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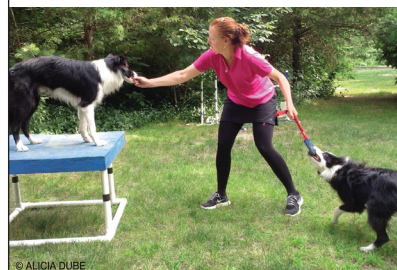
When you step to the line does that rapid heartbeat rattle you and cause you to doubt yourself? If adrenaline is your foe, get to work on making it your best friend when you do agility. By Sandy Rogers

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