

Hi Everybody,

Our NADAC trial last weekend was a big success. Judge Roger Coor was very personable, and his courses were fun as well as challenging. Day of show entries brought the number of runs to 799 for the whole weekend. Sunday we were pretty much filled to capacity, and the last class of the day was Tunnelers, with everybody cheering each other and having lots of fun.

CPE Nationals (Canine Performance Events) will take place in May 21 thru 23 at the Silver Spurs Arena, in Kissimmee. This is the same arena that DACOF (Dog Agility Competition of Florida) is held. It is beautiful, fully air conditioned, and with very comfortable seating. Clean Run will be one of the vendors, so bring your money to do lots of shopping!

CPE Nationals is being hosted by Pasco Paws, so check out their Nationals webpage (www.Pascopaws.com) for directions to the arena, and other information about the event.

No Classes

There will be no classes this Friday, April 30. There will be an AKC Agility trial in Palmetto. I will be going to Boxer Nationals from Thursday, **May 6** thru Wednesday, **May 12**, so there will be no classes on those days. Classes as usual on Thursday **May 13** and Friday, **May 14**. There will not be classes on Thursday, **May 20** or Friday, **May 2**, the weekend of CPE Nationals.

May is a busy month! It seems to be the moth for Nationals!

At the Rainbow Bridge

Two weeks ago, Marie Logue lost her best friend Winston. He was one of my first agility students and a buddy of my Boxer Emmy. It was like losing Emmy all over again. Marie and I drove to AKC Nationals in Denver in 2001. Emmy and Winston had a great time showing each other great sniffing places. Following is Marie's own words about Winston:



From Sally Alford Manning

HSUS - What they really are....

Addresses legislation agenda of HSUS (Humane Society of the United States) and Animal Rights groups like PETA

Outstanding 3-minute video...**Please cross post.**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ettJtImr4wM>

This is a brand new video from our friends at the Missourians for Animal Care coalition. It is hot off the press and fewer than 1000 people have seen this so far...

Raffle

We are raffling a regulation size teeter. If your dog has teeter issues, this is a great opportunity to have a teeter to practice at home! Proceeds from the raffle will help pay for the entry fees of our State Championship teams. We are also raffling two old tunnels that can no longer be used at the shows. The tunnels are a little beat up, but they are great for practicing in the back yard. There is also a dog bag for Obedience that even has a set of Utility gloves.

Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, and 25 for \$20. The teeter and the tunnels are on the concrete slab behind the pavillion. There will be 4 raffles, one for each of the teeters and each tunnel, and the bag.

The drawing will be on the first week in June.



Class Schedule

Monday:

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy (Next class starting June 7, 2010)

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Agility (next class starting May 24, 2010)

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Conformation (New class forming, contact Jeanne: jsardo42@hotmail.com)

8:00 to 9:00 PM - Intermediate Agility

Tuesday:

9:00 AM to 10:00AM - Small Dog Agility

6 to 7PM - Distance work class

7:00 PM Masters Level Agility

Wednesday:

9:00 to 10:00 AM - Basic Agility

11:00 to 12:00 AM - Rally

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy class (Next class starting May 26, 2010)

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Intermediate Agility

8:00 to 9:00 PM - Advanced Agility

Thursday:

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Obedience (Next class starting June 3, 2010)

8:00 to 9:00 PM - Rally Obedience

Friday:

9:00 to 10:00 AM - Advanced Agility

10:00 to 11:00 AM - Intermediate Agility

Congratulations To Our Latest Graduates

Allison Barrick and Katy (Potcake) graduated in the last Basic Agility class and I forgot to list them!

Super Puppy

Debi White & Oliver (Boxer)

Sue Davis & Gracie (English Cocker)

Catherine Lombard & Rosco (Lab)

From Donna Johnston

Doggy Dictionary

LEASH: A strap which attaches to your collar, enabling you to lead your person where you want him/her to go.

DOG BED: Any soft, clean surface, such as the white bedspread in the guest room or the newly upholstered couch in the living room.

DROOL: A liquid which, when combined with sad eyes, forces humans to give you their food. To do this properly you must sit as close as

you can and get the drool on the human.

SMELL: A social custom used to greet other dogs, similar to the human exchange of business cards.

GARBAGE CAN: A container which your neighbors put out once a week to test your ingenuity. You must stand on your hind legs and try to push the lid off with your nose. If you do it right you are rewarded with margarine wrappers to shred, beef bones to consume and moldy crusts of bread.

BICYCLES: Two-wheeled exercise machines, invented for dogs to control body fat. To get maximum aerobic benefit, you must hide behind a bush and dash out, bark loudly and run alongside for a few yards. The person then swerves and falls into the bushes, and you prance away.

DEAFNESS: This is a malady which affects dogs when their person wants them in and they want to stay out. Symptoms include staring blankly at the person, then running in the opposite direction, or lying down.

THUNDER: This is a signal that the world is coming to an end. Humans remain amazingly calm during thunderstorms, so it is necessary to warn them of the danger by trembling uncontrollably, panting, rolling your eyes wildly, and following at their heels.

WASTEBASKET: This is a dog toy filled with paper, envelopes, and old candy wrappers. It is important to evenly distribute its contents throughout the house before your person comes home.

BATH : If you find something especially good to roll in, humans get jealous, and they use this degrading form of torture to get even. Be sure to shake only when next to a person or a piece of furniture.

LEAN: Every good dog's response to the command "sit!," especially if your person is dressed for an evening out. Incredibly effective before black-tie events.

BUMP: The best way to get your human's attention when they are drinking a fresh cup of coffee or tea.

GOOSE BUMP: A maneuver to use as a last resort when the regular bump doesn't get the attention you require ... especially effective when combined with the sniff. See above.

CHILDREN: Short humans of optimal petting height. Standing close to one assures some good petting. When running, they are good to chase. If they fall down, they are comfortable to sit on.

LOVE: A feeling of intense affection, given freely and without restriction. The best way you can show your love is to wag your tail. If you're lucky, a human will love you in return.

...and now, time for a paws...

Ileana