

Welcome to our Keegan's Magic student newsletter! Each month, we will share training tips, training philosophies, student achievements, general announcements, and other great information. We hope you enjoy!

### ***Spotlight On: Magic***

Get to know your fellow canine students and their humans! In our [September edition](#), we featured Keegan. This month, we feature the other special dog our training school is named after.

**Owner/handler:** Ellen Kurland

**Registered name:** Utopian Lil Bit of Majic

**Age:** Magic will be 8 on November 20.

**About a name:** Magic's name is a combination of his father's kennel name, Utopian, and Ellen's first Papillon, Lil Bit. When Ellen registered him with AKC, they misspelled his name with a 'j' instead of a 'g'. Ellen thought it was cute and kept the misspelling.



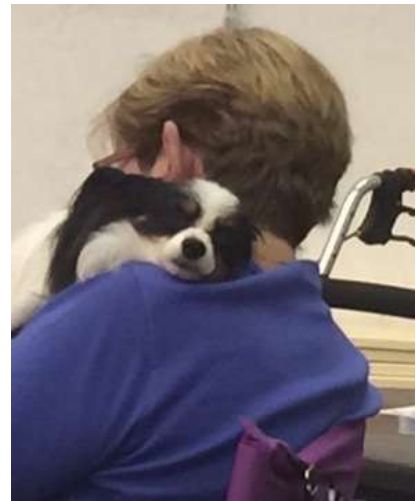
**Sports/venues:** Magic competes in several agility venues, including AKC, CPE, and TDAA. He also competes in AKC obedience.

**Titles:** Magic has earned his MACH, CDX, BN, RE, MXS, MJS, MXF, CGCU, CGCA, and TKP in AKC. He has also earned his C-ATE in CPE and his TACH2 in TDAA.

**Special achievements:** Magic was awarded Versatile Papillon Advance from the Papillon Club of America, earned High in Trial at the Toy Dog Club of Central Florida in June 2013, and has earned High in Trial multiple times at the Paws & Ques CPE trials.

**Shares a house with:** Magic shares his home with Oliver, Lil Bit, Tater, Billie Jean, and Encore.

**Favorite toy:** Magic loves a small, felt ball.



**Favorite obstacle:** Magic doesn't seem to have a favorite exercise or obstacle.

**Fun fact:** Magic and Ellen found each other in the parking lot at the Strawberry Cluster dog shows in Lakeland. He just magically just appeared in a basket of Papillons! The rest is history.



### [Class Schedule](#)

The next 4-week session starts the week of November 12. Class dates may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances. Unless otherwise stated, classes are \$75 for each 4-week session or \$25 for each drop-in.

- **Advanced Agility:** Tuesdays 8:00-9:30 a.m. and Wednesdays 7:45-9:15 p.m.
- **Intermediate Agility:** Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 p.m., Wednesdays 6:00-7:30 p.m., Thursdays 6:00-7:30 p.m. & 7:45-9:15 p.m.
- **OneMind Dogs Inspired Handling:** Thursdays 8:00-9:30 a.m. (\$56/3-week session, \$25 drop-in)
- **OneMind Dogs Foundation:** Tuesdays 7:45-9:00 p.m. (\$136/8-week session, no drop-ins)

Private lessons available on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Ring rentals are also available for students. Please contact Maren directly for scheduling and availability.

### **Important Note – Thanksgiving Holidays**

There will be **no classes or lessons** from November 19 through November 23.

## Accomplishments & Brags

This is YOUR section of the newsletter – where our students can share accomplishments with their dogs, including titles, placements, training breakthroughs, etc. Please [send us an email](#) so we can celebrate your achievements with all our students!

Congratulations to the following:

- **New Champion!** Lauren Gomez's *Dancer* (pictured) earned her C-ATCH at the Pawsitive Action CPE trial.
- Maren Baldwin's *CleverGirl* earned six qualifying scores, all with 1st placements, at the Paws & Ques CPE trial and completed all the Level 1 titles.
- MaryAnn Campbell's *Summer* earned her AKC Rally Intermediate title with a 2nd placement and a score of 98 points out of 100.
- Sally Treat's *Charley* earned his AKC Trick Dog Novice title.
- Jan Schultz's *Faith* earned her Novice FAST Preferred title in AKC agility.
- At the Pasco Paws CPE trial, Maren Baldwin's *Hart* had two perfect days in Level C, qualifying in five runs. At the Paws & Ques trial, he qualified in five runs and nailed all but one of his weave entrances.
- At the Pasco Paws CPE trial, Sally Treat's *Ty* earned a personal best of 41 points in Full House.
- Diane Gailit's *Skylar* qualified in nine out of ten runs at the Pasco Paws CPE trial, earning seven 1st placements, two 2nd placements, and one 3rd placement.
- Ellen Kurland's *Magic* earned his second qualifying score (with a 2nd placement) toward his Utility title in AKC obedience.
- Diane Gailit's *Zuma* earned his AKC S.T.A.R Puppy.
- Kelli Carter's *Rigel* finished his Dock Jumping Junior title.
- Jan Casey's *BT* earned his AKC Trick Dog Novice title.
- Lisa Chavez's *Ebony* qualified in seven runs at the Paws & Ques CPE trial, with six 1st placements and one 2nd placement.



- Vicki Drerup's HiJinks earned his AKC Beginner Novice obedience and Rally Novice titles in St. Louis at the 2018 Golden Retriever National.
- Carolyn Rothfusz and Jax (pictured) competed in NADAC Championships in Gillette, Wyoming. In the pre-championships trial, Jax ran in five runs, winning 1st place on four runs and 2nd place on one. In Championships, he made it to the finals round. Out of eight runs, he placed 4th three times, 6th twice, 7th once, and 10th twice. He finished in 4th place out of all U.S. and Canada dogs competing and 6th place overall in the world competition, which included the U.S., Canada, and Australia.



- Barbara Layton's Josi earned her CD in AKC obedience with a score of 197 out of 200.
- Ron Brooks and Xe hiked the 100-mile Wilderness of the Appalachian Trail in Maine. Starting in Monson and ending in Millinocket at the base of Katadin Mountain. Skills like a-frame, dog walk, jumps, double jumps, and teeter were essential to complete this hike in 6.5 days without injury and off lead the entire 100 miles.

### **Training Tip**

Each time you run, try to focus on one behavior, such as a perfect start-line stay, your contact criteria, or well-timed connections with your dog. Allowing yourself to focus on one specific behavior enables you to easily see your successes as well as the places that need improvement.

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