



Kiwi Dog Agility



Lou Baker & the Amazing Tess ADX Gold, JDX, FD, CGC Gold

Go to an agility show almost anywhere in the North Island and you will find Lou Baker with her great little camper setup making a cosy place for her team of Shelties. Most known is Tess, who has clocked up just about as many kilometres running around agility courses taking that number to 1251 on her recent retirement in December 2010. Tess is also well known in Flygility circles and so it is no wonder such a consistent little dog also has Canine Good Citizen Gold to her credit. Below is a collection of interesting facts and figures:

Interesting Facts

1st Clear Round – Auckland Champ Show 3 February 2002
100th Clear Round – North Shore 1 March 2003
200th Clear Round – Manukau 20 March 2004
300th Clear Round – Tokoroa 15 January 2005
400th Clear Round - Norwest Champ Show 29 January 2006
500th Clear Round – Palmerston North (National Dog Show) 30 September 2006
600th Clear Round – Rotorua 13 May 2007
700th Clear Round – Tokoroa 13 January 2008

800th Clear Round – North Taranaki 14 June 2008
900th Clear Round – Waikato Agility Group (WAG) 14 December 2008
1000th Clear Round – Rotorua 23 May 2009
1100th Clear Round - Akarana 14 November 2009
1200th Clear Round – North Taranaki 12 September 2010
1251st Clear Round – Waikato Agility Group (WAG) 12 December 2010 - Retired

Notable Achievements

Top Midi Dog for Zone One 2002 and 2003 Runner-up 2004
A.D (Agility Dog) Hibiscus Coast 02 March 2003
N.A.C (National Agility Competition) Finalist Wellington 13 July 2003
A.D.X (Agility Dog Excellence) Tauranga 04 October 2003
A.D.X.B (ADX Advanced Bronze) Waikato Agility Group 06 December 2003
A.D.X.S (ADX Advanced Silver) Cambridge 15 February 2004
A.D.X.G (ADX Advanced Gold) Taupo 29 August 2004
JD (Jumpers Dog) Feilding 4 October 2009
JDX (Jumpers Dog Excellence) North Taranaki 4 July 2010
FD (Flygility Dog) - 24 October 2009
CGC Foundation (Canine Good Citizen) 1 May 2010
CGC Bronze (Canine Good Citizen) 1 May 2010
CGC Silver (Canine Good Citizen) 16 May 2010
CGC Gold (Canine Good Citizen) 16 May 2010

The current records show Tess as being the following First Dog to ever achieve:

500 Clear Rounds
600 Clear Rounds
700 Clear Rounds
800 Clear Rounds
900 Clear Rounds
1000 Clear Rounds
1200 Clear Rounds
Most Clears Rounds in a Calendar Year (2009) 218
Most Consecutive Clear Round Certificates 56
What an amazing little dog! Congratulation to a superb team.

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