Hall of Fame Record - Most Titled Bitch 31 Titles



By Terry Popish

Tundra was adopted by me in February 2008 from the Saint Bernard Rescue Foundation. We did not know her exact birthdate, so we set as June 1, 2007. She was surrendered with her mother by her owner to Animal Control to be euthanized. The owner was unable to confine the dogs and they roamed the streets of Portland on multiple occasions.

Both dogs were taken by the Saint Rescue and placed in foster homes. I adopted Tundra a day later. She had never been separated from her mother and she was so scared. She hid behind my coach for over a week only came out to eat and drink. Tundra had severe separation anxiety, she tried going through my glass window and would climb over my 5-foot fencing to escape if left alone. I was considering returning her to Rescue but decided to give her one more chance. I harnessed her up to a wagon with 40 lbs of weight in it (first time on a cart) and went for a several mile walk in the woods. This event totally changed her-she had found her calling. She finally felt secure and started to bond to her new family. She adored her "brother" Hummer, they did everything together. Tundra trained and competed in multiple venues-obedience, rally, agility, barn hunt and draft work.

Top Performance Saint Bernard Bitch in History earning 36 titles in AKC, SBCA, + NADAC, ASCA and Barn Hunt. She excelled in Draft Work. Tundra earned her Draft Dog Title on May 21, 2010 in Selma, Oregon. My goal had always been to earn a Team Draft Dog Title. My other Saint had already earned his Draft Dog title, so now we could take the team test. On October 30, 2010 in Healdsburg, CA we earned our Team Draft Dog title.

I was so excited to hear that the Working Dog Committee had been working on a Draft Dog Excellent Test. I had no idea what would be expected of us. I knew that we would need to carry more weight, so I just keep conditioning my dogs and practicing different maneuvers. The final regulations for the new Excellent Draft Test were released on September 14, 2011. The 2011 Saint National in New York was the first to offer the test, but no one attempted it. I asked the Saint Bernard Club of the Pacific Coast if they would offer the test at their draft test in November of 2011 and they said yes. On November 5, 2011, three dogs attempted the DDX test (two of the dogs were mine) and two dogs passed. Tundra was the first dog to successfully complete the entire test earning her the very first Draft Dog Excellent title in the country.

Tundra became the first Saint Bernard in history to earn the DDX2 title (Draft Dog Excellent 2) on September 26, 2012 in Midway, UT at the 2012 Saint Bernard National. She was also the first & only Saint Bernard to earn a DDX title with a Travois.

I decided to use a travois instead of a cart for this test. I wanted to do something different. The judges were not sure how to judge the DDX with a travois (no one had ever attempted it before). One of the judges asked why I would want to use a travois instead of a cart? The answer was, "because I could"! I was not even sure if the "360-degree wheel spin" could be done with a travois. We learned that a very controlled sidestep was needed to make the spin. We worked extremely hard practicing the back up as well (it feels very different to the dog compared to a cart). We modified the travois to allow for the 10-foot backup and wheel spin working on different surfaces. The travois wanted to dig into the ground during the "backup" and slide sidewise during the "wheel spin". Our modifications worked out great for the test and Tundra preformed all the exercises flawlessly. She is a true working dog and she always gets the job done.

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At the SBCA National in Santa Fe, MN on September 30, 2015 my 2 senior dogs Tundra and Hummer earned the first TDD with a Travois (TDD2 for both).

Tundra competed in Obedience, Rally and Barn Hunt and did very well in all. She also competed in agility and qualified for the AKC National Agility Invitation 4 years in a row 2012-2016. Tundra very consistent in agility, she rarely faulted.

I am so proud of both of my dogs and grateful for all the experiences and memories that we have made together. It was never my goal or intention to set records or to earn the most titles with my two dogs, I just enjoyed spending time with them, and they just wanted the same thing. There is a quote by Gail Storm that agility competitors repeat often. "The real joy is in the privilege and ability to step to the start line with your dog by your side, not in the crossing of the finish line, victorious over others."

I hope that during my 12-year journey with Hummer and Tundra, training and competing in a variety of different venues-that we have inspired other Saint owners to "think outside the box". Just because someone tells you that a Saint Bernard cannot to do something-does not make it true. Hug your dog every day and tell them that you love them because they are never with us long enough.

Tundra was my "Sweet Girl" and loving sister to Hummer for almost 12 years. I am so thankful that I gave her another chance and she made me realize that I should never give up on a dog no matter what challenges we may face.

WDCH Snowy Pines Tundra CD, CDX, GN, RN, RA, RE, NAP, OAP, AXP, MXP, MXP2, MXP3, MXPB, NJP, OJP, AJP, NFP, OFP, XFP, RATN, RATO, FDC, CGC, CGCA, CGCU, DD, DDX, DDX2, TDD, TDD2

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Most-Titled Saint Bernard Bitch With 31 Titles to Her Name

Snowy Pines Tundra's 31 Titles And Dates

1. III September 27, 2000	1.	RN	September 27, 2008
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- 2. RA June 17, 2009
- 3. CD October 05, 2009
- 4. RE October 05, 2009
- 5. GN July 23, 2010
- 6. NAP January 16, 2011
- 7. OAP April 16, 2011
- 8. NJP May 01, 2011
- 9. OJP October 15, 2011
- 10. AJP December 30, 2011
- 11. NFP December 30, 2011
- 12. AXP January 01, 2012
- 13. OFP October 14, 2012
- 14. MXP March 03, 2013
- 15. CDX August 16, 2013
- 16. MXP 2
 October 11, 2013

 17. RATN
 February 08, 2014
- 17. KATN
 February 08, 2014

 18. CGC
 February 20, 2014
- 19. CGCA February 20, 2014
- 20. MXPB April 11, 2014
- 20. MXPB
 April 11, 2014

 21. RATO
 June 01, 2014
- 21. RATO
 June 01, 2014

 22. MXP 3
 March 21, 201
- 22. MXP 3 March 21, 2015
- 23. XFP November 28, 2015
- 24. CGCU December 03, 2015
- 25. FDC June 03, 2017

+ Saint Bernard Club of America Titles

- 26. DD May 21, 2010
- 27. TDD October 30 2010
- 28. DDX November 5, 2011
- 29. DDX2 September 26, 2012
- 30. WDCH August 16, 2013
- 31. TDD2 September 30, 2015