



April 2017

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Meeting

April 11, 2017 6:30 pm Wok of Flame, 417 Mace Blvd, Davis

Directions: From I-80 east take the Mace Blvd exit. Turn Left onto Chiles Road. Turn right onto Mace Blvd. Turn right into the first driveway on your right.
From I-80 west. Take the Mace Blvd exit. Turn Left. After the light at Chiles Rd., turn into the first driveway on your right.



Birthdays

I have no birthdays listed for April. If you have one please make sure to send me the information. Any updated birthday information needs to be sent to me if you want it listed in Ring Ropes.



Brag

Inside the Ropes:

Kathy Souza reports Rivah, Boardwalk River Song to SeaIsle (PWD), went BOB puppy and Working Group 1 at the Kennel Club of the California Sierra match on March 11.

Dory, (PWD) SeaIsle El Pescador, earned his NW3-Containers title March 12 at the Petaluma NW3 trial.

Cherrie Brown At the San Mateo KC trial in Vallejo on March 23 Page earned her first leg in Novice B. It was her first trial. On Saturday and Sunday in Vallejo she competed for the first time as a special in best of breed competition. On Sunday she was awarded select bitch earning 5 GCh points in the process. Since people are tuning up for the National Specialty next month, there was a huge entry in bitches with 6 specials and 11 in the classes.

Outside the Ropes

Tonya Berger Cash - WTCH GCH Navarro's Ring Of Fire At Vagabond HXAs HSAc AFTDs HRDIIm HTADIIIs earned four more points toward his AHBA (American Herding Breed Assoc.) HTCH (Herding Trial Champion). He also had two High In Trials and one Reserve HIT. This leaves him with two more points to go.

Mya - Ebbtide My Oh My At Vagabond PT STDs JHD earned her HTADIs title at the same AHBA trial. She had a second place and a fourth place.

DDTC Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2017

Black Bear Diner, Davis, CA

Called to order: 6:45 pm with 12 members in attendance.

Officers' reports

President Melody Tate thanked Louise Wilson for hosting the February meeting and awards dinner. Congratulations were offered for several birthdays.

Vice President Melinda Balint: She is working to get an animal control officer to speak at an upcoming meeting regarding the problem with off-lead dogs.

Treasurer: Louise Wilson reported a current balance of \$6,049.36.

Secretary: No report.

Committees:

Agility (Melinda Balint): The club Wags is holding a large agility trial and wants to borrow two of our timers. It was moved (Tiffany S.), seconded (Judith W) and passed to loan two timers in exchange for a \$50.00/day fee.

Membership: Tiffany S sent information to prospective members.

AOCNC: Tiffany Stutzke reported that the information booth at the Golden Gate KC show went well as did the money match at the same location (Cow Palace) the following weekend. The Bay Area clubs are offering a variety of classes in addition to obedience

CGC Tiffany S: There have been no requests for our two evaluators, Tiffany Stutzke and Louise Wilson.

Audit: The audit has not taken place. The committee needs 2016 records. A meeting date was set by the committee.

Old Business:

Obedience and rally trials, May 6, 2017: The premium list is out. Kathy Souza (rally) and Tiffany Stutzke (obedience) are the chief stewards. Contact them to volunteer.

California Federation of Dog Clubs: Melody Tate read a letter listing the activities of the federation and requesting we join for a fee of \$45/year. It was moved (Cherrie Brown), seconded (Judith Wardlaw) and passed to join.

Broke at 7:15 when food arrived.

Resumed about 7:30.

Survey of Members: This subject was brought up at an earlier meeting, but no action was taken. We need to poll our members to find what they want the Club to offer that would provide value to membership. Mallory Williams was appointed chair; Jackie Pisente and the Wardlaws were appointed members of the committee to address this.

New Business:

Farm Dog: The AKC has initiated a "Farm Dog" program similar to the CGC. Nola Jones (not a member) has approached us looking for a sponsoring club so she can be tested. However

our CGC testers have limited information on this event. We decided not to commit at this time and the issue was tabled until April pending further information from the AKC.

Changes to Rally regulations: They are introducing a new level of competition between novice and advanced and a new rally champion title. (Secretary's note: I received information about the new class and championship on the "AKC Communicates" posting.)

Tracking: Tiffany is looking into a new site.

Davis Picnic Day, April 22, 2017: They are looking for breed participants.

April 10 meeting: Will be at the WOC of Flame (near Nugget Market on Mace Blvd.). We need a place for the May meeting and there was brief mention of a July barbecue.

Adjourned: 8:05 pm - Louise moved, Barbara seconded.

Respectfully submitted – Cherrie Brown

AKC Rally Program Enhancements by Pamela Manaton

The Companion Events Department is pleased to announce new enhancements to the AKC Rally® program. The AKC Rally program has not had any changes to the class structure since its launch in 2005. We thank you, the judges, for your continued support of AKC Rally trials.



Over the years we have heard from many rally handlers who have won the Rally Novice title, saying they are not ready to move up to the Advanced level class, which requires the dog to work off-leash. AKC has created a new class and title for dogs that have won the Rally Novice title, but have not yet earned a qualifying score in the Advanced class. The Rally Intermediate class and associated title (RI) will provide a stepping-stone class to help prepare teams for the off-leash performance required in the Advanced class. The Intermediate course is a mirror image of the Advanced course without a jump. It is the Novice exhibitor's choice to take advantage of this additional opportunity and the RI title is not required to enter the Advanced class. We have also listened to the Rally Fancy who have long asked for a champion level title. We are excited to announce the new Master class and associated title (RM), as well as the Rally Champion title (RACH), both of which will provide additional challenges for dedicated rally exhibitors.

The criteria to earn the RACH title (sounds like "ROCK") requires the team to earn 20 triple qualifying scores; qualifying in the Advanced B, Excellent B and Master classes at the same trial, at 20 separate events, plus earn 300 RACH points from the Excellent B and Master classes. Points are determined by a dog's score. At least 200 RACH points must be earned from the Rally Master class.

Please review the full details of these program enhancements at the following link on the AKC Rally News and Updates page. <http://www.akc.org/events/rally/news-updates/> and share this information with your students and club members responsible for managing your rally events.

Judges should be prepared with courses for these new classes at all events held on or after November 1, 2017. Below is a link to a Word document containing all of the Rally Signs in miniature to assist you with course design. You will be able to drag and drop the signs onto your courses from this file.

[2017 Rally Mini Signs w Descriptions 030717](#)

Should you have any questions, please write to us at Rally@akc.org



Coming Events

SHOWS, OBEDIENCE & RALLY

| Date | Show | Location | Secretary | Closes | Fees |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|
| 4/15 & 16 | Sacramento KC C-O-R-B-OC*** | Sacramento | MBF | 3/29 | 34.50-/28-/B20- |
| 4/22& 23 | Chief Solano KC C-O-R-B | Vallejo | MBF | 4/5 | 31-/24- |
| 4/30 | Mt. Diablo DTC Obed & Rally | Hayward | Best | 4/12 | 28-/21- |
| 5/6 | Davis DTC Obed & Rally | Dixon | Batsford | 4/19 | 28-/18- |
| 5/13 & 14 | Two Cities KC C-O-R-B-OC** | Yuba City | MBF | 4/26 | 30-/24- |
| 5/21 | Oakland DTC Obed & Rally | Hayward | Best | 5/3 | 28-/21- |
| 5/20 & 21 | Coyote Hills CK Conf. Only **** | Vallejo | MBF | 5/3 | 31-/22- |
| 5/26 & 27 | Hangtown KC C-O-R** | Placerville | MBF | 5/10 | 29.50-/25- |
| 5/28 & 29 | KC of CA Sierra C-O-R | Placerville | MBF | 5/10 | 29.50-/25- |
| 6/1 & 2 | Butte Co KC C-O-R | Gridley | MBF | 5/17 | 30-/24- |
| 6/3 & 4 | Shasta KC C-O-R | Gridley | MBF | 5/17 | 30-/24- |
| 6/8 & 9 | Yosemite KC Conf. Only ** | Vallejo | MBF | 5/24 | 26-/23- |
| 6/10 & 11 | Contra Costa KC Conf. Only ** | Vallejo | MBF | 5/24 | 29-/23- |
| 6/25 | Deep Peninsula DTC Obed & Rally | Hayward | Hirsh | 6/7 | 28-/20- |

C= Conformation Show B= BPUP O= Obedience Trial R= Rally Trial OC=Open Show Conformation
 ** multiple breed specialties prior or day of

MATCHES Conformation/Obedience/Agility etc.

| Date | Show | Location | Secretary | Closes | Fees |
|------|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------|--------|--------------|
| 4/2 | Obedience & Rally Matches (OC/RC) | Hayward | Garfinkle | 3/24 | 15-/ dom 18- |
| 4/22 | Sniffing Dog Sorts Iron Dog Match | Napa | SDS | 3/20-o | ? |

O= entries open

AGILITY

| Date | Show | Location | Secretary | Closes | Fees |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------|---------|
| 4/7 to 9 | Nor Cal Pug AKC Agility | Lodi | Tjarks | 3/22 | 22-/16- |
| 4/7 to 4/9 | Fun Paw Agility CPE Agility | Elk Grove | Fun Paws | ? | 14- |
| 4/7 to 9 | Nor Cal Pug AKC Agility | Lodi | Tjarks | 3/22 | 21-/16- |
| 4/14 to 4/16 | TRACS USDAA Agility | Woodland | Krauter | 3/31 | 14- |
| 4/14 to 16 | Mensona KC AKC Agility | Santa Rosa | Tjarks | 3/29 | 21-16 |
| 4/21 to 23 | Nor Cal Beardie AKC Agility | Sacramento | Abbott | 4/6 | 22-/17- |
| 4/28 to 30 | GG Pem Corgi | Santa Rosa | Tjarks | 4/12 | 21-/16- |
| 5/5 to 5/7 | Nunes Agility Field USDAA Agility | Turlock | Sprouse | 4/26 | 14- |
| 5/5 to 5/7 | Nor Cal Goldens AKC Agility | San Jose | Abbott | 4/20 | 22-/16- |
| 5/12 to 14 | Hangtown KC AKC Agility | Shingle Spring | Abbott | 4/27 | 22-/17- |
| 5/12 to 14 | Santa Clara DTC AKC Agility | San Jose | Tjarks | 4/26 | 21-/16- |
| 5/19 to 21 | Sonoma Co. Agility Club AKC Agility | Santa Rosa | Tjarks | 5/3 | 21-/16- |

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| 5/26 to 28 | TRACS AKC Agility | Dixon | Leggett | 5/12 | 21-/15- |
| 6/2 to 4 | Mt Diablo DTC AKC Agility | Dixon | Abbott | 5/1/ | 22-/17- |
| 6/10 to 11 | Redwood Terv Fanc. AKC Agility | San Jose | Kretner | 5/26 | 20-/20- |
| 6/12 | Hangtown KC AKC Agility | Shingle Spring | Abbott | 5/29 | 18-/15- |
| 6/12 | Sacramento DTC AKC Agility | Shingle Spring | Abbott | 5/29 | 18-/15- |
| 6/12 | PWD of Nor Cal AKC Agility | Shingle Spring | Abbott | 5/29 | 18-/15- |



TRACKING

| Date | Show | Location | Secretary | Closes | Fees |
|------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------|--------|----------|
| 4/2 | Santa Clara DTC TD & TDX | Morgan Hill | Colombe | 3/23 | 60-/100- |
| 4/9 | San Joaquin DTC TD & TDX | lone | Hurlbut | 3/22 | 70-/120- |
| 4/23 | PAFTA VST | San Jose | Bavister | 4/13 | 125- |

HUNTING/HERDING/EARTH DOG/LURE COURSING/BARN HUNT/NOSE WORK/

| Date | Show | Location | Secretary | Closes | Fees |
|------------|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------|--------------|
| 4/1 & 2 | Pointing Breeds Hunt Test | Rio Vista | Marsh | 3/27 | 60- |
| 4/1 | Pointing Breeds Field Trial | Zamora | Chadwick | 3/26 | 65-/45- |
| 4/2 | Lure Course Test & Trial | Sloughhouse | Kelly | 3/30 | 20- |
| 4/2 | Retriever Breeds Hunt Test | Corning | Russell | 3/20 | 75-/80- |
| 4/7 & 8 | NAVHDA NA/UPT/UT | lone | Cleland | ? | ? |
| 4/7 to | Retriever Breeds Field Trial | Anderson | Williams | 3/27 | 90- pending |
| 4/8 & 9 | Retriever Breeds Hunt Test | Corning | Birkeland | 3/24 | 85-/90- |
| 4/8 & 9 | Pointing Breeds Hunt Test | Penn Valley | Tetlow | 4/1 | 60- |
| 4/8 | NACSW NW3 | San Louis Obi | Gentle Touch | 2/3 | ? |
| 4/9 | NACSW Elite | San Louis Obi | Gentle Touch | 2/3 | ? |
| 4/9 | NAVHDA NA/APT/UT | lone | Rogney | ? | ? |
| 4/14 to 16 | Retriever Breeds Field Trial | Corning | Williams Alh | 4/3 | 90- pend |
| 4/14 & 15 | Barn Hunt Trial | Sacramento | Cowhig | 4/16 | 22-/25-/27- |
| 4/22 & 23 | Pointing Breeds Field Trial | Rio Vista | Payne | 4/15 | 45-/60- |
| 4/22 & 23 | Barn Hunt Trial | Corning | Cowhig | 4/12 | 22-/25-/27- |
| 4/22 & 23 | Barn Hunt Trial | Gilroy | Morris | 4/7 | 20-/22-/24- |
| 4/29 & 30 | Pointing Breeds Hunt Test | Rio Vista | Windrus | 4/26 | ? |
| 4/30 | Lure Course Test & Trial | Oakley | Schindler | 4/26 | ? |
| 5/6 & 7 | Pointing Breeds Hunt Test | Rio Vista | Mercer | 5/1 | 60- |
| 5/6 & 7 | Barn Hunt Trial | lone | Flores | 4/25 | 18-/23- |
| 5/13 | Fast CAT | Fairfield | Lu | 5/13 | 20- |
| 5/13 & 14 | Barn Hunt Test | Fairfield | Cowhig | 5/3 | 22-/25-/27- |
| 5/13 & 14 | SDS Novice, Advanced & Excellent | San Jose | Sniffing Dog | 3/27 -o | ? |
| 5/20 & 21 | NACSW NW1 & NW2 Trials | Santa Paula | Pink Biscuit | 3/21-o | 110-/125- |
| 5/20 & 21 | Earth Dog Trial | Woodland | Powell | 5/12 | ? |
| 5/20 & 21 | Pointing Breeds Field Trial | Rio Vista | Marsh | 5/15 | 55-/65- pend |
| 5/26 | Barn Hunt clinic | Aptos | Leavitt | 5/26 | ? |
| 5/27 & 28 | Barn Hunt Trial | Aptos | Isaacson | 5/17 | 21-/25- |
| 5/27 & 28 | NACSW L1I, L1C,L2I,L2C | Livermore | Tell A Tail D | Assigne | D by 3/9 |
| 5/27 & 28 | Herding Tests and Trials | Auburn | Darrow | 5/10 | 45- |
| 6/3 & 4 | Barn Hunt Test | Gridley | Cowhig | 5/24 | 22-/25-/27- |

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| 6/6 & 7 | Herding Test and Trial | Patterson | Toth | 5/24 | 55- |
| 6/10 | NACSW NW3 Trial | Wrightwood | JAVAK9s | 4/18-o | 140- |
| 6/11 | NACSW L2C & L2I | Wrightwood | JAVAK9s | 4/18-o | 70- |
| 6/17 & 18 | NACSW NW2/Elite | Weimar | Haute Dawg | 4/20-o | 100-/130- |
| 6/24 & 25 | Lure Course Test & Trial | Dixon | Haas | 6/21 | 20-pended |
| 6/24 & 25 | Barn Hunt Tests | Aptos | Isaacson | 6/14 | 26-/29-/31- |

Several Beagle, Bassett and Doxie Field trials during this time but we don't list single breed events
 "-o" indicates the date listed is actually the opening date for entries into this event.

Nosework not assigned or assigned by check secretary web sites for opening dates



OTHER

| Date | Event | Location | Secretary | Closes | Fees | Starts |
|------------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------|
| 4/21 & 22 | Rattlesnake Aversion Clinic | Sonora | Natural Sol | | 80- | ? |
| 5/6 | Denise Fenzi Engagement, toy, play | San Jose | Cohen | ? | 200-/55- | 9:00 am |
| 5/7 | Denise Fenzi Obed. Handlers Choice | San Jose | Cohen | ? | 250-/55- | 9:00 am |
| 5/12 to 14 | Celeste Meade Maurer Advan. Obed | Lodi | Amado | 3/31? | 75-/150- | |
| 6/3 7 4 | Connie Cleveland Theory & Problem | Sacramento | Mendiola | ? | w350-/a170- | 8:am |

W-working spot at seminar A-audit spot at seminar

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Nunes, Nunes Agility Field (NAF) www.nunesagilityfield.com

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