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Mark your Calendars, our first in person meeting in over a year.

Friday October 15th



October General Meeting

Friday October 15th

6:30 PM at The Field

7722 White Oak Ave.

Northridge, CA

Halloween theme- Dress up yourself and your dog,

Sorry, we won't be doing a pot luck, so please bring your own dinner.

**Hope to see
you at the
Obed/Rally Trial**

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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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 Roberts and her Aussies Stevie and Dakota, and her All American Ollie



VHOC's Annual Trial Raffle!

You do not want to miss this exciting event!

Saturday, September 18th to be held in conjunction with
Valley Hills Obedience Club's Annual Obedience and Rally Trials

All winnings must be claimed on Saturday, September 18th.

We are changing things up a bit this year, instead of the multitude of overflowing baskets,
We are offering exhibitors and spectators the opportunity to win fabulous brand name items!!

We have items such as Ruffwear harnesses, flotation vest, canine tactical vest, also folding
stools, fans, crates, GPS collar devices, succulent plants and so much more, come by see for
yourself.

We know you have been told otherwise, but have proof that money *does* grow on trees!
And you could be the proud owner of this money tree, if, you purchase the winning raffle tick-
et!

Tickets will go on sale on site at 8 AM

Super special ticket pricing packets:

(3) for \$5, (8) for \$10, (20) for \$20

Winners will be drawn after lunch

Winning tickets will be required

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 18th
Don't Miss It !!



Thank You to all of our General Fund Contributors

GENERAL FUND SPONSORS

Annette Ankele	Daos Boonma	Michael Fields & Stephanie Schuster	Nancy Gast	Carole Hills
Barbara Laffer & Mike Brill	Debbie Lang	Shirley Miller	Nancy Rapoport	Patti Rovtar
Deborah Schuch	Jennifer Waagenaar	Sharon Clarke	Gwen & Jerry Lucoff	Joyce Davis
Nancy Giltner	Cindi Malchose	Karla Spitzer & Scott Friedman		

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
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Submission deadline is the 8th of each month

This is YOUR Newsette...make it great!



Thank You to all of our Class Sponsors

SPONSORS for SATURDAY – September 18, 2021

SPONSOR	AWARD
Annette Ankele	Preferred High In Trial
Shirley Miller	Preferred High Combined
Jennifer Voogt	"200" Score Award
Zuma Dobermans, Gwen & Terry Lucoff	Novice A
Joyce Davis	Novice B
Nancy Gast	Open A
Sharon Clarke	Open B
Michael Fields & Stephanie Schuster	Utility A
Nancy Gast	Utility B
Karen Ullman	Preferred Novice
Trudi Schoolhouse	Preferred Open
Dianna Santos, Online Dog Training University, Inc.	Preferred Utility
Yvonne Garst	Beginner Novice A
Cynthia Casby	Beginner Novice B
Trudi Schoolhouse	Graduate Novice
Dianna Santos, Online Dog Training University, Inc.	Graduate Open
Barbara Laffer & Mike Brill	Versatility
Sue Ingham	Rally Novice A
Laurie Burnam	Rally Novice B
Dianna Santos, Online Dog Training University, Inc.	Rally Intermediate
Nancy Giltner	Rally Advanced A
Laurie Burnam	Rally Advanced B
Pattie Rovtar	Rally Excellent A
Carole Raschella, in loving memory of "Liam", Sunshine's Gift of Galway CD, RAE2, CGC	Rally Excellent B
Amy Balchum	Rally Master



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SPONSORS for SUNDAY – September 19, 2021

SPONSOR	AWARD
Shirley Miller	Preferred High In Trial
Ted E. Bear Dickey	Preferred High Combined
Karen Ullman	“200” Score Award
Zuma Dobermans, Gwen & Terry Lucoff	Novice A
Lindia Brown & Tillie	Novice B
Karla Spitzer & Scott Friedman, Harpo Boxers	Open A
Nancy Rapoport	Open B
Roxanne Stevenson	Utility A
Cindi Malchose	Utility B
Carol Karas	Preferred Novice
Shirley Miller	Preferred Open
Dianna Santos, Online Dog Training University, Inc.	Preferred Utility
A.J. Listman	Beginner Novice A
Joyce Davis	Beginner Novice B
Lindia Brown & Tillie	Graduate Novice
Jennifer Waagenaar	Graduate Open
Carol Karas	Versatility
Deborah Schuch	Rally Novice A
Daos Boonma	Rally Novice B
Monica Nolan	Rally Intermediate
Robin Zeldon	Rally Advanced A
Dianna Santos, Online Dog Training University, Inc.	Rally Advanced B
Laurie Burnam	Rally Excellent A
Carole Raschella, in loving memory of “Clooney”, Roclyn In A Class Of His Own CGC TKI	Rally Excellent B
Laurie Burnam	Rally Master

Taken from: **AKC AGILITY SECRETARIES PAGE**

Updated Practices

By kittybradley1 on September 9, 2021

Updated Suggested Best Practices and Agility Trial Requirements

The following is an updated list of suggested best practices and changes as CDC recommendations have developed that may be helpful when planning or attending an event. Event locations, facilities and dates will differ – it is ultimately up to the clubs to decide what actions best fit their specific situation. In order to inform participants of the club's expectations, host clubs should publish their guidelines with the premium, judging schedule and include signage/flyers at their event.

Trial Practices

- Masks shall be worn as by required state/local guidelines. Clubs may require masks for all exhibitors and all trial help, even if not required by state/local guidelines. Judges must wear masks as required by state/local guidelines, the club, or the facility. It is recommended that clubs also review CDC Guidelines for updates and best practices before each event and apply those recommendations.
- Clubs must follow what is printed in their premiums for COVID procedures. Exhibitors have chosen to enter trials based on that information. It is like any other info in the premium such as surface, indoor/outdoor, etc.
- Clubs may use online gate boards/check-in systems, but if used they must also have gate boards that are visible to those who do not have use of a smartphone or tablet during the trial. This could be on a large monitor or as traditional check-in boards.
- A leash runner must be provided. Note: For the rest of 2021 exhibitors may place leashes in their pockets or wear them when running the course. Leash must fully fit in a pocket if not being worn.
- Effective October 1, 2021 briefings for all classes/levels are required. Briefings may be done in the parking lot or over a PA system/ring speaker so exhibitors may stay spread out. Exhibitors do not have to come into the ring for briefing – they may stay outside of the ring.
- If VMOs are doing official measurements at a trial, then exhibitors are required to be measured. VMO's are still not required to measure even if they are the judge of record."
- Effective October 1, 2021 course maps may no longer be supplied to the club for emailing to the exhibitors the day before. Clubs may continue to publish course maps on websites or email them out, but not before the day of the trial. Paper maps may be distributed to exhibitors.

Policies that Have Been Temporarily Suspended

- Application Late Fees – Event application late fees are waived through the end of October 2021. This provides clubs more flexibility in planning or rescheduling their events.
- Judges – Waive the judge's assignment limitations of 30 days within 200 miles until December 31, 2021
- Leashes – Exhibitors may place leashes in their pockets when running the course or wear them on themselves (i.e., clip like a belt around the waist) through December 31, 2021. Note: if the dog grabs the leash while running this will be scored as an "E".
- Title Requirement – The two-judge requirement to title in the Novice through Excellent level agility classes was suspended as of July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021.

Participants are expected to follow state, local government, facility and event guidelines. Clubs should be prepared to enforce the guidelines that apply to their event.

These Suggested Best Practices may be periodically updated. Please check the AKC Agility website (www.akc.org/sports/agility/) for the most up-to-date version.

CDC – Your Health:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/index.html>

For questions or additional suggestions, please contact the Agility Department at agility@akc.org.

Stay Safe – Enjoy Your Dog!

Information from:

<https://akcagilitytrialsecretaries.wordpress.com/2021/09/09/updated-practices/>

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Valley Hills Obedience Club, Inc

9/18/21 - 9/19/21

Judging Schedule and Assignments

SATURDAY, 9/18/21

There are 58 dogs entered in this obedience trial with 78 total entries.

There are 39 dogs entered in this rally trial with 58 total entries.

Obedience Event #2021174309

Rally Event #2021174311

Obedience

Ring #1 Judge: Dawn Antoniak-Mitchell Esq 40 Total:

8:30 AM **Utility A** 4 403, 411, 416, 418
 9:15 AM **Utility B/Preferred Utility** 17 (16/1)
 401-402, P404, 405-409, 412-413, 415, 414,
 419, 421-424
 After noon **Versatility** 1 901
 After noon **Novice A** 5 101-105
 After noon **Novice B** 13 201, 203-204, 206-213,
 215-216

Ring #2 Judge: Susie Osburn 38 Total:

8:30 AM **Beginner Novice A** 4 601-604
 9:15 AM **Beginner Novice B** 3 702-703, 706
 9:45 AM **Graduate Novice** 1 801
 10:15 AM **Open A** 10 301-305, 307-311
 After noon **Open B/Preferred Open** 20 (20/0)
 401-403, 405-410, 412-
 415, 417, 419-424

Rally

Ring #3 Judge: Shannon Jones 58 Total:

8:30 AM **Rally Master** 12 1401-1402, 1415,
 1406,
 1408-1410, 1413, 1403,
 1419-1420, 1427
 9:30 AM **Rally Excellent A** 1 1601
 9:45 AM **Rally Excellent B** 15 1401-1402, 1405
 -1408, 1411, 1413-1417, 1419,
 1421, 1424
 10:45 AM **Rally Advanced A** 4 1303, 1302,
 1305, 1304
 11:00 AM **Rally Advanced B** 14 1401-1402,
 1406, 1408, 1413-1417, 1419, 1421-1423, 1426
 After noon **Rally Intermediate** 4 1201-1204
 After noon **Rally Novice A** 3 1001-1003
 After noon **Rally Novice B** 5 1103-1106, 1108

Don't forget

Saturday RAFFLE

No setup the day before the Trial due to a Friday night Agility Trial

Valley Hills Obedience Club, Inc

9/18/21 - 9/19/21

Judging Schedule and Assignments

SUNDAY, 9/19/21

There are 50 dogs entered in this obedience trial with 68 total entries.

There are 43 dogs entered in this rally trial with 63 total entries.

Obedience Event #2021174310

Rally Event #2021174312

Obedience

Ring #1 Judge: Susie Osburn 33 Total:

8:00 AM **Utility A** 3 403, 411, 416
 8:30 AM **Utility B/Preferred Utility** 15 (15/0)
 401-402, 405-409, 412-
 415, 419, 422-424
 11:00 AM **Versatility** 1 901
 11:45 AM **Novice A** 3 102-103, 105
 After noon **Novice B** 11 202-205, 207-208,
 210-211, 213-215

Ring #2 Judge: Dawn Antoniak-Mitchell Esq 35 Total:

8:00 AM **Beginner Novice A** 2 602-603
 8:30 AM **Beginner Novice B** 6 701-706
 9:30 AM **Graduate Novice** 1 801
 10:00 AM **Open A** 8 301-304, 306-307, 310-
 311
 After noon **Open B/Preferred Open** 18 (18/0)
 401-403, 405-410, 412-
 414, 417, 419-420, 422-
 424

Rally

Ring #3 Judge: Shannon Jones 63 Total:

8:00 AM **Rally Master** 13 1401-1402, 1415, 1404,
 1408-1410, 1412-1413,
 1403, 1419, 1427-1428
 9:00 AM **Rally Excellent A** 1 1601
 9:15 AM **Rally Excellent B** 15 1430, 1402, 1405, 1407-
 1408, 1413-1419, 1421, 1425, 1401
 10:30 AM **Rally Advanced A** 5 1301, 1303, 1302,
 1305, 1304
 10:45 AM **Rally Advanced B** 15 1430, 1402, 1408,
 1413-1419, 1421-1423, 1425, 1401
 After noon **Rally Intermediate** 4 1201-1204
 After noon **Rally Novice A** 3 1001, 1003-1004
 After noon **Rally Novice B** 7 1101-1103, 1105-1108

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This End Up



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Virtual Scent Work Test

Starting on August 2, 2021 a new Virtual Scent Work Test (VSWT) pilot program will be offered. The [VSWT GUIDELINES](#) provide all the details about this new test.



What is VSWT?

The Virtual Scent Work Test (VSWT) provides dogs and owners a way to engage in an activity which utilizes a dog's natural ability to detect search items from the comfort of a home environment. This test is a basic way for owners to bond with their dog or to help get started in Scent Work. Teams can work incrementally at their own pace while developing skills and confidence. When a team is ready, they can demonstrate basic competency in locating an item based on scent by taking the VSWT.

Can my dog earn a title?

Yes! The VSWT consists of three levels – Beginner (VSWB), Intermediate (VSWI) and Experienced (VSWE). Each level has its own set of testing [criteria](#) and titles must be earned in order. It takes two passes to earn a title at each level.

What does my dog have to do?

The VSWT requires dogs to prove basic Scent Work skills. The testing [criteria](#) allows owners to utilize their home surroundings to conduct timed searches in areas such as a living room, a bedroom or outside in the backyard. Common items such as a ball, dog toy, or treat are used as target articles. As an example, for the Beginner level, the dog must find one item (choice of ball, toy or treat) inside the home at ground level up within 1.5 minutes in one search area. Each test level is a little more challenging.

[Beginner \(VSWB\)](#)

[Intermediate \(VSWI\)](#)

[Experienced \(VSWE\)](#)

How is this program virtual?

Each test conducted must be captured on video so that it can be submitted to AKC for review by an AKC approved Scent Work judge. For the judge to properly evaluate a dog's test, the video must meet certain requirements. Video requirements are detailed in the [VSWT Guidelines](#)

New MACH

Annette Ankele and Taylor

August 22, 2021—Today at Mile Square Park,
Fountain Valley, my boy became:

MACH CH Sunlyn Taylor to Protect and Serve.

Thank you judge Cindy Tilly for a great trial.

Congratulations!!



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New NATCH 4 !!

Congratulations!!

Allison Pobirs and Ladd

Eastern Sierra Agility Group, Annual NADAC Agility Trial, August 20th through 22nd, In beautiful Mammoth Lakes

A memorable event that Ladd and I truly enjoyed, Agility - Old Friends - New Friends
Fabulous scenic hikes and swims and...bears!

We were not sure if residual smoke from the on-going Dixie Fires would cancel event.
Close call but we lucked out, sorta...

The wind sent the smoke packing, but in the process the wind ripped up our staked canopy from over our heads, tumbling it across the grounds.

We enjoyed all the courses, even mastered a few

Elite Regular Q 4th

Elite Regular Q 5th

Elite Jumpers Q 1st

Elite Tunnelers Q 1st

Elite Weavers Q 1st

Elite Hoopers Q 2nd

Elite Gamblers Q 1st

Elite Gamblers Q 2nd

No pressure, but, only one round of Hoopers was offered all weekend.



It was that one Hooper's run that completed Ladd's All Around NATCH4 🏆

A delightful blend of Dogsports & Vacation

*Oh a special thanks to Greg Nolan, for the jumpstart to get my van up and running!

Braggs



Braggs

Patti Rovtar and Pippi

Lompoc Valley Kennel Club

7/31/21 UB 199 1st place, OB 196 4th place -
HIT & HIGH COMBINED!!

8/1/21 OB 195.5 2nd place!

Pippi came come with 13 more OTCH points and her UB win towards her OTCH3 - almost halfway there!



Debbie Lang and Morgan

August 28 and 29, 2021—Santa Barbara Kennel Club, Santa Barbara, CA:

Morgan was Winners Dog, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite Sex and Owner Handler Best of Breed, picking up a point each day.

It was a family affair with two of his nieces and his half-sister at the show.

Debbie Lang—Morgan and Max

August 13, 2021—Poodle Club of SC, Stone Pony, Moorpark, CA:

Max—Open STD—2nd leg—1st place

Morgan—Open JWW—1st leg—1st place



Tommy Dickey and Summer

New Virtual Beginner Novice Title

CH R PYR Strongsky All Summer Long!
CGCA CGCU BNV RI TKN THDD FDC

Braggs



Robyn Zeldon and Chaos

Chaos was reserve best of winners for two shows in Reno on August 20th



Robyn Zeldon and Chaos

Chaos was **Best of Winners** in Santa Barbara on August 28th.



Laurie Burnam and Scusi

Sept 12, 2021—ASCSC/MAC, ASCA Agility Trial, Juniper Hills, Ca:

Elite Regular Round 1 5 Q 2nd Place

Elite Regular Round 2 5 Q 2nd Place

Brag

Monica Nolan and Augie

Augie took a couple months off from competition and came back strong!

After a 3 day marathon NADAC Agility Trial, August 20-22, in Mammoth Lakes, he finished with 11 Qs - all first places.

This earned him 3 new NADAC titles -

Open Weavers, Open Chances and Open Agility.

At the September 11th ASCA agility trial, he earned is first two Open Qs in Gamblers and Jumpers.

And, to top it off, we recently got the results from the DCD Summer Freestyle Competition. Our dance received the Highest Scoring Performance Award! Here's a link to that video: <https://youtu.be/bqtDTEK47ZM>



New Family Member

Doribeth Elkins and Guido

New family member—13 years ago, when I was in France I fell in love with a Lagotto Romagnolo. On August 28, I brought home my new little 8 week old boy Guido. He is wonderful and a handful.

Braggs

Jane Nye and "Grey"

Torlan's Born to Be King CD BN RE NAP OJP CGC TKA BN-V CD-V

Grey was awarded **Winners Dog** at the prestigious Santa Barbara Kennel Club and Cardigan Welsh Corgi Club of Southern CA Designated Specialty Show for a **4-point Major!**

Thank you to Judge Mrs. Dorothy Collier for this exciting win!

Grey has already won BOB from the classes over specials in limited showing.

Watch for this promising young dog in the conformation, agility, and obedience rings in the future!



Jane Nye and Grey

Grey also got 1 leg towards his Open Standard Preferred title at the West Coast Cocker Spaniel Club Agility Trial on Sun, Sep 12.

Doribeth Elkins and Declan

Declan was entered in his first trial, September 4-5, the Golden Retriever trial and was **High Scoring Novice dog.**



High Scoring Novice Dog Golden Ret Club

This weekend he was entered in his second trial, West Coast Cocker Spaniel Trial, and is now out of Novice and in Open. I am thrilled and can't wait to reconnect with many people that I haven't seen in much to long.



Completion of Novice



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TO:

National Disaster Preparedness Month

With all the fire disaster we have been having in California please be prepared. And especially don't forget all the items you need to take care of your pets during a disaster.

Pet Disaster Kit

Don't forget your pets when preparing your family's waterproof disaster supply container. Each animal in your household should have the following items:

- Food and water (for at least 7 days) and bowls
- Carrier for each pet for temporary housing, especially in public spaces (in case of evacuation)
- A small light that can attach to a pet's collar in case of blackout
- Blankets and towels for bedding
- Medication(s) – include a small ice chest if they need to be refrigerated
- Poop bags
- Extra collars, leashes or harnesses (with id tags)
- Litter pan, litter and scoop
- Garbage bags for waste, and cleaning supplies
- Paper towels
- Re-sealable plastic bags
- Photos of your pet, veterinary records, pet description sheet, and microchip information in a sealed plastic bag
- Pre-made "Lost" poster in case you and your pet(s) are separated
- Pet First-Aid Kit