

TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



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MEETING NOTICE

The next meeting will be May 4, 2010 at the Shelton Lakes Health Care at 7:30 with the board meeting at 6:30.

CALENDAR

April 20 the new obedience classes will start
May 4 - meeting
26 June- Picnic at Laura Hovanec's house.
July 6 - meeting
August 3 - meeting
September 4- **Responsible Dog Ownership Day**
September 7 meeting
October 5 meeting- Nominations for club officers from the floor
November 2 meeting- Installation of officers and pizza party.
December Christmas Party-date to be announced

MEMBERSHIP NEWS: Welcome to new member: Dawn Lowery, 50 Prindle Ave, Ansonia, CT 06401 Phone number: 203-209-3712 e-mail: Dawnyg317@yahoo.com Breed: Boston terrier

THANKS

Everyone at Milford Animal Control would like to express their appreciation to you for the generous donation of food and miscellaneous items donated in memory of Linda McClain. All our shelter animals will enjoy them.
Warmest regards,
Staff at Milford Animal Shelter

APRIL SHOW

Thanks to everyone for a great turnout at our April Show. It was a great success thanks to the member support.

WAGS AND BRAGS



On November 8, at the Nathan Hale Obedience Trial, 5 year old rescue Border collie, Folly, owned by Pat Kuchma, qualified for her second AKC Novice B leg with a score of 193 and 1st Place. She also qualified in Wild Card Novice with a score of 191 and 2nd Place. Then on November 19 at the Springfield cluster, she qualified for her third Novice B leg, and title, with a score of 193 1/2 and 4th place. On November 20, she qualified in Novice B with a score of 193 for a bumper leg.
Also, at the CPE Agility trials in Westbrook, CT on October 3 and 4, Folly qualified in 7 of her classes with 3-1st's, 1-3rd, and 3-4th placements in Level 2.
And on Valentine's weekend, 2010, at the Weston Whirlwinds Flyball Tournament, Folly accumulated enough points to reach the 5000 mark, and achieved her Flyball Master title (FM).
She is now officially: Northwoods Redneck Girl, RN, FM, CL1, CD.



On October 3 and 4, at the CPE Agility trials in Westbrook, CT, 2 year old rescue English Setter, Patches, owned by Pat Kuchma, qualified in 6 of his agility classes, with 1-1st, 3 -2nd's, 1-3rd, and 1-4th placements in Level 1. He also earned his CPE Standard Level 1 title. Also, on Valentine's weekend 2010, at the Weston

Whirlwinds Flyball Tournament, Patches raced in his first event, having all clean runs, and achieved his Flyball Dog title (FD). He is now officially: Ohio Patch CL1-R, FD

Responsible Dog Ownership Day 2010

TFKC is partnering with the Easton Leos/Lions club to put on RDOD 2010 on Sat, Sept 4 on the athletic fields of Samuel Staples Elementary School on Morehouse Rd, in Easton CT. While the Leos are doing most of the work as far as organizing vendors, media, security, etc., we still need club members to volunteer as stewards, help set up, clean up, help coordinate our club events there, and distribute flyers. Submitted by Cynthia Sherman.

HERE IN THIS HOUSE

Here in this house... I will never know the loneliness I hear in the barks of the other dogs 'out there'. I can sleep soundly, assured that when I wake, my world will not have changed. I will never know hunger, or the fear of not knowing if I'll eat. I will not shiver in the cold, or grow weary from the heat. I will feel the sun's heat, and the rain's coolness, and be allowed to smell all that can reach my nose. My fur will shine, and never be dirty or matted. Here in this house... There will be an effort to communicate with me on my level. I will be talked to and, even if I don't understand, I can enjoy the warmth of the words. I will be given a name so that I may know who I am among many. My name will be used in joy, and I will love the sound of it!

Here in this house... I will never be a substitute for anything I am not. I will never be used to improve peoples' images of themselves. I will be loved because I am who I am, not someone's idea of who I should be. I will never suffer for someone's anger, impatience, or stupidity. I will be taught all the things I need to know to be loved by all. If I do not learn my lessons well, they will look to my teacher for blame.

Here in this house... I can trust arms that hold, hands that touch... knowing that, no matter what they do, they do it for the good of me. If I am ill, I will be doctored. If scared, I will be calmed. If sad, I will be cheered. No matter what I look like, I will be considered beautiful and known to be of value. I will never be cast out because I am too old, too ill, too unruly, or not cute enough. My life is a responsibility, and not an afterthought. I will learn that humans can almost, sometimes, be as kind and as fair as dogs.

Here in this house... I will belong. I will be home.

Anonymous

A walk in the park!

Come walk your dog and have some fun!

Margaret Demaine meets every Wednesday at 7 PM, and Saturdays at 2 PM and 7 PM over by the monuments in the Shelton River Walk Park. They walk the perimeter, practice some basic obedience, and chat about issues and triumphs and maybe she can answer some of your questions...?

Please join her group as much or as little as you can! Please call Margaret at (203) 556-1939 with any questions.


**SUPPORT
YOUR DOG
PARK!**



We are raising money to create and maintain a safe place for our dogs to play and socialize.

You can support this effort by purchasing a personalized engraved brick. Your brick will be built into one of several 'Dogwalk' paths within the dog park.



Order forms are available at the Shelton Community Center and various other city offices. For more information and downloadable order form, visit the City of Shelton website at www.cityofshelton.org or call Mandy at 203-922-2643.

DEADLINE for the May-June newsletter is May 7, 2010

Editors Comments: Please continue to send photos and articles to me at csweetwood@att.net for evaluation for the newsletter. Remember to include "TFKC" in the heading or it may never get opened due to the high SPAM content these days. Chris Sweetwood.