



COACHING LINES

Dalmatian Club of Southern New England

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March 2019

President's Letter

Dear DCSNE Members,

We had a fine time at our Annual Meeting on January 13, 2019, at the Bolton Street Tavern, Marlborough, MA. Photos in this issue will show some of the happy moments. As well as having a chance to catch up with friends and perhaps talk with a new or perspective member, we had lunch with a slide show running during the afternoon. Thanks to Sue Basius for creating and operating the slide show. After our meeting we distributed plaques or crate plates to those members who achieved titles. Thanks to Pauline Caton for accepting the applications and ordering the plaques. Eight members' Dals received AKC championships and eleven performance Dals got awards. Melissa MacWilliams with Monson received the Advanced Therapy Dog Title. In this issue you can read an article written about that duo. Seven Dalmatians received Breeder certificates for producing offspring who earned titles. Thanks to Kathy Bremer for creating those awards. Congratulations to all members who received a plaque or crate plate in honor of their hard work.

We elected Officers and Board Members for 2019. The names are listed on a page in this issue.

An award was announced by Sandy Lajoie to be presented to Tod Hebert and Atty, for reaching #1 Agility Dalmatian for four years, a super feat. Photos of Tod and Atty with the award are in this issue.

We will again support the entry of the Penobscot KC show, Cumberland, ME on June 22, 2019. Our fall Specialty shows will be September 13, 14, 15, 2019 as part of the South Shore KC and Cape Cod KC shows. We hope to see you at these important Club events.

Yours truly,

Richard Baker
Dalmatian Club of Southern New England, President

Therapy Dal, Monson: By Melissa MacWilliams

Melissa MacWilliams and Monson are volunteers helping teens.
CH Yankee Sebago & Patch Mt Miles To Go Monson TDIA THDA CGC CGCU RN RA BN
With Permission from Preble Street Teen Center we are republishing their November article (PGS)

All Paws on Deck!
Preble Street Teen Center, Portland, ME
By Ali Brauner, Volunteer Manager, Preble Street**

November 29, 2018

Dozens of volunteers join us every day at Preble Street, offering their time, energy, and unique skills to serve people in need. Some are great chefs who prepare meals in the kitchen. Others serve up food or scrub dishes. And some like to pad around on all fours, wagging their tails, giving adoration, and receiving love during their weekly visit to the Preble Street Teen Center

Meet Monson, Woody, and Sam!

A bouncy Dalmatian with a lot of love to give, Monson is a certified therapy dog who accompanies his human counterpart, Melissa, on Tuesday evenings at the Teen Center. He started visiting in 2017 and has brought much joy to the youth, staff, and volunteers alike. The teens often run right up to Monson, hugging him and telling him they love him — and even ask if he can come sleep in the shelter. As Melissa says, “He seems to know when people need him.”

Monson isn't the only doggy volunteer at Preble Street. Woody and Sam are a dynamic duo who visit the Teen Center on Friday mornings with their person, Susan.

“There was a young man to whom Woody took a special liking,” recalls Susan. “Whenever this youth would walk through the door, Woody would go to him. He was a tough guy on the street but a marshmallow around Woody, and proudly told his friends of the tricks he had taught him. One day after he'd aged out of the program, we arrived to find he had stopped by with a can of dog food for Woody. Imagine — here's a kid with nothing, who went out of his way to get and spend his money on a can of dog food for his little buddy. We took pictures of the dogs devouring his treat and put thank you signs around their necks to let him know what that meant to us.”

Thank you, Monson, Woody, Sam, Melissa, and Susan for all the time, energy, and love you bring to Preble Street every week. We are honored to recognize your service!

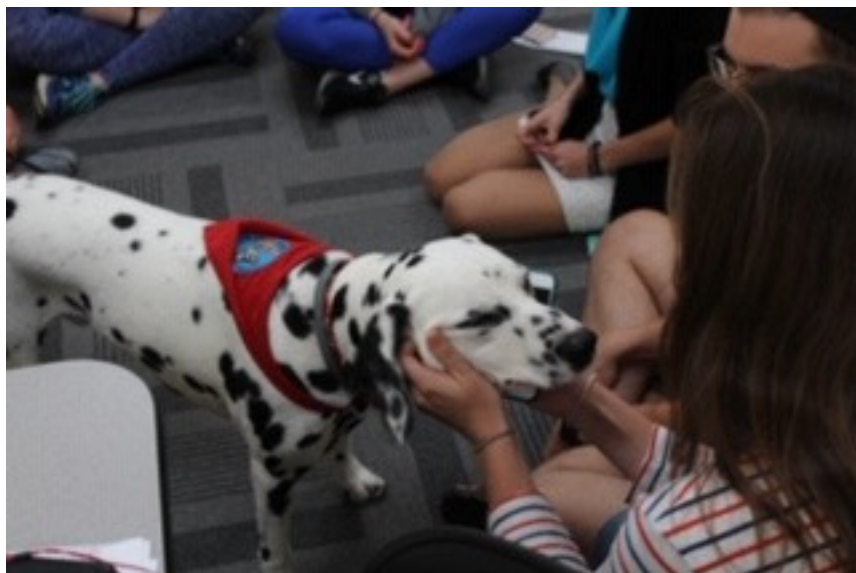
***Preble Street is a nonprofit human service agency serving the most vulnerable people in Maine since 1975 through innovative, best-practice, client-centered programs that respond to and prevent hunger and homelessness. In addition to the largest emergency food service program in northern New England, Preble Street operates 13 low-barrier programs throughout Maine providing 24/365 services for individuals and families living in poverty, including homeless youth, women, veterans, and victims of human trafficking, driven by its mission to meet urgent needs, empower people to move beyond the crises in their lives, and advocate for solutions to homelessness, hunger, and poverty.*

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Therapy Dal, Monson: By Melissa MacWilliams



Above: CH Yankee Sebago & Patch Mt Miles To Go Monson TDIA THDA CGC CGCU RN



Above: Monson

DCSNE Annual Meeting : By Prue Stuhr

We had another spectacular awards ceremony at our Annual Meeting on January 13, 2019, at the Bolton Street Tavern in Marlborough, MA. Each title achieved illustrates that the Dalmatian is learning new skills. This purposeful cooperation actively enriches both Dal and owner's lives. The eight Dalmatians that got their AKC Championship received plaques or crate plates. The Dals receiving awards were Baker/Johnson with **Hawk**; Baker/Krieger/Stuhr with **Dotter**; Blanchfield/Baker/Leyton with **Jade**; Bourque with **Oliver**; Campana/Campana with **Tucker**; Devlin with **Danny**; Hayes with **Arabella** and Ramalho/Baker with **Lavender**. Eleven Dalmatians received awards for performance titles. The following members received 3 or 4 titles: Eastman/**Thriller**; Garceau/Garceau/**Quinn/AJ, TT, Abby**; Fraser/**Nicky**, Eliot-Johnson/**Junior**. Five titles were realized by Schoelzel/**Dahlia**. The Therapy Dog Advanced title was achieved by MMacWilliams/**Monson**. Congratulations to all. Certificates were presented to Breeders for their Dal's offspring who received a title. Breeder Certificates were in honor of Rosen, Devlin, North/Devries, Hayes/McSherry, Eliot-Johnson/MMacWilliams, and Campana/Campana/Kelso/Bremer.

Thanks to Pauline Caton for ordering the plaques and creating the awards List; to Richard Baker for ordering the crate plates; to Kathy Bremer for the producing the Breeder Certificates and to Sue Basius for designing the slide show. Sandy Lajoie announced that a special award was being given to Tod Hebert and Dalmatian, **Atty**, who has been Number one Dalmatian in Agility AKC Points/QQs for four years. Tod and Atty are second all-time in Dalmatian agility points. Elaine Hamill and Linus holds the number one spot for 6 years.

At the Annual meeting we had 21 members and one guest. We elected one new member and accepted the application of one person. Elected officers were: President: Richard Baker; Vice President: Donna Russo; Corresponding Secretary: Carola Adams; Recording Secretary: Prudence Stuhr; Treasurer: Christine Ramalho. The Board of Directors are Sara Bourque; Karen Blanchfield; Tiana DiNola; and Donna MacCallum. Our Club will support the entry of the Penobscot KC show, Cumberland, ME on June 22, 2019. We are beginning to plan for our September 13, 14, 15, 2019 Specialty Shows under the auspices of South Shore KC and Cape Cod KC.

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Above: Richard Baker & Prue Stuhr, Richard holding crate plate for *Hawk*.



Above: David Garceau for *AJ, TT or Abby* they got three awards.



Above: Karen Blanchfield holding crate plate for *Jade*.



Above: Ronnie Schoelzel holding crate plate for *Dahlia*.



Above: Pam Devlin holding crate plate for *Danny*.

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Above: Sara Bourque holding crate plate & plaque for *Oliver*.



Above: Nanci Hayes holding crate plate for *Arabella*.



Above: Betty MacWilliams holding plaque for *Lyra*.



Above: Jody Fraser holding crate plate for *Nicky*.



Above: Melissa MacWilliams holding crate plate for *Monson*.



Opposite: Jody Fraser + Prue Stuhr
Sweater Twins!

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Above : DCSNE exceptional raffle table!



Above: Christine Ramalho holding crate plate for *Lavender*.



Above : Sara Eastman, Pam Devlin, Ronnie Schoelzel and Betty MacWilliams.



Above: Sara Eastman holding plaque for *Thriller*.



Opposite: David Garceau & Wally Wojciak.

Agility Report By Pam Devlin

Spotted on the Agility Field!

By Pam Devlin

New Preferred Agility Champion!

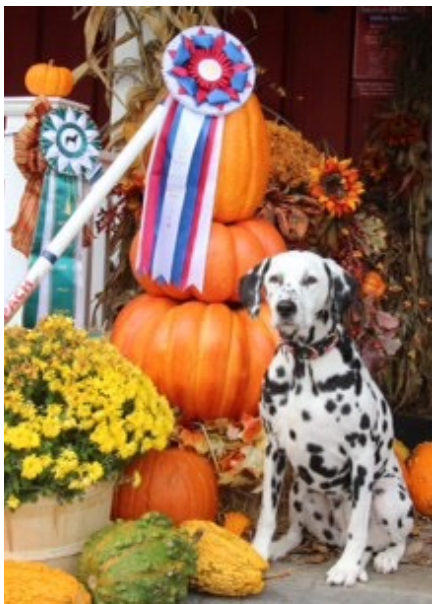
At the American Beauceron Club in Amherst NH, Jody Fraser and Nicky earn the PACH (Preferred Agility Champion) title completing the rigorous requirements of 750 points and 20 double Q runs!

LEAP and TMAC Thanksgiving Agility Trial

It was a great weekend to see spots run this year at the huge Tday agility cluster in West Springfield, MA. The "Greatest Show on Dirt" has been the largest AKC agility trial in America for more than 20 years with over 5000 entries and four rings on packed dirt going simultaneously. The club was represented by four teams from across the New England area- Todd Hebert from NH running Atty, Pam Devlin from MA running Dinah, Ronnie Schoelzel from CT running Dahlia and Sara Eastman from VT running Thriller. Sara and Thriller earned the Novice Standard title with a second place ribbon. A great accomplishment for their maiden trip to the cluster and Ronnie and Dahlia had a clean red ribbon run under judge Ronda Bermke to bring home the Excellent Jumpers title.

Agility Top Spot!

At the annual year-end meeting and awards lunch in Marlboro, MA DCSNE had the honor and great pleasure to present the first ever achievement award for outstanding performance in the sport of Agility. Congratulations to Todd Hebert and Atty. For the last four years, Todd has handled Atty to number one agility Dalmatian in the AKC ranking system. We are very proud of this team!



Above: Jody Fraser's Nicky.



Above: Ronnie Schoelzel with Dahlia.



Above: Sara Eastman's Thriller.

Todd + Atty By Prue Stuhr

A Special award and Hooray for Tod Hebert and Atty!
MACH 7 Riverside's N Onsengeltje Athena MXC2 PAD MJG3 PJD MXF T2B6 CA CGCA
By Prue Stuhr

We are so pleased for Tod and Atty's continued achievements in the Agility. At our January Annual meeting a special award was announced for Tod Hebert and Atty for their outstanding achievement in Agility. Sandy Lajoie told the members present that fellow club members wish to recognize Tod and Atty for their hard work and success. Atty has been the number one Agility Dalmatian for four years, an amazing achievement. In addition, Atty and Tod were spectacular at Westminster in the Masters' Agility Championship, on February 9 and 10, 2019, being awarded fourth place in the finals of a hugely competitive class in the 20 inch division. It was such an exciting moment for them and for those of us watching on TV. Tod wrote: "Please thank the club for the wonderful award, card, and note, they gave to Atty and me! I'm so honored to receive this, and totally surprised! What an Awesome Club! Thanks so Much! Tod Hebert." We will continue to cheer Tod and Atty as they reach greater heights.



DCSNE Wins + Achievements

From Sandy Lajoie:

I'd like to post a brag about this amazing dog I co-own with Karen McNamara, BISS GCHG Dynamic And Upton's Huck Finn CA BCAT CGC, Who finished his championship at ten months of age in eight shows, At this writing he has won 100 Best of Breeds including 60 group placements. In 2018, he ranked seventh in Dalmatians and all breed standings with limited showing and participated in "The Top Twenty" event at Dalmatian Club of America's National Specialty. Best of all, he is a sweet, loving, playful boy who loves everyone and is a joy at home. We are looking forward to our National this May, where he will again participate in "Top Twenty" and performance activities.

From Donna MacCallum:

Riverside's Betty Believe at Eagles Landing

"L.B" attended her first dog show at the South Windsor Kennel Club's Thanksgiving Cluster November 23, 23 25, 2018 in Springfield, MA. At just 4. 5 months L.B was entered in the 4-6 month puppy class. She won 3 Best Beginner Puppy Breeds, 2 Puppy Group 1's and one Best Puppy in Show. The judges were BPB Mr. Todd Cline; BPB BPG1 BPIS Marc Cohen; BPB BPG1 Ms. Dianne Tyree. They were very exciting wins for this super fun girl. Donna MacCallum's Riverside's Betty Believe at Eagles Landing was bred by and is owned by Donna MacCallum & Richard Baker.



Above: MacCallum's LB

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From Prue Stuhr :

DCSNE had two Dalmatians who excelled at Westminster in Conformation: Select Dog: **Beckett** with owners Blanchfield/Leyton/Firuski/BLyons and Select Bitch: **Jade** with owners: Blanchfield/Baker/Leyton/Bourque. Congratulations to the members and their Dals!

From Prue Stuhr :

Tod and Atty had a spectacular weekend at Westminster being awarded 4th place in the 20 inch Master Agility Championship final.

From Dawn Eliot-Johnson: Lucas Legend Dalmatians



Above: Dawn-Eliot-Johnson's last litter.



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Upcoming Events:

- **April 6, 2019** DCSNE Club Meeting at Eastern States Expo 1305 Memorial Ave. W.Springfield, MA. After Dalmatian judging for time and location of meeting.
- **June 1, 2019** Club meeting at Ladies Dog Club, Wrentham, MA. Time and location TBA
- **June 22, 2019** Penobscot KC show, Cumberland, ME / DCSNE Club meeting after Dals are shown.
- **August 2019** TBA: Show Committee-via conference call.
- **September 13,14,15, 2019** Friday, September 13 Club meeting after Dalmatians shown and during lunch.



HAPPY SPRING !