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Vange Leonis

AOCNC REP: Sue Osborn

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Sue Osborn

*See last page for contact
information for above members.*



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Starring Carol Coawette's Jacques

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Adrienne Amdahl to Present at July 10th General Meeting!

Adrienne is with Napa Humane. Join us on July 10th to learn all about the Humane Society of Napa County & SPCA, who they are, what they do, and what their mission is.

Adrienne will also provide information and answer questions about the Walk for Animals event coming up on Sunday, August 6, 2017. (See Walk for Animals flyer on page 5).



Adrienne has been with Napa Humane for four years. Her job is running their fundraising events, maintaining their donor database and providing administration support for Napa Humane's Executive Director. Adrienne is California born and bred and has lived in Napa for 20 years with

her husband, two grown children and her furbabies: Boo (dog), Sonia (cat) and Hobbes (cat who was a survivor of the Valley Fire whom she adopted after working up at the shelter in Lakeport with injured cats).

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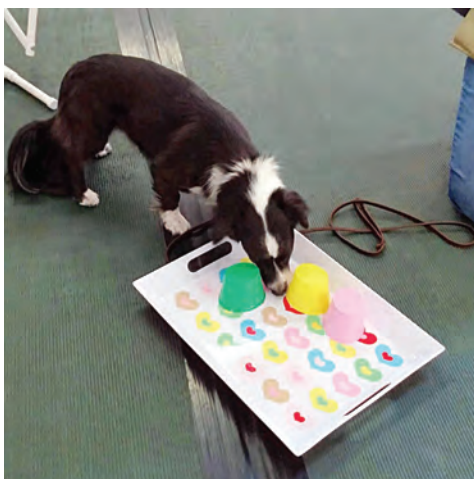
Heather Kearn and Ivy

Red Diamond's Poison Ivy (Jezzie x Tecate) "Ivy" took 4th (class of 13) in Bred By Exhibitor at the VCA Nationals. Ivy is Heather's first Bred By Bitch. This is Ivy's second ribbon at a nationals.

Photos of two dogs from our May General Meeting, which was "Bring Your Dog To The Meeting Night!"

Stayed tuned for more meeting nights wherein you can bring your dog to play games and have fun!

More photos of more dogs having fun can be viewed by going to nvdtc.org and clicking on the "Photos" button.



AOCNC Summer Workshop July 30, 2017

Every year, the Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California (AOCNC) puts on a Summer Obedience and Rally Summer Workshop! This year the workshop will be on July 30th at CalState East Bay.

This is a great opportunity for you to proof your dog for trials! With NVDTTC being a member of AOCNC, this summer workshop is open to all of NVDTTC's trainers, trainees and club members!

Bring a dish to share! There will be a potluck lunch to enjoy. Visit aocnc.org & click on big blue button at left for flyer about potluck.

Details about the workshop can also be downloaded from the AOCNC website (aocnc.org). Deadline is 6:00 PM, July 19, 2017 (or earlier if ring limits are reached).



NVDTTC NEEDS VOLUNTEERS for AOCNC's SUMMER WORKSHOP AS WELL!

(Thank you to those who have already volunteered!)

By volunteering on behalf of our club to help out in NVDTTC's Novice Ring at the AOCNC Summer Workshop, you are giving yourself a great opportunity to learn more about rally and obedience trials! No experience required as all volunteers will be shown what to do. If you are available to help out, email Sue at sueann@napadogtraining.org/.

Sue Osborn, AOCNC Representative

ALSO, two more AOCNC representatives are needed to help coordinate activities between NVDTTC and other member clubs of AOCNC and to attend AOCNC quarterly meetings. More details on page 7.

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Boxer Double Take



Don't worry, your eyes are fine, you are not seeing double. Well, actually you ARE, but there really are two pretty much identical boxer dogs there. So identical in fact that if you look closely the rings on their collars for attaching the leashes are hanging the exact same way!

I am of the notion that dogs do not like to be the only dogs so always have three to four in the pack, it makes for happier dogs and much easier training of the resident youngster.

These two boys are half brothers, same dam different sire. The dog on the left is our now 6 month old puppy, Chopper (Soleil's Dancing Dragon) and beside him is 2 ½ year old big brother Cosmo (Soleil's Cosmic Connection to Zorro).

Chopper is currently enrolled in the adolescent dog class as well as a puppy level agility class in Concord. Cosmo is taking two agility classes a week and if he can learn to control his enthusiasm (i.e. don't mug the judge or ring crew) should be ready to start competing when the weather cools a bit in the fall.

These two guys are our 9th and 10th boxers, which is proof positive that boxer ownership is addictive. Charlie and I can't imagine not having these gorgeous clowns in our life. Much like labs, boxers are very much like giant puppies until they die of old age, always up for a good time and possessing the best sense of humor.

Christy Rose

HAPPY SUMMER TAILS



Special Summer Training Classes!

Designed to offer fun, new ways to train & work with your pups.

NVDTTC is offering these classes June through September, 2017.

Check out the following tail wagging
3-week classes!

- Beginning Tricks
- Beyond the Basics
- Community Walks
- Delightful Distractions
- Intro to Clicker
- Intro to Freestyle
- Intro to Therapy Dog Skills
- Puppy Playgroups 1
- Puppy Playgroups 2
- Recall Games
- Small Dog Social
- Surfing the Disc (Conditioning Your K9)



**SIGN UP
NOW!**

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**For class
descriptions & dates
visit nvdttc.org.**



Martha: World's Ugliest Dog, 2017

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Past and current minutes are available
online at: nvdttc.org/meeting/

- I. Call to Order at 6:35 p.m., by Linda Luchsinger, President
- II. Minutes May minutes approved with no corrections
- III. Treasurer's Report – given by Linda Luchsinger
 - a. Checking account balance will be given at next meeting after account has been reviewed.
 - b. Savings account balance \$22,328.34
 - c. Sandy Bonifield will be taking over the position, approved by the general membership
- IV. Board Reports
 - a. Presidents Report, D Marlowe has resigned from the position of treasurer, and Sandy Bonifield will be assuming the position. We still have other vacancies on the board if anyone is interested.
 - b. Vice-President Report – Sandy Bonifield, Next month meeting Marilane Bergfelt has a speaker for us, Adrienne Amdahl from the Napa Humane. More information will be in the newsletter. Also, asked if Sandy would be vacating this position, and she will be doing both jobs for now, treasurer and vice-president.
 - c. Office – Vange Leonis, look for people help to answer/make calls for 1 hour a week, for the training session. You will receive a \$40.00 voucher for the job. Also, the message on the answering machine needs to be updated.
 - d. Training – Marilane Bergfelt, session in full swing,
 - e. Building – Stephanie Meinhardt, sheets have been sewn together to cover mirrors for use with different events. Joy Wood stated that she had talked to Laura Ecklin, and she still has a key to the building. Joy will try to meet with her to get the key back.
 - f. Newsletter/Website – Sue Osborn, need information for the next newsletter by the 20th of the month. Also, Marilane, to provide information about the speaker for the newsletter.
 - g. Publicity – Kim Leslie, thank you to member who took flyers to the various Vets. Please continue to do so. Session 5 flyers are available. If you are a member of Next door, or another neighbor email, please post about the club, great way to pass the word.
 - h. AOCNC – Sue Osborn, Summer workshop is July 30th, and the club is hosting either the novice ring or rally ring. We need people to volunteer for judging, to be a steward. Also, club members are encouraged to enter the match to show your dog in a trail like environment. Sue will not be able to attend as well be out of town that weekend. A clipboard was passed around for people to sign up.
- V. Old Business
 - a. VST Test, need final financial report, Sue Osborn stated that she had already submitted, but will resend to Linda.
 - b. Awards Committee, Vange, Stefanie, Carol and Sandy to review and update what are the requirement to earn a plaque from the club. (attached, Linda to provide)
 - c. Walk for Animals, August 6, 2017, the club has a booth, Kim, Linda and Vange will be working it, and looking for more volunteers. 7:30 am to noon.
 - d. Gerry Glance Memorial, motion made to change the name of the Service Award in honor of Gerry. The exact wording to be decided. Motion passed.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Discussion in process regarding the logging of income on a more timely basis
 - b. Facebook posts – board approved Frances Animosa to continue with Facebook ads, as she did last year.
 - c. Limit old free class vouchers to a total of \$125.00 value. Motion passed.
 - d. Joy Wood, as the club to place a half page add \$35.00, in the Joe DiMaggio tournament flyer 4th of July weekend. Motion passed
 - e. Mary Ash asked approved for the purchase of the new Rally signs. \$112 per set. Motion was approved for 1 set of signs. Mary can also purchase a new container for the signs.
 - f. New Member – Tandi Blonigen, Tandi spoke a bit about herself, her dog and her involvement with the German Shepherd Rescue. Motion passed to accept Tandi as a member.
 - g. Brags – Stephanie, Sue and Kim all had brags about them and their dogs.



June 12, 2017 General Meeting
MINUTES (unapproved)
Compiled by Donna Golemon

ATTACHMENT to June 12, 2017 Minutes:

APPROVED MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: June 2017

- Attend a minimum of 3 general meetings in the calendar year
- Be a member in Good Standing with NVDTTC and AKC
- Participate in at least one NVDTTC sponsored event – minimum of 4 hours
 - Trial or trial committee
 - CGC off site testing
 - AOCNC – NVDTTC ring
 - Show & Go
 - Workshop or Seminar
 - Publicity – ex. Napa Humane Walk



Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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Did you know
you can view all of
NVDTTC's 2017 training
sessions on a full year
calendar?

Download a printable
PDF from our classes
page: nvdtc.org/classes



Napa Humane's Walk for Animals is a fun-filled family event. "Move your paws for the cause" on a short stroll down Napa's Riverfront, an event that makes huge strides supporting companion animals throughout the Napa Valley.

Everyone is welcome to participate with their dog, in honor of, or in memory of a beloved pet. Animal-loving walkers register online and gather donations, earning prizes and competing for top fundraiser status.

The event is a morning full of music, contests, a silent auction, raffles, giveaways, and activities for pets and people, with 100% of proceeds going to Napa Humane's lifesaving programs and services.

Information and details:
www.napahumane.org.

NOTE!

All of NVDTTC's old
free class vouchers
now have a cap of
\$125.00
as approved at
the June 12, 2017
general meeting.

> walk for animals

A BENEFIT FOR NAPA HUMANE

Sunday, August 6

Oxbow Commons • Downtown Napa

Registration and festivities begin at 7:30am • Walk start is 8:30am

Move Your Paws For The Cause!

A short stroll through Downtown Napa that goes miles and miles for the animals.

- 1 Register to walk (with or without a pooch) as an individual or a team . . . get a t-shirt and an awesome goodie bag!
- 2 Raise funds for the animals . . . earn prizes and awards for your efforts!
- 3 Have a blast at the Walk for Animals . . . with music, contests, give-aways, and fun for all!

100% of proceeds
benefit Napa Valley's
pets and their people.

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where compassion lives

> Get started here

napahumane.org/walkforanimals

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Please call

707-253-8666

to check class availability
and to register.

CLASS FEES for Puppy, Novice, GM, Ado, Agility,
Rally, Tricks & Games, & Sampler Class:

\$125

Seniors & Juniors: \$10 Discount

Rescue: 1x \$10 Discount

CLASS FEES

for Specialty Classes (i.e., Freestyle
and Musical Rally):

\$135

No Discounts

**Three week and five week classes are
prorated for cost and vouchers.
Please call the club for details.**

Download Class Registration and more:

<http://www.napadogtraining.org/index.htm#classinfo>

Puppy: 12 weeks to 5 months
Adolescent: 6 months to 1 year
Good Manners: 1 year+

**Members can earn vouchers to
offset the cost of classes.**

Details:

www.napadogtraining.org/vouchers.htm

**You can receive discounts
for taking multiple classes
in the same session.**

Details:

nvdtc.org/pdfs/

[NVDTC_FeesDiscountsVouchersAllowances.pdf](#)



Training Session 5

July 24 – September 1, 2017

Week off: September 4-8

Monday

6:00 pm	Recall Games (8-14, 8-21 & 8-28)	Donna	3-Weeks NEW
7:00 pm	Surfing the Disc (Conditioning Your K9) (8-14, 8-21 & 8-28)	Donna	3-Weeks NEW

Tuesday

10:00 am	Adolescent Dog	Kim / Sandy	
11:00 am	Puppy	Kim / Sandy	
12:00 pm	Intro to Therapy Dog Skills (7-25, 8-1 & 8-8)	Kim	3-Weeks NEW
	Intro to Clicker (8-15, 8-22 & 8-29)	Donna	3-Weeks NEW
2:00 pm	Dogs Can Dance – Private Coaching	Judy	
4:30 pm	Intermediate Freestyle	Judy	
5:30 pm	Step by Step	Judy	RETURNING
6:30 pm	Musical Rally Challenge	Judy	

Wednesday

9:30 am	Intro to Freestyle (7-26, 8-2 & 8-9)	Judy	3-Weeks RETURNING
	Intro to Freestyle (8-16, 8-23 & 8-30)	Judy	3-Weeks
10:30 am	Delightful Distractions (7-26, 8-2 & 8-9)	Kim	3-Weeks RETURNING
	Beyond the Basics (8-16, 8-23 & 8-30)	Kim / Marlene	3-Weeks
11:30 am	Good Manners 1	Kim	
5:00 pm	Adolescent Dog (overflow)	Donna	
6:00 pm	Puppy	Donna	
7:00 pm	Adolescent Dog	Marilane	
8:00 pm	Puppy (overflow)	Marilane	

Thursday

10:30 am	Rally (all levels - continued class)	Mary	
10:00 – 1:00pm	Capitol Canines – Performance Sport Training w/ Pat White on selected dates		
5:30 pm	Rally (all levels - continued class)	Mary	
7:00 pm	Good Manners 1	Mary	

Friday

5:00 pm	Small Dog Social (8-18, 8-25 & 9-1)	Deassa	3-Weeks
6:00pm	Good Manners 1 (overflow)	TBA	

Saturday

10:00 am	Community Walks * (8-19, 8-26 & 9-2) (Class meets at designated locations in the Napa Area.)	Vange	3-Weeks
10:00 am	Puppy Playgroups 1 (8-19, 8-26 & 9-2)	Deassa / Marilane	3-Weeks
11:00am	Puppy Playgroups 2 (8-19, 8-26 & 9-2)	Deassa / Marilane	3-Weeks
12:00 / noon	Beginning Tricks (8-19, 8-26 & 9-2)	Vange	3-Weeks NEW

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Unless noted otherwise, all sessions
run 6 weeks, one time per week at the
day & time shown for 50 minutes.

If there are other classes you are interested in,
sign up on an interest list.

Visit or call the NVDTC office to
have your name added.

**Receive a \$10 discount for a regular
class if you are a senior (60 and
over), a junior (10 to 17) or if your
dog is a rescue.**

**(A rescue discount can only be used
once. One discount per class.)**

Schedule subject to change.



Become an AOCNC Representative!

Enjoy the camaraderie of being involved with other dog clubs throughout Northern California.

The Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California (AOCNC) needs members to represent the Napa Valley Dog Training Club. Each club who is a member of AOCNC can send three representatives to meetings. With the loss of Gery Glantz, we are currently down to only one representative (Sue Osborn).

Representatives attend meetings held four times a year and keep AOCNC up to date on Napa Valley Dog Training activities to let other clubs know what is going on in their area and also to report back to the NVDTC about AOCNC events and activities.

Meetings are generally held on Saturdays during lunchtime and meals are paid for by NVDTC. NVDTC also pays for mileage and toll for one driver (as reps usually car pool).

AOCNC holds a winter workshop and a summer workshop each year as well as a seminar. Reps help out by volunteering at the workshops and the seminar as available and also help recruit club volunteers to help out at these events.

AOCNC also hosts an educational table at the Golden Gate Kennel Club held at the Cow Palace in January which is manned by members from clubs. Those who volunteer to work at the educational table receive perks: their parking and entry fee is reimbursed by AOCNC.

Being a representative for AOCNC gives you the opportunity to learn more about other dog clubs in Northern California, to meet and talk to others who are passionate about their dogs, and to learn more about workshops, trials, and other related dog events throughout the year.

If this is something you'd enjoy being involved with, please contact Sue Osborn, (707) 252-1864/sueann@napadogtraining.org/.

The next AOCNC meeting will be held on July 9, 2017. To learn more about the Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California, visit AOCNC.org/.



Photo Credit: Kyla Smay

SIGN UP NOW FOR NVDTC'S 2017 TRACKING CLASS!

Once again our dedicated experts, Kaye Hall and Debbie Crain, will be offering an 8-week training class. Open to all dogs and their owners, the class starts Wednesday, October 18th and continues through December 13th. Each class session starts at 9:00 am and runs about 3 hours.

Cost is only \$145.00 per team. Standard \$10.00 discounts are available.

Space is limited. Call the club office at (707) 253-8666 to register.

If you have questions, please contact Marilane, Training Coordinator at (707) 265-6642 / bergfelt@comcast.net or Debbie Crain at 26Crain@gmail.com/. Please title your messages 'Napa Tracking Class.'

Trick Dog Titles from AKC

AKC Trick Dog titles are official AKC titles listed on the dog's title record.

The processing fee for each title is \$20. Multiple titles for the same dog can be sent in together, each one will be processed in succession after each previous title has been added and printed.

Dogs must have an AKC, PAL, or AKC Canine Partners number to earn a title.

All dogs can get a number including purebreds and mixed breeds.

The following titles are supported:

- NOVICE TRICK DOG (TKN)
- INTERMEDIATE TRICK DOG (TKI)
- ADVANCED TRICK DOG (TKA)
- TRICK DOG PERFORMER (TKP)

**Stefanie
Meinhardt's
Dexter knows
how to keep
cool!**



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Misplaced, Lost, or Missed eMails from NVDTC?

Misplaced your email from NVDTC via MailChimp with link to newsletters?

Missed that announcement about rattlesnake aversion or an upcoming presentation or workshop?

You can access past emails sent out from NVDTC via MailChimp by [CLICKING HERE](#) or by scanning the QR code below.



Submission deadline for the
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2017 newsletter
is August 20, 2017.

Send to: sueann@napadogtraining.org

Scheduling of Board Meetings:

Board meetings are open to all members and are scheduled on the *FIRST* Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m except for the month of December.

Call 253-8666 to verify both date and location of meeting. Minutes from board meetings are available at the club.



This edition's cute dog pictures are of Rugar owned by Tiffany Wilson!

Do you have a special or cute dog picture you'd like to share? If you send a photo of YOUR dog (ε name) to the newsletter editor, he or she could appear in a future newsletter, on club PR materials or on NVDTC's facebook page! Email to: sueann@napadogtraining.org.



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