

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB

November 2003 Newsletter

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NEW Officers & Board Members

President: Judy Shapiro

1st Vice Pres/Education: Tabitha Plambeck

2nd Vice Pres/Membership: Shonda Oderkirk

Training: Polly Divens

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Outreach: Jeri Fishack

Recording Secretary: Becky Gatterdam

Corresponding Secretary: Sue Redding

Treasurer: Susan Parsons

Library: Elizabeth Pollen

TVKC Membership was Last Month!

If you haven't renewed – You're LATE! Please do it now!

Fill out the renewal or new member form included in this newsletter and bring it to the meeting on November 5th...

OR


Mail the renewal form along with full payment to:

TVKC

P.O. Box 72019

Fairbanks, Alaska 99707

Attn: Membership....And Be Sure to Update Your E-mail Address for Future Editions of the Newsletter – Beginning NOW!

 **TVKC GENERAL MEETING** 
Wednesday, November 5, 2003 at 7:30PM
Lathrop High School Room 109

TVKC Spring Dog Classes

SATURDAYS: Feb. 21, 28,
Mar. 6, 20,
April 3, 10, 24
May 1

SUNDAYS: Feb. 22, 29,
Mar. 7, 14,
Apr. 4, 25
May 2, 9

Conformation: Instructor - Candy Bartos
8 weeks, cost = \$80.00
Beginning Handling 10:30-11:30a.m.
Inter. Handling 11:45a.m-12:45p.m.

**Contact: *Jennifer Taylor* 488-4577 for more information or to enroll

Agility:

Fundamentals I and II - 8 weeks.
Cost \$100.00
Pre-Agility 1:00p.m.- 2:00p.m.
Beg. Agility 2:15p.m. - 3:15p.m.

** Contact *Joelle Hughes* 488-0832 for more information or to enroll.
*Testing for Fundamentals will be
Feb. 7, 12 p.m. -2 p.m.*

Agility Courses - 8 weeks.
Cost \$100.00

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
7:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
8:15 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS:
Feb. 18, 25
Mar. 3, 17, 31
Apr. 7, 21, 28

Instructor Class:
10:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Intermediate Agility - 8 weeks.
Cost \$100.00?
1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

**Contact *Nicki Stewart* 479-3853 for more info. Agility instructors include: Sheri Walsh, Linda Schertz, Jeri Fishack, Sally Berry, Susan Parsons, Nicki Stewart, Joelle Hughes, Judi Shapiro, Elizabeth Pollen.

Obedience Classes Offered:

Puppy Socialization
Basic Obedience
Novice (Ring Readiness)
Open/Utility

** *Times, schedule and specific instructors will be announced in the next newsletter.*

Various Instructors:

Joe Margraf
Wendy Garwood
Polly Divens
Elizabeth Pollen
Ron Gatterdam
Kelly Dygert

**Contact *Polly Divens* 479-7669 for more info

******UPCOMING SEMINARS, etc******

JANUARY 17 & 18, 2004:

Rebecca Brandon Conformation Handling Seminar

Beginners - January 17 Intermediates - January 18 9am to 5pm

Deadline to register is Dec. 15, 2004 Contact: Polly Divens 479-7669

OCTOBER 16 & 17, 2004:

Dr. Hutchison K9 Reproduction and Puppy Pediatrics 1 1/2 days

FEBRUARY 21 & 22, 2004:

Bobbie Anderson Author of: Building Blocks for Performance - Give Your Puppy a Head Start for Competition. In the ACT facility in Anchorage. Bobbie's basis is teaching the handler lots of interactive motivation with the dog to produce a happy, eager, canine performer for virtually any event. Look for registration in early 2004.

FEBRUARY 26 & 27, 2005:

Carmen Battaglia Breeding Better Dogs

Pat McConnell Author of: On The Other End of The Leash; and Calling All Pets NOTE: This seminar may be cancelled due to scheduling conflicts – we'll keep you posted...

MARCH 13 & 14, 2004:

Jane Simmon-Moake Power Paws Agility Seminar sponsored by MACH – more info to come

APRIL 2, 2004:

The Fairbanks Community Concert Association presents:

Popeye and Swee' Pea: Alex and his Amazing Dog

Popeye and Swee'Pea's amazing bag of tricks includes tight-rope walking, jumping rope and more; Popeye (Alex Rothacker) explains the importance of dog training and obedience. Performance 7:00pm Hering Auditorium.

TVKC NOTICES, NEWS, AND INFO!!!

Agility Equipment Order

An Agility Equipment order thru Ric Travis - Agilityagogo - will be going out Dec 15. You can get on his web site: www.agilityagogo.com to check his equipment out. Savings would be on freight. All order must be placed thru Nicki by Dec 15 with expected arrival date by Feb 2004. Tunnels will add 2 weeks to delivery date. Order will not be shipped until all items are ready to be shipped. You will be expected to help pick up the order to be delivered to Nicki's garage for sorting. All orders are to be picked up within 2 days of notification of arrival and your share of freight is to be paid at that time. **NO DELIVERIES.** Contact Nicki at 479-3853 if interested. A-frames, weaves, pause tables, and teeters are available locally thru Nicki or Kelly Dygert. PVC jumps are available thru the Kennel Club for \$40 - these would make great Christmas gifts so get them before they are all gone!!!

ORGAN MEAT FOR SALE

Supplement your dog's food with nutrient-rich organ meat. Especially important if commercially processed pet foods are the basis of your dog's diet. Organ meat can be fed up to 10% of your dog's regular diet. Organ meat is finely ground and from beef only. Available in 2lb fro-

TDT Web Designs

20% OFF TO ALL TVKC MEMBERS ON ALL NEW WEBPAGES!!!

Tabitha Plambeck
(907) 488-7612 phone
(907) 488-0537 fax
Tabitha@tdtgreatdanes.com

TVKC Web Site Needs Your Pics!

Tabitha is looking for pics from all sorts of events to put on the TVKC web site - if you have pics of your dog doing any type of AKC event, please forward them to Tabitha at the above email address for publication on TVKC's web site. Junior Handlers we need your info and pics too! Don't be left out - get your pics to Tabitha now!

TVKC NOTICES, NEWS, AND INFO!!!

Kelly needs a hand! And maybe a couple of feet!

We need a Tracking Secretary for the Tracking Tests on August 27th-29th, 2004. Kelly Dygert will do most of the work, but the Secretary must be present at the tests; and cannot enter a dog nor can a member of their household enter a dog. If you can help out, call Kelly Dygert 488-8314.

It's Party Time!

The annual TVKC Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 7th at the Pioneer Park (Alaskaland) Civic Center at 3:00pm. This will be a pot luck affair – please sign up with Susan Parsons at the meeting or via phone at 488-3344. This is always a great time to have fun with your dog pals, without all the drool! Don't miss

SPRING AUCTION:

Be thinking of items for our annual spring auction – it will be here before you know it! If you have contributions, hang on to them and we'll see if we can talk Candy Bartos into doing this for us once again!

MEET THE BREED

SEPTEMBER 12, 2004:

To be held at the Bentley Mall – watch for more info

If you have anything you would like to contribute to the Newsletter,
please email it to me at: VeriCool@acsalaska.net
Deadline is the 20th of each month. Thanks! Sue [Acquistapace] Redding

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2003

NAME	LOCATION	EVENT TYPE	EVENT DATE	CLOSING DATE
ROTTWEILER CLUB OF ALASKA	PALMER	S/SWPC	NOV. 1	OCT. 1
COOK INLET KC	PALMER	AB/JSHW	NOV. 2	OCT. 15

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2004

KENAI KENNEL CLUB	ANCH	AB/JSHW	JAN 24	JAN 7
ALASKA KENNEL CLUB	ANCH	AB/JSHW	JAN 25	JAN 7
KENAI KENNEL CLUB	WASILLA	AGILITY	FEB 14	JAN 28
KENAI KENNEL CLUB	WASILLA	AGILITY	FEB 15	JAN28
TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB	ANCH	AB/JSHW	MARCH 27	MARCH 10
ALASKA KENNEL CLUB	ANCH	AB/JSHW	MARCH 28	MARCH 10
DOTCA	ANCH	O	APRIL 17	MARCH 31
DOTCA	ANCH	O	APRIL 18	MARCH 31
MACH	PALMER	NADAC AG	MAY 1	unknown
MACH	PALMER	NADAC AG	MAY 2	unknown
OTCC	CHUGIAK	O	MAY 8	unknown
OTCC	CHUGIAK	O	MAY 9	unknown
ARCTIC STREAKERS	unknown	NADAC AG	MAY 15	unknown
ARCTIC STREAKERS	unknown	NADAC AG	MAY 16	unknown
TVKC	FAIRBANKS	AB/O/JSHW	MAY 29	MAY 5
TVKC	FAIRBANKS	AB/O/JSHW	MAY 30	MAY 5
TVKC	FAIRBANKS	AB/O/JSHW	MAY 31	MAY 5
YUKON KENNEL CLUB	Whitehorse, CANADA	AB/O/JSHW	JUNE 18 thru 20	unknown
ALASKA KENNEL CLUB	ANCH	AB/JSHW	JUNE 26	unknown
ALASKA KENNEL CLUB	ANCH	AB/JSHW	JUNE 27	unknown

THE LITERARY DOG

Here's an interesting poem, lifted from page 71 of the Fall 2003 (Number 24) issue of The Bark magazine. It is a wonderful magazine, unlike any other dog magazine in existence! If you haven't seen it, I urge you to check out their web site at www.thebark.com. *Best wishes, Candace S. O'Connor*

"DEATH, GOOD?", *Faye Whyte, DVM*

*Euthanasia
Euphemism*

When it's my hands that do the deed,
My arms that cradle a dying creature,
My heart that pushes poison into another,
It isn't good.

*Hemangiosarcoma
Inoperable*

The privilege of relieving suffering,
The power to obliterate a life,
The responsibility to do it with care,
These are heavy burdens.

*Fractured vertebrae
Loss of function*

But the eyes tell stories,
The soul shines through,
Asks for help, begs for relief,
I must reply.

*Quality of life
Inadequate*

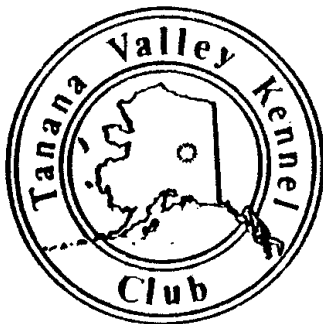
With the burden comes the opportunity,
To gaze back at that soul,
To celebrate the life that was,
To do honor to that courage.

*Respiratory distress
Cardiac arrest*

I use my hands to heal,
But when the hurt cannot be eased,
Take life into my hands, not eagerly,
With resignation.

*Euthanasia
Good death*

Dear TVKC Members: We are working to put the newsletter on the TVKC web site and email all members each month to let you know that it is “up” and to provide a link to the latest newsletter. Please be patient with this transition. Not only will it save TVKC a tremendous expense, but it will allow for more information to be put into the newsletter each edition. If you didn’t get an email – please notify Sue (Acquistapace) Redding at: vericool@acsalaska.net, or Tabitha Plambeck at Tabitha@tdtgreatdanes.com. Thank you for your patience during this transition. Sue & Tabitha



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**HEY! DID YOU WIN SOMETHING BETWEEN OCTOBER
2002 AND OCTOBER 2003? LET'S HEAR ABOUT IT!!!!**

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB AWARDS

(Please provide one sheet per dog)

Name of Dog Owner: _____

Name of Dog (AKC Registration) _____
(Please Type or Print Clearly)

Call Name of Dog (ie. Duke, Spot, etc) _____

Title Earned (Conformation, Agility, Obedience, Herding, Lure Coursing, Earthdog,
Hunting Test, Tracking, Field Trial, or CGC)

Provide a story about your dog. These dogs are not perfect and they all provide great entertainment to us all. Let's hear about something the dog did while obtaining this title, or tell about the training sessions, personality, quirks or something funny about your dog. Please continue this story on back of page if needed!.

_____ Please complete the form(s) and return to Gayla Gardner or Pam Watson OR
Mail completed form to: Gayla Gardner, 3041 Taxi Lane C, North Pole, AK 99705. Questions? Call Gayla (488-5752) or Pam (479-2624)

Tanana Valley Kennel Club

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

NAME(S): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____
 (PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE THIS SO THAT YOU RECEIVE FUTURE NEWSLETTERS!)

PHONE #S: HM: _____ WK: _____ CELL: _____

BREED(S) OF INTEREST: _____

What YOU can do for *Your* Club:

We hope you enjoy the events which are sponsored by TVKC. These events only happen when Club members volunteer to help! If you have interests in any of the following areas, please sign up for *as many* as you will help with this year – *even just a little bit!* Please circle as many as you can or we will have to volunteer you.....

Show Conformation Obedience Tracking Agility Fun Match Sanctioned Match
 Juniors Hospitality Publicity Judges Phone Calling Food Miscellaneous "Stuff"

What YOUR Club can do for YOU and YOUR Breed:

If you would like referrals for your breed, circle any of these areas which apply to you:

Breed Rescue	Puppies	Stud Service	General Info About Your Breed
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I agree to abide by the rules of the American Kennel Club and the Constitution & By-Laws of the Tanana Valley Kennel Club, Inc. I am currently in good standing with the American Kennel Club and all other dog-related clubs of which I am currently a member.

Applicant Signature(s): _____
 & Date _____

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Single Member \$30 per yr (10-1 thru 9/30) \$15.00 after April 1st
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For TVKC Membership Chair Only
 DATE: _____ Amount: _____ Check # _____ Cash: _____ Recvd By: _____

Tanana Valley Kennel Club

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Two (2) Current TVKC Member/Sponsor Signatures:

_____ & _____

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