



UPCOMING EVENTS

SPECIALTY-March 21

APRIL 7-Club meeting and agility workshop with Bonnie Norris

May 18-WCWCX

August 16-17 Agility trial



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APRIL 7TH @ 7pm.

BEGINNING AGILITY

WE WILL HAVE A MEMBERSHIP MEETING / OUT-ING.

JOIN US AT PAWS FOR APPLAUSE DOG AGILITY SCHOOL (ROWLETT) FOR "A TEST DRIVE" WITH BONNIE NORRIS. BONNIE, THE OWNER WILL GIVE A SHORT LECTURE ON STARTING YOUR PUPPY, YOUNG DOG OR OLD DOG IN THE SPORT OF AGILITY.

AFTER BONNIE TALKS WE WILL HAVE THE FACILITY TO INTRODUCE OUR DOGS TO THE "BEGINNERS" EQUIPMENT.. WITH HER SUPERVISION WE WILL ALL HAVE TIME WITH HER (SHE MAY HAVE AN ASSISTANT, DEPENDING ON HOW MANY REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE.

THE COST IS \$5.00 PER DOG
(THIS IS TO PAY FOR THE USE OF THE EQUIPMENT/FIELD AND BONNIE SPEAKING)
PLEASE SEND A CHECK PAYABLE TO ..
DFWMGRC TO KATHY FELIX at: 5717 Trails Edge Court, Arlington, Texas 76017

Driving direction are on page 2.

In case of rain we will reschedule...If you would include your phone number on your check we could call if there is a cancellation.

Paws For Applause

Driving Directions: From 1-30 through Dallas, go east past 635 and continue east on I-30. Go over Lake Ray Hubbard and take the Dalrock exit, go left or North. Take Dalrock until it dead ends into Liberty Grove, take a right onto Liberty Grove. After about 1 mile, Liberty Grove changes its name turns into Stonewall Rd. Continue 1/4 mile over small bridge and past blue house on right, a stone mailbox with a dog on top, a stone house, a taupe house marked 3425 and then a white, cliché-rock parking lot with with buckets in front. That is where the PFA's parking lot is. Please drive and park here and not at our personal residence.

From the George Bush Turnpike or 190 go east from central or I-75. Stay on 190 until it turns into Firewheel Pkwy, go right at Firewheel Pkwy. At the intersection of Pleasant Valley and Firewheel and NE Pkwy take Pleasant Valley left or northeast. Shortly after turning left on Pleasant Valley you'll see a gun range on the right, look for the signs saying Pleasant Valley because it takes a sharp right within a 1/4 mile after the gun range. Stay on Pleasant Valley for about 4 miles to Elm Grove. Go right on Elm Grove. Go about 1.5 miles and left on Vinson. Go about 3/4's of a mile and right on Stonewall. The first parking lot you come to on the left is a white, cliché-rock parking lot with white buckets in front. Park here.

Pet Therapy Screenings.

PetsWest Training Center
102 Bearcat Rd
Aledo, TX
817-441-6881

Delta Society Pet Partners Screening
March 29, Saturday 9-1pm
May 10 & 17

Delta Society Pet Partners Team Training
for more info you can go to
info@petswest.net
www.petswest.net

Thought for the day:

Handle every stressful situation like a dog.
If you can't eat it or hump it, pee on it and walk away.

CLUB SHIRTS

Polo Shirts are available with the club logo. The cost is \$34.24. Send checks and orders to Donna Todd. Color is blue denim but you may ask for a different color. Tanks tops are also available at \$23.. Donna will send in an order when several have accumulated.

DFWMGRC CLUB DUES FOR YEAR 2008

Dues for year 2008 are due February 1, 2008 and are considered delinquent after March 1, 2008. Send all monies to the treasurer. Regular dues are \$25 per family or \$20 per individual or \$15 per Junior. Send to Linda Miller.

WC/WCX

May 18 in Rockwall

The club is in the process of organizing a WC/WCX for May 18 in Rockwall. The premium will be on the club website. Call Richard Woodmansee if you are interested in helping.

If you want to see whether your puppy or older dog will pick up at a bird, come at lunch and you will have a chance to let your dog try and retrieve.

FROM THE WEB

1. After your humans give you a bath, DON'T LET THEM TOWEL DRY YOU!

Instead, run to their bed, jump up, and dry yourself off on the sheets. This is especially good if it's right before your humans' bedtime.

2. Act like a convicted criminal. When the humans come home, put your ears back, tail between your legs, chin down, and act as if you have done something really bad. Then, watch as the humans frantically search the house for the damage they think you have caused. (Note: This only works when you have done absolutely nothing wrong.)

3. Let the humans teach you a brand new trick. Learn it perfectly. When the humans try to demonstrate it to someone else, stare blankly back at the humans. Pretend you have no idea what they're talking about.

4. When out for a walk, alternate between choking and coughing every time a strange human walks by.

5. Make your own rules. Don't always bring back the stick when playing fetch with the humans. Make them go and chase it once in a while.

6. Hide from your humans. When your humans come home, don't greet them at the door. Instead, hide from them, and make them think something terrible has happened to you. (Don't reappear until one of your humans is panic-stricken and close to tears).

7. When your human calls you to come back in, always take your time. Walk as slowly as possible back to the door.

9. Wake up twenty minutes before the alarm clock is set to go off, and make the humans take you out. As soon as you get back inside, fall asleep. (Humans can rarely fall back asleep after going outside, this will drive them nuts!)

Exhibitor's Standards

CHARACTERISTICS

A pleasant intelligent person, helpful, considerate, attentive and of a sporting demeanour. Always willing to give advice and assistance to newcomers, or to others needing it. Attentive to the needs of the dogs being handled, and present each dog to its best advantage.

GENERAL APPEARANCE

A neat, smart, fit looking individual, well-groomed, well shod and well-equipped, who moves freely both in and out of the ring.

TEMPERAMENT

Calm, confident, unhurried and friendly.

HEAD

Neither big nor pin headed. Skull broad to allow for plenty of brain power. Expression pleasant and smiling, regardless of judges' decisions, other exhibitors actions and the dog's behavior. Nose small so as to not be stuck into where it is not wanted.

EYES

Sharp and bright. Observant of other exhibitors location, judges hand signals and the movement and position of all dogs in the ring.

MOUTH

Usually best kept closed except to briefly answer judges questions or to congratulate successful exhibitors. Teeth clean, white and presented in a smiling fashion at all times.

NECK

Long enough to hold the head up proudly and flexible enough to turn the head as to observe everything that is happening in the ring. Should never be stuck out.

FOREQUARTERS

Shoulders broad and able to shrug off unsporting comments from other exhibitors. Arms of sufficient length and strength to extend a handshake to the winners, keep a firm hold on the dog, collect any prize cards, and give a friendly pat to the dog all at the same time.

BODY

Sufficiently slim as to not impede other exhibitors leaving the ring and to not completely block the judges view of all the dogs behind.

HINDQUARTERS

Well developed and strong so as to be able to move the dog in the ring at its optimum speed.

FEET

Firmly on the ground as this is only a sport after all. To be kept out of the mouth at all times.

GAIT

Free moving and graceful, moving in harmony with the dogs speed.

COAT

Dress should be neat, clean and tidy, neither flamboyant nor immodest, but designed to allow free movement without distraction to any dog in the ring. Feet should be well shod in practical shoes to allow for easy movement.

COLOR

Should be chosen to complement the color of the dog, or if several different colored dogs are being handled, to at least not completely hide the outline of any dog, e.g. wearing a long black skirt when showing a black dog.

SIZE

Exhibitors may come in all sizes and shapes, the only limitation being ability to do justice to the dog when in the ring.

MAJOR FAULTS

Dirty or scruffy appearance, grumpy, vicious or flustered temperament; swollen head; loud mouth, especially when used for insulting comments or bad language; unsporting behavior; unkempt dress.

NOTE:

The usual Kennel Club requirement that all males have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum has been dispensed with, in the interests of decorum and to avoid any sudden inspections with attendant violent reactions, while male exhibitors are attending dog shows.

BRAGS

AGILITY

DAWG March 7, 2008

NF -4th

U-UD Aerojett's Speaker of Tales UDX RE OA
AXJ SH WCX (Frick)

NF-2nd

Sheridon's Kahlua N Cream NF OA OAJ NJP
CGC ("Kahlua") (Farmer/Todd) TITLE!!!

Novice FAST Preferred - Q

SHERIDON'S ORIG IRISH CREAM ("Bailey")
(Farmer/Todd)

ExB Standard Preferred 2nd Place
ExB JWW Preferred 2nd Place DQ
Remuda's Luck of the Draw CDX,MX,MXJ,MXP,
A J P (F E L I X)
TITLE !!

DAWG March 8, 2008

NF

U-UD Aerojett's Speaker of Tales UDX RE OA
AXJ SH WCX (Frick) TITLE!!

Novice FAST Preferred - 2nd and Q -

SHERIDON'S ORIG IRISH CREAM WC RN JH
OAP OJP CGC ("Bailey") (Farmer/Todd) TITLE!!!

ExB Standard Preferred 3rd Place
ExB JWW Preferred 1st Place DQ
Remuda's Luck of the Draw CDX,MX,MXJ,MXP,
MJP (FELIX)

DAWG March 9, 2008

JWWP - Q, Second Place

Ducat Watermark River Seanan NAP, AJP - EXB
(Degan)

Open FAST - 1st

SHERIDON'S KAHLUA N CREAM ("Kahlua")
(Farmer/Todd)

ExB Standard Preferred 3rd Place
ExB JWW Preferred 1st Place DQ
Remuda's Luck of the Draw CDX,MX,MXJ,
MXP,MJP (FELIX)

ExB JWW Preferred 2nd Place

Remuda's One More Last Chance AX,AXJ,
MXP,AJP (FELIX)

CONFORMATION

Saturday, March 8, 2008 - San Antonio KC

1st, Open Dog; WD/BOW - 2 -points

Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (Caldwell)

1st in BBE, WB and New Champion

Molly Chapman and Diane Mueller

Greater Houston Golden Retriever Club speciality, Houston, TX, March 14:

WB/BOW - 4 point major -)

Glengowan's Tinker Taylor RA (Caldwell):

NEW CHAMPION!

RWD (major reserve

Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (Caldwell):

3rd, OB

Glengowan's Ash Grove (Caldwell):

Judges' Award of Merit

Ch. Glengowan's Sugar and Spice (Caldwell):

NEW OD!

Houston KC, Saturday, March 15:

2nd, OB; RWB (major reserve)

Schoolhouse A, Bee, C's (Branch):

1st, 6-9 Puppy bitches

Schoolhouse Head of the Class (Branch):

Galveston County KC, Sunday, March 16:

4th, OB

Schoolhouse A, Bee, C's Branch):

MORE BRAGS

DFWMGRC Specialty, March 21, 2008

1st, OB; WB BOW; JAM
Schoolhouse A, Bee, C's (Branch Caldwell):
(4 or 5 point major);

FWKC, March 22, 2008

1st, OB;
RWB (major reserve)
Schoolhouse A, Bee, C's (Branch Caldwell):

1st, 6-9 Puppy bitches
Schoolhouse Head of the Class (Branch Caldwell):

FWKC, March 23, 2008

1st, OD; WD (4 point major)
Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (Caldwell):

3rd, OB
Schoolhouse A, Bee, C's (Branch Caldwell):

Sale/Swap Corner

Do you have something to sell or trade? You can list it here or you can make a request to see if someone has an extra dog item he or she might be willing to sell.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The February 19, 2008 General Membership Meeting was held at Central Market in Plano.

There were 14 Board Members and Members present. A quorum was established.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p

President – Donna Todd reminded everyone that we need new committee chairs for all of the committees and encouraged people to volunteer.

Vice-President – Kathy Felix reported that there were 36 trophy sponsorships sold and 12 that remained unsold for the 2008 Specialty. All of the trophy sponsorships have been turned over to John Knapp.

Treasurer – Linda Miller reported that the club currently has \$6,300 on account.

A discussion was held regarding the 2008 Specialty. David Brown has sent all of the ads to Onfrio. Cathy Meddaugh has upgraded the ribbons, and Nancy Crowley will make the Judge's gift baskets and welcome baskets. Everyone is invited to the Judges' dinner after the Specialty on Friday night, March 21, 2008 at Blue Mesa Grill.

Public Education - The DFWMGRC is required to run an ad one week per month. A discussion was held to amend the by-laws to allow the club to go to a public venue, i.e. PetSmart, and to a "meet the breed" for public education.

New Business – The club will incorporate its April meeting with a Introduction to Agility at Bonnie Norris' Paws for Applause.

Speaker – Patti Caldwell spoke about therapy dogs being used in reading programs in libraries and schools.

Raffle – A raffle was held at the end of the meeting for a gift certificate to Mimi's Café which was won by Kathy Felix.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40p.



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MEMBERSHIP AND MONTHLY MEETINGS

An application for membership can be obtained at a monthly meeting (Jan.-Dec.).
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 each month. Contact the Editor or President for information. Meeting schedules are
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