



2024 Nationals Wrap Up

**Purina Farms
June 10-17, 2024**

It Takes A Village

There is no way to thank each individual who volunteered their time for Nationals. Just know that each of you is appreciated! The future is bright for MASCUSA and the Miniature American Shepherd!

Thank you to the following individuals who served on Committees for the 2024 Nationals.

National Event Chair: Karen Pence

National Conformation Chair and Assistant National Event Chair: Tina Winston

Committees

Agility: David Yaste (Chair), Deborah Vassar, Jeri Frye, Janice Morris & Tammy Bethel

Catalog: Erin Skoog

Fast Cat: Brandi Jakola (Chair), Mary Frank, Jeri Frye, Krista Keel, Tori Langman & Teresa Hunt

Judges Education: Cheryl Hass

Herding: Michelle Cousin (Chair), Susan Miranti, Melisa Tiffany, Deborah Dulaney, Mary Powell

Hospitality: Patricia Adams (Chair)

MV/UP: Teresa Hunt & Michelle Cousin (co-chairs)

Rally/Obedience: Kris Sothard (Chair), Shelly Weihert, Gary Sothard, Beverly Chang, Melisa Tiffany

Sponsorship: Monica Rinehart

UpDog: Andrew Strovers & Erin Skoog (Co-chairs), Deb Lake, Beverly Chang, Kristine Maser
Vendor: Patricia Adams (Chair)

Volunteer Coordinator: Teresa Hunt

Youth Coordinator: Brandi Jakola

Agility

The Agility Committee led by David Yaste did a wonderful job coordinating two days full of fun for exhibitors. Our Judges Pam Johnson and Dan Wolfson created fun and challenging courses, and we had many compliments on how smoothly the Trials ran. A smooth-running event is a testament to the planning and dedication of these volunteers.



Special Awards

Novice - Wigglebutt Wiggley Widget (Widgett) & Mary Hoover

Open - Wigglebutt Wheel of Time NA NAJ DCAT (Vision) with Holly Zick

Excellent - Skidmore's Cinch Me UP @LFR (Cinch) with Tori Langman

Master - MACH2 Epi's Rapid Response (Epi) with Terri Wyman

Overall High Scoring Mas - MACH2 Epi's Rapid Response (Epi) with Terri Wyman

Overall High Scoring Preferred MAS - Arya and Leah Avvaru

High scoring Junior -- Sarah Ford

Time 2 Beat - AGCH MACH5 Molly MXS2 PDS MJG2 PJS MFC TQX T2B6 and David Yaste

Fast -- AGCH MACH5 Molly MXS2 PDS MJG2 PJS MFC TQX T2B6 and David Yaste

Premier Jumpers - MACH Ashland's Gimli's Fiery Kiss (Gimli) and Terri Wyman

Premier Standard - MACH4 Jumpn's Bet On Black FDC MXG PAD MJG MFS TQX T2B3 SWA

CGC TKA (Roulette) and Yvonne Mancino

Premier Challenge -- MACH Ashland's Gimli's Fiery Kiss (Gimli) and Terri Wyman

Dock Diving



Special Awards

Open Longest Jump -- Flagtree's Twilight Express ACT2 ACTJ2 DS DJ TKA VHMA VSWE FITS FTN (Twix) and Chloe Gray

Lap Dog Longest Jump - Dynasty's Show Me the Honey (Tupelo) with Caitlyn Johnson

Junior Longest Jump -- Flagtree's Twilight Express ACT2 ACTJ2 DS DJ TKA VHMA VSWE FITS FTN (Twix) and Chloe Gray

Fastcat

Brandi Jakola and the volunteers did an outstanding job running a tight ship. Fastcat had a record number of runs and the performance days were full of events and we had a number of MV/Ultimate MAS competitors. Two days of well run fastcat trials allowed those competing in just fastcat as well as in multiple events to be able to do so. Well done!



Special Awards

Junior Team -- Peyton Bryant and Crimson's Born To Be Wild CGC TKN VHMP (Solo)

Fastest MAS -- Patricia Sager and Wigglebutt Magical Beast (Griffin)

Herding

Herding started off the 2024 Nationals with a fun group of Miniature American Shepherds and of course, their owners. Thank you to Michelle Cousin and her committee members for working hard to make this a fun event for all. Purina Farms is a wonderful facility, and we were above to offer Instinct Testing and Herding Trials. Congratulations to the following Miniature American Shepherds and their handlers on their qualifying runs and placements.



Special Awards

Started - Tanasi's Millpoint Rougarou (Roux) and Michelle Cousin
Overall High in Scoring MAS - Tanasi's Millpoint Rougarou (Roux) and Michelle Cousin

Obedience/Rally

Katherine Galotti and Charles Kline set challenging courses for our exhibitors and both judges commented on the fun group of exhibitors that showed. Our Obedience/Rally show chair Kris Sothard did an excellent job and ran an organized group of volunteers.

Special Awards

Obedience - High Scoring Dog from Regular Class

Friday - RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6 RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss)
Saturday - All About Me Crowned A Kingsman of Husker Heart CD RM RAE FDC NAP NJP
NFP ACT2 CGCA TKA ATT (Jett)

Obedience - High Scoring Dog from Preferred Class

Friday - All About Me Crowned A Kingsman of Husker Heart CD RM RAE FDC NAP NJP NFP
ACT2 CGCA TKA ATT (Jett)

Saturday - All About Me Crowned A Kingsman of Husker Heart CD RM RAE FDC NAP NJP
NFP ACT2 CGCA TKA ATT (Jett)

Rally - High Combined (Adv B, Exc B)

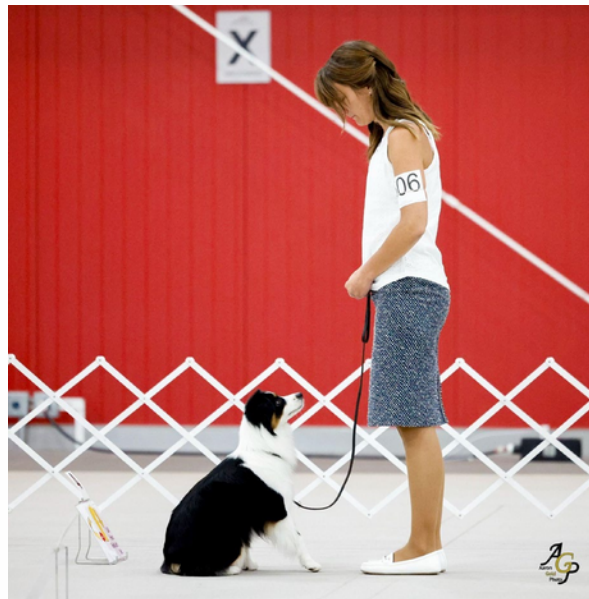
Friday - RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6 RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss)

Saturday - RACH Minisodas A-N-W Frosty Mug CDX PCDX RM2 RAE3 FDC AX AXJ XF BCAT
SWE SA DJ AS HDJ CGC TKP FITB

High Triple Combined (Adv B, Exc B, Master)

Friday - RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6 RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss)

Saturday - RACH Minisodas A-N-W Frosty Mug CDX PCDX RM2 RAE3 FDC AX AXJ XF BCAT
SWE DSA DJ AS HDJ CGC TKP FITB



High in Trials

Obedience

Beginner Novice -- Crimson's Take the Money & Run (Felon) and Donna Clifford

Novice -- Weeping Willow Morning Song BN RA FDC

CGCU TKN FITS (Wren) and Catherine Talbert

Preferred High in Trials --All About Me Crowned A Kingsman of Husker Heart CD RM RAE
FDC NAP NJP NFP ACT2 CGCA TKA ATT (Jett) and Denise Hendrickson

Overall High in Trials -- Weeping Willow Morning Song BN RA FDC
CGCU TKN FITS & Catherine Talbert (Wren)

Junior High in Trials -- Peyton Bryant and Crimson's Born To Be Wild CGC TKN VHMP (Solo)



Special Awards

Novice Pairs -- CH Quail Ridge N 74 Ranch Cruzin In Blu RN OA OAJ NF BCAT SWN CGC TKN
ATT (JoJo) and Wigglebutt Jojo's Incredible Dash RN OA NAJ NF BCAT SCN SEN CGC TKN
ATT (Dash) with Chris Roeder

Novice - Tiffany's Little Princess At Chandrea (Charlotte) with Andrea Haas

Intermediate - Wigglebutt Jojo's Incredible Dash RN OA NAJ NF

BCAT SCN SEN CGC TKN ATT (Dash) with Chris Roeder

Advanced - RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6 RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss)
with Shelly Weihert

Excellent - RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6 RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss)
with Shelly Weihert

Master - RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6 RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss) with
Shelly Weihert

Rally Choice -- All About Me Crowned a Kingsman of Husker Heart (Dash) with Denise
Hendrickson

Overall High in Combined Trials -- RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy in my Heart BN CD RAE6
RM7 CGCA TRKI (Bliss) with Shelly Weihert with a [perfect score of 600](#)

Junior -- Peyton Bryant and Crimson's Born To Be Wild CGC TKN VHMP (Solo)

Up Dog

Nebraska Disc Dogs was honored to host the 2-day UpDog event at the 2024 MASCUSA Nationals. We had some great fun and absolutely loved introducing new players to the game and supporting our junior participants. Congratulations to all of our players for their personal bests, the joy they experienced with their dogs, and a special shout-out to our volunteers for helping us run a smooth event over both days. We could not do this year after year without you!

From - Andrew and Erin



Special Awards

High Scoring Team - Wigglebutt Jojo's Incredible Dash RN OA NAJ NF
BCAT SCN SEN CGC TKN ATT (Dash) with Chris Roeder

Junior - Peyton Bryant and Crimson's Born To Be Wild CGC TKN VHMP (Solo)

Conformation Preshows

Our Show Secretary for the 2024 Nationals was Dogzibit. Official results can be found at [2024 JUN 13-17 MASCUSA NATL GRAY SUMMIT, MO | Dogzibit](#). Suellen Manning was our show secretary on site and our stewards were Willie and Linda Adams with Wright Stewarding. A huge thank you to Willy and Linda for keeping us organized and running smooth.

Conformation started on Thursday, June 13, 2024, with Judge Debbie Melgreen.

19 BPUP 13 Juniors

119 Breed

Best of Breed

Best of Winners

Best Opposite Sex

Select Dog

Select Bitch

Awards of Merit

Best of Breed Owner Handler

Best of Breed Beginner Pup

Best Opposite Sex Beginner Pup

Best Junior

Reserve Best Junior

Winners Dog

Reserve Winners Dog

Winners Bitch

Reserve Winners Bitch

GCHB CH Picasso's Hocus Pocus is My Daddy

LoyaltyPaw's My Cowboy Jeans

GCHG Kidd's Sometimes It Be Like That

GCHP Ch Dynasty's Epic Adventure at Sunpeak
BCAT

GCH CH Timeless Integrity With Taycin

CH Hilltops Best Kept Secret

GCHS CH Homespun That's My Red Lamborghini

GCH CH Crimson's Caught Red Handed FDC DCAT
CGCA CGCU TKN ATT

Moonbaby's Any Way The Wind Blows

GCH CH Crimson's Caught Red Handed FDC DCAT
CGCA CGCU TKN ATT

Duece's Den Breakin Electric Boogaloo

Stellar's Nacho Chuy

Brenley Massie

Ryan Dodd

LoyaltyPaw's My Cowboy Jeans

Legacy's Boom Boom Boom

Moonbaby's Any Way The Wind Blows

Pinewood's Pure Elegance

The **Great Lakes Miniature American Shepherd Club** (GLMASC) hosted the Friday, June 14, 2024, morning pre show judged by Jeffrey Margeson (Beginner Pup & Dogs), James Frederickson (Bitches/Breed) and Brandi Jakola, Juniors.

20 BPUP
12 Juniors
114 Breed

Best of Breed
Best of Winners
Best Opposite Sex
Select Dog

Select Bitch
Awards of Merit

GCH CH Timeless Integrity With Taycin
Hearthside Dulce De Leche
GCHS CH Homespun That's My Red Lamborghini
GCHG CH Two J's Neon Moon TKN DCAT ATT
FDC
GCHB CH Picasso's Hocus Pocus is My Daddy
GCHG Kidd's Sometimes It Be Like That
GCHP2 Applewood's I Will Survive
GCH CH Crimson's Caught Red Handed FDC
DCAT CGCA CGCU TKN ATT
GCH Southern Charms Shock To The Heart

Best of Breed Owner Handler

GCH CH Crimson's Caught Red Handed FDC
DCAT CGCA CGCU TKN ATT

Best of Breed Beginner Pup
Best Opposite Sex Beginner Pup

Duece's Den Breakin Electric Boogaloo
Empire's Great Day Of The Flyers

Best Junior
Reserve Best Junior

Brenley Massie
Ellie Dicke

Winners Dog
Reserve Winners Dog
Winners Bitch
Reserve Winners Bitch

Dden N Blue Elk's Pale Rider
LoyaltyPaw's My Cowboy Jeans
Hearthside Dulce De Leche
All About Me Rhythm Southern Charms Heart
Cadence

The **Southeastern Miniature American Shepherd Club** (SEMASC) hosted the afternoon Friday, June 14, 2024, pre show which was judged by Merle Taylor (Beginner Pup and Dogs), James Noe (Bitches and Breed) and Sarah Crepeau, Juniors

19 BPUP
12 Juniors
122 Breed

Best of Breed
Best of Winners
Best Opposite Sex
Select Dog
Select Bitch
Awards of Merit

Best of Breed Owner Handled

Best of Breed Beginner Pup
Best Opposite Sex Beginner Pup

Best Junior
Reserve Best Junior

Winners Dog
Reserve Winners Dog
Winners Bitch
Reserve Winners Bitch

GCH CH Timeless Integrity With Taycin
Hearthside Dulce De Leche
GCH SouthernCharm's Shock To The Heart
CH Hilltops Best Kept Secret
CH TwoJ's Sweet Sarah At Ridgeview Farm
GCHG CH Two J's Neon Moon TKN DCAT ATT
FDC
GCHG Kidd's Sometimes It Be Like That
GCHB CH Picasso's Hocus Pocus is My Daddy
CH Moonbaby's Any Way The Wind Blows
GCHS CH Tiffany's Take Me Home RA BCAT
CGCA TKA

Dden N Blue Elk's Risky Business
LoyaltyPaw's We'll Never Forget

Brenley Massie
Sarah Ford

MarLoWin's Chasing A Legend
Moonbaby's Rise From The Ashes
Hearthside Dulce De Leche
Chandrea Crown's Southern Belle

Sweepstakes

Suzanne Ritter and Sally Wynn teamed up to Judge our Sweepstakes and special attractions on June 16, 2024.

Suzanne Ritter

- 41 Regular Sweeps
- 12 Head Type (Bitches)
- 3 Brood Bitch
- 24 Movement

Best in Sweepstakes

Best Opposite Sex In Sweepstakes

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes

Best Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweepstakes

Best in Bred By Exhibitor Sweepstakes Chandrea Crown's Southern Belle

Best of Opposite Sex in Bred By Exhibitor Sweepstakes

Best in 24+ Mo Bred By Exhibitor Sweepstakes

Best Opposite Sex in 24+ Mo Bred By Exhibitor Sweepstakes

Head Type (Dog)

Head Type (Bitch)

Stud Dog

Brood Bitch

Brace

Breeders Showcase

Best Movement

Adult Showmanship

Sally Wynn

- 16 Bred By Sweeps
- 10 Head Type (Dog)
- 2 Stud Dog
- 11 Adult Showmanship

CH Moonbaby's Any Way The Wind Blows

Pinewood's Fly Over The Moon To Hilltop

GCHP Ch Dynasty's Epic Adventure at Sunpeak BCAT

GCHG CH Chandrea's Tiffany Blue CD BN RM RAE

NA NAJ NF HT FDC DCAT CGCA CGCU TKI ATT

Empire's Great Day Of The Flyers

CH Coal Dust's Life's A Picnic

CH Tiffany's Legacy of a Legend

GCHS CH Tiffany's Take Me Home RN BCAT
CGCA TKA

GCH CH Timeless Integrity With Taycin

Southern Charm's Shock To The Heart

GCHG CH Chandrea's Tiffany Blue CD BN RM RAE

NA NAJ NF HT FDC DCAT CGCA CGCU TKI ATT

Wigglebutt Jojo's Incredible Dash RN OA NAJ NF
BCAT SCN SEN CGC TKN ATT and CH Quail Ridge N
74 Ranch Cruzin In Blu RN OA OAJ NF BCAT SWN
CGC TKN ATT

Tiffany Heights - Melisa Tiffany

GCH CH Timeless Integrity With Taycin

Melisa Tiffany

National Specialty

Nannette Newbury judged our National Specialty June 17, 2024. This was Nannette's first assignment with MASCUSA since judging the Sweepstakes in 2018. Nannette had wonderful things to say about our breed.

15 BPUP

Best of Breed

Best of Winners

Best Opposite Sex

Select Dog

Select Bitch

Awards of Merit

Best Owner Handler

Best Bred By Exhibitor

Best Veteran

Best Puppy

Best of Breed Beginner Pup

Best Opposite Sex Beginner Pup

Best Junior

Reserve Best Junior

Winners Dog

Reserve Winners Dog

Winners Bitch

Reserve Winners Bitch

12 Juniors

GCHP Alta Oceans Symphony Of The Seas

MarLoWin's Chasing A Legend

GCHP CH Dynasty's Epic Adventure At
Sunpeak BCAT

GCHS CH Homespun That's My Red
Lamborghini

GCHG Coal Dust's Love That Lady In Red
CH Stellar's Blue Ain't Your Color

CH Linderlands Colorful Canvas At Carrollsell

CH Kidds Herd About Hot Wheels

GCHP2 Applewood's I Will Survive

CH Tiffany's Legacy of a Legend

CH Moonbaby's Any Way The Wind Blows

GCHS Milwin's The Sound of Music CGC

GCH CH Timeless Integrity With Taycin

CH Crown Of Destiny

GCH Stellar's Burn It Down

CH Tiffany's Legacy of a Legend

Chandrea Crown's Southern Belle

GCHP CH Dynasty's Epic Adventure At
Sunpeak BCAT

MarLoWin's Chasing A Legend

Dden N Blue Elk's Risky Business

LoyaltyPaw's We'll Never Forget

Brenley Massie

Ellie Dicke

MarLoWin's Chasing A Legend

Pinewood's Fly Over The Moon To Hilltop

Moonbaby's Poetic Justice

Shadow Fox All That Glitters

131 Breed

Agility Showcase



The Agility Showcase was held on Wednesday, June 13, 2024. Our Agility Showcase honored the top ten MACH and PACH dogs. Congratulations to all and thank you for joining us at the 2024 MASCUSA Nationals.

Sarah Ford was also honored on Wednesday night. Sarah is competing for the third year on the Junior's Agility team. While she is pictured with Denali above, she will be traveling to Belgium with Hazel to complete this year. Congratulations Sarah.

Agility Top 10 MACH

1	MACH4 Jumpn's Bet On Black FDC MXC PAD MJC PJD MFS TQX T2B4 SWE CGC TKA	Yvonne Mancino
2	MACH7 Great Companions Timeless Shelby RE MXC2 MJG2 MFG TQX T2B5 CGC	Donna Rager
3	AGCH MACH4 Play It Again At Timeless BN RE FDC MXB2 PDS MJG2 PJS MFC TQX T2B7 BCAT SWESCM SIM SEM SHDM RATCHX4 CZ8P CGCA TKI	Jeanette Ivie
4	MACH2 Silvermist Griffin Of Burr Oak RA MXG MJC MFB TQX T2B3 CGC TKI	Carla Jo Baker
5	AGCH4 MACH20 In The Nik Of Timeless CD BN RM3 RAE3 FDC MXC5 PDB3 MJG6 PJB3 MXP2 MJP2MFS4 TQX MFP T2B23 T2BP CA DCAT SWM SHDM RATCH CZ8P CGCA CGCU TKA	Jeanette Ivie
6	MACH3 Schaefer's Erik The Red MXC MJG MXF T2B ACT2 CGC TKN	Vicci Newland
7	MACH4 Flagtree's Here For A Reason RI MXB2 MJB2 NF BCAT DJ	Jeri Frye
8	AGCH MACH5 Molly MXB2 PDS MJG2 PJS MFG TQX T2B5	David Yaste
9	MACH2 Briarpatch's Star Voyager MXC MJG AXP AJP OF NFP T2B TKI	Mark Evans & Gretchen Evans
10	MACH4 Doc's Ducati Cucciolo MXB2 MJG2 XF T2B8	Tammy Martindale

Agility Top 10 PACH

1	AGCH MACH3 PACH6 Timeless Addi Girl RE FDC MXG MJG MXP15 MXPS2 PDSP MJPI5 MJPS2 PJSP PAX6 MXF TQX MFPG TQXP T2B3 T2BP2 ACT1 CGCA	Mrs. Donna E Rager
2	MACH2 PACH Black's Mighty Caisson MXC MJC MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MFB TQX T2B3	Kim Black
3	AGCH4 MACH20 In The Nik Of Timeless CD BN RM3 RAE3 FDC MXC5 PDB3 MJG6 PJB3 MXP2 MJP2MFS4 TQX MFP T2B23 T2BP CA DCAT SWM SHDM RATCH CZ8P CGCA CGCU TKA	Jeanette Ivie
4	MACH3 PACH Radiant Strike This MXC MJC PJD MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MXF T2B	Beth Fatse
5	PACH2 Diego Kickfritz MXP6 MXPS MJP5 MJPS PAX2 XFP T2BP TKN	Matt Fitzgerald
6	PACH Wigglebutt Black Onyx RA MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MFPB T2BP DCAT SWN CGC	Caroline Bahler
7	PACH Two J's Annie At The Ponderosa MXP6 MXPS MJP5 MJPS PAX2 ACT2 ACT2J CGCA CGCU	Barbara Ebel
8	MACH4 PACH2 Black's Dakota MXS2 MJS2 MXP7 MXPS MJP6 MJPS PAX2 MFS TQX MFPB TQXPBCAT TKI	Kim Black
9	MACH3 PACH2 Southern Star Holly Hi-Socks MXB2 PAD MJB2 MXP10 MXPC PADP MJPI1 MJPC PAX3MXF T2B DCAT SWM SCME SHDN TKI	Lana Neukirch
10	CH PACH Skidmore's Infinity MXP3 MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX MFPB TQXP T2BP2	Teri Wise Hammond



MACH / PACH

Roulette
MACH4 Jumps's Bet On Black FDC MXC PAD MJC PJD MFS TQX T2B4 SWE CGC TKA

Shelby
MACH8 Great Companions Timeless Shelby

Reason
MACH4 FLAGTREE'S HERE FOR A REASON RI MXB2 MJB2 NF BCAT DJ

Molly
AGCH MACH5 Molly MXB2 PDS MJG2 PJS MFG TQX T2B5

Ducati
MACH4 Doc's Ducati Cucciolo MXS2 MJC2 XF T2B9

Addi
AGCH MACH3 PACH7 Timeless Addi Girl RE FDC MXG MJG MXP16 MXPS2 PDSP MJPI6 MJPS2 PJSP PAX7 MXF TQX MFPG TQXP T2B3 T2BP2 ACT1 CGCA

Onyx
PACH Wigglebutt Black Onyx RA MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MFPB T2BP2 DCAT SWN CGC

Annie
Two J's Annie at the Ponderosa MXP6 MXP6 MJP5 MJPS PAX2 ACT2 ACT2J CGCA CGCU

Finn
CH PACH Skidmore's Infinity MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MFPB TQXP T2BP2





Showcase Events

What an exciting night at the Gala on Saturday June 15, 2024. Our theme this year was the Triple Crown. Thank you to Linda Malaussena for creating the one-of-a-kind artwork for our event. Our Judges for this event were:

Jeffrey Margeson, assisted by Steward Junior Handler Ryan Dodd;
Heather Delay assisted by Steward Junior Handler Greyson Palmer; and
Sally Wynn - assisted by Steward Junior Handler Kevin Jakoli.

Top Ten Owner Handled

1	GCHG CH Blue Elks Missing Piece TKN	Allyson Senek/Gary Senek
2	GCHS CH Abingtons I See Blue Ice	Patti Cutler/Shaye Lynn Denman/ Krista Denman-Keel
3	GCHB CH Ivie Farms N Kamar Take Em To The Train Station	Kathy Doehler
4	GCHG CH Chandreas Tiffany Blue CD BN RM RAE HT FDC NA NAJ NF DCAT CGCA CGCU TKI ATT	Melisa Tiffany/Mark Tiffany/Cheryl Hass
5	GCH CH Woodridge Star Of The Show	Sheila Hoskins/Gary Hoskins
6	GCHG CH Tiffany's Diamond In The Rough FDC DCAT CGC ATT	Mark Tiffany/Melisa Tiffany/Sarah Wolfe
7	GCHS CH Brassy Acres The Kings Bishop FDC CGC TKN ATT	Cynthia Weight-Carter/Tobin Weight-Carter
	GCHB CH Tiffany's Take Me Home RN BCAT CGCA TKA	Kelsey Bumgarner/Melisa Tiffany
9	GCH CH Crimson's Caught Red Handed FDC DCAT CGCA CGCU TKN ATT	Teresa Hunt
10	GCHB CH Linderlands Ice Princess	Judy Linder/Sandra Starck



Congratulations to our Top Ten Owner Handled Showcase winner and People's Choice Award winner.

"Naughty" GCH CH Crimson's Caught Red Handed FDC DCAT CGCA CGCU TKN ATT
Bred by Teresa Hunt and Sheila Hoskins
Owned by Teresa Hunt

Top 20 Breed

1	GCHP CH Alta Oceans Symphony Of The Seas	V Nilsson
2	GCHG CH Treasures Lookin4booty Onthe Wild Side@Cedarvalley	K Gardner/V Hovan/T Gallegos
3	GCHP CH Blue Elk Beginning Of An Icon	B Huntington
4	GCHP CH Dynasty's Ember's Living Legend CGC	K Johnson/A DeBraganca/J DeBraganca
5	GCHG CH Blue Elks Missing Piece TKN	A Senek/G Senek
6	GCHP2 CH Applewood's I Will Survive	E Friedman-Smith/M Crepeau/C Smith
7	GCHS CH Abingtons I See Blue Ice	P Cutler/S Denman/K Denman-Keel
8	GCHG CH Alta Oceans Titanic	D DeLuca/D Johnson-Murphy/V Nilsson
9	GCHB CH Wiggle Rump Kiss Me Quick TKN	M Rinehart
10	GCHS CH Abingtons Never Have I Ever	P Cutler
11	GCHG CH Wyndstar Sweet Side	K Kirtley
12	GCHP CH Legacy's Freestyle	S Ritter
13	GCHG CH Energies Schachmatt	R Johnson/K Patzold/R Delay/V Patzold
14	GCHG CH Chandreas Tiffany Blue CD BN RM RAE HT FDC NA NAJ NF DCAT CGCA CGCU TKI ATT	M Tiffany/M Tiffany/C Hass

15	GCHG CH Anthology's I'M Not Fake News CGC ATT	K Sothard/P Cutler/G Sothard
16	GCHS CH Kidd's Sometimes It Be Like That	R Kidd
17	GCH CH Abingtons Now or Never	P Cutler/S Denman
18	GCHP CH Dynasty's Epic Adventure At Sunpeak BCAT	J Keller
19	GCH CH Dynasty's Not Throwing Away My Shot FDC CGC TKA ATT VHMA FITS	E Mortimer/K Johnson
20	GCHB CH Linderlands Ice Princess	J Linder/S Starck



Congratulations to our Top Twenty Showcase winner.

"Kane" GCHG Kidd's Sometimes It Be Like That
Bred and Owned by Robert Kidd

FastCat

1	Latigo's Divinator By Stars PT FDC CAA FCAT3 RATO CGCA CGCU FTI	30.34
2	McCauley's Maverick FCAT4	28.46
3	Dynasty's Ziggy Stardust FCAT	27.96
4	Harvest Wind Gone In 60 Seconds FDC NA OAJ NF FCAT3 DJ TKN	27.88
5	Southern Edition Keeper Of The Flame FCAT2 TKN FITG	27.84
6	Weeping Willow Mountain Melody BN RAE FCAT2 CGC TKP ATT FITG	27.78
7	Sing Like A Mockingbird BCAT	27.68
8	Wigglebutt Magical Beast RN OA OAJ NF DCAT	27.58
9	Silvermist Archie DCAT	27.36
10	4 Clovers Change Perspective OA OAJ FCAT3 SCN SIN THDN DJ DN CGC TKN	27.32

Top 10 Juniors

1	Brenley Massie
2	Gemma Eldridge
3	Tacie Hatch
3	Anja Cikara-Gocke
4	Marius Buchanan (CA)
5	Laura Eaton
5	Alyssa Behnke
7	Cooper Finch
8	Kevin Jakola
9	Marius Buchanan
10	Kyleigh Campbell

Top Ten Rally

1	RACH3 Moonbaby's Pure Joy In My Heart CD BN RM6 RAE6 CGCA TKI	Shelly Weihert
2	RACH Harvest Wind Boom Goes The Dynamite CD BN RM2 RAE2 FDC OAP OJP OFP DCAT SCA SINSEN CGCA CGCU TKE FITB	Jennifer Klang
3	RACH3 Picasso's American Dream CD BN RM8 RAE7 CGC	Paula M Thomason
4	Tanasi's Millpond Rougarou CDX BN RM RAE PT OAP AJP XFP SWN RATO TKI VHMP	Michelle Cousins
5	Knee High's Lil Piece Of Heaven CD BN RM3 RAE2 BCAT CGCA TKI	Robin Botelho
6	Meadow Run Love Of A Lifetime RM RAE2 FDC ACTI ACTIJ CGCA CGCU TKN ATT FITG	Joleen Borg
7	CH Woodridge Resolution CDX RM RAE FDC CGC TKI	Mary Dee Palmer
8	AGCH4 MACH20 In The Nik Of Timeless CD BN RM3 RAE3 FDC MXC5 PDB3 MJG6 PJB3 MXP2 MJP2MFS4 TQX MFP T2B23 T2BP CA DCAT SWM SHDM RATCH CZ8P CGCA CGCU TKA	Jeanette Ivie
9	Crimson's Hot Spring Running Through Cedarwoods RM RAE AX MXJ FCAT TKI	Debi Cocciola.
10	All About Me Crowned A Kingsman Of Husker Heart CD BN RM RAE FDC NAP NJP NFP ACT2 CGCATKA ATT	Denise Hendrickson

Top Obedience

1	OTCH3 Wigglebutt Makin' Me Bounce UDX7 PCDX OGM BN GO RAE FDC SWD SWM SHDN CGCA TKA	Barb Kelm
2	CH Ghost Creek Son Of A Gun VCD2 UD AX AXJ	Norma Rust



Judges Education

Cheryl Hass presented Judges Education material to sixteen individuals and then opened up to a question and answer session which was followed by lunch. After lunch, a hands on presentation was held to watch and discuss movement, examination on the table and then ringside mentoring was held during the Thursday afternoon specialty. Thank you to Cheryl Hass for your excellent presentation!

Visit [Judges Education | MASCUSA](#) for more information.

Most Versatile MAS/Ultimate MAS

The Most Versatile Miniature American Shepherd (MV-MAS) and Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd (UP-MAS) competition is only offered at the MASCUSA National and recognizes those dogs that can do it all. We had a record number of competitors in each. MASCUSA recognizes our Junior Handler teams and Veteran dogs.

Thank you to our Co-Chairs Teresa Hunt and Michelle Cousin for their hard work to make this a wonderful competition for new and seasoned competitors in these events.

Thank you to Billy Huntington for judging our Most Versatile Conformation Component on Thursday. We had 24 competitors competing this year for Most Versatile.

Congratulations to our winners:



Most Versatile MAS

Kadel's Add-In Joia To Minisoda BN RA AX AXJ NF CGC TKI

Owner: Lori McKusick

Breeder: Joyce Kadel

Veteran Most Versatile MAS

RACH Minisodas A-N-X Frosty Mug CDX PCDX RM2 RAE3 FDC AX AXJ XF BCAT SWE DSA
DJ AS HDJ CGC TKP FITB FTN

Owner: Lori McKusick, Rich McKusick

Breeder: Lori McKusick

Ultimate Performance MAS and Veteran MAS

RACH Minisodas A-N-X Frosty Mug CDX PCDX RM2 RAE3 FDC AX AXJ XF BCAT SWE DSA
DJ AS HDJ CGC TKP FITB FTN

Owner: Lori McKusick, Rich McKusick

Breeder: Lori McKusick

Junior Most Versatile MAS

Crimson's Born To Be Wild CGC TKN VHMP

Owner: Peyton Bryant, Heather Hazard.

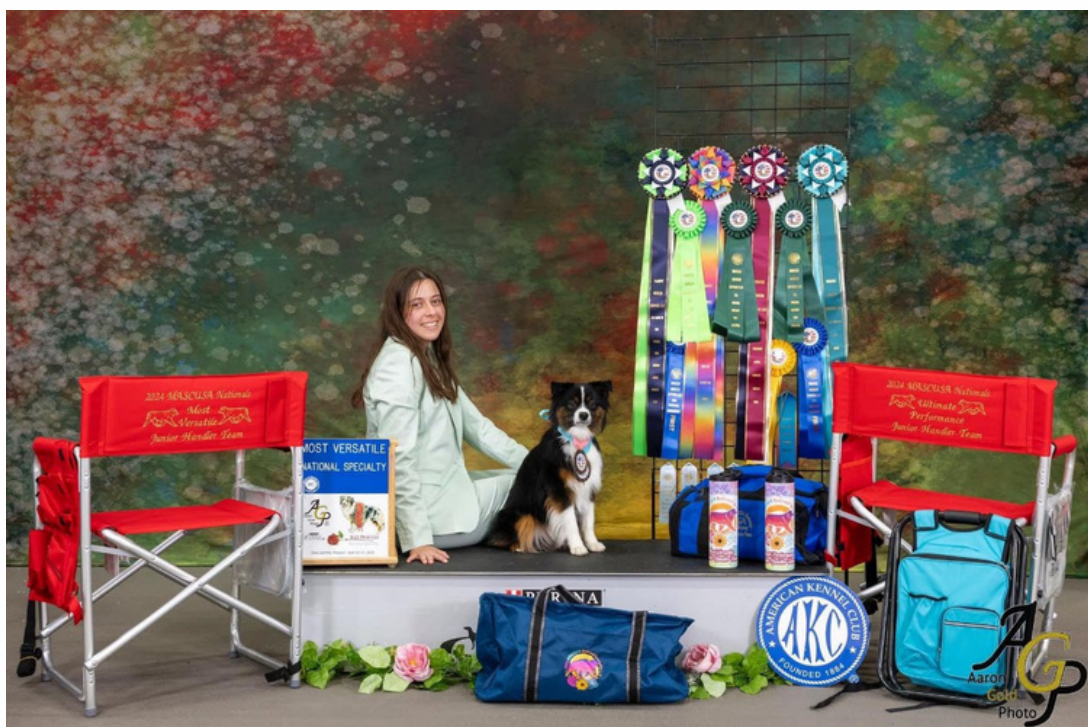
Breeder: Teresa Hunt, Sheila Hoskins

Junior Ultimate Performance MAS

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AKC Outstanding Sportsman Award



The Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA partnered with the American Kennel Club to recognize one outstanding MASCUSA member. AKC provides a medallion for MASCUSA that will be given out to one MASCUSA member each year to recognize them for their contributions. In addition to recognition by MASCUSA, each year the member awarded this honor will go up on MASCUSA's website as well as the American Kennel Club [website](#).

This award honors those individuals who deserve special recognition that have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club.

The Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA is proud to award the 2023 AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award to **Donna Crary-Johnson**.

2023 Goodwill Ambassador

Mid America Miniature American Shepherd Club ("MAMASC") is MASCUSA's oldest and most active affiliate and is the coordinator and benefactor of the MASCUSA Goodwill Ambassador award. A huge thank you to Mindy Stevenson and MAMASC for all they do to promote the Miniature American Shepherd.

Congratulations to our 2023 Goodwill Ambassador Gunner & his owner Tonna Thomas. Fab4 Blues Gunner was awarded his ribbon and a beautiful plaque at the Gala on June 15, 2024. Congratulations to Gunner and Tonna. Thank you for what you do for kids & to promote our wonderful breed!!

Gunner is the ultimate pet therapy dog. Together with his leash holder, Tonna Thomas, they have made over 200 pet therapy visits. That takes a lot of dedication.

He's never met a stranger and especially loves children. He has been visiting classes in Marionville, MO for over 5 years. Gunner is a good listener to readers, and he never corrects them. His favorite is the special education preschool class where he has taught them how to throw a ball, how to count to 3 and that crawling through tunnels can be fun.

Gunner makes regular visits to the Mercy hospital pediatric ward. He snuggles with children, does tricks and will walk down the hall with those who are working to regain strength. Much to Tonna's disappointment, Gunner hates agility, but he has found his calling as a pet therapy dog. Wherever goes, he brings smiles. Gunner and Tonna would like to thank you for recognizing the power of pet therapy and how it impacts lives.



2024 MASCUSA National Specialty

Breed Observations by Judge Nannette L. Newbury

There is no greater honor for a judge than being selected to judge a breed's National Specialty, and this assignment exemplified that for me as well. As an offshoot of the Australian Shepherd, the Miniature American Shepherd is a breed I feel close to and identify with. I was honored to assist in developing the breed standard and creating the first Judge's Education Seminar for the breed.

To explain my judging process, I follow the advice of the great Anne Rogers Clark, who emphatically stated that judges should "make the first cut on type, and then reward the soundest of the typical specimens." If you select first on soundness, thus ignoring type, you can end up with a dog that in no way correctly resembles or is identifiable as a MAS. Breed type matters. In some classes, I could have awarded a dog with better breed type, a higher placement over a more sound dog. It is not a matter of not understanding movement; it is a matter of understanding breed type.

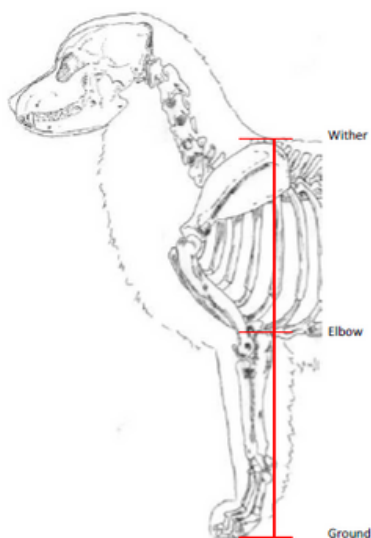
When I judged Sweepstakes classes at the Nationals in 2018, I remember seeing many atypical breed type exhibits, with overly domey topskulls and bulging round eyes. I also saw many dogs with a "hackney" lift to their front legs. Fast-forward to 2024, and I can say that I saw very few, if any, domey topskulls. The overt lift to the front end from the elbow instead of the shoulder was seen less. These are significant improvements in the breed.

Regarding eye shape...I saw many more correct almond-shaped, non-protruding eyes than in 2018. This is a positive. However, there were some lovely dogs shown with round eyes and round and bulging eyes. Eyesight and eye shape directly affect function and safety but also contribute greatly to breed type. Breeders need to continue to select and promote the correct eye shape and to continue eliminating bulging round eyes going forward.

The majority of dogs had the correct texture and length of coat, and very few were overcoated with excessive coat length. In terms of substance, I saw very few dogs that were "overdone" or had too much bone, which is an issue in the Australian Shepherd today. However, I did see some dogs that lacked substance for their size, especially in the rear legs.

Many dogs were out of coat, which doesn't bother me as a judge, and I understand that coat dramatically enhances the "look" or appearance of substance. However, keeping the correct and moderate substance in the breed should be addressed. Maintaining substance is one of the most challenging traits in any breed. Breeding moderate dogs to moderate dogs will not maintain substance. These dogs will lose substance over time. It is necessary to have dogs that perhaps carry more substance than the breed standard requires in order to maintain substance in a breeding program.

The overall and most unfortunate issue for the breed was the location of the withers on the dogs. Ideally, the withers should be over the elbows. Your standard states, "Viewed from the side, the elbow should be directly under the withers."



I was stunned at the number of dogs whose point of the withers was inches (sometimes many inches) in front of the elbow, well up into the neck. If I had to guess, I would say that at least 90% of the dogs were like this. In addition, the shoulder layback was overly wide, rather than the points of the shoulder blades being close at the highest point. In some cases, the shoulders were overly muscled, making it difficult to feel not only the point of the withers but the width of the withers.

Every one of these dogs had a structurally corresponding restricted front reach. This means the front legs could not reach forward correctly with a smooth, free, and easy gait supporting the breed's function. The dogs were thus not balanced front to rear. The lack of proper location of the shoulder blades restricts the correct length of reach (stride length) of the front legs, while the rear legs often were correct with good drive. Many outstanding exhibits had this fault. Correct fronts are the most difficult to acquire and maintain in any breed. This would be the area where I would offer advice to breeders. After selecting pups for breed type, focus on getting the withers back to the proper location on the neck and topline.

In terms of judging coming and going, it is incumbent on the handler to train the dog to execute a straight down and back. A judge cannot see your dog's correct movement if the dog is not moving at the correct speed in a straight line. For the most part, exhibitors did a great job on their down and backs. Regarding breed soundness, I saw several dogs with overly wide fronts. I am not talking about dogs that lacked convergence but dogs that were grossly wide in the front. Many of the rears converged properly at speed, much better than today's Australian Shepherds, which are dominated by dogs with narrow and parallel rears.

I posted a notice on the whiteboard outside the ring asking exhibitors to move their dogs on a loose lead and at the correct speed for the dog. I commend all exhibitors for executing my wishes. By doing so, I could judge each dog's movement properly, and each dog looked its best. I do not think I had to ask one handler to move the dog "more slowly!"

In terms of my selections, I was incredibly honored by the overall numbers and quality of the breed. I was thrilled with my BOS dog being an 8-year-old veteran and my Select Bitch being a 13-year-old veteran. You should all be very proud of the longevity and quality of the breed.

My Winner's Dog was from the puppy class, and he was a promising exhibit that also won Best Puppy. When I first saw him in his class, I immediately wicketed him as he looked right at the top of the height restriction. He measured in and exhibited excellent breed type and overall quality of smooth, free, and easy movement on the side. My Winner's Bitch exemplified feminine traits, especially in her head, and had a quality of movement to complement her type.

My Best of Breed winner had some good competition from other high-quality bitches in Best of Breed. However, when directly compared to others when moving she held together beautifully and represented correct breed type combined with superior movement. Truly a credit to your breed.

The premium list confined me to selecting five (5) male Awards of Merit and five (5) female Awards of Merit. I would suggest, in the future, allowing the judge to select AOMs based on quality, not sex. In this way, the fancy can receive feedback from the judge on where the quality lies in the breed. It is my opinion that this year the bitches outnumbered the dogs in terms of quality.

Overall, my impression is that the breed has made drastic improvements in a short period, which is incredibly commendable. I would encourage breeders to continue this practice, even as breeding becomes more complex and access to dogs is limited due to government or breeder regulations. While breeder control is understandable, in a breed in such an infancy stage and struggling to preserve quality and set correct type, breeders may wish to reconsider overly restrictive breeding contracts. It is time for the breed to work together for the sake of the future of breed preservation.

Again, it was an honor to be selected to judge at this prestigious event. I am incredibly grateful and hope I exceeded your expectations regarding judging the breed based on the breed standard.

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We hope to see you there.

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