

Meet.....

*Owner Handler
Taryn Pevy
Danu Great Danes*



1) How did you get started?

I began showing dogs at 9 with a veteran smooth coat collie. I practiced for 6 months leading up to my first show. By having a dog that knew what they were

doing it helped me to learn what I was supposed to do and focus on my performance and not the dog. I entered in a B Match and won Best Junior in Match! I was hooked!

Not long after, I was asked to handle a dane for a friend and I accepted. I handled the dog to a judge that was very tall and intimidating. When we won I was proud of the dog and the owner was proud of me too. Ever since, I've been showing Danes in the Dane ring and Juniors ring.

2) What has been your most valuable lesson?

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I learned from my mentor/trainer to not bounce when you run. She taught me to take two glasses of water, one in each hand, and run without splashing. By doing this I learned to have smooth fluid movement. When you have smooth movement, you and your dog look like you are gliding and the judge is focused on your dog not on you the handler.

3) What tip could you pass on to others starting out wanting to owner handle?

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Be happy. If you are happy your dog will be happy. Also focus. In this sport you rely on a lot of focus - always keep your head in the game.