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# TATTLE TAILS NVDTC Newsletter

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## HELP VICTIMS OF THE VALLEY FIRE

by Gerry Glantz

At our last general meeting we spoke about the Valley Fire and effect it has had on people living in those devastated communities. Many of the agencies we spoke to indicated that donation of funds and food generously donated had covered the care for pets affected by the fires, as far as



medical needs and food were concerned. What they express at this time is a need for long term foster care for animals, (dog, cat and horses) that still need a place to live while their families rebuild or recover in other ways and are once again able to care for their pets.

If you have a desire to help and have room to foster an animal, please contact one of the links below to discuss your willingness to help out. Be

sure to mention Napa Valley Dog Training Club so they will be aware that the club is doing what it can to help the Valley Fire victims.

www.middletownvet.net
www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu
www.sunrisehorserescue.com
www.countyofnapa.org/animalshelter
winecountryanimallovers.org

Thank you for doing what you can to help out the families of this devastating fire.

# Mark Your Calendar! Our CHRISTMAS POTLUCK is December 14th!

All members & their family are invited! More details later.



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## **WE HAVE** A JOB FOR YOU!

by Gerry Glantz

As most of you are aware, we are still searching for people to serve on our 2016 Obedience/Rally Trial committee. Most of the jobs are not difficult and do not take too much time and those of us who have done the jobs are willing to assist you. Several of you were hesitant to volunteer because you did not know what the job involved. To help you out, I have made a very brief outline of the various jobs of the Trial Committee. I know we all want out trial to be successful, and that will take a coordinated effort by the entire club. So look over the jobs below and decide which one you would like to volunteer to do. We will be asking for your assistance again at the November meeting, so please COME PREPARED TO SAY YES when we ask for volunteers! Thank you in advance for being willing to support NVDTC with your time and energy!

#### **OBEDIENCE/RALLY TRIAL COMMITTEE**

#### TRIAL CHAIRPERSON

- 1. Oversee all plans of the trial and assist committee members in their duties as needed.
- 2. Call meetings to make plans and assess the progress of those plans.
- 3. Work with the Board of Directors and/or general membership to resolve issues as needed.
- 4. Complete all AKC paperwork online.
- 5. Coordinate securing of judges. Judges for 2016 are already in place!
- 6. Coordinate with Trial Secretary for dates of Premium List and printing of catalog.
- 7. Coordinate securing of location for venue, if necessary.

#### **GROUNDS COORDINATOR**

- 1. Coordinate laying out and setting up rings before trial begins.
- 2. Coordinate breaking down of rings after trial and assist in loading for return to club.

#### CHIEF OBEDIENCE RING STEWARD

- 1. Recruit the necessary number of stewards to properly run the obedience ring.
- 2. Have sign-up sheets available at all meetings and at the clubhouse where they are readily accessible to volunteers.
- 3. Oversee and coordinate steward assignments during trial.

#### **CHIEF RALLY RING STEWARD**

4. Recruit the necessary number of stewards to properly run the rally ring.

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### **NEW OUT & ABOUT CLASS A HIT**

by Vange Leonis, Trainer

This class was designed to learn, teach, and experience being in public situations safely with your dog. The materials and methods used came from training used for service dogs and therapy dogs, a search of the literature, and lifetime experience. The goal of the class was to teach proper etiquette and good manners when in public with your dog. There were three venues that were practiced - Shopping, Dining Out, and Community Event. Handlers learned and practiced different skill sets in preparation for the mock venue the following week.

Shopping dealt with positioning your dog while window shopping or in a dog friendly store. Practice was done for tight spaces and a

variety of distractions including children, wheelchairs, strollers, and food on the street or under a table. Methods for traveling on an elevator were also practiced. The proper place to potty your dog was discussed.

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Dining Out venue was very timely with more and more restaurants offerina outdoor doa



friendly seating. Handlers experienced eating real food and dining with their dog in an outdoor patio café, at a banquet, and a picnic on the ground all within the club. Having your dog settled and relaxed while you were eating and talking with other people was the goal. An important lesson in dining out at a restaurant is positioning your dog out of the way of the server and away from sidewalk traffic distractions. Strategies for where to park and anchor your dog while dining were taught.

Community Event was a Halloween celebration. We had a party with a costume parade, dancing with your dog to Halloween hit music, dogs dunking for hotdogs, trick or treat for dog cookies, and a mummy wrap. There was also an opportunity to practice a movie in the park.

This six week class offered a wealth of practical information with a chance to practice and learn in a safe environment. Some additional topics discussed were: what to bring for your dog when traveling, reading dog body language to know when your dog is stressed and how to destress your dog, proper way for your dog to meet a stranger, a child, or a person afraid of dogs, and what to do when approached by a loose or reactive dog. At the end of each class there was time to reflect on the role play experience and answer any questions. The group shared their dog traveling experiences and recommendations for trips in the future.

This class will be offered again in the spring session. Hope to see you then.

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# Dogs Can Dance Workshops at the clubhouse

January 16, 2016

## Introduction to Freestyle

10:00 AM - 12/NOON

Discover WHY all dogs love canine freestyle! Learn the basics of canine freestyle set to music. Warm ups, stretches, two routines and how to select music for your dog.

January 16, 2016

## Dancing for Smiles

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Discover tools for creating group routines and individual choreography for therapy dog routines. Create many uses for freestyle during therapy dog visits.



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Registration forms are available at: www.DogsCanDance.com/. Click on Workshops and Classes, Look for "Napa." Make checks payable to: NVDTC

\*Prerequisite required for Dancing for Smiles: Freestyle experience or "An Introduction to Canine Freestyle Workshop." Questions? Contact Judy@DogsCanDance.com

## **CRATE & CHOICES**

#### A POSITIVE CRATE TRAINING CLASS

Dogs will learn to love their crates, learn rules, structure, improve relationship and learn correct choices. TUESDAYS
7:30 PM
JAN 12
to FEB 16
2016
at the
clubhouse

NOTE the first
class will be longer
than 1 hour. The dogs
have to reach a certain
point before they
can be done for
the night.



Puppies and Dogs
of all ages are
welcome. All dogs
must be current on
immunization.
Prerequisite:
Entry level class.

Bring a crate for your dog. Suggested crates are wire or vari (hard sided). NOTE: Soft crates NOT allowed. REGISTER TODAY! CALL 707-253-8666

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#### A Job For You from page 2

- 5. Have sign-up sheets available at all meetings and at the clubhouse where they are readily accessible to volunteers.
- Oversee and coordinate steward assignments during trial.

#### RIBBONS & TROPHIES COORDINATOR

- 1. Check inventory of ribbons from prior year and order more as needed.
- 2. Pick up ribbons and be responsible for delivery to trial grounds on trial date and for distributing to rings at appropriate times.
- 3. Present ideas for trophies to committee for approval and then order as needed.
- 4. Offer opportunity to members to sponsor or support trophies in memory of a pet or donate to the general fund with their name and pet 's name published in catalog.

#### HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR

- 1. Coordinate the AM hospitality for workers (members), either by getting donations from club members or purchase as approved by the committee.
- 2. Arrange for lunch for all trial workers and judges and possibly entrants.

#### **EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR**

- 1. Check over all required equipment to be sure it is clean and in good working order. Make or arrange for repairs as needed.
- 2. Coordinate the moving of equipment to the trial grounds, and to the rings as necessary.
- 3. Recruit members with vehicles or arrange for rental of a truck to carry equipment. Line up necessary workers to help move and set up equipment.

#### RAFFLE COORDINATOR

- 1. Gather donations of gifts, cash, baskets, etc. for raffle.
- 2. Assemble gift baskets.
- 3. Obtain and sell raffle tickets at trial and has change available.



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8:00 pm

#### 2016

#### **WORKSHOPS & CLASSES**

Flyers for new & returning classes and workshops (as listed below) are posted at

#### napadogtraining.org/flyers/.

Flyers can be downloaded to promote our club training opportunities. Formats are available for sharing electronically, through social media, and by printing.

Let the community know what our club offers—send & hand out our flyers!

1) Pet First Aid/CPR: 11/7/15 (4 hour workshop)

2) Crate & Choices: 1/12/16 (6 week class)

3) Advanced Obedience: 1/13/16 (Returning 6 week class)

4) Mighty Mights: 1/14/16 (6 week class)

5) Introduction to Freestyle: 1/16/16 (2 hour workshop)

6) Dancing For Smiles: 1/16/16 (2 hour workshop)



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## **SESSION 1 JAN 11 – FEB 19, 2016**

Week off: February 22

Monday

Evenings—OPEN

\*\*NOTE
DO NOT
bring
dogs to

Lea

	Tuesday	orientation.
10:00 am	Adolescent Dog	Kim
11:00 am	Puppy	Kim
ADO & PUPPY	ORIENTATION: JAN 12 at 1	0 AM**
4:30 pm	Intermediate Freestyle	Judy
5:30 pm	Freestyle Drill Team	Judy
6:30 pm	Musical Rally Challenge	Judy
	NEW	
7:30 pm	Crate and Choices	Donna
	Wednesday	
9:00 am	Good Manners 1	Kim & Marlene
GOOD MANNERS	6 1 ORIENTATION: JAN 13 a	t 9 AM**
10:0 0 am	Good Manners 2	Kim & Marlene
	RETURNING	
11:00 am	Advanced Obedience	Marlene
5:00 pm	Adolescent Dog	Donna
6:00 pm	Puppy	Donna
7:00 pm	Adolescent Dog	Lea

## BOTH WED PUPPY CLASSES ORIENTATION: JAN 13 at 6 PM\*\* BOTH WED ADO CLASSES ORIENTATION: JAN 13 at 7 PM\*\*

Puppy

Thursday						
8:00 am	Rally—All Levels*		TBA			
10:30 – 1:00 pm Capitol Canines—Performance Sport						
	Training - Selected Dates		Pat White			
5:00 pm	Rally—All Levels*		TBA			
NEW						
MIGHTY MIGHTS ORIENTATION: JAN 14 at 7 PM						
7:00 pm	Mighty Mights—Good Manners 1					
	for Small Dogs	Vang	e			
8:00 pm	Good Manners 2 Vange		e			
Friday						
6:00 pm	Good Manners 1	Kim				
GOOD MANNERS 1 ORIENTATION: JAN 15 at 6 PM						

\* CONTINUED CLASS

**SCHEDULE AS SHOWN IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE** 

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## 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following slate for the 2016 Board of Directors, as of the October12 general meeting, is as follows:

President: Joy Wood Vice President: Mary Ash Secretary: Risha Martin Treasurer: Lori Jackson

Immediate Past President: Gerry Glantz Board Members at Large: Kim Leslie, Donna Golemon, Pat Martin, Francis

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Election of the 2016 Board of Directors will take place at the November 9, 2015 general meeting.

#### YEAR END AWARDS

It's time to start thinking about the 2015 Year End Awards. To be eligible for these awards, a member must have attended 3 general meetings in 2015 and worked at least one major event or on a committee. You must have competed in any venue (agility, obedience, rally, etc.) and received a title in that venue. NVDTC not only recognizes AKC events but mixed breed events as well.

If you competed in a non-AKC event it must require that you receive at least three legs (or equivalent) in order to title. The official application for year end awards is below, is available in the office and online. If you have any questions please contact Linda Wargo at 707-649-0192.

A PDF of just this form can be downloaded from <u>napadogtraining.org/awards.htm</u>

#### Napa Valley Dog Training Club Year End Awards Application 2015

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You have until December 31, 2015 to complete your titles. However, if you have received awards so far this year, please fill out your paperwork ASAP.

Please fill out all information below. You must fill out a separate application for each individual award.

Your Name	
Phone:	Email:
Dog's Registered Name (if applicable	e)
Dog's Call Name	
Dog's Breed	Variety/Color
Date/Title Received	
Title Received (i.e.: AKC Agility Novio	ce Jumper, AKC Champion, CD (Companion Dog)
Do you already have a plaque?	
Do you only need a new engraving for	or your existing plaque?

#### Include a separate sheet of paper to tell us about your dog.

To receive your year end award you must have attended at least 3 meetings in 2015 and worked on one event or committee.—*no exceptions*. See Linda Wargo if in doubt about whether you have fulfilled this requirement.

This form must be returned to Linda Wargo. Forms and plaques can be left at the club in her box (Vice President's box) in a bag or envelope with Linda Wargo's name on it—no later than **January 5, 2016**.

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Where do you take your dog in the community? What places do you like? What places are not so good?

Send your response to the newsletter editor by the 20th of each even numbered month (February, April, June, August, October, December). With enough responses, a feature titled "Places to Take Your Dog—The Good and The Not So Good" will be added to the newsletter.

Possible change of date and venue for the 2016 agility trial: Lori Jackson is looking at changing the month of the agility trial from August to May and the location to Solano Community College.

Please be prepared to talk about these options at the next general meeting on November 9, 2015.

A PDF of just this form can be downloaded from napadogtraining.org/awards.htm



On October 17th at the Del Valley Dog Show in Pleasanton, Sandy Bonifield's 16-month-old black Miniature Schnauzer, Clark, won Best Puppy in Sweepstakes.

Clark looked great!

## Napa Valley Dog Training 2015 Club Service Award:

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Thanks to the work of devoted members our club has remained strong since 1970. In 2001, the NVDTC Service Award was created to recognize those who have made significant contributions. This award will be presented at the Annual Awards Dinner in February, 2015.

Return completed form by January 15, 2016 to Deassa Binstock,

by leaving in her box at the club.

#### Nominations:

Any member is welcome to make a nomination, and a member may nominate multiple people each year. Nominations must be given in writing and must include the contributions of the nominee.

#### Criteria for the NVDTC's Service Award:

- 1) Nominee must be a current club member and in good standing.
- 2) Nominee must follow and uphold NVDTC's bylaws and rules.
- 3) Nominee has contributed to the overall well-being and growth of the club.
- 4) Nominee represents the club in a professional and positive way.

#### Voting:

The Selection Committee is made up of past Service Award Recipients:

Deassa Binstock, Jim Spiva, Karen Jackson, Lori Jackson, Laura Ecklin, and Marlene Soldavini.. Please note: As committee members—none of these individuals are eligible to receive the award.

Your name:	 	 	
Name of Nominee: _	 	 	
Contributions:			



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## **Dear Training Staff,**

I want to take a minute to not only thank you directly but also let the membership know what a wonderful job you do throughout the year. I appreciate how you have offered encouraging ideas, supported each other and embraced unforeseen changes. Thanks to this energy, the club has been able to offer new classes and attract new staff. In turn, class participants have repeatedly told me how much they enjoy these changes and are looking forward to continuing with our club.

So many of you teach each week with a smile on your face and a sincere wish to help dogs and their families. Your kindness is the Front Door of our club and your efforts to help the community can never be underestimated.

I'd like to give a special thanks to the following people, instructors and support staff alike, who positively contribute to our training program.

Bobbie Honsvick for the adorable class certificates that bring smiles to our students. They love taking these keepsakes home.

Lynda Rhyno for keeping our training supplies stocked. Her efforts allow our members and students equipment options at very affordable prices.

Vange Leonis, Judy Gamet, Marlene Soldavini, Kim Leslie and Donna Golemon for helping develop new classes. Thank you for stepping up to the challenge I set in late 2013 and working with the board to provide these opportunities.

Sue Osborn for creating ways to promote our activities, especially our New, Returning and Specialty Classes. Now our club can accept early registrations months in advance and allow members and students a way to plan their pet's future.

Lynda Wargo for creating an inventory of our club's materials and training equipment, plus providing insights into canine competition sports. Her help has allowed me to reach out and learn about future options for our group.

Sandy Bonifield, Cheryl Meyers, Marlene and Stan Soldavini for filling in whenever an extra pair of hands were needed. These members keep the classes running smoothly by working behind the scenes in both the office and on the training floor. Without them a lot of 'little things' would go undone.

Thank you all for making the club a priority in your life. It is a pleasure to work with you.

Marilane Bergfelt, 2014-15 Training Chair

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## **Pet First Aid** & CPR Workshop

November 7, 2015

9:00 AM at the NVDTC Clubhouse 68 Coombs, Bldg N, NAPA

#### 4-HOUR hands-on workshop \$50 per person

NO DOGS ALLOWED - MANNEQUINS ARE PROVIDED

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, participants will know:

- Prior planning & preparation necessary to respond effectively covering the following:
  - o Resources

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- o Equipment
- o Normal Vital Signs
- o Emergency Action Steps
- How to resolve a choking emergency
- When and how to administer CPR
- How to control bleeding
- How to treat burns
- How to care for suspected strains, sprains and fractures

• What to do in the event of poisoning or a snake bite

• How to care for sudden injury or illness

Participants should be at least 12 years old

Participants should be able to undertake moderate physical activity



## SIGN UP NOW! Space limited to 24 attendees Call 707-253-8666

This workshop is put on by "Pet First Aid & CPR classes by Peter Pay, Need to Know Training" and brought to you through Vange Leonis, **NVDTC** Trainer.

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October 12, 2015 General Meeting

## MINUTES (unapproved)

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



www.nvdtc.org/meeting

- I. Call to Order: 6:40 pm by president Gerry Glantz
- II. Minutes: Correction for office report Sue Osborn thanked all those who helped with class registration session 6. Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Katherine Rhyno, Marlene Soldavini, Maria Giaccio, Cheryl Meyer, De Brilz, Sara DeCrevel, Deassa Binstock, Lynda Rhyno & Pat Martin-MSC to accept as corrected.
- III. Treasurer's report: Sandy Bonifield
  - A. CD \$11843.89
  - B. Savings \$10362.36
  - C. Checking \$4294.95 MSC to accept treasurer's report
  - D. A card was received from Napa Humane to thank members who attended the Dog Bar event. Our ½ of the raffle was \$70.00

#### **IV. Board Reports**

- A. President's report no report
- B. Vice President Linda Wargo
  - 1. Membership no new members at tonights meeting
  - 2. Upcoming Meeting Guests November is Elections, Dec is the Christmas pot luck & gift exchange
- C. Office Sue Osborn Session 6 went well and Sue needs volunteers to help with sign-ups for session 7.
- D. Building Debbie Payton Ross fixed the lights. 1 or 2 still need attention. Down spouts and roof repairs are going on by the landlord.
- E. Publicity Carol Coawette Carol asked members to take flyers to their vets offices. She has placed ads in the free publications. There was a suggestion that the president write a letter to put in the puppy packets the vets give out. It was decided this was not necessary.
- F. Training- Marilane Bergfelt New classes begin the week of Oct 26. Session 7 the CGC has added a 2nd class on Friday night.
  - New classes for 2016 are: Delightful distractions by Kim
  - Xmas Tricks & games by Vange Leonis and Donna Golemon to offer Crate games
  - The first 1/3 of the year has been set for classes.
- V. Newsletter/Website Sue Osborn 10/20/15 is the deadline for the newsletter.
- VI. AOCNC Mary Ash, Sue and Gerry the Seminar on 9/20 at Mt Diablo was successful. 2016 will be planned in the same format.

The presidents luncheon was on Oct 10, 2015. Dates for the winter workshop was moved to 2/14/16. July 23 will be the summer workshop.

VII. Hospitality – Thank you to Sara & Pauline for our refreshments. No volunteers for your November meeting.

#### VIII. Old Business

- A. 2016 Tracking Test March 12-13, 2016. Judges are picked and the Vintners Golf club is happy to have NVDTC back again.
- B. 2016 Obedience/Rally trial No volunteers to Chair or work the obedience trial in 2016.
- C. Lori Jackson presented a profit & loss report on the **2015** agility trial. We made a profit of 194.39. She thanked the club members who participated on her committee and worked the trial. 2016 Agility Trial August 20-21, 2016 - Lori Jackson will Chair the committee.
- D. Member Building Usage Pat Martin Sue Osborn & Paris won the photo contest. Pat made photo cards of the dogs and gave to all those who participated. Irish Terrier club was approved to have their xmas party on 12/6/15. This was approved by the board of direc-
- E. Nominating Committee Laura Ecklin The entire 2015 board has chosen not to continue in 2016. There was a lengthy discussion of jobs and responsibilities and the following members stepped up to fulfill the vacant positions.

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Immediate Past President; Gerry Glantz Board members at large: Kim Leslie, Donna Golemon, Pat Martin, Francis Anamosa.

- IX. New Business Margretha suggested to give to the Valley Fire. It was discussed that there is no financial need at the moment, but foster homes are needed.
- X. The Joint board meeting in November will be postponed to Nov 30 to have it after elections.
- XI. Vallejo DTC was approved to borrow 16 stantions on 11/1/15 MSC.

XII. Brags were presented

XIII. Adjournment

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# Photo Contest Winner

There were 16 dogs entered in the recent photo contest organized by Pat Martin! Linda Wargo judged the entries and announced the winner at the October 12th general meeting. Paris was judged as having the most fun while training with Napa Valley Dog Training Club! Her prize? A \$20 Pet Food Express Gift Certificate!

At left are thumbnails (in alphabetical order) of all the entries for Brandy, Chassis, Dakota, Inc, Jacque, Lollie, Mina-moo, Nickel, Paris, Pierre, Sara, Shana, Trigger, Trooper, Ube, and Walter. View full size photos on flickr on the NVDTC website on the PHOTOS page.



































A class JUST for small dogs!



## JANUARY 14 to FEBRUARY 18, 2016 Thursdays at 7:00 PM

Lessons and teaching method will be geared to the needs, learning style, and comfort level of small dogs and their owners.

- Dogs must be at least 6 months old & weigh 20 pounds or less.
- This class will cover all skills and materials included in NVDTC's Good Manners 1 classes.
- Class is designed for the small dog to learn basic obedience skills, build confidence, and reduce reactivity; all in a safe environment.

Classes held at the clubhouse.

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Next Meeting:
November 9, 2015 • 6:30 PM

Leave YOUR dog at home.

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 edition!

email to: news@napadogtraining.org
Featured in this edition is trainer Lea with
student De and her dog, Mina-moo.

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MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION
ONLINE.
Renew Today!

NOTE: Membership Applications will also be mailed to all members. Watch for it in your mail!



#### Scheduling of Board Meetings:

is December 20, 2015.
Send to: news@napadogtraining.org

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

November, 2015—Meeting will be held Nov. 30 Decembers—No board meetings

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



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