

Hi Everybody!

The Dog Agility Competition of Florida is coming up the weekend of June 25 and 26 at the Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee. We have two teams representing our schools with dogs of many sizes and breeds and even a Junior Handler!

The arena is beautiful, indoors air conditioned with very comfortable seats for the audience. I don't know if parking is free, but there is no admission fee to go watch the tournament. The physical address is: Osceola Heritage Park at 1875 Silver Spur Lane in Kissimmee, Florida, 33815.

### **No Classes**

We will have no classes from Tuesday, July 12 through Friday, July 15. I will be at Parry Georgia for a 5 day Agility competition.

### **AKC Announces their new Therapy Dog Title**

This title is for dogs who have already worked as therapy dogs.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

To earn the AKC Therapy Dog title, you and your dog must meet the following criteria:

1. Certified/registered by an AKC recognized therapy dog organization
2. Perform a minimum of 50 visits
3. The dog must be registered or listed with AKC. Because we add the title to a dog's AKC record, the dog needs an AKC number to earn the title.

Both purebred and mixed breed dogs are welcome to apply for the AKC Therapy Dog title. Mixed breed dogs must enroll in AKC Canine Partners to acquire a number for earning titles.

To learn more or to download an application, visit [www.akc.org/akctherapydog](http://www.akc.org/akctherapydog), or contact us at (919) 816-3900 or [akctherapydog@akc.org](mailto:akctherapydog@akc.org)

### **From Hillsborough Co. Dog Fanciers Assoc.**

Hello all:

PLEASE CROSS - POST THIS TO ANY LIST THAT YOU THINK WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. WE NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET.

This is an all call to anyone who has outfits that would be appropriate for Junior Handlers. These outfits are going to be offered to the attendees at the Junior Handlers Seminar being held in Orlando, Florida over the July 4th

weekend. These clothes should be appropriate for a child to go into a Junior Showmanship class at an all-breed show. Suits for girls or boys. Any type of blouses, skirts or pants. Things that you would like to see your Junior wear in the ring.

The Juniors will be allowed to try the clothes on and if they like the outfit take it home at no charge to them. Whatever clothes are not shared over the weekend will be sent over to Goodwill or the Salvation Army.

Since I am attending the Orlando shows the weekend of June 23 - 26th, you might wish to bring the clothes you have available and save any shipping costs.

If you cannot attend - please send the clothes to:

Leah James

59 Red Fern Road

Havana, Florida 32333

Any questions -- call me at 850-445-5409 (cell) or 850-562-3341 (home). Please prepay these shipments as we have no budget available for mailing.

All donations will be gratefully accepted.

Thanks, Leah James

P.S. Don & Debi White (Oliver's Mom & Dad) will be going to the Orlando shows, if you have clothing to donate, please bring it to the school by Tuesday, June 21 and they will transport it to the shows...Ileana

### **Natural Bug Repellent**

Well, bug season is here and all the pesky little critters are out to get you and your pets!!! Here's a wonderful natural bug repellent that you can spray on as much as you like and will not hurt you or your dogs:

1. Two thinly sliced lemons
2. Sprig of rosemary
3. About 10 drops of Eucalyptus oil (you can get this at the health food stores)

Bring a quart pot of water to a boil. Add lemon and rosemary and turn off the heat. Let seep overnight. Strain out the lemon and rosemary, add eucalyptus and pour liquid into a spray bottle.

You can use it on yourself and your pets everyday if desired. Store it in the refrigerator

### **URGENT NOTICE !!**

Potential Danger of Dog Hair..... In a press release today, the National Institute of Health has announced the discovery of a potentially dangerous substance in the hair of dogs. This substance, called "amobacter caninii" has been linked with the following symptoms in females: Reluctance to cook, clean or do housework, a reluctance to wear make-up, good clothes or high heels. Reluctance to spend money on home or car repairs until after 'Baby' has new collars, leashes, beds, treats, food, blankets or toys. "Amobacter caninii" usually results in long hours away from home and exhaustion which may lead to a loss of physical contact with other humans (especially husbands and boyfriends). "Amobacter caninii" is thought to be addictive, driving the need for additional sources - this may lead to a "pack mentality" or like the potato chip commercial, "you can't have just one". Beware! If you come in contact with a female human infected by this substance, be prepared to talk about dogs for hours. Surgeon General's Warning: Dogs are expensive, addictive, and may impair the ability to use common sense. Those affected please join us at the Next Support Group... See ya @ the Shows !!

### **Congratulations to Our Latest Graduates**

Basic Agility:

Kelli Sabourin & Addie (Aussie)  
Debby Bouchon & Trace (Pointer)  
Tim Thornton & River (Pointer)  
Shelley Ross & Jackie (Staffordshire Mix)  
Karen Berry & Hope (All American)

Super Puppy:

Hiroko Williams & Skye (Rat Terrier)  
Joe Barbarossa & Riley (Corgi)  
Karyn Miles & Bella (Dachshund)  
Claire Chiaroti and Beau (Golden Retriever)

### **Class Schedule**

Monday:

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy (Next class starting July 18, 2011)  
7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Agility (next class starting August 8, 2011)  
8:00 to 9:00 PM - Intermediate Agility

Tuesday:

9:00 AM to 10:00AM - Small Dog Agility  
6 to 7PM - Distance work class

7:00 PM Masters / Advanced Level Agility

Wednesday:

9:00 to 10:00AM - Beginner Competition Obedience Skills

10:00 to 12:00AM - Advanced Obedience and Rally with Susi Kirkpatrick

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy class (Next class starting August 17, 2011)

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Intermediate Agility

8:00 to 9:30 PM - K9 Nosework class (New class starting June 22, 2011)

Thursday:

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Obedience (Next class starting July 21, 2011)

8:00 to 9:00 PM - Rally Obedience

Friday:

9:00 to 10:00 AM - Advanced Agility

10:00 to 11:00 AM - Intermediate Agility

...and now, time for a paws...

Ileana