

I am currently the Academic Administrative Assistant to the Vice-Dean of Education in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Queen's University. It is a very demanding position that requires professionalism, excellent communication and organizational skills, the ability to prioritize and work both independently and as part of a team.

My agility journey began in 2001 with my first Chesapeake Bay Retriever, Chance. In 2004, I co-founded The Agility Connection (TAC). TAC hosts three annual AAC Sanctioned Trials at Lake Ontario Park in Kingston, Ontario and monthly fun matches during the indoor season. I am very proud of the success of TAC's events and the relationship based on compromise and respect that my partners and I have maintained.

I currently share my heart and home with one female Chesapeake Bay Retriever (Lyric), a BC X (Livy), an All Canadian (Fayth) and Mabel the Cat. I am currently competing at the Starters Level with Livy and Fayth. My previous agility partners were three male and three female Chesapeake Bay Retrievers. In addition to agility, I enjoy training and competing in CARO and have attended several Dock Dog events.

I am a Masters Judge. I have enjoyed the opportunity of judging Starters, Advanced and Masters events in British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. I had the privilege of being part of the 2016 Nationals and the 2018 BC/Yukon Regionals Judging Teams.

I am passionate about the welfare of dogs less fortunate than our own. I have organized many successful fundraisers and volunteered for numerous dog-related charities, including the emergency shelter for Humane Society International (HSI) in Quebec. Since finding my passion for rescue, I have had the privilege of welcoming nearly forty dogs into my home for stays from one night to nineteen months or "forever". I am expecting my next foster, an Australian Shepherd X from a reserve in Northern Quebec, to arrive soon.

Through rescue, fundraising, volunteering, hosting trials and judging, I have had the good fortune of meeting numerous people, resulting in many friendships. I pride myself on being open-minded, welcoming and fair both on and off the agility fields. Assets that I believe are advantageous to the Vice-President position.

I have learned a great deal since joining the AAC Board in April but I recognize I have much to learn yet and look forward to doing so if re-elected.