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NVDTC Newsletter

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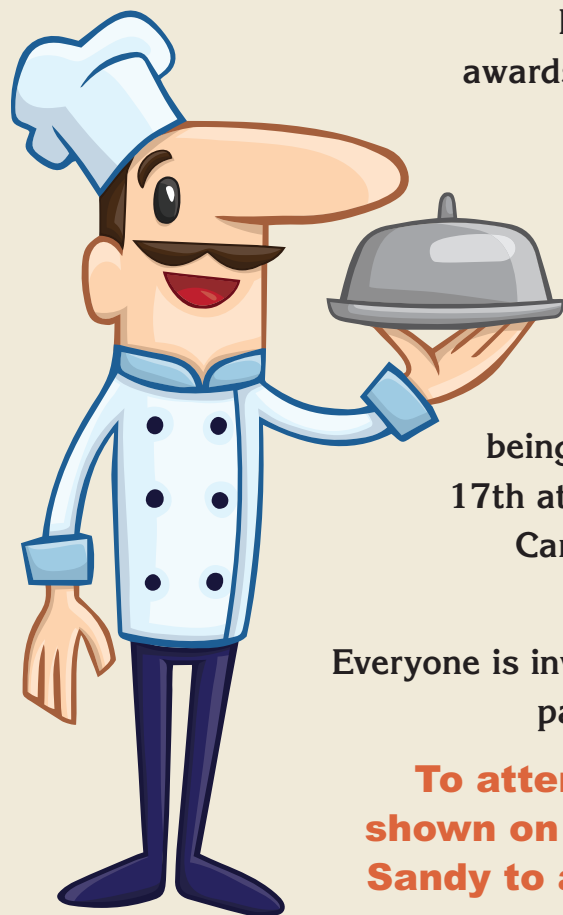
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nvdtc.org/buildingcalendar.htm

See last page for contact
information for above members

Past newsletters are at
nvdtc.org/newsletter

BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR OUR JULY 17th LUNCHEON!



Each year NVDTC gives
awards to recognize, support,
and encourage the
competition
activity of its members
at an annual dinner
or luncheon.

This year a luncheon is
being held on Saturday, July
17th at La Strada in American
Canyon to give out awards
earned in 2020.

Everyone is invited to attend and be a
part of this special night!

**To attend, fill out the form
shown on page 4 and mail to
Sandy to arrive by July 10th.**



Photos shown above and here are from
Vange's Trick Dog Class, Session 3!
Photo credit: Marilane Bergfelt
Many more are on NVDTC's FB page!



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**August 6th thru 8th
2021**

**Napa Humane's
10th Annual Walk for Animals**

napahumane.org/

Join more than 200 walkers for Napa Humane's 10th Annual Virtual Walk for Animals, a weekend fundraising event in support of companion animals throughout Napa Valley!

Start a fundraising team or go solo then participate in any of our events going on throughout the weekend. Walk one of our suggested routes, create your own route, visit our Dine & Donate partners, bid on our silent auction, and more! Pre-event fundraising is not required, but it is appreciated!

Donate or register now.

napahumane.org/events/walk-for-animals/



Photo: Chitense2016/Pikabay

Throw Your Pups a Bone (Broth)

By Anne Stanley

One recent very hot day, a late afternoon training session (even though inside) left the dogs and me a little tired and overheated. The pups were still hungry but had received too many treats for me to give them a full dinner. The answer? Bowls of cool bone broth. They happily slurped it up and were satisfied, while I knew they were getting nourishment and hydration. I had a bowl, too.

Bone broth is rich in minerals and nutrient-dense. It's made by boiling bones and dog-safe herbs all day or all night. What's the difference between bone broth and regular broth? Bone broth is really just stock, and is a little bit thicker than broth, due to the collagen released from bones and cartilage during long-term cooking. While broth typically is made with meat, bone broth is usually just cooked with bones and other parts. There are many popular recipes, and bone broth has been a nourishing medicinal soup used for hundreds of years in many cultures.

Bone broth is widely considered very healthy, not only for humans but for our pups as well. [A recent article on AKC.org](#) says: "Bone broth is a very mild, liquid meal that sits easily in upset canine stomachs. It is also a nutritious and delicious way to add moisture and flavor to dry food and encourage dogs with reduced appetites to eat." Holistic veterinarian Dr. Judy Morgan writes in her blog, "It is a strong rejuvenating potion high in minerals, amino acids, glucosamine and many more valuable nutrients. It can be served alone or mixed with meals."



Gershwin cleaning his bowl.

Both my terriers, Fig and Gershwin, love a little bit poured over dry kibble. Gershwin, as my fellow scent work classmates know, is a sometimes-quirky little rescue dog with a very sketchy history. He didn't seem to like wet food and often would not eat his dry food, but instead guarded it. I added the bone broth to his dry food and he now gobbles it up almost as fast as Fig eats hers.

There is an endless selection of bone broth recipes online and also no end to the pet product makers willing to make it for you—for the right price. I wanted something inexpensive and easy to make at home. I really like this recipe from my acupuncturists at [The Wellness Principle](#) in Napa, who recommend it to their patients and also make it for their big beloved rescue dog, Rufus.

I use a rotisserie chicken from the grocery store. I take off the meat I want and save it for other recipes, then just toss the rest into a slow cooker with the other ingredients and cook it on low

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MEET THE BREED: CIRNECO DELL'ETNA

By Roxann Gracia

Have you heard of the Cirneco dell'Etna? Well, one of our very own club members, Stefanie Meinhardt, has a new Cirneco dell'Etna puppy! Cirneco is pronounced "cheer-nec-ko" and plural is Cirnechi "cheer-nec-kee".

The Cirneco is an ancient coursing hound. During the 5th and 2nd centuries BC, during colonization of Sicily by Greece, hundreds of coins were minted depicting a dog so similar it could be the Cirneco. The Cirneco dell'Etna is used to hunt small game, particularly rabbits. It is found all over the Italian island of Sicily, especially near Mount Etna. It is one of the few old breeds that have undergone very little manipulation in breeding. The breed is extremely hardy, free from inherited health problems. As house dogs, Cirnechi are mild, low maintenance companions cherished for their loyal and gentle nature.

The earliest written description of the modern breed was in 1932 and accepted by the Italian national kennel club in 1939. It is a rare breed, with 100 to 150 registrations per year in Italy between 2010 and 2018.

The Cirneco dell'Etna moved into full breed recognition within the AKC Hound group on January 1, 2015. It is often described as smaller version of the Pharaoh Hound. The height ranges from 17 to 20 inches and weight 18 to 29 lbs. The coat is short to semi long on the body and color ranges from white, fawn, sable, fawn and white, orange and white. They are lithe and leggy, a keen hunter and adaptable to difficult terrain. The Cirneco is a strong willed and alert companion. Have fun with your new puppy, Ferris, Stefanie!



Ferris



Jacques



Pierre

BRAGS

Carol Coawette

At AKC Scent Work Trial on May 2, at Hollister:

Jacques won his Excellent Exterior Title and took 4th place. He also received his second leg toward his Advanced Human Discrimination Title.

Pierre qualified in two separate Excellent Buried searches and took 2nd Place in one and 4th Place in the other.

Pierre also qualified in Excellent Exterior and Excellent Container and received his second leg toward his Title in Advanced Human Discrimination



Tanner

Roxann Gracia

Tanner has been to two shows in conformation, puppies 6 to 9 months. He has received 5 blue ribbons and two Reserve Winner ribbons.



AWARDS LUNCHEON BANQUET

July 17th, 2021

La Strada in American Canyon

6240 CA-29, American Canyon
(707) 226-3027



12:30 PM: Hors d'oeuvres • **1:00 PM:** Lunch

The following luncheon menu choices are available:

A. Spaghetti & Meatballs\$19.00
tomato / basil / garlic / meatballs

B. Pollo alla Parmigiana\$20.00
chicken parmesan / tomato sauce / mozzarella

C. Veal Marsala\$22.00
lemon / marsala / mushrooms

D. Salmon\$26.00
lemon dill light cream

E. Side Salad\$5.00

- All entrées served with polenta and veggies •
- Coffee & tea included • No host bar •
- Anyone bringing wine will pay a \$20 corkage fee •
- Club will pick up tip, tax, hors d'oeuvres and provide cake •

Send in your check and entrée choice by Saturday, July 10, 2021.

If ordering salad, be sure to add an additional \$5 to cost of your entree selection.

Please complete this attached form and mail with a check made payable to NVDTTC to:

Sandy Bonifield, 776 Lathrop St., Napa 94558

If you have any questions, e-mail Sandy at bonirose@aol.com or call her at (707) 337-3843.

NVDTTC Awards Banquet, July 17, 2021 at La Strada in American Canyon

Name	Phone	Luncheon Choice	Salad (E)?	Amount
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Total Enclosed:				



2021 Training Session 5

August 9 through September 18, 2021

Session 5 classes run for 6 Weeks except as noted with asterisks.

MONDAY

9:00 am
Scent Work 4*
Donna (continued class)

10:00 am
Scent Work 5*
Donna (continued class)

11:00 am
Scent Work 4*
Donna (continued class)

12:30 pm
Scent Work 3*
Donna (continued class)

1:30 pm
Scent Work 3*
Donna (continued class)

2:30 pm
Scent Work 2*
Donna (continued class)

6:00 pm
Scent Work 5**
Donna (continued class)

TUESDAY

10:00am
Good Manners 1
Mary

11:00 am
Good Manners 2
Mary

3:30 pm
Private Coaching – DCD
Judy

4:30 pm
Musical Rally/Inter Freestyle
Judy (**specialty class**)

5:30 pm
Freestyle Drill Team
Judy (**specialty class**)

6:30 pm
Better Healing to Music 2
Judy (**specialty class**)

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am
Puppy
Marilane

11:00 am
Adolescent Dog
Marilane

5:30 pm
Puppy
Lea

6:30 pm
Puppy
Les

7:30 pm
Adolescent Dog
De

**Session 5 online registration
opens JULY 5th & closes JULY 19th.**

Questions?

registration@nvdttc.org

or

707-253-8666

THURSDAY

10:30 am
Rally – All Levels
Mary (continued class)

11:30 am
Rally
Mary (continued class)

5:00 pm
Rally - Novice
Mary (continued class)

6:00 pm
Rally - Novice
Mary (continued class)

7:15 pm
Agility
Stephanie

FRIDAY

6 pm
Good Manners 1*
Linda L

7 pm
Canine Good Citizen*
Linda L

**NO DISCOUNTS
AT THIS TIME**

Puppy:
12 weeks to 5½ months

Adolescent:
6 months to 1 year

Good Manners: 1 year+

**Schedule
subject
to change**

**Standard Classes: \$125
(\$60 max in vouchers)**

**Specialty Classes: \$135
(\$40 max in vouchers)**

**FEE & VOUCHER
ALLOWANCES PRORATED
FOR SHORTENED CLASSES**

REGISTER ONLINE: nvdttc.org/registration.htm

Visit nvdttc.org/registration.htm for MOST current class information

***5 Weeks of Classes. **3 Weeks of Classes.**

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June 14, 2021 General Meeting

MINUTES (unapproved)

Past and present minutes are
available online at:
napadogtraining.org/meeting/

I. **CALL TO ORDER** - President Sue Osborn called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm via Zoom. Those in attendance were: (In random order) Marilane Bergfelt, Debbie Hilton, Mary Ash, Donna Golemon, De Brilz, Carol Coawette, Linda Luchsinger, Sandy Bonifield, Roxann Gracia, Karen Blair. Guests included: Adrienne Amdahl, Ben Shelby (representing himself and Tayler Renshaw), Tricia Baldwin, Judy Games, David LeCount

II. **TREASURER'S REPORT** - Linda Luchsinger reported as of 5-31-21, the checking account had \$47,215.97. After some bill paying, today's balance is \$37,918.03. The Savings account as of 5-31-21 had \$22,343.78 and the PayPal account had \$4299.54.

III. **SECRETARY'S REPORT** - The minutes were corrected with two additions. "Effective 2022" to Item V, part A, vouchers for working AOCNC and "NVDTC members who worked the scent work trial" to item C, vouchers are being distributed. Minutes were unanimously approved as so corrected.

IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

A. **PRESIDENT** - Sue reported that registration guidelines have been revised by Donna and Sue along with the creation of a flow chart showing class procedure flow. Both will be presented at the Training Committee Meeting. If you are not attending that meeting, please give input to Marilane so it can be presented to the committee.

Refund and class credit voucher procedures have not been updated since 2014. The Board will be addressing what needs to be done to bring these up to date. A suggestion to post the refund policies on line was discussed by the Board with a decision to not do so as it may lead to unwarranted refund requests.

The Board is working on things that have come up regarding vouchers, one of which is to look at a policy for assistants stepping in for other assistants. This will go to the training committee for discussion. Please call Sue's cell if you have any last minute ideas or comments and cannot attend the meeting.

B. **VICE PRESIDENT** - Sandy Bonifield - No report

C. **MEMBERSHIP/VOUCHERS** - Carol reported that the vouchers have been submitted for current and past classes. She announced that there were 4 people

that have requested joining the Club and have submitted paperwork.

- 1.) Ben Shelby
- 2.) Tayler Renshaw
- 3.) Judy Gamet
- 4.) Adrienne Amdahl

After introductions, they were voted in as members. WELCOME!

We have two others pending paperwork, Tricia Baldwin and David LeCount

Carol reminds people to place forms in the Membership Box at the club.

D. **OFFICE** - Mary reports Donna Albin will work Thursdays and Sara Decrevel will work Tuesdays. Everything is up to date.

E. TRAINING

Next Training Zoom Meeting is June 15th at 6 PM.

Session 5 Signups start on July 5th and Classes start August 9th.

Two refunds were granted. One for CGC that the dog was not qualified for and one for an unrequested refund, but the person only came to one class.

F. PUBLICITY

Marilane was looking at Instagram. She is working on Next Door but is researching the listing as a "non-profit" vs "business".

Instructors should contact Sue regarding Flyers for specialty classes for Session 5.

G. **BUILDING** - Debbie reported that the building bug spray was changed to this Wednesday between 1 and 2 pm. Club would be closed for 2 hours afterward.

Feedback is requested on the roll up door and the new bristles under the door. The screw was reported missing. Debbie will replace. It was noted that the far lock, away from the entrance door, is the best one to get secured if you can only do one side.

H. **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE** - Sue said submissions deadline for July/August newsletter is June 20th.

I. **AOCNC** - No report.

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Meeting still pending.

J. HOSPITALITY - On Hold
K. SUNSHINE - Debbie Hilton

- Nothing to report.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Scent work Trial - Mary Ash reported the overall profit was \$5658.21. By contract the Club share would have been \$519.32. JMD willingly changed the provisions for expenses from 75% to 50% and granted increased profit to the Club of a total of \$1500. She Thanks everyone who came to help and a special THANKS to Karen Jackson for all the great food for the volunteers! She spent a great deal of her own efforts and provisions to provide a great lunch both days.

B. Awards Banquet - Sandy reported that Sue sent out a flyer and signups. It is scheduled for July 17th at LaStrada starting at 12:30pm. There will be a Raffle as well. It was noted that this is chance to gather with members as well as receive the awards. Please see the flyer for details and sign ups.

C. Year End Awards - Linda Wargo was not present, but has said in the past that the plaques should be available by July 17th.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Dee suggested that it was brought to her attention by Judy, that a membership brochure might be a good idea. It would be good to be able to hand something to prospective members. It could cover all the classes offered, including scent work, rally, dog dancing etc. and vouchers.

VII. BRAGGS

Linda Luchsinger reported Sassy has earned her Championship. She now wants to work on a Trick Title. (Hopefully after an in person general club meeting.) Lola earned her second leg in scent work in Interior, Containers and Exterior.

Donna Golemon reported Nickel got his AKC Herding Championship with 5 First places and 21 points. He also has his ASCA Championship with 3 Belt Buckles.

Carol Coawette Reported Jaques earned his Excellent Search Title.

Mary Ash reported Pi got her Rally Excellent ASCA title.

Roxann Gracia reported Tanner has received 5 blue ribbons and two Reserved in recent shows in puppy under 6 months.

Congratulations to all the Awardees!

VIII. ADJOURNMENT - Motion was made and carried to adjourn at 7:20 pm

Submitted by:
Roxann Gracia

No Attachments

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overnight. When it's done, I let it cool slightly and strain it through a fine mesh food strainer. Half the strained broth goes into the fridge, half into the freezer. It's been a real winner for us, year-round. Another advantage is that this recipe doesn't stink up the house. It has a very light broth scent and the dogs love the smell, too!

Notes:

These ingredients are considered safe and generally nutritious for most dogs.

Adding a tablespoon or two of apple cider vinegar helps to extract calcium and minerals from the bones. It's crucial to yielding a therapeutic broth.

Some of my classmates at the club suggest putting the broth into ice cube trays. The frozen broth cubes can be conveniently defrosted as needed and even thrown into the water bowl to encourage hydration in hot weather.

The recipe below is for a 6-quart slow cooker or Dutch oven. For a smaller pot, use one chicken carcass and halve the ingredients.

Bone appetit!

Recipe courtesy of The Wellness Principle / Mama Spice. [You also can see the recipe online by clicking here](#), with more details.

Ingredients:

Bones from 2 or 3 roasted chickens—include skin and be sure to pick off any meat left on the bones and reserve it for use in soup or other recipes.

2 ribs of celery cut into chunks

2 carrots, scrubbed and cut into 2 inch chunks

1 head of garlic - slice crosswise into two pieces

1/2 inch piece of fresh ginger root (optional)

7 or 8 pieces of thyme (about 5 - 6 inches long)

8 sprigs of fresh Italian parsley (about 6 inches long)

1 bay leaf

1 Teaspoon peppercorns

2 Tablespoons of cider vinegar

2 to 3 quarts of cold water or enough to just cover the bones and vegetables

(You can use rotisserie chickens if you like; the broth will be delicious!)

Instructions:

Add all of the ingredients in the order listed to a 6-quart slow cooker.

Cook on low for 8 to 12 hours. At the end of cooking,

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Even Rats Do Scent Work.

A heroic rat named Magawa has been working in Cambodia, sniffing out dozens of land mines. Magawa has helped to clear more than 2.4 million square feet of land. In the process, he has found 71 land mines and 38 items of unexploded ordnance. Read more about how Magawa and other rats are trained to sniff out land mines by visiting www.npr.org and typing in "After Years Of Detecting Land Mines" in the search field.



Magawa with his handler, Malen, who is with APOPO, a non-profit organization with Belgian roots. APOPO uses positive reinforcement methods to train rats.



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remove the bones and vegetables and discard them. Strain the broth through a mesh strainer to remove the remaining pieces of bones, skin, and vegetables.

If desired, you may place the ingredients in an oven-safe Dutch oven and place it, covered, in a 300 F. oven for four hours. After four hours, reduce the oven heat to 275 F. and cook for another 3 hours. After 7 hours total, remove the pot from the oven.

To finish the broth, remove the fat:

Method 1 - Chill broth in the refrigerator and then remove the fat layer by scraping it off.

Method 2 - Pour the broth, in batches, into a fat separator and let stand for 5 minutes. After 5 minutes, the fat will rise to the top and you can pour the broth into a clean container and the fat will remain in the separator. Repeat until all broth has been defatted.

If you used a rotisserie chicken, there may be little or no fat to remove.

Uses: This salt-free broth can be used in a variety of ways, such as in healthy soups, nourishing stews, gravies, etc. If you want to drink it like soup or tea, you may wish to add a pinch of salt.

Storage: Refrigerate the broth for up to 5 days. After 5 days, freeze for up to 3 months.

7 Reasons Why Dogs Bark

Different Barks for Different Occasions

- 1) Hello! Good to see you!
- 2) What was that? Did you hear that?
- 3) Hey! Stop right there!
- 4) Look at me! Look at me!
- 5) Hello all you other barking dogs out there!
- 6) Help! I can't stop this annoying barking!
- 7) Let me OUT of here!

From an article by Dr. Karen Shaw Becker. She shares articles like these on her Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/doctor.karen.becker>



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Misplaced, Lost, or Missed eMails from NVDTTC?

Misplaced your email from NVDTTC via MailChimp with link to newsletters?
Missed that announcement about COVID-19 updates or an upcoming event?

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



Submission deadline for the
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021 newsletter
is August 20, 2021.

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.

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



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**Next General Meeting
is scheduled for**

July 12, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Zoom or in-person to be determined.

NOTE: Agenda will be emailed to all members 1 to 2 days before the meeting and will include Zoom link if meeting is not in person. You can also contact president@nvdttc.org for Zoom link.



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 edi-
tor, he or she could
appear in a future
newsletter edition!

Email to:

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