

VALLEY HILLS OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.

Annual Awards

The VHOC Annual Awards Banquet, which will be held January 26, 2014, is a singular event at which we welcome new members, recognize outstanding service to the club, honor members' special accomplishments during the previous year (heretofore, the "current year"), and share our common link: our love of dogs.

Terms of Eligibility, Rules and Regulations:

- All VHOC members whose dog(s) completed a title in the current year are eligible to receive title plaques.
- Awards #4-23 are open only to those VHOC members who have attended at least FIVE VHOC events in the current year, where "event" is meant to include general membership or board meetings, the Annual Awards Banquet of the previous year, the general or agility Holiday Party, and VHOC matches and trials. Members who *work* an approved VHOC event (e.g., a match or trial) for a predetermined amount of time (TBD in advance of the event by the trial committee and/or Board of Directors) will be given credit for attending *two* events. Note: As each day of our two-day trial counts as a separate event, a member who works both days will therefore receive credit for four events.
- In the spirit of equity and to encourage a wider range of award recipients, we ask that VHOC instructors not apply for awards in the sport that they teach.
- Perpetual awards will be kept by the recipient for one year and returned to VHOC by January 10 of the following year. If for any reason the recipient should cease to be a member in good standing of VHOC, it is expected that s/he return the trophy to the club at that time.
- All awards are for the American Kennel Club registry, unless otherwise specified.

General Awards:

1. Title Plaques

VHOC offers a plaque to all members whose dog(s) completed a title in any performance sport from any registry, the final leg of which must have been earned during the current year.

2. A-Team Award

In recognition of first-time achievement, VHOC offers an award to all members who earned a Novice A title in obedience, rally or agility (any registry), the final leg of which must have been earned during the current year.

3. American Breed Championship Medallion

VHOC offers an award given to all members whose dog(s) completed a breed championship, the finishing points of which must have been earned during the current year.

4. Outstanding Junior Handler Awards

In recognition of outstanding performance, Andy and Idelle Tyzbir, in memory of Minna Mott, offer an award to all junior handlers competing at licensed trials in any performance sport, in any registry. Junior handlers are asked to submit a brief paragraph summarizing their accomplishments achieved during the current year.

Special Obedience Awards:

5. George Giswein Memorial Trophy

A perpetual trophy to be presented to the member whose CDX or UD dog has the highest aggregate score for five separate shows during the current year, in either Open or Utility work. The purpose of this award is to encourage the continued exhibition of dogs that have earned obedience titles. No scores earned before a competing dog earned his/her title will be acceptable toward the total scores for this trophy. Both CDX and UD dogs are eligible to compete, but the scores used must be in Open or Utility, not a combination of the two. If a dog is shown in more than five shows, only the five highest scores will apply.

6. 200 Award

An award for a score of 200 earned at a licensed obedience trial of any registry during the current year.

7. Ch. Maveric of Varagon. CDX Memorial Trophy in Memory of Minna Mott

A perpetual award offered by Val and Ray Gonsor in memory of Minna Mott will be presented to the member whose dog (including All-Americans) completed a CD, CDX or UD title in any registry with the highest total score for three legs, as follows:

- a. Owner must be a member in good standing at the time each leg is earned. Date of membership will be the date on which the Club approved the application.
- b. Handler must be the owner or member of owner's immediate family.
- c. Final leg must be earned during the current year.
- d. No failures permitted before or between qualifying legs.
- e. Trophy will be presented at the Awards Dinner. The recipient will keep it for one year, returning it to the President BEFORE January 10th.
- f. To obtain permanent possession of the trophy, it must be won three times, not necessarily with the same dog.
- g. Each winner will have his/her name, the dog's call name, class and year of presentation engraved on the trophy.

8. Greenberg-Hochman Memorial Trophy

A perpetual trophy offered by Ira and Loretta Greenberg and Ken and Susie Hochman in memory of Ch. Iralor's Bit of Gold, CD, Ch. Sebastian of Bel-Air, Golden Pride of Iralor CD and Rusnel's Joshua CD to the member whose dog has the highest combined scores in any regular obedience class from AKC licensed trials.

- a. Owner must be a member of VHOC for at least six months.
- b. Owner must be a member in good standing.
- c. All scores used may be a combination of any and all classes, whether regular or non-regular, and must be qualifying scores.
- d. All scores must be made between January 1 and December 31 of the current year.
- e. No minimum combination of scores, but a maximum of seven. If a dog is shown in more than seven trials, only the seven highest scores will apply.
- f. Trophy will be presented at the Awards Dinner. The recipient will be allowed to keep it for one year, returning it to the President BEFORE January 10th.

9. Highest Scoring VHOC Member Perpetual Trophy

A perpetual trophy offered by Allen Brown to the highest scoring VHOC member from the regular classes at one of the current year's VHOC Obedience Trials. The recipient will keep it for one year, returning it to the President BEFORE January 10th.

10. Highest Scoring VHOC Member Okman-Tyzbir Perpetual Trophy

Andy and Idelle Tyzbir offer a perpetual trophy to the highest scoring VHOC member who does not qualify for any other award presented at our Awards Banquet, with the exception of a title plaque or Ch. Medallion. There is a minimum of two scores and no maximum. Non-qualifying scores will be accepted.

11. The Red Nadauld Family Trophy

A perpetual trophy awarded to the member with the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a Utility A title. The final leg must be earned during the current year.

12. UDX Award

An award offered to the member with the ten highest combined qualifying scores in Open B and Utility B. The final leg must have been earned during the current year.

13. Non-AKC Award

An award offered to the member with the five highest aggregate scores in any obedience class from a non-AKC obedience registry, e.g.: UKC, ASCA, AMBOR, WIOC, SCDOC (Top Dog), etc.

Multiple Sport Award:

14. Multiple Sport Title Acknowledgment

Laurie Burnam offers a perpetual trophy to all members who obtain two or more titles from different sports (i.e., obedience, agility, conformation, herding, lure coursing, field, tracking, carting or hunting), in any registry. All qualifiers' names will be listed by year; the trophy will be held for one year by the member with titles in the most performance sports. In the event of a tie, the trophy will be awarded to the handler with the most titles earned.

Rally Awards:

15. High Scoring Rally Novice Award

Sandy Walton offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a Rally Novice title. The final leg must have been earned in the current year. Failures before or between legs are permitted. Title may be earned from the A or B class.

16. High Scoring Rally Advanced Award

Carole Raschella offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a Rally Advanced title. The final leg must have been earned in the current year. Failures before or between legs are permitted. Title may be earned from the A or B class.

17. High Scoring Rally Excellent Award

Sarah Sykes offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a Rally Excellent title. The final leg must have been earned in the current year. Failures before or between legs are permitted. Title may be earned from the A or B class.

Agility Awards:

18. High Scoring AKC Agility Novice Award

VHOC offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of an AKC Novice Standard title and three legs of a Novice Jumpers titles (six titling scores in total). The final leg (from either the Standard or Jumpers class) must have been earned in the current year. Titles may be earned from the Regular or Preferred, A or B classes. In the event of a tie, handlers may be asked to submit additional data, such as Yards Per Second, or Course Yardage & Dog's Course Time.

19. High Scoring AKC Agility Open Award

VHOC offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of an AKC Open Standard title and the three legs of an Open Jumpers title (six titling scores in total). The final leg (from either the Standard or Jumpers class) must have been earned in the current year. Titles may be earned from the Regular or Preferred, A or B classes. In the event of a tie, handlers may be asked to submit additional data, such as Yards Per Second, or Course Yardage & Dog's Course Time.

20. High Scoring AKC Agility Excellent A Award

VHOC offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of an AKC Excellent A Standard title and the three legs of an Excellent A Jumpers title (six titling scores in total). The final leg (from the Standard or Jumpers class) must have been earned in the current year. Titles may be earned from the Regular or Preferred classes. In the event of a tie, handlers may be asked to submit additional data, such as Yards Per Second, or Course Yardage & Dog's Course Time.

21. High Scoring NADAC/ASCA Agility Novice Award

Carole Hills offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a NADAC or an ASCA Novice Standard title (NAC/RS-N) and the *first two* legs of a NADAC or an ASCA Novice Jumpers title (NJC/JS-N). Legs may come from the Proficient or Skilled category (NADAC) and the A or B class (ASCA). The final leg (from the Standard or Jumpers class) must have been earned in the current year. Members may submit their five scores for each registry; however, scores from the two registries cannot be combined. In the event of a tie, handlers may be asked to submit additional data, such as Yards Per Second, or Course Yardage & Dog's Course Time.

22. High Scoring NADAC/ASCA Agility Open Award

Kim and Terry Simons offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of their NADAC or an ASCA Open Standard title (OAC/RS-O) and the *first two* legs of a NADAC or an ASCA Open Jumpers title (OJC/JS-O). Legs may come from Proficient or Skilled category (NADAC) and the A or B class (ASCA). The final leg (from the Standard or Jumpers class) must have been earned in the current year. Members may submit their five scores for each registry; however, scores from the two registries cannot be combined. In the event of a tie, handlers may be asked to submit additional data, such as Yards Per Second, or Course Yardage & Dog's Course Time.

23. High Scoring NADAC/ASCA Agility Elite Award

Kim and Terry Simons offer a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a NADAC or an ASCA Elite Standard title (EAC/RS-E) and the *first two* legs of a NADAC or an ASCA Elite Jumpers title (EJC/JS-E). Legs may come from Proficient or Skilled category (NADAC) and the A or B class (ASCA). The final leg (from either the Standard or Jumpers class) must have been earned in the current year. Members may submit their five scores for each registry; however, scores from the two registries cannot be combined. In the event of a tie, handlers may be asked to submit additional data, such as Yards Per Second, or Course Yardage & Dog's Course Time.

