

Wakemup 2011 Accomplishments

Alaska - Dec 30 2011

Risky's first run on Friday was a jumpers course and she brought home a blue ribbon with a time of 23.54 and the SCT was 36 - which in turn she got her NAJ. She also brought home a 1st place in the standard ring, along with her NA title. Bonnie says off to open for Saturday! *Congratulations Bonnie & Risky!*

Cedar Rapids IA Dec 10-11, 2011

Be on the lookout for yellow contacts for Storm!!! Word has it that the youngster Indie had everything with him except one thing this weekend - impulse control! Lori indicated that Indie left it in the toy box. Another competitor mentioned to Lori to "Look out Lori, when Indie packs his impulse control, he is one awesome boy!!!"

Los Angeles CA Dec 10-11, 2011

Baby Bill was adorable and finished his OAJ. Sister Bob got a QQQ and sister Rae Q'd in Std and FAST on Saturday. Sunday's recap, according to Pat, Bill very carefully got his first legs in both JWW and Standard Ex. A. He was so serious and trying so hard I thought I saw smoke coming out his ears! It scares me when he thinks so hard! Bob again QQQ, giving her another perfect weekend. Rae was amazing and one bar away from her QQQ. On to Florida!

Congratulations to Pat & her golden crew!

Tulsa OK Dec 2-4, 2011

Tryn goes to Tulsa with Remi & Aunt Vicki. On Friday - Tryn and Vicki get their 2nd QQ. Vicki indicated that Tryn was boofing and working hard and having fun! A birdie advised that Vicki even used the touch command-as at the last show a certain red head let a little blond get away with no 2 on and 2 off! YIKES! Saturday's runs were fun and Vicki said she had great attitude but had a 2nd pole entry (as did many others) on the standard run and in JWW - Tryn had an off course. Vicki and Remi did not Q on either run on Saturday - but did have a Q'ing run in Standard on Friday! Can't wait to hear about Sunday for everybody!!! Vicki's report was that Miss Tryn had an off course in the standard ring! Remi Q'd - Vicki indicated she should have trusted Tryn. On the Jumpers side - well, Vicki doesn't quite know what happened as Tryn just stopped and stood there - even though Vicki was showing her the bar and on the landing side of the jump. I told her it must have been a blonde moment - probably having to make those 2 on 2 off contacts!!!! Thanks for running Tryn Vicki & Remi!!!!

Sacramento CA Nov 26-28, 2011

Baby Bill was adorable and finished his OA, got 2 OAJ legs and a FAST leg. On to Excellent for the dweeby boy! *Congratulations Pat & Bill!!!*

Alaska - Nov 11-13, 2011 Bonnie stated "I have tried to get a photo of Risky and her first agility trial (two weeks ago) but am having trouble. We earned 5 of 6 Q's, all in the ribbons, had one bar down. We didn't get a title, as we only had one judge. We will have another chance at the New Years trial. Had a blast, barking all the way, her not me. *Congratulations Bonnie & Risky!!!*

Morgan update - Lori C. got this update from Annique on 11-16-11. Morgan is in Excellent B standard, Excellent A JWW (needs 1 more A) and Excellent A FAST. She has gotten many first places and has set the time for T2B a few times. Morgan is a very cool dog. Loves agility, got her CA (coursing ability title) last weekend in Louisiana. She has 2 titles in Flyball. *Congratulations!*

California - Nov 11-13, 2011

My Bill did great last weekend. Finished his NA and his NAJ last weekend, got his first OA leg and was totally adorable. He is so immature and goofy but I adore him. *Congratulations Pat & Bill!*

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Wichita KS - Nov 11-13, 2011

Tryn showed with her Aunt Vicki all but 1 run at this show. On Sunday - the little one was a little more focused and Vicki was able to Q with her and bring home her 6th MXJ leg. Thank you Vicki for running my girl while on the DL list. *Congratulations Vicki & Tryn & Dayna!*

California -

Bill & Pat - I had such a great time with my baby boy, Bill. As I told Janet, poor little guy is at the bottom of the doggy totem pole here as I am so busy with his big sisters Bob and Rae and their trial schedule. He did so much better than I expected him to. He won both his jumpers classes and got second in both his standard classes and even got a Time to Beat leg! *Congratulations Pat & Bill!*

Tulsa OK Oct 27-30 2011

Lacey earned her CD in Tulsa this weekend. Scores were nothing to brag about, but gosh she was cute! She still worries about that scary Judge in the ring following us while heeling, so thinks she has to keep an eye on him/her. She was a brave little girl and her scores improved every time we went in. She has really come a long way. I know she is going to have so much fun in OPEN that she'll forget all about that Judge. I love my little "Wired for Fun" !! *Congratulations Debbie & Lacey!!!*

Danger is now an OUTSTANDING DAM. Way to go Wakemup!!!

Tico & Dr. J bring home a UD. *Congratulations to a great team!*

Enid OK Oct 14-16-11

Tryn and Vicki ran all 6 runs in Enid and they were all great runs. Tryn's focus on Friday was a little off - but her mamma was in the ring. Saturday's runs were beautiful and they were totally in sync. Mamma stepped out of the standard ring 2 dogs prior. Tryn spotted Dayna at the end while Vicki was getting leash and Tryn took out of the ring to run to Mamma - Vicki let out this Tryn COME and she came right back and my gosh if you could have seen Vicki's eyes & her face was white. Thank goodness NO CALL. Naughty dog and Mamma. Jumpers run was totally awesome - HENCE her 1st Double Q. (Mamma out of ring on Sunday) Sunday's standard run was yet another awesome run and 20 seconds under course time. Jumpers run was gorgeous minus a small off course tunnel suck that took so many of the dogs. Dayna would like to thank Vicki for running her little girl. Makes mamma proud that she will run and run well with someone else. Vicki and Tryn are quite the team. *Congratulations Vicki & Tryn & Dayna!!!*

Lincoln, NE Oct 7-9-11

Forbes got his AXJ in Lincoln Saturday, Oct 8th with a 1st place then got his 1st MXJ leg on Sunday with 16 MACH points. *Congratulations Lori & Forbies!*

Ponca City OK 9-30- 10-2-11

Tryn goes to Ponca City with Aunt Vicki for the weekend. Vicki advised she was a blast to run. Weaves have been a challenge lately and Vicki was thrilled to advise that there were 6 great weave entries and completed! Contacts great! Icing on the cake - Vicki and Tryn qualified in Standard to bring home her AX title and a blue ribbon to boot! They also brought home a qualifying green ribbon in jumpers from Sunday. *Congratulations Vicki & Tryn & Dayna!!!*

Salina KS 9-30 - 10-2-11

Lacey got her Beginner Novice Title this weekend in Salina with nice scores of 192 1/2, 193, and 195! *Congratulations Debbie & Lacey!*

Lacey was so cute on Friday when she encountered a big black bug crawling across the ring as she was coming to me on the recall. Of course since she LOVES to chase bugs so she started following the bug. I stood there smiling, waiting for the judge to NQ us. Finally I said "leave it", and she shot right back to me and sat. The judge was impressed and thought she was pretty cute, too. She said that was perfect and she passed! Lacey is so much fun!

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Des Moines IA Sept 23-25, 2011

Brook, Nash, Tracer & I went to Des Moines to do agility Sept 23-25, 2011. Jim left on his hunting trip, so I was fortunate enough to run all 3 dogs again this weekend.

--Friday ... Nash QQ'd. Tracer got her first Q in ExB ... almost a QQ but for one wrong course in JWW due to a "too late for her" rotation on my front cross.

--Saturday ... ALL dogs found either the dog walk &/or the A-frame too hot to do their contacts. The A-Frame caught MANY dogs ... just one of those courses. Nash & Brook both qualified in JWW ... Tracer's only fault was one bar (#4) going into a pinwheel which was jumping into a wall.

--Sunday ... Nash QQ with 3rd in Std. Brook QQ. Tracer Q in JWW with 6th place (out of 48 dogs).

Favorite runs ...

--Nash's Q in Standard run on Sunday ... Q & 3rd place

--Brook's Std NQ on Saturday ... she was so delighted and fast ... like a 2 year old.

--Tracer's JWW Q on Sunday ... we had a lot of team work ... I gave her info when she needed it, adapted when I needed to, and it was quite smooth. *Congratulations Linda & Nelson Golden team!*

Lawrence KS Sept 9-11, 2011

Forbes gets his AX with a 2nd place ribbon as well! *Congratulations to Lori & Forbies!!!*

Blue Springs MO Labor Day 2011

Forbes and Lori ran a beautiful flowing and very challenging course on Monday in Jumpers and Forbes brings home his 2nd AXJ leg with a 1st place ribbon. It was breathtaking! *Congratulations Lori & Forbies!*

There was also a Versatility Certificate awaiting them at home on their return - how cool is that?

Lots of nice pieces for Tryn - mamma on disable list and friends got to run her all weekend. Very challenging for her while mamma was in the ring scribing and thought she needed to pay her a visit. Handlers were able to re-connect and get her going again. This will be a work in progress and we will get through it. ***Big thank you to Pam H., Pam L., Lori M. & Vicki S for running Tryn!***

Topeka KS - 8/25 - 8/28/11

Ziva qualified in Novice B four days in a row with placements, including a 1st! Congratulations to Beth & Ziva on her CD!

Danger competed at Topeka and won a runoff on Thursday for 1st place in Open B with a 197.5! *Congratulations Beth & Danger!*

Danger's son Tico got 3rd place that day with a 197! *Congratulations Dr. J and Tico!*

Burnsville MN 8/19/ - 8/21/11

First of all, let me say that the facility in Burnsville is very nice. The turf was probably 2" thick and very comfortable to run on. Storm particularly liked stomping his feet—he sounded like a herd of horses thundering around. The ride to Burnsville is a bit longer than our usual distance. With a exercise break for the dogs at about the halfway mark (and one for me too), it was an approximate seven hour drive. I wasn't fond of the mosquitoes and I found them to be incredibly aggressive and ruthless.

On Friday, Storm earned his 77th QQ, with blue ribbons in each class. On Saturday, he couldn't find his contacts anywhere in Standard, but did place 3rd in JWW. On Sunday, he got called for a teeter fly-off in Standard and placed 2nd in JWW. I couldn't have been prouder of the guy—he gave me 110% each time he was on the course and he had a blast. He always rests so quietly in his crate and I ALWAYS find myself questioning whether or not he is feeling well. Once the crate door opens, his eyes literally start to sparkle and he's ready to go. I guess that would be his on/off switch. I am so lucky to have him as my agility partner and I am thankful for every day that I have with this magnificent dog.

Indie did great all weekend too. I call him my "one bar wonder", as that is what usually kept him from qualifying. He was OH SO CLOSE in every run, except Sunday's Standard run. He did earn his first MX leg on Saturday, and his first 22 MACH points. If memory serves me correctly, he missed both of Friday's classes by one bar. In Saturday's JWW class, he had a little too much 'YAHOO!' in him and completely wiped out the triple. When triples come down, it's usually quite dramatic and noisy. The upright and wing

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make a lot of noise and the three bars are very noisy. He didn't miss any steps or stumble, so I'm quite certain he bumped the upright with his side—Jim said he jumped it at an angle. I think the judge almost had a stroke when it happened. Indie had no clue anything had gone wrong. He's fast, fun and opinionated [loud]—I just love him to pieces.

In yesterday's Standard class, Indie went off-course twice to try to do the weaves. I definitely think those are his favorite. He forgot himself going over the top of the A-frame and didn't stick his contact. He got an "oh, crap" expression on his face, and quickly put himself back on, earning another arm in the air. I didn't ask him to do it, but I was glad to see the light bulb come on. Then, in JWW, on a very twisty course that was basically jump-land-turn on every jump, he did an awesome job, only dropping the next to last jump. I'll attach a copy of the course map so you can see this course for yourself. He worked very hard to not run by any of the jumps. It was a tough course for long strided dogs.

It was fun reading Lori's re-count of the weekend ... very fun having Lori and the C-boys around. I can tell you that all 3 Curtright's looked awesome all 3 days. I was especially proud to be able to tell everyone I met, "Did you hear that Storm got 1st place in both classes?" I almost forgot about the thundering herd noise ... it's our 2nd time at Soccer Blast ... but she is right. I think the dogs like that too ... at least Brook & Nash do ... not sure Tracer can hear it over her own barking in glee at being on the course, period :) At the start line she does her best Storm imitation by throwing back her head to bark bark bark!

Tracer had really nice runs overall. She earned her 2nd MXJ leg on Friday and 2nd AX leg on Saturday ... very close in most of the other runs. I was especially proud of her & Jim in Standard all weekend as she did her contacts with a great deal of confidence (in early July at this facility, she refused at least one each day).

Nash Q'd in Std on Friday, JWW on Saturday (a VERY tough course) and QQ'd Sunday with 2nd place in Standard. I knew it was a great run ... still not convinced it was as fast as the time they wrote down ... but no way to prove otherwise, so I'll take it :) He is still on antibiotics & pred for his hot spots so I was especially pleased with his effort.

Brook QQ'd on Saturday, Q'd in JWW Fri & Sun. She loves this surface & running with her dad ... she was all smiles.

Congratulations to Lori C and Storm & Indie and Congratulations to Team Nelson with Brook, Nash & Tracer!!!

Nebraska - W of Omaha 8/20 - 8/21/11

Bounder (thought he was retired), Tempi, and I were in Valley, NE, west of Omaha, where we entered our first Junior Hunt test. I was thrilled that both of my dogs qualified!! The first land mark was a flyer, so I was sure that Bounder would want to stop, roll on it (Dance litter style), and have a quick lunch – but he came right back to me!!! The predominant fashions were in brown and olive drab. The grounds were nice, and the water marks in a nice big clean pond with an island in the middle. It was a great first-time experience, and I feel fortunate to have brought home two orange ribbons. *Congratulations to Bounder, Tempi & Janet*

Oklahoma City 8/13/11

Hadron completed his CDX this morning at the OCOTC trial and received a 1st place ribbon. He got 2nd place in the afternoon. They brought home another 1st place ribbon on Sunday! ***Congratulations Rick & Hadron!!!***

CA - Kilo 8/6-8/7/11

Kilo finished his Novice JWW title and has two legs of Standard. He is a compact and muscular little guy and seems to be a natural jumper. I'm having so much fun with him. He has a wonderful personality. I'm not sure if his favorite part of the trial was doing agility or having everyone cheering him and making a fuss over him after his run. Pat even teared up.

I hope your repeat breeding turns out as well as the first. *Congratulations Sue & Kilo*

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TX - Halley - 8/6-8/7/11

Halley Q'd her first three Nov Std runs in AKC (2 days this weekend) and now has a title. I thought she'd calm down from run to run. Not so! She got more excited and out of control with each run. JWW was last today, and I ended pulling her off at the start line when she broke her stay, and then she didn't even take the jump but was coming to me. With this first jump refusal, I could have started her again and, if the rest of the run went okay, even Q'd I think since it was Nov. But, I really need a start line stay and a big lead out. We got a pretty good one on Friday's JWW. We also got two FAST Q's with a 2d and 4th place. I have a feeling a clean JWW run will be a long time coming! *Congratulations Cindy & Halley*

Thought I'd let you know that all of Storm and Zing's pups now have titles!

TX - Halley

We've entered one day of an AKC trial and gotten one Novice Std leg and a 1st place a few weeks ago. I am so grateful to be so lucky to have one of these wonderful puppies. *Congratulations Cindy & Halley*

OUTSTANDING SIRE

STORM achieves the honor!!! He has sired 10 pups and all 10 pups are in performance homes and are well on their way to achieving many titles. Lori & Storm wanted everyone to know that this was the easiest title to achieve due to the dedication and efforts of the owners of these puppies! *Congratulations everybody!!!*

Way to go MACH3 Wakemup Rain Dance CD RA ADHF OS

Springfield, MO 7/23-7/24/11

Tryn goes to Springfield MO for a NADAC trial with Aunt Pam L & her 2 Goldens. They bring home 3 Q's and 2 titles and lots of nice pieces. Pam said she had a blast and according to the way Tryn took out of the house on Friday - she was bound and determined to have a grand time. They brought home a 1st place run in Tunnelers with 5.19 yards per second. Awesome job! They brought home 2 other Q's with each a 2nd place - in in Regular and one in Touch-N-Go. *Congratulations to Aunt Pam & Tryn!!!*

Houtston, TX 7/22 -7/23/11

There were extremely large entries in Utility B, Open B, and Novice B. On Friday, Shine got 4th place in her first Novice run. I was proud of her effort in such a scary venue for her first time out. Because the entries were high, the judge nit-picked my heeling, I wasn't smooth enough, and he didn't like my about turns. Hummph on that. Saturday, I cleaned it up and got Third Place with a 198. Yvonne Pfeiffer was there with her 5-year old male and got First Place with a 199, someone else got Second with a 198 1/2. I didn't enter Shine on Sunday.

Congratulations Sally & Shine!!!

Zing was a different story altogether. She got Third Place in Utility B on Friday in a class of about 40, and also got her UDX4 title, but it was downhill from there.

Congratulations Sally & Zing!!!

Omaha NE 7/15 - 7/17/11

Forbes gets his 1st AXJ leg and with a 2nd place ribbon. How awesome is it that he was only 1.1 seconds behind his Aussie brother (by another mother) Folgers. Totally Awesome!

Indie gets his AX title!!!

Tryn got to go to Omaha with Aunt Lori & Aunt Julia and they each ran her one day. Had lots of nice pieces - No Q's but lots of fun!!! An awesome feeling to be able to send your girl with friends to compete and she enjoys it!!!

Zip (black and white) and Tempì started out the Omaha trial 0 for 6, including Mom leaving Tempì's tags on her first run! We took a turn for the better on the afternoon of the second day when Zip won the 20" Ex

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Std class, and Tempi got 3rd place!! On Sunday Zip won that same class again, and Tempi qualified in both JWW and Std classes, getting her 6th QQ and over 50 MACH points for her 3 Q's. We drove home hot by happy. *Congratulations to Janet and Tempi and the crossed to the other side Zip!!!*

Tennessee 7/16 & 7/17/11

Nova and Brenda wrapped up their Novice obedience career with a great weekend in Tennessee, July 16 and 17. They were tied for a runoff for HIT on Saturday, but lost to Curt Brock. On Sunday they brought home the big, gaudy HIT ribbon! What a great novice career for Nova. Now it is time to plan for showing in Open and Utility!

P.S. Brenda told Janet Nova's scores, which were far higher than she could count – so she doesn't remember them – somewhere between 198.5 and 200...

Burnsville MN - 7/2 - 7/4/11 - Nash & I earned MACH2 on our 2nd day of competition which was Sunday, July 3 on a tricky JWW course at Soccer Blast in Burnsville, MN.

You are all so very sweet to send your comments and good wishes. As pointed out ... we celebrated by taking the dogs on their favorite of favorite activities ... swimming in Minnesota lakes. It was warmer than usual (but still cooler than most places) so the dogs got to swim in the bay of Lake Superior every day at Grand Marais. They were quite the attraction every day ... from adults to kids to photographers. MN is a VERY dog friendly state. We got back last night around 8:00. We hiked, swam the dogs, R&R'd ... & the humans ate too much.

Soccer Blast in Burnsville, MN is air conditioned ... I took a sweat shirt hoping I would need it in the building ... but a 'blast' of not very cold air hit us as we entered the building on Saturday to set up. The building did not cool down until Sunday morning, but then got fairly warm again by late Sunday morning. I think the extra warm weather in Burnsville was a little too much for the A/C and 660 run trial. For any of you who have been around Nash when it's warm, you know that those runs are not terribly inspired ... and I ask myself, who is the smart one ... him or me (for asking him to run).

The judges were Rhonda Crane & Alan Arthur. While Rhonda is our very very very favorite judge, Alan Arthur is the judge who whistled me off the course in Castle Rock, CO 3 years ago for saying the word 'Crap' on the course ... and we all now know that C-R-A-P is a 4-letter word !!!!!!!! While Alan has nice courses ... it just didn't seem right that we should have a MACH run on his course ... that must have set the stage.

Having QQ'd both days at the Lincoln trial, going into the Sat/Sun/Mon trial in Burnsville, Nash needed one QQ. Standard ran first and JWW last, which meant that IF I got a QQ at this trial, it would be on a JWW run. Rhonda had the JWW ring on Sunday & Monday. We had an eye chart on our Saturday Standard run and qualified in JWW. Nash had a really nice Standard run on Sunday ... it was a Q.

The Rhonda Crane JWW course was nice, but very tricky. Half way through the course the dogs came out of a pin-wheel and had about 20' to travel past a very tempting off-course jump to weaves that ran into a white, solid corner wall ... 270 back to a triple. Shortly after that was a C-shaped tunnel in the corner. The tunnel end the dogs saw coming over the previous jump was the wrong end AND the handler really needed to stay behind the subsequent jump (which was the same jump as the previous jump) in order to handle the slicy/dicey/push/pull ending ... not the best of Nash/Linda type courses ... but we'd give it a shot. Watching the 20" dogs ... the ones that made it through the trap before the weaves were popping out of the weaves, taking the wrong end of the tunnel or missing the pull at then end jump when the handler inevitably got behind. I walked until I could walk no longer ... my plan was perfect! But then, as I watch the few 24" dogs that ran in front of me I noticed a higher percentage than expected were taking the wrong tunnel entry ... oh, oh ... what if I did a front cross there ... surly I could beat him to the landing side of the next jump while he was in the tunnel ... I had never walked that though. I got him out of his crate as late as I could ... it was hot ... I sprayed down his feet & under side ... we were up. The start was

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pretty good ... my blind cross did the trick into the weaves and he stayed in them (good Boy) ... there's the triple, good ... yes, I can beat him to the tunnel and do a front cross ... that got him going ... yikes, he's speeding up ... yikes, I'm behind ... the rest was a series of calling 'Nash' and 'here' and whatever else I could think of (but not crap). He was a good boy ... I was a bad handler ... together the team got it done ... we were clean. Jim, Patti, Jill, Sally, etc. started clapping & hollering, but then it died down. Didn't I make time ... we weren't that slow? I looked over at the scribe and asked if I made time ... I cleared it with 4 seconds to spare. I grabbed the bar and we made our victory lap. Why is it that dogs always run inspired on MACH victory laps? It was fun. Then a familiar face from the club brought me this 'to die for' MACH ribbon & bar. Rhonda congratulated me and told me she would have been scared had she known it was a MACH run. Sally was there to give me my first hug (I think she was first last time too). Nash got silly. I wiped the tears from my cheeks, gave my Boy a big hug & we went to find Nash's jack pot. More hugs from more people ... whew, it's really hot in here ... doesn't matter now.

Can't wait for you all to sign the bar and give my Boy his well deserved hug. As you all know ... that was NOT the first time he saved a run for the team ... and it won't be the last.

Thank you Beth & Susan for your beautiful match of MACH Jade & Mr. River ... and seeing the Run litter through the Ice storm of the decade. He is a very special Boy for many many many more reasons that achieving MACH2.

Brook QQ'd 2 of the 3 days. She LOVED the surface and you could tell it in her runs ... lots of smiling and good drive.

Tracer & Jim are making progress of sorts. Some sequences are just thrilling to watch and others are simply skills they don't yet possess. She is pulling him to the line and giving her best Storm imitation before they start (throws her head back and bark bark bark). They got 8 MACH points on a beautiful JWW run ... still looking for other Q's.

Shine gets her AXJ title. *Congratulations Sally & Shine!*

Lincoln NE - 6/17 - 6/19/11

Lori states - "Indie picked up his first AXJ leg and his second AX leg. Storm only found one Q all weekend long, but he was having a lot of fun and ran very well."

Team Nelson - "I thought everyone did very well at the trial ... nice courses, & the trial ran well. For us, looking back, it was kind of one of those pinch me weekends. Brook QQ'd all 3 days & smiled with her Dad on every run. Nash QQ'd both of the days we showed (Sat&Sun) with one 3rd & one 4th placement ... I really liked his effort considering the heat. Tracer & Jim Q'd 4 of 6 runs ... finishing her Open Standard title and her Excellent A JWW title with two 1st, one 2nd & one 4th placements (always behind Zip &/or Indie) ... she's a sassy little one & we LOVE it!"

Shine got her first Excellent A JWW leg and Zing got a QQ!

Congratulations to all!!!

Texas 6/17 - 6/19/11 -

Bright finished his CDX this weekend too with a 2nd in open B.

Would of had a HIT on his 4 th time on open B but SAT on the long down! What a clown! He did about an 8 minute sit stay. So much for working that sit stay!

Congratulations to Joan & Bright!

Wichita KS - 6/12/11 -

Lori states "Wanted to send my brag from this weekend. Forbes got his WC Sunday, June 12th at the Wheatland Golden Retriever Clubs first WC/WCX. This now makes him eligible for his Versatility

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Certificate! I am so proud of him and enjoyed spending the day with good friends & club members."

Susan states "The Wheatland Golden Retriever Club sponsored a WC/WCX today. Jade nailed the WCX with really nice style. The honor was a little tricky as she really wanted to go back into the water, but she held it. I am so proud of my girl. Also working today and completing their WC's was her grandson's Forbes owned by Lori Mitchell and Buzz owned by Jan Taylor. CONGRATULATIONS to them!!! You did your grandma proud!"

6/11/11 - 6/12/11 Tennessee

Congratulations are in order for Brenda and Nova for finishing her CD with four awesome scores hovering around 198.5-199! WOW!!!

6/11/11 - 6/12/11 Texas

Halley got 1st Place in a USDAA Gambler's run - her first time out!!!! WHEW, hang on, Cindy!

6/11/11 - 6/12/11 Bossier City LA

Bright got two Open legs in Obedience in Bossier City, with very respectable scores and a 4th Place!!!!

One more leg for a title, and Bright is on his way to Utility! (Well, maybe not for a while...)

Congratulations to all the Storm x Zing pups!

Tulsa OK - Memorial Day - 5/27-5/30/11

"Forbes got his CDX Sunday in Tulsa with a 1st place! After the tornado in Joplin & the loss of so many young people, I felt fortunate & just wanted to go have fun with my dog. It was one of my most enjoyable obedience experiences. As much as I love agility, there is something so special when Forbes looks up at me and our eyes meet and I can just feel that wonderful bond!"

Curtright boys-Storm & Indie - "We entered the first 3 days only and had a great time. There were so many highlights of the weekend, I don't even know where to begin. Rather than steal anyone else's thunder, let me just say how much fun it was watching all the other Wakemup kids, including the honorary kids too. Storm couldn't find any QQ's, but he did Q every day (with placements) on Dan B's courses—which were fun and challenging. He ran so well, and I was very proud of him. I keep asking myself if it's time to think about retiring him. This weekend, his message to me was loud and clear---retirement is NOT in his immediate future if he has anything to say about it. He was thrilled to be out on the courses, and wasn't shy about letting me know where my handling needed improvement. He continues his trademark move on the table of lifting his nose straight up in the air and giving me a "woof, WOOF, WOOOOF!". He badgered anyone who was nearby to play tug with his leash and he shamelessly begged for treats from whoever he thought had them. He's very persistent—just ask Linda, who ended up sharing a good part of her apple with him. Indie was full of himself and made sure everyone in the building knew when he was on the course, or on the start line, or waiting at the gate to enter the ring. Where does that primal scream come from? He earned his first Excellent Standard Q and also finished his Open JWW title. My favorite run of the weekend with him was Saturday in Open JWW, where he was fast and responsive, running 6.61 yps. Too bad about that one bar he knocked down. On the four courses he didn't qualify on, three of them were for single knocked bars. He did have to be carried off of Saturday's Standard course, after attempting a Superman jump from the top of the A-frame. While we are far from perfect, our teamwork has improved in leaps and bounds the last two months. I no longer worry that I'm going to come out of the ring with my shirt torn off. Haha"

Nelson Teams - "I found many of the courses VERY tricky ... like Dan's were in March too. Dirt was loose ... Nash knocked a bar in every class on Sat/Sun (quite unusual) ... even Brook knocked one on Sat (almost unheard of). Nash QQ'd Monday with 3rd in JWW & 1st in Std (yes, there were other qualifiers :) ... quite unusual for us to get 1st ... you could tell Uncle Storm wasn't there ... it WAS a really nice run. Brook QQ'd Sun & Mon, single Q on Sat. Tracer had some awesome runs, some yee haw runs & ended with one really nice Q in Open Std with 1st place (one more to go). My favorite run of hers was the JWW run on Saturday ... really technical course and her only fault was the bar down on jump #2, which was caused by Jim not giving her the lead out she needed. I think she figured out the game this weekend ... get your running shoes on, Jim! I was glad to see Jim loosen up a bit (for him)! "

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Wakemup Hard Wired To Run - a/k/a Morgan - this was found on Facebook under Lori's post. I guess Bill is going to have to get used to bragging on Morgan. "Morgan" - Wakemup Hard Wired to Run 5/29/2011 (Ted x Danger daughter) owned/handled by Bill Smith

Debut weekend--ribbons from Friday and Saturday, plus Sunday FAST only (I left before she ran JWW & Std). So Bill if you are reading this - we need details!!! Congratulations on a wonderful debut and many more successes will be coming!!!

EXTRA NEWS - Came across this further down Lori's post on FB - "She Q'd 9 out of 11 runs w/ five 1st places, two 2nd places and a 4th place. I must say Bill is pretty smitten about her"

Hadron brings home his WC title and 2nd leg toward his CDX over Memorial Day Weekend. Still need specifics! Congratulations!!!

Alaska - May 22, 2011 - Risky started her Hunt Test career today, with 5 perfect marks and a big ribbon. Barbara got great live action, but I don't know how to get off my iPad. So just believe she is the perfect retrieving Golden Retriever. Now if she would just WALK on a leash...

Risky got her 2nd leg at the Hunt Test Today. Again five birds down and five back in a flash. yesterday was her first ever swim retrieve and I didn't notice how quietly she swims, just like her teacher big sister Kelly. Today's water marks were the same as yesterday's Senior marks except they were singles - I thought it was a tough test for the young dogs. Risky was perfect, again.

Congratulations Bonnie & Risky!!!

Murfreesboro TN - April 30-May 1, 2011 - Nova & Brenda make their obedience debut. Talk about a debut! 199 on Saturday and a 198.5 on Sunday and a HIT. Brenda was asked if Nova did anything naughty. Brenda's words "she does not yet own a pair of naughty pants, I am hoping she never goes shopping for them, but alas, being a girl, she just might. *Congratulations Nova & Brenda!!!*

Kansas City MO - April 22-24, 2011 - Brook & Jim obtain MACH6!!!! A truly awesome team!!!! It was a lovely, fast, efficient run (one of her fastest yards per second runs) ... very Brook/Jim like and ended with great celebration running around the ring to all our friends clapping. It's always hard to find a dry eye in the crowd on a MACH run ... they are very special ... each one more special than the last because of all the fun had along the journey. They qualified 5 of 6 runs for the weekend.

Nash & Linda were 3 of 6 ... 2 NQ's in JWW were REAL groaners. Linda said she was especially pleased with his Standard runs ... one earned 3rd placement with a lot of really nice 24" dogs in the class.

Tracer & Jim continue to grow and improve as a team. Tracer was enthusiastic & ready to go. Now that she's figured out that she gets to perform at the shows, she gives a LOT of pleading looks from her crate ... "take me, take me ... pleeeeeeeeeease!" They qualified 3 of 4 runs earning two Open JWW legs and one Open Standard leg ... two 2nds & one 4th placement. Jim definitely has the bug to show her ... darn! ***Congratulations to the teams of the Nelsons!!!***

Sioux Falls - April 15-17, 2011 - Brook & Jim achieve 155th QQ and are 21 points away from MACH6. Nash & Linda bring home a QQ and a couple of placements. Tracer & Jim are moving forward and obtain their Novice FAST NF title. *Congratulations!!!*

Wichita KS - April 7-10, 2011 - Storm & Lori qualified 4 out of 6 runs and achieved his 76th QQ. Indie earned his OA and NAJ on Saturday and Lori moved him to Exc A Std and Open JWW.

Tempi & Janet got legs 2 and 3 for their UD title on Friday. Tempi finished his MXJ in the agility ring and she and Janet brought him a QQ.

Forbes & Lori got their 2nd leg of the CDX - Lori said it wasn't a braggable score but they will take the Q. Lacey & Debbie obtain their Rally Novice RN title at the Sunflower Cluster with scores in the 90's except one was 87 and Debbie said she was the one that messed up the sign so the score would have been better. *Congratulations to all!!!*

Garden City KS March 19-21, 2011 - Tempi got her first utility leg!!! A brag for her b&w Zippy dog who got his CD with all 1st place finishes and a 198!!! *Congratulations!!!*

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IA - March 19-21, 2011 A big CONGRATULATIONS to Brook on her 150th QQ over the weekend. Linda states that Brook & Jim had 6 awesome runs over the weekend. Nash had a good weekend too... 3 drivvy standard runs and a Q on a really ugly/difficult JWW course ...and one 2nd place ribbon. Tracer's two runs over the weekend were the most anticipated...She was in Novice Fast only on Friday and Saturday. The goal was to make it positive and get some ring time. If the send bonus was do-able, then they would try to qualify. Tracer took a 2nd place on Friday and a 1st place on Saturday with 76 points. Linda indicates that Jim needs to remember he is NOT running with Brook and needs to stay with her on the teeter... Yikes!!!!

Shine got her Novice Standard NA title on Friday and Sally moved her up to Open for the remainder of the weekend. Shine also obtained her 2nd Novice JWW leg. Open standard runs were beautifully but had some difficulties with the chute. Work to be done with the chute! *Congratulations everybody!*

TX - March 12-13, 2011. Cait qualifies in both her Novice Standard and Jumpers runs - she is now a two legged dog in both Std & JWW. *Congratulations Linda & Cait!*

Wichita, KS - March 4-6, 2011 - A fun weekend in Wichita. Indie and I finally started clicking as a team. New NA title for the baby dog! *Congratulations Lori & Indie*

Phoenix, AZ Wakemup Wired for Doctor J - a/k/a Tico - Just got a voicemail from Carol Martinez. Jose showed Tico in Novice B in Phoenix this weekend and got one 2nd place, three first places, and two High in Trials! Tico is a Danger/Ted baby. Danger is very proud! *Congratulations Dr. J & Tico*