

## CYRUS



Cyrus joined our family in August 2007. He was a "rambunctious" 4 month old who soon became a nasty teenage boy!! You've all heard the stories of our problems with him. And I hope you've heard of some of our successes.

We are so glad to report that 2008 has been a terrific year for Cyrus! We train with Fran and Bill at JAZZ Agility and are doing very well. He has earned his beginning titles in CPE agility. He really likes to play agility - especially the "play" part!!!

Cyrus also went to his first JRTCA trial. Imagine a trial with nothing but Jack Russells - about 200 of them!!! It was a ton of fun. Cyrus earned his Novice title in Go To Ground. This is a game that requires the dog to go through a series of tunnels and locate the caged rat at the end. Cy did great in the Novice class!! He took second place in his Conformation class, competing against other neutered males. We always knew that he was a handsome boy!! AND he earned a second in his Novice Agility class with a nice clean run. He was introduced to the JRT Racing and will compete in that event next year, as we plan to continue playing with the JRTCA in 2009.

In his spare time, Cyrus spends time at our camp in the summer. He loves to swim, dive off of the dock, and go fishing. That's what he's doing in this picture. He hasn't caught a fish yet, but he's almost gotten a frog! In the winter, Cyrus plays fetch in the snow - he'll dig for the ball and come up looking like a Snow Monster!!

We're obviously pleased that Cy is doing so well. We attribute his incredible behavior change to a lot of hard work and perseverance. But we don't think we'd be this successful without having Agility in our lives. Thanks to you all and Merry Christmas.

Julie, Sally, Bogus, Tess, Ray and Cyrus