

Hi Everybody,

Coming up this weekend is the Dog Agility Competition of Florida or DACOF. Our school will be taking 2 teams. The Cool Team: Hiroko Williams with Rat Terrier Ellie, Debbie Hartzell with Puggle Sasha, Michael Fortschneider with German Shepherd Voo Doo s the Excellent Team. Debbie Broadrick with Poodle Hemi, Don White with Boxer Marley, Barbara Layton with Aussie Brie are the Novice Team. Diann Andress with Border Collie Blue, Rita Insogna with Cairn Terrier Makaio, Kathie Scott with Poodle Rudy are the open Team.

The Critter Team: Lisa Fortschneider with German Shepherd Sissi, Michael Fortschneider with German Shepherd Sosa, Julie Martinez with Sheltie Tebow are the Excellent team. Tiffanie Ivins with Boxer Tessa , Lynn Shaber with Sheltie Dare, Don White with Boxer Oliver are the Novice Team. Shela Ellis with Aussie Billy, Julie Martinez with Sheltie Bodie, Kathie Scott with Poodle Sammy are the Open Team.

The tournament will take place at the Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee, Saturday, June 30, and Sunday, July 1st. The arena is indoor, fully air conditioned, and there is lots of room for expectators. For directions, go to the website: <http://www.ohpark.com/> There is a charge for parking, but admission to the event is free.

No Classes

Friday, June 29, we're are setting up for the DACOF Tournament
Independence Day Wednesday, July 4, 2012
Tuesday July 10 through Friday, July 13, 2012 Perry, Georgia trials

Don't forget, the weather report will be on the website each day by 5:30PM. If any classes are cancelled, it will be posted there. As a rule, the Puppy and Basic Obedience classes are not cancelled by rain, since they are held at the pole barn.

Over the Rainbow Bridge

ADCH, MACH 2, NATCH, Vers-NATCH, ATCH Fair Oaks the Joker is Wild, XF, CGC, TDI January 1998-June 2012.

On Thursday, my son Bobby and I sent our Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Levi over the Rainbow Bridge. Levi was our first Cavalier, and another one of Florida's agility pioneer dogs. He was Bobby's first dog, and his 4H partner. He was truly a great dog, First Quadruple Agility Champion Cavalier, second Versatility NATCH dog in Florida, and he had the distinction of being one of the performance Cavaliers featured in Barbara Garnett-Wilson's latest books on the breed, Because he was the first Cavalier to earn Agility' s Triple Crown: ADCH, MACH, NATCH.

He was quite a character, opinionated, challenging. but always fun. Go to the Bridge Little Man, Icee, Emmy, and Sydney are waiting there for you. You will live forever in our hearts.

We Need to Fight This!

If we want to buy our next puppy from a loving, educated breeder who knows the breed and raises their puppies in their home, we need to fight this law.

Once again, we face a fundamental threat to our right to animal ownership in the United States. USDA, through its bureaucratic agency, APHIS, is proposing a new regulation to require that ALL pet breeders who have five or more intact females and sell pets outside of the area where they were bred (for example online) obtain a USDA license and come into compliance with the Animal Welfare Act.

That means if you sell even ONE animal outside of the premises of your breeding facility, you will be required to spend thousands of dollars complying with the AWA and to open your home for USDA inspection. As you know, small breeders cannot afford these regulatory burdens. MANY small American breeding businesses will be bankrupted by this rule.

Write to your congressmen and tell them to VOTE NO!!!

<http://the-cavalry-group.rallycongress.com/6980/urge-congress-take-action-to-support-cavalry-group-mission/?src=widget>

Facebook page for more info:

<https://www.facebook.com/SaveHobbyBreeders>

From Vikki Egan

Leila, a reverse brindle Boxer needs a home. Maybe you know someone. She is located here in Tampa area.

Leila is 3 years old. Wonderful with children and other animals but bossy w/pets. She will chase stray cats or squirrels if given the chance. She would love to be the only baby in family but does adapt. Wonderful on a leash. We took her in temporary from military family that was expecting and it turned permanent. We had her spayed and I have her records. She is due shots in July. She had a skin

challenge that seems to have corrected with change of food. She also chewed but that too has changed. She loves to play and snuggle.

If interested, please contact *Judy K. Moore* JKMoore424@aol.com>

From Lesa Phillips

Hello,

I don't directly know the person involved, but Didi is a member of Paws for Friendship obviously trying to see that the right thing is done by this adorable little Aussie. Please consider sharing with your agility people. Thank you!

From: Didi Ewing Sent: Sunday, June 10, 2012 8:31 PM
Subject: Bailey - Mini Australian Shepherd needs home

Hi All. I am trying to help my sister find a loving, responsible home for her puppy. I can get pictures if anyone would like as I walk him 5 days a week in the afternoon while she is at work. Bailey is a 6 month old Australian shepherd. His mom was a mini and his dad a full size. He is neutered and up to date on all shots, as well as, heartworm and flea preventatives. Crate trained, dog and child friendly. He has been raised the past 5 months with my niece who is currently 18 months old, and with almost daily walks with my 2 dogs. He is a sweet, loving boy. He loves to play fetch. He is a typical, energetic puppy. He needs a home that with responsible owners who will give him the exercise a dog of his breed needs.

If you or anyone you know would like to adopt Bailey, please contact my sister, Danielle, at 727-422-7292 or dhallman29@gmail.com
Thank you.

From Fred Barnett:

A Dog's Will

Before humans die, they write their last will and testament and give their home and all they have to those they leave behind. If, with my paws I could do the same, this is what I'd give:

To a poor and lonely stray I would give my happy home, my bowl, my cozy bed, my soft pillows and all my toys; the lap, which I loved so much, and the tender loving hands; the hand that stroked my fur and the sweet voice which called my name; and I would Will to the sad and scared shelter dog or cat the place I had in my human's loving heart of which there seemed no bounds.

So when I die, please do not say, "I will never have a pet again for the loss and pain is more than I can stand." Instead, go find an unloved dog or cat -- one whose life has held no joy or hope and give my place to him. This is the only thing

I can give – the love I left behind.

A Tip From Fred Barnett:

Lint from your dryer is great for lining nests so put some out in the yard for the birds to pick up. Save it until you get an old toilet paper roll and then stuff it and then put out for the birds.

When thunder/lightning storms are coming, my 3 little dogs freak out. I rub them down lightly with a dryer sheet which calms down the prickly sensation they are feeling in their skin (ahead of the storm) and they remain nice and calm during the whole storm. Last summer I used this trick at least 20 times, and not one dog flipped out!"

Tick Removal Trick from June Cole

Spring is here and the ticks will soon be showing their heads. Here is a good way to get them off you, your children, or your pets. Give it a try.

Please forward to anyone with children, hunters or dogs; or anyone who even steps outside in summer! A School Nurse has written the info below--good enough to share--and it really works!

"I had a pediatrician tell me what she believes is the best way to remove a tick. This is great because it works in those places where it's sometimes difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a head full of dark hair, etc."

"Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and swab it for a few seconds (15-20); the tick will come out on its own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away. This technique has worked every time I've used it (and that was frequently), and it's much less traumatic for the patient and easier for me." "Unless someone is allergic to soap, I can't see that this would be damaging in any way. I even had my doctor's wife call me for advice because she had one stuck to her back and she couldn't reach it with tweezers. She used this method and immediately called me back to say, "It worked!"

Please pass on. Everyone needs this helpful hint!

Congratulations to Our Latest Graduates:

Super Puppies:

Peggy & Richard Ouelette with Lacey (Collie)
Ceil & Brian Langel with Eli (Cavalier King Charles Spaniel)
Morgan Dean & Sophie (Labradoodle)
Cheryn Mitchell & Piper (Labradoodle)
Donetta Myers & Dixie (Papillon)

Basic Obedience:

Samantha Suba & Annie (Doberman)
Kevin Suba & Myron (Doberman)
Nancy Wallace & Temi (Russian Spaniel)
Summer Perez & Layla (Great Dane)
Michele Clor & Penny (Cava-Tese)
Thomas Little & Lucky (Great Dane)

Class Schedule:

Monday:

6:00 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy (Next class starting August 13, 2012)
7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Agility (next class starting July 16, 2012)
8:00 to 9:00 PM - Intermediate Agility

Tuesday:

9:00 to 10:00 AM - Advanced Agility
10:00 to 11:00 AM - Intermediate Agility
6:00 to 7:00 PM - Distance work class
7:00 PM Masters / Excellent Level Agility

Wednesday:

6:00 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy class (Next class starting July 18, 2012)
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 9, 2012)
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