

A scenic landscape photograph of a green field with sheep and a dog, overlaid with a large 'View Only' watermark. The scene is set during a golden hour, with a warm, orange glow in the sky. In the foreground, a lush green field is filled with tall grass. A small group of white sheep is gathered in the middle ground, and a black and white dog is visible in the lower left. The background features rolling hills covered in dense trees with autumn foliage in shades of green, yellow, and red. A large, bold, black watermark reading 'View Only' is diagonally placed across the center of the image.

2025
Border
Collies

North East Border Collie Association

Dog Whelping Calendar

A bitch bred on the date indicated by the large figure will be due to whelp on the date shown in smaller dates, immediately below. The name of the bitch may be written over the numerals for convenience in recording breeding date. Dates are based on the normal gestation period of 63 days, variations of two or three days either way are not unusual.

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About the Border Collie

The dog trainer works with this natural tendency of the dog, encouraging it to gather stock into a group and keep them together while fetching them to the trainer. This is the point at which the dog's natural ability to "balance" on sheep is revealed. The dog instinctively positions itself in such a way that the stock move in a straight line to the handler. This is also when the dog is taught the commands for stopping (down), moving toward the stock (walk up), slowing down (stand or take time), moving clockwise around the stock (go bye or come bye) and counter-clockwise (away to me) and finally stop working (halt it). When these lessons have been learned the youngster is taught to drive the stock away from the handler instead of fetching them. The distance between the dog and handler is continually increased until the dog can work out of sight of its handler who may be a half mile or more away.

Most dogs are introduced to whistle commands at some point in their training. The sound of the whistle carries farther than the voice and is easier for the dog to understand at a distance. A dog that has progressed this far in training has become a very useful farm laborer capable of saving its owner an enormous amount of work.

The Border Collie breed was developed by shepherds in Britain who were attempting to find the perfect sheepdog. Starting with the best dogs then available, they began selecting breeding stock that had the qualities they wanted. The dog had to have natural ability to work but be biddable and easily trained. It also had to be fast enough to catch and turn a running sheep and have the stamina to cover a hundred miles a day on the hill farms of Britain in summer and winter. The shepherds didn't particularly care how this perfect dog looked.

Today's Border Collie is the product of this selective breeding program. These dogs are intelligent, obedient, eager to please, easily trained, and have a strong natural instinct to herd. There remains, however, no standard of appearance for the breed. Border Collies vary in color from black, or black and white, or black and tan, to red merle, blue merle and red. Dogs vary in size from less than thirty pounds to more than sixty with an average weight of around forty pounds. A Border Collie's coat may be long and heavy or short and smooth or anything in between. The breeders of Collies today, as a hundred years ago, still examine each dog for its working ability and style, intelligence, temperament and physical stamina, knowing a good Border Collie by its work and not by its appearance.

Training

Border Collies are used to herd all types of livestock and poultry. The Border Collie is instinctively a "header". Its instinct tells the dog to gather and hold livestock, "heading off" any animal that attempts to leave the group. Most well bred Border Collies will demonstrate this instinctive desire to work anywhere from eight weeks to one year of age.

Breeders' Directory

This listing of Border Collie breeders is for informational purposes only and in no way represents an endorsement of these breeders by the Northeast Border Collie Association. When making inquiries into purchasing a pup, NEBCA strongly recommends selecting from sound, proven, working stock. We suggest you see both parents work. If you are not able to see the parents working at the farm, do attend the trials and see them working there. Watch for trial results and seek the advice of experienced handlers.

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Please see NEBCA.net and NEBCA Newsletter
 for additional Breeders' Directory



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Owned by Lynn Roberts

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Photograph by Lynn Roberts

Owned by Mason Heiter and Lynn Roberts

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Photograph by Michelle Thorsteinson

Owned by Gerianne Dornell

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Photograph by Emity Fiald

Owned by Mason Heiter

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Photograph by Katherine McLellan Merritt

Owned by Margaret Flanagan

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Photograph by Karen Bennett

Owned by Julianna Davis-Van I Nostrand

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August



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Zoo

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True
NEBCA High Point Champion 2023

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October



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Reynolds NEBCA Fall Foliage Champion 2023

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		Veterans' Day					
16	17	18	19	●	20	21	22
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30				Thanksgiving Day			

November



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December

With membership you can

- Promote the working Border Collie
- Receive the NEBCA Newsletter*
- Use the lending library of Border Collie books and videos
- Receive a list of Border Collie events
- Receive a Breeders' List
- Compete for NEBCA's High Points Award
- Qualify to compete in the Fall Foliage Championship
- Earn NEBCA's Novice Trial Points
- Meet people who share your interest in sheep
- Meet other Border Collie people and dogs

Join the North East Border Collie Association

The North East Border Collie Association was formed to promote the breeding and training of the Border Collie as a working dog. This group is dedicated to preserving the Border Collie as a stock dog for any livestock or poultry.

Association activities include: dog trials, judging, training and handling clinics, puppy days, etc. Membership includes one year of the NEBCA Newsletters.



NEBCA Membership Application for New Members or Renewal

Dues are paid for the calendar year. Anyone joining NEBCA for the first time after October 1, 2024 will receive membership for that year and the following year. Renewals are due on January 1, 2025.

The 2025 Breeders List deadline is January 31, 2025. Subscription to the Breeders Directory runs for the entire year. It entitles the Breeder to be listed in every issue of the NEBCA Newsletter for the upcoming year, as well as all NEBCA promotional literature.

Copy and complete form. Make check payable to NEBCA. Mail to:

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Registration Form

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- Newsletter \$10
- Website \$10

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Address _____

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Phone _____ Email _____

Breeders Listing _____

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