
Versatility Excellent!

PCK Worth Her Weight In Gold RAE FDC BCAT SWN SCA SEA SBA RATO DS DJ CGCA CGCU TKA ATT "Lira"



In August, Lira earned her BCAT title...qualifying her for the **Versatility Excellent** certificate from the Lagotto Romagnolo Club of America (LRCA). What makes this even more special is that Lira is the VERY FIRST female Lagotto in the US to earn a versatility certificate.

The LRCA versatility awards program is designed to recognize Lagotti that have distinguished themselves in the breed ring and in recognized performance events. These dogs possess the conformation, temperament, intelligence, scenting and working capabilities which represent the essential characteristics of the breed.

There are three levels of LRCA versatility awards: Versatility Certificate (VC), Versatility Excellent (VX) award, and Versatility Champion (VCH) award. These versatility awards are based on a point system which is used to weight each title based on its difficulty.

Versatility points are awarded for the achievements in each of the categories. The dog must earn 1 point in at least 5 of the categories to qualify for a Versatility award (VC or VCX). To earn a VCH award at least 2 points must be earned in the Scent Skills category. A total of 30 points for a Versatility Certificate (VC). The Versatility Excellent Certificate (VCX) requires a total of 40 points. The Versatility Champion Certificate (VCH) requires a total of 50 points.

Lira has had more than 30 points for a while, but needed a title in a 5th category. Because it took a while to find a FastCAT trial to enter, she now has 46 points which earns her the Versatility Excellent Certificate, and she only needs 4 more points to get her Versatility Champion Certificate.

The 5 categories and titles she has earned are as follows:

- 1) Dock Diving: DJ, DS
- 2) Rally: RN, RI, RA, RE, RAE
- 3) CGC/Trick Dog: CGC, CGCA, CGCU, ATT, TKN, TKI, TKA
- 4) Coursing: BCAT
- 5) Scent Skills: SWN, RATN, RATO

