



Rue's 1st Week Progress Report Observation

Student Name: Rue Breed: American Border Collie Age: 5 yrs

Spay/Neuter: Spayed

Trainer: Vivian Merkley

Skill	1 st time Dog Owner	Moderately Experienced Handler	Experienced Handler
Nature: Rue is a working dog. She tolerates people but her heart is focused on stock. She's a great dog but work 1st and pet a distance 2nd! She will excel with someone who understands stock dogs wants a dog to work light stock. She takes time to build trust and shuts down when she feels any sort of pressure. She is Hobby Farm bound!			✓
Other dogs - Rue sees other dogs as stock she might be able to work. But she does have separation anxiety when in a kennel away from other dogs.			✓
I'd watch her with small dogs, cats, and chickens. She has a strong prey drive.			✓
On leash - Rue just started her on-leash training. She is confused. It's a new element for her and she need time to figure it out.			✓
Off leash - Great! She has a 100% recall and am working on tuning her herding commands.			✓