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Official Newsletter of Valley Hills Obedience Club, Inc.
P. O. Box 10132, Canoga Park, CA 91309
VHOC Website: www.vhoc.org



FEATURES

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Lindia Brown of Woodland Hills
and
her Rottweiler "Pasha"

Curt Uritz of Ventura
and
his Australian Shepherds
"Austin" and "Devin"

BOARD MEETING

7:00 pm
Wednesday, August 2

At the home of
Linda Brooks

Somewhere in
California

Please RSV to Linda by
July 30 at (818) xxx-xxxx
or message7@pacbell.net

General Meeting

Friday, June 30

Woodley Park, Rear Section 6340 Woodley Ave., Van Nuys

Setup & Training: 6:00 pm
Guest Speaker: 7:00 pm

Flo Walberg, owner and handler
of multiple OTCH dogs, will be
giving a mini-seminar on "Fronts"

Rally and Obedience rings will be set up for
members. Even if you've never tried rally, Laurie
Burnam will be available to explain the sport and
help you learn to "play"!

**The Club will provide El Pollo chicken (with
all the sides), drinks.....AND a Door Prize!!**

Please RSVP to Sandy Walton by June 27 at
(323) 654-4110 or snwalton@aol.com

Dear
Editor



SCORES & BRAGS

O B E D I E N C E

June 4, 2006 KC of Pasadena, Pasadena, CA

Flo Walberg & Danny Nov. B 1st Place 198.5 **High in Trial!**

Louise Brady writes: "I took my Weimaraners to our Western Regional Show Futurity in Vallejo on May 19th. This is an event that recognizes the breeders of the winning dogs. My boy, Torque, won Best Dog in Futurity. And his litter sister, Dipper, won Best Bitch in Futurity. As I am their breeder, it was a huge victory for me!"

A note from Moira Cornell: "Roxy went WB, BOW & Best of Breed on Friday at the SVKC show. On Sunday, she went WB, BOW & Best Op. Sex, at AVKC! What a great weekend!! She was RWB on Saturday! All of these wins were from the bred by class—she needs only 4 points to finish."

RALLY

May 7, 2006 Hollywood DOC, Lakeview Terrace, CA

Kim Thomas & Tango Exc B 1st Place 100 1st Leg

June 1, 2006 GRCGLA Specialty

Teri Chang & Jazzie Adv B Q 3rd Leg—**RA Title!**

Teri Chang & Layla Adv B 2nd Place Q 2nd Leg

A G I L I T Y

May 21, 2006 Simi Valley KC, Van Nuys, CA

Elisa Hirsch & Charisma Exc B Std 100

Elisa Hirsch & Charisma Exc B JWW 100 Double Q (That's 20)!

May 27-28, 2006 SCPWDC, Pomona, CA

Teri Chang & Jazzie Exc B JWW 100

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Elisa Hirsch & Charisma Exc B JWW 100

May 27, 28, 29, 2006 ASCA/NADAC Manzanita AC, Palmdale, CA

Laurie Burnam & Scout Nov Weavers 1st Place 10-Q 2nd Leg

Laurie Burnam & Scout Open Reg 1st Place 10-Q 2nd Leg

Laurie Burnam & Scout Open Tunnelers 5th Place 10-Q 3rd Leg—**TN-O Title!**

Laurie Burnam & Scout Elite Jumpers 7th Place 10-Q 1st Leg

May 29, 2006 Portuguese Water DC, Pomona, CA

Janelle Farkas & Taxi Nov A Std 3rd Place 95 5th Leg

June 3-4, 2006 KC of Pasadena, Pasadena, CA

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Janelle Farkas & Taxi Nov A Std 1st Place 95 6th Leg

Janelle Farkas & Taxi Nov A JWW 1st Place 85 2nd Leg — **2 Qs!!**

Elisa Hirsch & Charisma Exc B Std 100 Only 122 points to MACH



HUNTING

June 10-11, 2006 Flat Coat Retriever Club, Chino, CA

Linda Brooks & Hockney Jr. Hunter Course Q 3rd Leg

Linda Brooks & Hockney Jr. Hunter Course Q 4th Leg — **JH Title!!**



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.



OBEDIENCE EVENTS

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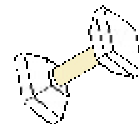
- 15-17 Am. Chinese Crested Club. **O only**. Travelodge Hotel, Long Beach. Garvin Show Svcs, Supt. 503-558-1221. Cl. 5/31
- 17-18 Am Belgian Tervuren Club. **O only**. CSU, Channel Islands, Camarillo. Eileen Parr, Sec. 760-946-9048 or parrkees@mac.com. Cl. 5/31
- 23-26 Various Clubs. **S/O**. El Dorado East Reg. Park, Long Beach. Bradshaw, Supt. www.jbradshaw.com or 323-727-0136. Cl. 6/7

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- 6-7 Various Clubs. **S/O**. Seaside Park, Ventura. Bradshaw, Supt. www.jbradshaw.com or 323-727-0136. Cl. 6/21
- 22-23 Conejo KC. **S/O**. Pacifica High School, Oxnard. Bradshaw, Supt. www.jbradshaw.com or 323-727-0136. Cl. 7/5

AUG

- 12 Southwest OC of LA. **O only**. Mas Fukai Park, Gardena. Daphne Bell, Sec. 323-256-8932. Cl. 7/26
- 13 South Bay KC. **O only**. North HS, Torrance. Bradshaw, Supt. www.jbradshaw.com or 323-727-0136. Cl. 7/26



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AGILITY EVENTS

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- 17-18 Contact Point AC of LA. Contact Point Ranch, Fillmore. Karen Moureaux, Sec. 805-524-7900 or agilitytrialsecy@gmail.com. Cl. 6/2
- 17-18 Belgian Terv. Club of SC. Cal State Univ. Long Beach. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@direcway.com. Cl. 5/31
- 24 **USDAA** Happy Dog Agility. Tierra Rejada Ranch. Kristy Netzer 805-498-9319 or happydogKN@aol.com. Cl. 6/9 (Starters Titling Only)
- 24-25 Golden Retriever Club. Tapo Canyon Park, Simi Valley. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@direcway.com. Cl. 6/10

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- 1-2 **Valley Hills OC**. Johnny Carson Park, Burbank. Sarah Fitzell, Sec. 951-776-2072 or flyingcorgi@earthlink.net. Cl. 6/14
- 6 Std Schnauzer Club. Tierra Rejada Ranch, Moorpark. Sarah Fitzell, Sec. 951-776-2072 or flyingcorgi@earthlink.net. Cl. 6/22
- 7-9 Agility Club of San Diego. Del Mar Horse Park, Del Mar. Steve Herwig, Sec. 702-858-1930 or pawzkeeper@earthlink.net. Cl. 6/16
- 14-16 Contact Point AC. Contact Point Ranch, 2492 Grand Ave, Fillmore. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 6/28
- 15-16 **USDAA** Happy Dog Agility, Tierra Rejada Ranch, Moorpark. Kristy Netzer, Sec. 805-509-2445. Adv. & PII only. Cl. 6/30
- 22-23 Dog Agility Club of Ventura. Univ. Prep School, Camarillo. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@direcway.com. Cl. 7/5
- 22-23 **USDAA** WVDS. Industry Hills Expo Ctr., City of Industry. Sharon Kihara, Sec. sharonkihara@aol.com. Cl. 7/8
- 28-30 Agility Club of Santa Barbara. Hobert Park, Ventura. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 7/12
- 29-30 Agility Club of Santa Barbara. Arroyo Verde Park, Ventura. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 7/12

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- 5-6 **USDAA** Contact Point AC. Camarillo. Contact Lisa Dewey, Sec. Lisa Dewey at LDewey@ascentmedia.com for more info.
- 5-6 Simi Valley KC. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 7/19
- 12-13 South Coast AC. Tewinkle Park, Costa Mesa. Sarah Fitzell, Sec. 951-776-2072 or flyingcorgi@earthlink.net. Cl. 7/28
- 19-20 Keeshond Club of SC. Gabrieleno Eq. Park, Lakeview Terrace. Lisa Marzban, Sec. 818-99-2647 or lmarzban@aol.com. Cl. 8/5
- 26-27 Contact Point AC. Contact Point Ranch, Fillmore. Karen Moureaux 805-524-7900 or cpagility@aol.com. Cl. 8/12

SPECIAL EVENTS

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- 7-9 Wags for Wishes, benefiting the Make-A-Wish Foundation of San Diego. 14550 El Camino Real, Del Mar. Events include AKC Agility, ASCA Conformation & Obedience, UFLI Flyball, Sheep Herding, JRT Trial, Lure Coursing, Disc Dogs, Splash Dogs, CGC & Therapy Testing, Bark Park and more!

AUG

- 4-7 Ann Croft's Paws on the Wind Dog Sports & Training 2-Day Jumping Seminars hosted by Susan Salo at Skyedance Ranch, east of Oceanside, CA, 9 am to 5 pm. \$225 per two-day seminar for participants; Auditing \$70/day, \$100/two-days. Call Ann Croft 619-770-7281, email: madboston@juno.com or visit the website at: <http://www.pawsonthewind.com>.



Legend: S=Specialty, O=Obedience Trial, Cl.=Entries Close

Obedience & Rally Matches
 2nd Saturday of each month

Monthly obedience and rally matches held at Louise Park in Van Nuys, S/E corner of Louise Ave. & Sherman Way, West of Balboa Blvd., San Fernando Valley

Nested courses: novice, advanced, excellent
 \$5.00 per run or 3 runs for \$12.00
 Entries at 9:00 am, Judging at 10 am

Dog Training Equipment for Sale

Laurie also offers a variety of training equipment: Handmade leashes, colored armband holders, PVC training boxes, ring posts, canine T-shirts and more!



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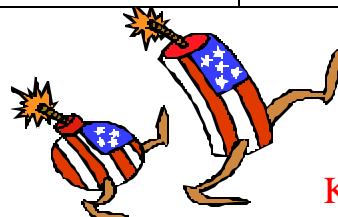
Top Dog will be held this year on Saturday, August 19, 2006 in Huntington Beach. We still need dogs to complete our team. If anyone is interested in being on VHOC'S team please contact Laurie Burnam at 818-784-8440 or email bellaluna@pacbell.net. We need 1 novice alternate and 1 open alternate to just do the group exercise. If more are interested in any level, tryouts will be held. Applications must be submitted by the beginning of July. This is a fun day, so once again let's give it our all with a full team! Thanks, Laurie Burnam

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Show-N-Go.....Sandy Walton
Trophies.....Sarah Sykes



Happy 4th of July!
Keep your dogs safe.

VHOC General Meeting with Guest Speaker Kyle Clark-Trumbull

Monday, April 24, 2006 7:00 PM

By Allison Pobirs, Recording Secretary

The April meeting's Guest Speaker Kyle Clark-Trumbull comes to us with 20 years experience training dogs, 17 of those in herding, obedience and agility.

Upon being introduced Kyle shared with us one theory of where it all began, herding that is. There is an interesting premise that it started with the wolf--wolves working in packs, the spry fellow collecting the prey circling wide (bringing the prey to balance) and driving them to the head honcho, who took it from there. Not much different from the dogs fetching livestock and bringing them to us.

Kyle spoke on selecting a prospect for herding and starting a puppy. In selection, the level of instinct is the key factor more than the breed, although various breeds tend to have an instinctive style associated with them. There are a variety of breeds one might not expect to see herding, but are eligible to earn AKC herding titles, such as the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog. In starting a puppy it is best to use dog-broke sheep to build the pup's confidence. Once-a-month exposure to stock is best until the pup is one-year-old, give or take, by which time (s)he will be ready to begin formal training.

Kyle warned against training the basic commands without stock, least your dog not learn to associate what he is doing in relationship to the stock.

Utilizing a couple of her herding students (Ann Hills portraying a herding dog and Laurie Burnam taking the role of savvy livestock), Kyle demonstrated several herding handling maneuvers: Away to me, Come By, Walk up, and Stand. Dogs work off of verbal commands when in close proximity to the handler (say in an arena) and whistles when working across an open space (e.g., a pasture).

What makes herding work? Well for one the stock and the dogs are sensitive to each other's body language: the dog applies a bit for pressure toward the stock's personal space and the stock adjusts to maintain that buffer zone. Along the same line of awareness the handler can apply pressure on the dog to move out or away.

Kyle was also able to illustrate several examples of herding trial courses on a white board.

We learned which venues have open participation to any breed or mix. And I must say a herding trial sounds to be a great day for one and all as described by Kyle...everyone is warm and encouraging. Herding trials are smaller in numbers than say an agility trial, so you get to know everyone.

Kyle opened the floor to Q & A's after which the meeting concluded - one very interesting VHOC General Meeting for all in attendance...

