

# VHOC

# Newsette

**Submission deadline:  
8th of each month**



## FEATURES

Scores, Brags, Photos, Upcoming Events, Important Dates, Announcements and more....

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## Join the VHOC Yahoo Group

This group, specifically for VHOC members, is a great opportunity to meet and network with fellow VHOC members. Here you can share the joys of dog sports, training and competition.

Got a brag (or blooper), or know of an event that didn't make it to the Newsette?—post it to the group! Share your photos in the Links section.

Contact Allison Pobirs, VHOC Group Moderator at [sunnyedog@yahoo.com](mailto:sunnyedog@yahoo.com) for more information or visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/VHOC>

## SAVE THE DATE

Friday, July 13, 2007

## VHOC GENERAL MEETING

Nancy Giltner & Sandy Walton promise a "Big Surprise" for the July General Meeting.

~ Details to follow ~

## BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, July 11

7:30 pm

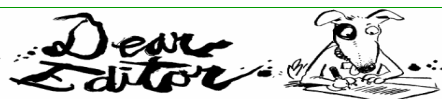
at the home of Moira Cornell  
20223 Mobile Street, Canoga Park, CA

Please RSVP to Moira by July 9  
at [GulfstreamAussie@aol.com](mailto:GulfstreamAussie@aol.com) or (818) 601-3647

## Reminder to New Members

*New Board-approved members must attend a general meeting or volunteer to help at a VHOC event in order to activate membership.*

**off the mark** by Mark Parisi  
[www.offthemark.com](http://www.offthemark.com)



Send brags, announcements & other information to Carole Hills at [cahills1@verizon.net](mailto:cahills1@verizon.net)

# SCORES & BRAGS

## CONFORMATION, OBEDIENCE, RALLY

May 25-28, 2007 Mission Circuit, Pomona, CA—Conformation

Jana Cooley & Dylan RWD-Fri, WD-Sat (1 point), WD-Mon (2 points) —8 points since Jan. toward his CH with one 4-point major. Also from March 5, Scottsdale, Arizona—BOW—1 point.

Janelle Farkas & Taxi Nov Int Jr Showmanship 1st Pl-Fri, 4th Pl-Sat, 3rd Pl-Sun, 2nd Pl-Mon. *Nice going, girls!*

June 2-3, 2007 Pasadena Kennel Club—Conformation

Janelle Farkas & Taxi Nov Int Jr Showmanship 2nd Place-Sat, 1st Pl.-Sun. and —**completing Novice Intermediate!**

May 12-13, 2007 Cabrillo, San Diego, CA

Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	3rd Place	193	
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	1st Place	197.5	High in Trial, High Combined!
Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	2nd Place	196	
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	1st Place	198	High in Trial!

May 25-28, 2007 Mission Circuit, Pomona, CA

Sarah Sykes & Rupert	Open A	1st Place	196.5	
Sarah Sykes & Rupert	Open A	1st Place	188.5	
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	2nd Place	198	
Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	1st Place	199	
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	3rd Place	198	High Combined!!
Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	1st Place	198.5	High in Trial!
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	1st Place	197.5+	High Combined!!
Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	2nd Place	196+	
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	3rd Place	197	

June 1, 2007 Golden Retriever Club of Greater Los Angeles—Rally

Stephanie Colman & Quiz Nov B Rally 3rd Place 95 1st Leg



June 2-3, 2007 Pasadena, CA

Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	1st Place	198	High in Trial!
Flo Walberg & Danny	Open B	1st Place	199+	High Combined!!
Flo Walberg & Danny	Utility B	3rd Place	198	

June 1, 2007 Golden Retriever Specialty, Arcadia, CA

Sarah Sykes & Rupert Open A 1st Place 194.5 **CDX Title!!**



Sarah writes: *I am thrilled to report that Rupert celebrated his 6th birthday in style at the Golden Specialty by finishing his CDX! This title has been a tough journey for us, but I have learned some invaluable lessons along the way about training, handling and above all, persistence! I have finally learned how to bring out the best in Rupert and I now have a happy, animated boy who knows that the ring is a fun place to strut his stuff! And after many NQs in a row, it all came together and we earned the title in three straight shows within a week — go figure!!*

### AGILITY

**Kim Simons' Tango finished his MACH2 on April 14, 2007. He also finished his Exc. FAST Title on 4/15 and Slyder earned her 2nd Exc. FAST leg at the same show! Congratulations to you all!!!**

April 21, 2007 SCPWDC Trial, Van Nuys, CA (Left out last month)

Teri Chang & Jazzie	Exc B JWW/Std	100/100	<b>Double Q!!</b>
Teri Chang & Ryder	Exc A Std	1st Place 100	1st Leg
Teri Chang & Ryder	Open FAST	3rd Place 73 pts.	1st Leg

May 12-13, 2007 DAC of Chino, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Sally Elliott & Boo	Exc B JWW	100	5th Leg
Sally Elliott & Boo	Exc B Std	100	1st Leg

May 19-20, 2007 ASCA WVDS, Lakeview Terrace, CA

Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Nov. Jumpers	4th Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Nov Gamblers	2nd Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Nov Regular	2nd Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Nov. Jumpers	1st Place	10-Q	2nd Leg— <b>JS-N Title!</b>
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Nov Gamblers	4th Place	10-Q	2nd Leg— <b>GS-N Title!</b>
Janelle Farkas & Taxi	Jr. Nov Gambler	1st Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Janelle Farkas & Taxi	Jr Nov Jumpers		10-Q	1st Leg
Janelle Farkas & Taxi	Jr Nov Gamblers		10-Q	2nd Leg— <b>GJ-N Title!</b>

***Janelle also received the WVDS Junior Handler Achievement Award—Congratulations!!***

## SCORES & BRAGS—AGILITY (continued)

May 19-20, 2007 ASCA WVDS, Lakeview Terrace, CA (continued)

Carole & Tucker: 1 Leg in Open Jumpers—**JS-O-OP Title**, 2 Legs in Open Gamblers—**GS-O-OP Title**,  
4 Legs in Open Regular—**RS-O-OP Title**, 1 Leg in Elite Jumpers, 1st Leg

May 20, 2007 SVKC

Teri Chang & Ryder	Exc A Std	4th Place	100	3rd Leg— <b>AX Title!</b>
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May 26-28, 2007 SCPWDC, (Mission Circuit) Pomona, CA

Teri Chang & Ryder	Exc B Std		100	1st Leg
Teri Chang & Ryder	Exc B Std		100	2nd Leg
Cindi Malchose & Indy	Open JWW	2nd Place	95	2nd Leg
Amanda Prince & Rogan	Exc A JWW	1st Place	88	2nd Leg
Amanda Prince & Rogan	Exc A JWW	1st Place	100	3rd Leg— <b>AXJ Title!</b>

May 26-28, 2007 NADAC Manzanita AC, Pearblossom, CA

Ann Hills & Trooper	Nov Reg	4th Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Ann Hills & Trooper	Nov Jumpers	1st Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Ann Hills & Trooper	Nov Touch 'N Go	1st Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Ann Hills & Trooper	Nov Hoopers		10-Q	1st Leg

Carole & Tucker: 5 legs in Open Reg—**O-OAS Title**, 1 Open Chances—**O-OCS Title**, 1 Open Jumpers—**O-OJS Title**,  
1 Nov Touch 'N Go —1st Leg, 2 Nov Hoopers—1st & 2nd Legs, 1 Open Weavers—2nd Leg.

May 27-28, 2007 ASCA Club, Cayucos, CA

Laurie Burnam & Scout	Open Gamblers	2nd Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Laurie Burnam & Scout	Elite Reg	2nd Place	10-Q	3rd Leg— <b>RS-E Title!</b>
Laurie Burnam & Scout	Elite Jumpers	3rd Place	10-Q	3rd Leg— <b>JS-E Title!</b>
Laurie Burnam & Scout	Elite Jumpers	5th Place	10-Q	Extra Leg

Laurie writes that she also ran a friend's two dogs in seven Novice classes and got four 1st Places and one 2nd Place.

June 2-3, 2007 Pasadena Kennel Club

Teri Chang & Ryder	Open FAST	2nd Place	61 pts.	2nd Leg
Teri Chang & Ryder	Open FAST	4th Place	60 pts.	3rd Leg— <b>OF Title!</b>
Teri Chang & Ryder	Exc B STD		100	3rd Leg
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Nov B FAST	1st Place	66 pts.	3rd Leg— <b>NF Title!</b>
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Open Jumpers	1st Place	100	1st Leg
Stephanie Colman & Quiz	Open Std	1st Place	100	2nd Leg
Sally Elliott & Boo	Exc B Std		100	2nd Leg

### LURE COURSING

May 5-6, 2007 ASFA Monterey Bay Coursing Assoc. & Pharaoh Hound Fanciers of NC., Hollister, CA

Sally Elliott & Boo	Field Champion	2nd Place	12 points
Sally Elliott & Boo	Field Champion	3rd Place	6 points

May 12, 2007 California Coursing Assoc., Riverside, CA

Erin Trust & Zephyr	Junior Courser	First trial for the " <b>WEASEL</b> "	<b>1st JC Leg!!</b>
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### HERDING

From Laurie: "On May 26-27, Casey entered a match doing a Started Course C and got scores from 7 different judges with an average of 80 (70 to 100 is a Q, judges don't score high in Started). He performed all the elements required with calmness and ease. We entered a Novice Farm Trial (new ASCA program being developed) and it was a blast. Sorting 10 geese from 10 sheep, taking the 10 sheep through a chute to a bathtub, out through the arena to a field where we had to traverse past several trees then move the sheep into a horse trailer. Yahoo—we did it all, a few retries but got the jobs done. Lastly he also entered a Started Sheep Ranch Trial where there were again numerous elements to perform within 45 minutes. Gather 10 sheep from a hillside and take to a round pen into a chute to a stock trailer, out and into another pen. Mark 3 sheep from about 25 and separate the 3 into another pen and 10 more into a third pen. Take the 10 out to a field, around the ranch, back in the front gate and to the original hillside. Phew!!! We got stuck at the first big hillside as there were many traps for the dog and sheep with a huge gully running through the field. But Casey was trying and did as I asked. What a good boy!"

June 3, 2007 ASCA Tri-County Stockdog Trial, Pomona, CA

Ann Hills & Trooper	Open Sheep	2nd Place	97	1st Leg
Ann Hills & Trooper	Open Sheep	2nd Place	89	2nd Leg— <b>OTDs Title!</b>

### MORE AGILITY

April 28, 2007 ASCA WCASA Trial, Acton, CA (omitted in May issue—Editor's error)

Allison Pobirs & Quinn	Nov A Reg	2nd Place	10-Q	1st Leg
Allison Pobirs & Quinn	Nov A Jumpers	2nd Place	10-Q	1st Leg

**QUINN'S FIRST TRIAL ↓**





## OBEDIENCE & RALLY EVENTS

### JUNE

- 16-17 Am Belgian Tervuren Club. CSU, Camarillo. S/O. Louise Elks, Sec. 714-846-5134. Cl. 5/16. **Inc. Rally**
- 17 **SHOW & GO**, COC of Ventura, Oxnard Com. Ctr, Oxnard. Ent. 9 to 11, Judging starts 9:30, \$6/4, Call 805-985-3145. **Inc. Rally**
- 22-23 Various clubs.. S/O. CSULB, Long Beach. Bradshaw, Supt. 323-727-0136 or www.jbradshaw.com. Cl.6/6. **Inc. Rally**

### JULY

- 5-8 Various Clubs. S/O. Ventura Co. Fairgrounds, Ventura. Bradshaw, Supt. 323-727-0136 or www.jbradshaw.com. Cl. 6/20. **Inc. Rally**
- 14 **PRACTICE MATCH**, Downey OC, Apollo Park, Downey. Entries 5-7 pm, Judging starts 6:30 pm., \$6/4, Hotdog Dinner \$6 (children under 10-\$2.50). Trophies in Beginning Novice ring and Rally Novice A rings. CGC 4-6 pm \$12 at ringside (bring brush & 6 ft. leash)
- 21-22 Conejo KC. S/O. Pacifica HS, 600 E. Gonzales Rd., Oxnard. Bradshaw, Supt. 323-727-0136 or www.jbradshaw.com. Cl.7/4. **Inc. Rally**

### AUG

- 11 Southwest OC of LA. O only. Mas Fukai Park, Gardena. Daphne Bell, Sec. 323-256-8932. Cl. 7/25 **Inc. Rally**
- 12 South Bay KC. S/O. North High School, Torrance. Bradshaw, Supt. 323-727-0136 or www.jbradshaw.com. Cl. 7/25. **Inc. Rally**
- 25-26 Santa Barbara KC. S/O. Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara. Bradshaw, Supt. 323-727-0136 or www.jbradshaw.com. Cl. 8/8. **Inc. Rally**

## AGILITY EVENTS

### JUNE

- 16-17 CPAC of LA. Contact Point Ranch, Fillmore. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 6/3
- 23 **SHOW & GO**, Fun Run Agility. www.funrunagility.com. Woodley Park, Van Nuys.
- 23-24 Golden Retriever Club of Gr. LA. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Lynda, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@hughes.net. Cl. 6/6
- 23-24 **USDAA** Happy Dog Agility, Tierra Rejada Farm, Moorpark. Cathy Naef, Sec. 805-498-9319. Cl. 6/8
- 30/July 1 **ASCA** HIDASC. George Lee Park, Quartz Hill. Lorraine Cirinelli, Sec. PO Box 245, Pearblossom or agilityusa@aol.com. Cl. ?

### JULY

- 6-8 AC of San Diego. Del Mar Horse Park, Del Mar. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@hughes.net. Cl. 6/13
- 14-15 **ASCA** COAST & Goleta Valley DC, Girsh Park, 7050 Phelps Rd, Goleta. Kristi Cetrulo, Sec. cetrulo7@aol.com. Cl. 7/2
- 21-22 DAC of Ventura. University Prep School, Camarillo. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@hughes.net. Cl. 7/5
- 21-22 **USDAA** WVDS. 16299 /Temple Ave, City of Industry. Doug Hansford, Sec. dhansford@pcmagic.net.
- 27-29 **USDAA** Happy Dog Agility TC, Moorpark. Cathy Naef, Sec. 805-498-9319. Cl. 7/13
- 28-29 AC of Santa Barbara. Arroyo Verde Park, Day & Foothill Rd, Ventura. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909) 593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 7/11
- 28-29 **NADAC** Manzanita AC. Johnny Carson Park. Burbank. Lorraine Cirinelli, Sec. PO Box 245, Pearblossom or agilityusa@aol.com.

### AUG

- 4-5 Simi Valley KC. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. Jean O'Neill, Sec. 909-593-9395 or jmo@earthlink.net. Cl. 7/18
- 4-5 **USDAA** Contact Point AC., Camarillo. Karen Moureaux, Sec. info@contactpointagility.com. Details TBA
- 11-12 South Coast AC. Tewinkle Park, Costa Mesa. Sarah Fitzell, Sec. 951-776 -2072 or redawgs@dishmail.net. Cl. 7/27
- 18-19 Keeshond Club of SC. Hobert Park, Ventura. Lynda Tjarks, Sec. 661-867-2773 or roguetervs@hughes.net. Cl. 8/1
- 18-19 **USDAA** Happy Dog Agility TC, Moorpark. Cathy Naef, Sec.805-498-9319 or hda@happydogagility.com. Cl. 8/3
- 18-19 **CPE** Ups-n-downs AC. Southwestern Comm. College. Jean Eichenlaub, Sec. dixonsally@yahoo.com. Details TBA

## LURE COURSING EVENTS

### JULY

- 26-28 Various Clubs. Cabrillo HS, 4350 Constellation Rd, Lompoc. Renee Davis, Sec. 619-229-1421/Lorrie Scott, Sec. 760-789-6848. Cl. 7/23
- 28 Borzoi & Greyhound Club. Cabrillo High School, Vandenburg Village. Sheila Grant, Sec. 707-422-1247 or glensheila@aol.com. Cl. 7/27

*Legend: S=Specialty, O=Obedience, Inc= Includes (Rally), Cl=(Entries) Close, TBA=To Be Announced*

### Minutes from VHOC Board Meeting—June 11, 2007

The meeting, attended by Laurie Burnam, Moira Cornell, Nancy Giltner, Carole and Ann Hills, Cindi Malchose, Allison Pobirs and Sandy Walton, was called to order at 7:50 pm by President Cornell. Minutes were read and approved. Treasurer C. Hills reported on the bank balance and recommended VHOC apply for a credit card to simplify purchases. Motion was approved. General Meeting Committee, Nancy Giltner and Sandy Walton, reported on the June 8 general meeting with 42 members and guests attending to hear guest speaker, Louise Meredith, discuss her four stages of training.

Training directors Laurie Burnam and Moira Cornell reported that all classes are going well with 10-15 dogs enrolled in each of the pet training, obedience and rally classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Cindi Malchose, Membership Director, advised that three new applications had been received. The board approved the applications (they will need to attend a meeting to activate). Laurie provided a new SCDOC directory and a match flyer from the Council. Sandy Walton requested raffle donations for the December match and it was agreed to request donations for the December trial also.

Concerns were expressed regarding new classroom construction at CPLS to begin in August; other options for training sites are being considered. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

—Allison Pobirs, Recording Secretary



**Obedience & Rally Matches -- 2nd Saturday of each month**

Monthly obedience & rally matches held at Louise Park in Van Nuys, S/E corner of Louise Ave./Sherman Way, W. of Balboa Blvd. 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 offers a variety of training equipment: Handmade leashes, armband holders, PVC training boxes, ring posts, canine T-shirts and more!

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**OBEDIENCE TRAINING EQUIPMENT**

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 email [OTCHFLO3@aol.com](mailto:OTCHFLO3@aol.com)**



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**VHOC  
 STANDING COMMITTEES**

*Agility Workers*.....Kim & Terry Simons  
*Banquet*....Burnam, Colman, Cornell, A.Hills, Raschella, Sykes  
*Catalog*.....Carole Raschella  
*Food*.....Nancy Giltner  
*General Meetings*.....Nancy Giltner & Sandy Walton  
*Newsette*.....Carole Hills  
*Raffle*.....Cindi Malchose, Jan Racey, Christy Tattersall  
*Show-N-Go*.....Sandy Walton  
*Trophies*.....Sarah Sykes  
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FIRST CLASS MAIL

## "RING CONFIDENCE"

Posted on the NADAC Yahoo list (sent in by Laurie Burnam) to give you a chuckle—and perhaps a little insight.

As a judge, I will often remind handlers of the "rules" in my ring. Rule Number 1 is "Always Have Fun". Rule Number 2 is "Always Remember Rule Number 1"

First, there is NOTHING that you can do as a dog/handler team that the judge probably hasn't already seen, and for those of us that have been around long enough, probably hasn't done themselves. I've been accused of beagle-bowling, dropping a beagle on its head at the start line, punting a beagle up the A-frame (hey she DID hit the contact at least), stepping on an Aussie, kicking an Aussie, falling over an Aussie, falling on an Aussie, falling nowhere in the vicinity of an Aussie, forgetting the course, making up my own course, running a different course, and generally being a knucklehead. I also talk to my dogs on course, sometimes talk to the judge or ring crew as I'm running my dogs, and occasionally talk to myself on course. While I haven't been eliminated for...um...eliminating on course, my dogs have. I had an Aussie who thought that I said "Wee Poles" instead of "Weave Poles", so that's what she did right in the middle of the weaves. So, you aren't going to embarrass yourself in front of the judge.

Keep in mind that it is NOT all about you :) We often think that everybody at the trial is watching us, when in fact the vast majority are NOT watching you. They are socializing, playing with their dogs, getting ready to run, celebrating a run, etc. So "Run Like Nobody is Watching". Most likely they aren't.

Treat each and every run like it is the LAST run you will ever have with your dog. With that perspective, it changes from being a competition or something stressful into a celebration. Having almost lost one of my aussies to Hepatitis, it wasn't about winning, or placing, or qualifying any more. It was about enjoying the relationship with the dog and simply having fun. It is about celebrating life, and the fact that you and your dog have the ability to go out there and run. If your dog were to be gone tomorrow, it ain't the "run" you remember, it's the "fun".

Find success in every run and revel in it. Define success in very loose terms, and define it AFTER the run, not before. If you go out and only do 1 jump, then by gosh, that was the BEST jump your pup jumped that entire run. If, like me, you have had runs where you never even break the start line then at least you had THE BEST LOOKING DOG on the start line. And regardless of how the run, the day, or the weekend goes, I'll argue with everybody that I get to take the best dogs of the trial home with me.

The bottom line is just by showing up and trying, you and your dogs are winners.

*"Focus on the journey, not the destination. Joy is found not in finishing an activity, but in doing it." - Greg Anderson*

Hope that helps! Regards, Ron Y (professional beagle bowler)