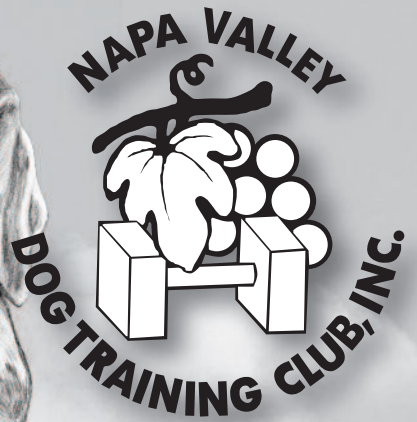


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TATTLE TAILS CLUB NEWSLETTER



Wendy Frieir's Beagles, Schatze & Petite

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*JOIN US at our March 10th 6:30 pm
general meeting for a special
presentation by Sara Scott from
WHAT'S UP DOG?*

Go to page 2 to read about Sara Scott.



Junior Handlers Light Up Good Manners Class

by Vange Leonis

I am proud to introduce you to Napa's future canine handlers. Close to half of the session one evening GMI class were junior handlers.

Laleh and Lucy earned the blue ribbon award for the Most Improved team. Lucy a young, shy, and fearful dog drew strength from her determined handler. After only two classes Lucy gained enough confidence to work out on the floor with the other dogs. Good work Laleh and Lucy.

Carleigh and Trix are an experienced team. Trix received her initial service dog training with Guild Dogs for the Blind but is now redirected to being a breeding mate for future service dogs. This team came to the club to advance their canine skills. To this end we had them practic-



Lucy & Laleh, Carleigh & Trix, Susie & Hershey

ing right side heeling and different kinds of target touching from a distance when not doing course training exercises.

Susie and Hershey teamed up with dad in the class to maximize their training opportunity. They did well trading off time on the floor during training exercises. Hershey proved to be a good competitor on graduation night with the team spoon balancing relay.

Zoe and Cookie (not available for the picture) shared floor training time with mom. Cookie, a Maltese/terrier mix showed some resistance to downing on command. Zoe and mom were able to get on the floor with Cookie and practice the down using the "tunnel under the legs" technique. Way to go team.

A special thanks goes to Marilane for assisting in this session and for substituting when I had a

schedule conflict. Thanks also to Teresa for being the photographer on short notice.

I had the most fun of all.

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Curl Up With a Good Dog Book!

Make this a regular column by recommending books for others to read. Send your titles to newslettereditor@nvdtc.org.



Decoding Your Dog, a new book from the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists.

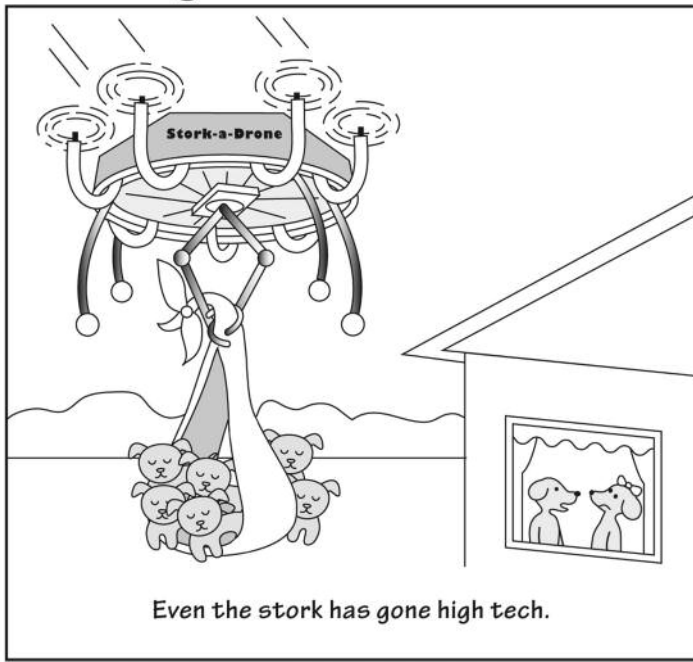
The Ultimate Experts Explain Common Dog Behaviors and Reveal How to Prevent or Change Unwanted Ones.

More than ninety percent of dog owners consider their pets to be members of their family.

But often, despite our best intentions, we are letting our dogs down by not giving them the guidance and direction they need. Unwanted behavior is the number-one reason dogs are relinquished to shelters and rescue groups.

The key to training dogs effectively is first to understand why our dogs do what they do. And no one can address this more authoritatively than the diplomates of the American College of Veterinary Behavior, whose work, the culmination of years of rigorous training, takes them deep into the minds of dogs in an effort to decode how they think, how they communicate, and how they learn.

Geek Dog



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Sara Scott, CPDT, ANWI from What's Up Dog?

Sara will be presenting to NVDTTC on March 10 at the NVDTTC 6:30 general meeting.

Sara is a certified professional dog trainer and behavioral counselor and has been training dogs and their people since 2000. She received her certification in pet training from the Petsmart Pet Training Academy and graduated from the Marin Humane Society Canine Behavior Academy I and II. Sara is a professional member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and is a certified Canine Good Citizen evaluator with the American Kennel Club.

Sara has extensive experience with pit bulls and has fostered over a dozen in her home. From 2006-2010,

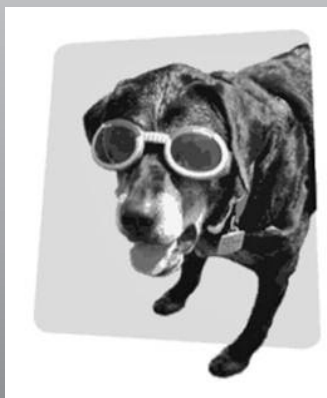


Sara served as lead dog trainer for BAD RAP's (Bay Area Dog Lovers Responsible About Pitbulls') adoption and education programs, Pit Bull Hall and The Ambassadors Project.

Sara has been teaching group dog training classes for over ten years and has taught for the Oakland SPCA, San Francisco SPCA and Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation.

Sara completed the coursework for the K9 Nose Work instructor program with the National Association of Canine Scent Work and has taught nose work classes for several years in the Bay Area. Sara's students are highly successful in competition and have earned titles all the way up to the NW3 title level.

Sara's other dogs include Leroy, CGC, a rescued pit bull who survived Hurricane Katrina and Finntroll du Loups du Soleil, a Belgian Malinois. She is currently training Finntroll in the obedience, agility and protection elements required for French Ring Sport and Mondioring Sport competitions.



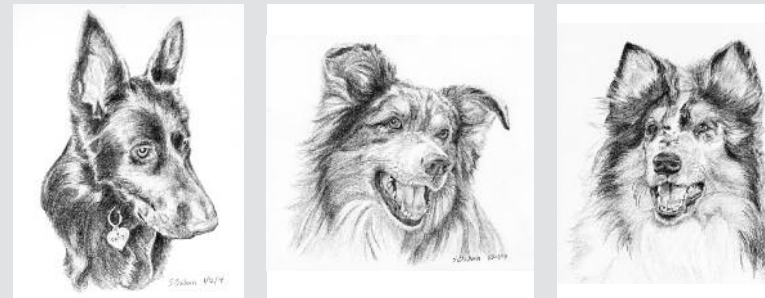
Would you like to see a pencil drawing of your dog?

Visit NVDTTC's facebook page to post a clear, high resolution photo of your dog by March 15, 2014. NVDTTC's facebook page is located at <https://www.facebook.com/NVDTTC/>.

Alternatively you can also place a photo (labeled) in the newsletter-website box at the NVDTTC office.

One photo will be selected to create a pencil drawing to post on the NVDTTC facebook page on March 21 (similar to the ones shown here previously selected for a pencil drawing).

Pictures of both you and your dog work too.



There's a new game in town!

Visitors Welcome!

Skills Testing Games

Skills Testing Friendly Competition

Treibball (try-ball) is a new dog sport, invented in Germany and now gaining popularity all around the world.

Treibball FUN DAY!

Sunday, April 6th • 1:00 to 3:00 PM

To be held at the Napa Valley Dog Training Club

A **MUST-attend event** if you are taking treibball classes; if you are learning treibball on your own; if you have heard of treibball but have never seen it "live"; if you are wondering if your dog might have some good basic skills to begin treibball; if you have an older dog who is retired from agility and is looking for something new to learn; or if you like dog sports and are willing to be part of an audience for dogs who are preparing for their first competition.

To participate in the friendly competition, games or skills testing, download flyer/registration from the NVDTTC website (nvdtc.org). A link to flyer & registration is on the home page.

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I. Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM by Linda Luchsinger. Board members present: Linda Luchsinger, Sandra Bonifield, Lori Jackson, Sue Osborn, Gerry Glantz, Karen Jackson, Deassa Binstock, Marilane Bergfelt, and Debbie Payton.

II. Minutes: M/S/C to accept as published.

III. Treasurer's Report:

CD: 11,814.3
Savings: 7,766.1
Checking: 3,173.53
Transferred \$4,000 from checking to savings. M/S/C to accept report.

IV. BOARD REPORTS

A. President - Linda Luchsinger:

1. Board Award for this month goes to Joy Wood
2. A copy of the current financial report is on the bulletin board for anyone interested to see.

B. Vice President - Sandy Bonifield: Trying to contact a lady on Nosework for March meeting. If you have suggestions, contact Sandy.

C. Office - Sue Osborn: Sue thanked Carol and Margretha for being so efficient and Sandy for all her help. We are soon going "carbonless" on the cash registers. At next registration Sue would like to set up tables outside the office to help speed up registration process.

D. Training - Marilane Bergfelt: First session went well. Marilane thanked Bobbie for preparing a form her on short notice. We are adding a GM+ class (for more advanced students). Teresa doing a Competition Obedience class in sessions 2 and 3. The husband of our Treibball Instructor, Marsha, had a mild heart attack, so the class was cancelled for tonight.

E. Building - Debbie Payton: Teresa and her brother, Alex, have been taking home some of the kennels and cleaning them for us. THANKS GUYS!!

F. Newsletter/Website - Sue Osborn: Deadline for Newsletter is Feb 20 and March 20 for card. Facebook - like the club and submit a photo and Sue will do a drawing.

G. Publicity - Deassa Binstock: Ad place in newspaper for the 5th thru 11th.

V. AOCNC: Sue Osborn coordinated the GGKC show Literature Table this year and she report all went well. The Winter Workshop was last weekend, entries were down but it went very well. Thanks to Mary Ash, Jim Spiva, Alex Valdez and Gerry Glantz for running the Beginning Novice ring NVDTC sponsored.

VI. Hospitality: Thanks to Marilane and Deassa for the great snacks tonight! Volunteers for the March 10 meeting are Chris Mayer and Joy Wood.

VII. Sunshine: Bobbie will continue until March meeting then Deassa will take over this job

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2014 Obedience/Rally Trial: This event cancelled for 2014.

B. 2014 VST TEST: March 9 at Veterans home in Yountville. Linda Kennard is Committee Chair. We have received 7 entries, so drawing for 4 entries was done today.

C. 2014 Agility Trial: Lori Jackson is trial chair. Linda Tjarks agreed to be secretary, but seems to be having a hard time getting judges. The judges from last year could do it again but because of time and distance regulations, only if we move to Cal State Hayward. Lori presented cost figures for Dixon and Cal State. There was discussion but no motions made. Board will be pursuing the subject at their meeting next week.

1. Cal State Costs: 175.00 for 4 hrs + 40.00 each add'l hr. + Porta potties @ 60.00 each + 32.00 for trash cans.
2. Dixon costs: 300/day + 150.00 for Friday setup + 500.00 cleaning deposit

D. PLEASE TURN IN OLD VOUCHERS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2014 AWARDS DINNER: Joy. Awards Dinner is on February 22nd at 6:00 pm at Filippi's. Reservations close tonight so see Joy if you want to attend. Corkage fee could possibly be \$10.00, although they are trying to get it reduced or removed. Motion to approve \$100.00 for incidental costs. S/C.

B. Miniature Schnauzer Club asked for use building June 22, 2014. M/S/C to approve request.

X. NEW MEMBERS - No new members

XI. BRAGS: Christy Rose, Chudleigh finished master jumpers and masters standard titles. Linda Luchsinger said Lola got points at last show.

XII. Miscellaneous Reminders

- A. Lost and found - Please check to see if there is something that belongs to you.
- B. Don't forget to renew your dues.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gerry Glantz, Secretary

TRAINING SESSION 3, 2014

Subject to Change
Apr. 14 - May 23, 2014
Week off May 26

Monday

Not all classes are held 2nd Monday of month

4:30 pm	Intermediate Treibball*	Marcia
5:30 pm	Intermediate Treibball*	Marcia
6:30 pm	Advanced Agility*	Laura

Tuesday

11:00 am	Adolescent Dog**	Sandy
4:30 pm	Paws 4 Fitness	Dogs Can Dance
5:30 pm	Freestyle Drill Team	Judy
6:30 pm	Musical Rally Challenge	Judy
7:30 pm	Good Manners 2	Vange

Wednesday

10:00 am	Good Manners 1	Marlene/Jim
11:00 am	Good Manners 2	Marlene/Jim
5:00 pm	Adolescent Dog Overflow	Marilane
6:00 pm	Puppy	Marilane
7:00 pm	Adolescent Dog	Lea/Marilane
8:00 pm	Puppy Overflow	Lea/Marilane

Thursday

Daytime	Rally (All Levels)*	Mary
5:30 pm	Rally (All Levels)*	Mary
7:00 pm	Canine Good Citizen	Jim
8:00 pm	Good Manners 1	Jim

Friday

6:00 pm	Competition Obedience	Teresa
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*Continued Class

**Puppies younger than 5 months may be included at the instructor's discretion

See 2014 Session Schedule on back cover.
Class & Session schedules available
online: napadogtraining.org/classes.htm

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.

WHO DOES WHAT:

President:
Linda Luchsinger

Vice President:
Sandy Bonifield

Treasurer:
Lori Jackson

Secretary & Past President:
Gerry Glantz

At Large Board Members:

Office:
Sue Osborn

Office Assistant/Reproduction:
Karen Jackson

Publicity & Office Assistant:

Deassa Binstock

Building:
Debbie Payton

Training:
Marilane Bergfelt

AOCNC
Representatives:
Mary Ash

Gerry Glantz
Sue Osborn

MEMEBERSHIP

Sandy Bonifield

SUNSHINE:

Deassa Binstock

If you know of a member who is ill, hospitalized or has experienced a loss, please let Deassa know!

CGC:
Jim Spiva

Newsletter & Website:
Sue Osborn



Check out all these awards!

At the recent NVDTC Awards Dinner held at Filippi's on February 22, lots of awards were given out for many deserving titles received in 2013. Congratulations to all!

Mary Ash and Kodi

AKC Rally Advanced - May 20, 2012
AKC Rally Excellent - March 2, 2013
ASCA Rally Novice - May 25, 2013

Sandy Bonifield and Deuce

AKC Championship - November 10, 2013

Karen Jackson and Maddie

AKC Rally Advanced Excellent 9 - April 28, 2013

Linda Luchsinger and Tessa

AKC Canine Good Citizen

Christy Rose and Chudleigh

AKC Novice Agility Preferred - January 5, 2013
AKC Open Agility Preferred - January 13, 2013
AKC Open Jumpers Preferred - February 24, 2013
AKC Novice FAST Preferred - February 23, 2013
AKC Excellent Agility Jumpers Preferred - June 30, 2013
AKC Agility Excellent Preferred - August 24, 2013
AKC Open FAST Preferred - August 24, 2013
AKC Agility Master Jumpers Preferred - Dec. 22, 2013

Christy Rose and Rollo

AKC Open Agility - February 17, 2013

Teresa Russell and Perry

AKC Senior Hunter - March 23, 2013
AKC Graduate Open - September 7, 2013

Teresa Russell and Chief

AKC Novice Agility Preferred - October 19, 2013

Teresa Russell and Mitzi

AKC Rally Novice - May 25, 2013



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Donna Seaman and Jake

AKC Canine Good Citizen

Joy Sedlock and Kimi

AKC Novice Agility - October 19, 2013
AKC Novice Agility Jumper - October 19, 2013

Linda Wargo and Jive

USDAA Gambler's Champion - Bronze - April 6, 2013
AKC Master Silver Agility - May 4, 2013
USDAA Standard Champion - Bronze - June 1, 2013
USDAA Jumpers Champion - Bronze - June 1, 2013
AKC Time 2 Beat - August 10, 2013
AKC Master Gold Jumper - August 11, 2013
USDAA Tournament Champion - Bronze - Nov. 17, 2013
USDAA Agility Dog Champion - Bronze - Nov. 17, 2013

Linda Wargo and Hef

AKC Novice Agility Jumper - February 17, 2013
AKC Agility FAST Novice - February 16, 2013
USDAA Starters Snooker - June 15, 2013
USDAA Starters Gamblers - June 15, 2013
USDAA Starters Standard Agility - June 16, 2013
USDAA Agility Dog - June 16, 2013

AKC Open Agility Jumper - August 10, 2013
AKC Agility FAST Open - August 31, 2013
AKC Excellent Agility Jumper - September 1, 2013
AKC Open Agility - September 15, 2013
AKC Agility Excellent - November 30, 2013
AKC Agility FAST Excellent - December 21, 2013

Linda Wargo and Mike

USDAA Performance Standard Champion - Gold
April 4, 2013
USDAA Performance Dog Champion Gold
April 4, 2013
USDAA Performance Snooker Champion - Platinum
June 2, 2103
ACK Master Agility Champion 3
October 19, 2013



Photos from Michele Pouliet Workshop held at the Napa valley Dog Training Club in January.

DOG RULES

1. The dog is NOT allowed in the house.
2. Okay, the dog is allowed in the house, but only in certain rooms.
3. Alright, the dog is allowed in all rooms, but has to stay off the furniture.
4. Well, okay, the dog can get on the OLD furniture only.
5. Fine, the dog is allowed on all the furniture, but is not allowed to sleep on the bed.
6. Okay, the dog is allowed on the bed, but only by invitation.
7. The dog can sleep on the bed anytime, but not under the covers.
8. Okay, the dog can sleep under the covers, but by invitation only.
9. Fine, the dog can sleep under the covers every night.
10. Humans must ask permission to sleep under the covers with the dog.

SPEC ~ 2006



Change to Membership Application

To continue to grow our club in a positive and forthright matter, the Board is proposing the following code of conduct be added to the NVDTC membership application. Note this is a working draft and will be presented

to the membership for review and comment at the March 10 general meeting. If you have any comments and suggestions beforehand, please email them to Marilane at bergfelt@comcast.net

PROPOSED
Napa Valley Dog Training Club
Code of Conduct

DRAFT

The Napa Valley Dog Training Club (NVDTC) is a community-based organization dedicated to promoting the training of dogs, and cooperation and good sportsmanship among its members. Members participating in this organization are subject to its bylaws, guidelines, policies and procedures. Any member, who violates these regulations and/or this Code of Conduct, is subject to discipline, up to and including termination of membership.

This Code of Conduct is based on the Golden Rule.

- Members shall participate in club activities and classes while upholding the safety of their pet and others at all times.
- Members shall treat all pet owners and their dogs in a responsible and professional manner, regardless of owner's ability or dog's breed.
- Members shall maintain a spirit of cooperation toward other members, class participants, the NVDTC and outside organizations, groups and clubs.
- Members shall respect the training and behavior goals of others.
- Members shall be respectful of colleagues and other professionals and not judge or falsely condemn their character or professional acts.
- Members shall respect the privacy of other members and class participants, and shall use discretion in revealing information regarding dogs displaying potentially dangerous behavior.
- Members shall refrain from criticizing, or publicly denigrating the conduct or opinions of other members or class participants in public or to outside parties.

The Napa Valley Dog Training Club will provide appropriate and clear avenues through which complaints may be lodged and resolved. This system will be available to all parties and will enable the NVDTC to appropriately and equitably resolve all issues and complaints.

This Code of Conduct will be reviewed when necessary. Submissions for changes to the Code may be made by any member, in writing, to the Board of Directors. Changes will be voted upon at an Annual General Meeting.

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Leave your dog
at home.

**Next
General Meeting
Monday
March 10, 2014
6:30 p.m.**

2014 SESSION SCHEDULE

Jan 6 - Feb 14 — Week off: Feb 17

Feb 24 - April 4 — Week off: April 7

April 14 - May 23 — Week off: May 26

June 2 - July 18 — Week off: June 30
(Fourth of July week mid session)

No week off between session 4 and 5

July 21 - Aug 29 — Week off: Sept 1

Sept 8 - Oct 17 — Week off: Oct 20

Oct 27 - Dec 12 — Week off: Nov 24
(Thanksgiving week mid session)

**Congratulations to recent
Board Award Recipients!**

JANUARY: **Mary Ash**

FEBRUARY: **Joy Wood**

The Board Award recognizes a member on a monthly basis; someone who has been paramount in making the club a better place by what they have done latterly. Unlike the annual Service Award wherein recipients are selected by general club members, Board members make the choice for Board Award recipients—hence the name, **Board Award**.



Scheduling of Board Meetings:

Board meetings are open to all members and, except for December, are scheduled the **THIRD** 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 posted at the club.

**Submission deadline for the May/June
2014 newsletter is April 20.**

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