

Hi Everybody!

Our February TDAA trial went great. We had a few mishaps: I changed the date, so it caused conflicts. Our original judge could not make it on that weekend, so I contracted another judge and she broke her leg. I went in search of a new judge again, and reached Mary Ann Lutz from the Panhandle. I had never met her, but she turned out to be a doll! She made our great weekend possible. She sent me an email to share with the club:

“THANK-YOU for all you did for me and TDAA this past week-end. I really enjoyed your trial. Be sure to praise your EXCELLENT course builders and trial secretary. Put me on your email list for future agility trials and I'll try to enter one now that I know how to go and not GET LOST! LOL Great trial and site. Again thank-you for the gift bag. I plan to place the picture of my first agility dog and champion in it. Bitty Bits recently passed away at the age of 14 on Feb.5,2011. LESS BARK-MORE WAG, MARY ANN”

Maybe next year we'll see Mary Ann again as an exhibitor! Our next TDAA trial will be February 18 & 19, 2012. The judge will be June Cole.

Our next trial is the NADAC trial of April 23 & 24 at the Mosaic Arena in Palmetto. The premium for that trial is now available at www.coolcritters.com. I also have printed premiums available as well.

New Classes

Susi Kirpatrick will be starting a new class on Beginner Competition Obedience Skills at 9AM on Wednesdays. This class is a lead in class to the 10AM Advanced Obedience Skills class. For more information contact Susi at krakr4sibe@aol.com.

We are planning a new class on **K9 Nose Work**. Nose work utilizes the dog's sense of smell and natural desire to hunt. The sport of K9 Nose Work is designed to develop your dog's natural scenting ability by using the desire to hunt, and the love of toys, food and exercise. It's lots of fun for the dogs, builds their confidence, and burns mental and physical energy. For more information on Nose Work, visit their website: www.k9nosework.com.

The sport is originally from California and is making it's way to Florida. Mindy Longkor will be participating in the Georgia workshop and will be teaching the class in April. We have not decided if it will be a seminar or a weekly class. Right now, I need to know how many people are interested so that we can plan ahead.

Doggy Fun Weekend

On Saturday, March 26, the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club is hosting a fun day here at my place. There will be demos, a doggy photographer, health testing for eyes and heart, etc. The event will start around 9AM and will be open to everyone and all dogs.

On Sunday, March 27, I will be doing a **Snooker Workshop**. This will be from 9AM to 11PM, and it's designed to teach you to play this fun game. We will have an instructional period with handouts, description of the game, and differences between USDAA and CPE Snooker. Then, everyone will get to play it with their dogs. The cost will be \$20 per dog, and I will need at least 5 dogs to do this workshop. Email or call me if you are interested.

On Sunday, March 27 from 6 to 8:30PM, we will have **Run-Thrus**. We'll have a Standard Course set up in The Advanced Field, and a Jumpers Course in the Basic Field. There will be nested courses for both Beginners and Advanced Dogs. Beginner dogs can run on lead if needed. Cost will be \$5 for the first run, \$2 for the second run, \$10 for unlimited runs of one dog, and \$15 for unlimited runs of 2 or more dogs.

A Desperate Plea From Florida Boxer Rescue

Folks we have a serious problem. Due to the economy we have reached a critical point in time. For the first time FBR may have to refuse to help Boxers because we can find no place for them to sleep while we find them a permanent home.

All our current foster homes are full. Our wonderful partners who give us free boarding are also full, and we can not afford to pay for boarding anywhere else. With no place to put them, we can no longer pull Boxers waiting for our help.

An example is a six year old Boxer named Flower. She is now at the Hillsborough County Animal Services. She has been there for weeks, scared to death with no one to turn to. I have met Flower. She is a sweet little Boxer girl who deserves a second chance. What do I do folks? Do I tell the shelter we can not take her? I don't have to tell you what most likely will happen if we don't take her. Please don't let it come to that.

Flower is just one example of the many Boxers waiting for us. Every area of FBR has Boxers waiting for foster homes. We need all of your help today so we can help them. What a shame it would be to refuse a Boxer because nobody had one corner in their house where the scared little dog could sleep.

Please help today. Don't assume someone else will do it, because they may

not. Please consider fostering one Boxer. If you have never fostered, I promise it will be one of the most rewarding things you will ever do. You will never forget the dog you helped.

In addition to fostering please make four phone calls. People who have adopted from us are already approved to foster. Please call previous applicants or your friends you know love dogs. Ask them to apply today. We can't put this off even a day, we need foster homes right now.

If providing food, crates, bedding, etc is an issue we will help. I promise if you have never fostered, but are willing to give it a try, we will support you every step of the way.

Again please help so we do not have to turn Boxers who need us away.

Thanks in advance for your help,

Bill

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A Website Featuring Dogs for Adoption

If you have a Dog for Adoption please go to <http://stocksbydogs.com>, Dog's Space Page, Create a New Account, Dogs for Adoption and Add a New Dog Profile. Please advertise your Dog with us, it is free and we can help you to find a new home for your dog.

CLICK ON THE LINKS TO WATCH VIDEOS:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9IBtix18g_U&feature=player_embedded
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t4uYgdVMGkM&feature=player_embedded

Best regards,

Mr A.P.

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Congratulations to Our Latest Graduates

Puppy

Kent Brown & Finnegan (Brittany)

Jennifer Duvall & Rio (Lab Mix)

Michelle Davis & Chloe (Weimaraner)
Brooke Carroll & Daisy (Lab Mix)
Karen Berry & Hope (Mix)
Glenda Dorety & Popcorn (Boxer)

Basic Obedience

Kyra Dennington & Bandit (Blue Heeler mix)
Shelley Rossw & Jackie (Bull Terrier mix)
Bath Rice & George (Border Collie)

Class Schedule

Monday:

6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy (Next class starting May 16, 2011)
7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Agility (next class starting March 28, 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 Level Agility

Wednesday:

9:00 to 10:00AM - Beginner Competition Obedience Skills
10:00 to 12:00AM - Advanced Obedience with Susi Kirkpatrick
6:15 to 7:00 PM - Super Puppy class (Next class starting April 6, 2011)
7:00 to 8:00 PM - Intermediate Agility
8:00 to 9:00 PM - Advanced Agility

Thursday:

7:00 to 8:00 PM - Basic Obedience (Next class starting May 19, 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...

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