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NEXT MEMBER MEETING:
September 28

Special Presentation at September Meeting

We are very pleased to announce that we will have a special guest speaker at our September meeting. Libbye Miller, DVM, will join us to make a brief presentation about physical rehabilitation for pets. Her clinic, Companion Animal Hospital in Goodlettsville, TN, has many exciting new resources available to help those pets who are recovering from surgery or have a degenerative disease, including an underwater treadmill.

You won't want to miss this presentation, which will be helpful to owners of pets of all ages and physical conditions. Please plan to join us. We thank Dr. Miller for sharing her knowledge with us.

COMING SOON!

NDTC Agility Trial October 1-4

The date is quickly approaching for NDTC's fall agility trial. Mark your calendars for October 1-4 at Williamson County Ag Center for a long weekend of great competition and hopefully lots and lots of Q's! Come out and support your fellow members.



Is your pooch a doggie diva, a camera hound, or the next super star? If so, don't miss this opportunity to enter them in the Nashville's Next Top Dog Photo Contest!

The winning dog will be featured in all 2010 Dog Day promotional materials. Plus, your dog will receive the "rock star" treatment with a prize pack worthy of any celebrity, including a glamorous photo shoot with Grannis Photography, a professional grooming session to prep them for their big day, a weekend spa package from The Farm at Natchez Trace and a gift basket full of a dogs favorite things from come.sit.stay boutique.

Cost is \$10 per entry, all proceeds benefit Nashville Humane Association.

Upload your photo today. You have until Midnight on October 1st to get your pup's photo online. Then, encourage your friends and family to vote one time, each day. Voting runs from October 2nd to October 8th.

The winner will be announced from the WKDF Main Stage at 11 a.m. during the Dog Day Festival on October 10th at Centennial Park.

Click on the link below to enter your dog. Good luck!

https://secure.icglink.com/nashvillehumane/photo_contest.php?contest=1

THE SCOOP ON DOGS

Book Release: Alexandra Horowitz's "Inside of a Dog: What Dogs See, Smell, and Know"

nytimes.com: The literature about dogs is not quite the same as the literature about, say, Norwegian rats. Dogs get the literary respect: there are brilliant memoirs about dogs like J. R. Ackerley's "My Dog Tulip" and Elizabeth von Arnim's "All the Dogs of My Life"; there's James Thurber and Virginia Woolf and Jack London; there's Lassie and Clifford and, of course, Marley. White rats, on the other hand, get most of the scientific attention. Alexandra Horowitz's "Inside of a Dog: What Dogs See, Smell, and Know" attempts to rectify that situation, exploring what science tells us about dogs without relegating our pets, emotionally, to lab rats. As a psychologist with a Ph.D. in cognitive science, as well as an ardent dogophile, Horowitz aims "to take an informed imaginative leap inside of a dog – to see what it is like to be a dog; what the world is like from a dog's point of view." **An excerpt is available on nytimes.com.**

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MEMBER Q! BRAGS

Cheryl Brown Geer took her two Papillons, **Jackson and Felix**, to the Dancing Dog TDAA trial in Canton GA Aug. 15-16. Jackson qualified in 6 of 8 runs, earning his TSAD and going SUPERIOR HIGH IN TRIAL ON SATURDAY! He earned two Standard legs towards TACH with one 1st place! He also earned 3 more Games legs towards his TACH and placed in every one of his runs. Felix qualified in Gamblers on Saturday and finished his TG3 title! He earned 2 Standard legs towards his TAM with one 1st place win! He also earned one leg towards his TMAG.

Marina Caro's Pembroke Welsh Corgi, **Flash**, earned 2 legs towards his RN title at the HOTC trial on August 15 and 16, 2009. We hope to finish that title at the PWCCA National Specialty at the end of September.

Marina Caro's Italian Greyhound, **ACE**, earned his first two Novice Standard legs in agility during the DCAA agility trial in Bucker KY over the Labor Day weekend. We came home with a first and second place and were thrilled as we have been working on Table issues for the past year!

Sandra Edson's Standard Poodle, **MACH Sancrest Luckenbach, UD, RE, OF (Luke)**, earned a Double Q, a first place in the 24 inch Excellent B standard class, and 29 MACH points at the Derby City agility trial in Buckner, KY on Sept. 6, 2009.

This past weekend the Bluegrass Coursing Club held a lure coursing trial with the Chattanooga Kennel Club show in East Ridge, TN. On Saturday, **Betty Stephenson** and her Deerhound won Best in Field. On Sunday, **Marina Caro** and her Rhodesian Ridgeback won Best in Field. We are a diversified and successful membership. Congratulations Betty and Marina and all other competitors in the field. – David Haddock

October 10th 5K Walk in Memory of Elizabeth and Becky

This weekend at the trial in Buckner, we collected \$76.00 and some change which has not yet been added to our tally, so we are presently at \$7,477, just \$23.00 off of our current goal of \$7,500! I'm secretly hoping that we will raise a grand total of at least \$10,000! I can hardly believe that what started out with a goal of \$1,000 has already grown to the amount it has. You all have been so wonderful to sign up and send out emails to your friends and family to acquire donations to help this wonderful cause.

Sadly, Myra's Milers has shot past us – they are moving in on \$13,000 raised; however, their team has nearly 200 members. Our team is two members shy of our team goal of 40, so I would say we have done really well for the amount of money raised, especially considering the number of team members we have. Vanderbilt is steadily moving in as well. I believe they are a few hundred dollars shy of our team, but again, they have nearly 100 members at the present time. I know many of you are still working on goals, etc. and will not have all money in until just before the walk. I will put my final donations in on October 5th. The deadline for donations to be counted toward our team is October 9th.

If you know of anyone else who would like to be part of our team, please let them know the deadline for on-line registration is September 18th by 5:00 p.m. If they would like for me to pick up their race packet on Sept. 25th. I will then deliver them at the NDTC trial. Be sure when you register to put in your t-shirt size.

Thank you again for your wonderful generosity, and if anyone else would like to join our team, click the blue line below for the direct link:

<http://2009greaternashvilleraacefortheure.kintera.org/fat/search/searchTeamPart.asp?event=314266&lis=1&kntae314266-678A436123F0454FA35911319686FC47&team=3453243>

You are making a big impact in the lives of millions of people who are directly affected by breast cancer along with their families and friends. One form of cancer or another will more than likely touch everyone's life and sadly, sometimes, multiple times. Thank you for helping to find a cure!

– Cynthia Shaffer

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

Message From NDTC Property Chair

As your new property chairman, I've been getting acquainted with my new position and working on setting a few goals. One of those goals is organization of the facility. Obviously, this will take a little planning, a lot of time, and dusty work.

I've placed a suggestion box by the desk. If you have any comments or suggestions, please drop a note in there or in my box in the office - or email or call me! However minimal or huge your thoughts might be, please speak up. If your suggestions are regarding things other than what might come under the "property chair" umbrella, I will make sure the appropriate person gets it.

I have also been cleaning up the office a little at a time. There are many items in there, some not labeled, some that look like they are growing, some that have become homes to creepy crawly things.

I'm quite aware that most of the plastic tubs contain materials and equipment that we use periodically or for classes. But there are personal items in there too. The most obviously 'ancient looking' and out of place items went directly to the lost and found.

Members - Please help me by acting on the following requests:

- 1) **Lost and Found** I've placed two Lost and Found bins on the table outside the office. They contain old clothing and other personal items that have been long since forgotten. Those boxes will remain out and available to members to go through until September 20th. After that, these items will be donated or thrown away. Please only take items that you have truly lost. If there are unclaimed items you have your eye on to take home, let me know. The old file cabinet is "free to a good home." Will one of you 'do it yourself-ers' please take it?
- 2) **Crates** Also, in an effort to help our cleaning crew - we must identify the owners of all the crates that have found a home in our facility. If you do not wish to put your name on the outside of the crate (e.g. luggage tag or I.D. plate), please put your name/phone number or an address label on the bottom of the crate pan or bottom of the cloth crate. If you notice that your neighbor's crate is unmarked, help them out by contacting them or putting some sort of identifier on it. Some of these crates are old, rusty and some are very dirty.

To help out the cleaning crew and to keep our facility nice, please put any personal items on top of or inside of your crate when you are not using it. That includes fans. It is very difficult for the cleaning crew to get around the crates to get up all the hair and dirt when personal items are left around. Everyone please make an effort to keep the crate area tidy. Crates owners: Keep your crates cleaned and identify your crates. Crate users: Please wipe out the crate after you've had your dog in it. New members: Any unlocked crate may be used by members who need to temporarily contain their dog(s). Please identify your crate as soon as possible. Ultimately, any unclaimed/unidentified crates will be removed after October 1.

- 3) **Office Cleanup** Instructors, and long-time volunteer/members: If you have personal items in the office, please claim and remove them at your earliest convenience. If you can label or identify any personal items that are not yours (but you know the owner) - please mark those items with post-its or tape a note on them. If you can label the containers that we use, please do so as well. We will be cleaning out the office this Fall - removal and identification of these items would really help us out. There are 5 or 6 fold-away camp chairs in the office. Please contact me to let me know if these are NDTC property or someone else's.

THANK YOU everyone for assisting me. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the items above.

Sarah Karafa, NDTC Property Chairman • skarafa@comcast.net • (615) 500-5620

LAST ONE LEAVING THE BUILDING?

Please follow the checklist on the front door. Make sure all lights and fans are turned off, and all doors are locked!

NDTC CLASSIFIEDS

EVENTS, SEMINARS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

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SHOWS IN SEPTEMBER

September 4-6 Agility (Indoors). Tennessee Valley Kennel Club at East Tennessee Ag Expo Center in Harriman, TN. Show closes August 12.

September 4-6 Obedience and Rally (Indoors). Evansville Obedience Club at the Evansville Obedience Club Training Center in Evansville, IN. Rally on Friday, Sept. 4; Obedience and Rally on Saturday, Sept. 5; Obedience on Sunday, Sept. 6. Show closes August 19.

September 26-27 Conformation. Greater Murfreesboro Kennel Club, Inc. at Middle Tennessee State University Livestock Center, Murfreesboro, TN.

SHOWS IN OCTOBER

October 1-4 Agility (Indoors). Nashville Dog Training Club (Thu.-Sat.) and Clarksville Kennel Club (Sun.) at Williamson County Agricultural Park in Franklin, TN. Show closes September 9.

October 10-11 Obedience and Rally (Indoors/Outdoors). Tupelo Kennel Club at Agricenter International in Memphis, TN. Show closes September 23.

October 17-18 Obedience and Rally (Indoors). Obedience Club of Chattanooga at Play Dog Excellent in Chattanooga, TN. Show closes September 30.

October 17-18 Conformation. Tri-Star Kennel Club of Williamson County at Tennessee State Fairgrounds, Nashville, TN.

October 23-25 Agility (Outdoors). Greater Kingsport Kennel Club at Appalachian Fairgrounds in Gray, TN. Show closes October 9.

October 30-November 1 Obedience and Rally (Indoors). East Tennessee Boxer Club (Friday) and Tennessee Valley Kennel Club (Saturday and Sunday) at Chilhowee Park in Knoxville, TN. Show closes October 14.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Curt Brock available for private lessons. If you need some help working with your dog, e-mail Curt for lessons in his air-conditioned building. Contact cbrock@ntech.edu for more information.

Sandra Edson offers private agility lessons For one-on-one instruction in agility, contact Sandra Edson at (615) 325-9765 or by e-mail at sancrestfarm@comcast.net

Pat Thorne available for private obedience lessons Pat has been training dogs for 25 years. She has put UD's on six of her dogs, and OTCH titles on two. Pat can be reached at (615) 274-2926.

Jeff Whitsitt available for private tracking lessons. For one-on-one instruction in tracking, contact Jeff at (615) 482-3046 or by e-mail at jswhitsitt@gmail.com.

DOG BOARDING

Dog Boarding in my home. House dogs only. Dogs will have house privileges, scheduled walks and play time in fenced yard. Crated or put in x-pen for naps and nights. Concierge services priced accordingly. Interviews preferred and may be required. Robin Raushenberger at (615) 418-5248.

RALLY CLASSES

Nola and Faye will begin offering rally class on Friday evenings in the month of September. The class will run from 7-8. It's a drop-in class with a fee of \$5 for club members and \$10 for non-members for each session.

CONFORMATION CLASSES

Beginning Monday night September 14th, the Monday Conformation classes at the Nashville Dog Training Club will be back in full swing. Classes will be every Monday night, with the exception of holidays, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Conformation classes are drop-in.

EVENTS

NPT Nashville Shores Pooch Plunge

Date: Saturday, September 19, 2009

Time: 11 a.m. (first dip) – 4 p.m. (last dip)

Where: Nashville Shores (Percy Priest Lake). The waterpark will not be open.

Entry Fee: \$20 per family of four (human or dog)

RSVP: Call or email Miguel Otero at (615) 259-9325 or motero@wnpt.net.

Pooch Plunge is a one-day event for all members of the community, featuring a fun-filled, family/dog-oriented day of swimming, entertainment, awards and much more. Proceeds benefit Nashville Public Television.

There will be food and entertainment, booths from local pet care businesses, and contests with awards. Concessions will be available for purchase. No outside coolers, food, or drink are allowed inside the park gates.

Pooch Plunge Rules

- Dogs must be neutered or spayed.
- All dogs must have up-to-date vaccinations, including rabies and kennel cough (bordatella). Vaccination proof and dog license number are required.
- Aggressive dogs are banned from the event.
- Kids under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Dogs must enter and exit the event area on a leash but can go off-leash once inside. Dogs must wear collars at all times.

All participants must present a signed waiver, available on the Nashville Shores Web site: <http://www.nashvilleshores.com>

20th Annual Dog Day Festival and Music City Mutt Strutt Dog Walk

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009

Time: 10 a.m. (first dip) – 4 p.m. (last dip)

Where: Centennial Park

Fee: \$5 adults (Children and dogs are free!)

Join us for a day of fun and games, demonstrations, vendors, contests and lots of dogs having fun in the park. All proceeds benefit Nashville Humane Association.

Advertise in NDTC's Classifieds! There is no charge for ads, and they may pertain to any subject you think would be of interest to the members, from private lessons to events to birthdays. Place an ad in the Classifieds by emailing editor@nashville.org.