

Breed First - Novice Agility Jumpers With Weaves (NAJ)



Sir Hennessy Cognac NA, NAJ, WP, WPX, WPS

Ray & Barbara Slish

By Barbara Slish

Ray bought this dog on the spur of the moment at six-weeks of age with no intentions of keeping him, but to cheer up his wife, Barbara, who was hooked up to an oxygen machine 24 hours a day with time running out to get a transplant. A donated lung became available with no time to spare, and by then they were already bonded with the new pup. Since Ray collects Saint items and knew that Hennessy Cognac Company used Saint Bernards in their ads in the 50s, the pup was named Sir Hennessy Cognac with "Hennessy" being his call name.

It did not take long to see that Hennessy was not a Saint for conformation, in looks or temperament. They decided to make him a weight puller, which all of their dogs have been known for. It turned out to be a good decision as this year Hennessy over took their first Saint's record as the highest pointed Saint in weight pulling.

Back in 1990 they had another Saint that did agility before the AKC recognized it. That dog did well so they thought this would be perfect for Hennessy with his high energy level; this proved to be another good decision. Hennessy amazed everyone by showing that a Saint has both speed and the agility to perform in the ring. He earned his AKC Novice Standard Agility title (NA), competing in just five events, on August 6, 2000, and then went on to earn his AKC Novice Jumpers With Weaves title (NAJ) on March 31, 2001, making *Hennessy the first Saint with two agility titles*. To show how good this Saint is, at one show Ray had a bad back and could not take Hennessy in the ring. So, a handler who had never met Hennessy took him in the ring that day and received a qualifying score.

At the last agility trial Hennessy came in 1st place in Novice Standard.

Hennessy is proud to be a working dog.

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Weaving Through the Poles



Jumping Through the Tire



Going Over the A Frame



Clearing a Jump



Out of the Tunnel and Heading for the Finish!

First Saint Bernard to Earn The Agility Title
Novice Agility Jumpers With Weaves (NAJ)

March 31, 2001

First Saint Bernard To Earn The Novice Agility Jumpers With Weaves Title (NAJ)

Saint Bernard National Archive's AKC Agility Record {Regular} For:

Sir Hennessy Cognac NA NAJ WPS

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CH	Titles	Date	2Qs	MQs	NA A	NA B	OA	AX A	AX B	MX	NAJ A	NAJ B	OAJ	AXJ A	AXJ B	MXJ	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	#	M	F	
(1) Novice																								
		July 29, 2000			94.62.55																			
		August 05, 2000			100.60.24																			
	NA	August 06, 2000			100.47.36																			
Class Summary			3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
(1) Novice Jumpers With Weaves																								
		October 22, 2000																						
	NA	February 17, 2001																						
	NA NAJ	March 31, 2001																						
Class Summary			3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Overall Summary			6	ERR	ERR	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0

2Qs = Dogs qualifying with scores in the Standard and Jumpers with Weaves classes on the same day

MQs (Master Agility Champion) = Dogs qualifying with scores in the EXCELLENT B Standard and Jumpers with Weaves classes on the same day

= Number of advanced scores from the Open and/or Excellent classes

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