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Don't Forget

November 5th starts Daylight Savings Time

Fall back one hour



Love on a Leash Therapy Dog Evaluation

Tuesday, October 24th, 5pm

Thousand Oaks Community Center

If interested, email Monica Nolan for

info: nolanmilano@gmail.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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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

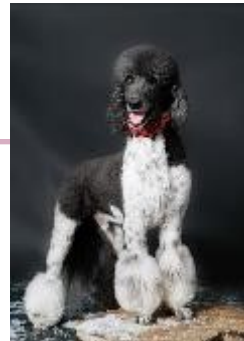
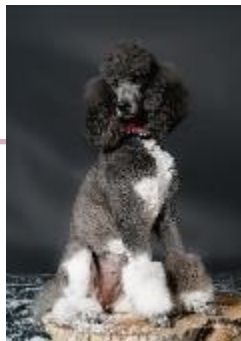
This is YOUR Newsette...make it great!

WITH DEEPEST
sympathy

Cathy Davis

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Cathy Davis, a long-time member of the dog community and former member of Valley Hills Obedience Club. Cathy was active in various dog sports with her Standard Poodles, including K9 Nose Work and AKC Scent Work in recent years, and agility and obedience in past years.

Cathy lost her battle with aplastic anemia September 21st after nearly a month-long battle in the hospital. She is survived by her husband and adult children. More information on the memorial service will be made available when available. Sadly, Cathy passed away on 9-21-2023



Robert Margolis

We were also sorry to hear that Robert "Bob" Margolis passes away on October 11th.

Bob was a well know Obedience and Rally judge in the California area. Bob had recently moved from California to North Carolina. Vickie and his family have our deepest sympathies.

November General Membership Meeting

This meeting will be held via Zoom

Friday - November 3rd

Title: *Winners Circle Tips for You and Your Dog: Mind and Body Skills to Reach Your Goals*

Topic: Educational and entertainment oriented informal presentation, slides, and discussion about how to improve performance and communication for dog club members and their dogs.

Method: Sharing simple, easy to use self-help tips and skills that can be applied to human and nonhuman interactions, to improve performance.

Presentation based in well researched principles from psychology including:

- sports and skill performance enhancement,
- behavioral principles for achieving desired goals,
- relaxation tips, and
- mental focus for positive outcomes.

Presenter: Lori Hops, Ph.D. Licensed Psychologist.

Please RSVP to Shiro Torquato at

drshiro2000@gmail.com

**So that the Zoom link can be sent to everyone
who wants to attend.**



The AKC has an article on—Sport Psychology: An Alternative Approach To Training & Competition In Dog Sports

<https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/training/dog-sport-psychology-an-alternative>

VHOC Trial Recap by our Wonderful Trial Chairperson - Monica Nolan

We had a very successful Obedience/Rally trial at Stone Pony on September 16th & 17th. On Saturday we had 119 entries (56 obedience, 63 rally). On Sunday we had 117 entries (56 obedience, 61 rally). This is slightly higher than last year's entries - 106 entries on Saturday (50 obedience, 56 rally) and 101 entries on Sunday (53 obedience, 48 rally).

The judges were Susie Osburn for Obedience and Shannon Jones for Rally. They were fair, friendly and efficient. Lots of exhibitor compliments on both of them.

The practice ring was a big hit. It was busy throughout the day. And income from it helped to offset trial costs. The free lunch also went over well. The obedience folks couldn't believe we did this. Some even left donations to thank us.

To do a little paraphrasing, it takes a club to host a trial. And this year, VHOC members really stepped up to the challenge. A big THANKS and shout out to all the club members who helped:

Volunteer Coordinator & Equipment Wrangler - Shiro Torquato

Super Stewards (2 long days in the ring) - Laurie Burnam, Jane Nye, Shirley Miller

Practice Ring Steward - Sue Rassmussen

Hospitality - Deborah Schuch

Ribbons/Awards & Facility Coordination - Debbie Lang

Judge Transportation - Cynthia Casby & Laurie Burnam

Treasurer & Gopher Extraordinaire - Ann Hills

Also want to thank Lynn Ehrenberg for stepping in to fill our secretary spot, Daneen Fox for use of Stone Pony and BSA Scouts from Troop 642 who did all the equipment loading and unloading on Friday and Sunday.

(BSA Scouts from Troop 642 pictured)



VHOC September 2023 Obedience and Rally Trial



Saturday - High in Trial Awards

Obedience Regular classes High In Trial—

Open B, OTCH12 Redtop Brio UDX19 PCDX OGM Border Collie L Meredith

Obedience Regular Classes High Combined (Open B and Utility A/B) -

OTCH12 Redtop Brio UDX19 PCDX OGM Border Collie L Meredith



Obedience Preferred High In Trial -

PNOV, Copper's Laci CD BN RI FDC CA DCAT RATN DM AS HDJ CGC TKI
ATT Spanish Water Dog H Yount/M Kinsler

Rally High Triple Qualifying -

RACH Rayaragua Black Or White RM3 RAE3 FDC BCAT CGC TKN ATT Spanish Water
Dog M Kinsler

Rally High Combined (Excellent B and Advanced B) -

RACH Rayaragua Black Or White RM3 RAE3 FDC BCAT CGC TKN ATT Spanish Water
Dog M Kinsler

Sunday - High in Trial Awards

Obedience Regular classes High In Trial—

Util B, OTCH Tinseltown's Giddy On Up UDX OM2 Australian Shepherd J Warner/W Waggoner

Obedience Regular Classes High Combined (Open B and Utility A/B) -

OTCH Tinseltown's Giddy On Up UDX OM2 Australian Shepherd J Warner/W Waggoner



Obedience HIT and HC



Preferred HIT

Obedience Preferred High In Trial -

PNOV, Copper's Laci CD BN RI FDC CA DCAT RATN DM AS HDJ CGC TKI ATT Spanish Water Dog H Yount/M Kinsler

Rally High Triple Qualifying (Master, EXB, ADVB) -

RACH Rayaragua Black Or White RM3 RAE3 FDC BCAT CGC TKN ATT Spanish Water Dog M Kinsler

Rally High Combined (Excellent B and Advanced B) -

RACH Rayaragua Black Or White RM3 RAE3 FDC BCAT CGC TKN ATT Spanish Water Dog M Kinsler

VHOC Obedience Scores by Class

Saturday Judge Susie Osburn

Beginner Novice A

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
501	196.5	1	Reno	Amy Masterson
503	190.5	2	Mischka	Katherine Koenig

Beginner Novice B

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
602	197.5	1	Feldspar Hooked on a Feeling	Daphne Green
605	195.0	2	Panchi Paws	Jennifer De La Torre
606	192.5	3	Harmonix Rocket's Red Glare	Daphne Green
604	180.0	4	Twin Creeks Here Comes the Sun	Robyn Zelden

Novice A

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
103	192.5	1	Logan Cookie Southwick	Laura Southwick
102	188.0	2	Sir waddles of foot	Jennifer Siwu

Novice B

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
207	197.0	1	Luca Von Der Tetiaroa	Gail Katz
204	194.0	2	Blessed Hope Faithful Summer Rose	Monica Nolan
201	188.0	3	Canyon's Beach Party	Lynn Mayer
205	183.5	4	Premiere's Snowburst Applause	Susanne m. Rasmussen
202	177.0		Carrottail's Master Of The Game	Daphne Green

Preferred Novice

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
1001	197.5	1	Copper's Laci	Mary Kinsler
1002	193.5	2	Eaglehill-South Walkin on Sunshine	Joanne Wilds

Graduate Novice

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
701	190.0	1	Big Ben XIV Vom Guerrero	Matthew White

VHOC Obedience Scores by Class

Saturday Judge Susie Osburn

Open A No Entries

Open B

Armband	Score	OM Pts	Place	OTCH Pts	Dog	Owner
308	199.0	15	1	4	Redtop Brio	Louise Fox Meredith
304	198.5+	15	2	1	Pixie	Kerry Bell
311	198.5	15	3	1	Supreme's Got Moxie at Baywind	John Warner
309	198.0+	15	4	1	Tinseltown's Chipity Chai	John Warner
307	198.0	15		1	Pretzel Logic	Linda Cullen
318	197.5	15		1	Giada The Last Gunslinger	Brigitte S Ortega
312	197.0	15		1	Tinseltown's Giddy on Up	John Warner
315	196.5	12			Giada's The Outlaw Josey Wales	Gwen Fiorito
302	194.5	9			Christhill Izzydora de Coachella	Kreg B Hill
317	191.0	6			Wynslow Von Der Tetiaroa	Gail Katz

Graduate Open Qualified: 0

Preferred Open No Entries

Utility A Qualified: 0

Utility B

Armband	Score	OM Pts	Place	OTCH Pts	Dog	Owner
308	198.5	15	1	6	Redtop Brio	Louise Fox Meredith
322	193.5	9	2	2	Charwin Outside The Lines	Rick Kail
317	192.5	9	3		Wynslow Von Der Tetiaroa	Gail Katz

Preferred Utility Qualified: 0

Versatility Qualified: 0

VHOC Rally Scores by Class

Saturday

Judge Shannon Jones

Rally Novice A

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1103	100.0	01:17.81	1	Reno	Amy Masterson
1102	97.0	01:28.78	2	Logan Cookie Southwick	Laura Southwick

Rally Novice B

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1205	100.0	01:25.04	1	Luca Von Der Tetiaroa	Gail Katz
1203	99.0	01:28.37	2	Cinema Coastwynds Night At The Movees	Sally Jo Peterson
1207	98.0	01:28.47	3	Feldspar Hooked on a Feeling	Daphne Green
1201	94.0	01:17.01	4	Panchi Paws	Jennifer De La Torre
1206	87.0	01:23.90		Harmonix Rocket's Red Glare	Daphne Green
1202	85.0	01:31.63		Wild Oaks Sundane High Tech	Diana Dunkel
1208	85.0	01:35.00		Twin Creeks Here Comes the Sun	Robyn Zelden
1204	75.0	01:38.21		Blue vieus Salt on the Rim	Joy Ann Lazarus

Rally Intermediate

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1304	97.0	01:52.09	1	Mischka	Katherine Koenig
1303	92.0	01:27.34	2	Carrottail's Master Of The Game	Daphne Green
1301	89.0	01:35.22	3	Caamora Phoenix Rising at Journeys End	A.J. Listman
1302	89.0	01:36.34	4	Newton Blue Yonder	Sharon Pogue

Rally Advanced A

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1401	94.0	01:44.81	1	Journeymans Right on Target	Shiro Torquato
1515	89.0	01:50.19	2	Heatherhill Butter Flower at Hisaw	Debra Vaughn

Rally Advanced B

Armband	Score	Time	RACH Pts	Place	Dog	Owner
1503	100.0	01:10.85	10	1	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
1521	100.0	01:20.18	10	2	Rycroft El Dorado Del Mundo	Douglas Brehme
1516	100.0	01:20.92	10	3	Yarra vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1511	100.0	01:34.06	10	4	Coaster Kees Second Time's A Charm	Carol Blair
1501	99.0	01:42.55	9		Drifan's Lil Miss Liza Jane	Susan Meile
1513	99.0	01:18.72	9		Copper's Laci	Mary Kinsler
1523	99.0	01:10.57	9		Votan vom Binderhaus	Katherine Spilos
1517	98.0	01:37.41	8		Meadowlark's I Can Do Anything at Fireside	Cynthia Casby
1502	97.0	01:41.28	7		Azzi	Barbara Zinakorjian
1520	97.0		7		Belquest Conclusion's Ironman	Terry Swanson
1525	97.0	01:38.04	7		Ebony's Guiding Light Luca	Robyn Zelden
1522	95.0	02:12.54	6		Canyon's Four Star General	Lynn Mayer
1526	92.0	01:53.42	5		Woodstock's Blazing Blue Fire	Michele Goyette

VHOC Rally Scores by Class

Saturday

Judge Shannon Jones

Rally Excellent A

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1402	93.0	02:25.41	1	Blessed Hope Faithful Summer Rose	Monica Nolan
1701	82.0	02:41.19	2	Woodstock's Fast & Furious Finnegan	Michele Goyette
1702	70.0	02:16.44	3	War Dancer von Binderhaus	Kim-marvee Croft

Rally Excellent B

Armband	Score	Time	RACH Pts	Place	Dog	Owner
1503	100.0	01:24.43	10	1	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
1521	99.0	01:35.69	9	2	Rycroft El Dorado Del Mundo	Douglas Brehme
1520	97.0	02:04.90	7	3	Belquest Conclusion's Ironman	Terry Swanson
1501	97.0	02:07.02	7	4	Drifan's Lil Miss Liza Jane	Susan Meile
1502	95.0	01:39.94	6		Azzi	Barbara Zinakorjian
1511	95.0	01:49.62	6		Coaster Kees Second Time's A Charm	Carol Blair
1516	89.0	01:34.24			Yarra vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1523	87.0	01:23.09			Votan vom Binderhaus	Katherine Spilos

Rally Master

Armband	Score	Time	RACH Pts	Place	Dog	Owner
1503	100.0	01:51.98	10	1	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
1516	99.0	02:06.49	9	2	Yarra vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1501	97.0	08:59.10	7	3	Drifan's Lil Miss Liza Jane	Susan Meile
1504	96.0	02:22.78	6	4	Torlan's Spirit Path	Jane Nye
1521	95.0	02:03.94	6		Rycroft El Dorado Del Mundo	Douglas Brehme
1506	93.0	02:44.17	5		Vaquero's Midnight Pandemonium	Deborah Lang
1518	88.0	02:11.31			Rhea vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1511	87.0	02:24.85			Coaster Kees Second Time's A Charm	Carol Blair
1519	85.0	02:40.35			Emcee's First Impressions	Caryl Mercy
1520	85.0	02:23.44			Belquest Conclusion's Ironman	Terry Swanson
1502	83.0	02:16.09			Azzi	Barbara Zinakorjian
1523	82.0	02:03.99			Votan vom Binderhaus	Katherine Spilos

Rally Choice

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1801	93.0	02:03.03	1	Blessed Hope August Nights	Monica Nolan

VHOC Obedience Scores by Class

Sunday Judge Susie Osburn

Beginner Novice A

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
501	198.5	1	Reno	Amy Masterson
503	192.5	2	Mischka	Katherine Koenig

Beginner Novice B

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
602	195.5	1	Feldspar Hooked on a Feeling	Daphne Green
607	194.5	2	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
605	193.0	3	Panchi Paws	Jennifer De La Torre
601	192.0	4	Caamora Phoenix Rising at Journeys End	A.J. Listman
604	188.0		Twin Creeks Here Comes the Sun	Robyn Zelden

Novice A Qualified: 0

Novice B

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
207	196.0	1	Luca Von Der Tetiaroa	Gail Katz
204	195.5	2	Blessed Hope Faithful Summer Rose	Monica Nolan
205	186.0	3	Premiere's Snowburst Applause	Susanne m. Rasmussen
203	182.5	4	Sunstag Irish Linen	Nancie Rogers
202	172.5		Carrottail's Master Of The Game	Daphne Green

Preferred Novice

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
1001	194.0	1	Copper's Laci	Mary Kinsler

Graduate Novice

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
701	189.5	1	Big Ben XIV Vom Guerrero	Matthew White

VHOC Obedience Scores by Class

Sunday

Judge Susie Osburn

Open A No Entries

Open B

Armband	Score	OM Pts	Place	OTCH Pts	Dog	Owner
312	198.5+	15	1	4	Tinseltown's Giddy on Up	John Warner
304	198.5	15	2	1	Pixie	Kerry Bell
319	198.0	15	3	1	Firemark's Freefall	David Zelitzky
318	197.5+	15	4	1	Giada The Last Gunslinger	Brigitte S Ortega
307	197.5	15		1	Pretzel Logic	Linda Cullen
308	196.5	12			Redtop Brio	Louise Fox Meredith
309	194.5	9			Tinseltown's Chipity Chai	John Warner
302	193.0	9			Christhill Izzydora de Coachella	Kreg B Hill
315	192.0	9			Giada's The Outlaw Josey Wales	Gwen Fiorito
303	189.0				Christhill First Lady Marie Geneva	Kreg B Hill

Preferred Open No Entries

Graduate Open No Entries

Utility A

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
321	185.0	1	Foremost Quiet Storm	Lori Borenstein

Utility B

Armband	Score	OM Pts	Place	OTCH Pts	Dog	Owner
312	198.5	15	1	6	Tinseltown's Giddy on Up	John Warner
316	198.0	15	2	2	PradaG's Shoot For The Moon	Louise Fox Meredith
308	197.5	15	3	1	Redtop Brio	Louise Fox Meredith
307	196.0+	12	4		Pretzel Logic	Linda Cullen
319	196.0	12			Firemark's Freefall	David Zelitzky
304	195.5	12			Pixie	Kerry Bell

Preferred Utility Qualified: 0

Versatility

Armband	Score	Place	Dog	Owner
901	196.0	1	Pretzel Logic	Linda Cullen

VHOC Rally Scores by Class

Sunday

Judge Shannon Jones

Rally Novice A

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1103	99.0	01:07.25	1	Reno	Amy Masterson
1101	89.0	01:39.43	2	Palisades Pocket Full Of Sunshine at Park Place	Joy Ann Lazarus
1104	80.0	02:31.49	3	ZMBZ Hestia Valley of Fire	Lari Bright

Rally Novice B

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1207	99.0	01:09.10	1	Feldspar Hooked on a Feeling	Daphne Green
1205	95.0	01:16.88	2	Luca Von Der Tetiaroa	Gail Katz
1206	94.0	01:16.75	3	Harmonix Rocket's Red Glare	Daphne Green
1201	93.0	01:17.09	4	Panchi Paws	Jennifer De La Torre
1203	80.0	01:19.96		Cinema Coastwynds Night At The Movees	Sally Jo Peterson
1208	80.0	01:46.28		Twin Creeks Here Comes the Sun	Robyn Zelden
1204	78.0	01:20.80		Blue vieus Salt on the Rim	Joy Ann Lazarus

Rally Intermediate

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1304	98.0	01:34.72	1	Mischka	Katherine Koenig
1303	95.0	01:25.56	2	Carrottail's Master Of The Game	Daphne Green
1301	93.0	01:34.47	3	Caamora Phoenix Rising at Journeys End	A.J. Listman
1102	89.0	01:16.63	4	Logan Cookie Southwick	Laura Southwick

Rally Advanced A— No Qualifiers

Rally Advanced B

Armband	Score	Time	RACH Pts	Place	Dog	Owner
1516	100.0+	01:04.73	10	1	Yarra vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1503	100.0	01:05.00	10	2	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
1513	99.0+	01:06.18	9	3	Copper's Laci	Mary Kinsler
1521	99.0	01:12.47	9	4	Rycroft El Dorado Del Mundo	Douglas Brehme
1517	99.0	01:22.81	9		Meadowlark's I Can Do Anything at Fireside	Cynthia Casby
1507	98.0	00:58.93	8		Joy's Happy Prince Harold	Lucy Grace
1509	98.0	01:06.09	8		Archer's Shooting Star	Lucy Grace
1523	98.0	01:03.56	8		Votan vom Binderhaus	Katherine Spilos
1501	97.0	01:47.55	7		Drifan's Lil Miss Liza Jane	Susan Meile
1511	96.0	01:06.09	6		Coaster Kees Second Time's A Charm	Carol Blair
1520	96.0	01:28.17	6		Belquest Conclusion's Ironman	Terry Swanson
1510	87.0	01:33.84			Slinky	Anissa Di Vincente
1525	87.0	01:17.10			Ebony's Guiding Light Luca	Robyn Zelden

VHOC Rally Scores by Class

Sunday

Judge Shannon Jones

Rally Excellent A

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1402	95.0	02:13.87	1	Blessed Hope Faithful Summer Rose	Monica Nolan
1702	70.0	03:06.44	2	War Dancer von Binderhaus	Kim-marvee Croft

Rally Excellent B

Armband	Score	Time	RACH Pts	Place	Dog	Owner
1503	100.0+	01:46.84	10	1	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
1516	100.0	01:56.53	10	2	Yarra vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1509	99.0	01:57.47	9	3	Archer's Shooting Star	Lucy Grace
1521	98.0	02:00.83	8	4	Rycroft El Dorado Del Mundo	Douglas Brehme
1517	98.0	02:17.89	8		Meadowlark's I Can Do Anything at Fireside	Cynthia Casby
1507	97.0	01:55.06	7		Joy's Happy Prince Harold	Lucy Grace
1511	94.0	02:11.87	5		Coaster Kees Second Time's A Charm	Carol Blair
1523	93.0	01:52.66	5		Votan vom Binderhaus	Katherine Spilos
1520	92.0	02:46.88	5		Belquest Conclusion's Ironman	Terry Swanson
1510	91.0	02:16.85	5		Slinky	Anissa Di Vincente
1501	85.0	02:54.10			Drifan's Lil Miss Liza Jane	Susan Meile
1522	84.0	02:40.03			Canyon's Four Star General	Lynn Mayer

Rally Master

Armband	Score	Time	RACH Pts	Place	Dog	Owner
1503	100.0+	02:06.13	10	1	Rayaragua Black or White	Mary Kinsler
1520	100.0	02:39.39	10	2	Belquest Conclusion's Ironman	Terry Swanson
1516	98.0	02:13.37	8	3	Yarra vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1521	98.0	02:24.25	8	4	Rycroft El Dorado Del Mundo	Douglas Brehme
1507	96.0	01:52.54	6		Joy's Happy Prince Harold	Lucy Grace
1518	96.0	02:30.66	6		Rhea vom Binderhaus	Cynthia Binder
1506	94.0	02:54.35	5		Vaquero's Midnight Pandemonium	Deborah Lang
1510	94.0	02:29.87	5		Slinky	Anissa Di Vincente
1523	94.0	02:20.07	5		Votan vom Binderhaus	Katherine Spilos
1511	91.0	02:36.44	5		Coaster Kees Second Time's A Charm	Carol Blair
1517	85.0	02:47.78			Meadowlark's I Can Do Anything at Fireside	Cynthia Casby
1501	84.0	03:14.77			Drifan's Lil Miss Liza Jane	Susan Meile

Rally Choice

Armband	Score	Time	Place	Dog	Owner
1801	97.0	02:15.75	1	Blessed Hope August Nights	Monica Nolan

Things I needed to hear 5 years ago

@thingsdoghandlersay



You won't even
remember these scores



Not every friend you
make in the dog world
is forever



Your hard work and
late nights do pay off



It turns out okay,
I promise.

Submitted to Newsette by Allison Pobirs

VHOC Training Classes

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

PLEASE CHECK WITH OUR INSTRUCTORS FOR NEW CLASS START DATES

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

Agility - Skills & Drills - Mondays 6:30 and 7:30, Reseda

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

Announcing The New AKC Fetch It Titles



This is a program that is open to all breeds of dogs and All American dogs, aged 6 months or older

Key dates for the new AKC Fetch program:

October 2023

- Materials are posted on the AKC Fetch page. You can begin reviewing the modules:
 1. Overview of the program
 2. Setting Up AKC Fetch Courses (the test area)
 3. Judge and Participant Guide
 4. Videos of the tests in action – COMING SOON
 - 5.
- You can also set up Fetch classes and begin practicing for titles

December 1, 2023

- You can access the training and apply to become an AKC Fetch judge in AKC Canine College

January 2, 2024

- You can begin applying to hold AKC Fetch tests. AKC Fetch is an official event like a conformation show or obedience trial and judges/clubs will submit an Event Application. CGC Evaluators may also set up Fetch tests as long as they complete the training and submit an Event Application. Event applications must be submitted 1 month before the AKC Fetch tests.
- Remember that dogs must earn all 4 titles in order, so if you are offering Fetch testing in the early part of the year, you may want to only offer Novice testing.

February 2, 2024

- The first Fetch title tests will begin.

AKC Fetch is a fun AKC Family Dog program in which dogs can earn 4 levels of AKC titles by demonstrating retrieving skills.

For all of our CGC Evaluators—something else you can get qualified for -

CGC Evaluators may also become judges for AKC Fetch and hold events if they meet the requirements of completing the training for AKC Fetch judges in Canine College, and completing the Event application.

Let Sleeping Dogs Lie: Seizures and Dreams

By [Dr. Jerry Klein, CVO](#)

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If you've ever had a dog before, you may have witnessed him sound asleep and periodically making twitching movements or even vocalizing little yelping or "crying" noises.

It would be normal for you to wonder if he was experiencing typical behavior, such as a dream, or if your dog was having a seizure.



What are seizures?

[Seizures](#) are abnormal, uncontrolled motor responses that start from the brain, and that both people and animals can experience. The more common seizures that people recognize are grand mal-type seizures, in which the person or animal has severe thrashing or tremors (a "fit") over his entire body. Some seizures, however, can be petit mal, in which just a portion of the body experiences a rhythmic, uncontrolled movement, tremor, or behavior (such as fly biting). Most dogs have a seizure while awake or shortly after waking up. Some dogs, however, can have a seizure while asleep. There are many reasons a dog can have a seizure: epilepsy, metabolic disorders, neoplastic growths, etc. This will be up to your veterinarian to diagnose.

What are dreams?

Dreaming, on the other hand, is a way the mind processes various memories. We don't know for sure, but it appears that dogs seem to dream about running, chasing, playing, or protecting. As in humans, [dogs have stages of sleep](#): short-wave sleep (SWS) and rapid eye movement (REM), so it's common to see rapid eye movement in dogs when they dream.

What is the difference between a seizing dog and a dreaming dog?

[All dogs dream](#), and some manifest dreaming with twitching, paddling, or kicks of their legs. These movements are often brief (lasting less than 30 seconds) and intermittent. Seizing dogs' limbs, on the other hand, tend to be rigid and stiffer, with more violent movement.

Dogs experiencing a seizure cannot be easily woken, while dreaming dogs can. Dogs having a seizure often are disoriented afterwards and may drool and pant. Seizing dogs may urinate or defecate on themselves, while dreaming dogs usually do not.

Though we mention that dreaming dogs can easily be woken, it is best not to do so, and especially not to touch a dog when he is dreaming, as it may startle him, and he could possibly bite or scratch involuntarily. The old saying: "let sleeping dogs lie" was said for good reason!

If you feel the need to wake a sleeping dog because you are concerned by his movements, it is better to call his name loudly or make a noise, such as dropping an object on the floor, and see if he responds. If he awakens, he was probably dreaming, and then you can gently reassure him if he is startled.



Let Sleeping Dogs Lie: Seizures and Dreams—continued

If your dog is having a seizure, stay calm and do not try to prevent him from swallowing his tongue, as this is a myth. Instead, try to protect him from falling or hurting himself. When he is coming out of a seizure, even though you may have felt panicked, try to be calm and reassure your dog, as he has no idea what just happened. If possible, try to time the length of the seizure. If your dog seizes more than 3-4 minutes continuously, prevent him from overheating by gently cooling him with cool wet towels on the head, neck, and groin.

Also, if your dog experiences a seizure and comes out of it, but has another seizure within 24 hours (or multiple seizures), these are called cluster seizures. All seizures should be reason to contact a veterinarian right away, but cluster seizures require emergency action.

Last, if you are unsure whether your dog is having a dream or a seizure, you should videotape the event on your smartphone and email it to your veterinarian.



Submitted by Laurie Burnam

URL: <https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/health/dreaming-vs-seizures-in-dogs/>

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Laurie Burnam and Tesla

AKC agility Sept 22, 23, 24, - S. Calif Collie Club, Freedom Park, Camarillo

Open Fast 62 points 1st place 1st leg

Open Fast 72 points 1st place 2nd leg

Time 2 Beat 5 point Q 4th leg = 29 points

Braggs

Debbie Lang and Panda

VHOC Obedience/Rally Trial, September 16 & 17, Moorpark, Stone Pony, CA:

Rally Master

9/16—**Rally Master #6 Title**—her 60th Rally Master Q with a score of 93

9/17—Qualifying run in Rally Master—score of 94



Monica Nolan with Augie and Rose

AUGIE

Rally - Augie christened the new rally class Choice at the VHOC and GSD September Rally trials, earning 4 Qs. Ten Qs are needed for a title in this class which can include any rally sign except jumping.

Agility - 10/30 ASCA: Q and 1st place in Elite Regulars.

10/08 AKC: Q and 4th place in Masters JWW

ROSE

Rally - Between the VHOC & GSD September Rally trials, Rose earned 3 Excellent Qs and her **Rally Excellent title**. She also earned her first Q in Masters, tying for 3rd place with of score of 96 in a field of 15 competitors.

Obedience - Also between the VHOC & GSD trials, Rose earned 3 Qs and her Obedience **Companion Dog title**.

Agility - At the 10/30 ASCA trial, Rose earned 3Qs in Novice classes and her **Novice Regulars title**.



Look at all those pretty ribbons and awesome trophies given out by VHOC!

Michele Goyette with Finnegan, Blaze and Ember

Sept 2023—VHOC Obed/Rally Trial in Moorpark at Stone Pony.

Both my boys completed their titles in rally at our show. Blaze the blue Merle completed his **Advanced Rally title** and Finn completed his **Excellent Rally title**



Ember has competed in AKC novice standard and JWW She has done two trial and in both had perfect scores, qualified and got first place

Braggs

Laurie Burnam with Scusi and Tesla

ASCSC/MAC ASCA Agility, Juniper Hills, Sept 30, Oct 1, 2023

Scusi & Laurie :

- Elite Regular 10 Q 1st place
- Elite Regular. 10 Q 2nd place
- Elite Regular. 10 Q 2nd place
- Elite Gamblers 10 Q 1st place
- Elite Jumpers 10 Q 1st place
- Elite Jumpers 10 Q 2nd place

Tesla & Laurie :

- Elite Regular 10 Q 3rd place
- Elite Jumpers 10 Q



Robyn Zeldon and Lyric

Lyric got her first "Q" and a 4th place in Beginner Novice Obedience on September 16th with a score of 180 at the VHOC Trial.



Robyn Zeldon and Lyric

Lyric got her 2nd leg in Beginner Novice Obedience on September 17th with a score of 188 at the VHOC Trial.

Robyn Zeldon and Lyric

Lyric earned her **Rally Novice Title (RN)** on September 17th with a score of 80 at the VHOC Trial.



Robyn Zeldon and Lyric

Lyric got her first "Q" and a 4th place in Rally Intermediate September 23rd at the German Shepherd Dog Club of San Gabriel Valley.

Braggs

Braggs

Robyn Zeldon and Luca

Luca earned her **Rally Advanced (RA) Title** September 17th with a score of 87 at the VHOC Trial.



Robyn Zeldon and Luca

Luca got her first "Q" with a score of 94 in Rally Excellent September 23rd at the German Shepherd Dog Club of San Gabriel Valley

Laurie Burnam and Tesla

Golden State Rottweilers Club, AKC Agility Freedom Park, October 6, 7, 8, 2023

Open Fast 100 Q 1st place **OF title #59**

Open Fast 2nd place extra leg and practice.

Time 2 Beat 4 point Q

Excellent JWW 100 Q 1st place **AXJ title #60** HIGH IN CLASS being 12.60 seconds under course time, see photo.

Saturday, October 7, 2023
Master/Excellent JWW

Place	Armband	Name	Time	Excellent	20 inch	Judge: Tracy Mazur	Score	Handler	
				TFIts	RFIts	WCPIts	TD1Flts	E/F	
1 Q	20114	Molly	44.97	0	4	1	0	2	NQ L Leyda
	20302	Tesla	33.40	0	0	0	0	0	100 L Burnam

High In Class: 20302 Tesla seconds under SCT 12.60



Brag



Flo Walberg—client dog brag

Went to the 3 Santa Ana shows over the weekend in the City of Industry. I showed one of my client's dogs in Novice and she was awesome! She passed all 3 legs and won her title. She got 2nd place the first day and she won 1st place with a 196 the second day and she won again the 3rd day with a 197.5. Not too bad for her first time in the ring!

New Companion Dog (CD) Title



Jane Nye and Henry

At the Sep 16 VHOC Ob/Rally Trial – Cardigan Welsh Corgi – Henry achieved his **Rally Master (RM) title** with a 4th place and a score of 96.

Shiro Torquato and Archer

Archer earned his first Rally Advanced leg on September 16, 2023 at the VHOC Obedience/Rally trial at Stone Pony Ranch. It was his first time off leash in the Rally ring. After he wandered off and then realized he was supposed to be working, we earned a score of 94 and 1st place under judge Shannon Jones. (pictured)

Archer earned his second Rally Advanced leg on September 23, 2023 at the German Shepard Club Specialty and Obedience/Rally trial at Stone Pony Ranch. We only earn a score of 84 this time (too much whining and sniffing), but took 2nd place under judge Carole Riback.



Brag



Cynthia Casby and Potter

Potter earned her second Excellent JWW Preferred leg at the GLASWC show on Oct 10th! 1st place and 100 points.

We have been working hard to improve our weaves and team work and it may be starting to pay off!!

Cynthia Casby and Mac

MacGyver did great this weekend at SAVKC show. This is the first weekend we qualified (Q'd) in all 3 classes both days! We won championship points in Ex and Adv both days. (No Masters points yet!) but RAE legs and triple Q's both days!



Diane Schlesinger and Apple

Apple earned her **AKC Trick Dog Performer Title** on August 28, 2023. Thanks to VHOC member Michele Goyette for testing her.



Kathy Spilos and Votan

Kathy Spilos says, "Reflecting on September's back-to-back trial weekends, though they involve tremendous amounts of time, work and a plethora of emotions, doing so allows me to be with my dog and enjoy being with my friends! Congratulations to VHOC on putting on wonderful events — including ordering the best dog-competition weather ever. Additionally many thanks to all the VHOC members and friends who not only entered our German Shepherd Dog Club of the SGV trials the following weekend, but helped us behind the scenes! Small brag — over the two weekends: Votan and I earned triple Q's and RACH points, AND reminded me on Sunday, that it's all about just having fun. This photo commemorating our high combined GSD on Sunday will remind me of that always!"



Brag

Debbie Lang and Max

October 11th at the Greater LA Scent Work Club Agility Trial at Stone Pony in Moorpark CA under judge Barbara Bounds, Max earned his 4th Master Standard leg placing first in the class.

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PACH

Debbie Lang and Panda

On October 10th at the Greater LA Scent Work Club Agility Trial at Stone Pony in Moorpark under judge Barbara Bounds Panda earned her **PACH (Preferred Agility Championship)**—20 Double Qs and 750 points)

(And since Laurie is keeping track of the number of titles her dogs have—this is #105 for Panda)

Braggs

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VHOC Agility Trial

December 8, 9 and 10th

at Stone Pony, Moorpark

Judge Cynthia Blanton

JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS & CLASSES OFFERED

Judge—Cynthia Blanton

Friday – FAST, All STD, All JWW, Premier STD & JWW, T2B

Saturday – FAST, All STD, All JWW, Premier STD & JWW, T2B

Sunday – FAST, All STD, All JWW, T2B

CLASS RUN ORDER WILL BE DETAILED IN THE JUDGING SCHEDULE

Entries Open October 17th

Entries Close November 27th

The Premium is Available on the AKC website:

[http://apps.akc.org/apps/eventplans/eventsearch/blocks/dsp_generate_pdf.cfm?
KEY_BINARY_CONTENT=76392](http://apps.akc.org/apps/eventplans/eventsearch/blocks/dsp_generate_pdf.cfm?KEY_BINARY_CONTENT=76392)

The VHOC website (yes that is Fable going through the tire) :

<https://www.vhoc.org/single-post/vhoc-agility-trial-2023>

Upcoming - VHOC sponsored Trials at Stone Pony, Moorpark:

- Nov 14/15 - Judge - Barbara Bounds

You can enter this trial at Stone Pony online—<http://wwdat.us/upcoming-trials/>



Newsette



Submitted by Allison Pobirs