



THE annual Bar-B-Q and meeting

at Wilsonville Park September 13, starting at 4:30 pm

Busters will be serving dinner

Members will be free, guests will be \$10.

We will have **Carol Devereux**, animal communicator speaking with us. Anyone interested in having a communication with his or her dog should bring your pet.

Cost is \$20 for 20 minutes (this is a good price!).

Please let Kitty know if you are interested so that she can give Carol a heads up on the count.

RSVP to **Kitty Ware** phone **503-649-8420**

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Friday • 7-9

Open practice - all levels

Sunday • 3-4:30pm

Open practice - *novice*

Sunday • 4:30-6pm

Open practice - *advanced*
Practice Barn Info

Forest Grove

Van Dyke Farm Manager

Sue Woodson (503-640-0584)
will be the barn manager

CAT News

Gary White Seminar - TAKE TWO!!!

For more details see page 7.

CAT Membership Lists

The CAT membership list is now available for download on the web site. Look on the "Members" page. If you **absolutely cannot** use the list from the web site, send a note to Dick Watson, 1212 SW Upland Dr, Portland, OR 97221, and one will be mailed to you.



CATalyst Online

The CATalyst is now online! You can access it from the Columbia Agility Team's website. If you would like to be taken off of the mailing list for the CATalyst please contact the editor.

Keeping Current . . .

Elaine Resner is in charge of keeping the CAT data-base up to date — no small feat!

Therefore, if you MOVE, CHANGE PHONE NUMBERS, NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS, GET A NEW NAME(!) etc., PLEASE let her know. Not only is it important with this big a club to know how to get hold of people, but the *CATalyst* and *Trial planners* depend on current and correct addresses from the database for mailing.

If for some reason, you don't get a premium, or a newsletter and all your friends have, perhaps you need to check with Elaine and see what address she has for you :-)

ELAINE RESNER (Egr.hijinks@verizon.net or 503-643-9001).

2003 Calendar of Events

September

September 5-7 Vancouver, WA	NADAC	CAT Trial & Columbia Cup
September 6-7 Bremerton, WA	AKC	Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club Trial
September 7 Gig Harbor, WA	UKC run thru	Puget Sound K-9's
September 12-14 Elma, WA	NADAC	Extreme Agility Team Trial
September 20, 21 Columbia County Fairgrounds, St. Helens, OR	AKC	Portland Agility Club (PAC)
September 24-28 Calgary, CAN	NADAC	NADAC Championships
September 27-28 Sequim, WA	AKC	Hurricane Ridge KC Trial
September 27-28 Redmond, OR	AKC	Mt Bachelor Kennel Club Trial

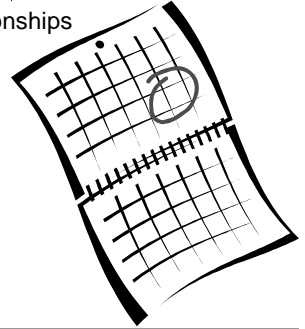
October

Oct 3-5 Corvallis, OR	NADAC	Willamette Agility Group
October 4-5 Auburn, WA	AKC	PS Labrador Retriever Assoc. Trial
October 11-12 Bend, OR	NADAC	Bend Area Agility Dogs Trial
October 18 Kent, WA	fun run	RAT Fun Match - Open to all
October 18-19 Vancouver, WA	USDAA	CAT "Black CAT" Trial
October 18-19 Auburn, WA	UKC	Puget Sound K-9's Trial

Mark Your Calendar!!!**

November

November 1-2 Central Point, OR	AKC	Rogue Canine Agility (RCA) Trial
November 6-9 Irving, TX	USDAA	USDAA Championships
November 8-10 Auburn, WA	AKC	Sno-King Trial



December

December 2-4 Long Beach, CA	AKC	AKC Nationals
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CAT Meetings

Sept 3, 7:30 PM **Board Meeting** Garlic Onion Restaurant, Holiday Inn, 25425 SW 95th Av, Wilsonville **Saturday!!**

Sept 13, 4:30 PM **Barbeque and general meeting.** Carol Devereaux, an animal communicator, will be the speaker. For those who want Carol to talk with their dog may do so for a \$20 fee.
[Wilsonville Park](#)

Oct 22, 7:30 PM **Board Meeting** Garlic Onion Restaurant, Holiday Inn, 25425 SW 95th Av, Wilsonville

Oct 26, **General Meeting Business Meeting** starts at 7 PM
Buster's Texas Barbeque, 11419 SW Pacific Hwy, Tigard, OR

** I have done my best to find all the events in the area, however, there are some trials, AKC mostly, that don't get put on the calendar until the last moment! I suggest that you check with each organization's web-site for up-to-the-minute changes or additions. You might also check with the links to the various clubs, on CAT's web-site for more information on each meet.

NADAC <http://www.nadac.com/>

USDAA <http://www.usdaa.com/>

AKC <http://www.akc.org/>

Braggs



Congratulations everyone!!!

Jane Bray:

Raven (my Standard Poodle) got her first Double QQ with both first place wins at AKC show in Gig Harbor August 2-3.

Lisa Neusihin:

1. Zoey completed open jumpers with 2 Qs/1st at 6 yps at RAT NADAC Trial in Lacey (June).
2. Levi earned his NATCH at the RAT NADAC Trial in Lacey (June).

Berkley Robins:

Sasha earned her NATCH at the July WAG NADAC trial in Corvallis (July).

Steve Ware:

Tyme finished his novice standard title at Lacey! (NADAC, June)

Denise Lukins:

We had a very exciting weekend in Seattle (AKC, mid-July). Rule got 2 double Qs and finished his MX title! Ave got one double Q, and a first place in standard (Rule was second). We qualified 7 out of 8 runs! Great weekend for Mach points.



Library News

The club library is loaded with books upon books of agility and dog related topics. If you want to browse through the most complete agility library in town go to where people can browse everyday except Tuesday from 10-8, and Sunday 12-6". For a list of books checkout the CAT website.

CAT is proud to be able to provide books, videos and other materials on agility and dog training for the use of CAT members. If you would like to check these out, they and all the other checked-in materials will be available at all club meetings, or you can browse and check items out 6 days a week including weekends at [Pawsitively Clean](#), located at 3962 D SE Hawthorne Blvd in Portland and run by CAT member [Tara Choate](#). [Sarah Kerridge](#) [(360) 835-2921] manages the collection. If you would like the club to buy a specific book or tape, let Sarah know and she'll try to get it. If you want to check out a specific item, contact Tara.



CAT News

Gary White Seminar TAKE TWO!!!

Gary White's seminar has been rescheduled for October 11 & 12

All of the working spots have been filled but the good news is that there's still lots of room for auditors! One of Gary's specialties is training motivation, speed and drive. He has some great tips for building and maintaining motivation. In addition, you'll find out what you might be doing to undermine your dog's speed. Handlers will be focusing on simplicity, consistency, clarity and timing.

Gary is a favorite instructor at Susan Garrett's Say Yes Agility Camps in Canada. He teaches and coaches a wide range of students and dogs at his training facility in Toronto and is a frequent presenter of seminars in the Northeastern United States. He has had great success running and titling his whippets in CKC & AAC as well as AKC, USDAA, and AKC.

The cost to audit is \$25 per day for CAT members and will be held at Mary Crittendon's barn in Ridgefield, Washington. Information and registration forms are posted on the CAT website under calendar/seminars. For more information, contact Sarah Kerridge (kridge@pacifier.com, 360-835-2921) or Janice Tsuchida (ga42@aol.com, 503-697-4147). This promises to be a wonderful seminar. Hope to see you there!

4TH ANNUAL NORTHWEST AGILITY LEAGUE

Registration for the 4TH Annual Northwest Agility League, sponsored by the Columbia Agility Team, will begin September 6, 2003 at the Columbia Cup Trial. The League will start the week of November 3rd and run through the week of December 15th. This event is designed to give participants a chance to hone their competitive skills during the “off season” and have some fun while doing it. The weekly format consists of one Standard Agility Course plus one Game Course, with teams competing for the highest cumulative score. Again this year, we will have inter-club competition, since we are inviting WAG, BAAD, RAT and RCA members to join us. There are at least 3 new games planned for this year, plus some old stand-bys. The standard courses will be designed by several different people to add challenges to the intermediate level courses.

League Teams are made up of four dogs/handlers, each dog jumping at the height of their choice. The only criterion to join the league is the handler has entered an agility trial and the dog can do all obstacles safely. This is a great way to bring on a new dog or if you are just starting, meet other club members. This will help you get started in agility and of course, if you are an old hand, have some agility fun. To form a team, one of the two originating team members must have, at some time, handled a dog at the top level of any agility sanctioning organization. The remaining 2 team members will be drawn at random from a list of participants that want to be on a team.

The rules and fault system are especially designed for league play, where the best three out of four runs will count for the team score in Standard and Games. So, if you have a bad run, it will be dropped from the team’s total. Standard Courses are taken from all venues and designed for the Intermediate level while the ideas for Games are taken from the Clean Run Book of Agility Games. The courses, rules, forms, etc. will be posted on CAT’s web site, www.Columbiaagility.org, allowing participants to review and

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practice the courses, although practice is not allowed on the actual course, the day of the event. This year, each Club may have their own email system, along with a special “announcements only” email list to keep everyone informed on scores and any updated information.

The tentative schedule for CAT’s participation in the league, including team openings:

Larsen Barn in Wilsonville

Tuesday 10AM to Noon, 5 teams 20 handlers

Friday night, 7PM to 9PM, 5 teams 20 handlers

Saturday 9AM to 11AM, 5 teams 20 handlers

Barb White’s Barn, Turner, OR

Saturday 9 AM to 11 AM, 5 teams 20 handlers

CAT’s Forest Grove Barn

Saturday 9 AM to 11AM, 4 teams 16 handlers

Mary Crittendon’s Barn in Vancouver

Friday 7PM to 9 PM, 6 teams 24 handlers

Saturday 9 AM to 11 AM, 6 teams 24 handlers

The positions as judges, scribes, timers, hospitality, and course builders will be assigned to teams, on a rotating basis. The only cost is for the facility and awards, which CAT members will pay \$24.50 for the entire 7-week period. Participants may sign up for any number of sessions as Alternates, at no fee and a member of a team may be on the Alternate list for other sessions. There will be a final signup and team drawing at CAT’s General Meeting in October. Prizes will be awarded at the CAT Holiday Banquet, near the end of December.

Dwight Cash

New NADAC “TITLES”

New NADAC titles have been instituted recently and are as follows:

“BD”: Bed dog:

Waits to be invited on the bed.
Able to get on bed by self.
Snuggles next to you when you are alone in bed.
Remembers not to scratch in bed.
Knows not to eliminate in bed.

”BDX”: Bed dog excellent:

All the above plus:
Able to get up on bed between two sleeping adults and finds a comfortable place without disturbing people..
Jumps off bed without waking anyone up.
Does not leap off bed barking if a cat walks through the room.

”UBD”: Utility bed dog:

All of the above plus:
Able to get up on bed with a person and at least one other dog, and find a good space without awakening person.
Has learned not to let gas while in bed.
Does not leap off bed barking even if other dogs in household start barking.

”UBDX”: Utility bed dog excellent:

All of the above plus:
Wipes feet before getting on bed.
Gets on bed with another dog and two cats and a person without disturbing person.
Rearranges cats to get closer to person.
Blames cat if lets gas in bed.
Does not leave bed until person is ready to get up in the morning.

(Couldn't help it - they're just too cute... Trish Greenstreet, the editor)

*Lisa Dawson
from NADAC listserve*

The Columbia
Agility Team
Presents



Download your premium at
[http://www.columbiaagility.org/premiums/
CAT%20Premium10-03.pdf](http://www.columbiaagility.org/premiums/CAT%20Premium10-03.pdf)

Entries close 5:00 pm September 26, 2003

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