

# coaching Lines

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# President's Letter

As 2012 unfolds and our specialty date approaches,

I could not be more pleased to report the progress from our committees, and hard work produced by our membership. With Normand Caton, our specialty show chairman's guidance, our specialty is on track to be among the finest. The trophy donations have exceeded all expectations and have produced record numbers. A list of contributors is below.



The membership should be very proud of our outstanding trophy offering made possible through the generosity of so many people members and non-members Thanks to you all so much! Dawn Eliot-Johnson and Cindy Gordon have been hard at work organizing this year's raffle baskets. The support of our membership is greatly important, needed and appreciated. In past years this fund-raising event has produced much of our club's resources. Please contact Dawn or Cindy with your basket items. Our newly formed judge selection committee, Barbara Partridge, Normand Caton, Sara Pruyne and Prue Stuhr will be mailing out a ballot allowing the option for the membership to vote on their favorite approved judge. I encourage you all to vote. Joe and Emily Muller have done an outstanding job updating the DCSNE web-site. If you haven't logged on recently, I encourage you all to do so. Thank you, Joe and Emily. Barbara Garceau continues with her work to define AKC recognized performance and conformation titles. Thank you, Barbara. Ellen Muller reports little activity with breeder referral. However, Ellen continues with her outstanding organization skills. Scott Facey is our newly appointed club historian. Our club has complete records from 1995 to present. If any of you have specialty show photos, catalogs or old Coaching Lines earlier then 1995 our club would greatly appreciate having them as part of our documented history. Lastly, Coaching Lines continues to amaze me. Karen McNamara and Prue Stuhr's work speaks volumes; outstanding! In closing, I hope you all are enjoying spring and I will greatly look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting and of course at our fall Specialties.

Richard Baker Dalmatian club of Southern New England, 2012 President

Thanks to the generosity of the following people for the trophy fund: Ann Rojas, Dave and Barbara Garceau, Renelle Grajales, Sandy Lajoie, Karen McNamara, Kathy Bremer, Ronnie Schoelzel, Geri Rosen, Dolores Postens (non-member) Beth Ann Johnson (nonmember), Dr. David and Margie Doane, Christine Ramalho, Normand, Pauline & Steve Caton, Barbara Lyons (non- member), Wendell Sammet, Mrs. Walter Smith (non-member), Nanci Hayes, Carol Langford, Dominic and Annmarie Vozzella, DCGNY, Prue & Ed Stuhr OFFICERS FOR 2012

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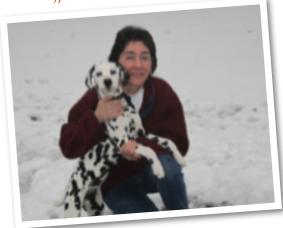


(non-member) Wally Wojciak, Jane Freidlander (non-member) Donna Russo, Ellen Wood. Separate trophies have been donated by Marcia Harris-Bell, Pauline and Helene Masaschi (non-member), Barbara Partridge, Peter Johnson (non-member), Richard **Baker**.

# INTRODUCING NEW MEMBER: CHRISTINE RAMALHO

The Journey with Rose, my Dalmatian by Christine Ramalho

My first Dalmatian was a rescue from my neighbor. Her name was Charlotte but she was called "Charlie" by her owner. She was not happy in her home and would escape to various neighbor's homes whenever possible. "Charlie" took up residence with me in 2004. She was 9 years old, and a very affectionate, intelligent, and alert dog. She never took her eyes off of me and stayed by my side whenever possible. In December 2009 I heard about a dog show coming to Providence. Charlie was about 14 1/2 vears old at that time and I knew she was about to leave me soon. I had grown to love the Dalmatian breed and knew that I wanted another when her time came. I had never been to a dog show and didn't know anything about the AKC, all breed shows, or the 7 groups. I spoke with several



breeders. One breeder was kind enough to present her dogs to me. We exchanged contact information and she sent me a Christmas card with photos of her Dalmatians. I spoke with the AKC people and learned more about dog show world.



I started watching Animal Planet's Eukanuba's National dog shows that aired every Saturday morning at 6 AM to learn more about various breeds, groups, and



shows. In July of 2010, I went to the Providence County Kennel Club dog show called Rhodes on the Pawtuxet in Cranston, RI.

Three Dalmatians were entered, but as their time approached none of them showed up. I was so disappointed. But then I noticed a group of people with Dalmatian logos on their clothing. I struck up a conversation with them. I explained my plight. One lady in particular seemed very interested in helping me.

We exchanged contact information. She invited me to a meeting they were about to have. She told me about the Dalmatian Club of Southern New England and about the Dalmatian specialty show on Cape Cod in September.

She invited me to come to the show and attend the meeting as a guest, and come to the luncheon. I enjoyed the specialty show on the Cape and met more Dalmatian people.

I lost my dear Charlie on November 6, 2010 at the age of 15 and 5 months. I was devastated. I contacted the kind DCSNE member and she referred me to a couple of breeders who had puppies. On December 31, 2010 I brought home a 4 month old puppy. I named her Rose. Her AKC registered name is Riverside's Querida Da Vavoa. Translated from Portuguese the name means grandmother's sweetheart, a term of endearment. I chose this name to honor my 92 year old mother who moved in with me 2 years ago. Rose and "Vavoa" are good company for one another.

Rose is an active, hyper, funloving girl, with a beautiful temperament. We have gone to training classes for over a year. Our progress has been slow at times. She is "spirited" as her breeder, Richard Baker says. I say she's crazy. She is a real challenge for me, especially since I am new to dogs, and have never trained a puppy. We go to handling classes now. I have just started showing her in the ring. We haven't done too well yet; maybe someday this will change. I hope to make her more than just a pet. But if that doesn't happen, it's okay. Rose is my best friend and I love her very much.

# LOOP LEASHES FOR SALE TO BENEFIT TROPHY FUND

DCSNE logo is printed on each leash. The thickness is comfortable for leading. The leash is 6 feet long and 1/2 inch thick. A quick way to get a leash on a dog once you have practicied your "roping" skills!

Leashes are \$20, cash or check. Choice of black or red. They can be purchased at meetings or shows,

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# Ever wonder how kennel names came into being? Below is a collage of members' descriptions of the origin of their kennel names. Collected by Prue Stuhr

## Kris Kelso, Danbury, CT~ RK

My kennel name derived from my mother's kennel name which was Arkay's dalmatians. I took a spin of this and hence arrived at RK's Dalmatians. Later RK's merged with XTerra dalmatians and puppies at this time are registered under the RK and XTerra Dalmatian prefix.

## Geri Rosen – Danbury, CT ~ HeeGee Dalmatians -

Established in 1970, as He-Ge Kennels, which was short for Helen (my late sister) and Geri Rosen. We dropped the hyphen, since the AKC does not accept hyphenated registered names. The extra Es were added for proper pronunciation.

#### Dawn Eliot-Johnson, Bryant Pond, Maine ~ Lucas Legend Dalmatians

My first Dalmatian, Lucas was a double ear patch boy from a back yard breeder. I begged my father for months for a Dalmatian. I would leave notes on the coffee maker every morning of ads for Dalmatian puppies for sale. Lucas was the only consistent thing I had in my life at that time. We traveled all over the country together after I got out of school (just the 2 of us; pretty crazy in those days). I wanted to honor his memory by naming my kennel after him. Lucas is no relation to my line today as he was a patch so that's were Legend came in. Legend is a myth or a story coming from the past. He is and will always be my true Heart dog!

#### Nanci Hayes, N. Conway, NH ~ Yankee Sebago

My business is Yankee Appraisals. I live in New England and we have often been referred to as Dam(n) Yankees. I have always had Dalmatians and often times by the slip of the tongue they have been called damnations. Hence the name Yankee Dalmatians. Blizzard and Dancer were born in a sunroom that is all windows at my camp on Sebago Lake in Casco, Maine. Every morning they had the lake to look out at. Rough life I know. Hence, that is how their registered names became Yankee Sebago.

# Pauline Masaschi, Sandwich, MA ~ Canal-Side

Our Kennel name was jointly created by Pauline, Helene and our father Louis A. Masaschi in the mid 1950s. It first identified our stable of three pleasure horses and later major prize winning three-gaited show horses. We rode the horses on the dirt road beside the Canal and sometimes took midnight rides in the summer. A Dalmatian would accompany us to horse shows where we met Mrs. Alan Robson, who had wonderful show horses and a large string of dogs with handlers. When Isabel Robson encouraged us to show our Dalmatians we already had our kennel name which we borrowed from the stable name.

# Sandy Lajoie, Upton, MA ~ Dals of Upton

I don't have an actual registered kennel name but have used "Upton" since 1991 or thereabouts. I typically have family brainstorm for any naming of puppies etc. because they are so supportive of my hobby. So when I needed a Kennel Name for our first "home bred" litter, we brainstormed at family dinner. I had just bred to an English Import and my husband thought "Upton" was rather British and also designated our area well and thus we became "Dals of Upton.

# Barbara and David Garceau, Chaplin, CT~ S.Xposur

We arrived at our kennel name after a very long discussion. I think it went over several weeks. We considered names like Bedlam, Nutmeg, Quiet Corner and finally Southern Exposure of which we did shorten to S.Xposur out of necessity. We had built our house a few years previously and tossed the title of it back and forth and because of our huge southern exposure we casually called it such. Being novices I wish I had someone with experience guiding and introducing other possibilities of which we might have arrived at. We do love our name, especially because most have to ask it origins.

#### Richard Baker, Lee, New Hampshire ~ Riverside

My first home was located on the banks of the Charles River in Dover, Mass and allowed the possibility of owning my first Dalmatians. At the time, "Riverside" seemed fitting. Often I will abbreviate Riverside to RS which is also my first and middle initial.

## Carolyn Mullins, Homosassa, Fl ~ Country Squire

We had been playing around with using "Caradon" as our kennel name - a combination of the first three letters in my name and an "a" for "and", plus the last three letters in Gordon's name. We liked it and I often wished we had stayed with it. However, at a dog show, I was shopping and bought some items at a shop called "Country Squire" and since we lived on a street named Squires Glen in Madison, CT, our hometown. Kate's bloodline was primarily Colonial Coach, it sounded kind of "Colonial" and so we went with it. In short, we got if from a paper bag printed with "The Country Squire" containing some items we had just purchased. Today I can't even remember where the shop was. (\*Gordon Mullins was on the DCSNE Board 1984-87, President in 1990-1.)

#### Mary Ann Murphy, Bolton, CT ~ Dapper-Dan

Dapper-Dan Dalmatians began showing in both the breed and obedience rings in 1973, established by Ed and Mary Ann Murphy. The Kennel name Dapper Dan was chosen from a "well dressed" Grand Champion Field dog named Handsome Dapper Dan, an old family friend. A doodle in the shape of a shamrock with a "tail" became the perfect logo for the Murphy family. The Murphy's foundation sire was CH. Spotted Dapper-Dan, UDT, was the fourth UDT in history. He was exhibited by Mary Ann in conformation and Ed for performance titles. The kennel name is now also used by the close family friends Ronnie Schoelzel and Carol Roy.

(\*Ed Murphy was a board member from 1983- 85 and President 1986-7.)

# Ronnie Schoelzel, Litchfield, CT ~ Dapper-Dan

In 1971 I began showing my first Dalmatian in obedience, ultimately gaining a Utility Dog title. During that period I met Ed and Mary Ann Murphy, and in 1983 I purchased a puppy from their kennel, Dapper-Dan Dalmatians. The Murphy's foundation sire was CH. Spotted Dapper-Dan, UDT. That puppy became CH. Dapper-Dan's Pongo, UD. Pongo produced many litters, some champions and some with obedience titles. Today I still use the Dapper-Dan kennel name on my current dog, CH. Dapper-Dan's Dancer of Blackthorn, RE, OA, OAJ.

# Anne Rojas~ East Fallowfield, PA ~ SpotworkS

SpotworkS started out in 1954 as Annjac's Dalmatians and stayed as that until 1969. My then husband decided that Annjacs was too much mine, and since he was one half German, the kennel name should be Schpottwerks which means something like a "spot factory". I Americanized it to SpotworkS. My daughter, Cristin and I have been using it ever since.

# Prue Stuhr, Marlborough, MA ~ Blackberry

When Ed and I were married and moved to Marlborough in 1985 he would take our first Dalmatian, Cricket UDT, walking to a pond down the street from our home. There were some good blackberry patches along the path. Ed would pick the ripe blackberries about waist high. Cricket on the other hand was much lower but she would find the ripe berries on the lower bushes. They were quite a sight both picking the ready to eat berries at their own level.

# Barbara Partridge, Hingham, MA ~ Cricket Corner

"Cricket Corner" was established in the early 1940's when I was a teenager. The name came from my first dog, who was a Shetland Sheepdog-" Kris Kringle" whom I showed to his championship and UD obedience title. He accompanied me to college and was called everything from Kris to Kringle to Cricket. We lived on a corner, hence the name. Dalmatians named with that kennel prefix came shortly thereafter.

# Wendell Sammet, Bryantville, MA ~ Dalmatia

I bought my first Dalmatian from Al and Mary Barrett of RoadCoach Kennels. When I decided to breed her, I read up on the history of Dalmatians. I learned that the breed was thought to have originated in the country of Dalmatia in Southern Europe. Hence my kennel name of Dalmatia was created. Later came Poodles and the Ale-kai name, but that is another story.

# Scott and Carol Facey, Springfield, MA ~ Fyrlyte Dalmatians

Fyrlyte was just a natural for us. My being a firefighter and both of us enjoying sitting by a fire at night with our dogs just naturally led to the name of our kennel. We used the spelling as a way to get by the AKC's requirement of no actual common words being in the name at the time. Originally under the banner Scardal in 1982 we started using the name Fyrlyte in 1988.

# Linda McSherry, Norway, Maine ~ Patch Mountain Dalmatians

We live at the foot of Patch Mountain on the Greenwood Road in beautiful Norway, Maine. In 1984 we got and our very first Dalmatian, Emily who had a patch on her ear. What else could we name our kennel?

# Kathleen M Bremer, New Fairfield, Connecticut ~ XTerra Dalmatians

I chose the kennel name XTerra Dalmatians for two reasons. The first show Dalmatian I owned was named Erins Wildwood Terra Firma CGC "Terra". I chose that name because it means "solid ground" in Latin. I picked up Terra a week after 9-11 and because of our nations tragedy and the fact that many fire fighters lives were lost, solid ground seemed a fitting name. Also, I knew I was acquiring a Dalmatian from a highly successful breeder, Sharon Lyons, and that my new best friend was from solid ground and the perfect starting point for my breeding program. Now to the kennel name. 1) XTerra symbolizes cross country which my dogs and I run regularly and 2) Terra was my foundation bitch and the X of Terra represents all her generations to come.

\* Note: included above is information about two deceased officers, Gordon Mullins and Ed Murphy who were husbands of present members. PAGE 6



# BREEDER OF MERIT PROGRAM

# Requirements

- Has a history of at least 5 years involvement with AKC events.
- Earned at least 4
  Conformation, Performance or
  Companion event titles on
  dogs they bred/co-bred.
- Member of an AKC club.
- Certifies that applicable health screens are performed on your breeding stock as recommended by the Parent Club.
- Demonstrates a commitment to ensuring 100% of the puppies produced are AKC registered.

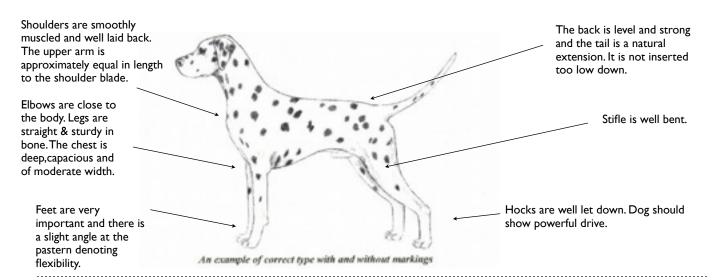
#### **Benefits**

- Breeder of Merit registration applications and registration certificates featuring a special designation
- Complimentary access to online reports
- Access to the AKC Direct toll free number
- Online record support
- A certificate of distinction
- Breed-specific web banners that participants can use to proudly promote their involvement in the Program
- Acknowledgement on AKC.org
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- And more!



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#### **ILLUSTRATED STANDARD OF THE DALMATIAN**





#### THE DALMATIAN IS A DISTINCTLY SPOTTED DOG......

poised and alert, strong, muscular and active, free of shyness, intelligent in expression, symmetrical in outline and without exaggeration or coarseness.



#### NEW ENGLAND NON SPORTING ASSOCIATION

is holding a Dalmatian seminar on Saturday July 7th after Best in Springfield. The seminar is being presented by Wendell Sammet. With his many years as a dalmatian breeder it should be very informative. This seminar is free of charge.

# **Dalmatian Club of America's National Specialty Achievements** in Tulsa OK May 2012

Sara Pruvne: BISS CT his Performance **GCh Blackthorn Coreopis of PatchMt** Certificate - for 3 RA OA NAJ RD CPC 4th place - new title - Road Dog (score of 577 of a possible 600, only lost 2 out of 400 points on the individual obedience routine) 1st place - Rally Advanced A - 97 new title 1st place - Beginner Novice B - 194 - first attempt, first leg 2nd place - Pre-Novice Awarded Champion Performance Certificate by Dalmatian Club of America at annual awards banquet (I asked Sara about this award. She wrote: It is for dogs who are AKC Champions with at least 2 "higher" awards. In Corey's case it was the TDX and Open Agility. Next year with his Road Dog title he get

Achievement performance titles. Info is on the DCA web page. I think 2 or 3 dogs got it this year.

Linda Mc Sherry, CT CH Patch MT's About Time VCD1, RE, AX Agility Standard

Novice Preferred score 100 2<sup>nd</sup> place Novice Fast Preferred 1<sup>st</sup> place Novice Jumpers 4<sup>th</sup> place Obedience Beginner Novice Obedience 3rd place Veteran 3rd place Rally

Rally Excellent B qualified

Prue and Ed Stuhr: **Riverside's Ticket to** Ride was awarded second out 13 in **Open Black Bitches** at the Dalmatian Club of America on May 8, 2012 in Tulsa, OK under breeder judge Todd Jardine. Ticket was shown by Carola Adams and is owned by Prue and Ed Stuhr and Richard Baker.

Richard Baker-Onsengeltje RS Earth Jewel- received a first place in Futurity (6-9) bitches under judge Linda Lewin. Owned by Carola Adams and Richard Baker.

# Calendar

June 24, 2012 Club Meeting, Greggs E Providence RI

July 2012 Ballots mailed for 2012 Specialty judge voting.

August 15, 2012 Ballots must be received by Barbara Partridge.

September 13, 2012 Cape Cod Kennel Club Shows.

September 14-15, 2012 DCSNE Specialties at Barnstable MA.

September 16, 2012 Supported entry Cape Cod KC.



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# DALMATIAN FUN DAYS-COACHING LESSONS BASIC INSTINCT TEST COACHING CERTIFICATE TEST

Dalmatian Club of the Finger Lakes



2 days of fun with your Dalmatian!

Day 1: Group seminar on the basics of the road trials and obedience exercises. How to start your green dog. Safety first. Participants will then break off into private lessons which will last 45 minutes. Basic Instinct test

Day 2: CC test; Basic Instinct test, Private lessons as needed. Judge: Stephanie Podejko Rental horses. Late entries for clinic participants. Nearby camping, motels, restaurants

Location: Windy Pines Stables; Colden, NY

#### August 4 and 5, 2012

Private lesson: \$50.00 Audit: \$20.00 Basic Instinct test: \$10.00 CC Test: \$25.00 Stabling: \$25.00/Weekend For More Information: Karen Bergman: 716-941-5535 Tibbie Dell: 315-462-6524



# MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION BY BARBARA GARCEAU

You finally accomplished your goal, your dog/ bitch is a CHampion of Record. Congratulations!! But now what? Which direction? Continue in breed ring or go to performance events. Lets look at what the Grand Championship title is all about.

Grand Championship is a rather new title created to promote your dog/bitch in the conformation ring. As you progress, you could attain the Bronze, Silver, Gold and finally Platinum titles. Each level requires points to attain.

First, you complete the requirements for Grand Champion. The same schedule of points is used. Obtain three (3) majors under 3 different judges and the remaining points under at least one other judge. Twenty-five (25) total points are needed and you must defeat at least one champion of record.



BOB=all dogs/bitches added together and points determined BOS=all dogs or bitches of same sex added together

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SD/SB=all de	ogs or bitches	of same sex minus	BOB or BOS

are different depending on what you are awarded.

Second, you accumulate points towards the next level. Bronze 100, Silver 200, Gold 400 and Platinum 800. Each level is recognized by the American Kennel Club and invitations to the AKC Eukanuba event are expected.

Points are awarded to the BOB, BOS, and Select Dog/Bitch. The points

Well, this is Grand Championship in a nutshell. For more information visit <u>www.akc.org</u> to find out more or if you have other questions. As the Summer Olympics near, consider going for the Gold or maybe even the Platinum. Happy showing!!!

# WINS & ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Geri Rosen

On 3/22/12, **HeeGee's Autumn Splendor** (Autumn), went WB/BOW for her second 3 point major, at the Non-Sporting Group of the Garden State show, under Judge Lawrence Terricone. Then, the next day (3/23/12), at the New Brunswick KC show, Autumn went WB for her THIRD 3 point major, under breeder judge Ase Jacobson, On May 6th, at the Trenton KC, under Judge Grace M. Fritz, Autumn went WB/BOW for her 4th Major! She now only needs one point to finish! I am thrilled to death on what this liver girl has done in a relatively short period of time.

**Pauline and Steven Caton**: On Saturday, April 28 -South County KC, BOS & BOW - **Crestlan's Solar Eclipse** CGC (Max) for 1 point

Barbara and Dave Garceau: Ch. Southern Exposure Abby of Bedlam CDX, RE, RD, NF, CGC has earned the new agility title of NAJ (novice agility jumpers with weaves) Abby is owned and loved by Barbara and Dave Garceau and Jackie Quinn. This was Abby's gift on May 13, 2012 (mother's day) at the Middlesex CKC under Judge Victoria MacVicar and she placed 2nd in her class. Good job Abby!!!



Sandra Lajoie & Karen McNamara: On April 7th Brooksides The Price is Right "Alex" finished his AKC championship. Alex's journey to his CH included a BOB from the puppy class over specials and BOW at the DCSNE Regional Specialty.



**Prue and Ed Stuhr: Riverside's Ticket to Ride.** Ticket is owned by Prue and Ed Stuhr and Richard Baker. Ticket finished with a 3 point major at Ladies Dog club, on June 2, 2012 in the pouring rain. Good girl, Ticket. Along the way she was awarded two four point majors as well as some singles to reach her championship. Ed and thank Richard Baker for training and showing Ticket and entrusting her to us.

It has been a busy spring for CH Upton's Highland Hurrah CGC, TDI. She passed her CGC, produced a beautiful litter of puppies and most recently passed her TDI on June 9,2012, along with CH Starseekers Brookside D-HavInd CGC, TDI.

Next edition will be the post DCSNE Specialty. Good luck to everyone attending......