

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB
SPRING/SUMMER 2005 NEWLETTER

Judi Shapiro substituting for Sue Redding, Editor

The TVKC board is discussing changes to make meetings and newsletters better meet the current needs of the membership. We have saved money with the electronic newsletters, but many members had problems retrieving newsletters from the website, not getting the mailed copies, or would just prefer mailed newsletters. As a result, club members are losing touch with club activities. This is a trial newsletter to be sent by regular mail, and put up on the website. If the members approve, the newsletter would be published quarterly to give the membership advance notice of meetings and events. Email, phone calls and postcards would be used for updates and changes. The change from eight to four newsletters would still save money and meet the requests for a paper mailing.

The Board is also looking at changes in the general meetings. The monthly meeting used to be the only time we saw other dog people. Times have changed and we see each other much more often due to the increased numbers of dog events. The Bylaws say that the Board will call a monthly meeting. We propose that we not call a general meeting in Jan., Feb., in addition to no meetings in June, July and August. The Bylaws call for the election of officers in Oct.; in Nov. we review the budget; and Dec. is the Xmas party. March, April and May are generally good weather months, and we need to plan for the shows and trials.

The people attending the March general meeting liked the idea of having our meetings at Pioneer Park, in either the Blue Room (\$35.00) or the Pioneer Room (\$50.00), for four hours either place, depending on what we're doing and the availability of the space.

Both the newsletter and meeting place changes will cost more, but we feel that the current dissatisfaction is more costly in terms of lost interest in membership.

Please think about these proposals and come to the May meeting to discuss them. If you cannot come to the meeting, let a board member know how you view these changes.

Thanks to all of you who donated items, and to all of you who "shopped" at the Silent Auction. We raised over \$600. for the next TVKC seminar! And a big "Whoof "of gratitude to those who helped me add up the bidding slips.- Judi

Kelly Dygert attended a Rally Judges Seminar in April and came back with many tips to pass along for this new AKC event. (Hint- Footwork)

*****This just in!*****

Tired, dirty and fired up, our tanned Agility instructors have returned from Powers Paws Agility Camp!!! Be prepared to run your sox off!!!!

April 16t and 17th were filled with FUN! Our club held its annual Puppy/Veteran Sweepstakes and its Obedience/Conformation Sanction Matches. We had the honor of hosting judges Katie Edwards from Wasilla, and Linda Fellows from Anchorage. Katie has been around dog showing for 30 years. She is a Great Dane breeder and has her own daughters showing in Jr. Handlers. Katie is working toward her license in judging for conformation. Linda Fellows teaches dog classes at Alaska Dog Sports in Anchorage. She has Rottweilers and Pugs. She is pursuing certification to judge Rally and shared with

all those in attendance her enthusiasm for the sport. I had a great weekend. Let me share some of the highlights!

Best in Sweeps

PUPPY

3-6 Gt. Dane "Cher" – Jackie Jordan

6-9 Norwich "Dash" – Jo Brickwell

9-12 Chihuahua "Chase" – Joelle Hughes

12-15 Boxer "Harley" - Christine Sageman

15-18 Lab. Ret. " Kobi" – W.Garwood/S.Walsh

VETERANS

7-10 Akita "Deuce" – Nicki Stewart

10-12 Sheltie " Ashley" – Susan Parsons

Over12 GSP –"Gert" - Jeri Fishack

BEST PUPPY OVERALL

NORWICH TERRIER "DASH"

BEST VETERAN OVERALL

AKITA "DEUCE"

OBEDIENCE - 20 entries in RALLY!!!!

EIGHTEEN passed!!! .

Great Dogs performed at the UT, Graduate

Open and Novice Levels.

Joelle Hughes' B.C. "Jet" Rally 1st place

Best puppy in Match (by Group)

Sporting –

Golden Retriever "Ela" – R. and R. Gatterdam

Hound -

Rhodesian Ridgeback "Liza"–Claudia Kwasinski

Working -

Ak. Malemute "Scar"-Dave&Marie Kerner

Terrier-

Norwich "Dash" - Jo Brickwell

Herding-

Aust. Shepherd " Ozz" – Sheri Nelson

BEST PUPPY OVERALL

NORWICH TERRIER "DASH"

Best adult in Match (by Group)

Sporting -

Flat Coat Retriever – "Klim" – Lori Kunz

Hound -

Otterhound "Liv" – Ron Abernathy

Working -

Akita " Siouxie" – N. Stewart/K. Asling

Toy -

Shih Tzu "Jazz" – Marsha Dynes

Herding-

Sheltie "Jewel" – Susan Parsons

BEST ADULT OVERALL SHIH TZU "JAZZ"

Thank you to all those that helped at and attended the Sanction Match and Sweeps. We had a wonderful turnout, great dogs (which the judges both mentioned the quality of dogs here in Fairbanks) and fun together. SECONDLY..... Spring Cleaning is just around the corner. Donate any of your 'reuseable goods' to the TVKC Garage Sale! This event will raise funds and help you clean out your closets, garage, sheds, drawers and more. Lori Kunz has generously donated her yard for this event. Polly Divens will coordinate it. Contact Polly Divens at 479-7669 for more information. As you clean, set a box aside for the TVKC garage sale. Thanks.

Polly Divens

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB MAY EVENTS

MAY 4, 12:00 TVKC Show entries close:

6:00 Board Meeting, 7:30 General Meeting and Dessert Potluck (M-Z bring desserts), Brief business meeting, Tape on CPR, Pioneer Hall, Pioneer Park (Alaskaland)

May 7 - last day of Agility classes.

May 14 - Pets and People Day, Borealis Building at the Fairgrounds: Set up 10:00, starts at 12:00. Indoor activities - Meet the Breed/ Fun Match - Jennifer Taylor - 488-4577; Rally obedience- Judi Shapiro-479-6510. If grounds are dry enough, Agility Tunnelers course - Jeri Fishack - 488-0224. \$5.00 fee for each event, (\$1.50 goes to Companions Inc.)

May 23 - 12:00 Sho \$ Go in the Borealis building -Jennifer Taylor- 488-4577. Potluck-Donna Wojciechowski -490-6740. Entry Fee is a dish for the potluck: hotdogs, hamburgers and buns provided by TVKC.

Mid May - Thursday Night Beginners Tracking classes will start depending on breakup at the Flood control project - Kelly Dygert - 488-8314.

May 23/24 - Agility seminar 9:00 to 5:00, Fairgrounds. Open spots for Auditors, no dogs, \$75.00 both days, \$50.00 for one day. Lunch included. Checks must be received by May 6.

May 26, Parking/Grounds set up Terri Morefield - 488-9443.

May 27, 11:00 Ring setup - Nicki Stewart - 479-3853.

May28/29/30 TVKC Show and Trials.

May 31 Show committee meeting, 6:30- Wenonna Brown.

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB JUNE EVENTS

June 4 -Agility fun match 9:00 Course Reading Class (how to read maps); 11:00 start match. Fairgrounds - Jeri Fishack 488-0224.

3 Week Agility Classes for continuing Agility students- Nicki Stewart 479-3853

Tues- June 7,14,21

Wed- June 8,15,22.

Pre Trial Agility Run throughs 6:00, Tuesday, June 28.

Tracking classes continue - Kelly Dygert 488-8314

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB JULY EVENTS

June 30 Setup grounds for Agility Trials (UAF)

July1 Ring setup for AGILITY TRIALS

July 2,3,4, TVKC AGILITY TRIALS

3 Week Agility Classes for continuing Agility students- Nicki Stewart 479-3853

Tues.-12,19, 26

Wed. - 13, 20, 27

Pre Trial Agility Run throughs - July7, 14, 21.

Tracking classes continue - Kelly Dygert 488-8314

TANANA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB AUGUST EVENTS

3 Week Agility Classes for continuing Agility students - Nicki Stewart 479-3853.

Tues. Aug. 9, 16, 23.

Wed. Aug. 10, 17, 24.

Agility Run throughs Aug.11, 18

Aug 24-26 Track laying

Aug. 26 - 28 TVKC Tracking Tests

Aug 31 - Board Meeting

Fall/Early winter newsletter

STATEWIDE EVENTS

Thanks to Sharon White for providing the following calendar of events:

2005 Dog Dates

May

- 1 MACH, Palmer - NADAC Agility
- 7 Sheltie Specialty, Anchorage
- 13 OTCC, Tracking in Palmer
- 14-15 OTCC, AKC Obedience in Chugiak
- 20-21-22 Streakers, Anchorage - NADAC Agility
- 21 GSDC--All-breed Temperament Tests, Anchorage
- 28-30 TVKC, Fairbanks – All breed shows & Obedience.

June

- 4 Rottweiler Specialty
- 5 ?? AHGC AKC Group 7, Conformation & Obedience.
- 10 ASCA (Aussie) Shows
- 11-12 Aussie Club, Chugiak - NADAC Agility
- 17-18-19 Whitehorse, Canada shows
- 18-19 OTCC, Chugiak - AKC Agility
- 25-26 AKKC All Breed shows at Ruth Arcand Park

July

- 2-3-4 TVKC, Fairbanks - AKC Agility
- 8-9-10 KKC, Soldotna - AKC Agility / All-breed shows & Obedience
- 16 ASCA (Aussies) all-breed Obedience (2 trials)
- 17 ASCA (Aussies) Shows (2)
- AKHGC 1st Conf. Show and Obedience Trial
- 22 GSDC, SSSA Lake Otis – Obedience / Rally
- 23-24 DOTCA, Lake Otis - AKC Obedience / Rally
- 29 DOTCA AKC Agility "A" match
- 30-31 GSDC/DOTCA/ACT AKC Agility trials

August

- 5-6-7 CIKC, Fair Grounds - AKC Shows & Obedience
- 13-14 OTCC, Chugiak - AKC Agility
- 19-20-21 Streakers, Anchorage- NADAC Agility
- 20 GSDC, Lake Otis – Obedience. / Rally
- 20-21 GSDC Specialties (2 days), Lake Otis
- 21 AKKC Puppy & Veteran Sweeps, Lake Otis
- 26 TVKC AKC - VST Tracking
- 27-28 TVKC AKC Tracking