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Official Newsletter of Valley Hills Obedience Club, Inc.
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VHOC Website: www.vhoc.org

FEATURES

Scores & Brags...Upcoming Events
Important Dates.....and much more!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

Carole Raschella has graciously offered to re-design her *Top Dog* T-Shirts and make them available to VHOC members as a Club Fundraiser. (Price to be determined). If you would be interested in purchasing a T-Shirt, please contact Ann or Carole Hills at (818) 832-9952 or email cahills1@verizon.net.



General Meeting

Friday, September 30, 2005

6:00 to 8:00 pm

Board Meeting

8:05 to 9:00 pm

Canoga Park Lutheran School
7357 Jordan Ave, Canoga Park

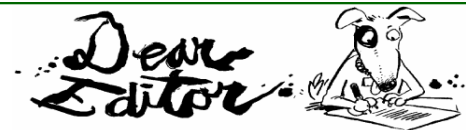
End-of-Summer Obedience and Agility Training Session

*Volunteers requested for Agility
Set-up and Break-down*

Pizza WILL be served
(Bring your own drinks)

RSVP Required No Later than Wed., Sept. 27

Please RSVP to Stephanie Colman at
stephaniecolman@sbcglobal.net or call (818) 989-7996



HURRICANE KATRINA BRINGS POWERFUL MESSAGE OF DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PET OWNERS

By Stephanie Colman

As animal welfare organizations struggle to meet the needs of the hundreds of animals displaced by Hurricane Katrina, it is important that Southern California pet owners take this opportunity to evaluate their own emergency preparedness plans – including what to do with pets.

While Southern California is fortunate to not experience hurricanes, it does experience earthquakes. Whether it's a large-scale natural catastrophe or an unforeseen emergency, everyone can benefit from a well thought out household evacuation plan. When planning ahead, keep in mind the following:

If you need to evacuate your home, do not leave your pets behind. They are not likely to survive on their own. For public health reasons, most emergency shelters do not accept pets. Do some research now to find area hotels/motels that are pet-friendly and identify a few friends and family members who would be willing to shelter your pets in an emergency.

Make absolutely certain that your pets wear collars with identification tags at all times. Keep the contact information up-to-date. Consider adding a cell phone number or number of an out-of-area friend or relative to maximize the opportunities for an appropriate caretaker to be contacted regarding your pet. Have your dogs and cats micro-chipped at your vet's office or local shelter, to provide them with a permanent source of identification.

Keep an appropriately sized crate or pet carrier on-hand. In the event of an earthquake, confining your pets in a crate will help prevent injuries from broken glass or other foreign objects. Depending on the extent of damage to your home, you may need the crate to keep your pet safely confined on your property. If you do not regularly use a crate with your pets, consider occasionally feeding them in the crate to help acclimatize them to it in advance.

Create a Pet Survival Kit that is kept in an easily accessible place and contains necessities like pet food, bottled water, medication, food/water bowls, a can opener and one or more sturdy leashes. Include relevant information about your pet such as veterinarian information and a brief medical history. Make sure to include your contact information as well as the contact information of any persons authorized to care for your pet in your absence. Include a current photo of each of your pets. If space allows, include your pet's bed and a familiar toy to help reduce stress.

Make a list of area boarding facilities, veterinarian offices and shelters. In the event that you are unable to return to your home right away and need long-term care for your animals, these facilities can assist you in finding appropriate care for your pets. If you must place your pet in temporary foster care with a friend or boarding facility, make sure your Pet Survival Kit accompanies him.

Keep in mind that not all emergencies take place while you are home with your pets. Designate a nearby friend or family member who would be willing to go to your home to check on your pets and pick them up if necessary. Make sure this person has a key to your home and knows where to find your Pet Survival Kit. Consider adding an Animal Rescue Sticker to your front door or window to alert rescue personnel of the type and number of animals inside. Rescue stickers can be purchased at most pet stores and are available free-of-charge at www.aspca.org.

If you have no alternative but to leave your pet at home while you evacuate in an emergency, the Humane Society of the United States offers the following suggestions:

Confine your pet to a safe area inside the home. Never leave your pet chained up.

Leave your pet with plenty of fresh water. Place a visible notice outside advising rescue personnel what pets are inside the house and where they are located. Include phone numbers for yourself, your pet's emergency contact and the veterinarian.

Leave leashes, transport carriers and your Pet Survival Kit where they can easily be found.

For more information on how to best meet the needs of your animals in the event of an emergency, visit the Association for the Prevention of Cruelty of Animals at www.aspca.org and the Humane Society of the United States at www.hsus.org.

Attention VHOC Members

VHOC'S 50th Anniversary Obedience Trial and 1st Rally Trial will be held on December 10th and 11th this year. To celebrate our anniversary, we would like to make the trophies and ribbons *extra* special this year. We are planning to award rosettes for all qualifying scores, in addition to special placement rosettes. *But we can't do this without your help!*

Please consider making a donation to the general trophy fund or sponsoring a specific breed or group trophy. I hope to hear from all our members, so we can make this an *extra special trial!* You can reach me at 818-702-0841 or sykess@sbcglobal.net. Sarah Sykes, Trophy Chair



OBEDIENCE EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 17 Dachshund Club of Santa Ana. **O only**. Hotel Claremont, Claremont. Eileen Parr, Sec. parrkees@aol.com or 760-946-9048. Cl. 8/31
18 Golden State Dog Fanciers. **Sho 'n Go**. Palm View Park, West Covina. Ent 9:30-11 am, Judge. Obed. 9:30am; Conf. 11 am.
24-25 Santa Ana Valley KC. **S/O**. Cypress College, Athletic Field, Cypress. Bradshaw, Supt. www.jbradshaw.com or 323-727-0136. Cl. 9/7

OCTOBER

- 15-16 OC of San Diego Co. **O only**. Markim Pet Resort, 4939 Carmel Valley Rd, San Diego. Lynn Spears, Sec. 619-656-7600. Cl. 9/28
21 Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club. **O only**. Ramada Inn, 1 block off Freeway 20, Claremont. Eileen Parr, Sec. 760-946-9048. Cl. 10/5
22 GSDC of San Gabriel Valley. **S/O**. Orangewood Park, West Covina. Carol Hudd, Sec. 702-361-8448. Cl. 10/5
23 GSDC of LA Co. **S/O**. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Carol Hudd, Sec. 702-361-8445. Cl. 10/5
29 GSPC of OC. **O only**. Featherly Reg. Park, Anaheim. Daphne Bell, Sec. 323-256-8932. Cl. 10/12
30 Pasanita OC. **O only**. Brookside Park, Pasadena. Daphne Bell, Sec. 323-256-8932 or www.pasanita.com. Cl. 10/12

NOVEMBER

- 4-6 Various Clubs. **S/O**. Santa Fe Dam Rec. Area, Irwindale. Bradshaw, Supt. www.jbradshaw.com or 323-727-0136. Cl. 10/19
9-11 Boxer Club of SFValley, Sheraton Suites Fairplex, 601 W.McKinley Ave, Pomona, Garvin Show Services, Sup. 503-558-1221. Cl. 10/19
19-20 Simi Valley KC. **O only**. College View Park, Moorpark. Carol Parker, Sec. 818-259-9671. Cl. 11/2

RALLY EVENTS

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AGILITY EVENTS

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- 17 Impawsible Feets Agility **SHO 'n GO**. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Reg. 9 am, \$5/run. Jean Hobbs 661-726-4683 or dogchaser 50-shongo@yahoo.com
17-18 NADAC/ASCA. WVDS/ASCSC. Gabrieleno Eq. Park, Lakeview Terrace. Lynne Watson 818-341-6575 or lynnezoo2@cs.com. Cl. 9/1
17-18 DAC of Chino. Santa Fe Dam Rec. Area, 15501 E Arrow Hwy, Irwindale. Jean O'Neill, 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 8/31
24 SC Collie Club. Woodley Park, Van Nuys (3 pm after GSRC trial) Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 9/7
24-25 Golden State Rottweiler Club. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 9/7

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- 1-2 Hollywood DOC. Gabrieleno Eq. Park, Lakeview Terrace. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 9/14
1-2 NADAC/ASCA, Manzanita/ASCSC. Pearblossom at Lorraine's house. Lorraine Cirinelli, 661-944-2130 or agilityusa@aol.com. Cl. 9/19
8 Simi Vally KC/, Woodley Ave., Van Nuys. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 9/21
15-16 SCAT. TeWinkle Park, 970 Arlington Drive, Costa Mesa. Sarah Fitzell, Sec. 951-776-2072 or flyingcorgi@earthlink.net. Cl. 10/1
21 Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club. Ramada Inn, Claremont. Sarah Fitzell, Sec. 951-776-2072 or flyingcorgi@earthlink.net. Cl. 10/5
22-23 USDAA, Happy Dog Agility, Tierra Rejada Ranch, Moorpark. Kristy Netzer, 805-498-9319 or happydogkn@aol.com. Cl. 10/7
29-30 Golden State Rottweiler Club. Woodley Ave., Van Nuys. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 10/12
29-30 NADAC/ASCA, WLA OTC. Cheviot Hills Rec Ctr, 2551 Motor Ave, Los Angeles. Lisa Marzban, 818-996-2647 or Lmarzban@aol.com.
29-30 USDAA, BDTC, University Prep, 500 Temple Ave, Camarillo. Ginny Deppe, 805-672-0109 or furbunny@earthlink.net. Cl. 10/19

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- 5-6 DAC of Ventura. University Prep School, Camarillo. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or rogueterv@direcway.com. Cl. 10/19
19-20 Samoyed Club of America. Johnny Carson Park, Burbank. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or rogueterv@direcway.com. Cl. 11/2
25-27 Contact Point Agility Club. Arroyo Verde Park, Ventura. Kate Moureaux, Sec. 818-262-4442 or drivendogs@yahoo.com. Cl. 11/10

HERDING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 29-30 Coso Dog Fanciers of CA. **HRTS/HRTR**. T.A.S.K. Farms, Leona Valley. Jan McAninch, Sec.714-846-5134 or jan@mcaninch.net. Cl. 10/17

NOVEMBER

- 12-13 Belgian Tervuren Club. **HRTS/HRTR**. T.A.S.K. Farms, Leona Valley. Jan McAninch, Sec.714-846-5134 or jan@mcaninch.net. Cl. 10/31

Legend: S=Show (Conformation), O=Obedience Trial, HRTS=Herding Test, /HRTR=Herding Trial, Ent=Entries Accepted, Cl=Entries Close

SCORES & BRAGS

OBEDIENCE

August 20, 2005 Top Dog Competition, Huntington Beach, CA

Sarah Sykes & Rupert	Open Exc B	386	2nd Place	(Run-off for 1st Place)!!
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August 27-28, 2005 Santa Barbara KC, Santa Barbara, CA

Flo Walberg & Ian	Utility B	196.5	2nd Place	
Flo Walberg & Ian	Open B	198.5	1st Place	High Combined
Flo Walberg & Ian	Utility B	197	2nd Place	
Flo Walberg & Ian	Open B	199	1st Place	High Combined

AGILITY

August 13-14, 2005 USDAA West Valley Dog Sports, City of Industry, CA

Carole Hills & Tucker	Standard P1		1st Place	
Carole Hills & Tucker	Gamblers P1		2nd Place	

August 21, 2005 Keeshond Club of SC, Lakeview Terrace, CA

Teri Chang & Jazzie	Exc B JWVV	100	3rd Place	
Teri Chang & Jazzie	Exc B Std	100		Double Q

September 3-4, 2005 Golden Retriever Club, Greater LA, Lakeview Terrace, CA.

Teri Change & Layla	Open JWW Pref	100	1st Place	OJP Title
Teri Change & Layla	Exc A Std Pref	100	1st Place	1st Leg
Teri Change & Layla	Exc A JWVV	100	2nd Place	1st Leg
Teri Change & Layla	Exc A Std Pref	100	1st Place	2nd Leg
Teri Change & Jazzie	Exc B JWW	100		
Teri Change & Jazzie	Exc B Std	100		20th Double Q & High Golden in Trial!!



Tired of training outside? Preparing for that big, noisy, indoor show? Need to do some fine tuning in front of a big mirror? Come enjoy climate controlled comfort at the J9'sK9s Training Facility! Located in the west San Fernando Valley, at 21720 Sherman Way in Canoga Park, California. It's 1/2 block west of Owensmouth Street - upstairs from "C & C Pet Food". Our immaculate, carpeted facility with over 1600 square feet and 35 feet of mirror is available for rent to individuals and their canine partners for \$10 an hour. We have competitive obedience equipment, baby gates, crates and some agility equipment too, just waiting for you and your dog to come and play with! Also available for pre-approved events and small groups at an additional cost. Call (818) 832-9906 for more information.

Puppy 101: Building the Performance Basics - Valley Hills Obedience Club

For puppies 8-weeks to 6-months, this class is designed to create a strong foundation upon which to build the skills necessary to successfully compete in a variety of dog sports! The class will cover important lessons such as fast recalls; scent work; early games; strutting; stacking; socialization; early agility and much more! This class meets on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in Canoga Park.

\$100 for six weeks for VHOC members. \$115 for non-members. Handlers are welcome to audit class without a dog for \$50. For start dates and more information, please contact Moira at k9exprs@aol.com.



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