

Call For NBTC Dues



Membership Renewals
are due in January!

Single \$10
Couple \$15
Junior \$5

If you have
already sent in your
dues, thank you!
Otherwise, please
mail your check,
payable to the NBTC,
to Sec'y/Treasurer
Judith Rivers
150 Wickham Rd.,
East Haddam,
CT 06243
phone (860)873-2012

A Tale of a Wet Weekend

BY JEAN CLARK, STONECROFT

Listen my friends, and you shall hear,
About terrier trials in weather severe.
Late in October of '96,
oh boy, were we in a fix!

The earths under water, rain coming down,
All but muskrats & otters would probably drown,
Saturday saw us bailing and digging,
Ditches to drain earths, we were frantically rigging!

Master & IQ earths were awash with the rain,
So we worked hard to try to get those to drain.
Ron brought his pump, what a useful idea,
Though where the water would go wasn't quite clear.

A long cord ran to the Senior Earth,
And the little pump worked for all it was worth.
By mid day Saturday, we had rigged enough
For the AWTA test, boy were we (and dogs) ever tough.
cont. on page 8



"Robin" and "Duncan" Boisvert (see Agility on page 12).

Letter From Amanda



A number of people e-mailed me after the Fall issue with their thoughts regarding George McDermott's comments ("Border Terriers--Not Lawn Ornaments"). I'm glad this newsletter is generating discussion. Let's keep it up! Tell me what you think--when and where do you let your BT off leash? Or if you don't--why not?

I strongly agree with comments about being able to read your dog and considering where you are before you let your dog (not necessarily a BT--any dog) off leash. For the average pet owner, I do not advise letting a BT off leash. There are people who want a dog which, in general, is not a high energy or high maintenance endeavor. They are not going to have the patience, understanding or knowledge to watch a dog as carefully as needed to avoid trouble. Learning to read your dog (i.e. when they are about to take off for the wild blue yonder, and simultaneously go selectively deaf) takes a long time. Every dog is different.

We've had dogs who just kept puttering a little farther, a little farther, until you've suddenly got a dog so far away they can claim they really didn't hear you, and you have a long jog ahead of you in order to run them down. On the other hand, we've also had dogs who suddenly throw their heads up, shift into high gear, and take off. Then you get to practice your sprinting skills as you try to catch them before they disappear.

Turn away for a moment from either of these types and they are out of sight, and in most places in the US that means they can be anywhere from stuck down a hole to darting across a road, where they can get hit by a car. And, don't forget, a dog off leash is not as easy to protect from another dog off leash. Your dog may be *very* friendly, but can you guarantee that every other dog is too?

One example I see over and over again is the dog off leash who runs up to Tux. Eight times out of ten the strange dog (SD) is on its toes, hair bristling--not a reassuring sight. If I try to make sure nothing happens (i.e., keep moving), I hear the SD owner yelling from 50 to 100 feet away (WAY too far way to do anything if needed), "Don't worry, Spike is very friendly!" Oh yeah, then why is he circling my dog, growling and looking as if he is deciding whether to eat Tux fried or baked?!?!

I can joke about it, but it is kind of like other drivers in the winter -- I know I can drive in snow, but what about everyone else on the road? I feel safer keeping at least a number of car lengths between them and me, and likewise, I feel safer about both Tux's and my health if strange off-leash dogs stay away. Just another point to consider . . .

All my best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda".

PS I have a new e-mail address: lutra@pwshift.com. Keep sending in those photos and stories--you and your BTs make this newsletter!

Show Results

Sept. 21, 1996

Ox Ridge KC

BTCA Supported Entry
NBTC provided trophies

Judge: Mrs. G Wanner

**Winners Dog/Best of
Winners/Best of Opposite
Sex** Baron Von Hasslewick,
Hazel Wickman

Winners Bitch

Peaceable Roseberry
Topping, Holly Woodward
("Rosie" is co-owned by
Holly's 8 yr old niece Anne,
who held her trophy all day!)

Best of Breed/Group 4th
Ch. Redgate Cym Hill Chris
Miss, Judith Rivers &
Kate Murphy

Obedience

There were 3 (count'em 3!)
Borders in obedience, all of
them in the Open division!

Sept. 22, 1996

Northwestern

CT Dog Club

BTCA Supported Entry
NBTC provided trophies

Judge: Mr. R. Fisher

Best of Breed

Ch. Gamekeeper's
Stunner II, ("Stunner")
Mrs. G. Seemann, Jr.

Winners Dog

Horizon's
Rockycreek Scamper,
G Mines & K Rayner

Winners Bitch/

Best of Winners

Holystone Litany,
G. Connery

Best of Breed

"Stunner,"

Mrs. G. Seemann, Jr.

Best of Opposite Sex

Ch. Cymri Hill's Buster

Brown JE, G. Connery

Obedience

Again, 3 BTs in obedience
(Novice, Grad Novice and
Open), although 2 of them
were different dogs than
Saturday

Oct. 4, 1996

Hatboro KC

Judge: Mrs. D.C. Dale

Best of Breed

Ch. Krispin Tailored To A T,
B. Kirkpatrick, C. Peebles &
H. Odum

Best of Opposite Sex

"Stunner,"

Mrs. G. Seemann, Jr.

Winners Bitch/ Best of Winners

Saga Hill Woolly Bully's
Bristle, Pam Wright

Winners Dog

Shelburne Gatecrasher,
Mrs. G. Seeman, Jr.

Oct. 5, 1996

Devon KC

Judge: R. Forsyth

Best of Breed

Ch. Calirose

Prize Patrol JE CG, ("Eddie")

Lisa Connelly, Charles

Vance & Helen Vance

Best of Opposite Sex

"Stunner,"

Mrs. G. Seemann, Jr.

Winners Bitch/

Best of Winners

Kilbride's Shauna of

Woodneuk, Jen Holder

Oct. 6th, 1996

Montgomery

County KC

BTCA Supported Entry

Judge: Margaret Pough

Best of Breed "Eddie,"

Lisa Connelly, Charles

Vance & Helen Vance

Best of Opposite Sex

Ch. Oldstone Redgate Silver

Star, Bob & Ruth Ann Naun

Best of Winners

Summerhill Bratti Patti,

Tom & Debby Henry

Winners Dog

Krispin
Chuck Waggin, Dail Corl

The Border Times

Newsletter of The
Northeast Border Terrier Club

Editor

Amanda Pough
PO Box 994, Williston,
VT 05495 (802)253-0996; e-mail:
lutra@pwwshift.com

Art Director

Tricia Dell'Aquila
185 Vine Rd., Stamford,
CT 06905 (203)968-6391; email:
pdellaquil@aol.com

President

Norm Baker
PO Box 674, Browns Mills,
NJ 08015 (609)893-3796

Vice President

Carlie Krolick
44 Giles Hill, Redding,
CT 06896 (203)938-1243; email:
CKrolick@psnet.com

Sec'y/Treasurer

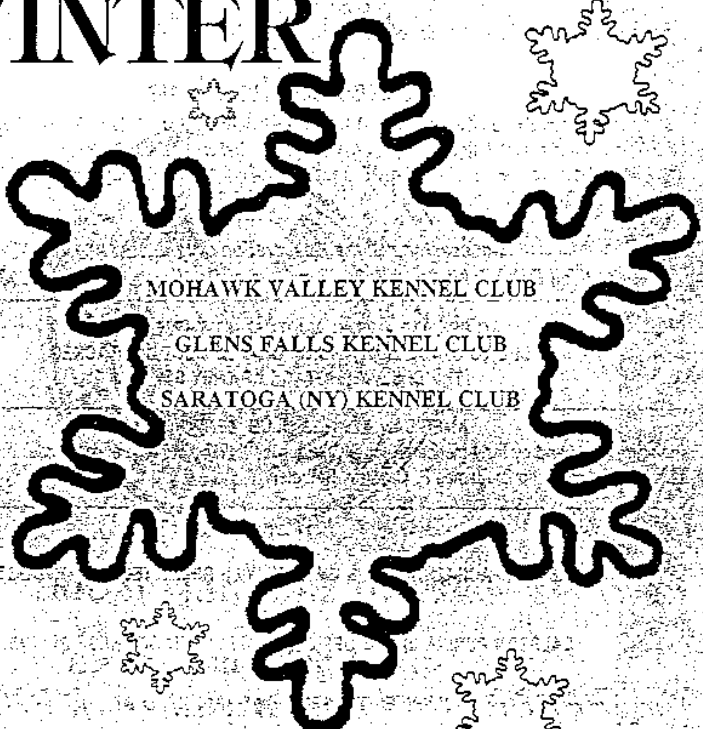
Judith Rivers
150 Wickham Rd., East Haddam,
CT 06243 (860)873-2012

The Border Times is mailed
quarterly to all members of the
NBTC. Please send letters, stories,
photos, opinions, poetry, etc. to
Amanda. **Spring Issue Deadline is
March 1.** Articles with an author's
copyright cannot be reprinted
without the author's express
permission. Any other portion of
The Border Times may be
reproduced for educational
purposes, provided acknowledge-
ment is given to the source and this
publication.

© Northeast Border Terrier Club

UPCOMING EVENTS . . .

NORTHEAST
WINTER



MOHAWK VALLEY KENNEL CLUB

GLENS FALLS KENNEL CLUB

SARATOGA (NY) KENNEL CLUB

CLASSIC

Saratoga Springs "Cabin Fever"

Weekend

Friday, Jan. 17 through
Sunday, Jan. 19
Saratoga Springs, NY

There is still time to make your reservations! Plan now to get away from snow and ice and shoveling the driveway, to snow and ice and hanging out with friendly people and their Borders! What's more, we have a tradition of HUGE pot-luck meals!

An NBTC meeting will be held at the St. Francis Hotel after judging on Saturday. Please bring a dish to share and don't plan on needing to eat supper Saturday night!

President Norm Baker sends word that the 1999 Specialty will be discussed in detail, and many jobs are still up for grabs. No matter what your experience or interests, we can always use talented NBTCers to help us host the 1999 Specialty. An army of volunteers makes each Specialty special, and '99 will be no different!

This Specialty will be even more exciting as 1999 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the Border Terrier Club of America. (If you can't come to the January meeting and would like to help, please

Sampler of 1997 Calendar Events

January

1/17-1/19 Annual Saratoga Springs, NY
"Cabin Fever" Weekend, with Mohawk Valley*,
Saratoga*, and Glens Falls* shows, an NBTC
Meeting and the Delicious Dish-to-Pass Social

May

Windham Co. KC* show with NBTC
Meeting and picnic in Woodstock, CT

June

6/7 NJ Beanfield Earthdog trial
6/8 NBTC/BTCA Earthdog trial (tentative)

July

Summer in the Green Mountains of VT,
with Woodstock*, Champlain Valley* and
Green Mountain* shows and an NBTC Meeting

August

8/15-8/17 1st Annual Northern New England Fun Day
tentatively scheduled to take place in Gardner, MA

September

Ox Ridge* & Northwestern CT* shows with
NBTC meeting. Agility trials in Romulus, NY

October

Devon and Montgomery Co. shows,
with Monday Earthdog trial
10/18-10/19 Terrier Trials in Crosswicks, NJ

* Indicates events are BTCA Supported Entries with trophies in breed and obedience offered by the NBTC. The NBTC will also support some Agility trials in 1997.

Check "Upcoming Events" in the future for details!

contact Norm directly at 609-893-3796.)

For those entering the shows, the superintendent is MBF (PO Box 22107, Greensboro NC 27420) and entry fees are \$20. Entries are limited and close early, so we recommend that you enter as soon as possible.

On Friday, DR S. Draper will judge BTs at the Mohawk Valley show, at the Glens Falls show on Saturday, Mr. K. McDermott will be our judge, and we wind things up on Sunday with Mrs. R. Smith judging at the Saratoga show.

If you read this column in our last issue, you know that The Downtowner (our traditional meeting site) will be closed for renovations. As a result, rooms have been reserved at **The St. Francis** (\$55/night double occupancy + \$10 extra person, and a 2 bedroom apt for \$90/night), and its sister hotel, **The St. Charles** (first floor rooms \$35/night and larger 2nd floor rooms \$45/night).

Local NBTC member Bev LaPointe has checked out these hotels and gives them her stamp of approval. For more information and to make reservations for this fun BT winter weekend, please call: (518) 584-1275.

Border Terrier Specialty Notes & News

The 1997 Border Terrier Specialty will be held in Santa Rosa, CA.

Monday, June 16th	Anatomy of Movement Seminar
Tuesday, June 17th	Earthdog Trial <i>Judges: Chris Dyer (NBTC Member) Eric Dulhstrom</i> Agility Trial <i>Judge: Nancy Gyes</i>
Wednesday, June 18th	Sweepstakes <i>Judge: Pam Dyer (NBTC Member)</i> Classes <i>Judge: Frances Wagstaff (UK)</i> Obedience <i>Judge: Judy Meyer</i> Junior Showmanship <i>Judge: Margaret Pough</i>
Thursday, June 19th	Conclusion of Regular Classes
Friday, June 20th	Border Terrier Club of the Redwoods Independent Specialty
Saturday, June 21st	Supported Entry

For more information, contact Hospitality Chair Sue Stebbins or Lynn Schrader at (510) 829-3459 or visit the web site (see below).

The webpage for the 1997 BTCA National Specialty and the Border Terrier Club of Redwoods Regional Specialty is up and running at <http://www.cc-ent.com/1997btca>. Please access all the different areas of the webpage as there is lots of information. It is linked to 5 other Border Terrier related webpages, such as Dale Cook's Border Terrier List. More information will periodically be added to the webpage, so please check back for updates.

Looking way ahead . . .

- | | |
|------|---|
| 1998 | April 7-10 in Ocala, FL
<i>Breed judge: Bob Naun (NBTC Member)</i>
<i>Sweepstakes judge: Laurie Stern</i> |
| 1999 | August, Gardner, MA
Hosted by the NBTC! |

Getting Started

BY ELEANOR GARRELL BERGER

Last winter, Lynne Mayo spent a good part of a morning with my Border Terrier, Gambit, and me, introducing us to the basics of tracking. We were smitten. Here was an activity to engage his energy and satisfy our mutual enthusiasm for outdoor pursuits. But after our lesson, Gambit and I never got out to track. My excuse? Too busy.

By June I knew I needed some motivation. So, I signed us up for Lynne's tracking seminar in Williston, VT. Everything about it suited us. Capable, happy dogs, dedicated owners, friendly instructors, cold drinks, fine organization and even a convenient port-o-potty.

Gambit and I felt renewed. He was buoyant as he sped off nose-down toward a glove, baited with a treat, which I had placed at the end of a short, double-laid track. Later in the day he located the glove on a long, double-laid track, then on a single-laid track, and finally, with a bit of coaxing, on a track that made a ninety-degree turn. By afternoon, with temperatures in the humid eighties, we were both hot and tired. But we were hooked. Again.

In late July, Amanda Pough called. She owns Tux, another blue and tan Border, who shared his space blanket with Gambit at Lynne's tracking seminar. She wanted to tell me how much Tux liked tracking. Guilt began to set in. I felt like Gambit and I were letting down Lynne, her assistants, our new tracking friends, and Border Terriers everywhere. My excuse? I had been traveling quite a bit in July.

Well, as I write this, it is now August. I've purchased a set of flags. I have a tan, nylon zipper bag with Borders pictured on its side. (a gift from a BT friend to encourage me to get started).



"Gambit" working on his Junior Waterdog title.

It is perfect for carrying leather gloves, dog treats, a water bottle, and other tracking gear. I've been making plans to track. I've even found a place. I just haven't gone tracking. My excuse? Summer guests, a particularly weedy garden, writing deadlines. The usual.

Something is wrong, of course, when life's "have tos" keep getting in the way of life's "want tos." And I do want to begin tracking with Gambit. Merely making plans to get started is a joyless substitute for harnessing up a dog and giving the command, "Track."

My problem may be that I've never been very good at independent study. I've always performed better in regularly scheduled classes. And so has Gambit, who attended weekly dog school for several months while learning to be a canine good citizen, and preparing for his Therapy Dog Test. (He passed!) But, here in Northern New York, there are no tracking classes or clubs to help us. Tracking remains pretty much a do-it-yourself, independent study.

And that, at least for now, is my current excuse.

Author's Note: Since I wrote this--or perhaps I wrote it--I found a school yard, put up a few flags, put down a few gloves, and Gambit has started tracking.

Neither Of Us

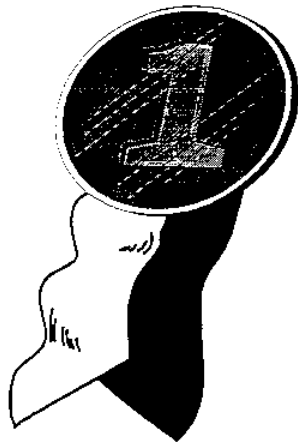
by Dorothy H. Milbrath

I put my dog in a kennel show,
my hopes were flying high.
He drooped his ears
and dragged his tail.
The Judges passed us by.

Half angry and a little chagrined,
I looked into his eyes,
And there I saw
his love for me,
worth more than any prize.

He cocked his head
and wagged his tail,
his eyes a glint of fun.
He did not look at me askance,
and I'M no Champion.

From the German Shepherd
Review, January 1944
Submitted by
Deenie Galipeau and "Crooker"



Border Terrier

by "Maris"

Order a "Border!"

*You'll never be sorry!
I'm with ya' today and
I'm with ya' tomorry!*

*Don't put much Stock in
them what's called "Snobs"
I'm just as 'appy with Plain
'arrys and Bobs.*

*The fancy trimming's not
for me . . . I'm ready
to go--one, two, three--and
that's how a Border oughta Be!!*

From the Petables Notecards
a division of. OBM Publishing
Pawtucket, RI 02862
complete with Bread
Pudding "BT" recipe on the back

NBTC Meeting Minutes

BY JUDITH RIVERS
NBTC Secretary/Treasurer

President Norman Baker called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM with 23 members and one guest present.

Motion: Robert Naun moved that the meeting be opened. Seconded and passed.

Motion: Mary Castellano moved to accept the Minutes of the July 24, 1996 meeting as published in the last issue of The Border Times. Seconded and passed.

Committee reports

Treasurer Judith Rivers submitted the following report:

Beginning balance	
as of July 24, 1996.....	\$ 3,655.45
Deposits.....	+ 312.24
Expenses.....	- 183.12
Interest.....	+ 9.22
Ending balance	
as of Sept. 21, 1996.....	\$ 3,793.79

Amanda Pough, speaking for 1997 Trophy Chairman Janice Hewitt, presented options for trophies and discussion followed.

Motion: Robert Naun moved that engraved trophies be awarded at supported shows for BOB, BOS, WD and WB with practical gifts for Obedience and Agility. Seconded and passed.

Discussion followed on locations of upcoming Agility trials. Locations mentioned were Finger

Lakes; Goshen, NY; and the Boston shows.

A list of new applicants for membership in the club was submitted for approval.

Motion: Robert Naun moved that the new applicants listed be approved. Seconded and passed.

Old Business

Members were made aware that the Woodstock KC show, which will be held in July 1997 during the New England Circuit, had been left out of the Supported Entries for 1997 in error. Discussion followed.

Motion: Robert Naun moved that the Woodstock KC show be added to the list of supported entries. Seconded and passed.

President Baker announced that the Border Fun Day usually held in June will be held in July in 1997, in conjunction with the Sand and Sea show weekend.

Discussion followed concerning a possible Fun Day to be held in August of 1997 in New England and Jean Clark suggested an AWTA trial with pre-entry as the most manageable plan for this event.

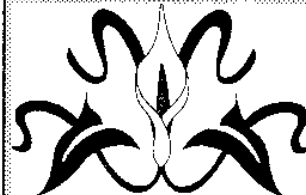
President Baker thanked Amanda Pough and Tricia Dell' Aquila for their efforts in publishing The Border Times, and asked that members send in their "Preferred Judges List" (form the Fall issue) for the New England Fun Day.

Jean Clark initiated discussion concerning an Earthdog Trial on June 8, 1997 at the home of Jo Ann Frier-Murza and asked for volunteer workers.

Motion: Amanda Pough moved that as AKC Earthdog Trial be held June 8, 1997 at the home of JoAnn Frier-Murza. Chairman: Donna Moore-Lavoie. Secretary: Jean Clark. Seconded and passed.

Motion: Robert Naun moved to adjourn. Seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Our condolences to
Kate Murphy for the
loss of her mother.



Our condolences and
thoughts to Dottie Hararas
and family on the loss of
their Border, Ch. Todfield
Tommy Dickens TT.
"Tommy" had been trained
never to go out the front
door, but on Oct. 1st broke
his training. He raced out
the front door and was later
hit by a car. Dottie writes
"... life is so fleeting. One
never knows when it will
end, so hug your doggies
extra every day ... for they
are so precious a gift to us."

. . . Wet Weekend

cont. from pg. 1

A few dogs passed and much credit is due
To those dedicated folks that saw the job through!

Sunday, AKC tests! How much work must be done?
From one earth to another, we strode looking glum.
All were full to the brim, and some running over,
How can we get the water levels lower?

Helping hands appeared with buckets for bailing,
Hook up the pump, now we're sailing!
This won't be as bad as we first feared.
Though the sun peeked out, it never cleared.

People and entries are coming in now,
We'll pull this off, we thought, somehow.
A walk through the water to the Master earth,
The dogs didn't mind, proving their worth.

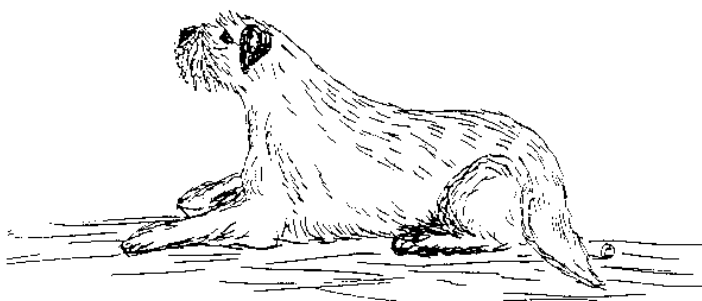
The IQ, JE & SE tests proceeded per plan,
Not quite as wet as Saturday's ran.
I could hear the dogs coming, sloshing in the mud
To get to the rats, what's a little flood?

The mud was soft and very deep but not enough
To slow the EARTHDOGS, who are so tough.
The dogs were a sight as they left the earth,
Some were the cause of laughter & mirth

A long-haired dachsie was the hit of the test,
And the owner laughed along with the rest!
Hard work, camaraderie, friends old & new,
Without them we would have never gotten through.

Thanks to all that helped; diggers, bailers, entry-takers,
And all the rest! Let's hope next year is a bit drier!!

*Congratulations to all whose dogs, errr, swam, to the
rats at the AWTA/AKC trials Oct 19-20 in Crosswicks, NJ!*



BTCA Yearbooks

BTs who hold Ch., CD, CDX, UD, UDX, OTCh, TD, TDX, VST, Earthdog or Agility titles will have a page in the BTCAs yearbooks.

Year-books are in production for the following years:

1995, 1994, 1990/91,

1992/93. Future Yearbooks will only be available on a

pre-order basis. For further information, please contact:

Brenda Werbelow

1965, Chota Rd, La Habra Heights, CA 90631

phone: (213) 690-5926

email: 72624.1443@

compuserve.com

NEW

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Catherine & Emily Kempson
Wilton, CT

endorsed by Carlie Krolick
and Amanda Pough

James M. Ashton
Smithfield, RI

endorsed by Amanda Pough
and Judith Rivers

Irene Zilinski and
Nanette Harrison
Manalapan, NJ

endorsed by
Wayne & Joyce Kern

Elaine Gallagher
White Horse Beach, MA
endorsed by P. Glover
and J. Levey

Carolyn & Brian Siebert
Germantown, MD
endorsed by C. & D. Krolick

You know you have "gone to the dogs" when . . .

Nobody's feet are allowed on the furniture, but your dogs are welcome to sleep on any piece they so choose.

Dog crates double as chairs and/or tables in your family room.

You can only remember people by associating them with their dog.

All your social activities revolve around other dog people.

Your voice is immediately recognized by your vet's receptionist.

Everyone in the office is eager to know if the dogs are all right because you were late for the meeting.

Your trunk has an emergency food kit for any strays you might come across.

The majority of your charitable contributions go to animal organizations.

Your mom calls and asks how the granddogs are.

Complete strangers call you on the phone to ask a question because they heard you were a "dog person."

Your cookie jar has never seen the likes of people cookies.

Your children (wife, husband) complain that you always take more pictures of the dog than you do of them.

Your first concern when planning a vacation is whether or not the hotel will take pets.

You describe your children as having temperaments rather than personalities.

Your dog decides he doesn't like someone and you tend to agree.

All your non-dog friends know to dress down when visiting your house.

All kinds of things around the house are in need of repair, but the injured dog you rescued by the side of the road requires immediate surgery and out comes the checkbook.

You become the family dog kennel for all your relatives.

You don't think twice about sitting on the floor because both the couch and chair are completely full of LBDs.

The first question you ask when on a date is, "So, do you like animals?"

You break down and buy another pillow so you can have one to sleep on.

You send out specially-made holiday cards that feature you and the dogs.

Onlookers grimace at the sight of you sharing your sandwich with your four-legged pal, bite for bite.

Your dogs eat only the most nutritionally sound food; your favorite meal is mac 'n cheese.

You've traced your dog's family tree further than you have your own.

Your vet's office number is the first one on your speed dial list; his home is number two.

Bordering On Brilliance

Obedience

One of the newest obedience titles to be offered, and probably the hardest to earn, has been earned by a Border named "Rasta!" Rasta (who lives with her people on the West Coast) earned her Utility Dog Excellent title on July 19, 1996. To earn a UDX, a dog has to have a Utility title, and then must earn qualifying scores in both Open and Utility obedience classes *at the same show*. The UDX title goes far above the all other obedience titles, as this dual-qualifying must occur at 10 different shows! Rasta also represented Borders at the AKC's Obedience Invitational; she was the highest scoring dog in the Terrier group, and had one of the highest scores at the end of the first day. Congratulations to Rasta and her people!



Closer to home, at the Northwestern CT show, there were three Border Terriers in Obedience--all NBTCers! Jan Hewitt and "Carlie" represented the breed in Novice, Amanda Pough and "Tux" won their Graduate Novice class, and Jenny Chambers and "Ginger" dodged raindrops in Open.

Agility

Agility trials have been slow to move into the Northeast but now that they are here, NBTC

Borders are doing quite well. Julie LaFreniere attended NADAC trials in Massachusetts with "Major," who earned his Novice Jumpers title (a class that, not surprisingly, is mostly composed of jumps) and he has started on his Open Jumpers title. In central New York, Kerry Boisvert, Jenny Chambers and Jocelyne Tasse-Durocher all handled their Borders at an extremely windy trial. Jenny's "Ginger" earned the first leg on her NA title with a class placement, and has continued to do well this fall. But it was so windy that Kerry's "Duncan" (who had earned his AKC Novice Agility title earlier in the summer) was literally BLOWN off the dog walk! Kerry's "Robin" finished her NA title that weekend, as did Jocelyne's "Bordeaux," who went on to earn the first leg on his Open title by winning his class the next day.

Go-To-Ground

JoAnn Frier-Murza emailed us, "My brag is, at the terrier trials in West Virginia, I had "Tangle" and "Gelsey" in Master Earthdog and "Kiai" in Senior Earthdog. They all got legs on both days--6 for 6--and with really classic performances." Tangle and Kiai are BTs, Gelsey is a Dachshund. That same weekend, BT Pepper earned 2 Master Earthdog legs and finished her title this fall. Pepper is 12 years old. Go get 'em, Pepper! Although many earthdog trials held in NJ this fall have been flooded (as Jean Clark expressed so humorously in her poem on page 1), some BTs managed the swim through the tunnels, including Mary Castellano's Spencer, who finished his Senior ED title. On a beautiful Sunday in October, we suspected a little divine intervention when Gloria Connelly (a minister who preached the early service that day) brought her 3 BTs to an Earthdog trial outside of Boston where all three earned legs, including 7 month old "Litany," who was attending her first ED trial. The AWTA Go-To-Ground trial I helped organize in Sept. at Shelburne Farms was a wonderful success. NBTC member Deenie Galipeau, who arranged the site for us, sold her soul to the devil and got us PERFECT weather - sunny and warm but not hot. We could see clear down to Lake Champlain (about 1 mile from the Go-To-Ground field) and all the way across the lake to New York State and the Adirondacks. Of our 36 total entries, 24 of those were Borders, and we dominated the awards. Congratulations to the following:

Shelburne Farms AWTA Go-To Ground

Judge: NBTC member JoAnn Frier-Murza

Novice A

1st Holly Hill Foolscoat "Zipp" (BT)
owned by Lisah K. Carpenter

Novice B

1st Willowcreek Sodus Bay "Sodus" (BT)
100 points / 2.03 seconds
owned by Catherine Giordano

2nd Peaceable Roseberry Topping "Rosie"
(BT) 100 points / 2.40 seconds
owned by Holly & Annie Woodward

3rd "Misty"
(West Highland White Terrier)

4th Shelburne's Funny Girl "Crooker"
(BT) 100 points / 20.44 seconds
owned by Deenie Galipeau

Open

Certificates of Gameness

were earned by the following dogs:

Stoncroft Black Rose CGC (BT)
100 points / 24.50 seconds
owned by Judith Todd

Am./Can. Ch. Jansim Dandy Lion

Am./Can. CD, CGC, TT (BT)

100 points / 16.35 seconds
owned by Jennifer Chambers
and Pam & Chris Dyer

Certificate

Highest Scoring Border Terrier

Greywoode Snow Bunting
CG, CD, SE, TT

100 points / 9.62 seconds
owned by Donna Moore-Lavoie

Companionship

After our plea in the last issue, Sandra Forte, whose last newsletter had been returned, contacted us. She and her family, including BT "Molly", have relocated to Virginia. They live a block from the beach. Sandra walks there everyday with Molly, who entertains herself by chasing the sand crabs. We wish Sandra and Molly and the rest of the family all the best in their new home.

T-Shirts & Sweatshirts

For the NBTC 1999 Specialty Fund

100 % cotton Hanes "Beefy-Ts"

Short-sleeved *Stone Blue* \$15.00
 Pebble

Long sleeved *Ash* \$17.50
 Natural
 Royal Blue

7.5 oz. Fruit of the Loom Sweatshirts

Set-In Sleeves *Ash* \$20.00
 Royal Blue

Earthdogs



You Gotta Dig 'Em

Add \$3 per order for postage and mail check,
payable to Jean Clark, 441 South Sugar Hill Rd.,
Weare NH 03281. email: Borderbrae@aol.com