



Linda Luchsinger, President
Sandy Bonifield, Vice President
Stefanie Meinhardt, Treasurer
Sue Osborn, Secretary

At Large Board Members:

Carol Coawette, Membership
Maria Giaccio, Building

SUNSHINE: Sandy Bonifield

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Sue Osborn

TRACKING CHAIR: Stefanie Meinhardt

AOCNC REPS:

Mary Ash, Sue Osborn, Joy Wood

BUILDING USE COORDINATOR:

Sue Osborn

*See last page for contact
information for above members*

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Napa Valley Dog Training Club • (707) 253-8666 • Clubhouse: 68 Coombs St., Bldg N
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 4097, Napa CA • www.napadogtraining.org

Join us for a Handler Discrimination Demo!

Presented by Donna Golemon



**Monday
November
11th**

In handler discrimination, dogs learn to find his or her handler's sock or glove scented with the handler's odor. The sock or glove is placed into a box and immediately placed on the floor along with 10 other boxes.

Once the dogs have an understanding of this, the glove/sock changes to a scented cotton ball and the ball is hidden in an area search.

Our handler discrimination class has met approximately 22 times, over four sessions. Donna, speaking as the trainer of this class, says "Handlers and dogs have been a blast to instruct and watch grow."

If you are looking for a great way to have lots of fun and to bond doing handler discrimination training with your dog, join us. Sign up for a class in 2020!

Donna's demo will take place in conjunction with the general meeting on November 11th. *See you there!*



Mark Your Calendar! Christmas POTLUCK is December 9th!

6:30 pm at the Clubhouse

(68 Coombs Street, Building N in Napa)

- All Members, Family and Friends are welcome.
- Please bring a side, main dish or dessert to share.
- The club will have plates, utensils, cups
- If you would like to participate in our gift exchange, please bring a gift (gift limit is \$15).



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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
FOR THESE
UPCOMING EVENTS:**

SCENT WORK TRIAL

April 18 and 19, 2020
at Napa Valley PSI
(Napa Valley Products Services
& Industries)

We need your help!
Contact **Linda Wargo**
to volunteer.

OPEN HOUSE

April 25, 2020
at

Napa Valley
Dog Training Club

Celebrating the Club's 50th Anniversary!

A volunteer signup request
will be distributed early 2020.

Questions? Ideas for special
events and ideas for this milestone
open house are welcome.

Contact **Sue Osborn**

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A fun event
put on by Napa Valley Dog Training Club

FOR NVDTC STUDENTS and MEMBERS!

Get Your Dog's Holiday On

by having a **FREE Christmas photo** taken
of him or her with Santa!



**Saturday, November 16, 2019
Noon to 3:00 PM**

**Location: Napa Valley Dog Training Clubhouse
68 Coombs, Building N in Napa • nvdtc.org**

Fill out the form below and bring with you and your dog.
Dogs must be both people and dog friendly and be on leash.

**Photos will be transferred to a thumb drive
you provide and/or emailed.**

Name _____

Phone _____

Email (PRINT CLEARLY):

Dog's Name _____

Breed of Dog _____

Dog's Coloring _____



Dog Training Workshop

Building and Strengthening
Behaviors with Sue McGuire, TAKL

Sunday
November 17, 2019
9 AM to 4:30 PM

Sign up to attend:
<http://nvdtc.org/flyers>

This upcoming dog training Building and Strengthening Behaviors (with Sue McGuire) workshop will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2019 in Napa, CA at the Napa Valley Dog Training clubhouse, 68 Coombs, Building N in Napa from 9:00am to 4:30pm.

Workshop is provided by the Napa Valley Dog Training Club and Canine Academics

Our presenter, Sue McGuire TAKL (Trainer Accredited by Kay Laurence) is the Manager of the Canine Behavior Program at the Humane Society of Sonoma County in Santa Rosa.

During this day long workshop, Sue will take participants through the process of building behaviors that are strong, yet flexible and with evidence of great understanding on the part of the dog.

Handler Only: \$95.00

Dog and Handler team: \$115.00 (space is limited)

Shelter Employees, Rescue Workers and current NVDTC members are offered a \$10.00 discount.

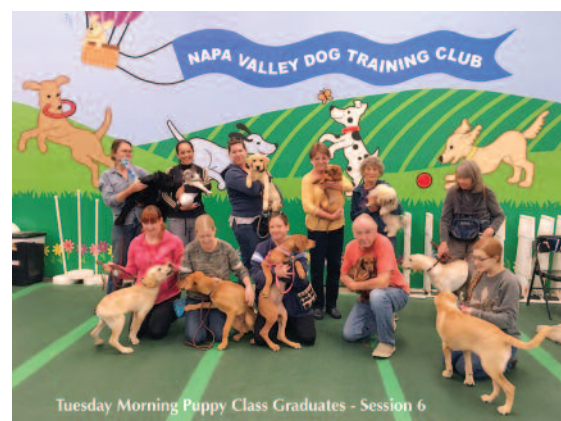
To learn more about the seminar and Sue McGuire, please download flyer from <http://nvdtc.org/flyers/Combined2-PageSueMcGuireFlyer.pdf>

Registration via Canine Academics at www.canineacademics.com

** Event includes lunch and facility has off-street parking. **

“I think my dog always follows me to the bathroom because I always follow him outside and he thinks that’s the way it works.”

—Anonymous



SESSION SIX GRADUATES

Top: Tuesday AM Adolescent Class

Middle: Tuesday AM Puppy

Bottom: Wednesday PM Puppy

Congratulations to all these new graduates and to all our other graduates from session six.

Photo credit:
Sandy Bonifield and Lea Ronald



Cooking For Your Dog: Do's & Don'ts of Homemade Dog Food

By Mary Kearl/AKC Communications



Cooking for your dog offers benefits like diet management, appeasing picky eaters, and bond-building.

Common home cooking mistakes include using unsafe ingredients and not preparing balanced meals.

While homemade dog food has merits, pre-prepared foods with whole ingredients are now available.

Dog nutrition can be tricky, especially when considering cooking for your pets. Which human foods are safe for dogs to eat? How can you ensure your homemade food will meet your dog's dietary requirements? There can be a lot of questions to answer. Additionally, there aren't many sources that offer safe, healthy information on how to prepare meals for your dog at home.

Jennifer A. Larsen, DVM, MS, Ph.D., and Joe Bartges, DVM, Ph.D., board-certified veterinary nutritionists and diplomates of the American College of Veterinary Nutrition touch on the pros and cons of cooking for your dog.

Should You Cook Your Dog's Food?

Is cooking dog food at home really better for your pup? While there may be claims made to that effect, there's no hard scientific evidence to support it.

"Owners are told by many sources that home-made food is superior to commercial products. However, there is no proof to support this claim," says Dr. Larsen.

Larsen cautions dog owners to be aware of fear-mongering within the pet food industry. This is

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'tis the Season to Feel Warm and Fuzzy

It's that time of year when
giving something special to
those we love is
on many of our minds.



**Napa Humane and their
Wellness Center
accepts donations from
Napa Valley Dog Training Club year round
AND during the holidays.**

**You can drop donations in the club's
dedicated barrel marked for Napa Humane located
in the club's training area.**

Questions? laps_aat@comcast.net or (707) 253-8666

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October 14, 2019 General Meeting

MINUTES (unapproved)

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



www.nvdtc.org/meeting

SLATE FOR 2020 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Linda Luchsinger
Vice President: Sandy Bonifield
Treasurer: Stefanie Meinhardt
Secretary: Sue Osborn

Board Members at Large:
Carol Coawette
Marion Sigel
Debbie Hilton

November is our election meeting. If there are any other nominations please contact Sue Osborn or Linda Luchsinger ASAP so as to reflect them on the ballot.

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MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION
(FOR MEMBERS
ONLY) IS
ONLINE!

2020 Membership

The club's membership renewal form (aka 'application') is now available online. Hard-copies are at the clubhouse and the digital version is on our website under 'Membership.'

NOTE: For members: An electronic version of the 2 page renewal membership application is also included after the last page of this newsletter. If you are not a member yet, attend a general meeting to join.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. President Linda Luchsinger called the meeting to order at 6:43 PM.
- B. Board members present: Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Linda Luchsinger, Stefanie Meinhardt, and Sue Osborn. Absent: Maria Giaccio.

II. MINUTES—Sue Osborn

MSC to approve the September 9, 2019 general minutes as published.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT—Stefanie Meinhardt

As of September 30th:

- A. Checking: \$43,783.64
- B. Savings: \$22,315.14
- C. Paypal: \$1,027.20
- D. Year to date profit: \$91.18.

IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT—Linda Luchsinger

Board of Directors Nominations:

- 1. Nominations were presented at tonight's meeting as follows: President: Linda Luchsinger, Vice President: Sandy Bonifield, Treasurer: Stefanie Meinhardt, Secretary: Sue Osborn, At Large Board Members: Carol Coawette, Marion Sigel, and Debbie Hilton.
- 2. With no additional nominations at tonight's meeting, this leaves two open at large board positions.
- 4. Election will take place at the November annual general meeting.

B. VICE-PRESIDENT—Sandy Bonifield

- 1. Tonight was the club's "Bring Your Dog To The Meeting" night. There was a Halloween costume contest and parade. Stefanie provided prizes for tonight's event.
- 2. The annual Christmas potluck will take place at the December 9th general meeting with a gift exchange (\$15 limit).

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C. MEMBERSHIP—Carol Coawette

1. MSC to accept new members Nancy Taylor and Diana Hanson.
2. Hardcopy membership applications for 2020 are now available.

D. OFFICE—Sandy Bonifield

If anyone can volunteer to work in the office, let Sandy know. Office volunteers earn a \$40 voucher for each session worked.

E. TRAINING

1. Meeting date has been moved from Wednesday, October 23rd to Thursday, October 24th.
2. First 3 sessions for 2020 will be set and proposed classes will be reviewed.

F. PUBLICITY

Sue continues to promote dog club events and classes on Facebook and through email blasts to members and past students.

G. BUILDING—Maria Giaccio

1. Use of building by LAPS on Nov 9th, 23rd and December 7th was approved at the October 7, 2019 Board meeting.
2. MSC to approve LAPS use of building in 2020 for the following dates:
 - a. Spring 2020: Feb 22, 29 and March 7, 14, 21 - class. Clean / set up March 28. Testing March 29 and advanced training on April 4.
 - b. Caring Canines: June 20 (clean building prior daytime)
 - c. Fall 2020: Sept 12, 19, 26 and October 10 & 17. Clean / set up October 24. Testing October 25 and advanced training on Oct 31.
 - d. There is no charge to LAPS for days set aside for cleaning.
3. New attractive panels were put up to keep equipment safe and clean. Thank you to Stefanie, Maria, and Sandy for this nice addition to the training floor.
4. MSC to approve use of building by Irish Terrier Club on December 8, 2019.

H. NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE—Sue Osborn

1. The October Meeting Announcement was sent out a total of three times via MailChimp to members and students.

2. Requests for items for the November-December newsletter will be sent out on October 16th.

3. The November-December issue will include forms for year-end awards (Linda Wargo in charge) and for the Gerry Glantz Memorial Club Service Award (Committee Chair Stefanie Meinhardt).

I. AOCNC—Sue Osborn, Mary Ash, Joy Wood

1. Scent Work seminar was held at Mt. Diablo Dog Training Club on Sunday, September 22nd. Working team Joy Wood with Sierra and auditors Carol Coawette and Roxann Gracia attended. De Brilz signed up as an alternate.
2. Next quarterly meeting is October 26th hosted by San Mateo DTC.
3. Golden Gate Kennel Club Show coming up end of January- AOCNC will have a table.
4. Winter Workshop will be held February 9, 2020 at the Cow Palace.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Santa Photos - November 16, 2019

1. Need one or two people to help.
2. Sue Osborn will take photos, which will be put on thumb drives if provided by attendee having photos done and can be emailed.
3. Linda Wargo has backdrops to use.
4. Stefanie has contacted a friend to see if he can be Santa depending on if he can get a Santa Suit for November 16th date. If not, Karl Luchsinger can be Santa but will need to rent a suit.

B. Scent Work Trial - April 18 & 19, 2020

Everything is in order. Judges, Pat Moffit and Kelly Boyer, are lined up.

C. Building Cleanup Day, October 27, 2019

Cleanup day will start at 10:00 am. A signup sheet was passed around at tonight's meeting.

D. Sue McGuire November 17, 2019 Four-Hour Seminar

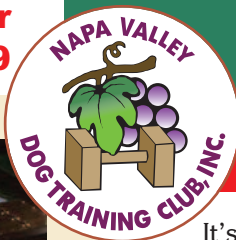
1. Flyers have been received and emailed to members and students and put on trainers' boards.

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YEAR END AWARDS



It's time to start thinking about the 2019 Year End Awards. To be eligible for these awards, a member must have attended 3 general meetings in 2019 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 napadogtraining.org/awards.htm

Napa Valley Dog Training Club Year End Awards Application 2019

You have until December 31, 2019 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) _____

Dog's Call Name _____

Dog's Breed _____ Variety/Color _____

Date/Title Received _____

Title Received (i.e.: AKC Agility Novice Jumper, AKC Champion, CD (Companion Dog)

Do you already have a plaque? _____

Do you only need a new engraving for 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 2019 and worked on one event or committee. — no exceptions. See Carol Coawette if in doubt about whether you have fulfilled this requirement.

This form must be returned to Linda Wargo, 230 James Road, American Canyon, CA 94503 (OR forms and plaques can be left at the club in a bag or envelope with Linda Wargo's name on it) no later than January 6, 2020.



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often driven by myths about ingredient quality. While there are no scientifically-supported benefits to homemade diets, whole ingredient-based diets are better in the long term. Commercial foods are made to be complete and balanced, adds Dr. Bartges, albeit not the most exciting of meals.

“Think of it as eating the same highly processed food for every meal, day after day, for years,” he affirms.

Put that way, feeding your dogs a variety of whole foods makes a lot of sense. In fact, there are a multitude of reasons why you might want to prepare homemade foods for your dog, according to Dr. Larsen and Dr. Bartges.

These include gaining control over your dog’s diet, appeasing picky eaters, combatting food intolerance issues, concern over food recalls, or simply for the bond-building joy of preparing a home-cooked meal for your dog.



Common Mistakes When Cooking For Your Dog

Not Using Trusted Sources

“There are many inadequate, and sometimes dangerous recipes, available to owners,” says Dr. Larsen. “There are now many studies demonstrating that most of these are not balanced.”

Some of these may cause deficiencies in your dog’s diet, while others may lead to an excess of certain nutrients. To avoid encountering unhealthy or dangerous options Dr. Larsen and Dr. Bartges recommend avoiding generic recipes from books or online sources. Some so-called “nutrition experts” are without proper training, and may do more harm than good.

Larsen and Bartges also suggest consulting BalanceIT.com, a site run by a board-certified veterinary nutritionist, to help create a semi-individualized diet.

Not Preparing Balanced Meals

When you don’t prepare balanced meals that are individual-

2. Both working and auditor spots available.
3. There is a \$10 discount available for club members.

VI NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

VII. BRAGS

- A. At the Donner Trail Kennel Club show, Sue Osborn’s Brooklyn received Best Opposite Sex & Best of Breed Owner Handled on Saturday and Sunday for a total of 4 Grand Champion points. On Sunday Brooklyn also received Owner Handled Group 3.
- B. Linda Wargo’s Bill, Ziji, and Hef competed and received a variety of titles in a variety of venues: US-DAAA TRACS and Performance, Grand Prix, Steeplechase, and the NACSW ORT.
- C. Linda Luchsinger’s Lola passed her birch scent for the ORT (Odor Recognition Test) trial on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at PSI.
- D. Chris Mayer’s Pepper completed her ORT title having previously passed the test for birch. On October 5th, she passed the tests for anise and clove to complete the title.

IX. MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:09 PM.

Respectively submitted by
Sue Osborn, Secretary

ized to your pet’s needs, it can come at a cost. Nutrition deficiency (or excess) can lead to diseases, such as malnutrition or obesity, and can ultimately be fatal.

“Each of the ~40 essential nutrients required by dogs has a specific role in the body. When they are provided in inadequate concentrations, the function is not optimal and suffering may result,” explains Dr. Larsen. “Similarly, nutrient excesses can also cause illness. While the impact of an unbalanced diet may be mild and not even noticed or attributed to the diet by the owner, these problems can also be very severe, and pets do not always survive.”

Relying On Multiple Diets To Create “Balance”

“Our study and my clinical experience has demonstrated that this approach is very unlikely to address problems since so many recipes share the same deficiencies,” cautions Dr. Larsen.

Using Unsafe/Unhealthy Ingredients

There is a wide variety of unhealthy and unsafe foods to avoid when preparing meals for your dog. Potentially toxic

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ingredients are of special concern, including chocolate, xylitol, avocado, grapes, raisins, onions, garlic, and macadamia nuts.

The above list is not exhaustive and other potential issues can arise if you're not careful about ingredients. So make sure to always be aware of which foods are safe for dogs.

Additionally, cites Dr. Bartes, a certain type of heart disease called dilated cardiomyopathy has recently been reported in dogs eating home-made diets that are grain-free, legume-based, and high-fiber.

Not Following Recipes

"Most general recipes provide vague instructions for ingredients or preparation. This leaves the owner to interpret what type of meat to use, or which supplement product to buy," warns Dr. Larson, of the potential difficulty in following dog food recipes.

Rather than improvising, it's important to run any questions by a veterinary nutritionist. That way, you'll be able to understand the impact alternative ingredients might have on your dog.

Understating the Impact of Dietary Changes

Ideally, when you go about creating a custom recipe for your dog, it will be under the guidance of a board-certified veterinary nutritionist. Factors like your dog's eating history, weight, and overall health should be considered. To make sure the food you're introducing is having the desired impact, you'll want to monitor your pet's health for changes over time.

An Alternative To Home Pet Cooking

"Cooking for your pet is a process that's demanding on your time, labor, space, and finances," says Dr. Larsen.

Home cooking is not for everyone, though, and it doesn't have to be. Another option to provide your dog with whole

ingredients is to get carefully prepared ready-made meals. "There are commercial foods that can be purchased that contain whole ingredients that are pre-cooked. Which is very close to cooking," notes Dr. Bartges.



So, while you might think that cooking for your dog is better for their health, it can be just as beneficial to purchase pre-prepared food that's made with the same principles in mind. Whichever method you choose, just to make sure you are always catering to your dog's individual health and nutrition needs.

Napa Valley Dog Training Gerry Glantz Memorial Club Service Award for 2019:

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, which is usually held in February.

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

Return completed form by

January 15, 2020 to **Stefanie Meinhardt,**

c/o Napa Valley Dog Training Club, P.O. Box 4097, CA 94558
or leave in club office in envelope in Stefanie's box.

Voting:

The Selection Committee is made up of the following past Service Award Recipients: Stefanie Meinhardt, Sandy Bonifield, Vange Leonis, Donna Golemon, and Linda Wargo. Please note: As committee members—none of these individuals are eligible to receive the award.

Your Name: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Contributions:

Contributions include but are not limited to: Office(s) held; Board/Chair position(s) held; committee(s) worked on; projects for the club; help at the clubhouse/classes/events, etc.

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.

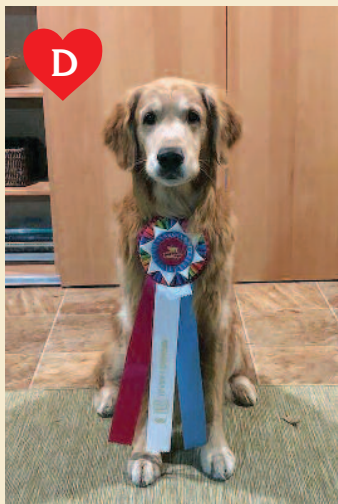
Criteria for the NVDTC's Service Award:

- 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.





BRAGS



C) Chris Mayer:

Pepper completed her ORT title which is an odor recognition test in K9 Nose Work. She had previously passed the test for birch and on October 5 she passed the tests for anise and clove to complete the title. Many thanks to our excellent instructor, Donna Goleman!

D) Linda Wargo:

Since USDAA finally eliminated the requirement for up contacts, I decided to enter Bill (my nine y/o Golden) in their Performance program. To say he has done well is an understatement. At the TRACS trial, he qualified in 9 of 9 runs and finished all his qualifiers under two of the three needed judges. Then at the Haute Dawgs trial he finished his Performance 1 title, and was able to move up to Performance 2 on the second day earning three required quals. He also won High Scoring Performance 1 dog. He loves the more open courses and the different challenges that USDAA provides.

In the same two trials, Ziji continued her quest for her USDAA performance dog championship. At TRACS she earned 6 qualifiers, finishing her Performance 3 Gamblers and Jumpers titles. She also got her first qualifiers in Grand Prix and Steeplechase for the 2020 USDAA Cynosports national competition which will be held in Paso Robles next fall. At Haute Dawgs, she got her final Grand Prix qualifier and took first place in Biathlon Standard. She also picked up three other qualifiers. She is down to just needing a Performance Versatility Pairs legs for her Championship.

My nine y/o cocker, Hef, completed his NACSW ORT at the JMD trial. Now on to trying to get into a trial.

My youngest cocker, Happy, went to the One Mind Dogs Seminar. We did the young dogs session and he was a trooper, running his little heart out and making me run my heart out as well. I am so proud of his focus and love of working with me.

And the best news is that Jive, my 13 y/o cocker, has turned the corner on his spinal infection and is acting like his old self. Still have some way to go on the antibiotics but things are looking good.

4 High in Trials & 3 reserved High in Trials

Linda Luchsinger:

Lola passed her Birch scent for the ORT (Odor Recognition Test) trial on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at PSI.

A) Sandy Bonifield:

Introducing: CH.BONIROSE's WINE TASTER (INK) Ink took Best of Winners for his final point at the September Lake-Drake Cluster in Vallejo.

At the same show in Vallejo (the Lake-Drake Cluster) one year ago was when I entered Ink in his first show. Last year, on Saturday he was awarded his 1st point which happened to be a 3 point major. Then on Sunday he was awarded his 2nd 3 point major. Then in Dixon the following weekend he received a 4 point major then after receiving 3 single points, Ink was stuck on 13 points. At Vallejo's recent Lake-Drake Cluster on September 12th under Judge Sidney Marx, Ink received 1 point and on September 15th under Judge Nikki Riggsbee, Ink received his Championship. It took one year to achieve his title. Life got in the way.

B) Sue Osborn:

At the Donner Trail Kennel Club show, Sue Osborn's Brooklyn received Best Opposite Sex & Best of Breed Owner Handled on Saturday and Sunday for a total of 4 Grand Champion points. On Sunday Brooklyn also received Owner Handled Group 3.



Dog-a-Boo Fun

The October general meeting was a “Bring Your Dog to the Meeting Night” So what better, being the month of Halloween happenings, then to bring your dog in costume and have a costume contest.



10 Most Famous Dogs in History:

1. Toto, the Cairn Terrier
2. Rin Tin Tin, the German Shepherd
3. Lassie, the Rough Collie
4. Trakr, the German Shepherd
5. Bobbie the Wonder Dog, Collie-Shepherd Mix
6. Balto, the Siberian Husky
7. Nemo, the German Shepherd
8. Jofi, the Chow Chow
9. Lex, the German Shepherd
10. Sinbad, the Lovable Mutt

Read their stories online: <https://topdogtips.com/most-famous-dogs-in-history/>

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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
JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020 newsletter
is DECEMBER 20, 2019.

Send to: sueann@napadogtraining.org



Do you have a special or cute dog picture you'd like to share? If you send a photo of YOUR dog 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

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. January through December.

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



Visit NVDTC on the web for the current info & photos:
www.napadogtraining.org





NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

P O Box 4097, Napa, California 94558 ~ (707) 253-8666

2020 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DUES: \$35.00

Monthly meetings are held the second
Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS ONLY
RENEWAL**

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Please, no dogs at
the meetings.

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

Information you provide is used only by Napa Valley Dog Training Dog Club
and is not sold or given to third-parties unless required by law.

NAME:	HOME PHONE:
STREET	WORK PHONE:
CITY, STATE, ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS:

BE SURE TO PROVIDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO RECEIVE CLUB NEWSLETTERS & NOTICES.

☐ Please check here if you do not wish to have your address printed on the published membership list.

OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS:

NAME OF OTHER DOG CLUBS WITH WHICH
YOU ARE OR HAVE BEEN AFFILIATED:

TELL US ABOUT YOUR DOGS

CALL NAME:	SEX:	AGE:
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BREED:		
CALL NAME:	SEX:	AGE:
BREED:		
CALL NAME:	SEX:	AGE:
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TELL US ABOUT YOUR INTERESTS AND/OR EXPERIENCE

Please indicate any area in which you have interest and/or experience and would be willing to help the club.

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Assisting Training Classes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Serving as a Club Officer or Board Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computers/Web Experience | <input type="checkbox"/> Office work/Phones | <input type="checkbox"/> Helping with Trials/Workshops |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |

IMPORTANT

*** BE SURE TO READ AND SIGN AGREEMENT ON PAGE 2 OF THIS FORM. ***

*** MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT YOUR SIGNATURE. ***

MISSION STATEMENT

To Promote responsible pet ownership by offering classes for the community in dog obedience and handling; to educate our members about responsible ownership of dogs; to advocate for the protection and well-being of all dogs; and to adhere to the guidelines of the American Kennel Club in our activities.

VISION

To provide dogs and their owners with the best possible training in an atmosphere of courtesy and respect.

CODE OF SPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

MEMBERS SHALL:

- 1.) Commit themselves to the values of fair play, honesty, and courtesy to all others.
- 2.) Welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the club and participants to dog related events.
- 3.) Respect the AKC and NVDTC Bylaws, rules, regulations and policies.
- 4.) Reject behavior that discourages achievement of the Mission Statement.
- 5.) Always consider as paramount, the safety and welfare of all dogs and handlers.
- 6.) Reject any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- 7.) Respect differences in opinions, training goals, and privacy of all others.
- 8.) Show grace while winning or losing during competition or receiving constructive criticism.

Copy of the Complaint Process is available in the office at any time.

AGREEMENT

By signing my name below, I acknowledge the dogs listed on this form are currently inoculated for DHPP and Rabies. Furthermore, I agree to hold the Napa Valley Dog Training Club, Inc., Owner(s) of the Property, and/or other Business/Operations, and the Members, Governors, Officers and Employees of the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the actions of these dogs, myself or my guests, while in or upon the training premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto. I personally agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or damage to me, my guests or these dogs by disappearance, theft, injury, death or otherwise, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, injury, death or damage be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of any other person, or by any other cause or causes.

In addition, by signing my name below I am acknowledging I agree to abide by the Mission Statement, Vision and Code of Sportsmanlike Conduct (as shown above), the insurance release, the AKC rules, the Napa Valley Dog Training Club Constitution, and Bylaws.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

MEMBERSHIP SPONSORS (For New Members Only)

SPONSOR #1: _____

SPONSOR #2: _____

BOX BELOW IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE OF MEETING ATTENDED:	PAID BY	CASH		CHECK		
CLASS ATTENDED:	AMOUNT: \$	CHECK #				