ANNUAL COMPANION EVENTS AWARDS

The purpose of the annual Companion Events awards is to encourage Bedlington Terrier participation and excellence in Obedience, Rally Obedience, Agility, and Tracking trials. The competition period encompasses those American Kennel Club licensed trials held between January 1st and December 31st, inclusive of any calendar year. Owners of dogs must submit scores and trial dates to the statistician by January 31st of the following year.

OTCH TITLE AWARD PROTOCOL
Any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which earns its first AKC OTCH (Obedience Trial Champion) title or its first POC (Preferred Obedience Champion) in Obedience is entitled to an award plaque.

TOP Obedience DOG ANNUAL AWARD PROTOCOL
The annual award is presented to the member whose Bedlington Terrier earns the highest average score for the legs (qualifying scores) required for a particular AKC Obedience title according to the below stated protocol for a given calendar year. Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Top Obedience annual award.

The Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which earns the OTCH title that year is eligible for the BTCA's Obedience Dog Annual Award. If in a given year, more than one Bedlington, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, earns the OTCH title, then the dog with the highest combined scores for the three first/second placements required for the OTCH title will earn the BTCA's Obedience Dog Annual Award.

If in a given year there are no Bedlingtons earning the OTCH title, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which earns the POC (Preferred Obedience Champion) is eligible for the award. If in a given year, more than one Bedlington, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, earns the POC title, then the dog with the highest combined scores for the three first/second placements required for the POC title will earn the BTCA's Obedience Dog Annual Award.

If in a given year there are no Bedlingtons earning the OTCH title or POC title, then the annual award is presented to the member whose Bedlington Terrier earns the highest average score for the legs (qualifying scores) required for a particular AKC Obedience title according to the below stated protocol.

Any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the OGM (Obedience Grand Master) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a OGM title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the OM (Obedience Master) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a OM title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score
in earning the UDX (Utility Dog Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a UDX title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the PUDX (Preferred Utility Dog Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a PUDX title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the UD (Utility Dog) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a UD title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the PUTD (Preferred Utility) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a PUTD title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the GO (Graduate Open) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a GO title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the CDX (Companion Dog Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award. The CDX title is also referred to as the Open Title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a CDX title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the PCDX (Preferred Open) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a PCDX title in any given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the GN (Graduate Novice) title that year is eligible for this award. The CD title is also referred to as the Novice title.

**TOP RALLY OBEEDIENCE DOG ANNUAL AWARD**

The annual award is presented to the member whose Bedlington Terrier earns the highest average score for the legs (qualifying scores) required for a particular AKC Rally Obedience title according to the below stated protocol for a given calendar year. Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Top Rally Obedience annual award.

**RALLY OBEEDIENCE PROTOCOL**

In any given year, the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the RACH (Rally Champion) title that year is eligible for this award.
If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RACH title in any given year then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the RM (Rally Master) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RM title in any given year then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the RAE (Rally Advanced Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RAE title in any given year then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the RE (Rally Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RE title in any given year then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the RA (Rally Advanced) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RI title in any given year then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has the highest average score in earning the RN (Rally Novice) title that year is eligible for this award.

**TOP BEDLINGTON TERRIER AGILITY ANNUAL AWARD**
The purpose of the top Bedlington Terrier agility award is to encourage Bedlington Terrier participation and excellence in agility trials. The top agility annual award will be presented to the Bedlington Terrier who receives the Top Bedlington Terrier Agility Award from the AKC for any given year. In order to receive the Top Agility Annual Award, the primary owner of this Bedlington must be a BTCA member in good standing.

**MACH TITLE AWARD PROTOCOL**
Any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which earns its first MACH title in Agility or its first PACH in Agility, is entitled to an award plaque.

**TOP TRACKING DOG ANNUAL AWARD PROTOCOL**
Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Top Tracking Dog annual award.

In any given year the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the VST (Variable Surface Tracking Test) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons completing the VST title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent Test) title that year is eligible for this award.

If there are no Bedlingtons completing the TDX title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the TD
(Tracking Dog Test) title that year is eligible for this award.

**ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVENTS AWARDS**

The purpose of the annual Performance Events awards is to encourage Bedlington Terrier participation and excellence in Earthdog, Coursing, Fast CAT, and Barn Hunt. The competition period encompasses those American Kennel Club licensed trials held between January 1 and December 31, inclusive of any calendar year. Owners of dogs must submit scores and trial dates to the statistician by January 31st of the following year.

**TOP EARTHDOG ANNUAL AWARD PROTOCOL**

Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Top Earthdog annual award.

In any given year, the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the EE (Endurance Earthdog) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one EE dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog that earns the most extra EE (Endurance Earthdog) legs after getting the EE title.

If there is no Bedlingtons earning EE title in a given year, then the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for ME (Master Earthdog) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one ME dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the EE (Earthdog Endurance) title. If there is more than one ME dog eligible and neither dog earns legs towards the EE (Earthdog Endurance) title, then the award will go to the dog that earns the most Master Earthdog legs after getting the ME title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning the ME title in a given year then, any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for SE (Senior Earthdog) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one SE dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the ME (Master Earthdog) title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning the SE title in a given year then, any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for JE (Junior Earthdog) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one JE dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the SE (Senior Earthdog) title.

In the event there is a tie for Top Earth Dog at the Junior or Master Earth Dog level, the lowest total average for the “release time” of the legs needed to earn the Junior or Master title will determine the Top Earth Dog. The “release time” is the time it takes the dog to leave the handler and reach the quarry. If there is a tie for Top Earth Dog at the Senior level, the lowest total average of the “release time” AND the “recall time” of the legs needed to earn the Senior title will determine the Top Earth Dog. The “recall time” is the time it takes for the dog to return to the handler.

At an Earth Dog trial, these times are recorded by the Judge and the information is kept by the Trial Secretary. At an Earth Dog Trial where a BTCA member earns a leg towards a title, the
BTCA member should get a picture of the Judge’s record showing the name of the Club sponsoring the trial, the date of the trial, and the dog’s release/recall time(s). This information will be requested by the BTCA Statistician in the event that there is tie for Top Earth Dog.

**TOP COURSING ABILITY ANNUAL AWARD PROTOCOL**
Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Top Coursing Ability annual award.

In a given year, the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the CAX (Coursing Ability Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one CAX dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most CAX legs towards the next CAX title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a CAX title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the CAA (Coursing Ability Advanced) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one CAA dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the CAX (Coursing Ability Excellent) title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning the CAA title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing which has completed the requirements for the CA (Coursing Ability) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one CA dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the CAA (Coursing Ability Advanced) title.

**TOP FAST CAT ANNUAL AWARD PROTOCOL**
Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Top Fast CAT annual award.

In a given year, the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the FCAT (Fast CAT) title AND has the fastest MPH (as determined by the AKC Fast CAT rankings for Bedlingtons that year) is eligible for this award. If there is more than one FCAT dog with the same MPH, then the award will go to the dog with the most points over 1000.

In a given year, if there is no Bedlington earning a FCAT title and that also has the fastest MPH (as determined by the AKC Fast CAT rankings for Bedlingtons that year), then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the DCAT (Dedicated CAT) title AND has the fastest MPH (as determined by the AKC Fast CAT rankings for Bedlingtons that year) is eligible for this award. If there is more than one DCAT dog with the same MPH, then the award will go to the dog with the most points over 500.

In a given year, if there is no Bedlington earning a DCAT title and that also has the fastest MPH (as determined by the AKC Fast CAT rankings for Bedlingtons that year), then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the BCAT (Beginner CAT) title AND has the fastest MPH (as determined by the
AKC Fast CAT rankings for Bedlingtons that year) is eligible for this award. If there is more than one BCAT dog with the same MPH, then the award will go to the dog with the most points over 150.

**TOP BARN HUNT ANNUAL AWARD PROTOCOL**

Only a Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, is eligible to compete for the Barn Hunt annual award.

In a given year, the Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the RATChX (Barn Hunt Master Champion Excellent) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one RATChX dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most RATChX legs towards the next RATChX title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RATChX title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the RATCh (Barn Hunt Master Champion) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one RATCh dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the RATChX title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning a RATCh title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier, whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing, which has completed the requirements for the RATM (Master Barn Hunt) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one RATM dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the RATCh (Barn Hunt Master Champion) title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning the RATM title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing which has completed the requirements for the RATS (Senior Barn Hunt) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one RATS dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the RATM (Master Barn Hunt) title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning the RATS title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing which has completed the requirements for the RATO (Open Barn Hunt) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one RATO dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the RATS (Senior Barn Hunt) title.

If there are no Bedlingtons earning the RATO title in a given year, then any Bedlington Terrier whose primary owner is a BTCA member in good standing which has completed the requirements for the RATN (Novice Barn Hunt) title that year is eligible for this award. If there is more than one RATN dog eligible, then the award will go to the dog with the most legs towards the RATO (Open Barn Hunt) title.

To verify the legs/titles earned in Barn Hunt, the owner must submit copies of the Trial Secretary Reports listing the dog’s earned leg(s) and/or copies of the competition stickers indicating the trial, date, and statistics.

In the event there is a tie for Top Barn Hunt Dog at any title, the lowest total average of the course time for the legs needed to earn that title will determine the Top Barn Hunt Dog.
This information is available to Barn Hunt competitors on the Barn Hunt website. In the event of a tie for Top Barn Hunt Dog, BTCA members whose dogs are tied will be required to access the Barn Hunt website and take screen shots of the trials at which his/her dog earned legs showing the dog’s course time and forward this information to the BTCA Statistician.
VERSATILE DOG AWARD
The award is presented to the BTCA member in good standing whose Bedlington Terrier earns titles in three (3) of the ten (10) available AKC events. In the case of co-ownership at least one owner must be a current member in good standing of the BTCA. In the case of multiple ownership, the award plaque will be presented to the person who is listed first on the dog’s AKC registration papers who is a current member in good standing of the BTCA. The same dog can only win this award once. In the event that some of the titles were earned prior to the owner becoming a member, the most recent title must have been earned after the owner became a BTCA club member. To receive the award, the owner must contact the BTCA awards chairperson by January 31st of the year in which the award is to be presented with the following information:
1. Names of the titles earned
2. Dates and location of qualifying legs earned for performance and companion titles
3. Dates and location of completion of conformation championship title.
The Versatile Dog Awards will be presented once per year at the annual meeting of the BTCA, and published in Tassels and Tales.

CONFORMATION
1. Conformation: Championship (CH.) title

COMPANION EVENTS
2. Obedience: Companion Dog (CD), Graduate Novice (GN), Preferred Open (PCDX), Companion Dog Excellent (CDX), Graduate Open (GO), Preferred Utility (PUTD), Utility Dog (UD), Utility Dog Excellent (UDX), Preferred Utility Dog (PUDX), Obedience Master (OM), Obedience Grand Master (OGM), Preferred Obedience Champion (POC).
3. Rally Obedience: Rally Novice (RN), Rally Intermediate (RI), Rally Advanced (RA), Rally Excellent (RE), Rally Advanced Excellent (RAE), Rally Master (RM), Rally Champion (RACH) titles
4. Agility: Novice Agility Standard (NA), Novice Preferred Standard (NAP), Novice Agility Jumper (NJA), Novice Jumpers Preferred (NJP), Open Agility Standard (OA), Open Agility Standard Preferred (OAP), Open Agility Jumper (OAJ), Open Agility Jumpers Preferred (OJP), Agility Excellent Standard (AX), Agility Excellent Standard Preferred (AXP), Agility Excellent Jumper (AXJ), Agility Excellent Jumper Preferred (AJP), Master Agility Standard (MX), Master Agility Standard Preferred (MXP), Master Agility Jumper (MXJ), Master Agility Jumper Preferred (MJP), Novice Fast (NF), Novice Preferred Fast (NFP), Open Agility Fast (OF), Open Agility Fast Preferred (OFP), Agility Excellent Fast (XF), Agility Excellent Fast Preferred (XFP), Master Agility Fast (MXF), Master Agility Fast Preferred (MFP), Master Agility Champion (MACH), Preferred Agility Excellent (PAX), Preferred Agility Champion (PACH), Agility Grand Champion (AGCH), Fast Century title (FTC1), Fast Century Preferred title (FTCP), Triple Q Excellent (TQX), Triple Q Excellent Preferred (TQXP), Time 2 Beat (T2B), Time 2 Beat Preferred (T2BP) titles
5. Tracking: Tracking Dog (TD), Tracking Dog Urban (TDU), Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX), Variable Surface Tracking (VST), Champion Tracking Dog (CT) titles
6. Therapy Dog: Therapy Dog (THD), Therapy Dog Advanced (THDA), Therapy Dog Excellent (THDX), Therapy Dog Distinguished (THDD) titles

PERFORMANCE EVENTS
7. Earthdog: Junior Earthdog (JE), Senior Earthdog (SE), Master Earthdog (ME), Endurance Earthdog (EE) titles
8. Coursing: Coursing Ability (CA), Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA), Coursing Ability Excellent (CAX), BCAT (Beginner CAT), DCAT (Dedicated CAT), FCAT (Fast CAT) titles
1 (SAR-U1), Search and Rescue – Urban 2 (SAR-U2, Search and Rescue – Urban 3 (SAR-U3) titles

10. **Barn Hunt**: RATN (Novice Barn Hunt), RATO (Open Barn Hunt), RATS (Senior Barn Hunt), RATM (Master Barn Hunt), RATCh (Barn Hunt Master Champion), RATChX (Barn Hunt Champion Excellent)

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