

AKC National Obedience Invitational Airedale Invitees

The American Kennel Club honors dogs of every breed that have earned OTCH points by inviting them to participate in the AKC National Obedience Invitational (NOI). The first of these events was held June 17-18, 1995 at Purina Farms outside of St. Louis, MO. It moved to a suburb of Chicago, IL for a few years and in December 2003 the NOI was held in Long Beach, CA. 2003 was the first year the NOI was held in conjunction with the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship and the National Agility Championship. In January, 2005 and 2006 the NOI was held in Tampa, FL. It was moved back to Long Beach, CA in December of 2006.

To be invited to the NOI, a dog must have earned a Utility Dog (UD) title. The dog also has to have earned an OTCH point during the qualifying period between July 1 and June 30. The AKC invites the top 10% of each breed and if there are fewer than 30 dogs within a breed that are eligible to be invited, the top 3 dogs based on OTCH points are invited.

The competition is a two day event. The first day all dogs compete in six rings and perform a varied combination of Open and Utility exercises. The long sit and long down exercises were added to the competition in 2007. The second day is one-on-one competition. Dogs are seeded 1 through 32 based on the previous day's scores. There are five rounds of single elimination competition on the second day. The winner of this competition earns the NOC (National Obedience Champion) title.

Airedale Invitees:

2009 NOI

Ch. Brisline Plumperfect Unforgettable, UDX, RA Suzanne Tharpe/Georgia McRae

Aircraft's Desert Koshare, UD

Deborah & John Carley

2008 NOI

Ch. Brisline Plumperfect Unforgettable, UDX, RA Suzanne Tharpe/Georgia McRae

Hardwerken Pure Pixilation UD, RN, OA, OAJ, NAP, NJP Martha Touchstone

2007 NOI

Ch. OTCH Caleb Acres Aireham Spice, UDX2 Mary Law

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2006 NOI (December)

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| Ch. OTCH Caleb Acres Aireham Spice, UDX2 | Mary Law |
| Kudos I'm The Only One, UDX | Alice Peterson |
| Stone Ridge Oliver Twist III, UDX | Tom Smith |

2006 NOI (January)

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| Ch. OTCH Caleb Acres Aireham Spice, UDX2 | Mary Law |
| Ch. MACH2 Caleb Acres Call Me Chloe, UDX | Judith G. Brown |
| Kudos I'm The Only One, UDX | Alice Peterson |

2005 NOI

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| Ch. Caleb Acres Aireham Spice, UD | Mary Law |
| Kudos I'm The Only One, UD | Alice Peterson |
| Ch. Seneca's Ochoco Pete, UD | Yvonne Rauch/ Robert Seevers |