

# THE CANAAN KIBITZER

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## PRESIDENT MESSAGES

Submitted By: Denise Gordon and Amanda Pough

“So long, farewell.”

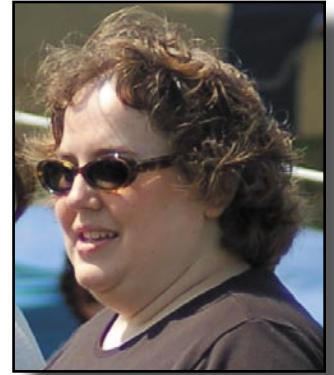


The verse of that particular song from the movie “The Sound of Music” sort of popped into my head as I started to compose this message. However, even though I leave the office of the CDCA President, I will still remain on the Board as a Director for the Central Region (as well as Herding Chair and member of a couple other committees). I want to thank all the Board and club members who helped to achieve one of the club’s major goals, AKC club membership, during my tenure, but special thanks go to Leal and Cindy Grupp. They had performed the lion’s share to help revise the Constitution and By-laws, an essential requirement for AKC membership, for which I am extremely grateful. For the club’s future, I confidently leave its leadership in Amanda Pough’s capable hands; her wit and enthusiasm, steadfastness in the face of adversity, and expertise in many venues bode well for the club’s prospects. In the meantime, see you at the National!

- Denise A. Gordon



If I continue Denise’s “Sound of Music” theme (which makes sense living in the shadow of Stowe, Vermont where the vonTrapp family ended up after they left Europe), I think I’d have to select “These Are A Few of My Favorite Things.” It seems a good fit: favorite breeds, favorite dogs, friends and fun activities. I am looking forward to continuing to work with our great Board of Directors and look forward to getting to know more & more of you.



Our AKC Delegate, Dr. Pamela Rosman, and I just returned from the AKC Parent Club’s Conference. The weekend in Atlanta was busy, busy, busy! With seminars, breakout sessions, learning rooms, ideas and thoughts exchanged over each and every meal, our days started before 7am and went `til after 10pm with no down time. My initial “To Do” list of ideas, discussion points and contacts is over 3 pages long, and I am still transcribing my notes! My top two priority ideas from the conference will be discussed more by the Board and at the AGM next month. The first is legislative concerns at all levels (from CA1634 to local issues) and the idea of “More education. Less legislation.” We may have won the battle on CA1634, but the war is in no way over. The second issue is involves the recent tax changes enacted by Congress last fall and the impact of those changes on not-for-profit organizations such as the CDCA.

The Board of Directors is changing in more than just Denise’s term as President. We are also regretfully saying “good bye” and “THANK YOU” to outgoing Board Members Sally Armstrong-Barnhardt and Cheryl Hennings. They have brought ideas, enthusiasm and hard work to the Board and the club. We also welcome Rosette Davila-Sargent and Julie Haddy to the Board. The email contacts for your Board members are in every issue of “The Kib” and on the CDCA Web site ([cdca.org](http://cdca.org)). We all welcome your ideas, thoughts and even complaints. We do challenge you though, to not just bring problems to us, but to suggest solutions. In particular, we urge you to bring not only your ideas but also your abilities to work for the club.

See you soon in Cincinnati! - Amanda M. Pough

## **Attention Chairpersons!**

We are rapidly approaching the General Membership Meeting to be held in Cincinnati on Sept. 6th. This means you need to start planning for your committee report to the BOD & Membership. The report will also be printed in the Fall Kibitzer.

Send your report to Amanda Pough and Evan Kent no later than 9/1. This will help us plan our time in OH effectively and get a better understanding of the accomplishments and struggles. Here's some info to include:

- The name of your committee (i.e., Agility Chair, Breed Standard Committee, Health Chair, etc.)
- Committee description/mission/goal
- Names of the members who are on your committee
- Accomplishments over the past year
- Any strengths, weaknesses, or opportunities for your committee or chair
- Any suggestions for future measurements (such as Web site hits, top 10 pages, # of new members per qtr, # of completed surveys, etc.) You are going to be the best person to tell us what is important.
- Any other wants/needs/desires

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# THEY HAD BOB – WE HAD LASSIE

Submitted By: Joan Capaiu Greene

CA AB 1634 was neutered on July 11th by its' Assemblyman author because thousands of dog and cat fanciers finally got mad enough to do something about legislative and Animal Rights idiocy. We got off our collective rear ends and called, wrote and visited the Assembly and Senate. They heard from us – oh, did they hear from us! Fax machines were burned out. Toner cartridges were replaced by the dozens. By the time the Senate Local Government Committee heard it, the Bill was a shadow of its' former self.

Bob Barker roamed the Senate halls on Monday. On Tuesday and Wednesday Lassie (really Laddie), Bob Weatherwax and Jon Provost brought Senators to their knees for photo ops with a real American TV hero (and certified therapy dog.) I got close enough to touch Laddie on Wednesday, but settled for shaking Jon and Bob's hands and taking photos of that wonderful canine ambassador. Can you believe it? I was too nervous to pet that gorgeous shaded sable coat! He's just as sweet in real life as on the screen.

Who stopped the Bill (for now)? Californians and other U.S. citizens who wrote, called and visited their elected representatives. Dog, cat and ferret lovers. Breeders and non-breeders. Democrats, Republicans and Libertarians. People who were and are determined that pet ownership will not be legislated out of existence by Animal Rightists.

Fanciers led the charge, and were joined by many who have never shown, bred or trialed their pets. Parents and grandparents, politically connected and otherwise. We all joined together – and now in this short lull before 2008, we're learning to unite even closer.

Make no mistake: the war against pet ownership is not finished in California, and it is spreading throughout the country and the world. Australia is experiencing an assault by PeTA right now that is very concerning. Many states – Texas, Ohio, Florida, even D.C. itself – are being targeted with proposed laws every bit as nasty as AB1634. And worse.

Assy. Lloyd Levine will re-introduce this castrate-virtually-every-dog-and-cat bill with yet more amendments next January, hoping it will be more palatable the next time around. Nope, sorry, no deal, ain't gonna happen on our watch. You cannot negotiate with terrorists, and make no mistake: this Bill personifies legislative and cultural terrorism aimed squarely at every pet owner in the country.

Here are a few tidbits from the 2006 HSUS financial report – and yes, HSUS strongly supports AB1634 (see: [www.hsus.org/web-files/PDF/annual\\_report\\_2006.pdf](http://www.hsus.org/web-files/PDF/annual_report_2006.pdf)):

- HSUS' total net assets are \$198.4 million, including \$30.4 million in bequests  
- Of this, 2006 expenses included:

- a. \$6.6 million for animal care facilities
- b. \$11.6 million for strategic communications
- c. \$14.1 million for fund raising
- d. \$17.5 million for campaigns, litigation and legislation

With the upcoming Michael Vick trial on dog fighting charges, HSUS has advertised far and wide for donations to 'care for his dogs'... which the organization has never been authorized to do. HSUS has never had custody of those animals. The photos on these ads were not Mr. Vick's dogs. So many responded that the donation website went offline for a short time last week. Obviously the \$14.1 million for fund raising strategies paid off.

For more information on PETA and HSUS (described in a federal Senate hearing earlier this year as 'PETA with a better wrist watch'), see:

[www.naiaonline.org](http://www.naiaonline.org)  
[www.activistcash.com](http://www.activistcash.com)

Groups which were instrumental in 'getting the word out' about AB 1634, and which will continue to fight for every citizen's right to own pets and decide on their own animals' medical care:

[www.saveourdogs.net](http://www.saveourdogs.net)  
[www.petpac.net](http://www.petpac.net)  
[www.naiaonline.org](http://www.naiaonline.org)  
[www.cfa.org](http://www.cfa.org)  
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What we learn from this battle in California will ultimately benefit everyone in this country – and around the world – who must battle the Animal Rightists' attempt to destroy our pet ownership rights.

About 70% of all U.S. dogs and 80% of all U.S. owned cats are already spayed or castrated (closer to 80% dogs and 90% owned cats in CA). Think about this: of the 20-30% dogs and 10-20% owned cats that are intact in America, how many are young and healthy enough to breed? Or of sufficient correct temperament, or even fairly sound structure? What damage will it do to Canaan, canine and feline gene pools if only a small percentage of the intact animals (whose owners can afford \$150. yearly licenses and \$150. yearly breeding permits per animal) are allowed to breed?

Here's what you can do now – this month, next month  
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# DIET AND VACCINATION INFORMATION

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Good nutrition is essential for optimum health as well as healing. There are many approaches to holistic nutrition but most efforts involve eliminating toxins in the diet, reducing the amount of processed food and snacks, and coming as close as possible to a species-appropriate diet. What is a species-appropriate diet? Well, an approximation of what your companion animal and his or her relatives might be catching and eating in the wild.

Substandard nutrition has been recognized by homeopaths for hundreds of years to be an obstacle to cure. If your pet is sick, he or she will be able to heal only if good building blocks are there for the body to use. If your pet is currently healthy, you can preserve (and improve) that health by improving the level of nutrition. Many long-term chronic problems and diseases can be attributed to poor feeding practices, including food that is difficult for animals to digest and process, and food that may actually contain measurable amounts of poisons.

You can educate yourself by beginning to read the labels on pet foods in the supermarket, the health food store, and holistic pet food stores. You will be amazed at the differences. Keep in mind that meat is meat, not byproducts, meal, digest, or other bits and pieces. Also keep in mind that grains, fiber and pulp might be economical, but may not be what your pet is designed to eat in large amounts. Be on the look-out, too, for artificial preservatives and coloring, some of which are highly toxic.

Your homeopathic veterinarian will make nutritional recommendations that are right for your individual pet and your lifestyle. There are a variety of options, including food you can buy ready to feed, food you can buy involving minimal preparation at home, and food you prepare from scratch. It is important to work with your doctor so that a good nutritional balance is ensured. If your pet is a carnivore (dog or cat), your veterinarian may or may not recommend a diet incorporating raw meat; in many cases, this can be very beneficial. If this is not appropriate for any reason, there are other unprocessed or minimally processed diets that may also be suitable.

Many pets under conventional medical care are put on specific medical diets for allergies, dental problems, hair balls, kidney disease, weight loss, and so on. Your homeopathic veterinarian is more likely to help your animal switch to the cleanest species-appropriate diet possible, since in our experience many health problems improve or even resolve with this change alone. Once good nutrition is effected, individualized homeopathic treatment can direct the body's healing process.

Your homeopathic veterinarian, as a holistic doctor, will

also consider your feeding pattern, including frequency of feeding and amounts. Most pets do not do well with food available all the time; this tends to blunt their appetite and make their digestion sluggish. Addressing basic lifestyle questions is an important part of the holistic approach. Your individual situation, whether you are away most of the day or at home a lot, will be an important part of your pet's nutritional program.

Even small positive changes in nutrition can make a huge difference in your pet's energy level, vitality, and well-being, whether your pet faces health challenges or whether you just want your pet to be as healthy as possible. It is interesting to consider that processed foods are really a very recent invention in the country, in the last few decades, and are still not widely in use in Europe, for example. So you will be doing the best for your animal companion, and optimizing your chances for successful homeopathic treatment, by making the effort to put the best in bowl that you can.

Vaccination is a hugely controversial topic, both in the veterinary and human medical communities. Conventional recommendations change all the time. From the time of the earliest vaccinations, homeopaths have recognized and treated problems arising from vaccination, which can range from mild reactions to severe, even life-threatening ones. Recently, more and more veterinary teaching hospitals have adopted a more conservative vaccine protocol, meaning vaccinating less often. This is because of the lack of medical data supporting the annual vaccination of adult animals.

The decision whether or not to immunize your animal companion is not black and white. Your homeopathic veterinarian will discuss your individual situation with you. Some things to think about are: Do you live in a city or in the country? What diseases are common in your area? How old is your pet? How many vaccines have already been given? Does your pet come in contact with many other animals? Is your pet in good health? Do you feed your pet processed or unprocessed food? Has your pet ever had physical or behavioral problems that started within a few weeks after past vaccinations? Is your pet pure-bred, and if so, were the parents heavily vaccinated?

All vaccines are not alike. Some vaccines tend to cause more problems than others. It is important to consider the potential risks as well as the potential benefits conferred by each immunization, and realized that commonly many immunizations may be combined into one injection. So your pet's immune system may typically have to respond to much more than "one shot." It is also considerate, when possible, not to combine immunization with other stress-

ful procedures like neutering, spaying, dentistry, or other surgery.

Another important consideration is that vaccination is not the same as immunization. Vaccination is the process of giving the vaccine. Immunization describes the response by the body to the vaccine. An unhealthy animal, or one that is too young, might be vaccinated, but will not be able to become properly immunized. If an animal is unable to respond appropriately to a vaccine, repeating the procedure may be harmful rather than helpful. If you are considering not re-vaccinating your pet, blood tests may provide some helpful information about vaccine titers. A titer, in some cases, can assess the presence or absence of immune response to previous vaccine or disease exposure.

Some veterinary homeopaths are trained in the use of nosodes, which are specific homeopathic preparations for diseases against which pets are commonly vaccinated. It is important to understand that nosodes are not just a replacement for vaccines, and that they act very differently. They are not appropriate for all animals and should only be prescribed by a veterinary homeopath.

Veterinary homeopaths have a healthy respect for the potential impact of vaccines. As holistic practitioners, veterinary homeopaths tend to focus their therapeutic efforts on maximizing the health of the individual by proper nutrition, lessening toxic load, and homeopathic treatment when appropriate. These efforts are intended improve your pet's resistance to disease and decrease susceptibility, by strengthening the system from the inside out. Our concern is that overly zealous preventive measures may be detrimental to health, and increase susceptibility to disease or in some cases even cause it.

During homeopathic treatment, vaccination is usually contraindicated. If health problems have arisen or are exacerbated by vaccination, homeopathy is one of the few medical specialties that recognizes these problems and has the potential to address them curatively. Some veterinary homeopaths recommend no vaccines of any kind. Some will tailor a limited vaccination protocol for you and your pet. Whatever your options and your decision, your veterinary homeopath can provide guidance and an important perspective.

To find referrals to homeopathic veterinarians in your area visit: [www.theavh.org](http://www.theavh.org)

### **Homeopathy (home-ee-AH-puh-thee)**

Developed by Samuel Hahnemann (18th century) based on the understanding that healing comes from the body's innate self-healing forces. A system utilizing minute doses of substances that would, in a healthy subject, create the symptoms of the ailment being treated. In contrast, traditional (allopathic) medicine uses drugs to suppress symptoms (which are the visible result of the body's attempt to heal itself).

# HEALTH REPORT

**By: Donna Dodson**  
**CDCA Health Committee**

The last issue of the Kibitzer included a list of the tests required in order to receive your Canine Health Information Center (CHIC) certificate. A test which needs to be dealt with more urgently than the orthopedic tests for hips, elbows and patellas - which have maintained very good statistics- is the CERF exam. Through the years there has been an incidence of eye problems in Canaan Dogs and they are still occurring today. Thus we encourage and make mandatory for receipt of a CHIC certificate, the CERF test for basic normal eye health. This test must be performed by a diplomate of the College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists rather than your regular veterinarian. The form that the testing veterinarian gives you must be completed and forwarded to CERF. Canaan Dogs have had problems with progressive retinal atrophy, cataracts, SARD, (sudden acute retinal dysplasia), and detached retina as well as a number of undisclosed ophthalmic problems. We have also seen minor problems of persistent pupillary membrane (PPM), iris to iris, and punctate cataracts. These last situations may improve as a puppy matures and before should be followed up on before the dog is bred.

Due to the small gene pool, the CDCA Health Committee emphasizes the necessity of proper eye testing for our Canaan Dogs. If affected dogs are bred, it would not take long for an undisclosed problem to infiltrate the gene pool, producing dogs with serious eye problems or even blindness in successive generations

The Canine Eye Registration Foundation recommends re-testing on an annual basis. For some breeders this entails long trips and financial stress, thus I recommend testing every two years or before breeding, whichever comes first. We owe it to the breed to maintain genetically sound ophthalmic health. A CHIC certificate insures breeders that our Canaan Dogs have been tested for those health issues for which tests are available and which have shown a degree of incidence in the breed.

### **Attention New Members of 2006**

According to the CDCA By-Laws (Article 1, Section 1, Item 1), you are currently non-voting Associate Members. You are encouraged to apply for full membership following the one year anniversary of your acceptance into the club. Your application requires endorsement by 2 full CDCA members from different households and is subject to Board of Director approval.



# TOVAH'S EXCELLENT WESTERN ADVENTURE

Submitted By: Cathi Oskow

Over a hundred years ago, my family Homesteaded in South Dakota. Not the typical Jewish American story. My grandmother grew up riding the range, and her stories excited my childhood imagination in the city. One of the stories that captivated me most was about her brother, Jack Sinykin, my great uncle. An untrained dog saved his life after a horse fell on him on the prairie, far from the house. That incident was one of the influences that led Jack to later train the first guide dog for the blind in the United States.

Only one of the six siblings in my grandmother's family stayed on the ranch for most of his life: her youngest brother, Louis, known from his rodeo days as "Bronco Lou." Lou's youngest daughter, Diane, is only eleven years older than I am, although we are from different generations. Over the past year, Diane and I wrote a screenplay together, inspired in part by her childhood growing up on the ranch.

As part of our collaboration, Diane and I planned to spend a week this early July on the ranch next to the one where she grew up. The ranch is still owned by her former neighbor, Connie, with her husband, Dennis. I asked if I could bring one of my Canaan Dogs. The dog I chose was Tovah, CH Pleasant Hill Tovah ROM, CD, RN, CGC, CDCA HCX, ICDCA VC, CDCA V. Tovah possesses "Tsaychel," which is the Hebrew word for common sense and wisdom. I figured of all my dogs, I could count on her the most to be sensible if she met a rattlesnake.

The ranch house where we stayed has a mown yard of about four acres, surrounded by a fence, not a fence erect-



ed to keep dogs in, but one made to keep cattle out. The cattle roam over about 6,000 acres of land. Tovah is ten years old, and has some arthritis in her hindquarters. Most of the week, she was very happy to stay inside the four acre yard, off-leash, or come inside into the air-conditioned living room or active kitchen (which featured dog lovers less stingy with table scraps than at home).

The first day we arrived, some cattle--Hereford and Black Angus cross--came in sight of the house. Tovah has loved herding sheep when given the chance, so I was a little concerned she might decide she needed to herd these cattle. They were heifers, being bred for the first time, so they were running with a Longhorn bull. Imagine "Longhorn" as both the breed and the descriptor. That bull sported prodigious horns.

The side of the yard to which the cattle were closest was



fenced with barbed wire. I took Tovah close so she could see the barbed wire and the cattle. I showed her that the cattle were behind the barbed wire, and therefore no responsibility of hers. Tovah paid them little attention.

We turned and walked toward the house. I looked back. The cattle had moved, as one straight line, parallel to the fence, halfway the distance between where they had been and the yard. Every one was facing forward, staring at us, as if trying to figure out who or what we were. Tovah and I walked a little further toward the house. I looked back again. The cattle stood along the fence, in the same straight line, staring at us. I hadn't seen them move. It felt supernatural, this line of cattle noiselessly advancing to stare at us.

For several days, the cattle did not come in sight of the house again. That area of South Dakota has been in drought for seven years, and the weather was very hot. Tovah was content laying around, occasionally walking and sniffing through the large yard, and socializing with Connie and Dennis's two grandchildren: Danny, age eleven, and Philip, age seven.

One day, Diane and I decided to walk down to her old one-room schoolhouse, which was visible from the house, but a mile's walk. Danny and Philip came along. We called Tovah to accompany us, but she saw no reason to leave the shady yard.

When she realized we were definitely intent upon this excursion, she suddenly caught up with us. She walked slowly in the heat, and Danny lagged behind to keep her company.

At the edge of the property, we came to a cattle guard, consisting of round metal poles in a ditch across the road, with space between each pole. A vehicle can drive over this without noticing, but cattle or horses won't cross, because their legs could slip between the poles.

"How are we going to get Tovah over this?" I asked Diane.

"Carry her?" she suggested doubtfully.

Those of you who have met Tovah know that she is not a refined

little Canaan Dog bitch. Her withers rise firmly to the top of the breed standard, and the years and that great "Will work for food" attitude have left her figure, shall we say, less than girlish. Nevertheless, I bent my knees, gathered her as best I could, and staggered over the cattle guard. As soon as we crossed, Tovah jumped to the ground.

We made it to the white schoolhouse. Tovah lay down on the porch, as if to say, "Shade. I approve."

When we were ready to go, she didn't follow, silently asserting: "Only mad dogs and human beings would go out in this mid-day sun. Canaan Dogs are smart enough to stick with the shade."

Eventually she decided we were serious about leaving, ludicrous though that seemed, and she rejoined the group.

We reached the cattle guard again, and I bent to pick up Tovah. She wriggled away from me, with a definite attitude of, "Nuh uh, that ain't happenin' again!" It had been hard enough for me to carry Tovah over the curved, spaced poles the first time. There was no way I could manage it safely if she struggled.

"Is there any other way we can do this?" I asked Diane. We looked at the barbed wire on either side of the cattle guard. Could we move it? Not without gloves. There was a narrow, low strand on one side. Could Tovah jump it? Not without risk of being hurt by the barbs.

While we were trying to figure this out, Tovah looked over the cattle guard and sized up the situation. "Okay, this is







how it's going to go," her expression said. She put one paw on the first pole, put the next paw on the second pole--and broad-jumped the rest.

"That's a Canaan Dog" I said to Diane and the boys.

Several days later, someone left a gate open, and the cattle came up closer to the house, from the side people would approach when they drove in. Tovah gazed alertly at them through the fence, ears tipped forward. This was not where the cattle belonged.

Danny was watching. I came out to keep an eye on Tovah. After watching the cattle carefully, Tovah made a perimeter patrol of the entire four-acre yard, along the fence line, sniffing the ground, not looking back at the cattle. Perimeter complete, the old girl who had not moved faster than a walk during the entire hot week, suddenly ran in an energetic circle like a puppy.

Then she dashed for a part of the fence that was made of wooden rails, and slipped under.

Tovah made straight for the cattle, her neck parallel to her back in herding posture, her tail a straight rudder behind.

She moved the herd away from the house. Danny and I chased after, calling her--but Tovah was on a mission. I couldn't run properly, because I was wearing sandals, and I needed to look down through the tall prairie grass to watch for rattlesnakes. So the four-legged critters made much better distance than we did.

"Danny, you'd better go back and ask if Tovah could be in danger from that bull," I said. The bull seemed to respect her so far, but if the massive, muscular bovine with the prodigious horns decided he needed to protect his heifers from this predator, I didn't want to find out who would win the war of wills.

Tovah kept moving that herd.

About the time that the bull finally stopped and lowered his head, looking at Tovah, and Tovah stopped, looking right back, Dennis came roaring up between them on a 4-wheeler, Danny riding double. Dennis threw a rope around Tovah and handed it to me, then left. I walked Tovah back toward the house.

The cattle seemed to decide they needed to keep going where Tovah had headed them, so they ran back through the open gate to their proper side of the fence.

Tovah's work was done.





# THE CANAAN DOG TEMPERAMENT...

Is it suited for the show ring (or obedience ring, or rally ring, etc)?

Submitted By: Christina Miller

The AKC Standard states: “Alert, vigilant, devoted and docile with his family. Reserved and aloof with strangers. Highly territorial, serving as a responsive companion and natural guardian. Very vocal, persistent. Easily trained. Faults--Shyness or dominance toward people.” (emphasis, mine)

“Reserved and aloof with strangers” alone presents a challenge the show ring. But, paired with “responsive companion” and “easily trained” implies that ring presentation can be achieved.

What should we expect from our dogs in the ring? Granted, all personalities are not going to be amused with a stranger approaching them and wanting to touch them in some unspeakable areas, but they should tolerate the exam. Canaan Dogs CAN be successfully trained to stand for examination.

Training for the ring starts from day one of puppy training and socializing. A bond of trust between exhibit and handler must be achieved well in advance of the first ring experience. Your exhibit must know that you will not place him in harms way. Your exhibit needs to become accustomed to being touched while standing still. Puppies need to be exposed to having their bite and body examined, boys need to be accustomed to having their testicles examined, and above all they need to learn a stand-STAY. All of these activities can be taught as a playful, fun experience.

I know there is a lack of handling classes and matches to give the dogs the experience they need, but be creative. Even in casual situations, there is always an opportunity for training. If you are just out walking in the park and a stranger wants to pet your dog – do it from a stand-stay. If you are in the kitchen and have someone begging behind you, give them a nibble from a stand-stay. Anything that can be done from a stand stay with a positive experience or reward – do it.

Although, it hasn't happened in Australia (yet), I do tire of judges asking “Is he/she alright?” prior to examining. That shouldn't be a question asked; they should be alright and stand for exam. It's high time we stop making excuses for temperament and give these dogs the training they deserve for a good ring performance. I'm not pointing fingers or making broad accusations – lord knows I've had my share of “goofy” dogs in the ring – but we do need to be sure that our dogs have had all the preparation we can give them for a positive experience in the ring. Every dog that enters the show or performance ring is representing the breed to the public. Give your breed ambassador the training and socialization he needs to proudly represent Canaan Dogs.



## **Early Training at River Rock**

The examination of the bite and handling of the head is one of the first lessons. We start puppies at an early age with frequent handling of their head. This is always done in a loving and playful way. It teaches that hands coming toward their faces are a good thing. Granted, trying to see the bite of a happy wiggly puppy isn't always easy, but it is essential to get them accustomed to having their bite shown.

Once we are sure that all head shyness issues are over, we start working on a stand-STAY. We use a product called “Happy Legs” – basically magnetic stilts - to stack our dogs on. This can also be achieved with large tin cans and non-slip material. Once the puppy is placed on the stilts, in a comfortable stack, instilling a good stand stay is essential. When consistent, we introduce external distractions—the cat running by, loud noise coming from another room, or a favourite toy just out of reach. The puppy is rewarded for all stand stays and when focus remains on the handler.

When the stand-stay is achieved on the stilts, we go into the real world with real strangers in new places and continue the lessons already taught at home.

# A friend may well be reckoned

## **Friends Made All This Possible ... & Enjoyable.**

### **A New Champion ...**

*(Ida finished from Bred By at 16 months.)*



breeder/owner/handler  
Amanda M. Pough · BANDERSNATCH  
co-bred & co-owned with Judy March Rosenthal · ROSENDOGS  
CH Yashar Ha'Aretz Machseh CGC, CDCA HC  
ex. CH Pleasant Hill Hinda M. Rosendog  
Chris Miller · RIVER ROCK

*CH Bandersnatch Rsndg*

*Ida Know RivRoc*





the masterpiece of nature.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Our Sincere Appreciation To Them All.

**... and a New Record**

*(With his most recent Group win, Harry now holds the record for AKC Group 1s by a CD.)*



breeder/owner

Judy March Rosenthal · ROSENDOGS

co-owned with Amanda M. Pough · BANDERSNATCH

professional presentation by

Kindred Spirits, PHA

Kitty Burke & Kathy Gertler

*CH Mad River Tahoe Zephyr*

*ex. CH Pleasant Hill Hinda M. Rosendog CD*

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*CH Rosendog's*

*He Who Must Be Named*





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# SECRETARY'S REPORT MAY - JULY 2007

Submitted by: **Norma Bennett Woolf, Recording Secretary**

The CDCA board meets electronically each month to consider membership applications and conduct club business. Motions are submitted by the 7th of each month, discussion continues until the 21st of the month, and votes are due by the last day of the month. Members are welcome to contact board members with questions, comments, or issues for the monthly agenda.

**May** - All items passed in May with the following vote:

## **Item 05-07-01:**

### **Associate Member Keisha Wilkie**

The board approved the associate membership application for Keisha Wilkie with yes votes from Denise, Judy, Amanda, Kristin, Norma, Cindy, Cheryl, and Evan. Sally did not vote.

## **Item 05-07002: ILP Process**

The board approved a motion to ask AKC to allow the following process for approving Canaan Dogs in the ILP program in addition to the current requirements:

1. That the dog be at least a year of age.
2. That the owner submit six photos: Full profile - both sides. Front and rear. Two head shots, one in profile and one from the front.
3. That the photos be examined by a three person committee made up of breeders with a minimum of 10 years breeding Canaan Dogs.
4. That the owner provide basic information about the dog that cannot be determined from photos, such as size and weight and where it came from.

Denise, Judy, Amanda, Kristin, Norma, Cindy, and Cheryl voted yes, Evan voted no, and Sally did not vote.

## **Item 05-07-03: Midwest Canaan Dog Club Supported Entry**

The board approved a motion to allow the Midwest Canaan Dog Club to support the entry of CDs one day at the all-breed shows following the National Specialty. Denise, Judy, Amanda, Kristin, Norma, Cindy, Cheryl, and Evan voted yes. Sally did not vote.

(Secretary's note: Because the Midwest Canaan Dog Club is not an AKC club, the entry will actually be supported by CDCA but MCDC will offer the trophies.)

**June** - The board approved these items:

## **Item 06-07-01 & 06-07-02:**

### **Late Member Renewals**

Late renewals for John Badertscher and Frank, Fran, &

Maxwell Pryzwara, all endorsed by Denise Gordon and Renee Kent. Denise, Amanda, Judy, Norma, Kristin, Evan, Cheryl, and Cindy voted yes. Sally did not vote.

## **Item 06-07-03:**

### **Move Funds to Investment Vehicles**

A motion by Amanda Pough, second by Evan Kent, to authorize the Treasurer to find, evaluate and move CDCA funds into investment vehicles to maximize interest while maintaining the principle. Denise, Amanda, Judy, Norma, Kristin, Evan, Cheryl, and Cindy voted yes. Sally did not vote.

**July** - Four items passed and one failed.

## **Item 07-07-01 & -7-07-02:**

### **Late Member Renewals**

Late membership renewals for Annette Israel and Ray & June Campbell, passed with yes votes from Denise, Amanda, Judy, Norma, Kristin, Evan, Cindy, and Cheryl. Sally did not vote. All applicants were endorsed by Denise Gordon and Renee Kent.

## **Item 07-07-03:**

### **Late Member Renewals**

Late membership renewal for Sarah & Howard Bassuk was approved pending submission of a second signature on Code of Ethics. Denise, Amanda, Judy, Norma, Kristin, Evan, Cindy, and Cheryl voted yes; Sally did not vote.

## **Item 07-07-04:**

### **Membership Dues**

A motion to raise membership dues failed with disapprove votes from Denise, Judy, Norma, Kristin, Evan, Cindy, and Cheryl. Amanda abstained and Sally did not vote. The motion by Amanda Pough and second by Evan Kent proposed to increase individual dues from \$20 to \$35 per year and family dues from \$25 to \$45 per year. The dues for international members would go from \$5 to \$10 over the domestic fees under the proposal.

The board continues to discuss the subject of raising dues and will report to the members at the annual meeting.

## **Item 07-07-05: CDRN Calendar Sales**

A motion to allow sales of the Canaan Dog Rescue Network calendar at the National Specialty was approved with yes votes from Denise, Amanda, Judy, Norma, Kristin, Evan, Cheryl, and Cindy voted yes. Sally did not vote. The motion was made by Evan Kent and seconded by Kristin Pavlin. The calendar helps support the work of CDRN.

# BREEDER RESPONSIBILITY – A NOVICE’S PERSPECTIVE

Submitted By: Michelle Harrington, CDRN Columnist

We all know that shelters are brimming over with dogs that for various reasons no longer fit into their previous owner’s lifestyle. At a recent Rally-Obedience trial, I was watching a Swedish Valhund and a Collie earn legs toward their titles. Both were rescues from shelters. The Collie owner, also a breeder, talked freely with me about her breeding practices. I listened with great interest as she spoke passionately about the love of her breed, and at the end of the conversation, she said “if one of my dogs ever ended up in a shelter, I would cease breeding.” She now fosters abandoned collies.

Four years ago, I met my first Canaan Dogs in Markham, Ontario, and have never looked back. I was blessed to have witnessed the first Canadian mating and litter born in the 21st century. One of those pups is my Maccabee, who, to date, has produced offspring with complimentary bitches from breeders from the United States. At a herding trial, I was asked if I was a breeder. I replied that our male had been studded. The Aussie owner said “Well, that makes you a breeder.” She offered her opinion that a breeder is someone who is involved in the selection of breeding two animals regardless of whether they have plans covering years of time, or but a single litter.

## Reasons for Breeding

Did your breeder tell you to keep your new pup intact? Or through your own explorations, did you conclude that your male or female would make a positive contribution to the breed? If you’ve made a commitment to breed the dog you need to have clear lines of what is expected between you and your breeder. Certainly the dog’s well-being should come first, and the dog’s welfare may depend upon fitting into your lifestyle.

## Laying a Foundation

No breeding should take place without a well thought-out plan. Knowing and understanding the strengths and weaknesses of your dog is fundamental to the art of canine breeding. Finding a complimentary mate for your dog to build on the positive and eliminate the undesirable attributes is the key contribution to any breeding programme. Attending shows and breed specialities provide avenues for learning how your dog compares with the breed standard. Specialties, in particular, allow the newcomer to meet experienced fanciers and breeders to further foster their knowledge of the breed. Mentorship is an invaluable educational tool that any new breeder should welcome and established breeders should continue to foster.

Training toward performance or service venues can offer an objective evaluation of the temperament and fitness of your dog. Testing and trialing in activities such as thera-

py, obedience, agility, tracking, herding or stockdog work, can provide insight into how your potential stud or foundation bitch mentally and physically “operates” – not to mention keeping them stimulated and involved in the general community. These activities demonstrate skills that access stability of temperament, soundness and physical fitness, and problem solving ability.

Obtaining appropriate orthopedic and eye clearances certified through OVA (in Canada) or OFA and/or PennHIP, and CERF is also an imperative ingredient in evaluating the health of your dog.

## A Responsibility to the Breed’s Welfare

Getting comfortable enough to breed is a serious undertaking. As a new breeder in the community, I feel it is my responsibility to keep the overall breed’s welfare in mind when making choices in breeding and placements. We are all equals in this community, and the decisions we make are ultimately our own. There is no hierarchy, and no breeder alone should be considered an institution. However, ask yourself “what are you prepared to do if you cannot place a puppy or the owner of one of your placements can no longer keep the dog?” If you place a dog outside of your province, state or country does your responsibility to take back or help to relocate a dog at any age end at the border or overseas? These are questions we need to answer before we can in good conscience plan a breeding.

One should not assume that there is a safety net for these circumstances. Understanding what your limitations are with respect to your kennel should be a determining factor in any breeding programme. Our breed is fortunate to have a rescue network available for Canaan Dogs that are in need of assistance – a resource that I view as a privilege and not a right.



**CDRN CALENDAR WINNERS**

This year’s contest was the most competitive so far. The quality and quantity of entries was overwhelming. Congratulations to the winners of the 2008 photo contest:

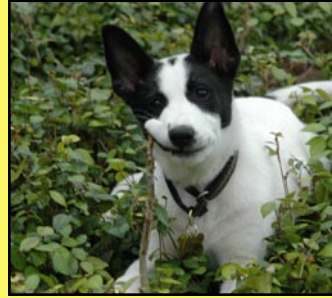
Rosette Davila-Sargent, USA	Don Denver, England
Cynthia Dodson, USA	Michelle Harrington, Canada
Teresa Iwanciw, Canada	Cheryl Kent, USA
Renee Kent, USA	Chris Miller, Australia
Ethan Miller, Australia	Cathi Oskow, USA
Ro & Joe Steinberg, USA	Tom Woolf, USA

Calendars will be available at the 2008 Specialty for \$12.00 or via mail for \$15.00. Make checks payable to CDRN and send to:

CDRN Calendars  
25 Woodville Alton Road, Wood River Junction, RI 02894



# Support Rescue - Buy a 2008 Calendar



Grand Prize Winner



Calendars will be available at the 2007 National Specialty catalog table and the banquet dinner. Not coming to Specialty? No problem, send a check or money order for US\$15 to: CDRN Calendars, 25 Woodville Alton Rd, Wood River Junction, RI 02894 [www.canaandogrescue.com](http://www.canaandogrescue.com)

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**Welcome to the Canaan Dog Rescue Network**

The Canaan Dog Rescue Network was established in July 2004 with the mission of helping owners, breeders, and shelters pair Canaan Dogs in need of a new home with a forever home.

Canaan Dogs are medium size (30 to 50 lbs.) active dogs that are generally described as aloof, manipulative and alarm barkers.

For more information, please visit the following sections of our site:

- About Us - Find out who we are.
- The Process - Discover the adoption and surrender processes
- Rescue Me - Canaan Dogs seeking new homes
- New Dens - See how some of our recent placements are doing in their new dens
- FAQs - Is my dog a Canaan Dog? I think I have a Canaan Dog mix? Can you look at these pictures?
- Donations - Making a tax deductible contribution is easy. CDRN is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation.

**Midas**  
Gender: Male  
Age: 3 years old  
Neutered: Yes  
Weight: 50 lbs  
Location: Arizona  
Housebroken: Yes  
Crate trained: Yes

Midas is a lovely cream male Canaan Dog. He is very affectionate and loves to be near his family...read more...

[Read more about Midas](#)

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## CDRN Launches New Web Site

By Evan Kent

The Canaan Dog Rescue Network was established in 2004 by Teresa Clement and Renee Kent with the mission of helping owners, breeders, and shelters pair Canaan Dogs in need of a new home with a forever home.

Come check out our new web site located at [www.canaandogrescue.com](http://www.canaandogrescue.com). We've completely revamped the site and have filled it with information about the corporation, our processes and procedures, and success stories. Be sure to check out the volunteer section - we can really use your help.

Do you run a Canaan Dog Web site and link to Rescue? If you do, be sure to check the URL you have used.

Many thanks to all the Canaan Dog Rescue Network volunteers for their dedication and hard work.

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# SUPPORTED ENTRY AT THE BLUE CRAB CLUSTER

Submitted By: Bryna Comsky

The CDCA supported the Canaan Dog entry at the Rock Creek Kennel Club Shows at Bel Alton, Maryland. There were ten dogs entered on Sunday, July 1, 2007, and three on Monday. Thanks to Ro and Joe Steinberg's organizing efforts, the "Mid-Atlantic Canaan Dog Club" drew dogs and owners from far beyond the eastern coastline to participate in the shows and related activities. Despite massive weekend traffic jams, Charles County Fairgrounds was a wonderful site on which to meet and greet, make up two new champions and one Rally Novice A titlist.

With his breeder, Renee Kent, handling him, "Riley" won his championship title and outperformed the two bitch specials, gaiting away with their points and finishing with his fourth major. Way to go, "Riley," now CH Renegade Don't Tread on Me! Co-owners Renee and Evan Kent are also his breeders, and he, CH Riley, shares his home in Virginia with owners Dominic Frinzi and Amy Schumaier.

"Ida," the Winners Bitch, also finished \*her\* championship, handled by co-breeder and co-owner, Amanda Pough. She is now CH Bandersnatch Rsdog Ida Know RivRoc! Good girl, "Ida" ! Judy Rosenthal and Chris Miller are her "present-in-spirit" co-breeders and owners. Congratulations to "Ida" and her extended family!

Making these titles possible were the good sports that provided the points. Ezrach me Shaar Hagai, a newer arrival from Israel, was shown by Joe Steinberg, his co-owner with Rosalie. He is a third-generation registered Canaan who passed the "miun" procedure, brought the Israeli style into the array of dogs to be judged, and will enlarge the Israeli gene pool when he is bred.

The novice bitch, Eastland Salina So Special, debuted with her co-owner, David Golden, handling. Cynthia Dodson gave moral support, and Annette Israel, her breeder and co-owner, had thoughts of attending next year's show. Ha'Aretz Shin Medor Ledor won her class with Rosalie Steinberg handling. Her competition in open bitches was Cherrysh Star of Bethlehem, a pretty little girl, who is getting more ring-wise as her co-owner, Melvin Larsen encourages her. The bitch special CH Blessed Be My Neshama, bowed to the Winners Dog and Bitch who went all the way to Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex under Judge Mr. Houston Clark. Mr. Clark really "got into" the competition to find his winners and placements. Everyone handled to his or her best ability, and the Canaan Dogs attracted favorable attention this day.

In the afternoon the action was in the performance events, as CH Denver completed his Rally Novice Class A title after his third consecutive successful run. Michael Banister, his co-owner with Melvin Larsen, handled him through the course, and they earned a score of 81 despite the distraction of Melvin's presence. Denver won his three titles in three shows each as is his habit now. Carol Hayes-Gegner and I cheered him on to his new title, and he is now CH Cherrysh Sing So Into Me RN with a UKC championship title, also won after three consecutive competitions!

Farthest traveled were Amanda Pough, Amy Preston and Renee and Evan Kent from New England. Jenny Larkin, John Relph, and their son, Paul, were involved in agility competition with their papillon, Bo. They watched the Canaans in breed, and met the puppies, Mariah and Timmy,





who are about to make their debut. Cheryl Kent brought Macey ringside to see the Canaan entry on Saturday, and I visited with them on my way home. Jack Gegner was a quiet, but interested, spectator. The Gegners might have a new Canaan dog in their household pretty soon.

Ro and Joe Steinberg are planning for next year's supported entry at Bel Alton. Hope to see y'all there!

*Pictured left to right on previous page: CH Renegade Don't Tread on Me (Riley), CH Bandersnatch Rsdng Ida Know Rivroc (Ida).*

*Pictured clockwise on this page: Ezrach Me Shar Hagai (Izzy), Cherrysh Star of Bethlehem (Beth), Dor Vedor Ha'Aretz Peninah (Peninah).*

*Photos by Evan Kent.*



## Member Updates:

### New Members

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Sarah & Howard Bassuk  
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727-236-6801  
[sbassuk@earthlink.net](mailto:sbassuk@earthlink.net)

### New Phone & Email

Kristin Pavlin  
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and beyond:*

1. Educate yourself at the websites I've listed.
2. Contact your Senator and Assemblymember at least once a month, and let them know you support legislation that supports, not squashes, pet ownership.
3. Volunteer at and donate to your local shelter on a regular basis. These people are told by the Animal Rights activists that breeders are evil, greedy animal abusers – I KID YOU NOT. That kind of lie can only be countered with truth and love.

We must keep fighting, and persuade our non-fancier neighbors to get involved too. Who knows what January will bring? We're forewarned and forearmed in California. I now encourage you, dear reader, to prepare as well in your own state.

# NATIONAL SPECIALTY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## **Wednesday, Sept. 5:**

Hospitality night at the host hotel; refreshments courtesy of Desert Star Canaan Dogs

## **Thursday, Sept. 6: Host Hotel Activities**

**8:00 AM:** Board of Directors meeting

**12 - 1 PM:** Parade of Canaan pet/rescue companions (all participants will receive a special commemoration)

**1:00 PM:** Annual General Membership meeting

**6 - 8 PM:** Judge's Education Seminar. Contact: Cynthia Grupp, 2367 Soda Canyon Rd., Napa, California; Phone: 707-226-3353; Email: [cgrupp@starband.net](mailto:cgrupp@starband.net)

## **Friday, Sept. 7: National Specialty Show**

Multi-Purpose Building, Clermont County Fairgrounds, Owensville, Ohio. Continental Breakfast courtesy of the 2008 National Specialty Committee.

**8:00 AM:** Obedience & Rally Obedience classes to start. Order of Junior Showmanship & Conformation classes and actual show times to be listed in the judging program sent to exhibitors and will be posted on the CDCA website ([www.cdca.org](http://www.cdca.org)) after August 24th.

**6:30 PM -** Host hotel-CDCA banquet room-Hospitality hour with cash bar, followed by annual awards banquet, 50-50 raffle and auction (dinner at 7:30 PM). For items to donate to the auction, contact: Norma Bennett Woolf, 6241 N. State Route 48, Lebanon, OH 45036 (Telephone: 513-932-3148 or email: [editor@canismajor.com](mailto:editor@canismajor.com))

## **Sat. & Sun., Sept. 8 & 9: Clermont County Kennel Club Supported Entry Show**

Clermont Co. Fairgrounds; Superintendent: Jack Onofrio Dog Shows, LLC ([www.onofrio.com](http://www.onofrio.com)). Show will be held outdoors with tent shade (rally trial will be indoors). Actual show/ring times will be listed in the judging program.

## **Monday, Sept. 10: Herding Instinct Test**

9 AM - Dogwood Acres Farm, Batavia, Ohio (~20 - 30 minutes from host hotel). Evaluator: Ms. Dana Hasemeier.  
**TEST IS LIMITED TO 20 DOGS!!**

## DEADLINES

### **August 15: National Speciality Closing Date**

Closing date for National Specialty entries (send to Denise Gordon, Show Secretary, 2614 Gracewood Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45239)

### **August 22: Supported Entry Closing Date**

Closing date for Clermont County Kennel Club supported entry shows (send to Jack Onofrio Dog Shows, P.O. Box 25764, Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764; website: [www.onofrio.com](http://www.onofrio.com)). There will be a Best Bred-By-Exhibitor competition (including BBE Groups and BBE Best In Show) and a sanctioned "B" all-breed puppy match following Best In Show for the CCKC Saturday (Sept. 8) show.

### **August 22: Discounted Hotel Rate**

Final day for CDCA hotel room special discount at the host hotel, Holiday Inn Cincinnati-Eastgate, 4501 Eastgate Blvd., Cincinnati, OH 45245; worldwide toll free telephone number is 1-800-465-4329; Holiday Inn Cincinnati-Eastgate telephone number is 513-752-4400; website: [www.whihotels.com/ebrochures/hieastgate/index.shtml](http://www.whihotels.com/ebrochures/hieastgate/index.shtml). **PLEASE SPECIFY CANAAN DOG CLUB WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATIONS TO RECEIVE THIS SPECIAL DISCOUNT!**

### **August 22: RV Reservations**

Final day for RV Camping Reservations on Clermont County fairgrounds show site camping areas. Contact: Ivan Rakyta, 1675 St. Rt. 73, Hillsboro, OH 45133; Telephone: 937-764-2001.

### **August 30: Pre-entry for Herding Instinct Test Due**

Final day for CDCA herding instinct test pre-entry. **LIMIT OF 20 DOGS!** Cost for pre-entry is \$25/dog and \$30/dog on day of the test if the limit is not reached. Contact: Denise Gordon, 2614 Gracewood Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45239; Phone: 513-741-1832; Email: [desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com](mailto:desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com)

### **August 31: Awards Banquet Reservations Due**

Final day for Awards Banquet reservations. Contact: Denise Gordon, 2614 Gracewood Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45239; Phone: 513-741-1832; Email: [desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com](mailto:desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com)



# HEALTH CLEARANCES

Dog's Name	Sex	Test ID #	Test	Results
Cherryysh Sing'n From The Sage	F	CA-EL79F38-NOPI	Elbow	Normal
Ha'Aretz Barbara	F	CA251 CA-394GZ9F-PI	CERF Hips	7 Good
Ha'Aretz Rishon Noah	M	CA-396E56M-PI	Hips	Excellent
Mazel Tov Hatikvah	M	38869	CHIC	New
Pleasant Hill Nanea	F	CA-EL80F41-PI CA-397G41F-PI CA-TH49/41F-PI	Elbow Hips Thyroid	Normal Good Normal
Pleasant Hill Petra	F	CA-EL77-F58-NOPI CA255 CA-393G58F-NOPI	Elbow CERF Hips	Normal 7 Good
Pleasant Hill Wish Granted	M	40192	CHIC Elbow Hips Patella Thyroid	New Normal Good Normal-practitioner Normal
RiverRoc Three Sunrises Lyceum	F	CA-250	CERF	7
Rosendog's He Who Must Be Named	M	CA-TH37150M-PI	Thyroid	Normal

# NEW TITLES

Congratulations to these Canaan Dogs and their owners and breeders for achievements in the show ring and at performance events. The list is arranged alphabetically by dog owner. Each *Kibitzer* will include a list of new champions and other titles, but the editors are not psychic ... you must tell us who did what in order to see your name (and your dogs' names) in print.

## Conformation

Owner	Title	Reg. Name (Call Name)
Dominic Frinzi Amy Schumaier Renee & Evan Kent	AKC Champion	CH Rengade Don't Tread on Me (Riley)
Amanda Pough Judy Rosenthal Christina Miller	AKC Champion	CH Bandersnatch Rsdng Ida Know RivRoc (Ida)

### American Kennel Club (AKC) Champion Title

Achieved by defeating other Canaan Dogs in the AKC Breed ring, thus earning points.

## Herding

Lawrence Myers Michelle Harrington	Canadian Kennel Club Herding Tested	CKC CH. Ha'Aretz Gimel Northern Confidence CKC-HT, CGN, CARO-RN-MCL, AKC-RN, CDCA-HC (Cybelle)
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### Herding Tested Title

Two qualifying legs under two judges to earn first level CKC herding title. Dog must fetch stock in a calm controlled manner and bring them to handler. Dog must gather and drive stock steadily through three obstacles, including Y chute, demonstrate a stop or down on the course, and pen the stock.

## Rally Obedience

Melvin Larsen Michael Banister	AKC Rally Novice	CH Cherrysh Sing So Into You, RN
Michelle Harrington Larry Myers	CARO Rally Novice AKC Rally Novice	CKC CH. Ha'Aretz Gimel Northern Confidence CKC-HT, CGN, CARO-RN-MCL, AKC-RN, CDCA-HC (Cybelle)

### Canadian Association of Rally-Obedience (CARO) Rally Novice

Entry level rally work, performing 20 obedience-type tasks (on lead) while following a preset course with a 4- minute time limit. MCL is for an average score of 190+ for 3 qualifying legs

### Rally Novice

Entry level rally work, performing basic individual obedience-type tasks (on lead) while following a preset course.

### **2007 National Specialty is Here**

Check page 16 for the National Specialty Schedule of Events and upcoming deadlines.

See you in Ohio!

### **Join the CDCA On-line Community!**

Over 100 member-families make up the CDCA and only 42 individuals are members of the CDCA online community. Ideas are shared, important topics are discussed and club announcements and reminders are issued via this private club forum. This community is available only to CDCA members in good standing. Get involved now by joining the CDCA email list hosted at yahoogroups.

To join, visit the following website:

<http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/CanaanDog-ClubofAmericaList>

## **HELP WANTED**

### **Advertising Chair**

Develop a plan and propose a budget for CDCA visibility in national/international print/web media. Work in conjunction with Public Education Chair to promote CDCA events on national and regional levels. Work with BOD to approve plans and proposals.

### **Public Education Chair**

Obtain reprint permission for articles about CDs in media. Work in conjunction with Breeder Referral Chair. Oversee development/revision of "Meet The CD" opportunities in various media outlets. Oversee or coordinate CDCA presence at events such as "Meet the Breed exhibits. Work in conjunction with Advertising Chair to promote CDCA events on national and regional levels.

If you are interested in one of the following positions, please contact Amanda Pough at [bsnatchbt@aol.com](mailto:bsnatchbt@aol.com).