

Hi Everybody!

Congratulations to our DACOF (Dog Agility Competition of Florida) for a successful showing at the Tournament on July 4th weekend. Thirty seven teams from across the state participated. Our Cool Team placed 9th and the Critter Team, having to deal with several injuries, placed 28th.

We had some nice placements: In 8" Excellent, Juliette (Kathy Brown) earned two 1st places and a 3rd. In 12" Excellent, Scout (Lisa Glick) had a 2nd place. In Open 24", Voo Doo (Lisa Fortschneider) earned a 2nd place. In 8" Novice, Gracie (Margo Barker) earned a 1st, and two 2nd places. In 12" Novice, Sasha (Debbie Hartzell) had a 3rd place, and Ellie (Hiroko Williams) earned a 1st, a 2nd, and a 3rd placement.

We also had some High Scoring dogs: In 8" Excellent, Juliette (Toy Fox Terrier) came in 2nd place overall. In 12" Excellent, Scout (Swedish Valhund) came in 5th place overall, and in 20" Excellent, Tia (Boxer) came in 5th place overall. In 24" Open, VooDoo (German Shepherd) came in 6th place overall. Finally, in 8" Novice, Gracie (Sheltie) was 3rd place overall, and Sasha (Pugle) came in 4th place overall. Great job everyone!!!

The premiums for both the USDAA trial of October 3 & 4th, and the Thanksgiving NADAC trial have both been approved and can now be downloaded from www.coolcritters.com.

Acupuncture Program at UF is being Eliminated

I received a note from Sharon Hiemenz, a friend from my sons' 4H days. Her daughter is a Veterinary student at the University of Florida. Sharon writes:

"Hi, I signed the petition "Acupuncture UF". I'm asking you to sign this petition to help save the acupuncture program at the University of Florida School of Veterinary Medicine. Sandra just completed this rotation, which also teaches acupressure and feels it is one of the most valuable programs at UF. We have taken 2 of our pets to UF for treatment in this program with dramatic improvement: a horse (back pain-acupuncture) and our dog (Katie-student "guinea pig" for anorexia and GI distress-acupressure) with dramatic results Few vet schools offer this program, and UF is fortunate to have the world's expert on veterinary acupuncture on faculty (wrote the text book). It would be a shame to lose this program. I care deeply about this cause, and I hope you will support our efforts."

UF used to have a yearly Symposium for dog and cat owners which I loved to attend, and one year I had the privilege of meeting the head of the Acupuncture department. He is brilliant, very dedicated and has trained many of the Veterinary Acupuncturists in the state. I signed the petition.

You can view this petition at:

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/tell-a-friend/5008959>

Stride For Strays

The Stride for Strays Walkathon will be taking place at Al Lopez Park in Tampa on October 31, 2009. Mary Quinn is participating with a group of dog lovers to raise money for The Animal Coalition of Tampa Bay. To join Mary's group and learn more about this worthwhile event, check out:

www.firstgiving.com/grippiepaws.

From Mary Quinn:

We have an A-Frame for sale at this time. It has eight foot sides and no slats (NADAC style). The base is aluminum and has a signboard deck. It is completed and ready to go. This was ordered by someone that did not want it after the construction was started was almost completed. This A-Frame is normally \$575.00 but is on sale at this time for \$450.00. The special price is for this one A-Frame only. Call Mary at 352-518-9039 or email her at agilityperson@hotmail.com



Cocker Spaniel Needs a Home

Shelly Beach is from the Clearwater area, and her parents have been dog sitting a cream colored 3 year old female Cocker Spaniel "Dali" for a few months because the owners lost their jobs and their home in Palm Harbor. They just learned that the owners are unfortunately not able to return for their dog due to continuing financial problems. Shelly's parents already have 4 dogs of their own and are looking for an EXCELLENT home for Dali.

Dali is a complete melt in your arms sweetheart. She just turned 3 years old on July 15th. She is in excellent health, is completely house trained, and is wonderful with children.

If you know anyone who might be interested in meeting Dali, please have them contact Shelly Beach at (727) 463-3433

From Cat Call 911

Hi, everyone. We are sending this email in hopes that you can help us raise funds for the Cat Call kitties. While donations are down due to a bad economy, the number of cats who need us is not! We are trying to raise much-needed funds to help cover spaying/neutering, vaccinations, food, medication, micro-chipping, flea control products, vet bills, etc.;

1. The first of the fundraising projects we have undertaken is online magazine sales. New subscriptions can be purchased, as well as renewals of existing ones. As you will see at the link below, there are over 650 titles available to cover many, many interests and hobbies (including "Cat Fancy" and "I Love Cats"). There is a field which will allow you to do a keyword search. Just a few categories include children, family & parenting, news, sports, home & garden, health & fitness -- and even men's interests. Just think... every time you receive your magazine in the mail, you will get a warm-and-fuzzy feeling, knowing you helped the cats! :-)

CatCall will receive a substantial amount of each magazine purchase, so if all of you were to order just one subscription, it would add up to a nice amount of funds to help improve the overpopulation problem, reduce the euthanasia rate in the shelters, and give many cats and kittens a chance at a happy and healthy life. All you do is choose the magazine(s) you want, pay online with a debit or credit card, and start receiving your magazines by mail. Using this link will automatically give CatCall credit for your purchase:

<http://www.magfundraising.com/CatCall>

2. The second way you can help the cats is by saving your used/empty ink jet cartridges for recycling. Not only will you be helping the cats, but recycling is also good for the environment. Once you have collected at least 5 cartridges, please email JoJo to make arrangements to get them: www.JojoHulett2003@yahoo.com. The only requirement is that the cartridges be small enough to fit in the palm of your hand... the recycling company does not accept toner cartridges. There will be cartridge collection boxes at a few business locations in our area including Bloomingdale Pet Supply located at 3110 Lithia Pinecrest Rd, Valrico, FL, 33594 , Phone: (813) 662-9296 and Cohen & DePaul, P.A., located at 4951 Adamo Drive Suite 220. Tampa, Florida 33605. Phone: (813) 247-5010. You can ALWAYS bring them on the weekends to any of our adoption sites and hand them to a volunteer!!! If you know of a business who would allow

CatCall to place a collection box in the lobby or lounge area, please let JoJo know after you have obtained permission from the business.

3. Last but not least... the third fundraiser- We are participating in Tropical Nights, a silent auction event, being sponsored by Animal Based Charities and Jack/Jewell Talman, to be held August 15th in Tampa. This event could generate a lot of funds for CatCall -- and be a lot of fun. Several rescue groups will be participating, so it will be a great opportunity to network with fellow animal-lovers. Regular tickets are \$40 and VIP tickets are \$75. Each ticket purchased, will receive a free admission ticket to Big Cat Rescue, the coolest place in town to see lions, tigers, panthers and other large cats. While all local animal rescue groups will benefit from this night, it could make a huge difference to CatCall. We will receive a portion of the gross revenue from the tickets our group sells. In addition, we will also receive a portion of the gross proceeds of any silent auction items we provide. We've already confirmed items from Bond Jewelers, Macy's, California Pizza kitchen, and a new Bar B Q from Home Depot, just to name a few items, and we've only just begun!!!! Please contact JoJo or Jeanine to purchase tickets, and/or donate new/unused items to the silent auction event: JojoHulett2003@yahoo.com, or jeanine@cohenanddepaul.com. If you would like to receive an e-mail invitation to this August 15th event, just respond and let us know. Please pass this information along to your friends and family! Or send them the entire e-mail!!!!!! Thank you for your undying love and support for the many feline angels who are counting on us!!! Even if you can't help at this time, please consider sending updates on your CatCall cat to www.catcall.org, we love hearing from you, and yes, pictures are great!!!!!!

Pet Calendar Contest

Suncoast Animal League is a shelter in Pinellas County where Anne Lee volunteers. They go out of there way to bring dogs back from the Panhandle, Georgia, Pasco, etc. Whenever they get a call that other shelters are loaded, with no funding, and are going to put some nice dogs and puppies down, Suncoast responds. So far everyone has been placed. Anne does the follow-up calls, almost everyone of the adoptions have turned out to be really good dogs with no behavior problems.

They are doing a pet calendar contest for 2010, and all monies will be for Suncoast to keep helping the animals. Do you think your pets are fit for print? Click [here](#) to read about the Suncoast Animal League's 2010 Pet Calendar Contest.

Congratulations to Our Latest Graduates!

Super Puppy:

Eileen Kalvan & Kiwi (All American)

Joy Pipefish & Snickers (Corgi)
Backy Van Dame & Ben (German Shepherd)
Carlie Tryon & Bubbles (Havanese)
Deborah Splitstone & Ruby (Pit Bull mix)

Basic Agility:

Pat Moreno & Bear (German Shepherd)
Jillian & Ellen Matheson with Milka (Labrador)
Robin Ryan & Kozmo (Parson Russell Terrier)
Phillip McGee & Sunni (Bichon Frise)

Class Schedule

Monday:

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy (Next class starting September 14, 2009)
7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Agility (next class starting August 3, 2009)
7:00 to 8:00 PM - Conformation (This is an on-demand class)
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:

9:30 to 10:15 AM - Super Puppy 10:30 to 11:30 AM - Rally
6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy class (Next class starting August 5, 2009)
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 August 13, 2009)
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...

Ilana