



Training Times

Training Dogs to be Good Citizens

November, 2012

Dog Obedience Club of Lee County



Monday, Nov. 19 th General Meeting 7:30 PM at Perkins (US 41 south of Crystal Dr) 7:00 if you plan to eat dinner.

Monday, Dec 17 th the board meets at Perkins in Cape Coral



December 12th at 7:00PM
Christmas Party at K-9's Come First (details on page 2)

News from the Trial Committee ...

The Trial Committee list has gone out by email. Please look at the various things that need to be done to make our trial happen this coming January. Volunteer. The names and phone numbers of the chairs are included. Don't be shy. This is part of being a club member. Please participate. Any questions, suggestions, changes, hopes, dreams, wants, or problems...give Sandy Smith a call.

For anyone who did not get the email here is the list of Trial Committee. Please feel free to contact them to lend a hand:

Sandy Smith: Trial Chair; Building and Equipment

Sue Davis: Trial Secretary; Premium and Catalog

Teri Bell: Awards and Ribbons; Ring Stewards

?????? Need a chair!! - Class Sponsors

Jeanette Larson: Corporate Sponsors

Deb Coveau: Hospitality

Carol Tollini: Judges Hospitality; Judges Dinner

Barb Wood: Judges' Gifts

Mona Kurth and Jeanette Rogers: Raffle

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RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED!!

It's time to start bringing in items to make up our raffle baskets for the trial. PLEASE contribute something. This has been a good money maker in the past to help pay for our trial. Small items of any kind (it does not have to be dog related) as well as gift certificates and gift cards are in demand. Also, if you have baskets to re-gift or baskets you've purchased and now can't figure out where they fit in your decor, we can use those too.



New member application to be voted on at the general meeting:

Stacey Ludlam



Just a reminder

Membership dues are due BEFORE January 1st. Give to Terri or mail to: 15630 Briar Patch Ln., Fort Myers 33912



Don't miss the treat recipes on pages 4 and 5!!

GOOD NEWS

Our members have reported the following accomplishments:

Mona Kurth reports GCH KD's Have Gun Will Travel at Goldpins BN CD RE "Eli Walker" gave me some beautiful jumps at the Dock Diving Comp. on Sept. 29th 2012 and received his JJ-N, "Junior Jumpers Novice" Title. He also got his first point towards his Bronze on Oct. 12th 2012. KD's Itchin to Play at Goldpins RAE CDX "Ivy Lee" got her 2nd leg towards her Agility Nov. Pref. title on Oct. 6th 2012.

This is from Deb Coveyeau: Well, we have a new dog. We got him from Animal services and I picked him up last Saturday. He was an owner surrender, with a microchip that was still registered in his breeder's name in Minnesota. He is just over 2 years old. I can't begin to tell you how pleased we are with the English setter, whose name we have changed to Robby (it was Hawk). He was great on the car ride home and must be crate trained as we have had no problems with that. When I got him home, I put the other 3 dogs in the yard in anticipation of putting the new one in the house. Well,



after I got him out of the van, Molly, our Irish setter, promptly scaled the 5 ft. chain link fence and came over to say hello. No problems. They both walked to the front door without any confrontations. (This was the girl I was so concerned about.)

And here's what Ginger Willis has to share: Megan and I will be headed to Orlando for Eukunuba. No awards for us this year in obedience. Just the breed awards! Mary did get her CH, a BOS, a Select Bitch, and a BOB! LOL! Oh and the invite to Euk...so I guess somewhere we are ok!

Classes in Cape Coral graduated 16 Beginners and 8 Puppies in this round of classes.

A Reminder from Terri...It's time to submit your titles for this year's Annual Awards. If you had a high score in Novice, Open, or Utility at an AKC trial please submit that **score and the date, trial and class** where you earned it. Also, **all Novice A people need to submit their highest score for 2012.** As was decided by a vote last year, all bars for regular obedience, optional titling and rally classes will cost \$10 each. If you earned titles in any other sport such as tracking, agility, conformation, etc. you may purchase bars for these titles for \$20 each **IF** we have bars available. Plaques for dogs earning titles in regular obedience, optional titling, and rally will still be awarded at no charge for a dog's first title.

Good News continued....

Please submit **ALL** of the following info to Terri Bell. Deadline for this is **NOVEMBER 15, 2012!!** If you earn a title after that please submit it and I will do my best to get it included.

1. Do you already have a plaque for this dog?
2. If not – your full name as you want it to appear on the plaque.
3. Dog's full name without titles
4. All titles won in 2012
5. The date and city where the title was earned.
6. Which titles would you like to purchase bars for? And please include payment for those bars

All titles will be recognized at the party whether you are getting bars or not. We **DO** want to celebrate all of everyone's accomplishments!!!! So get busy and dig up those scores and info for the titles. The party will be here before you know it!

Info can be given to Terri in person, e-mailed to terribell@embarqmail.com or mailed to

Terri Bell, 15630 Briar Patch Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33912

At K-9'sComeFirst: Thanks Sunny & Jennie! They have dedicated a space on the wall of the training building for DOCLC. It's started with our very nice poster Gary did for DOCOF last year. They have welcomed us to bring in pictures of our dogs and events to hang there. Coleen has some frames if anyone needs any.

Christmas pictures will be hosted by Rashzoo Photography

DATE: 11/25/12 (Sunday)

TIME: 9:00 - 5:00

LOCATION: Cindy's House (indoor setting with a/c)

COST: \$25.00

A CD containing all images will be provided at the end of your session.

Please call Becky (239/565-5023) to schedule your appointment.

Additional Services Available:

Image

Enhancement Cropping

Print Preparation (sizing)

(Additional Services will be available for an added cost and 2-3 day processing time)

Upcoming Events

Club Christmas Party: Will be held at K-9's on Dec 12th from 7:00 to 9:00. Setup will begin at 6:30. There will be a doggie gift exchange so please bring a gift(s) of toys or treats if you would like your dog(s) to participate. A gift donation of food for the Humane Society is requested. Also needed is a covered dish. Deb C. should have a list soon to sign up with what you are bringing.

Greater Miami Dog Club, Rally and Obedience, Saturday, Dec 8 and Sunday, Dec 9 at the Fair Expo Center, 10901 S W 24th Street, Miami, FL. Closing date is Wednesday, November 21st.

Orlando Dog Training Club, Obedience, Wednesday, Dec 12, Thursday, Dec 13, and Friday, Dec 14 at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, FL. Closing Date is November 14th.

Dog Obedience Club of Lee County, Obedience and Rally, Saturday, January 26 and Sunday, January 27 at South County Regional Recreation Center, 670 Cooper Street, Punta Gorda, FL. Closing date is January 9, 2013.

Homemade Treats for Healthier Eating

Kasel Associated Industries recalls Boots and Barkley Pig Ears and Assorted Treats. Other recalls and warnings about contaminated meat and wheat gluten from China are a wake-up call to read the fine print on all the treat packages before purchasing. Did you know that most rolled dog food and soft treats contain propylene glycol to add moisture and form to their products? While the industry claims this sugar is not be harmful to dogs in small quantities, it is NOT safe for cats. Why not make your own treats so your pup can share with the cat and you don't have to worry about where the ingredients came from? Here are three recipes shared by members and friends. Enjoy!

Doggie Meatballs

1 ½ cup brown rice flour

1 ½ cup oat flour

½-1 cup oat bran

1 cup mashed sweet potato

1 egg

1 lb. ground turkey

½ cup water (more if needed)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray cookie sheets with non-stick spray or use parchment paper. Mix all ingredients together and form into 1" meatballs. Place on cookie sheets and bake for 22 to 27 minutes. The recipe makes 72 meatballs. Freeze or refrigerate.

Soft Liver Treats

1 lb. raw chicken livers

1 egg

1 cup rice flour (brown or white)

1/3 cup of corn meal (may substitute oat bran)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray an 11" X 16" jelly roll pan with non-stick spray. In a food processor or blender, puree the chicken livers. Add one egg and mix. Mix the flour and corn meal in a bowl. Stir in the liver mixture until the batter resembles brownie mix. You can add water or chicken stock one tablespoon at a time if needed. Pour and gently spread the mixture to completely fill the jelly roll pan. Bake for 12-15 minutes. Using a pizza wheel or chef's knife, cut the treats into 1" squares and place the whole pan in a freezer for at least 2 hours. Then remove the frozen treats with a spatula. This will keep the treats from sticking together if you plan to store them in the freezer. They can be stored in the freezer for up to 3 months. The recipe yields about 96 squares.

Treats continued...**Pumpkin Biscuits**

2 eggs
1/2 cup canned pumpkin
2 tablespoons dry milk
1/4 teaspoon sea salt
2 1/2 cups brown rice flour *
1 teaspoon dried parsley (optional)

Preheat oven to 350.

In large bowl, whisk together eggs and pumpkin to smooth. Stir in dry milk, sea salt, and dried parsley (if using, optional). Add brown rice flour gradually, combining with spatula or hands to form a stiff, dry dough. Turn out onto lightly floured surface (can use the brown rice flour) and if dough is still rough, briefly knead and press to combine.

Roll dough between 1/4 – 1/2" – depending on your dog's chew preferences, – and use biscuit or other shape cutter to punch shapes, gathering and re-rolling scraps as you go. Place shapes on cookie sheet, no greasing or paper necessary. If desired, press fork pattern on biscuits before baking, a quick up-and-down movement with fork, lightly pressing down halfway through dough. Bake 20 minutes. Remove from oven and carefully turn biscuits over, then bake additional 20 minutes. Allow to cool completely on rack before feeding to dog.

* Brown rice flour gives the biscuits crunch and promotes better dog digestion. Many dogs have touchy stomachs or allergies, and do not, like many people, tolerate wheat.

Makes up to 75 small (1") biscuits or 50 medium biscuits

Editors note:

Depending on the human "yuck factor," you can also enjoy these treats with your furry buddies if you follow safe kitchen procedures and use fresh ingredients. The pumpkin biscuits have potential. No one I know would volunteer to try the other two.

