TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



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MEETING NOTICE

723-4187

The April 1, 2008 meeting will be at Shelton Lakes Health Care at 8:00 PM, board meeting at 7:30 PM. We will have a guest speaker, Margie Miles who will speak on the subject of the TDI program. The May 6 meeting will be at the same time and location. Our quest speaker will be Jennifer Bridwell of Canine Connection in Milford who will talk about obedience training, courtesy of Lauren Friedman.

CALENDAR

June will be our picnic at Jane Edmunds' house. Date to be announced,

July.- no meeting

August 5 meeting will be a speaker from Fidelco Guide Dogs.

September 20 we will host RDOD, tentatively set at Trumbull's Old Mine Park. We will have an AKC Sanctioned Obedience match and Rally match. Other events will include a micro chip clinic, CGC test, Meet the Breed and vendors. All this is subject to change as needed.

October 7 meeting-the speaker will be Marcy Fallec regarding Holistic/Acupuncture treatment for dogs. November 4 meeting-we still need a speaker.

December will be our Christmas Party.

The calendar is subject to change based upon the availability of guest speakers

Membership news

Dues notices were sent out in January. If you haven't already submitted payment please do so ASAP.

OUR APRIL SHOW

The April 4, 2008 show still needs ring stewards. If you are interested please call Jane Edmonds (876-1310 or e-mail at jedmunds1@mindspring.com). We should have 10 rings so she will need 12-15 stewards. Anyone who wants to learn how to steward now is the time to volunteer and learn! The show will start at 8:30 so people will need to be there by 8 am. The club really needs member support in this area.

To remind everyone, we will not be offering Obedience and Rally at this show. AKC approved skipping this year due to our new show site and limited space. We will have to offer an Obedience and/or Rally Trial in the fall of 08 or in the spring of 09 to comply with AKC requirements. Any questions feel free to contact me at 203-929-1332 Laura Wells **Show Chair**

CLASS INFORMATION

Obedience, Handling and Rally Opened to all dogs, purebred or mixed 7 weeks for \$140

Starting April 7th (Monday)

Puppy/Family Dog Obedience – 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm Intermediate Obedience – 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm Rally (Drop-In \$20) 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Starting April 9th (Wednesday)

Puppy/Family Dog Obedience – 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm Dog Showing for the Beginner – 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm Breed Handling (Drop-In \$10) 8:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Held at the Echo Hose Fire Company on Coram Road in Shelton (Route 8-Exit 13). Parking available across the street and at the rear of the station.

Call Margie Miles for more information 203-924-9285

Enjoy a night out with your Best Friend - Your Dog!!

Responsible Dog Ownership Day

As of today the AKC has granted approval to hold our Obedience Match and Rally B match on September 20, 2008. We are now pending approval from the

town of Trumbull for the use of Old Mine Park and there will be a meeting at Trumbull Town Hall on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 to decide the issue. **We need as many Trumbull residents to attend this meeting**. For details on the exact time and specific room location, please contact Laura Wells at 929-1331.

Arlene Zingale is taking care of publicity, Karen Drumm and Bev Winninger will be getting vendors; Debbie Lindsay and Chris Sweetwood are listed as the Obedience and Rally Match chairs and Deb Saray will be getting the ribbons. We need to address: Getting Rings; jumps; rally items; an MC for the Main ring; a set up crew; a complete listing of events and consider doing some type of flyer we can start distributing. In short we need some more volunteers. Now is the time to jump in and help the club make this the best Responsible Dog Ownership day ever. Please e-mail Debbie Lindsay at Pachaug89@aol.com (929-3329) or Chris Sweetwood at csweet@optonline.net (877-6157)

WAGS AND BRAGS



On February 23, 2008 at the Rockland County Kennel Club Show CH Drago Castellano of Trollbo RN JH earned his AKC Conformation Champion title. Drago owns Lauren Friedman and Chris Sweetwood.

RECIPE CORNER

Drago thought you might enjoy the recipe for the treats that helped him finish his title in the show ring.

GOURMET LIVER TREATS

1lb. beef liver

3 eggs

2 cups flour or oatmeal

2 tbsp garlic powder

Mix all ingredients in a food processor or blender until pureed

Spread mixture in a greased pan

(Choose pan size according to how thick you want the treats to be)

Bake at 350 degrees for ½ hour Store in airtight container in freezer

GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPS

Available for sale to approved homes only 2 male puppies-3 months, black & Tan AKC American Bred, Parents OFA Certified 1st & 2nd shots-health certificate, Sire is Bravo's Corey of Nordlicht, Dam is Hunting Ridge It's About Time. These boys all have very solid temperament. They are very loving, happy well-rounded males. Please contact Linda Lindwall at: (203)368-0431 or (203)685-4771.

If you can start the day without caffeine,

If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,

If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,

If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,

If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,

If you can take criticism and blame without resentment

If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct him/her,

If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend,

If you can conquer tension without medical help,

If you can relax without adult beverages,

If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,

Then You Are Probably The Family Dog!

Editors Comments: Please continue to send

photos and articles to me at csweet@optonline.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.

DEADLINE for the May- June newsletter is May 7, 2008