



UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER MEETING– Sept. 17

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September Meeting

September's meeting will be held Sunday, Sept. 17th at the Trinity Valley Kennel Club dog show at Dallas Market Hall. September is a busy month so we will be holding a quick meeting at the show site. The meeting will begin at the conclusion of Golden conformation judging in the grooming setup of Molly Chapman. Look for Molly at ringside to get the exact location.

If you are competing in Conformation or Obedience stop by after judging - If you are not entered, this will be a great opportunity to come to a centrally located meeting to support our club members who will be there.

It will also be an opportunity for members who would like to make arrangements to caravan to the National to get together.

Dallas Market Hall is located at 2200 Stemmons Fwy in Dallas. Please check the club website at www.dfwmgrc.org to get the schedule for judging. It will posted as soon as it is available. The judging program will also be available at www.Onofrio.com approximately a week before the show.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE-2007 BOARD

If you are interested in serving on the nominating committee for the 2007 Board or are interested in serving on the board, contact Molly Chapman or Dick Caldwell, chair, as soon as possible.

STATISTICS FOR TROPHIES

It is time to start gathering your statistics for plaques and trophies. The end of the statistical year is October 30 and all statistics are due to Carol Gilbert by November 15. Next month, the requirements for the trophies will be in the newsletter as well as specific information as to how Carol would like the stats sent to her.

NEW AGILITY REGULATIONS

Go to AKC.com to read all the changes in agility starting in September.

Calling all golfers!!!

The 12th Annual Sporting Chance Golf Tournament is Sunday, October 1, 2006 at The Golf Club Castle Hills in Lewisville, TX. For further information and registration, please visit www.golf4rescue.org This event benefits the DFW Metro Golden Retriever Rescue. Lots of prizes, Lots of Fun!

Play Golf, Help a Golden!!!

OBEDIENCE

OBEDIENCE: Oklahoma City KC- June 29- July 2

Nov B - 2nd Place

Nov B - 4th Place -

Nov B - 3rd Place

Sunplash Ute StartYourEngin, CD, RA, NAP, NAJ ("Zing" - Sally Sherman) **TITLE!!!!**

Bossier City - RROTC - July 8

Nov B - 3rd Place

Sunplash Ute StartYourEngin, CD, RA, NAP, NAJ ("Zing" - Sally Sherman)

Houston Golden Specialty

RN Leg (4th leg)

Goldencol's What A Girl Wants (Mashala Horton)

AGILITY

Amarillo OTC - May 27-29

Standard Preferred - 1st Place

Standard Preferred - 2nd Place

JWW Preferred - 1st Place S

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Sunplash Ute StartYourEngin, CD, RA, NAP, NAJ ("Zing" - Sally Sherman) **TITLE!!!!!!**

San Antonio - PCSA, ADOC, BKC - July 28-30

Standard - 1st Place JWW - 1st Place

JWW - 2nd Place JWW - 1st Place

Sunplash Ute StartYourEngin, CD, RA, NAP, NAJ ("Zing" - Sally Sherman) **TITLE!!!!!!**

Houston Saturday:

OAJ leg

Badgersbrook Texas Hurricane OA NAJ RE -- (Rayshel Horton)

Houston Sunday:

OAJ Leg / 4th place

Badgersbrook Texas Hurricane OA NAJ RE -- (Rayshel Horton) **TITLE!!!!**

8/25/06 Dachshund Club Trial

Novice B Standard - Q, score 100, 1st place, extra leg.

Glengowan's Man on a Mission CD, RA, NA, OAJ (Caldwell/Couch)

Open JWW - Q, score 100, 2nd place, 3rd leg & Glengowan's Man on a Mission CD, RA, NA, OAJ (Caldwell/Couch) **OAJ title!!!!**

Novice Standard Perfered -1st

UCH,HR, UCDX Trinity's River of Dreams SH, CDX,WCX,VC, ASCA CD,RE,NAJ,NJP, pointed (Ingram)..run by Williams

Novice JWW Preferred -- Q -- 1st Place

REMUDA'S Luck of the Draw CDX,MX,MXJ (Felix) **TITLE !!!**

Novice Standard Preferred -Q --1st Place

REMUDA'S Luck of the Draw CDX,MX,MXJ (Felix) **TITLE !!!!!**

Novice Standard Preferred -- Q -- 2nd Place

REMUDA'S One More Last Chance AX,AXJ, NJP (Felix) **TITLE !!!!!**

8/26/06 Ft Worth KC

Open Standard - Q, score 100, 1st place, 1st leg.

Glengowan's Man on a Mission CD, RA, NA, OAJ (Caldwell/Couch)

Excellent A JWW - Q, score 100, 2nd place, 1st leg.

Glengowan's Man on a Mission CD, RA, NA, OAJ (Caldwell/Couch)

NoviceJWW-1st

U-CDX Aero=jett's Speaker of tales UD RE SH WCX (Frick)

Novice Standard Perfered -2nd

UCH,HR, UCDX Trinity's River of Dreams SH, CDX,WCX,VC, ASCA CD,RE,NAJ,NJP, pointed (Ingram)..run by Williams

Open JWW Preferred -- Q --2nd Place

Open Standard Preferred - Q -- 1st Place

REMUDA'S Luck of the Draw CDX, MX,MXJ (Felix)

Open JWW Preferred -- Q -- 1st Place
Open Standard Preferred -- Q --2nd Place
REMUDA'S One More Last Chance AX, AXJ,
NJP (Felix)

TEXAS KENNEL CLUB AGILITY TRIAL

August 27, 2006

Open Standard Preferred --Q-- 2nd Place
REMUDA'S Luck of the Draw CDX,MX,MXJ
(Felix)

Open JWW Preferred -- Q -- 1st Place
Open Standard Preferred -Q- 1st Place
REMUDA'S One More Last Chance AX,AXJ,
NJP (Felix)

Open Standard - Q, score 95, 3rd place, 2nd
leg.
Glengowan's Man on a Mission CD, RA, NA,
OAJ (Caldwell/Couch)

Excellent A JWW - Q, score 100, 3rd place, 2nd
leg
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CONFORMATION

Houston: Golden Retriever Specialty
Novice Intermediate Junior Showmanship- 1st
Goldencol's What A Girl Wants (Rayshel Hor-
ton)

Open Senior Junior Showmanship -4th place
Camouflage's Bayou Spell
(Mashala Horton)

Brittany specialty

Best Junior

CH Brittstorm Thunder N Lightening -(Mashala
Horton)

San Antonio: Wednesday:

_Novice Intermediate Junior Showmanship- 1st
Goldencol's What A Girl Wants (Rayshel Hor-
ton)

Thursday:

Novice Intermediate Junior Showmanship -1st
Goldencol's What A Girl Wants (Rayshel Hor-
ton)

JAC Seminar in OKC Sat. Aug 5 (not AKC, but
clinic that has competition and then winners go
for scholarships

Novice Intermediate Junior Showmanship --1st
Goldencol's What A Girl Wants
(Rayshel Horton)

Open Senior - 2nd place
CH Brittstorm Thunder N Lightening (Mashala
Horton)

Heart of America KC - 8/25/06

WB -

Regatta's Racing Genoa (Gulledge)(2pts)

Lake Temiskamine Kennel Club Dog Shows (New Liskeard , Ontario), Aug 15-17th , 2006

Group 2three shows

Group 4 one show

Best of Breed one show

Can. Ch. Glengowan's Authentic Playboy Can.
SDHF (Romeo) (Kashuba/Caldwell)

CHOOSING BUMPERS FOR FIELD

by Alice Woodyard

First, for marking work, they can't mark what they can't see. And the better they see it the better they mark. And if you are training on some kind of mark where the line to the fall is what you're training on, and if you might correct a dog for not taking it (including just a whistle, not necessarily e-collar), you really want to be sure the dog saw where the bumper fell and the arc in the sky as well if you are going to hold him responsible for the line.

Therefore, for marks the general rules: (1) large bumpers not the small ones, (2) pick a color that contrasts with the background: white bumpers against forest or marsh backgrounds and black or blue bumpers against sky or light colored hillside backgrounds. (3) black/white bumpers (trying for the compromise approach) are only useful on shorter hunt test marks because at field trial distances the visible bumper is only half-sized. (Think about it.) This is not big enough for a dog to see at trial distances (200-400 yards). (4) difficult visibility situations call for putting streamers on the bumper, i.e., even a "large" bumper is often not large enough for a dog to see well at longer trial distances. (5) Dogs see blue well although they do not see orange well. Therefore if you want the bumper to be visible on the ground when the dog is close to it so he does not have a hunt, but not from a great distance so that he has to navigate to get there rather than look across the field and see white, blue is an excellent choice.

For blinds the general rules: (1) orange small bumpers when you don't want the dog to see it from a distance (most experienced dogs learn to spot orange [probably see it as a unique gray] from up close). (2) white small bumpers if you want the dogs to find the bumper right away once you have them where they need to be, eliminating a hunt and maybe safety or visibility issue when the dog is on the end of the blind (e.g. you can't see the dog if he overshoots and goes down a bank or into cover). Sometimes conditions dictate this is appropriate. I am talking about long blinds here where the real job is getting the dog there. Once he's there you'd like him to have immediate success and not have to hack him around at the end.

For short cheating marks where visibility isn't a problem, like cheating singles for a young dog, I use the size bumper my thrower can be most accurate with. For my training buddies this usually means small bumpers.

Puppies whose mouths aren't large enough for large bumpers get small ones for their marks so that they aren't tempted to drag the bumper back by the rope. Also using small bumpers helps the fall to be a long way from the thrower because people can throw small bumpers farther than large ones. Having the fall well separated from the thrower is also important when starting a pup on its first real marks.

When introducing marking for any age dog, you want them to see it easily on the ground so use white bumpers. You should not be throwing marks so long that background is an issue at this stage of the dog's training.

Because dogs can see blue, but blue doesn't stand out across the field, sometimes blue is what you want. I also use the small size ones to transition pups off of a steady diet of white bumpers when they still at the "soccer field" stage of marking development. The pup by now knows how to run directly and straight to where they saw the bumper fall and their eyes are carrying them out there, no head-dropping. Now it is time to wean them off of having a white bumper to stare out all the way out and a blue bumper works well because they have the habit of staring at where they're going as they run, but when they get there you want a quick find, not a hunt. (Yet.)



WESTERN REGIONAL

All, We are looking for folks to help with the 2007 Western Regional in the following areas:

JUDGES HOSPITALITY: Includes transportation, hotel arrangements, meals and general welfare of these important folks as well as ring hospitality (ice water, paper towels, mints, wash 'n dry's, pens, lunch, etc.).

FUND RAISING: Help is needed to sell the birdhouses and our custom t-shirts/sweatshirts at any upcoming show and the National.

CATALOG ADVERTISING: Solicit and receive catalog ads from the golden fancy, regional clubs as well as corporations and businesses.

TROPHY DONATIONS: Solicit and receive trophy donations.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM: This is not a specific requirement, but would be something great to offer if someone is interested in coordinating it.

STEWARDS: Responsible for making sure the activities in the ring run smoothly. Assist the judge in any capacity required. Check in exhibitors, pass out armbands, set up obedience equipment. Responsible for getting classes in and out of the ring in an organized fashion, for maintaining an accurately marked catalog for reference, and to be the intermediary between the judge and the exhibitors.

HEALTH CLINIC: Debbie Littleton has agreed to coordinate a heart and eye clinic on Saturday, March 24, 2007 and will need assistance the day of the event She may be contacted at ph: 817-430-4437 or email: wyndehills@aol.com

WC/WCX COMMITTEE: Terry Thornton has agreed to chair the WC/WCX test which will be held on Sunday, March 25, 2007. She may be contacted via email: amigoldretrievers@yahoo.com

We are going to need everyone to pitch-in to make this a successful event. Please let me know how you would like to help.

Thanks, Rita Robins

CARAVANNING TO THE NATIONAL

At the August meeting we started a list of members who would be driving to Kansas City...including the dates they would be driving and their cell phone numbers. If you are interested in adding your name to the list, please do so at the September meeting (or call Nancy Crowley or Molly Chapman). We will distribute the list to those signed upso everyone will have a little back up if they run into car trouble or need help along the way.

If I did not have Dogs.....

- 1. I could walk around the yard barefoot in safety.**
- 2. My house could be carpeted instead of tiled and laminated.**
- 3. All flat surfaces, clothing, furniture, and cars would be free of Dog hair.**
- 4. When the doorbell rings, it wouldn't sound like the kennels.**
- 5. When the doorbell rings, I could get to the door without wading through dog bodies who beat me there.**
- 6. I could sit on the couch the way I wanted, without taking into consideration how much space several fur bodies would need to get comfortable.**
- 7. I would not have strange presents under my Christmas tree-like dog bones, stuffed animals or have to answer to people why I wrap them.**
- 8. I would not be on a first name basis with three vets.**
- 9. The most used words in my vocabulary would not be: "out", "sit", "down", "come", "no", "stay", and "leave him/her/it ALONE".**
- 10. My house would not be cordoned off into zones with baby gates or barriers.**
- 11. My pockets would not contain things like poo bags, dog treats and an extra leash.**
- 12. I would no longer have to spell the words B-A-L-L or F-R-I-S-B-E-E or W-A-L-K or C-O-O-K-I-E-S.**
- 13. I would not have as many leaves INSIDE my house as outside.**
- 14. I would not look strangely at people who think having their ONE dog ties them down too much.**
- 15. I'd look forward to Spring and the melting of the snow instead of dreading "mud season".**
- 16. I would not have to answer the question "Why do I have so many dogs?" from people who will never have the joy in their life of knowing they are loved unconditionally by something as close to an angel as they will ever get.**
- 17. How empty my life would be....**