

Breed First - Novice F.A.S.T. Qualifying Score & First Novice F.A.S.T. Preferred Title (NFP)



CH/WDCH XmaxKris Van 'T Hof Ten Eynder CD, CDX, UD, UDX, RN, RA, RE, RAE, TD, NAP, NJP, OAP, OJP, AXP, AJP, MXP, MXP2, MXP3, MXP4, MJP, MJP2, MJP3, NFP, VCD1, VCD2, DD, WP, WPX, WPS

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On January 1, 2007, the American Kennel club introduced a new class for Agility. The class is called Fifteen And Send Time (F.A.S.T.). The Agility Regulations defines the class as follows:

“Purpose. This agility tiling class is meant to be an additional test of strategy skill, accuracy, speed, strategy, and timing and distance handling, to demonstrate a dog’s athletic ability and willingness to work with its handler in a fast-paced atmosphere over a variety of agility obstacles.”

“Definition. As indicated by the title the Fifteen and Send Time Class uses fifteen (15) point valued obstacles and/or obstacle combinations. The course will include a ‘Send Bonus’ or distance element that will award a bonus of twenty (20) points if completed successfully, and is identified as the ‘Send Bonus’. Six of the fifteen (15) point valued obstacles must be single bar jumps (typically winged) valued at one point each. Winged jumps are assumed to have a value of one point unless otherwise denoted by the judge. Nine (9) additional obstacles on the course will be assigned unique values from 2 through 10 by the judge.”

On January 15, 2007 (fifteen days after the new titles were introduced), Kris earned his third qualifying Novice Fast Preferred (NFP) score and we thought the title! All three scores were earned in three consecutive days; but then came the news from AKC that one judge had judged the twenty-inch jump height class for those three consecutive days!

The qualifying score printouts at the trial showed differently, but one was printed in error. With a four day weekend of the same two judges judging the 12 classes we were entered in, the change of judge and the misprinted qualifying score information added to the confusion. As a result, we had to wait until the **February 17th** trial to try again for another qualifying score under a different judge.

On that date, Kris ran a great course to become the **first** Saint Bernard to earn the new AKC title Novice Fast Preferred (NFP).

Not bad for an eight-year-old who on that date added title number **thirty-one (31)** to his name!

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Kris winning an Award of Merit at the Saint Bernard Club of America's National Specialty, 5 months earlier under Specialty Judge, Mr. Stanley Zielinski

**First Saint Bernard & First Champion to earn a
Novice F.A.S.T. Qualifying Score
January 13, 2007**

**First Saint Bernard & First Champion to earn a
First Novice F.A.S.T. Preferred (NFP) Title
February 17, 2007**

First Saint Bernard to Earn a Novice F.A.S.T. Agility Qualifying Score & Title
Saint Bernard National Archive's AKC F.A.S.T. Agility Record For:

CH/WDCH XmaxKris Van 'T Hof Ten Eynder VCD2 UDX RAE MXP4 MJP4 NFP DD WPS
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CH	Titles	Date	Time	Score	NFA	NFB	OF	XFA	XF B	MXF	NFP	OPF	XFP A	XFP B	MFP	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	#	M	E
(1) Novice F.A.S.T. Preferred																						
2001-CH	VCD2 UDX RAE MXP4 MJP3	January 13, 2007	35	51							36.30						2					
2001-CH	VCD2 UDX RAE MXP4 MJP3	January 14, 2007	35	55							25.19							3				
2001-CH	VCD2 UDX RAE MXP4 MJP3	January 15, 2007	35	54							29.09						2					
2001-CH	VCD2 UDX RAE MXP4 MJP3 NFP	February 17, 2007	35	55							34.70					1						
Class Summary		4		53.75	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	0	31.32	ERR	ERR	ERR	0	1	2	1	0	0		
Overall Summary		4		53.75	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	0	31.32	ERR	ERR	ERR	0	1	2	1	0	0	m	

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

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