We’ve offered the Raleigh community space-saving solutions for the past 10 years. We recommend Northwind Traders to anyone who will listen to us. They helped us reclaim over 700 square feet of our house!

“- Annie D. Baltimore

We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter begins today.”

- Edith Lovejoy Pierce

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How To Become A Member

Becoming an USASA Member is very easy and membership is FREE! Simply go online to the USASA Website to register as a new USASA junior member, or you can find contact information for our current Membership Chair, at:

USASA Website: www.australianshepherds.org/about-usasa/board-of-directors-and-committees

Once you have become an USASA Junior Member, you will remain a member until you age out of the AKC Junior Program. The Annual Year will run from January 1st to December 31st, inclusive.

Our awards are announced and awarded to our juniors at our Nationals each year. In the past our juniors have been awarded many incredible prizes such as grooming tables, grooming blowers, iPads, TVs, Beats headphones, Kangaroo leather leads, and more! Juniors are encouraged to attend Nationals, as this is the once a year showcase and recognition for our juniors and their accomplishments.

Many new, exciting opportunities and adventures await you and your Australian Shepherd with USASA...all you have to do is register and start your journey today!

Who We Are

The United States Australian Shepherd Association was established in 1990 as the parent club of the Australian Shepherd for the American Kennel Club. On September 1, 1991, the AKC recognized the Australian Shepherd breed and on January 1, 1993, accepted them into the Herding Group.

The USASA Juniors Program is designed to promote and encourage Juniors to participate in AKC events with their Australian Shepherds and become active in USASA. We believe our Juniors are important to the future of our breed, our club, the sport of purebred dogs, and responsible dog ownership.

USASA Junior Program Mission

The Juniors Program encourages, supports and recognizes our Junior members for their achievements in junior Showmanship and Performance events at AKC sanctioned shows and trials.

We provide educational and training support including an annual clinic for Juniors at our National Specialty focusing on breed history, good sportsmanship, grooming, and handling techniques. We also encourage and reward academic achievement through our Optimum Club.

USASA Junior Program Benefits

The USASA Junior Program offers an award program that exists to recognize the achievements of individuals for their Handling efforts and Performance scores through training and exhibiting AKC registered Australian Shepherds at AKC sanctioned Junior Handling shows, and performance events.

As a registered USASA Junior member, any points and titles you receive in AKC events accumulate over the current calendar year allowing you to be eligible for year end USASA awards.

USASA Junior membership offers:

- **FREE Membership and Club Pin**
- USASA Junior Program Companion Guide
- Year End Awards
- Optimum Club for Academic Achievement
- AKC National Championship Invitational Qualifier Reward
- Discounted Journal Subscription
- Discounted Banquet Tickets At Nationals
- Annual National Specialty Best Junior Handler Scholarship
- And many more opportunities!

USASA Junior Committee Contacts

For the Current list of Committee Members please use the following link:

http://www.australianshepherds.org/juniors/overview