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VHOC Awards Banquet
Sunday March 29th
BJ Restaurant - Woodland Hills

See Flyer on Page 3 for more information

Reserve your spot for the Banquet with Ann Hills by March 15th. RSVP to tonkanuki@aol.com

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 chills37@aol.com

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Welcome to our New Members!

(in order to activate membership, applicants need to attend one general meeting or volunteer to help at a VHOC event)


Allison Betts and her Bouvier des Flanders - Sally

Morgan Betts-Wojtaszek and her Golden Retriever - Sherman

You're "corgially" invited!



WHOC





Awards Banquet

Sunday, March 29

6:00 PM



**RESTAURANT
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**6424 Canoga Ave.
Woodland Hills**

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Please reserve your
SPOTS w/ Ann by
• March 15 •
tonkanuki@aol.com

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Join us as we celebrate our 2025 accomplishments, welcome new members, see old friends, and enjoy a photo slideshow...and a pizookie!

\$25 per person * 3 WAYS TO PAY!

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Fit Dog Hike

Sunday - April 12th, 10AM

The location will be Solstice Canyon, near Malibu.

It's an easy 2 mile out and back walk along a shady flat road to the Solstice Waterfall

Please RSVP to Monica Nolan , by April 8th

if you're coming - nolanmilano@gmail.com.



Parking – Yes -

- Proximity to the beach makes this an extremely popular destination on weekends. With limited parking, carpooling is strongly encouraged. If you choose to park outside the lot and along Corral Canyon Road, please make sure car is completely on the outside of the road striping. Exercise caution when walking down to the park.

Restrooms-Yes -

- Restroom located 100' up main trail past the parking lot.

Water-Yes

- One drinking fountain located at the parking lot and one located about 1/4 mile up on Solstice Canyon Trail so bring enough water on very warm days

Pets – Yes

- Dogs are allowed but must remain on a leash, not to exceed six feet, at all times. Please pick-up after your dog.

Accessibility-Yes

- Parking lot is paved and Solstice Canyon Trail paved for about 1/2 mile.

Cell Service-Yes/No

- Depends on cell service provider. Unreliable cell service in the backcountry.

<https://www.nps.gov/samo/planyourvisit/solsticecanyon.htm>



Scent Work—High Humidity in Cold Weather V High Humidity in Hot Weather


by Mandy Riggs—from FB post


The environments humidity plays a huge role in how odor moves and the information the scent picture is providing the dog.


So, when we look at our weather app on a hot day and it says humidity 75% and on a cold day says it also states 75%, what does this actually mean for our dog's noses and their search conditions?

A high humidity figure does not mean the same thing to a scenting dog in hot weather as it does in cold weather, the temperature completely changes how that moisture behaves and therefore how odor behaves.


 High humidity in hot weather, what happens to odor?


 Odor molecules volatilize quickly in heat


 Moist air helps odor stay airborne rather than settle (dependent on vapor pressure)

 Plumes can rise, stretch, and spread

The search behaviors dogs often show:

 Early target odor interest at a distance

 Wide casting or elevated head carriage


 Strong commitment but challenging to work to source


 Larger scent cones and pooling zones


In hot, humid conditions, the dog is often working a big, generous scent picture, lots of referencing, not always directly to source.


 High humidity in cold weather, what happens to the odor?

Humidity is high in cold conditions, the air is often dense and heavy.

 Odor moves more slowly


 Moisture helps odor adhere to surfaces


 Scent tends to stay lower and more contained

 Plumes are often tighter and closer to source

The search behaviors dogs often show:

 Methodical searching

 Lower head carriage and surface engagement

 Strong commitment once source is located

Here, the dog is often working a compressed, grounded scent picture which is less spread, but more defined (as shown in the illustrations)

High Humidity and Scent Detection—continued

In summary, there can be the same humidity percentage but a very different job for the dog’s nose to navigate 🐾

High humidity:

1. Hot air = odor spreads and lifts
2. Cold air = odor settles and clings

Humidity is a complex topic involving many factors, including temperature, moisture, air currents and vapor pressure. I hope this post offers a fundamental understanding.

Some handler pointers :

- ☀️ Speed doesn’t equal clarity
- ☀️ Slowness is not lack of confidence
- ☀️ Precision to source may change with environment weather conditions
- ☀️ Criteria and reinforcement should flex with the surrounding weather conditions taken into account.

🐾❤️ The dog is reading physics in real time, as always our role as handlers is to listen with our observations of how your individual dog works within different temperatures and humidities.

Mandy

Instructor & Founder of Canine Scentwork Academy (C.S.A)

Always open to others experiences and knowledge. Education is key for all. Feel free to share if useful

High Humidity & Scent Detection
— HOT vs COLD —

Same humidity. Totally different job for the dog.

HOT WEATHER ☀️	COLD WEATHER ❄️
Moist air, big scent spread	Moist air, dense scent cling
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Odour lifts and drifts • Wide scent plumes • Fast but less precise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Odour stays low • Tight scent plumes • Slow but focused
Wide & Diffuse Search	Close & Grounded Search

Canine Scentwork Academy

Same humidity, opposite effects.

- ☀️ Heat = Odour Spreads
- ❄️ Cold = Odour Settles

Submitted by Allison Pobirs

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!

2026 AKC Show Events

Mar 14 – Great Dane Club of California – Anaheim – Farm Dog Certification (FDC)
 Mar 14-15 – Santa Ana Valley KC - Moreno Valley – Fast CAT
 Mar 14-15 – Golden Retriever Club of Greater LA – Temecula – Agility - Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production

MAR – 19 – AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB – Temecula - Steve Herwig, Event Secretary for AKC NAC

Mar 21 -22 – Inland Empire Herding Dog Association of CA – Chino – All Breed Herding Ducks/Sheep – A Course
 Mar 21-22 – German Shepherd Dog Club of the SGV – Camarillo – Obedience/Rally

Mar 26 – Kern County Kennel Club – Bakersfield – Rally/Obedience
 Mar 26 – Kern County Kennel Club – Bakersfield – Fast CAT
 Mar 26 – Greater LA Scent Work Club – Camarillo – Agility - Action Dog Sports |
 Mar 27-28 - San Luis Obispo Kennel Club – Bakersfield – Rally/Obedience
 Mar 27 – 28 San Luis Obispo Kennel Club – Bakerfield – Fast CAT
 Mar 27-29 – Border Collie Club of Greater LA – Camarillo – Agility - Action Dog Sports |
 Mar 27 – 29 – High Desert Scent Work Club – Bakersfield – Scent Work Trial
 Mar 29 – Kern County Kennel Club – Bakersfield – Rally/Obedience
 Mar 29 – Kern County Kennel Club – Bakersfield – Fast CAT

April 2-3 – Poodle Club of So Cal – Acton – Agility - [Action Dog Sports |](#)
 April 4-5 – Tri-Valley Shetland Sheepdog of NW LA – Acton - Agility -[Action Dog Sports |](#)
 April 4-5 – Vizsla Club of America – Temecula – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

April 9-12 – Belgian Tervuren Club of Southern CA – Lancaster – [Herding C Course](#)

April 11 – 12 – Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club – City of Industry – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

April 16th – April 19th – Conformation Shows at City of Industry
 April 18 – Scent Work Club of San Diego – Poway – [Scent Work Trial](#)
 April 18 – High Desert Scent Work Club – Phelan – [Farm Dog Certification \(FDC\)](#) - David Shui, Event Secretary
 April 18 – AKC Judge Fetch Test XI – Phelan – [Fetch Test](#) - April Vaillancourt, Event Secretary
 April 18-19 – German Shepherd Dog Club of the SGV – Lancaster – [Herding C Course](#)
 April 19 – Southwest Obedience Club of LA – Torrance – [Rally/Obedience](#) - Jennifer Gysler, Event Secretary
 April 18-19 Dog Agility Club of Ventura – Camarillo – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

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2026 AKC Show Events - Continued

April 24-26 – Apple Valley Kennel Club – Victorville – Rally/Obedience - Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows, Superintendent Plus Conformation

April 25-26 – Keeshond Club of So Cal – City of Industry – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

May 1-4 – Hollywood Dog Obed Club – Agility - Camarillo - [Jump City Agility](#)

May 3 – Hollywood Dog Obed Club – Camarillo - Rally/Obedience

May 2-3 – Ventura County Scent Work Club – Acton – Fast CAT

May 9-10 – Buenaventura Dog Training Club – Obedience/Rally - Camarillo

May 9-10 – Cocker Spaniel Club of Orange County – Norco – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

May 15 -Scent Work Club of the SGF – Pasadena – [Scent Work Detective Class only](#)

May 16-17 – Scent Work Club of the SGF – Burbank – [Scent Work Trial](#)

May 15-17 – Moorpark KC – Camarillo – Agility - [Jump City Agility](#)

May 16-17 – Agility Club of San Diego – Temecula – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

May 21 Tri-Valley Working Dog Club of Pinon Hills – San Juan Capistrano – Rally/Obedience and Working Breed Conformation

May 22 – San Gabriel Valley KC – San Juan Capistrano – Rally/Obedience/ Conformation

May 23 – South Bay KC – San Juan Capistrano – Obedience/Conformation

May 24 Antelope Valley KC – San Juan Capistrano – Obedience/Rally/Conformation

May 25 – Los Encinos KC – San Juan Capistrano – Obedience/Rally/Conformation

May 22-25 Greater Los Angeles Scent Work Club – Acton – Fast CAT

May 30-31 – Dash Agility Club of So Cal – Huntington Beach – Agility - Michele Morlang, Event Secretary

May 30-31 – Ventura County Dog Fanciers Association – Ventura – [Scent Work](#) and [Conformation](#)

May 30-31 – High Desert Scent Work Club – Phelan – Fast CAT

June 4 – Greater LA Scent Work Club – Camarillo – Agility - [Action Dog Sports |](#)

June 5-7 Border Collie Club of Gtr LA – Camarillo – Agility - [Action Dog Sports |](#)

June 11 – Ventura County Scent Work Club – Camarillo – Agility - [Action Dog Sports |](#)

June 12-14 Border Collie Club of Gtr LA - Camarillo – Agility - [Action Dog Sports |](#)

June 19 – 21 – Golden Retriever Club of Gtr LA - Camarillo – Agility - [Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

June 26-28 – Southern California Collie Club - Camarillo – Agility - [Jump City Agility](#)

All Trial Dates were taken from the AKC Events Page, many of the Trials have Premiums associated with them on the event pages. [American Kennel Club - Event Search](#) The trials listed are within 100 miles of Santa Clarita, CA. The trials listed are either pending or approved.

If a trial application hasn't been submitted to the AKC the trial will not show up on the AKC Event Search.

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Topic Submitted by Laurie Burnam

MDR1

Dog breeds commonly affected by MDR1 mutation

Dogs with a mutation in the MDR1 (multidrug resistance 1) gene may have severe and life-threatening reactions to some common drugs. Research has shown the mutation occurs more frequently in certain breeds.

Approximately three of every four collies in the United States have the mutant MDR1 gene. The frequency is about the same in France and Australia, so it is likely that most collies worldwide have the mutation. The MDR1 mutation has also been found in Shetland sheepdogs (Shelties), Australian shepherds, old English sheepdogs, English shepherds, German shepherds, long-haired whippets, silken windhounds, and a variety of mixed-breed dogs.

The only way to know if an individual dog has the mutant MDR1 gene is to have the dog tested. As more dogs are tested, the list of affected breeds will likely grow as new breeds are identified to have the Mutant MDR1 gene.

Breeds with a 50% or greater frequency of the MDR1 mutation

Australian Shepherd—50%, Miniature American Shepherd - 50%

Collie - 70%, Long Haired Whippet—50%

The MDR1 (multidrug resistance 1) gene mutation is common in collies and other herding breeds, and while it is less likely to occur in a mixed breed, it is still possible, and testing is recommended to determine the risk to your pet.

The mutant gene was found in a Saint Bernard mix that had an adverse drug reaction. The veterinarian noted the dog's eyes were different colors, like some Australian shepherds.

For other breeds— <https://waddl.vetmed.wsu.edu/mdr1-in-dogs/#dog-breeds>

What is an MDR1 test?

The first MDR1 test was developed by a team of researchers at Washington State University led by veterinary pharmacologist Dr. Katrina Mealey. An MDR1 test will determine if a dog or cat's DNA contains a specific mutation in the MDR1 gene that makes the animal susceptible to adverse drug reactions.

What does MDR1 positive mean?

All animals have the MDR1 gene – also known as the ABCB1 gene – and are thus “positive.” The gene encodes P-glycoprotein, which plays an important role in limiting drug distribution to the brain and in enhancing the excretion of many drugs. Dogs and cats with a mutation in the gene may have severe, potentially fatal, adverse reactions to some common medications. To avoid confusion, terms that reflect an animal's actual MDR1 genotype (i.e., MDR1 mutant/normal) should be used instead of “MDR1 positive.”

<https://waddl.vetmed.wsu.edu/2022/08/29/mdr1-testing-2/>

MDR1—Continued

Dogs

Up to [75% of some dog breeds](#) have the MDR1 genetic mutation. Herding breeds, long-haired whippets, and silken windhounds have the highest occurrences. It is also found in mixed breeds. Dogs with the mutation may have severe adverse reactions to some [common medications](#).

The below chart was developed by the Washington State University—

<https://waddl.vetmed.wsu.edu/mdr1-in-dogs/>

Drug (Active Ingredient)	Brand Name	Recommendation
Acepromazine		Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Afoxolaner	Nexgard	The manufacturer of Nexgard has tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. Dogs with the MDR1 mutation are not at increased risk for adverse effects.
Apomorphine		Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Butorphanol	Torbugesic	Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Chemotherapy		Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Cyclosporine	Atopica	Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Doxorubicin		See Chemotherapy
Fluralaner	Bravecto	The manufacturer of Bravecto has tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. Dogs with the MDR1 mutation are not at increased risk for adverse effects.
Grapiprant	Galliprant	Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
ivermectin	Heartgard Plus	The manufacturer of Heartgard has tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. The FDA determined Heartgard is safe for dogs with the MDR1 mutation when used at label doses. For other formulations of ivermectin contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations.
Loperamide	Imodium	At doses used to treat diarrhea, this drug will cause neurological toxicity in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. This drug should be avoided in all dogs with the MDR1 mutation.

MDR1—Continued

Drug (Active Ingredient)	Brand Name	Recommendation
Milbemycin	Interceptor, Interceptor Plus	The manufacturer of Interceptor has tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. The FDA determined Interceptor is safe for dogs with the MDR1 mutation when used at label doses. For other formulations of milbemycin contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations.
Maropitant	Cerenia	Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Moxidectin	ProHeart, Simparica Trio, Nexgard Plus, Advantage Multi	The manufacturers of these products have tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. The FDA has determined that these products are safe for dogs with the MDR1 mutation when used at label doses.
Ondansetron		Contact MDR1Caddie™ for dosing recommendations
Sarolaner	Simparica	The manufacturer of Simparica has tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. Dogs with the MDR1 mutation are not at increased risk for adverse effects.
Vinblastine		See Chemotherapy
Vincristine		See Chemotherapy
Vinorelbine		See Chemotherapy
Selamectin	Revolution	The manufacturer of Revolution has tested the product for safety in dogs with the MDR1 mutation. No adverse effects were observed. The FDA determined Revolution is safe for dogs with the MDR1 mutation when used at label doses.

To understand MDR1 testing at Washington State University, consider the following points:

- MDR1 testing identifies genetic variations affecting drug metabolism in animals.
- It is particularly relevant for herding breeds like Collies and Australian Shepherds.
- The test helps predict adverse reactions to certain medications, such as ivermectin.
- Samples can be collected via a cheek swab or blood draw.
- Results guide veterinarians in prescribing safe and effective treatments.
- Consult with a veterinarian for interpretation of test results and implications for care.

Braggs

Laurie Burnam and Tesla

ASCSC/MAC Agility, February 21/22 Juniper Hills

Elite Regular 5 Q 3rd place

Elite Regular 5 Q 4th place

Elite Gamblers 10 Q 3rd place

Elite Jumpers 10 Q 4th place



Karen Ullman and Bowie

Bowie earned his **Excellent Preferred FAST title** with a 1st place at the Border Collie Club of Great Los Angeles trial on 03/07/26.



Debbie Lang and Morgan

Feb 13th—NEANC Specialty show —7 to 9 Veterans—
1st place

Feb 14th—CVASC—AM—Rally Novice C—199
2nd leg 1st place

Feb 14th CVASC—PM—Rally Novice C—198
3rd leg 1st place



Braggs

Laurie Burnam and Tesla

ASCSC/MAC ASCA Agility Juniper Hills March 7/8 2026

Elite Jumpers 10Q 1st place

Elite Jumpers 10Q 1st place

Elite Gamblers 10Q 2nd place



Debbie Lang and Panda

CVASC Rally Trial—Feb 14th

AM—Master—186, Excellent—192

PM—Master— 195 4th pl, Excellent 199 2nd pl

Completed her **REMX and her RTX titles.**

REMX—qualifying with scores of 195 or better in Master and Excellent at the same trial five times, and with at least three different judges.

RTX—ASCA X titles (three scores 195 or better at each level in Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters , and five times for the Excellent Master title)



Sue Rasmussen and Cooper

Cooper -Premiere's Snowburst Applause

placed in both classes at Gold Country Scent Trial two weeks ago in February in Auburn, CA, and **moved into Masters!**

good job Coops!!

Our first Masters scent trial will be in Bakersfield at the end of this month.



Cynthia Casby with Potter and Gryff

Potter earned her **SWN title** when she finished her SNI (with a Brilliant!) at SWCSGV trial at Whitter College.

Gryff finished his **SNB and SNC titles**, and a second leg in SWE.



Gryff got three legs and **two element titles**

Gryff—At the ACD trial the same weekend Gryff got his second HSA leg on birds (geese), and earned **Reserve High in Trial!**

Potter earned her 3rd leg and **title for HSAs!**

Both Gryff and Potter were handled in herding by Kirsten Cole.



(Gryff and Mac playing 2019)

Gryff turns 7 March 11!

And Potter will be 12 on April 3rd.

MacGyver turned 9 back on January, so our whole house is now senior citizens!

We leave soon for Collie Nationals where Potter was Invited to the Top 10 Performance collies presentation, and will be presented with a CCA Grand Versatility Championship and

Mac will receive a Versatility Excellent award. All three will compete for Most Versatile Collie at Nationals!

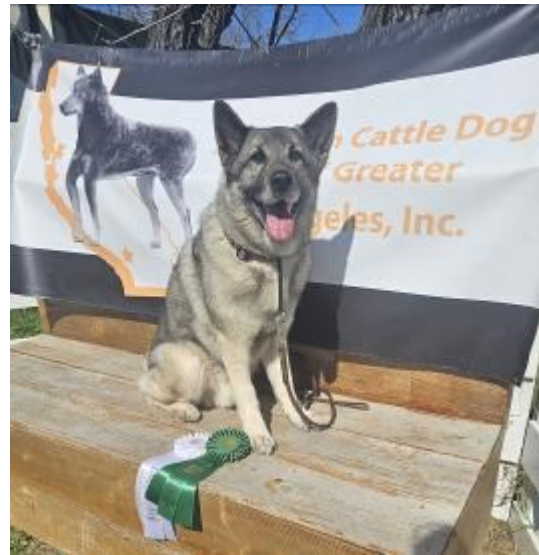


Braggs

Debbie Lang and Morgan

Morgan was entered in Started A Sheep Saturday and Sunday at the ACD Club of Greater LA Herding Dog Trial.

He qualified on Saturday, the temperature was in the 90s, and he earned his second leg with a 78 and 4th place.



Debbie Lang and Morgan

MAC/ASCSC—ASCA Agility Juniper Hills, March 8th

Gambler Senior Dog ACE Open class —1st place and new title **GSDA-O**

The ACE program in ASCA allows any dog to jump 4 inches lower than their normal jump height. The Senior Dog ACE is open to dogs 7 years or older and the dog can jump 8 inches lower than their normal height.



Robyn Zelden and Crew

On February 22nd Crew got his last leg and earned his **Beginner Novice Obedience title** today with a score of 192.5 and a 4th place



Robyn Zelden and Crew, "BISS GCHB LuBeaux's A Moment To Last Forever CGCA, CGCU, TKA, VHMA, SWN, FITS, FDC, ATT, THDA, RN, BN

Crew got BOB February 20th at the Silver Bay Kennel Club Dog Show.



Crew's regular handler
Maddie McCue



Crew got Best in Show Specialty at the Southwestern Rottweiler Club of San Diego on February 21st with our dear friend Andrea Kane showing him.



**Grand
Champion
Bronze**



February 22nd and 23rd Crew got Select at the Silver Bay Kennel Club Dog Show, and he earned his **Grand Champion Bronze**



Adrian Smith and Flynn

Our youngster Flynn continues to do well in his herding endeavors. His latest trialing was at the Australian Cattle Dog Club of Greater Los Angeles trials (February 27 – March 1) held at Diamond Dog in Chino. We have made huge improvements in his outrun over the last couple of months (thanks to Kathleen Smith – a big outrun is needed for open field trials), and he therefore entered his first B-course sheep trial on the Friday where he took 2nd place in started B-course sheep. A-course trials were on the weekend, where he took 1st place in started A-course sheep on the Saturday and 3rd place in started A-course sheep on the Sunday.

Rigel In Like Flynn HSAs CGC TKN (Bryce x Bree) – bred, trained and handled by Adrian Smith.



Yvonne Garst and Herman Jo

Scent Work Club of the San Gabriel Foothills
 March 1st - Scent work Trial
 Excellent exterior qualifying score
 Excellent buried qualifying score
 Excellent containers qualifying score
 Advanced handler discrimination qualifying score

**ASCA Agility Champion
Blessedhope August Nights**



February 21, 2026

Braggs 

New ATCH

Monica Nolan and Augie

Augie earned his **ASCA Agility Championship** on February 21st at the Juniper Hills ASCA trial.

He's my first Aussie to get an Agility Championship -

I've had to retire my previous three Aussies early due to various injuries. I'm SO proud of him!

Monica Nolan and Augie

Augie switched sports the following weekend and competed in the AKC Scentwork trial put on by SWCSGF in Whittier on February 29th.

He Q'd in **Advanced Containers and Buried**, giving him titles in those two elements as well as his over all **Advanced Scent Dog** title.

Plus he picked up a nice Q in Excellent Interiors, his first time at that level. And two judges honored him with "Brilliant" ribbons for how he searched.



ASCA Agility Trial Champion (ATCH) - once a dog has an Elite title they start earning points towards there ATCH in that class.

For Jumpers and Gambles , you need 100 additional points beyond the title—which can only be clean 10 points runs.

For Regular—you need 200 additional points beyond the title—they can be clean 10 point runs or what they call dirty Qs, which are 5 point Qs—this can be up to 5 seconds over time or a single knocked bar, not both.

Different Dog Organizations

Now days there are so many things we can do with our dogs. There is just too much going on to be able to list all of the events or the superintendents.

Below are links to different organizations, the list isn't comprehensive and I'm sure I've missed some that people have been associated with. But it is a start.

AKC—[American Kennel Club - Event Search \(akc.org\)](http://akc.org)

ASCA (Australian Shepherd Club of America) —[Events Calendar— ASCA](#)

NADAC—[The North American Dog Agility Council \(nadac.com\)](http://nadac.com)

USDAA—[Home | USDAA](#)

Jump City Agility —[Jump City Agility](#)

Lynda Tjarks Agility—[Home - Lynda Tjarks Agility Production](#)

Weekday Wing Ding Dog Agility Trials (Stone Pony, Action Dog Sports)—[Upcoming Trials – Weekday Wing Ding Agility Trials \(wwdat.us\)](#)

Jack Bradshaw - Dog Show Superintendents—[Jack Bradshaw - Dog Show Superintendents \(jbradshaw.com\)](#)

Barn Hunt—[Barn Hunt Association](#)

National Association of Canine Scent Work—[NACSW | NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CANINE SCENT WORK](#)

AHBA—American Herding Breed Association—[Home - American Herding Breed Association \(ahba-herding.org\)](#)

CPE—Canine Performance Events—[CPE | CPE DOG Canine Performance Events Home - Canine Performance Events](#)

UKC—United Kennel Club—[Home | United Kennel Club \(UKC\) \(ukcdogs.com\)](#)

USCSS—United States Canine Scent Sports—[USCSS \(uscaninescentsports.com\)](#)

World Canine Freestyle Organization (Dance)—[The World Canine Freestyle Organization – WCFO, Inc.](#)

Dogs Can Dance—[DogsCanDance.com](#)

NASDA—North American Sport Dog Association—[North American Sport Dog Association – Celebrating Canine Versatility \(nasda.dog\)](#)

International Dog Parkour Association—[Home | International Dog Parkour Association](#)

Love on a Leash—Therapy Dog— [Love On A Leash® – Volunteer pet therapy certification](#)



Newsette



April 5th

Happy Easter



March 17th

VHOC Training Classes

[Valley Hills Obedience Club | Group Classes](http://www.vhoc.org/group-classes)

PLEASE CHECK WITH OUR INSTUCTORS FOR NEW CLASS START DATES

VHOC Website— <https://www.vhoc.org/copy-of-group-classes>

Agility - Novice—Advanced

Mondays 6:00—7 pm, Reseda and Mondays 7:00—8 pm, Reseda

Instructor: Olga Chaiko, For more information, please contact Ann Hills at tonkanuki@aol.com

Obedience - Beginning Competitive - Thursday 6:30, Simi Valley

Obedience - Open / Utility Obedience—Thursday 7:45, Simi Valley

Instructor: Patti Rovtar, For more information, please contact Patti Rovtar at pattirovtar@gmail.com

NEW Nose Work / Scent Work Classes

Continuing Nose Work (Intermediate—Advanced) - Mondays 6:30-7:30 Chatsworth

Contact Carole Hills for information—chills37@aol.com

Beginning Scent Work—Thursday evenings in Moorpark 6 to 7:30 PM

Intermediate Scent Work - Wednesday evenings in Moorpark 6 to 7:30 PM

Wednesday early evening in Moorpark 4 to 5:30 PM

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