

# Tin Roof Australian Cattle Dogs

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## Puppy information sheet

Hi!

First off, let me thank you for your interest in Tin Roof ACDs. We are so proud of our dogs, and take pride in sharing them with you. Hopefully this will help answer some questions you may have, but if you have more questions or would like more information than what is provided here; please contact us. (see all contact information at the end).

**Updates:** If you want to be updated with any puppy announcements; please go to our website. On the contact page you will find a sign up for updates section. Enter your email address so that you will not be accidentally forgotten when I send out information. I will only use this for breeding, pregnancy, or puppy announcements.

**Wait List info:** Once I have confirmed pregnancy, I will send out an update. If you are still interested in one of our puppies; please respond by requesting one of our puppy applications. I will create a wait list based on the order of submission of the puppy application. The application is a form that provides me with your information, what your lifestyle is like, and questions to help me determine what puppy will be best for you.

**Deposits:** Once I have a veterinarian ultrasound or radiograph the pregnant bitch; I will have an idea of how many puppies to expect. I will not collect deposits until the puppies are born, and a few days to a week has passed. At that time, I request a \$500 deposit to hold your place on the waitlist. If you submit a deposit, this confirms that you will be committed to purchasing a puppy. If you wish to cancel your commitment, I will NOT refund the deposit. UNLESS the puppies are under 5 weeks old and have not been BAER (hearing) tested, was BAER tested and is not normal bilateral hearing, or if there is someone waiting for a place on the purchasing waiting list that will take the place of your puppy commitment.

**Price:** The price varies at \$2,000-\$3,500. The determining factors for the price involve several things to include: the breeding fees of the sire, the bloodlines in the pedigree of sire and dam, and if you desire full or limited registration.

**Puppy stuff:** Please read this breed standard if you are looking to own an ACD:

<http://images.akc.org/pdf/breedthes/standards/AustralianCattleDog.pdf>

Once the puppies have been born, I begin early neurological stimulation, and puppy culture guidelines for proper development. I remove dew claws at about 3 days old. This is painless and simple at this age. If the dew claws are not removed, it is very likely that they will get caught on something causing injury that requires a surgery. I prefer to not have the chance of my puppy or puppy owners to have to go through this. The puppies will be raised in our home with our daily life, other crazy cattle dogs running amuck around them, a lot of racket, and all the wonderful desensitizing of a crazy household. I provide the puppies with various textures, ramps, balance boards, toys, interactive training, and socialization

with any human visitors or family members. You can see a lot of the puppy playtime activities and equipment on our YouTube videos from the last litter. Please subscribe to our channel so you do not miss any new releases. Once the puppies are old enough, I do a brainstem auditory evoked response (B.A.E.R. Testing) to determine if the puppy has normal bilateral hearing. Congenital deafness can be present in ACDs even though I only breed to bilaterally normal parents. If you are interested in more information on Congenital deafness check the orthopedic foundation of animals

<https://www.ofa.org/diseases/other-diseases/congenital-deafness> If any of the puppies have unilateral hearing (only hear in one ear), we usually cannot detect it in everyday life. Doing the BAER testing confirms that the pup has 100% hearing. If there is a puppy with compromised hearing; I will allow you to decline from purchasing a puppy and refund your deposit. If you are willing to purchase a bilaterally deaf puppy, please note that on your application. These puppies will make wonderful pets, service dogs, or most anything you train them to do. However, it is completely understandable to decline as it takes extra training efforts to teach the dog when it cannot hear. If you want a working dog; I recommend a puppy that has full hearing. My puppies will only have a sire and dam with normal health clearances. If you again look at the OFA.org website you will find the recommended testing for ACDs. I will only breed dogs with normal health clearances, and those absolutely NOT affected by PRA-PRCD, or PLL. These are two congenital eye diseases found in ACDs. The puppies will have temperament testing at about 7 weeks of age, and that helps me determine which family each puppy will best suit your desires. Most people are particular about markings, but it is very important to consider the temperament. Some puppies have higher drive than others, and for example, high drive dogs are usually more instinctual herders of cattle or children etc. If you have never owned an ACD before, I will not place or advise the high drive puppy in the bunch. The more calm and laid back pup would better suit a first timer. In regards to ACDs temperament, socialization, and training; I highly recommend that you do your homework so that you are certain this is the breed that you want. I do not purposefully persuade people against getting an Australian Cattle Dog, but I want them to be prepared for what they could potentially be dealing with in a working/ herding dog breed. They make great pets, without the need to “herd” anything, but they need to be properly socialized, trained, and given the satisfaction of working for you. The definitive available number of puppies in the litter is determined around if I or the sire’s owner will be keeping any show quality puppies.

**Limited vs. Full Registration:** The basic explanation of limited registration is essentially a spay or neuter contract. The owner of the puppy will not be allowed register puppies if they breed the dog. It prevents unwanted bloodlines in future ACDs by limiting the breeding rights to non-breeders. The dogs registered with limited registration are not restricted from athletic events or competitions (agility, scent-work, obedience, tracking, dock diving, barn hunt, etc.). Full Registration is for professional breeders that understand and respect the preservation of pure bloodlines, wish to breed the puppy when it is appropriate age, will do the proper health testing prior to breeding, and are going to show the puppy in conformation shows. More can be discussed on this if you would like more information.

We strive to breed the dogs with the best attributes. Those that are correct in conformation are not only beneficial to showing. It is mandatory for the health, and longevity of the puppies. Lameness issues, inability to perform, or do certain exercises is avoided in a dog that is put together correctly in structure.

The health testing we do is mandatory by our standards because we do not want to mate any affected dogs that may create puppies that are carriers or affected by any health issues.: our puppies. We strive to achieve the best temperament in our breeding choices as we want to offer companions, pets, and puppies that are able to live in a non-working home as a pet. We do our best to produce puppies that will adhere to the Australian Cattle Dog breed standard. We want our puppy parents to be well educated, and certain that they are getting the correct breed of dog for their desires. Sometimes ACDs are explained in a way that is more negative than what they truly are; however, the higher drive dogs can be a handful. Socialization, training, and exercise are the key to a manageable puppy of most breeds. All of these are mandatory with an ACD. The will be protective of its family or person, suspicious of strangers, and attracted to fast moving objects (bikes, wheels, fast children or peoples feet/legs. All of these things are common, but manageable with training of what you will allow as the pack leader. (Thank you Caesar Milan) ☺ You can watch several of our videos to see our dogs playing, wrestling, and making great companions. They are very good with what they grow up with; children, other pets, various people etc. One of my cattle dogs was the “office dog” at my work for 16 years. She was accepting of clients and multiple people in and out of the reception area all day. Billie Jean is one of our current ACDs, and she grew up in a home with childcare for 0-3 years of age so she is very good to this day with children even though my husband and I only have four legged children. So the temperament of the dog can vary, and they do grow out of the puppy stages of wanting constant activity. We want our puppy parents to LOVE and ADORE their new “mate”. It is in our contract that if at any time in the dog’s lifetime you become incapable to care for, or simply do not want the dog any longer; we WILL ALWAYS take the dog back into our home. If we cannot keep the dog for the duration of its life, we will find a loving home for the dog. We also recommend making arrangements with us for any unexpected tragedies that we be primary contact for taking possession of the dog if you become ill, pass away, or any other horrific tragedy that another family member is unwilling or able to provide a loving home for your dog. We love all of our puppies, and do not ever want to have one placed in a shelter or have to endure any kind of neglect. We do our best to educate and inform our buyers about the breed, and we want lots of pictures throughout your life with you Tin Roof ACD! We encourage visiting the puppies as long as proper disinfecting measures are taken so the puppies do not get any illnesses from outside elements they do not yet have immunity to.

**Precautionary & Health:** All of the puppies at Tin Roof ACDs will be registered in your name by us with whatever name you desire, and we require \$30 from you for the AKC fee. We only require that the registered name contains “Tin Roof’s” in the front of whatever name you want to register the puppy with. The call name does not have to be in the registered name. Some people get very creative. It can be a lot of fun! All puppies will be: Micro chipped with the AKC Reunite Microchip, age appropriate vaccinations, de-wormed, BAER tested temperament and conformation assessments, socialized, and raised with puppy culture in our home. I appreciate your interest in our ACDs, and I hope we can provide you with your next family member. Thank you for reading.

Sincerely,

Jen Vanasse

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## Contact and Social Media Information

Please contact us with any questions or requests for more information.

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**Website:** [www.tinroofacd.com](http://www.tinroofacd.com); see health certificates, pictures, and info on our dogs

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