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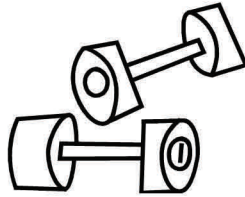


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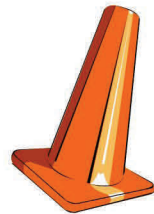
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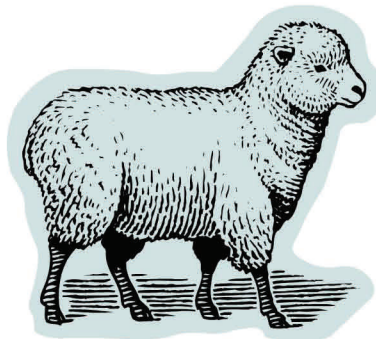
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PRESIDENT & EDITOR'S MESSAGE

The past couple of falls when I lived in Vermont produced strong red and orange fall leaves. This fall in New York has been characterized by yellows and tans. Add some sun dappling through the branches and Reen, my white & red CD, is well camouflaged by the piles of leaves. All the better to stalk her mother—waiting for Ida to get closer and closer—so with a wild leap Reen can start running laps with Ida in hot pursuit. It makes raking piles of leaves a bit of lost cause!

As you head in to fall, please use *The Canaan Kibitzer* as well as the CDCA's internet presence keep you up to date on our activities.

On the cover are the three new banners that will decorate our Meet The Breeds booth in New York City on November 19 & 20. The tagline "Canaan Dogs—Nature's Design, Ours To Protect" is a direct result of discussion and brainstorming from the 2011 Annual Meeting. My thanks again to all who came to that meeting and participated in a lively & productive discussion. Thanks also to Chris Miller who designed the banners from historical and action photos of CDs.

In this issue, you will find a copy of the membership renewal form (or, if you are reading this online, a link to that document). Dues are due December 31, 2011—let's aim for 100% renewal this year!

As Amy mentioned in her renewal notification post, as over 90% of the membership has internet availability, a new, password protect tab has been added to the website. It is on this tab that our Delegate (Pamela Rosman) will arrange to have full AKC reports and information posted. This will save much space in the *Kib* and also save any miscommunication in trying to distill pages of details down to a short report. As always, Pamela is available via email or phone if you have questions or comments for her.

Along with the routine reports and articles in this issue, you will also find two informational articles about CDs in need. First, the Canaan Dog Rescue Network is in dire need of new volunteers. Without being able to bring in new Directors, the group may be forced to disband. Please

consider how you can keep help the CDRN and in turn, help Canaan Dogs. Finally, as many of you know, Myrna Shiboleth is facing eviction from the land she has lived on in Israel for decades. The CDCA and the ICDCA are in contact with Myrna offering our support. Please read the article & the joint club letter and consider what you can do.

CDCA owners will be busy this fall all over the US—from New York to South Carolina to Florida and out to Arizona. Join us at any of these events and help celebrate our amazing dogs!

- Amanda



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Keeping up with the times -- since we have email addresses for 95% of our membership, this year renewal forms were sent to you via the internet. If you have not already received an email with the renewal forms attached, please check your spam folder, and/or contact me so we can look into why it did not get to you.

If you are unable to download or print the form, a copy is included in this issue.

I will be happy to mail a printed copy to anyone who asks.

Remember, renewals are due in by December 31st.

Any questions - please get in touch....

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CANAAN DOG RESCUE NETWORK (CDRN) NEEDS YOU NOW!

The Canaan Dog Rescue Network (CDRN) has been going strong since its incorporation as a non-profit in 2003, but we are now in desperate need of volunteers for officer and director positions.

CDRN is currently run by a three person Board of Directors, who oversees a staff of four officers, consisting of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. There are also regional volunteers, who serve as rescue coordinators and foster families.

Since our inception, we have helped to foster and re-home Canaan Dogs, conduct fundraising and even educate the public on the importance of responsible dog ownership. This would not have been possible without our dedicated volunteers.

As we end 2011 and look forward to the future, we are hopeful this will be a successful year of transition and change for CDRN. Under our by-laws, our Directors serve five-year terms, the maximum allowed by Tennessee, where we are incorporated. I will be coming to the end of my five-year term as president and will be resigning my positions as president and as one of the three directors; however, I plan to serve as a consultant until a successful transition has occurred. Therefore, we are looking to elect a new president and director as soon



as possible.

At this time we are calling out to the Canaan Dog community to see who might be

interested in volunteering their time to keep this organization running. We would like to see volunteers step into officer and other volunteer roles (such as regional rescue coordinators). To learn more about these opportunities and what these positions entail, please visit our web site at www.canaandogrescue.com/volunteer for a full list of job responsibilities.

We have high expectations for the coming year ; However, if we cannot attract new volunteers we face the very real prospect of dissolving the corporation and donating the funds to another non-profit dog rescue.

If you are a long time breeder and haven't volunteered, now is your time to give back to the community by helping give a second chance to Canaan Dogs needing assistance. If you are new to the breed and eager to learn, please contact us. We hope that the community has found us to be a beneficial resource to its members and to the dogs we have helped and will come together to keep this service available. ♦



THE THREAT TO SHAAR HAGAI KENNELS OF ISRAEL ... AND HOW YOU CAN JOIN CD FANCIERS AROUND THE WORLD SPREAD THE WORD AND ADD YOUR SUPPORT.

The following was posted on the blog of Myrna Shibolet on October 25, 2011 and is reprinted here with her permission. More information follows.

Shaar Hagai...

I have always tried to laugh at myself and at the vagaries of life that come my way. It is the way that I have managed to stay (reasonably) sane.

But there are times when there is simply nothing to laugh about.

The Israel Lands Authority, a government agency, has filed suit against us, to demand our eviction from the place we have called home for 42 years.

I came to Israel as a naïve American (and at least, in those days, there was nothing as naïve as a young American). A dog and animal lover from birth, I quickly met a few other unconventional people who were interested in finding a place to breed Canaan Dogs, the natural breed of Israel that still existed free living, but was already starting to disappear. We looked for an isolated place where the dogs would not be a nuisance to anyone, and found it at Shaar Hagai.

The buildings had been built by the British in the mandate period, for the engineers and workers that were running the adjoining water pumping station, the main water line to Jerusalem. When they left in 1947, the place was abandoned and remained empty, not used for anything other than as an occasional campground for passing Bedouins with their flocks.

When we found it, the buildings were semi ruins, and the whole place was so overgrown that it was hard to even find the buildings.

It was perfect for breeding dogs.

After much searching to try and find who was responsible for the place, we were informed that Mekorot, the national water company, had the rights to it, and we signed a rental contract with them and paid rent for a number of years.

We never had any money, so just about everything that had to be done, we did ourselves. I laid cement, plastered, painted, built fences, paved, dug out rocks, and a whole range of other activities that had never entered my mind as a future occupation when I was filling out college applications. But there is no feeling quite like being able to look at

something that you have built, with your own hands. We lived for 17 years without electricity (no, not with a generator, but no electricity – a kerosene run refrigerator, storm lanterns, and no telephone), but it was a great place for the dogs. Generations of Canaans, and of collies, my other breed, grew up here, and went on to become breed founders all over the world and valued companions and working dogs. There are footprints preserved in some of the patches of cement, where the dogs couldn't resist leaving their mark while it was still fresh.

Some years after we moved in, Mekorot decided that they wanted to end the contract – and then we discovered that they had no rights on the place at all. After being transferred from one agency to another, in the end the place was the responsibility of the Israel Lands Authority. We contacted them many times to ask to clarify and legalize the situation, with no answer.

Meanwhile, we paid taxes and tried to behave like good citizens. An official road sign to "Shaar Hagai Kennels" was even placed on the highway just before our entrance.

Then, a few months ago, we got notification that the Lands Authority intended to file suit to evict us. Why now, after 42 years, when we were not significant

enough to notice? Who knows? But where we live is within the boundaries of a national park, and people are not allowed to live in a national park (not dogs either, apparently). It doesn't seem to matter that the area was declared a national park some years after we were already living here, and the buildings we live in were built, long before any ideas of parks, for the purpose of dwellings places for people...

I have never been very good at or interested in, politics, and the whole game of using influence. I have only been interested in quietly breeding good dogs and enjoying them. My daughter was born here and my grandchildren as well, and they can't imagine having to leave. I certainly can't.

The dogs tell me that they will follow me anywhere. But the possibilities are very limited – property is extremely costly here, and people are not very tolerant of barking dogs...

So we are doing all we can to fight. You can help by signing the petition (see the link), and spreading the word. If anyone knows some rock star that loves dogs...

Meanwhile the dogs help me to keep laughing.

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/1/save-shaar-hagai-canaans/>



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THE THREAT TO SHAAR HAGAI, CON'T

The CDCA and the UKC's national CD club (the ICDCA) have written a joint letter (below) to the Israel Lands Authority urging them to continue/resume their negotiations with Mrs. Shibolet.

October 31, 2011

Israel Land Authority
c/o Myrna Shibolet
Shaar Hagai Kennels
POB 40010
Mevaseret Zion 90805
ISRAEL

To Whom It May Concern;

This letter is in support of Mrs. Shibolet's efforts to keep her kennels at their current location. To evict Mrs. Shibolet would be of great detriment to the Canaan Dog breed in the world.

As the Canaan Dog Club of America and the Israel Canaan Dog Club of America we represent the interests of the many Canaan Dog owners in North America.

Canaan Dogs are the National Dog of Israel and are native to the country. Preserving this breed and sharing it with the world have been the focus of Mrs. Shibolet's efforts for over 40 years. Mrs. Shibolet is following in the work of Drs. Menzel who were asked by the Haganah to develop a dog for guarding the isolated Israeli settlements and supervise the build-up of war dogs for the fighting of the War of Independence. They developed the Canaan Dog breed from a specific type of dogs living in Israel.

Canaan Dogs have since been exported to the United States and numerous other countries. Many people in North America first learn about the breed when they explore their Jewish heritage. Canaan Dogs are now known and recognized everywhere as the Israeli breed and they have acquired a strong and passionate number of friends in the world of dog lovers.

There are many Canaan Dogs in the world that have some ancestor hailing from Shaar Hagai. Numerous

breeders have acquired dogs from Mrs. Shibolet or are planning to do so. In addition, Mrs. Shibolet's prestige in the international dog community is such that much tourism occurs from people coming to visit Mrs. Shibolet and her Shaar Hagai kennels.

Very important for the future of the Canaan Dog is the ongoing work of Mrs. Shibolet to augment the small gene pool of the breed by acquiring good specimens from the Bedouins. For the last couple of decades she has been the only one in the world with the know-how and the facilities to introduce these new dog lines to the breed.

We urge you to work with Mrs. Shibolet to preserve the home of Shaar Hagai kennels in their current location so that she may continue her work in support of the breed and of the reputation of Israel in the world of dog lovers.

Sincerely,

Amanda M. Pough

President, Canaan Dog Club of America, Inc.

Alla Geretz

President, Israel Canaan Dog Club of America, Inc.

How You Can Help

Watch the CDCA Yahoo List, the CDCA web site and Facebook pages as well as the *Kib* to keep up with CDCA efforts. The link to the petition started by Mrs. Shibolet may be found on page 5 and has been posted on the CDCA sites listed above. Mrs. Shibolet welcomes letter of support to the address the CDCA/ICDCA letter was sent.

If you elect to send a letter, please keep your letters polite. Those with knowledge of Israeli politics recommend that letters to the Israel Land Authority discuss the international support Mrs. Shibolet is receiving in this area.

Future actions may result in letters and contact with other groups; at that time, those letters may focus on the history of Canaan Dogs in Israel or other factors.

Should you have other specific ideas, contacts, etc., please feel free to share them with the CDCA Board of Directors and/or Mrs. Shibolet. ♦





Registration Options & Advocacy: The Path to 100%

By now, we hope that you have seen AKC's recent messages regarding the importance of registration. If you have not, here they are in a nutshell: **Every registration makes a difference to everyone involved in the world of purebred dogs.** Registrations help AKC maintain a strong legislative influence, fund canine health research, provide for disaster preparedness and relief, and promote responsible dog ownership. The best way to ensure that our traditions remain strong is for breeders like you to ensure that every puppy you produce is AKC registered.

For a long time, conventional thinking among breeders has been that AKC registration was only required if a puppy they bred was going to compete in the field or the show ring. However, breeders are realizing that registrations are the foundation for our sports and support AKC's good works. "I used to think that the only time I needed to make sure a puppy I sold was registered was if it was going to a show home," said Mary Ellen Fishler, Delegate of the Poodle Club of America. "But recently I learned why every dog needs to be registered. From contributing to canine health research to supporting our efforts against radical legislation, funding provided by AKC registrations makes a difference...for all of us and our dogs. I love our sport, and want to ensure a strong future for it. The easiest way for me to do that is through AKC registrations."

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— Mary Ellen Fishler
Delegate
Poodle Club of America

Achieving 100% registration for your puppies has never been easier because of our many Full Litter registration options available! The *Full Litter Registration* option allows breeders to individually register all the puppies in a litter to themselves at the time of litter registration for a discounted price. With the *Full Litter Offspring* process, breeders who have already registered their litters with the AKC have a second opportunity to individually register all the puppies in the litter to themselves at a discount, even though the breeder

originally selected traditional litter registration. The newly-introduced *Full Litter PLUS* registration allows breeders to register all puppies from a litter at the time of litter registration, each either in the name of the breeder or of the new puppy buyers. Lastly, the *Full Litter Offspring PLUS* form allows breeders to register all the puppies in a litter after it's been registered, each either in the name of the breeder or of the new puppy buyers. For either of the last two options, if a puppy is not named at time of registration, AKC will later contact the new puppy buyers to get the name of their puppy. (For more information, go to www.akc.org/breedersworkshop.)

If these registration options aren't the right fit for you, the traditional, two-tier registration process remains a great choice. This can be easily completed when a new owner picks up their puppy. **Because breeders are advocates for registration, new owners will register with AKC if advised by the breeder to do so.** When you complete the sales contract and review health information with the new owner, take the additional step of completing the registration process. It's simple—fill out the registration paperwork, collect the appropriate payment, and return it to AKC. If internet access is available, registering the puppy using AKC's online dog registration is even quicker! (And for breeders who sell their puppies with a spay/neuter agreement, Limited Registration at the time of sale is available.) Breeders can tell new owners of the many benefits

they and their puppy will receive from AKC registration—a complimentary trial of pet healthcare, a certificate for a free first time veterinary visit, AKC's New Puppy Handbook, a frameable certificate and more—and about the good works their registration dollars go to.

No matter which way a breeder prefers to register their litters and individual dogs, there is an option for everyone to ensure 100% of their puppies receive the benefits of AKC registration that they deserve.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Our 2011 National Specialty Judge

Hi Amanda... 'thanks' for access to online Kibitzer [with the] National Spec[ialty] recap -- what a wonderful issue that brings back happy memories!

I look forward to hard copy for my files & article in Dog News. You are a small but mighty group of fanciers preserving a noble breed.

[With] best wishes to all, *Monica C[aneistrini]*

And Another Judge

Amanda

Thank YOU very much for sending me the summer 2011 *Kibitzer* issue. BTW I love the newsletter's name.

I appreciate your kindness. I really enjoyed seeing all of the activities that your group is involved in.

Keep up the great work. I hope to get to meet you in Greenville next summer.

Neena Van Camp

Breed Standard Revisions

The recent CDCA membership vote to approve the breed standard revisions brings cause for celebration to the Ha'Aretz camp. Several descriptions are now closer in meaning to those given by the Menzels in their original standard published in *PARIAHUNDE*. The subsections of general appearance, size and proportion, gait, coat and tail are addressed and more clearly and accurately defined. The Land of Canaan is named as the place where Canaan dogs originated as wild or semi-wild pariah dogs. Proportion is returned to square; size preference is retained; and the disqualification for size is dropped. All this work brings the revised standard closer to the Menzels' standard, and to the standards of the rest of the world.

Bryna Comsky



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REPORTS OF THE SECRETARIES

Since August, 2011:

Annette Israel, former C. Sect. and BSRC Chairman, sent the report of the balloting to approve the breed standard revisions to AKC on CDCA letterhead stationery. The revisions were approved, 48 to 11, out of 98 ballots sent out.

Judy March Rosenthal, has sent cards in the name of CDCA to console Melvin Larsen on the loss of his dear brother, and Alla Geretz on the loss of her beloved mother. JudyR will be [acting as] the Sunshine Lady, a *division* of the C.Sect.'s office.

CDCA canceled its April regional specialty show, put on by Midwest Canaan Dog Club, at the Waterloo, Iowa, Kennel Club site for this year. [Editor's Update: MCDCA is still working on their options for a spring specialty.]

The AKC approved the Canaan Dog Club of America Agility Events on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 25, 26, and 27, 2011, at the T.Ed Garrison Arena, SC. "This event is offering competition for dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners program, which includes All American Dogs / Mixed Breeds." (9/7/2011)

Bryna Comsky, CDCA C.Sect.

August 2011

No new membership applications were received or voted on in August.

No motions were proposed or voted on in August.

Discussion:

- Meet The Breeds – NYC booth during August
- Ballots for the Breed Standard changes were sent to the membership on August 2; they are due on Thursday September 15th.
- Began working on a list of all National Specialty top results.

The CDCA website now has a 'Members Only' feature, temporarily accessed with the Kibitzer password. The goal is to eventually make the Kib available to members and judges, while only the membership can access AKC Delegate and other reports.

Denise Gordon completed a list of CCA/CDCA and AKC titelists; it is now online at <http://cdca.org>. Please review and send her updates, changes, comments etc

September 2011

No new membership applications were received or voted on in September.

A motion by Ken Cabrera that the Club unofficially support the Saturday November 12th, 2011 Canada Del Oro KC show entries in Tucson, AZ with CDCA logo items. Amanda Pough

provided the second. PASSED with approval votes from: Bryna Comsky, Julie Haddy, Annette Israel, Donna Davison, Joan Greene. Not voting: Amanda Pough (per her normal procedure), Chris Miller, Renee Kent. Not voting (recused): Ken Cabrera

Ballots for the Breed Standard changes were sent to the membership on August 2; the results: the recommended changes were accepted. Annette reported 98 ballots were sent out with 59 responses - 48 Yes votes and 11 No votes. 2/3 of the votes cast was required to accept the proposed standard.

The CDCA website now has two password protected sections (all case sensitive)

1. Kibitzer section:

UserName = kibitzer

password = eKib2011

2. Member Resources section:

UserName = CDCA

Password = CanaanDogRule

Discussion:

- AKC Meet The Breeds – NYC booth: various items and decisions.
- please send comments on AKC Delegate's Reports to Pamela.
- Need to assign the AKC Electronic Stud Book subscription contact / liaison.
- AKC Event and Judging Panel Notices will be sent to the President.
- Animal Planet's show on Canaan Dogs 101 is here: <http://animal.discovery.com/videos/dogs-101-canaan-dog.html>

October 2011

No new membership applications were received or voted on in October.

No motions were proposed or voted on in October.

Discussion:

- An Agility Committee bank account was opened at Wells Fargo
- Links for CDCA Members in Good Standing kennel websites are placed on the CDCA website when requested
- CDCA gift items were donated to the Tucson AZ cluster in November
- AKC Delegate's reports are available on the CDCA.org website; please send comments to Pamela
- A joint CDCA / ICDCA effort created a letter in support of Sha'ar Hagai kennels, regarding pending Israeli government actions; it was sent to Myrna Shibolet to provide to her attorneys.

Joan Capaiu Greene, Recording Sect.

JUNIORS WITH CANAAN DOGS

BY CHRISTINA MILLER

ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE OCTOBER 2011

AKC GAZETTE

Yes! They do exist! Although sometimes thought of as a mythical creature, there are Juniors out there with Canaan Dogs. Our low numbers as a breed and less than a handful of Juniors showing them make a sighting a rare occurrence. Many Junior Showmanship Judges may go their entire career without judging a Junior/Canaan Dog team. But for those rare mythical occasions when one does land in your ring, there are a few points to pay special note. The points you should see with a Junior and a Canaan Dog include proper gaing speed, proper presentation and consideration for Canaan Dog temperament.

One of the pinnacles of Canaan Dog breed type is their effortless, endurance trot. The Junior handler needs to be very conscious of the proper gait and speed for correct Canaan Dog movement. The Canaan Dog trot is quick, effortless and covers more ground than expected. Don't be afraid to line the Canaan Dog and Junior up with your faster moving breeds. You should see a loose leash and a nice tandem of handler and exhibit.

Proper presentation of the Canaan Dog should include the tail over the back. The traditional presentation is with the handler holding the tail curled over the back. Many Canaan Dogs can be enticed to curl their tail over their back. For these Canaan Dogs a more traditional Herding Breed presentation of the handler standing in front of the exhibit is acceptable. In either case, an alert, noble Canaan Dog should be the picture that you view.

The Canaan Dog is an aloof Herding breed, thus care needs to be given in the Junior Showmanship Ring. The Canaan Dog/Junior team needs to be approached with confidence. Please do not approach from a direction that the Canaan Dog cannot see you coming. Do not swoop down on the exhibit or move swiftly. Once the initial approach is complete, and you and the exhibit are comfortable, a smooth and firm examination should be conducted. Canaan Dogs tend to try and watch the exam, do not take a turning of the head to watch as a sign of aggression. As long as the handler is in control, as with any breed, your exam should be completed with ease.

A Junior and Canaan Dog team is more than an entry in your ring. There is a special bond that exists between the two. A Junior with a Canaan Dog is with that Canaan Dog because they love the breed. They enjoy the challenge of showing a breed that is not a push-button breed or very flashy in the JS

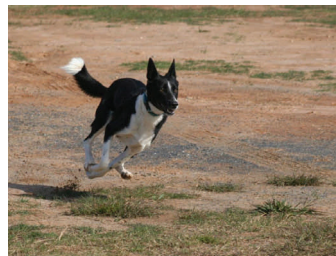
ring. There is a tremendous amount of work that goes into making a well oiled Canaan Dog/Junior Team. Some of you will be lucky enough to have that mythical creature land in your ring someday. If you are one of the lucky ones, take note, enjoy the experience and reward it if it's worthy on the day.

Below: a future Junior Handler?



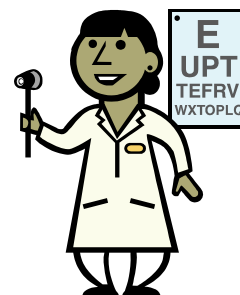
CANAAN DOGS CAN DO ... LURE COURSING!

CDs AT A RECENT AKC LURE COURSING COURSING
ABILITY TEST (FOR NON-SIGHTHOUNDS)



OFA Test Results August– October 2011

Registered Name	Registration Number	sex	OFA Test Number	OFA Test	OFA Results
<i>BANDERSNATCH RSNDG IDA KNOW RIVROC</i>	<i>DN14136801</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>CA-263</i>	<i>CERF</i>	<i>11</i>
BLUE SKY DESERT STAR BALL OF FIRE	DN22127102	F	CA-EL121F38-VPI	ELBOW	NORMAL
BLUE SKY DESERT STAR BALL OF FIRE	DN22127102	F	CA-289	CERF	11
BLUE SKY DESERT STAR BALL OF FIRE	DN22127102	F	CA-452E38F-VPI	HIPS	EXCEL- LENT
BLUE SKY DESERT STAR BALL OF FIRE	DN22127102	F	CA-PA70/38F/P-VPI	PATELLA	NORMAL - PRACTI-
BLUE SKY DESERT STAR LUNA ECLIPSE	DN22127101	F	CA-290	CERF	11
<i>CANDO BOBESOX N SAD- DLESHOES</i>	<i>DN01194403</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>CA-DM32/108M-PI</i>	<i>DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY</i>	<i>NORMAL</i>
D&J HA'ARETZ AJB'S MA- TITYAH	DN19049105	F	CA-283	CERF	11
GEMARI'S WILD ISHA	DN25423203	F	CA-EL122F27-VPI	ELBOW	NORMAL
GEMARI'S WILD ISHA	DN25423203	F	CA-453G27F-VPI	HIPS	GOOD
<i>MAD RIVER LADY B GOOD</i>	<i>DN16541602</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>CA-DM33/104F-VPI</i>	<i>DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY</i>	<i>NORMAL</i>
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REGISTERED NAME IN <i>BOLD ITALICS</i> INDICATES A DOG HAVING A CHIC DESIGNATION					



AGILE CANAANS

BY ALAN GERSMAN

Minnie and Orela will be competing in agility at the AKC/EUKANUBA INVITATIONAL 12/16-18/2011 in Orlando, FL. Minnie, as she has done for the past 5 Invitational's will be at the Canaan Dog meet the breed booth on Friday afternoon ready to meet you!

Now getting serious about positive training: I tell my clients that the only time they should reprimand their dogs for "bad" behavior is when they catch them in the act. And even under these circumstances, punishment should be restricted to a firm "NO."



A friend described an event he witnessed a few months ago which is a great example of how not to treat your dog. Somehow a dog got off its lead when walking with a child and came bounding across the play yard, his body language just screaming, "WoooHOOO! Lets run lets run lets run! Yip-pee! Hey ... look, there's my Mom," at which point he ran over to a woman who was calling to him from a bench.

Now when your dog is running loose, what do you want him to do? Come when called, right? But instead of praising her dog for coming, the woman pinned him to the ground and yelled at him.

My friend was sure the woman thought she was reprimanding the dog for running away in the first place, but the dog will remember the punishment as what will happen when you "come" after running loose. Good luck getting him back next time.

The RECALL is the one command that could save your dog's life. The reaction to the recall should be immediate and quick. NEVER call a dog, especially a Canaan Dog, for discipline or to do something unpleasant. Canaan Dogs are one of the most intelligent breeds and they will never forget negative training.

For training the recall I start with 2 exercises:

1. Call the dog in for dinner: Prepare the dog's dinner. Call her, using the recall cue (come or here, etc.) word to eat. I do this whether my dog is outside or sitting right in front of me. It helps the dog to associate the cue with dinner/positive experience.
2. Use the recall word when the dog is approaching you on his own. Reward the dog for taking the initiative and pair it with the recall word.

Once your dog understands and relates to the recall word, still in a safe environment, I gradually increase the distance. To stimulate a faster recall I throw a toy behind me, just as she gets to me or I run away just before she reaches me, rewarding "on the run." **Always reward!!**

The next step is to take your dog out in public starting in a relatively distraction free environment. With your dog on a long line, allow the dog to become distracted. You can do this by ignoring her and allowing the dog to sniff or investigate something.

Now call her name and recall word then take a step backwards; if she turns and looks and even takes one step towards you praise her, continuing to back up and treat when she reaches you. **Gradually increase the distance and the distraction factor.** Never repeat a command. If she ignores you, shorten the distance and/or less distraction and if needed go back to the 2 starting exercises. Reward each success; this will keep your Canaan Dog motivated! **Always reward!!**

People have told me that their Canaan Dog is not motivated by treats. Actually all dogs must eat, just some require better or more

tasty treats than others. Minnie and most Canaan Dogs will work for any treat. My first Canaan Dog, Isabel, was very picky and I had to motivate her with roast beef.



Next KIB: having fun in Orlando!!

NEW AKC & CDCA TITLES: JULY—SEPTEMBER 2011

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<u>Dog's Registered Name</u>	<u>Owner(s)</u>	<u>Date Titled</u>
<i>AKC CHAMPION</i> CH. Rivroc Lycm Own Dream Bsnatch Rsdog	Christina Miller, Ethan Miller, & Merry Carol Houchard	7/31/11
<i>AKC GRAND CHAMPION</i> GCH. CH. Bandersnatch Rsdg Ida Know Rivroc, RN	Amanda M. Pough, Judy March Rosenthal, & Christina Miller	9/29/11
<i>AKC RALLY NOVICE</i> Jaykay Spirit Of Adventure, RN GCH. Blue Sky Desertstar Orion The Hunter, RN	Genevieve Landis Norma Bennett Woolf & Denise A. Gordon	7/8/11 7/15/11
CH. Blue Sky Desert Star Ball Of Fire, RN	Denise A. Gordon & Norma Bennett Woolf	8/20/11
Blue Sky Desert Star Luna Eclipse, RN	Norma Bennett Woolf & Thomas Woolf	8/21/11
<i>AKC BEGINNER NOVICE (OBEDIENCE)</i> Desert Star's Midnight Comet, BN, RE	Denise A. Gordon	8/20/11
<i>AKC COMPANION DOG (OBEDIENCE)</i> Libi Metuka Me Shaar Hagai, CD, RE, TD	Sally J. Carlson	9/3/11
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<i>AKC AGILITY EXCELLENT</i> CH. Orela Me Shaar Hagai, RN, AX, AXJ, NF	Julie & Dan Haddy	8/12/11
<i>AKC MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION 3</i> MACH3 Mazel Tov Prtmjl Minnie Pooh, CD, XF	Alan & Sylvia Gersman	7/16/11



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Top Performance Awards - Don't forget to submit score-sheet forms of your dog's AKC performance events to the Awards Chair within 4 weeks after the event. Final deadline for the 2011 eligibility period is December 31, 2011.

Versatility Award - Open to AKC registered Canaan Dogs owned by CDCA members that have titled in many types of AKC/CDCA competition (conformation, agility, obedience/rally, tracking and/or herding). For full requirements, see the Versatility section in the CDCA Programs webpage. Send copies of AKC titles and any CDCA herding title to Awards Chair by June 1, 2012 for inclusion in national awards presentation during the Specialty.

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Denise Gordon

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Kibitzer logon info:

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<http://cdca.org/members.html>

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