

Hi Everybody!

Our next Agility competition will take place On Saturday, April 23 & Sunday, April 24 at the Mosaic Arena in the Manatee County Fairgrounds. The site is a really nice covered arena with great bleachers for expectators. Everybody is invited to come and watch. The show will start at 8AM both days and the schedule of classes is posted in the website at www.coolcritters.com/nadac.htm. Directions the arena: From I-75: Take exit 224 onto US 301 westbound. It becomes 10th St. W. in Palmetto. Continue to 14th Ave. You will cross US 41 and business 41. Turn right onto 14th Ave. and continue to the fairground entrance on your right.

We will be loading up on Friday after the 10AM agility class. All the helpers get a 4 week class card and people who also help set up at the arena will get another 4 week class card. We also need people to help us unload on Sunday after the show.

I would like to hold a raffle at the show as a fundraiser for our DACOF team. DACOF is the state agility championship and we are sending two teams. The competition is in Kissimmee, and most of us will be staying at hotels, so it will get expensive and we will need sponsorships and fundraisers. Our first fundraiser will be the raffle, so any items that you can donate, please bring to the school before next Friday!

No Classes

I will be going to Boxer Nationals at the beginning of May, so we will not be having classes from Wednesday, May 4, through Thursday, May 12. I will be getting a substitute instructor for the Thursday night Basic Obedience classes.

NADAC Seminar and Event here at the School

We are very excited that Sharon Nelson and her staff will be here at the school in the middle of November (Nov 12 & 13) for a 2 day seminar (probably during the week) and a Fundraiser show during the weekend. They were here about 10 years ago and were really a lot of fun. Watching their dogs run was quite amazing!

Beginner Agility Programs

Great news for young dogs in Agility! Both USDAA (United States Agility Association) and NADAC (North American Dog Agility Council) are starting a titling program for young dogs. It's an easier version of the Championship Program with lower or no jumps, no Weaves and smaller courses. The competitions can either be added to the schedule of classes at the shows, or can be done as a stand alone event at the training centers. I am already looking for a date to schedule a couple

of these events at my place, this fall, winter, or spring.

For a description of the USDAA Beginners program go to <http://www.usdaa.com/article.cfm?newsID=1740> .

The NADAC program is still in the works, but will consist of a Beginners program for dogs at least 12 months old, an Advanced Beginners program for dogs at least 14 months, and a Pre-Novice program for dogs at least 16 months.

Both programs will allow toys or treats, and will allow experienced dogs to participate for practice only as a means of training in a ring environment.

USDAA has also added a Veterans program to their classes for dogs over 9 years of age. We will be having Veteran classes t my USDAA trial in Ocotber. For a description of that program go to:

<http://www.usdaa.com/binary/files/The%20New%20USDAA%20Veterans%20Program%20FINAL%20PUBLISH.pdf>

From Mobile Groomer Emily Pryor

When the Economy took a downturn, Emily found that her dog owners of her Mobile Grooming business, That's Groomer to You! , started to spread out their grooming appointments because of the changes in their incomes. They became frustrated when they found that their pets did not stay clean and tangle free after they would bathe them.

Emily decided that it was time to share her knowledge of products, tools and techniques in order to keep customers and their dogs happy and in good condition. Since she is Mobile Groomer it has been challenging trying to find a way to offer products to customers when she doesn't have "a place" for them to visit and shop. Well, now she has a place...The Riverview Flea Market.

7415 US 301

Riverview, Florida

... For pet owners to find Professional Products for them to use on their pets.
EQyss Shampoos and Conditioner and Topical Sprays

Espreo Shampoos and Conditioners

Beautiful Combs and wonderful Slickers

You need not be afraid to use products that are designed for Professionals since she makes sure that her customers know how to use them properly so that they get the best results for the health and beauty of their dogs' coats.

For those of you who have pups on special diets or if you just want to give your dogs some 'No Junk' treats... Homemade Tasties (No Corn, No Wheat, No Soy).

The Riverview Flea Market is clean, convenient and affordable. Air conditioning is a bonus for Emily and her dogs who work with her at her little shop. Her Cairn Terrier, Duffy is a good candidate for how to comb, brush, and/or bathe your little dog. Her Weimaraner, Opal is great at allowing me to show you how to make bathing your large dog an enjoyable experience for both ends of the leash.

Emily is enjoying meeting new customers who are sooooo...happy to find quality products for their dogs and a professional like her, to show them how to use them properly to get the best result.

HOURS

Wed. Thurs. Fri. 4-6

Sat. & Sun. 10-5

Maintainance Mania Demonstrations

at Noon, 1,2,3, and 4 on Sat. and Sundays.

Check Pictures of her little shop...

Bubbles & Cuddles Boutique

Fine Dog Grooming Supplies

at the Riverview Flea Market

7415 US 301 in Riverview, Florida.

Good Dogs to Ya!

A Request form Cavalier Petpourri Rescue, Inc.

Dear Cavalier Enthusiast,

As many of you know, I have a small rescue--Cavalier Petpourri Rescue, Inc.--with the primary goal of rescuing Cavaliers with special needs and/or behavior problems or those who have been discarded by their families because they are older, sick, or need surgery. In short, through the years, I have taken those that no one else will adopt. I have taken several older Cavaliers who had been abandoned, the oldest of which was 14 years and 6 months! When requested, I have also taken English Toy Spaniels and Japanese Chins with health issues . I currently have 17 dogs, almost all with special needs.

In the past, I was able to finance their surgeries and care through a few donations and my teaching salary and although I have raised money for dogs around the country that have needed helped, I have never requested help or solicited donations for the dogs I rescue. I have always been stubborn and wanted to pay for their care myself. However, last year was very difficult financially with over \$20,000 in veterinary, etc., costs for the dogs I have in my care. This year has been very difficult with eight of them having needed surgery since February 1 and there are two more with pending surgeries.

Because of these expenses, I am forced to (reluctantly) ask for donations so that I can continue to help those in need. It is difficult for me to make this request, but I don't believe I can continue to do the work I do without asking for help.

Any donations, regardless of the amount, would be greatly appreciated. All donations are tax-deductible, as Cavalier Petpourri Rescue, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) non-profit business. Donations can be made the following ways:

--click on the "click here" link on the home page of the web site

www.cavalierpetpourri.com That should be at the bottom of the home page and is a link to PayPal as well as the other avenues to donate.

--call 714 839 3981 leave a message with your credit card information, address or email (so that I can send a letter for your tax purposes). If I can, I will answer the phone. If not, the machine is secure and credit card information, etc., can safely be left on it. The 866 839 3981 number is no longer valid.

--send a check to Cavalier Petpourri Rescue, Inc. 4222 W. Regent Drive Santa Ana, CA. 92704

--fax information to: 714 839 1991

Thank you,
grateful Pat Wells

Snake Avoidance Clinic

The North Florida GSP Club is hosting a snake-proofing clinic on Saturday May 21st, in Masaryktown, near Brooksville. This clinic, open to all dogs not just hunting dogs, is held under the supervision of Gainesville vet, Dr. Bud Calderwood, who brings his personal snakes: a rattler that rattles, a rattler that doesn't rattle, and recently he has brought a water moccasin. If you are interested in finding out more about this clinic and exactly what happens to your dog, please feel free to email Pam Stuart at pamther@tampabay.rr.com and include your phone number in your email as this might be a topic better discussed so she can answer your questions and have a dialogue. She proofed her older Vizsla, Monty years ago, and while she's been lucky that the snakes he has found while hunting were not vipers, he has stayed well away from them. There have been times when she has seen him change direction quickly in the field, as if he was avoiding a snake. This is serious stuff. Snake bites are a tragedy. Some survive, others are not so lucky.

Congratulations to Our Latest Graduates!

Basic Agility

Lisa Glick & Flare (Greyhound)
Suzanne Brennan-Space & Darwin (All American)
Gwen Tomlinson & Paris (Vizsla)
Kurt Rae & London (All American)
Maureen Roberts & Aedan (Belgian Malinois)

Super Puppy

Becky Flanagan & Libby (Sheltie)
Julie Martinez & Bode (Sheltie)
Kevyn Farley & Dempsey (Boxer)

Class Schedule

Monday:

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy (Next class starting May 16, 2011)

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Agility (next class starting June 6, 2011)

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 10:00AM - Beginner Competition Obedience Skills

10:00 to 12:00AM - Advanced Obedience with Susi Kirkpatrick

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy class (Next class starting June 15, 2011)

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 May 26, 2011)

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

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

Ileana