### TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



## January-February 2020

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## **MEETING NOTICE**

The next meeting will be March, 3 2020 at Apple Rehab/Shelton Lakes at 7:30 p.m. Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

#### FYI

Anyone who attends a meeting with their dog MUST have a copy of the dogs Rabies Certificate with them each time.

This is a request from Apple Rehab.

## **CALENDAR 2020**

March 3-meeting
April 3- Club Dog show
April 7-meeting
May 5-meeting
June 2-meeting
July-picnic date to be announced
August 4-meeting
September 2-meeting
September 15- (Nominating committee report due)
October 6-meeting (Nomination accepted from the floor)
November 3-meeting (Elections of officers)
December 1-meeting (Installation of officers)

# Trap Falls All Breed Show and Obedience & Rally Trial

For this year only Trap Falls All Breed Show and Obedience & Rally Trial will be held on Friday April 3rd.

April 3rd is a Friday so the need for Obedience and Rally stewards is in higher demand then on the weekend.

If anyone is available to help out on Friday or Saturday please let me know sooner than later. Any amount of time is greatly appreciated.

Dee is putting together a list of stewards for both days and right now it's a short list. Please call her to volunteer.

## **Brags**



Hazel earned her STAR puppy in our November training session.



Wllslands Let it be Once in a Bluemoon Harper "Harper" had an amazing Halloween week in Virginia at the Hunt Club Cluster

Harper was Best in Sweepstakes all 3 days. The sweepstakes were both Colonial Rottweiler Club and American Rottweiler Club supported Specialties. Harper was Winners Bitch 3 out of 4 days. She went BOS one day and Best of Breed over 3 specials one day!

In 4 days she earned 9 points. Harper was just 2yrs in Jan

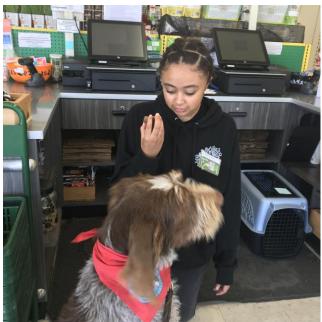
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January 2020 brought unreasonably warm temperatures in the 60's. Who would think an afternoon run would warrant a T-shirt and a happy dog after training class



Veloce is continuing to do therapy visits and now has 50 visits. He has earned his second major at the Springfield Kennel Club show.



Veloce doing a meet and greet at Pets Supplies Plus with Ashly.



Drago is continuing to do therapy visits and has a destress event at Foran High Schooltotal of 36 regular visits and 19 library.

On December 4, 2019, Drago and Lauren attended a literacy event at Wilcoxson School distributed AKC coloring books as part of the Canine Ambassador program.

On November 18, 2019, Lauren held a presentation for 28 students at Fairchild Wheeler Magnet School on the topic of therapy and service dogs.



Ch Wilslands Let it be a shot of Whiskey "Jameson" was in full Holiday spirit for 2019. Laura Wells CVT CCRP

## **RAINBOW BRIDGE**



Wllslands Gracious Princess CGC "Anna" 9/28/2009 - 1/6/2020

Here is the perfect example of why we have contracts with our puppy owners

Anna left my house about 1yr old. There was yearly contact with Peter, the new owner. Sept 2018, One week before Anna's 9yr Birthday I received a phone call from Peter's girlfriend. Peter had passed and Darcy and Anna didn't like each other and when could she drop her off? That was on a Thursday, Anna was back in my house the following Tues, like she never left! Anna was with me a little over a year before she left for Rainbow Bridge to visit Peter again.

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#### **AKC Delegate News**

Following the February meeting of the AKC Board of Directors, Event Operations is writing to inform our clubs of recent actions taken that impact the sport and may impact your events. Any questions should be sent to <a href="mailto:eventsnew@akc.org">eventsnew@akc.org</a>.

### <u>Announcing the National Owner- Handled</u> Series Level of Achievement

The AKC National Owner-Handled Series (NOHS) has been a tremendous success, viewed very favorably by the fancy as a mechanism to showcase dogs exhibited by non-professional owner-handlers. In the time since its inception, the AKC has developed an NOHS ranking system and launched the AKC NOHS Finals, an event held annually in December during the week of the AKC National Championship in Orlando, Florida.

Consistent with the AKC's ongoing efforts to grow the NOHS program and the sport overall, the Board of Directors at its
February 2020 meeting voted to approve

the implementation of NOHS Levels of Achievement to include Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum awards.

The Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum NOHS Awards of Achievement will be earned by obtaining a predetermined number of NOHS points for each level and award. This will mimic the inaugural levels of recognition for the Grand Champion title introduced in May 2011.

RECOGNITION LEVEL	MINIMUM NOHS POINTS
Bronze	250
Silver	500
Gold	1,000
Platinum	2,000

For each Achievement Level, the first owner of the dog will receive a certificate to commemorate the accomplishment and a NOHS Achievement Level pin. The pin will be the NOHS logo cast to reflect the color of the Achievement Level. As this is not a titling program, it will not reflect as a prefix or suffix to the dog's AKC registered name. Dogs will be grandfathered back to the beginning of the NOHS program (2012). Dogs grandfathered would be awarded only the highest Level of Achievement certificate and pin that they have earned.

More information on the new NOHS Levels of Achievement will be sent in the near future. **The expected launch date for** 

## the NOHS Levels of Achievement is July 1, 2020.

Modification to the Sanctioned Four-to- Six Month (Beginner Puppy) Competition Regulations

The Board at its February meeting voted to approve a modification to the Sanctioned Four-to-Six Month (Beginner Puppy)
Competition Regulations to allow minors (under 18) with amateur status who reside with professional handlers to participate in the Four-to-Six Month (Beginner Puppy)
Competition *effective immediately*.

The <u>Sanctioned Four-to-Six Month</u> (<u>Beginner Puppy</u>) <u>Competition Regulations</u> posted on the AKC website has been updated to reflect the Board's action. The area of the regulations impacted by this recent change is provided below for your review.

Sanctioned Four-to-Six Month (Beginner Puppy) Competition Regulations Section 2. Entry and Eligibility

> Minors (under 18) with amateur status who reside with professional handlers and current assistants to professional handlers that are eligible to compete in Junior Showmanship (meet age and amateur status requirements) may personally exhibit dogs in the Fourto- Six Month (Beginner Puppy)

Competition.



## DEADLINE for the March- April newsletter is April 7, 2020

Editors Comments: Please send photos (Photos must be sent as jpeg attachments) directly to me at <a href="mailto:csweetwood@att.net">csweetwood@att.net</a>.

Please fully identify the persons in the photo, date taken and location. Articles should be in MS Word or simply written in your e-mail upon receipt I will send you a confirmation receipt that I received your email. If you do not received one, please resend it.

Remember to include "TFKC" in the heading or it may never get opened due the high SPAM content these days.

"I can train any dog in five minutes. It's the owner that takes longer." Barbara Woodhouse