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## Saying Good-bye



On March 18, 2007, Metro Shetland Sheepdog Club lost our Editor In Chief to her battle with cancer. Karen L. Vogt was born in Queens, NY and grew up in Jefferson, NJ. Karen was a graduate of County College of Morris. She later became

a member of Therapy Dogs International and was a certified TDI Evaluator. She volunteered her time at Sussex House in Newton, NJ and with her therapy dogs visited many places throughout Sussex County. After the 911 attacks, Karen assisted at the Pier 94 Grievance Center in New York City.

Good-bye Karen, you will be sorely missed.

## Upcoming Events

### Mark your Calendars –

- April 12, 2007: A General Meeting will be held at 7:30 in Bridgewater, NJ at the Hilton Garden Inn. Some of the more important issues to be addressed include: the Annual Elections, the establishment of meeting dates for the remainder of the year, and upcoming club events, currently scheduled and proposed, especially preparations and volunteers necessary for our Rally Trial scheduled for April. For directions please contact Catherine Caruso [[peachmor@earthlink.net](mailto:peachmor@earthlink.net)] or visit our website, [metrossc.com](http://metrossc.com) and select 'upcoming events'.
- April 21-22, 2007: Spring Cluster Rally/O Trial. Co-sponsored by Tri-State Dog Obedience Club, Golden Rule School for Dogs and Metro SSC. Please visit our website to access the show premium ([metrossc.com](http://metrossc.com) and select 'upcoming events' from the menu). Volunteers are needed to help the day Metro is hosting their trial at the cluster. Help is needed for

leash runners, timers, gate stewards.... No experience needed .... How often do you hear that?

## Annual Award Dinner

Thank you to those who contributed time and talent to coordinate the dinner and awards. Special thanks to Laurence Gesquiere for coordinating attendees, location and dinner. Many thanks also to Marie Colasanti for preparing the award certificates which appreciated by all recipients.

Those members receiving awards for 2006 were:

Member	Team Mate	Title(s)
Debra Fronheiser	Katherine Skye "Katie"	NA, NAJ, OA, OAJ, AXJ
	Couper	CD, MX, MACH
Scott Stock	Storm	MACH2
Scott Stock	Storm	7 <sup>th</sup> Place, 16" Agility, All Star Obedience, Agiltiy and Rally
Joanne Stock	Jagger	8 <sup>th</sup> Place, 16" Agility, All Star Obedience, Agility & Rally
Laurence Gesquiere	Angel	MX
Marianne Potts	Blumoon Bi Starlight "Star"	ASCA CD, UKC CDX, AKC RAE
Marianne Potts	Bach Twist of Fate "Twister"	AKC CDX, ASCA CDX
Jamie and Stephen McKay	Brigadoon's Highland Melody "Piper"	OA ,AXJ, TN-N, TN-O, OJC
Sarah Kiely	Allie Oop	AX, OAJ
Catherine Caruso	PeachMor Moonchild "Heather"	HT, NAJ, HCT
	PeachMor Ricochet "Guy"	HTAD1s
	PeachMor Seeing Stars - "Chuckie"	JHD, HTAD1s

Bonnie Ovnicek	Whistling Winds Ma's Plan B	NA, NAJ, HT
Member	Team Mate	Title(s)
Helen Ackley	Duffy	AX, AXJ
	Flirt	OAJ
Ben Oakley	Miss Gemma Oakley	NA, NAJ
Karen Newquist	Halo	ARCH, RL1X, RL2X, RN
	Mysty	NA, NAJ, RN, RL2

### Herding Instinct Test



Some additional pics from that wonderful cold



and windy day we spent with our shelties.

And a correction from the last newsletter: We incorrectly reported "Eleanor Reichart and Marie Colasanti's puppy Cassie had passed the instinct test". In fact, the team of *Ellen Reichert* and her dog *Oliver* passed the test. Marie Colasanti's puppy Cassie *the* instinct test as well. Sorry for the misprint Ellen and Marie.

### Metro Caps and Patches Available

These patches are sew on - dimensions are approximately 1.5" x 4" - just the right size for a hat, bag, or shirt. These patches came out great but we have a limited quantity, so reserve yours soon! Price - \$2.00 each, can be mailed for 50 cents S&H. FMI - Contact Cathy Caruso – [peachmor@earthlink.net](mailto:peachmor@earthlink.net)



Red or gray caps are available for \$10 each.

### Braggs

#### From Cathy and John Caruso:

"Mary," (Belmars Wisteria), picked up another point towards her Championship, as well as two Specialty Reserve wins, in the past few weeks. We are very proud of our little girl who just needs two singles to complete her title!

#### From Karen Newquist :

Halo earned her second RA leg at The First Dog Club. Mysty, who was taking aim at her RA title decided to bark herself out of a 'Q'.

#### From Laura Galbo:

At the Staten Island Companion Dog Club trial--Diamond, my soon to be 12 year old, made her Rally debut. She took second place with a score of 99!! Buddy, my rescue boy made his obedience debut in Rally and with the wonderful handling by Donna Pollifrone scored a 95.



At the Bayshore Companion Dog Training Club's trial Diamond outdid herself. She got a perfect score (100) and took 4th Place. Buddy got a 96, a point better than his previous outing!

#### From Laurence Gesquiere:

Angel started the agility season on a high note; she got the last double Q for her MACH at the Delaware County Kennel Club Trial Saturday. I am so proud of her!

I want to thank two persons without who this wouldn't have been possible: my agility teacher Susan Bankauf and my friend Bonnie Ovnicek who got me hooked on agility competitions. Particular thanks also go to Linda Zislin, Robin and Tim Berry, Cindy Midura and Debra Fronheiser, for their support. Thanks also to all my friends at the Princeton Dog Training Club and at the Metro Shetland Sheepdog Club.

After getting her MACH, Angel also did well at the TBAC trial getting QQ#2 for MACH2 and two 4th places.