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October General Meeting Friday
10-21-2022, 6:30 PM
At the Field in Northridge
All information on Page 3

Happy Halloween



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, Carole Hills, at
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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?*

*Do you have a canine product or service you'd like to promote?
Ads are only \$10.00 a month, or \$50.00 for an entire year.*

Email me for more information, or just send your stuff to:

Debbie Lang at
djlang@sbcglobal.net

Submission deadline is the 8th of each month

This is YOUR Newsette...make it great!

VHOC General Meeting

The next general membership meeting is scheduled for

Friday October 21st at 6:30 p.m.

Location: The Field in Northridge

Location: The Field 7720-7722 White Oak Ave. Northridge (Near the Corner of Saticoy
and White Oak—East side of White Oak)

Dinner: The club will provide a main dish. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Topic: AKC Trick Dog evaluations

AKC Trick Dog information and criteria can be obtained from the AKC website

<https://www.akc.org/sports/trick-dog/news-and-updates/>

We will have two club members who are AKC certified Trick Dog evaluators at the meeting. If you would like to have your dog perform exercises to test for the Trick Dog title, please R.S.V.P by Tuesday Oct. 18th. Space will be limited.

**Please R.S.V.P. to meeting coordinator Shiro Torquato
at drshiro2000@gmail.com**



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California: Governor Signs Bills Additional Animal Welfare Bills

By AKC Government Relations

Sep 29, 2022 | 2 Minutes

This week, California Governor Newsom signed additional bills relating to animal welfare into law, including the following:

Assembly Bill 1648 – Emergency Preparedness for Kennels

Current California code allows for cities and counties to require a kennel license. As stated in a previous alert, AB 1648 requires anyone registered as a kennel in their local community to include an emergency preparedness plan with their registration.

It simply requires that a “kennel owner create and submit to the city or county an animal natural disaster evacuation plan for any kennel covered by the license or permit.” There are no specific requirements regarding what a kennel owner should include in their disaster preparedness plan.

The American Kennel Club (AKC) understands that the purpose of this bill and amendments is to allow local officials to act quickly to help animals in case of a disaster situation. Kennel registrants are encouraged to reach out to their local government to learn how they may wish you to submit your emergency plan.

The new law goes into effect on January 1, 2023.

Assembly Bill 2723 – Microchipping Regulations for Dogs Claimed from Shelters or Rescues

AB 2723 requires a shelter or rescue transferring ownership of a dog to provide certain information to the new owner, including microchip company information, if the dog has a current microchip number, and any other information needed so the new owner can register themselves as the primary contact on the microchip. In addition, if a shelter or rescue is transferring a dog that was already microchipped, they must document and keep records of all efforts made to contact the microchip’s primary contact.

AB 2723 was amended on the Senate floor to clarify these requirements do not apply to animals temporarily housed as a result of an emergency evacuation order.

The new law goes into effect on January 1, 2023.

AKC Government Relations (GR) continues to closely monitor all issues impacting dog owners in California. For questions or more information, contact AKC GR at doglaw@akc.org.

URL: <https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/california-governor-signs-bills-additional-animal-welfare-bills/>

Halloween Safety Tips for Pets

Oct 23, 2018

Halloween can be scary but there's no trick to keeping your pets safe. We recommend taking simple steps to ensure your pet has a safe and happy Halloween. Dr. Ken Sieranski, DVM, MS, is The Animal Foundation's Director of Veterinary Services. He shares several Halloween pet safety tips, below.

Stash the treats

Candy and sweets are unhealthy for pets, especially those containing xylitol, an artificial sweetener. Animals ingesting these sweets, including chocolate, can experience vomiting, diarrhea, rapid breathing, increased heart rate, and seizures. If you suspect your pet has ingested something toxic, please call your veterinarian immediately.

Watch the decorations

Although decorations are perfectly festive for Halloween, they can cause serious issues if chewed on or ingested by pets. Keep wires and holiday displays, including corn and pumpkins, out of reach from your pets. Although these are considered non-toxic, they can cause stomach discomfort and gastrointestinal problems.

Put the glow sticks away

Glow sticks can help trick-or-treaters feel safe during the night's festivities, but should be kept far away from pets. The fluid inside is non-toxic, but tastes awful. If your pet chews one open, offer them some water and a small meal to clear the fluid from their mouth.

Keep pets inside during trick-or-treating

Ringing doorbells and shouting kids can stress any animal out. Add face paint and costumes, and your pet may not know how to react. Keep your pets calm by securing them indoors inside a crate or quiet room away from the door.

Pick the right pet costume

Not all pets love to dress up. If your pet is comfortable wearing a costume, make sure it does not limit his or her movement, sight or ability to breathe, bark or meow. Check the costume for small, dangling or easily chewed-off pieces that could be a choking hazard. Make sure it's the right size. Ill-fitting outfits can lead to injury. If your pet shows any signs of stress, remove the costume and allow them to calm down in a quiet space.

Find your lost pet (modified from original content)

If your pet does go missing during the holiday, they may be at your local Animal Shelter. Don't forget to make sure your pet's microchip is up-to-date so you can be contacted.

Article URL—

https://animalfoundation.com/whats-going-on/blog/halloween-safety-tips-pets?gclid=EA1aIQobChMltrueKqbXZ-gIVShXUAR1dAAiEEAYAYAAEgJ73PD_BwE



35 Stores That Don't Ask You To Leave Your Dog At Home While You Shop

Written by: Elise Remp

November 26, 2021

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The holiday season is upon us, which means you're probably looking forward to spending as much time as possible snuggled up with your pup around the fire, eating pumpkin pie, and shopping, shopping, shopping. The only thing that could make all that spending better? Your dog, of course!

More and more stores are adopting dog-friendly policies , and we've collected a list of **35 national retailers that allow you to bring your pup along while you shop** (side from pet supply stores, which are inherently pet-friendly)!

We've separated the list into two categories to help you have a great experience with your pup: **1) Stores that have verified that they allow dogs at every location and 2) Stores whose pet policies vary by location and management.** Because we know how annoying it is to find a list of supposedly pet-friendly stores only to be awkwardly turned away at the door!

**Please note: As a responsible pet owner, it's important to respect each retailer's individual pet policy. Unless your dog is a service dog, don't bring them into a store that's not dog-friendly (and never, ever claim your dog is a service dog just to get them into a store!). Even retailers with dog-friendly policies will leave it up to on-site managers to decide whether to let pups into their individual locations, so please call ahead before bringing your dog on your next shopping excursion.*

Stores Verified To Allow Dogs At Every Location

1. Half Price Books
2. Gander Outdoors/Gander RV & Camping World
3. Michaels
4. Ann Taylor & LOFT
5. Bed Bath & Beyond
6. Macy's
7. Bass Pro Shops & Cabela's
8. Tractor Supply Co.
9. Strand Bookstore
10. Gap
11. Warby Parker
12. Nordstrom
13. JOANN Stores

35 Stores That Don't Ask You To Leave Your Dog At Home While You Shop—continued

Stores Whose Pet-Policy Varies By Location (Please contact your local store to verify it's pet policy.)

14. Home Depot
15. Sephora
16. LUSH Cosmetics
17. Barnes & Noble
18. Hallmark
19. Old Navy
20. Banana Republic
21. Academy Sports + Outdoors
22. Abercrombie & Fitch
23. Hobby Lobby
24. Ross Dress For Less
25. Tiffany and Co.
26. Bath and Body Works
27. Pottery Barn
28. Madewell
29. Bloomingdale's
30. Urban Outfitters
31. Anthropologie
32. Free People
33. Saks Fifth Avenue
34. Apple
35. HomeGoods, Marshalls, & TJMaxx

Shop Locally With Your Dog

All the retailers mentioned above are chains, but they're not the only stores that allow pets! Many local small businesses are dog-friendly. We're just a country full of dog lovers! Always make sure to call ahead and ask the owner if it's all right for your dog to come with you, though, if they don't have their pet policy listed online.

Looking for other local places to visit with your pet? Check out [Bring Fido](#) for recommendations on dog-friendly shopping, hotels, restaurants, and more!

Submitted by Alison Pobirs

PLANTS THAT KEEP BUGS AWAY

FLEAS, TICKS

ROSEMARY

PLANTS THAT KEEP BUGS AWAY

MOSQUITOES, APHIDS

MARIGOLD

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PET PHOTOGRAPHY

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We all love to shoot and share videos of our pets. From still photos to video, it's all a great way to share some of your most treasured and entertaining family moments with the world. And we love nothing more than seeing healthy, happy dogs and cats being shared on the Fromm "Show off your cuties" website. Keep up the great work!

Here are a few simple tips to make your photos and videos even better

1.) Get up close and personal

It's best to get down on your pet's level rather than shooting from overhead. Get as close as you can and focus on the face and eyes. It can make the photo much more personal and engaging, and makes it much easier to capture the emotion and expressions we all love.

2.) Move around

Experiment with different angles and framing. Shoot a lot and edit later.

3.) Avoid extra noise and busy backgrounds

Be sure to keep an eye (and ear) on what matters most – your pet. A clean, clear background avoids distraction, so what you can to keep your pet the focus of the shot. If you're shooting video and there's a lot of background noise, replacing the distracting audio with music can be a fun way to add an interesting tone and feeling to the clip.

4.) Use natural lighting when possible

It provides a great natural look, and can help avoid the shock of a flash. Indoors, big windows can offer great, dramatic lighting

5.) Reward generously

Be sure to keep positive energy flowing. This can be talking with your pet and encouraging the behavior you want, or offering treats along the way. Pets want to please, and can read your emotions. Be sure to keep it all happy and positive.

Pet Photography from Fromm Family Pet Foods—Continued

6.) Be prepared

You can't always plan for the sweetest shots or best footage. It pays to keep your camera or phone handy. Much like children, pets have a way of doing the funniest and most charming things in moments that pop up.

Having treats handy can make the whole process much more fun for everyone. We like to give treats as much as they love to get them, and happy pets are cute pets. Who knows, photo time might become the favorite part of the day!

7.) Anticipate what you'd like to see

Having an idea of what might or should happen, and planning ahead increases your chances of capturing the action or pose that you hope for.

8.) When shooting stills

Try the burst or continuous modes to give you more images to choose from. You can always discard the frames you don't want.

9.) When shooting video

Shoot early and often, and let it run as much as you can. Then edit it down to the good stuff, and keep the final video short and sweet. One or two minutes is a long video if you plan to share on social media.

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VHOC Agility Trial

Coming in December

Our annual agility trial is fast approaching. It will be held at Action Dog Sports—
Stone Pony in Moorpark

Save the dates—December 9, 10 and 11th

Our judges are: Dale Mahoney & Jan Skurzynski

The VHOC premium and the proposed run order are on
Larry Ribbeck's webpage:

<http://www.lribbeck.com/akc-trials.html>

FAST, T2B and Premier classes will run prior to the STD
and JWW classes, check the proposed running order on
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Braggs



Sharon Clarke and Leo

Santa Ana KC—October 1, 2022

Best of Breed, Best of Breed Owner Handler and **Owner Handler Group 4th**

Santa Ana KC—October 2, 2022

Leo was Best of Opposite Sex

He also had three of his progeny showing, on Sunday all of them won their classes with the 6-9 month puppy dog going Winners dog and the Bred By Exhibitor bitch from the same litter going Reserve Winners bitch.

Jane Nye with Henry, Grey and Gabe

Henry (just turned 1)

- ♦ New **Rally Advanced title** at VHOC trial!
- ♦ 2 Rally Excellent Qs at GSD trial!
- ♦ 2 Novice Obedience Qs and two 3rd place ribbons at GSD trial!

Grey (just turned 3)

- ♦ New **Rally Master title** at VHOC trial!
- ♦ New **Versatile Cardigan Excellent (VCX) title!**
- ♦ Invited to AKC Obedience Classic in Orlando for Open Obedience!
- ♦ In Conformation – in limited showing, both Majors and 11 points towards his Championship!

Gabe (just turned 9)

Celebrated his birthday by playing ball for hours!



**Happy Birthday
Gabe**

Tommy Dickey and Summer

Summer (CH R PYR Strongsky All Summer Long! CGC CGCA CGCU THDN THD THDA THDX THDD THDS TKN FDC RN RI BNV) won **Best of Veterans** twice at the Peak to Peak Great Pyrenees Specialty Shows in Greeley, Colorado in September. Thanks to the judges and to Terrie Strom for showing her!



Flo Walberg and Ashley

We were competing in the Golden State Rottweiler Club's event that was blended in with the all breed shows at the City of Industry over the weekend. Ashley got **High in Trial** with a 197.5 and she also won **High Combined** in Open and Utility! Very proud of her, she is awesome!!! We are almost on OTCH2! A little ways to go!



Braggs

Kathy Spilos and Votan

New Title, Votan vom Binderhaus, CD !!!

It started at VHOC's trials with a first place finish for our second Novice B leg under judge Carl Lentz, and it continued the following weekend at our GSDC of the San Gabriel Valley's trials, with a first place finish for our **CD title** under judge Marina Pavlovsky! Then just for good measure, in judge Susie Osborn's ring the following day — a first place finish for our "insurance" CD leg! So happy and proud of my Votan!



Robyn Zeldon and Lyric

Lyric earned her **Virtual Home Manners title** at 4 months old



Braggs

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Shiro Torquato and Archer

September 17th/18th Valley Hills Obedience Club in Moorpark

Rally Intermediate Saturday Third Place with a score 89

Rally intermediate Sunday-Third Place with a score of 95 and **RI title**

Judge Shannon Jones

**Shiro Torquato and Archer**

September 24th German Shepard Dog Club of San Gabriel Valley in Moorpark

Beginner Novice B First Place

Judge Marina Pavlovsky

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**Monica Nolan and Augie**

Augie earned his first two Qs in AKC Obedience Versatility at the October German Shepherd trial. His scores were 191 and 199!

Braggs



Monica Nolan and Rosie

After only a month of practice, Rosie earned her first competition Qs in virtual AKC Novice Rally with scores of 90 and 95!

Debbie Lang and Panda

9-15-22—VHOC Agility Trial at Stone Pony, Moorpark—PACH Double Q #13

9-22-22—German Shepherd Dog Club of SGV, at Stone Pony, Moorpark—PACH Double Q #14

9-24-22—German Shepherd Dog Club of SGV, at Stone Pony, Moorpark—**RM5—Master Rally #5 Title** —50th Rally Master qualifying score.



Debbie Lang and Morgan

9-17-2022—VHOC Obed/Rally Trial—Stone Pony, Moorpark
2nd place—**Beginner Novice Title**



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TO:



A very special thank you from the German Shepherd Dog Club of the San Gabriel Valley to all the VHOC members who entered and supported our fall obedience and rally trials! We enjoy having back-to-back trials and appreciate you all so very much!!!

