

Collie Club of America

The following questionnaire is designed to produce a biography that will educate our newer club members about your history when deciding how to vote for our national specialty judges, and will be posted on the CCA website.

Please keep answers brief and complete. Editor has the option of editing for brevity prior to publication, if necessary.

What is your name?	AMY GAU
What is your email address?	rosepoint@SLEEPYEYETEL.NET
What is your kennel name?	Rosepoint
What year did you join CCA?	1992
How many CCA National Specialties have you attended?	31
Have you ever served the CCA in any capacity? If yes, what?	I was a District Director for MN for many years. I have served on the Judges Education Committee with two different committees. I am currently the Chair of the Breeder of the Year Committee
What year did you receive regular status to judge Collies?	2009
Have you previously judged the CCA National Specialty? (If so, indicate year and location of each assignment)	I judged Bitches at the Sacramento CCA in 2017
What mentors or dogs influenced your breeding program?	I have had multiple mentors and continue to have peer mentors in our breed. To avoid naming those who still breed and may appear in my ring, I list some of my very early mentors. These include my father, Ed Bechtel, Steve Field, and Amanda Kaufmann. Mentors in judging included Ginny Holz, Joan Graber and Marsha Keller. I wish I had met each of these breeders earlier in my breeding as each continued to be great students of the breed themselves and were great teachers
What year did you breed your first litter?	1980

What year did you breed your last litter?	2019
How many champions have you bred?	20
Please name three dogs that have been most important to you in your breeding program.	Early picture of the breed: CH Pebblebrook Intrigue and CH Deep River Joy Ride Continuing influence in pedigrees: CH Vennessee Midnight Edition One of my own: CH Rosepoint Northstar Nikita
Which dogs, bred by you, have received National Specialty awards or placements?	We currently have 7 straight generations that have placed, won their class or earned higher awards at CCA. Notable individuals who significantly contributed to our breeding program include BISS BIS CH Rosepoint Northstar Nikita who took AOM twice, Brood Bitch and class winner BISS RBIS CH Rosepoint Winterfest and BISS CH Rosepoint Regatta
Please state the top three virtues you believe are most important in relation to the Collie Standard.	Balance, Expression/Head, Soundness in mind and body