

Diane Pagel – Two Year Director



It was about 10 year ago when Sue MacDonald introduced Tess and me to Scott Glen and we took a lesson from him. I was amazed how talented my little Tess was and how untalented that I was. Tess and I partnered up and she carried me on broad shoulders to the Open handler that I am today. Along the way, I got Haig (Open dog) from Karen Child and he showed me the ropes in Open and was a brilliant dog. When Tess was two years old, she got the sheep farm for her 2 year old birthday. Since then I have had many talented dogs and great trainers guide me along the way. I have jumped into this with both feet and have served numerous positions for OSDS and WASH and have learned a lot along the way and have gotten some very close friends. My dogs and I have gotten better and I am glad that Sue twisted my arm many years ago and thanks to Scott for his mentoring over the years. And to the dogs that have carried me and never laughed at my handling faux pas. Presently, I am running three generations of dogs at trials and am truly blessed that I found this wonderful venue. I have qualified dogs in Nursery and Open over the years. I have over 60 sheep and cattle and one very understanding husband, Jeff "Getty" Freeman and a couch large enough for 4 plus dogs to watch TV.