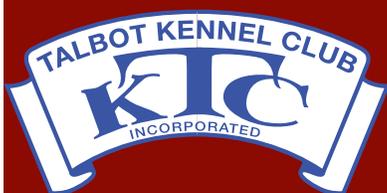


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My Fellow Members



Tom Harding, President

I hope all are having a safe and happy summer. As we head into fall we can turn our focus toward our upcoming shows.

Our Agility show is adding a third day this year and will run from Friday, November 2nd till Sunday, November 4th at Spring Cove Farm, 200 Spring Cove Farm Lane in Centreville, Maryland. In addition to the competition, on Saturday, November 3rd, beginning 45 minutes after the Saturday show ends there will be the fourth annual "After the Q party". This is a fun way for

volunteers and competitors to unwind after the rigors of competition and is always a hit with all in attendance. This party costs ten dollars per person for the main course food and everyone brings a side dish or dessert and whatever they want to drink. The premium and the sign up for the party can be printed from our website.

Just three days after our Agility show ends, the Eastern Shore Classic kicks off at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center in Salisbury, Maryland. The Talbot portion of the five-day show is on Wednesday, November 7th and Thursday, November 8th with Salisbury taking Friday the 9th and Saturday the 10th and Mispillion taking Sunday the 11th. In addition to our show duties on Thursday, after the show, we will also host an Obedience/Rally show and go.

One last note: Preparing for these shows is a year-round chore that mostly takes place behind the scenes. First, I want to thank those club members who help bring these shows to fruition and to remind the TKC members that these shows are vital to TKC as a club and take many volunteers to make them successful. In the next few weeks and at the October general membership meeting there will be a plea for volunteers to assist with these shows. Please volunteer! Many hands make the load light.

Tom Harding

For more information, call: 410-822-1229, or go to www.talbotkennelclub.org.

TKC WOW's em at Queen Anne's 4H Fair

It was a Thursday night and they had to have the State Troopers handling parking! This was one huge event and everybody was showing up. If you went, you even got to meet the President (of the Talbot Kennel Club)!

President Harding and members of the TKC were on hand to demonstrate a nearly actual sized competitive agility course. I was perplexed as to why they didn't use ALL the various equipment. Surely there's enough room at the County Fair!

Over the loudspeaker, I heard the Fair Barker announce that the dog agility demo was starting promptly in 15 minutes. Almost immediately, I was accidentally on purpose finding myself being displaced from my shade tree milieu! The condensed course made way for the converging crowd. The bleachers filled quickly. This was a 4H venue. I was surrounded by parents with their kids with their kids' piglets and ponies (oh my!).



First Lady Judy Harding/Earth Dog Judge Dr. Marian Shaw/Apprentice Instructor Ashley Cook/Competitive Instructor Pam Johnson/TKC President Tom Harding/International competitor Ivette White/Obedience Instructor Lynn Haneke/Agility Instructor Robin Valliant/Competitive Instructor & Agility Judge Linda Syner



Carissa Harding was the hit of the show.



Ivette offers courage amidst the standing room only crowd.

'Ladies and gentlemen, pay attention and don't blink as you witness the speed and accuracy of our exhibitors. Emcee WhamBam Pam Johnson wasn't laying it on thick at all. 'Folks, you too, can be agile and graceful for 30 seconds as you maneuver, direct, and twirl (oh my!)'.

For an hour, each of the afore-pictured exhibitors ran the course multiple times with multiple dogs. The ooh's, aah's and applause became louder after each run.

You'd think they'd slow down; these TKC'ers were just warming up! Emcee WhamBam introduced each exhibitor and their partner's specialty (i.e. tracking, earth dog, conformation, rally, oh, and agility) so we could understand and appreciate the scope of their accomplishments.

The demonstration established that anyone can and should try it! Nothing brought that message home better than when WhamBam Pam started waving those \$20 discount TKC Bucks! She and Linda Syner can train you on a regulation agility course after you've learned the basics at the Clubhouse with the specialized instructors.

Knowing the State Troopers were already on the fairgrounds, the parents were appropriately 'agile' in appropriating the coupons. After all, if their kids can compete with their piglets and ponies (oh my!); imagine what they could do with the family's dog(s).



Announcements

Welcome New Member



Sandi Owen and her one year old dachshund, Trapper have already been quite active volunteering at our agility trial in June, participating in fun and games at our picnic in July, and who knows what she has planned for August!!!!???

Greet, Meet and 'Give it a Try' Day

Sunday, August 19, 2012 9 a.m.
Spring Cove Farm



Lynn Stokes, Mary Rice, Marian Shaw, Terri Marvel, JoAnne Riddle (not pictured were Sharon Yon and Brenda Weintraub).
One was pulling the other out of yet another den.

Marian Shaw has recruited a small (in number only) core of Earth Dog aficionados. Their knowledge, experience, and accessibility is now available to us right here at home on the Eastern Shore! Their philosophy of 'making it fun' is sure to be very popular. If bringing your dog, please have a flat buckle collar on them when participating in the exercise.

Contact Marian at shaw@friend.ly.net or call 410-758-0121.

Mark Your Calendar



CERF CLINIC \$32 per dog August 26, 2012

VMC Easton proved to be a sell-out last year. For \$32, you get free parking, free food, and an intriguing performance by Dr. Nancy Bromberg! You can enjoy TV in air-conditioned comfort while waiting for the dilation drops to kick in.

**Veterinary Medical Center
28966 Information Drive, Easton, MD**

**Directions:
From Rte 50 turn onto Airport Road
across from Hertrich Ford.
Then right onto Information Lane (#28966 for GPS).
It's the HUGE red building!**

**Contact Joann Beavers for appointments
at 410-745-5796 (evening)
or elflane@goeaston.net.**

TKC 2nd Annual Picnic

I made the Executive decision to NOT take any pictures this year.

by Diane Horowitz, Executive, et al

It was another spectacular day (and as you know, they were rare this year). My 'excuse' was that Mitchel and I brought our two puppies to meet and mingle with their canine brethren. We also wanted them to join in on the interactive games that Pam and Linda devised for our exercise and punishment. (Ugh! started this on my Droid; darn auto correct). They tricked up games for our excitement and pleasure! But in our hearts and minds, we knew, we trained, we wanted those prizes!!

The first order of business was to have everyone work up an appetite for the grand BBQ buffet! No one could really keep score during the Cornhole Toss. It was too difficult to be accurate between the giggles and some of the unfathomable throws. It was near impossible to figure who was throwing what where. It was decided that the win was going to whoever got that bean bag over the pasture fence and onto the horse's a__! The prize was easily divisible among ALL the 'winners'. If you tossed; get your cookies!

Next, their agenda included the Water Bucket Relay Race. Three teams of three transfer a three ounce PAPER cup to each other in the hope of filling the dog's pail with much needed water. Fuhgedabout the bucket! More times than not, we witnessed these racers sneaking a sip on the way to what seemed a far destination. Each team developed unique synchronization. Having already won big at the Annual Dinner, Team 'Diplomats' (Pat Killilea, Tom and Judy Harding) took a leisurely pace. Having surveyed the land, the rules, the course, Team 'Analysts' (Mitch Horowitz, Pam Helmer, and Terri Meserole) factored in too much fun and came thisclose to winning. And just having it ALL was Team 'ThreeBees'. Brains (Lynn Haneke), Beauty (Robin Valliant), and Brawn (Ashley Cook) buzzed by their competitors with stinging precision. The prize was a keg of sparkling spring water delivered! But Nooo, they wanted to celebrate now! Actually, they needed to rehydrate and NOW! BTW, they polished off the libations from the game's buckets too.

Getting further into party mode spirit, the boom box is positioned for Musical Towels. The use of chairs last year brought forth several injuries to our canine companions. Towels do not make a funnier outcome, but they are more humane. Refreshed from the sparkling spring water in her

veins, and in synch with the rhythm, Robin and Ecco beat Edgar and me to the towel. Their trophy was most fitting; a Sham Wow towel.

Needing a respite from the physical activity, Pam and Linda would now explore the strength of our minds. Our mental health came in a question: Who Am I? Volunteers would have taped to their backs, a piece of paper imprinted with a specific dog breed. They would stroll about the grounds and ask fellow revelers questions that might offer a clue to who they are. Apparently, many of (us) don't know much about the other 172 breeds out there. That hard fact was evident when Jean Mattingly asked, 'Am I a water dog?' to Ivette White who responded, 'of course, all dogs drink water'. Thank goodness her dogs are faster than she thinks! Then we have the likes of Sally Kepfer (Obedience Instructor, extraordinaire), and new member Sandy Owen (proving herself formidable). These two had to go into a tie-breaker round. Sorry Sandy, Sally's savant! Enjoy that certificate to Ancestry.com Sally!

The coup de grace (ugh, there goes auto correct again) couple of grace and dignity went to Judy Harding and Tresor. Newly ordained Agility judge, Linda Syner set up an agility course as the cherry atop this wonderful 'Saturday sundae'. Judy and Tresor were to be the first to be judged (apt, as she IS our First Lady). They wanted to impress their instructor, but nerves made them falter. The members continued in height order; from tall to tid-bit. During this, Judy collected her thoughts and remembered who she was. Judy took Carissa in and went on to a clean run in record time! No prizes were awarded here. Everyone went away with the experience of running in front of a real judge through a real course and having a real good time. And you didn't have to pay an entry fee.

The games were over. Time for the closing ceremonies. All joined together to tidy up, offer regards, and travel home. As we were making our way to the car, there were no people around Judy. But, she did have Secret Service. I saw our First Lady nestle her NIKE Air Force 1 sneakers into that velvet pouch.

Next picnic, see if my sneakers don't take me onward and upward! ♦

Kudos for Kindness

Who Ya Gonna Call? Life Savers!

The TKC email went out: *A four-legged student needed help. Yesterday!*

It was the weekend. They were basking and relaxin' on the boat. The Black Eyed Peas are singing. 'I Got A Feeling' I left my iphone on again, sez Chrisy. Hot hubby Rob remarks that the fish have now left the building.

Upon reading the email, they think they can help. With no peace and no fish, they head back to shore. They stop long enough to make a few calls over a Friendly's Fishamajig dinner. A friend can't take the dog for several days. The Morgans would pick up and foster Scout.



Chrisy and Rob relaxing with Tiki.



To make this short story long; Chrisy and Rob would go on to assure (now known as) Tiki that she had found her furever home in theirs!



Gretchen (3); Hank (2); Tiki (10 months); Dually (6); Dixie (13).

Power Couple of the Eastern Shore

Still awake after 48 hours of birthin' Teia's ten beautiful babies, the last thing Don and Jerry Rollyson needed to hear was this phone call.



In a near panic, Diane Horowitz laments that she and Molly are in the blackest of nights, in the middle of the road, and in a conked-out van! In a cool, cucumber tone, she hears "We're on our way".

Brangelina Who?

Sincerest Condolences

to

Jean Mattingly and Judy Harding.

May fond memories of your

Mother and Grandmother

offer solace

in your time of sorrow.

From All of Your Friends at TKC

BRAGS - New Champ, Wins, Titles



On Robin Valliant's behalf, Ashley Cook handled Katrina and Ecco at the BHAD trial in July. She and Ecco earned the Open JWW title. Then she and Trina took first place and earned the Novice JWW title. They continued to get their first Open STD leg (1st place, too) and their first Open FAST leg. After the agility trial each night, they went on to the SMKC Rally trial. Ecco attained his Rally EXCELLENT title! Katrina continued on to her second Rally EXCELLENT leg (and in 1st place)! Wonder what Bill and Ted would say about that!



Jake and Terry Meserole finished 1st in Novice A Obedience to earn two legs during the Salisbury show held in July.

Pat Killilea's Coda finished his CD title!

WooHoo!



Ecco and Robin Valliant Q'd the first time in Time2Beat and got points.

Sorry, no photo available.



It was a quick trip over the Bay Bridge to the Howard County Fairgrounds. It was too short a trip to recharge his batteries, so Edgar was rather receptive about hanging around the show ring. Neither of them had done this in a while. Edgar is taking his sweet time to mature. Judge Betsy Humer awarded him Best of Winners!

I guess anything good is worth waiting for!

Dear Members:

I know you've been training and/or traveling and honing your skills with poochie. So, let us celebrate with you!

Do you have a notable picture or incident to share? Did Fluffy pass that water balloon in front of your in-laws during the family BBQ? Do you have a gorgeous garden in spite of the drought? Is the book you're reading worthy of your recommendation?

Let us read what you did over your summer vacation. Send your information and pics if you have them to me, Diane Horowitz, via email at dwhorowitz@verizon.net or by postal service at Talbot Kennel Club, P. O. Box 257, Cordova, MD 21625.

Congratulations

STAR PUPPY CLASSES

A very popular class offered is STAR Puppy. It is much easier to train your puppy if you start as soon as possible. This is the precursor to the CGC (Canine Good Citizen) for older dogs. The class combines Socialization, Training, Activity, and Responsibility.



Instructor Jerry Rollyson bestowed the AKC's STAR certification to Linda Motta and her home-made puppy, Kermit. WOW, that's worth an A+!

Also to graduate was Baysea. Owners Bob and Mary Stevens were impressed how quickly they learned. Everyone

is eager, the message is simple, and the result is lifelong.

What's that you say? Baysea is also Kermit's litter sister?

This past semester saw a lot of Portuguese Water Dogs.

I have a prediction that the TKC Breed and Agility Shows in November will be chock full of entries from the Bantry Kennel.

Me thinks the quality and quantity of Linda's puppies will easily put her on the Dean's List!



New Paws on the Block



Jerry and Don Rollyson have the pleasure to announce they are caring for TEN puppies from their beloved Portuguese Water Dog, Teia.

Congratulations also go out to member Audrey Hiebler as Teia is out of her Glenwood line. Only one pup was small at four ounces. He has defied the odds. Member Martha Schneider has nick-named him "Timex"; He takes a licking and keeps on ticking!

Believe it or not, they are pretty much potty trained and already are familiar with the agility tunnel and some kind of round contraption Don built that acts like the teeter-totter.

I suggest you get your critters titled asap before these cuties are entry eligible!

What We Did on Our Summer Vacation

by Pam Johnson

Pam and Linda had a great “Corgifest” weekend in Cape May, New Jersey in July. Along with a friend from Baltimore, we had a total of seven Corgis with us.

We made a great hit when we all walked together!

The highlight of our trip was visiting the beach and letting the dogs swim in the ocean.

Can you spot the TKC Corgi's?

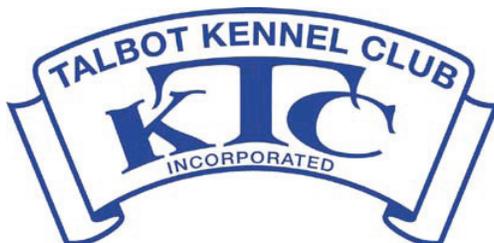


Dallas the Water Dog!



During one of our agility trips, we took a side tour of the Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, Va. There is no cost to enter. Very interesting. The highlight of the visit was meeting a WWII vet who was at Iwo Jima. He gave us a detailed battle overview. What a treasure he is. Check it out!





Class Schedule - Fall 2012

All classes will be held at the TKC building, 1791 Cordova Rd., (Route 309)
Cordova, except agility classes, which will be held at 11674 Ridgely Road, Ridgely, MD.

Monday September 10 ^h	Agility 4 Competition 5:00 – 6:00 pm Linda Syner 410-634-1112	Agility 4 Competition 6:00 – 7:00 pm Linda Syner 410-634-1112	Agility 3 Pre-Competition 7:00 – 8:00 pm Linda Syner 410-634-1112	Focus 7:00 – 8:00 pm Anne Berson 410-820-0013
Tuesday September 11 ^h	Rally 3:00 – 4:00 pm Jerry Rollyson Robin Valliant 410-228-9506	**Star Puppy** Under 5 months old 6:30 – 7:30 pm Robin Valliant Jerry Rollyson 443-521-0217	Agility 1 Introduction to Equipment 7:30 – 8:30 pm Robin Valliant 410-226-5617	
Wednesday for start day see classes.	Conformation September 5 th 6:30 – 7:30 pm Joann Beavers 410-745-5796	Rally Beginner Novice September 12 th 7:30 – 8:30 JoAnn Tolson 410-827-0226		
Thursday September 13 th	Utility 5:30 – 6:30 pm Workshop 302-242-8199	Open 6:30 – 7:45 pm Sally Kepfer 302-242-8199	Novice 7:45 – 8:45 pm Pam Helmer Stephanie Stevens 410-29-3014	
Friday September 14 th	Family Obedience > 5 months old 7:00 – 8:00 pm Lynn Haneke 410-482-8990			
Sunday September 23 rd	Tracking - Tom Harding Every other week until December 2nd with the 9th being a make-up date (Sept. 23rd, Oct. 7th, Oct. 21st, Nov. 4th, Nov. 18th, Dec. 2nd)			

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