



Rush



John  
Rush & Blink



Blink

**NAC MACH3 Bare Cove Blu Lite Special**

**Breed: Shetland Sheepdog**

**Sex: Male**

**DOB: 06/20/05**

**Owner/Handler: John Nys**

Rush's favorite things to do are hang out with his mom, trainer extraordinaire Paulette Swartzendruber, and of course, agility. According to Paulette, Rush believes he is an honorary Flat-Coated Retriever as he shares his home with three of them. He loves to retrieve bumpers and will even do dock diving for them.

**Majestyk Belcroft Blink of an Eye**

**Breed: Shetland Sheepdog**

**Sex: Male**

**DOB: 09/4/04**

**Owner/Handler: John Nys**

Blink's favorite pastime, when not doing agility, is to herd boats going by on the lake in the backyard.

**John Nys** began his love of animals over twenty-five years ago when he began riding and training horses. He competed competitively with horses for twenty years earning numerous awards and titles, including Massachusetts Barrel Racing Champion in 2002. While on "road" at a rodeo, he saw an agility competition. The following day, he began training his first dog, Casey, and the rest is history.

John has achieved seven American Kennel Club MACH titles on two different dogs. He has also competed in the AKC National Championships where he earned six final round placements. John finished 3rd overall at the AKC National Agility Championships in 2008, 5th overall at the AKC National Agility Championships in 2009, and 2nd at the AKC National Agility Championships in 2010. John co-owns Rush with Paulette Swartzendruber who has been on the AKC World Team in 2008 and 2009.

John was presented the opportunity of a life time when he began showing Rush in 2009. His dreams came true in 2010 when he made the AKC World Team with Rush in the Medium Dog Division and with Blink, as an alternate, in the Small Dog Division.

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