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Happy Holidays!

**VHOC HOLIDAY PARTY IS THIS SATURDAY—
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AT NANCY GILTNER'S HOME

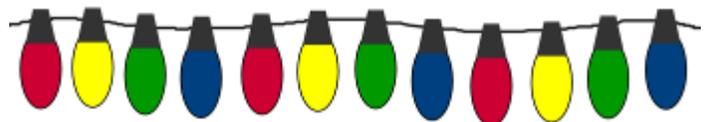
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Please RSVP to Nancy at ngiltner623@gmail.com



We will be putting out a flier with all the details of where, when and how to apply for the different Annual Awards as soon as the date is finalized.

Our Annual Awards Banquet is coming up at the end of January.



REMINDER

Remember to check the website <http://www.vhoc.org> for announcements, cancelled classes, upcoming events and other important club information.

If you know of a member who would appreciate receiving correspondence, such as a get-well card, sympathy card, etc., please email our Corresponding Secretary, Melody Myers, at ruby_mudpie@hotmail.com

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Thank you to all of our members that helped out at the VHOC Match and Trial on December 4, 5 & 6.

We can't have this trial without your help and it is greatly appreciated.

The Trial Chair people, Hospitality, Raffle, Trophies, and of course the ring volunteers for agility were all wonderful.

Peanut Butter Alert: Xylitol

By **Dr. Jean Cruse** - this article is taken from the Broak Ripple Animal Clinic blog—
URL:<http://www.bracpet.com/resources/blog/dogs/peanut-butter-alert-xylitol>

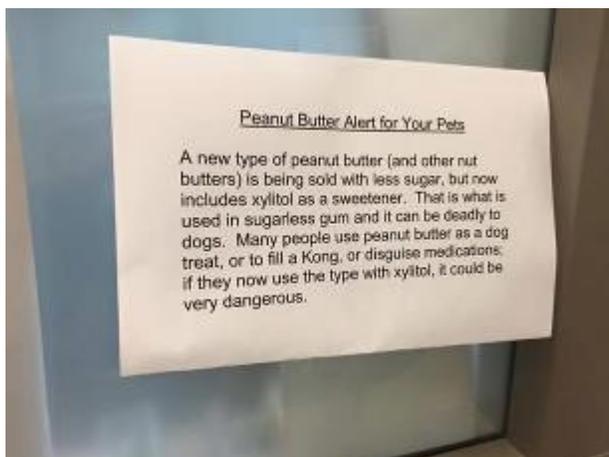
Peanut butter. It's a dog's favorite treat. It is easy to fill toys with this delicious nutty substance and they go crazy. It hides pills and medications to make administration easy. It's been a go-to in the kitchen arsenal of treats for many years. With new brands of healthier options becoming available for human consumption, there is a new and important distinction to be made when considering giving peanut butter to your pooch, and that is the additive xylitol. Xylitol is a sugar substitute that has been used in gums such as Orbit, Stride, and Trident for years, as it has proven dental health benefits for humans. Unfortunately, xylitol is highly toxic to our canine friends causing hypoglycemia and liver damage. There is no known toxicity to cats.

When xylitol is ingested, the pancreas mistakes it for a real sugar and releases a surge of insulin. The insulin causes the body to remove the real sugar (glucose) from circulation. This drop in sugar causes acute hypoglycemia and will result in vomiting, weakness, lethargy, disorientation, incoordination, tremors, and potentially seizures. A secondary effect of xylitol on dogs is the possibility of developing hepatic necrosis with acute liver failure. The doses required for this tend to be higher than those seen for hypoglycemia and can also be seen with prolonged ingestion.

The key to xylitol ingestion is rapid evaluation and treatment. Treatment will normally consist of induction of vomiting to remove the remaining xylitol from the GI tract. Hospitalization with IV fluids and glucose (sugar) supplementation is needed for about 24 hours to ensure the body has adequate supplies and hypoglycemia does not develop. The liver values and clotting abilities are evaluated and monitored to ensure acute liver failure has not developed.

It does not take much of this compound for it to be toxic to dogs. Hypoglycemia develops with ingestion of as little as 0.045 grams per pound of body weight. A typical stick of xylitol containing gum has about 0.3-0.4 grams which means a stick and a half is toxic to a 10 pound dog. Hepatic necrosis with acute liver failure is generally seen with ingestion of 0.45 grams per pound of body weight - a 10X increase. If hepatic necrosis develops, the prognosis is grave.

The new peanut butter brands containing xylitol that should be avoided by your pets are: Go Nuts, Hank's Protein Plus Peanut Butter, Krush Nutrition, Nuts 'n More, and P28. These products may not have this warning printed on their labels so be sure to read the ingredient list. Other products that may contain xylitol as new formulations are released include: antihistamines, fish oil supplementation, melatonin, kid's vitamin gummies, and vitamin B12. Please be aware and read labels prior to purchasing human products and administering them to your dogs. When in doubt, contact The Broad Ripple Animal Clinic for guidance.



Your Dogs Health

Valley Hills Obedience Club 2016 Membership Renewal

Dues are due by December 31, 2015

Payments received after this date will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee.

Please complete the form below with your changes and return it with your 2016 membership dues to:

**Carole Hills
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	<i>Received by December 31:</i>	<i>January 1-March 3:</i>	<i>After March 3</i>
Single membership	\$25	\$35	Membership terminated: must re-apply with application fee*
Family membership	\$35	\$45	
Junior membership	\$10	\$20	
Joined after October 1	Pay only 1/2 of above	1/2 + \$10 late fee	

**"Membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid sixty (60) days after the first day of the fiscal year" (Constitution & By-laws).*



It's Holiday Party Time



VHOC's Holiday Party is this coming Saturday—
December 12th at 7 PM

It will be at Nancy Giltner's home -
4744 Vista de Oro, Woodland Hills

VHOC will provide the Main Course

Please RSVP to ngiltner623@gmail.com

And let her know if you will be able to bring an appetizer,
side dish or desert.



We will also have the annual gift exchange—
if you would like to participate please bring
a gift valued at \$20 or more.

Please RSVP to ngiltner623@gmail.com





Obedience Results



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2015

High in Trial	199.5 - Open B	<i>Lance Kruse & Rockyhill N Folly's Walk on the Wild Side</i>
High Combined	394 (198.5 + 195.5)	<i>JoAnne Griffin & Westernesse Jammin' Live Jazz</i>
High Combined Agility/OB	190.5 - Open A	<i>Chris Card & Rush Hill's Kosta Browne Hush Hush</i>
High Combined Rally	196 (97 + 99)	<i>Laurie Burnam & Starn Ewe Meant to Intervene</i>
High Preferred	196 - Pref. Novice	<i>Lucy Walker Grace & Joy's Happy Prince Harold</i>
High Optional Titling	198.5 - Beg. Nov. B	<i>Candy Lidstrom & Testimony's Rambling Rose</i>
High A Classes	193.5 - Novice A	<i>Dave and Janet Snyder & Flying Jenna</i>
High Champion of Record	199.5 - Open B	<i>Lance Kruse & Rockyhill N Folly's Walk on the Wild Side</i>
High ILP/PAL	193.5 - Novice A	<i>Dave and Janet Snyder & Flying Jenna</i>
High Sporting Group	199.5 - Open B	<i>Lance Kruse & Rockyhill N Folly's Walk on the Wild Side</i>
High Working Group	196.5 - Novice B	<i>Stephen and Jan Winston & Baar Rock's Best Song Ever Layl</i>
High Toy Group	196.5 - Utility	<i>Hillary Hunter & The Pines Gabriella Of Coquina</i>
High Non-Sporting Group	192 - Novice B	<i>Julie Kemp & Aberdeen's Looking Good</i>
High Herding Group	198.5 - Open B	<i>JoAnne Griffin & Westernesse Jammin' Live Jazz</i>





Obedience Results



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2015

High in Trial	199.5 - Open B	<i>Victoria Chaney & Gaylan's Thaelia</i>
High Combined	398.5	<i>Victoria Chaney & Gaylan's Thaelia</i>
High Combined Rally	193	<i>Laurie Burnam & Starn Ewe Meant to Intervene</i>
High Preferred	192 - Pref. Novice	<i>Yvonne Garst & Wagontale's Walk the Line</i>
High Optional Titling	196 - Versatility	<i>Hillary Hunter & The Pines Gabriella Of Coquina</i>
High A Classes	196 - Open A	<i>Joyce Davis & Gaylan's You Had Me from Hello</i>
High ILP/PAL	194 - Novice A	<i>Dave and Janet Snyder & Flying Jenna</i>
High Sporting Group	199.5 - Open B	<i>Victoria Chaney & Gaylan's Thaelia</i>
High Hound Group	193.5 - Novice A	<i>Sharon Donald & Allegro's Selling the Drama</i>
High Working Group	191.5 - Utility A	<i>Rhonda Pratt & Falklore's Between Love And Madness Lies Obsession</i>
High Terrier Group	186.5 - Utility B	<i>Judith Lewis & Thomas Aquinas Lewis</i>
High Toy Group	196.5 - Open B	<i>Hillary Hunter & The Pines Gabriella Of Coquina</i>
High Non-Sporting Group	191.5 - Open B	<i>Marie Rayburn & Rayburn's Biscotti Al Valmonts</i>
High Herding Group	199 - Open B	<i>Louise Fox Meredith & Redtop You're The One</i>

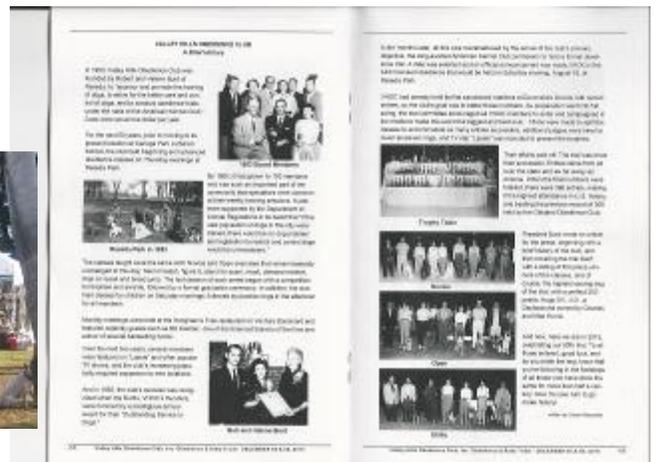


VHOC Trial

Thank you to everyone who helped make our VHOC trial a success.

As you know we had a Obedience/Rally and Agility trial all going on at the same time this past weekend. There is always so much to do at a trial, we had people step up to help just because they saw a need. Our President Ann Hills was there as Obedience Trial Chairperson and Treasurer, she was wearing many hats over the weekend. Nancy Giltner did a great job as Agility Trial Chair. Hospitality was kept hopping and Shiro's plea for help on Sunday had many members and several non-members helping out. The Raffle was a great success and I think we found a great place to put it right between the Obed/Rally Trial and Agility. The Trophies were once again a great hit and we sold out of Catalogs, Carole Raschella had put in a brief history of VHOC and a wonderful tribute to Shirley Indelicato's 90th Birthday. Thank you Laurie Burnam who stayed to make sure everything was loaded into the truck.

Thanks to all who helped —it couldn't have been done without you.



VHOC Trial



Top Dog 2015

On Top Dog day, November 14th, we first began feeling Fall in the air.....dark and crisp in the early morning hours,....but it was a trick! Just when we think relief from the blistering heat has at last blessed our doorstep, we find ourselves peeling off layers as the day brightens and jackets swap with sunscreen as the covering of choice.

So it was for our Top Dog team at Pikes Peak Park! There's something so comforting about pausing in the rush to set up canopies and crates - our little home-away-from-home - to watch the sun rise over the mountains in Norco. Camaraderie, excitement and anticipation fill the air as 14 Southern California Dog Obedience Council member clubs converge in the sunrise. The day begins and off we go!!

The first round of competition in Top Dog determines club standings. There are two rings for each level of obedience (Novice, Open and Utility). The top four highest scores in each ring are called back after lunch (in sunscreen mode!) to compete for individual placements.

Valley Hills was once again well represented by our members!

Serena Marshall and her Sheltie, Tru, had truly beautiful heeling in the Novice ring. Tru was so proud of himself that while he was set up for the recall, he forgot to listen for his recall command! Silly boy! Nevertheless, he finished 10th in his ring of 14, and 22nd overall out of 28 Novice dogs competing. Pretty darn nice!

Top Dog Results - November 8, 2014

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Club	Novice Part 1		Novice Part 2		Open Part 1		Open Part 2		Utility Part 1		Utility Part 2		Team Total	Team PLC
	#	Score	#	Score	#	Score	#	Score	#	Score	#	Score		
Buenaventura DOC	104	194	122	155	208	90	225	196	302	131.5	324	170.5	937	
CHAOS	112	192	132	116.5	205	157	231	186.5	305	101.5	333	125.5	879	
Gold Ret CGLA	110	188	124	199	202	194.5	229	131	307	29	325	198.5	940	
Hidden Valley OC	107	158	131	187.5	213	185.5	221	161.5	311	173.5	329	198.5	1074.5	3
Hollywood OC	105	161	129	162	203	90	230	181	310	91.5	331	96	781.5	
Lab Retr Club	102	192	126	190	206	164.5	253	166	314	178.5	320	169.5	1060.5	
Lomita OTC	103	184	125	190.5	212	164	254	164.5	303	146	330	136.5	985.5	
NABOC	106	198	133	196	204	186.5	232	193.5	313	195	322	135.5	1104.5	1
Orange Empire DC	114	189.5	120	187	214	193	223	119	308	142	321	78	908.5	
Pasanita OC	159	192.5	128	191.5	210	164.5	228	198	354	159	327	193.5	1099	2
Santa Ana Valley KC	113	189	123	188	207	156	220	157	309	54	328	185	929	
Southwest OC	108	187.5	127	188.5	201	192	226	112.5	301	133	323	188	1011.5	
Valley Hills OC	162	191.5	130	164.5	211	194	227	167	312	159.5	326	189.5	1066	4
West LA Obed. Club	109	183.5	121	153.5	209	168.5	222	188.5	304	169	332	137.5	1000.5	

Got News?

*Do you have a brag? Did you get a new puppy? Is your dog celebrating a birthday?
Do you have other dog-related news, photos, articles, humor or upcoming events you'd like to share?*

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Debbie Lang at
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Submission deadline is the 8th of each month

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Top Dog 2015 - con't

Patti Rovtar and her Rottweiler, Pippi, were supposed to be the alternate Novice dog, but when Jinny Chow broke her arm, they were moved to a working spot. Gulp. Pippi worked hard to get ready in the days leading up to the event, her green dog social butterfly mentality being her biggest obstacle! She only tried to visit a couple dogs that were outside the ring during her run...hahaha! She did a great job on exercises that were in the center of the ring! We are very proud of her effort. She came in 6th in her ring of 14, and 11th overall out of 28 Novice dog competing. She's "back in school" now!

Joyce Davis and Caper the Golden Retriever competed in Open. Her heeling was wonderful, her drop on recall excellent! There was just a small matter of going around the high jump when coming back with her dumbbell, but she is such an awesome working girl that this was just a momentary lapse and she is just as cute going around as going over! Caper finished 7th in her ring of 14 Open dogs, and came in 15th out of 28 Open dogs competing!

Laurie Burnam and Australian Shepherd Super Star Scusi really brought the goods! Beautiful heeling and other than Laurie's super powers, tossing the dumbbell all the way out of the ring...haha...all the exercises were done very, very well! Scusi even took a power nap during the group down - she must have known she would get a call back for the second round - and she DID! Scusi had an itch she just had to scratch during the long down in the second round, and sat up to scratch it 10 seconds before Laurie was back to her that kept her out of the individual placements - but when you have an itch you gotta scratch it! Scusi finished 2nd in her Open ring of 14 dogs, and an amazing 4th overall out of 28 Open dogs! Very good work indeed!

Paddy Warner and Kimber, an Australian Shepherd, were our alternate dog/handler team for Open, so she only got to do the group exercises. That was okay with Kimber, she's a grand old dame, and she did them impeccably! Good work, Kimber!!

Sharon Clarke and Standard Schnauzer Flynn were on our Utility team. Flynn is a joy to watch work. He's a beautiful jumper and heels very business-like - very appropriate for the working dog that he is. He was having so much fun he was a little too quick on the draw after his signal down and popped up into the sit. Sharon and Flynn were oh-so-close to a call back for the second round, coming in 5th in their ring of 14 dogs and 12th overall out of 28 Open dogs competing!

Paddy Warner and Stetson were our second team in Utility. Stetson had a beautiful and very consistent run, that is until he decided that pesky glove was just-too-darn-heavy and dropped it like a sack of rocks on his way back from the directed retrieve. No matter! The rest of their work was stellar and earned them a call back for the second round! Now any of you that know Stetson are aware of how much he loves to hunt down a buffet of any kind, and well, he ate half of Paddy's lunch when she wasn't looking. He may have had a little too much mayonnaise before going back in the ring and had a few hazy moments, bless his heart. Stetson finished 4th in his ring of 14 dogs and a super dog 5th out of 28 Utility dogs!!! Way to go, Stetson!

Last but not least, we have Patti Rovtar and Chili. As Utility alternate, Chili got to sit around all day. She snoozed, she ate treats, got a massage...and put a great effort into each of those things! She says the best part about the whole day is that she started the day with a 200, and went home with one, too!!

When all was said and done, Valley Hills came in fourth out of 14 clubs competing! Cindi and I are very proud of the team effort that gave our club this placement!

Until Next Year,

Patti Rovtar and Cindi Malchose, Top Dog Co-Captains

Top Dog 2015 Pictures



Top Dog Pictures - con't



Article taken from the Fresno DTC Newsletter "Training Chain, October 2015"

Fresno DTC Board member Joan Pope found this article from Denise Fenzi, Fenzi Dog Sports Academy ... it applies to both agility and obedience.

Competition Dog Sports Etiquette

Sometimes novice exhibitors aren't sure what is expected in terms of etiquette at competition dog events and indeed, there are a few unwritten courtesies that make it much easier to manage a lot of dogs in a small space.

It is absolutely possible that your dog loves everyone, doesn't notice being stared at, and has no objections to being approached by rambunctious dogs. It is also possible that your dog does even better in the ring when there is a dog thrashing his toy next to the entrance, but for others, any of the above scenarios can literally ruin their chances of qualifying.

It's helpful if we manage our dogs and our behavior so that everyone can have the best possible chances of success. We all make mistakes, so if you realize that you were playing too close to a ring and now the dog in the ring is staring at you, hey, it happens. Apologize to the owner when the time is right, and be a little more mindful next time.

While some of you might consider this a training issue, keep in mind that a person at the dog show may already be quite nervous, so why make it harder for them than it needs to be? Yes, dogs should be trained to tolerate normal levels of distraction, but good manners and basic sportsmanship suggests that it's not your place to create them.

It's not that there are things you cannot do, it's just that we're all in this together, so take a moment to be aware that other people may have different needs than you. Try and take their perspective.

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Competition Dog Sports Etiquette—continued

I have owned friendly dogs, unfriendly dogs, crate guarders, worriers, rambunctious dogs, etc, and all of them took forms of management. I do not relax at the dog show when my dogs are out. I pay attention, manage behavior as required and put them away when I need a rest. I am responsible for my dog's wellbeing, both physical and mental, and I am also responsible for not causing harm to you or your dog's physical or mental wellbeing.

As you read through the rest of this article, one thing should begin to stand out for you. You must pay attention. Always. If your dog is out of his crate, then pay attention to what he is doing and where he is looking. That's your number one responsibility when you are in public with your dog. So if you take nothing else from this blog, hold onto that one thought. Pay attention.

1. Keep your dog under control at all times.

Your dog should not be staring at other dogs or lunging (whether friendly or threatening) anywhere at a dog show. This includes the parking lot, walking in to the building, where you set up your crate and when you move through the common spaces. That means a short leash, 4 feet is pushing it. Your dog should be walking nicely with you or held close if you don't have LLW. There is no reason why your dog should be scampering around 15 or more feet away from you on a Flexi. If you are pulling a dolly and walking three dogs all at the same time, give some thought to whether or not you are in control. If not, you'll need to make more than one trip to your car or take fewer dogs to the show.

Your dog might be social but not all dogs want to visit with your dog and most handlers do not want their dogs visiting, regardless of how friendly they might be. If you really really really want your dog to meet another dog then ask first! If I want to talk to another person and we both have our dogs, then I put my dog on a reliable down stay a few feet away so that I can approach. Most people take the hint nicely and keep their dog with them.



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Competition Dog Sports Etiquette—continued

2. Be aware of where you are standing

When entering or leaving a ring, give as much room to the next dog as possible. The last thing the next exhibitor wants is a dog to dog interaction as they enter the ring. You should not be 'on deck' until it is your turn to be there, nor should you be standing in such a way that others have to get around you when it is their turn. Move!

3. Manage your dog's crate behavior.

If your dog whines or barks in the crate, cover it! If that doesn't do the trick, then learn how to keep your dog quiet in the crate. That might mean sitting with your dog, dropping treats in the top at random intervals, or re-locating your crate to a quieter (and possibly less convenient) location. Better yet, train your dog to accept periods of crating, but while you work on that, you are responsible for managing your dog's behavior.

Not only is it hard on the other exhibitors to have a dog nearby that is incessantly barking or whining, it's also quite hard on your own dog. Keep in mind that poor crate behavior is a sign of distress, if your dog is worked up and agitated at the show then it's not likely that you'll do very well in the ring. Solve the problem! It will make your own dog more successful and comfortable, and it will be much appreciated by your fellow exhibitors. A bark here and there is no big deal, it's a dog and dogs do vocalize. But non-stop whining, barking, or even occasional lunging is a problem and you are responsible for controlling it.

If your dog crate guards, cover your crate, or isolate your dog so that others aren't being lunged at every time they walk by. If space is at a premium, place your chair immediately in front of your crate and then sit there, effectively blocking your dog's view of other dogs and making guarding behavior much less likely. If that is

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Competition Dog Sports Etiquette—continued

not sufficient to do the trick, then ask yourself if you're really ready to be at the show. Maybe you should be working on this issue in training instead of focusing on the actual behaviors required in the ring.

Along those same lines, do not assume that just because your dog doesn't mind other dogs looking in his crate that this is universally the case. Most dogs do not appreciate another dog looking in their crate when they are resting. That is their home! It would be like someone looking in your house windows when you are inside! Give as much room as possible to other people's occupied crates when you and your dog walk by.

4. Consider Where and How you Play with your dog.

There is no problem with playing with your dog at a show, but be aware of the intensity of your play when you are near the rings. That doesn't mean you need to tiptoe and whisper, but take a moment to look around and see where you are before you start throwing food or playing a crazy game of tug in a small space. Agility trials are more relaxed, but even there you should restrict the intensity of your play where the dog in the ring can see you. Not only is this more fair for the person in the ring, it also prevents your dog from becoming a target, don't ask for trouble! Check with your instructor to get a sense of what is reasonable and what will be considered obnoxious by your fellow competitors.

5. Is this a good time to Chat?

Some times are better to talk to people than others, so give some thought to when you approach someone to start up a conversation. Remember, the other exhibitors may be nervous or very focused on their dog at a given moment. If you wait until they are relaxed and not interacting with their dog, and definitely not when they are about to enter or leave a ring, you'll find that most people are very happy to chat.

6. Handling Other People's Ignorance

Realistically, you are going to encounter people who aren't paying close attention, and as a result their behavior will cause problems for others. Here are some phrases that might be helpful:

Your dog seems really agitated in the crate. Have you considered moving a bit further away from the other dogs to help him calm down? I'm also concerned that he appears to be upsetting some of the dogs that are going in the ring.

My dog doesn't like other dogs looking at him in his crate. Could you tighten up your leash a bit? Thanks; I really appreciate that.

Competition Dog Sports Etiquette—continued

I need to get by you, but your dog is on a long leash and my dog won't be comfortable if they interact. Thank you.

You get the idea. Tell the person what the problem is, offer gentle advice if they appear receptive, and be kind and appreciative if they make appropriate changes.

Do not EVER discipline or feed someone else's dog without explicit permission, no matter how obnoxious their dog's behavior is. Talk to the Trial Secretary if you have a serious complaint, or speak with the exhibitor in a gentle fashion. Screaming at them may make you feel better but it sure won't do anything to help the reputation of our sport. And anyway, it's mean and it makes you look ugly. Let's aim a little higher.

New competitors aren't bad, stupid or deserving of humiliation; they simply don't know better yet. We all did things when we were first starting out, we had to learn. Help them! And if you are an instructor, take a few moments with your new exhibitor and review these basic rules. Better yet, practice and model them in your classes so that they become second nature. We'll all benefit and with time, maybe we can see more growth in our dog sports.

FOR SALE—Full Size Dog Walk—Contact Marsha Siderow at her email below

I have a full size dog walk for sale, \$500.

It needs clean up and paint, but otherwise is in good condition. The top is painted with gravel, not rubber, but you can replace it. I bought a training size dog walk because the full size is too big for my yard. That's why I'm selling it. You can e-mail me at care4yrpet@aol.com.

Braggs

Congratulations to Ronda Harvey and Casper

Casper is the Number One Preferred All American Dog. He will be at AKC Agility Invitational in Florida December 11–13.

Good Luck to Casper and Ronda, Run Clean and Have Fun



Monica Nolan and Mikko—December 5-6, 2015—Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley Park, CA:

Mikko earned two more RAE legs !!

Happy Holidays to everyone!

Marcia Siderow and Matisse—Valley Hills Obedience Trial, Woodley Park, CA:

At the VHOC trial, Matisse got his final leg for his Masters Preferred Jumpers title. I'm very proud of my 9 year old big poodle boy. He also Q'd in Masters Preferred Standard, where he already has his MX and MXP.

Braggs

Serena Marshall and Wayne—October 24, 2015—*Kennel Club of Riverside, Perris, CA:*

Aussie, “Wayne” Heartfire’s True Grit RN went WD/BOW/Best of Breed over a Special—he was owner handled.

Serena Marshall and Tequila—October 24, 2015—*Kennel Club of Riverside, Perris, CA:*

Sheltie, “Tequila” Shantel’s Tequila Town went WD breeder/owner handled.

Serena Marshall and Tru—November 21, 2015—*Orange Empire Dog Club, Bloomington, CA:*

Sheltie, “Tru” Shantel’s Troubadour CD RA HT AAX MXJ NF got his FIRST Double Q toward his MACH with a 1st and 2nd out of the 16” class.

Serena Marshall and Wynt—November 21, 2015—*Orange Empire Dog Club, Bloomington, CA:*

Border Collie, “Wynt” Hidden Valley Firestorm Rn PT NA OAJ—got his first OA Q with a 1st place.

Serena Marshall and Wynt—November 27 and 29, *Keeshond Club of So. Cal, City of Industry, CA:*

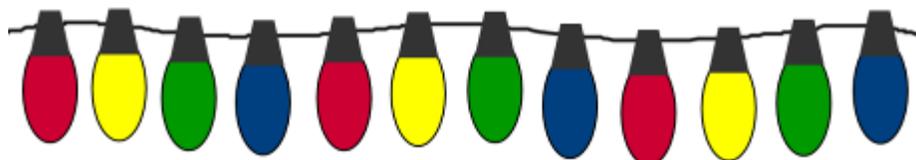
Friday—Wynt got his first qualifying AXJ Q with a 1st place

Sunday—Wynt got his second qualifying AXJ Q with a 1st place

Serena Marshall and Tru—November 29, 2015—*Keeshond Club of So. Cal, City of Industry, CA:*

Tru—Double Q #2 !

Tru was also proud to help represent the VHOC team at Top Dog this year.



Braggs

Debbie Lang and Quila—November 15, 2015—*Inland Empire Herding Dog Association, Judy's Sheep Ranch, Sylmar, CA:*

Herding Intermediate A Course Sheep —Qualifying run with a 3rd place.

New HIAs title



Debbie Lang and Quila—December 5-6, 2015—*Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley Park, CA:*

12-5—FAST qualifying score 2nd place

12-6—Preferred Double Q#8, 16” Pref STD—2nd Place, 16” Pref JWW—3rd place

Doribeth Elkins and Finley—December 6, 2015, *Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley, CA:*

Finley—Double Q on Sunday

After being out of agility for almost a year and one practice trial, Finley and I competed over the weekend. On Sunday Dec 6, Finley's aka Finn's 7th birthday, she Doubled Q'd. Happy to be back with a thriving 7 year old Golden girl.

Cathy Davis and Roxie—December 4-5-6, 2015, *Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley CA:*

Roxie earned 2 Qs in Master Preferred Standard & 1 Q in Master Preferred JWW at our VHOC trial.

Baby Ella watched with great interest

Braggs

Yvonne Garst and Barbie—*December 4, 2015, Shoreline Dog Fanciers Club, Costa Mesa, CA:*
 Novice B obedience, 3rd leg, 2nd place scored 193 CD Title.

Yvonne Garst and Captain—*December 6, 2015, Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley Park, Ca:*
 Preferred Novice obedience, 2nd leg, 1st place scored 192.

Preferred Obedience High in Trial



Melody Myers and Rocket—*November 21, 2015, Buenaventura Dog Training Club, Ventura, CA:*

Rocket earned her Open Standard Title under judge Beverly Morgan-Lewis with a second place.

Sheri Scott and Bubba -

Bubba passed his Birch odor recognition test (now eligible to enter Nosework 1 trials) this weekend & passed his third test toward becoming a therapy dog 12/07, only 1 more to go. Although, not titles, he is making great progress from the anxious whiny boy some of you met when we adopted him 6 months ago

Braggs

Laurie Burnam and Scusi—December 5 & 5, 2015—Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley Park CA:

Saturday— Rally

Excellent B 99+. 1st Place

Advanced B 97+++ 1st Place 9th RAE leg

High Combined Rally award

Sunday—Rally

Excellent B. 95+ 1st Place

Advanced B. 98. 1st Place. 10th RAE leg **RAE. TITLE**

High Combined Rally award

Agility

Novice Standard. 100 1st Place. 3rd leg.

NA TITLE

Open Standard. 90. 1st Place. 1st leg

Open JWW. 95. 2nd Place. 1st leg



Mason Campbell, Max Campbell and Rainy—October 18, 2015, Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore, Pleasanton, CA:

Rainy (G-GCH D'Lacie's baroness von Purple Rain CGC, RN, CA) struck Gold earning her **Gold GCH level** making her the 12th Std. Schnauzer to achieve this level & only the 3rd Std. bitch to do so. It was made more special because she earned her Silver GCH at Del Valle just a year ago - on to the Performance Arena

Brag

Joyce Davis and Caper—December 5, 2015, Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley Park, CA:

Open A—1st Leg—1st Place



Joyce Davis and Caper—December 6, 2015, Valley Hills Obedience Club, Woodley Park, CA;

Open A—2nd Leg—1st Place

Caper won the VHOC trophy for High Scoring Dog in the A Classes

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