

Breed Firsts - Novice Stunt Dog {NSD}



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Bill was born on July 1, 2018 which is fitting as that is Canada Day, Bill was born in Manitoba, Canada.

Bill was just over 1.5 years-of-age when Covid changed our training pattern. We were stuck at home and looking for something to do, so a friend recommended we try trick training.

Bill took to it right away! In less than 6-months, Bill earned all his Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Performer Trick Dog titles and we did our Elite Performer in January 2022. We are a self-taught team but rely on support and advice from good friends. With a large repertoire of tricks, we decided to move on to Stunt Dog training.

Stunt Dog is any kind of live trick dog show performance; basically putting together a string of tricks and feats (with some props) in a cohesive way. The **Novice Stunt Dog (NSD)** has a prerequisite of having earned a Novice Trick Dog title. The dog works on leash in the ring and must perform some basic obedience, distance work and novice level tricks within 6-minutes. Three required props at all levels include Pedestal, Target Mark and Hoop(s).

Bill achieved the 4 AKC Stunt Dog titles in less than two months! All of Bill's trick and stunt training has helped in his everyday life as a D.O.G. (Director of Greetings) for a financial institution. Bill visits branches, schools and attends special events - happily showing off tricks and demonstrating how to safely meet new dogs. Bill is a once-in-a-lifetime dog who gives his all and loves everyone he meets. Bill enjoys agility, kick sledding, nose work, has tried his paw at barn hunt and is learning how to dock dive. I'm so blessed to have him in my life and can't wait for our next adventure. We're honoured to be the First in Breed to achieve Stunt Dog Titles.

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**First Saint Bernard to Earn The Title
Novice Stunt Dog**

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