC TKN), Darja (UKC Ch, IABCA Ch, AKC GChB Ch Jotunn Darja Dyveke OB, RN, RATN, BCAT, CGC, TKN) and Darja's daughter, Olivia (Gullhjerte You're the One that I Want, TKN). We all live in Chehalis, Washington with my husband, Doug.

While on the Board of the NBCA, I helped redesign the new Judges' Education Handout we now use, and helped with a very large Judge's Education in Portland, Oregon at the Rose City Classic, as well as one in Puyallup, Washington. I have helped organize housing for the Nationals in Boise, as well as helped out with other jobs as needed.

I am on the board of my AKC All Breed Club, Timberland Valley Dog Fanciers, and enjoy talking and meeting dog people. I am retired from Providence Health Systems. I have enjoyed working with the NBCA on several projects, and look forward to future fun.

Autumn Stensen

Autumn Stensen lives in Seattle Washington where she is the Chief Operations Manager of a multi state law firm. She spent many years as a graphic designer and in office management.

Autumn has enjoyed having dogs all her life, from Australian Cattle Dogs and Cairn Terriers to Shiba Inus and German Shepherds. As a child, she rode horses and competed in Hunter Jumper, Cross Country, and Western. She acquired a Norwegian Buhund in 2015, when looking for a dog for her daughter to be involved in dog sports. Her daughter, Octavia, trains and shows their dog Fiona in confirmation, Junior Showmanship and Owner Handler. They have traveled all over the West Coast for dog shows and have shown at both Westminster and the AKC National Championship. Currently Fiona is pregnant with her first litter of puppies. Autumn and Octavia are excited to be first time breeders and look forward to being involved with Norwegian Buhunds.

In the short time that she has been on the board of the NBCA, she has helped the organization acquire a 501 c (3) for the Norwegian Buhund Rescue, drafted a welcome packet for new members, and has helped set up an outreach for committees to be more involved in the club. She has also volunteered to put on a Junior Showmanship ice cream social at the 2021 National Specialty for Buhunds.

Autumn is excited to be a member of the NBCA, helping it grow and expand.

What is Dog Parkour? Written by Karin Coyne

Submitted by Faye Adcox



Dog Parkour is a new offshoot of the human discipline known either as parkour or freerunning. In this sport, human practitioners train their minds and bodies to be able to run, jump, balance, climb and vault over the obstacles found in the environment around them. Two long time practitioners of human parkour who happened to be dog trainers in "real life" recognized that the benefits to parkour training applied not only to human practitioners but to the dogs they were training as well. They saw the need to formalize the training, movements, and philosophy of this exciting thing they were doing with their dogs and clients. Thus, the sport of Dog Parkour, and the International Dog Parkour Association was born.

Benefits to Parkour

The benefits to Dog Parkour are endless! Dogs who know how to safely interact with their environment are more confident, making this the perfect introduction to dog sports for puppies or shy dogs. For that wild, active dog, dog parkour makes walks more physically and mentally demanding resulting in a more content companion. For the older dog who may be slowing down a bit, parkour is a great way to keep her active and practicing body awareness skills that will keep her feeling and acting young. The best part is that dog parkour is completely scalable to any experience level or size of dog so everyone can get the balance, coordination, strength, and confidence benefits! Dog Parkour is a great way to challenge your Buhund physically and mentally and have fun together!

How to Start

Getting started in dog parkour is nearly as easy as taking your dog on a walk. There are just a few things to consider first. Safety is the biggest concern which is why dogs are required to wear a harness that clips over their back while training for parkour. This allows the human half of the team to safely spot the dog and prevent injuries. Also, be aware of your dog's physical limitations and start very small. The International Dog Parkour Association has developed a comprehensive list of safety considerations and guidelines to keep dogs, humans, and the environment safe. Armed with a harness and some safety guidelines, get outside and start exploring. Some good starting obstacles are benches, trees, and walls. Practice climbing on, under, and around the stuff you find on your normal walk. For more distractible or fearful dogs, you can even start inside with obstacles you make! The sport is limited only by your creativity! If you'd like to put your skills to the test, the International Dog Parkour Association offers several levels of video submission titles, but the most important thing is to enjoy your time with your canine companion.

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Publication Schedule

The NBCA
Newsletter is
published
four times per year:
January, April,
July and October

Submissions Policy

We welcome ideas, suggestions and critiques concerning the newsletter. Our submission policy is open, with submissions subject to approval by the NBCA Board of Directors.. Submissions may also be edited for length, clarity, appropriateness and style.

Submissions Deadline

The deadline for submission to the editor is the tenth of the month (December, March, June and September) for publication the first week of the following month. Send submissions to: Editor: Ann Wood benandannwood@gmail.com

FAST CAT TOP 20 FASTEST DOGS BY BREEDS Submitted by Jasmine Tata

Events are processed through June 30, 2020.

Lifetime: This list reflects an average of each dog's three fastest runs across their lifetime. Dogs will not appear on this list unless they have completed 3 Fast CAT runs in their lifetime.

Today's Date: July 22, 2020

Ranking for Norwegian Buhund

Rank	Dog Name	Sex	MPH
1	Trollheimen Cara Finna AX AXJ CA BCAT ACT2 SWA SHDE CGCA TKP	Bitch	25.63
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2	Kyon's Norse God Of The Stars RN FDC BCAT RATN CGC TKI	Dog	25.11
3	Rose Shadow's Runnin Down A Dream	Dog	25.10
4	CH Nyskjelstadmark's Boudacia Ioreksdatter CA	Bitch	24.56
5	Kyons Norse Brynhildr The Bold BCAT	Bitch	23.92
6	GCHB CH Jotunn Darja Dyveke BN RN BCAT RATN CGC TKN	Bitch	23.79
7	GCH CH Jotunn's Dashing Darwin CDX GN RAE FDC NA NAJ BCAT	Dog	22.71
	SWN		
8	GCHP CH Jotunn Bella Binna CA CGC	Bitch	21.73
9	GCH CH Arnscroft Di Sing An Aire BN RA BCAT CGC TKE	Bitch	19.06
10	Trollheimen's Norse Ari CD BN GN RE FDC CA BCAT SWA SCE SEE	Dog	18.70
	FDCH RATCHX CGCA TKN		
11	CH Hundehaven's Odin CGC	Dog	18.27

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3	Kyons Norse Brynhildr The Bold BCAT	Bitch	23.92
4	GCHB CH Jotunn Darja Dyveke BN RN BCAT CGC	Bitch	23.79
5	GCHP CH Jotunn Bella Binna CA CGC	Bitch	21.73
6	GCH CH Arnscroft Di Sing An Aire BN RI BCAT CGC TKE	Bitch	19.06
7	Trollheimen's Norse Ari CD BN GN RE FDC CA BCAT SWN SCA SIA	Dog	18.70
	SEA FDCH RATCHX CGCA TKN		
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Agility Invitational Breed Rankings Submitted by Jasmine Tata

AKC Agility Invitational held December 2019 in Orlando, FL.

Qualifying period runs from July 01, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

The dogs listed in the report below are the top five (5) dogs for the selected breed at this time. At the end of the qualification period shown above, the top five (5) dogs listed will receive an invitation to the AKC Agility Invitational. If any of these top five (5) dogs decline the invitation, an invitation will be extended to the next top dog(s) of that breed.

Tied scores within a breed will be broken by identifying the dog with the most speed points earned during the qualification period. In the event of a complete tie score between speed points and double qualifying scores, each dog with a tied score will be invited.

This free AKC Agility Invitational report will list the top five (5) dogs for the breed selected. If the Top 5 of a breed are all from the Regular class, then an additional SIXTH invite will be sent to the Top Preferred Dog during round 1 invites. Dogs are listed in alphabetical order.

Dog Name	Class
CH Drumlin's Winter Torry Of Trollheimen BN FDC AX AXJ NF TKN	REG
CH MACH Kyon's Vesle Bon Temps MXS MJC XF	REG
CH MACH Kyon's Vesle Bon Temps MXS MJC XF	PRE F
GCH CH MACH Randalyn Spring Jada CD BN RN MXS MJB2 MXF	REG
MACH PACH Trollheimen Mocha Cappuccino CDX RE FDC MXC MJS MXP5 MXPS MJP6 MJPS PAX XF TKN	REG

The AKC Agility Invitational report lists the top dogs ranked in Agility events and is based on the Top MACH Dog formula (Double Q's x 10) + MACH (Master Agility Championship) points that dogs have earned during the qualifying period. Dogs must have competed and qualified in Regular Master Standard & Jumpers With Weaves classes and the top five (5) ranked dogs of each breed will be included on these reports. If there are not five (5) dogs ranked from the Regular Master classes, dogs will be ranked based on the Preferred Master Standard & Jumpers With Weaves classes using the Top PACH Dog formula (Double Q's x 10) + PACH (Preferred Agility Championship) points that dogs have earned during the qualifying period. If the Top 5 of a breed are all from the Regular class, then an additional SIXTH invite will be sent to the Top Preferred Dog during round 1 invites. The reports will automatically sort the dogs alphabetically.

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Trollheimen Raven Ridge Nott AX OAJ OF ACT2	REG

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Titling Requirements Temporarily Amended - Obedience/Rally/Agility

July 16, 2020

To All Clubs Licensed for Obedience, Rally and Agility:

To better assist clubs and exhibitors during this unusual time in our sports, the Obedience, Rally and Agility departments received approval by the AKC Board of Directors to change the number of judges required for awarding some titles in obedience, rally and agility. Due to the travel restrictions and other local regulations impacting the country from COVID-19, many clubs are struggling to bring in judges from outside their area, plus exhibitors are looking to stay close to home.

This change will eliminate the requirement that two different judges are required for the titles shown below that require three qualifying scores (legs) to earn the titles. The change is effective retroactively to July 1, 2020 and will be in effect through December 31, 2020. The Regulations suspension will be revisited at the end of the year.

For all of the titles listed at the bottom of this announcement exhibitors may earn three qualifying scores (legs) under the same judge through December 31, 2020.

List of Titles by Sport Where the Two-Judge Requirement Currently Applies $\underline{\text{Agility}} = 18 \text{ titles}$

Novice level: NA - NAP - NAJ - NJP - NF - NFP

Open level: OA - OAP - OAJ - OJP - OF - OFP

Excellent level: AX - AXP - AXJ - AJP - XF - XFP

Obedience - 10 titles

Novice level: CD - PCD
Open level: CDX - PCDX
Utility level: UD - PUTD
Beginner Novice: BN
Graduate Novice: GN
Graduate Open: GO
Versatility: VER

Rally— 4 titles

Novice: RN

Intermediate: RI Advanced: RA Excellent: RE

Please address questions to <u>obedience@akc.org</u>, <u>rally@akc.org</u>, or <u>agility@akc.org</u>.