

OUR PHILOSOPHY

I have been training quarter horses for 26 years. I trained hunting dogs (pointers and labs) for 5-6 years and herding dogs for 9 years. Man, time flies! I have found that training horses and dogs have a lot in common. I started with an Australian Cattle Dog to help handle the cattle for our team roping. My first Border Collie, Patches is the most talented, natural working dog one could ever wish to have as a partner. Patches was a natural with the cattle, she learned to read them and proved to be invaluable.

I am a very staunch believer in the basics and I believe that fundamentals are the most important thing in training. That I train all dogs with the same fundamentals, but I keep individuality in mind. Each dog is different, just like each person is different.

TRAINING & TRIALING

There is nothing that gives me a greater high than getting to see that young pup turn on to stock for the first time.

I trial my dogs, but I expect them to do everyday farm chores and be useful. They must be able to think on their own, but they must not hesitate when commands are given. We have a combination of cattle, St. Croix sheep, goats and ducks, so they get polished from time to time.

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WORKING BORDER COLLIES



INTRODUCTION TO STOCK DOGS

Stock Dogs have been used for centuries to help man manage livestock. Stock Dogs work in all types of weather, don't complain and the work itself is reward for a well bred Stock Dog.

A well bred, well trained Stock Dog can save a rancher/farmer thousands of dollars normally spent on man hours. Stock Dogs have been developed into several breeds with specific uses.

Border Collies were developed in the England/Scotland region solely for their working ability. They can do it all on the ranch/farm and easily become the rancher/farmer's right hand man.

Border Collies are intelligent, thinking dogs with tremendous work ethic. Border Collies are easily trained and once they know what you want they can usually perform the task without much help from you.

Because of their intelligence and strong work ethic Border Collies are not usually good pets. They need a job, a purpose, something to keep them busy. If this stimulation is not provided they can make their own work and that usually leads to trouble in the family.

AWAY2ME FARM

Away2Me Farm consists of 30 acres of rolling pasture, woods and three ponds. We have ducks, sheep and roping horses. Jack manages the farm and Debbie trains and trials the dogs.



Our Working Border Collies work sheep, ducks, goats and cattle.

1. We stock handle
2. Give exhibitions
3. Raise and train working stock dogs
4. Raise and sell St. Croix sheep
5. Train ALL types of dogs

We can train your dog for practical farm or ranch work or for the trial field. We learned from some of the best: Bob Vest, Vern Thorpe and Nyle Sealine.

OUR DOGS

Our dogs are a part of the family. They are a way of life, always around to train, breed and trial. It is because of our love of the dog and our devotion to the breed we are very particular in the homes that our pups go to. We breed both for farm work and for trialing with these characteristics in mind: Intelligence, biddability, and a powerful work ethic. With the final purpose in our breed program to be to uphold and preserve the working Border Collie.

At Away2Me farm, our dogs are brought up with a solid foundation. From the time they are small pups, they are well socialized and expected to be well mannered. They are trained with patience and understanding but with a firm hand.

