

# Happy Tails News

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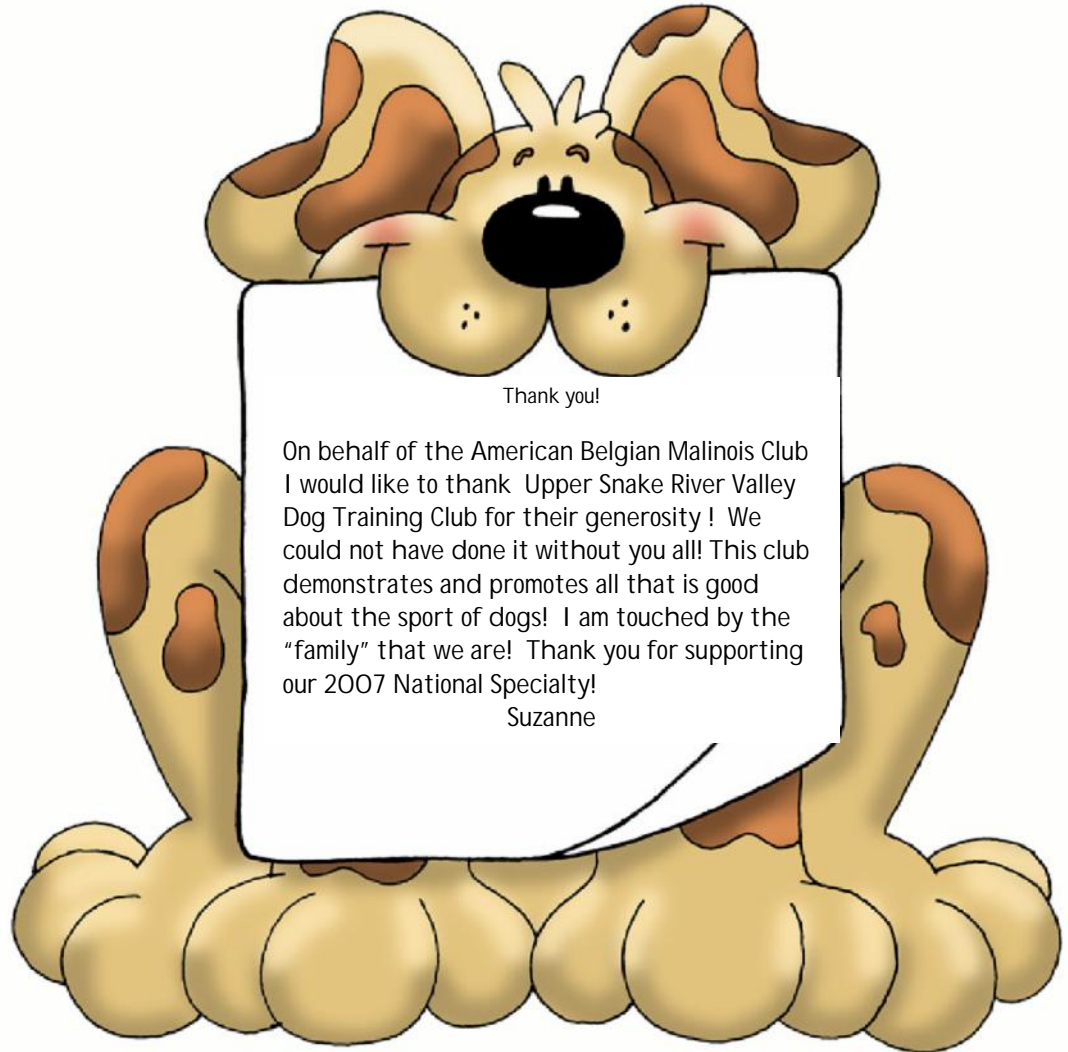
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News Deadline:

24<sup>th</sup> Of Each Month



### **CLUB MEETING REMINDER**

Thursday, April 19, 2007

Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

Godfather's Pizza

Be sure to mention to the cashier that you are with the dog club.  
There is a discount for their buffet for all club members.



## Agility Classes

USRVDTC agility classes are well under way with a terrific turnout. The foundation/beginning/intermediate classes have 28 students! That is a great number. For the first time in a long while agility classes are operating in the black! All classes are held at "The Barn", 4155 South 25<sup>th</sup> East (Hitt Rd.) Idaho Falls. For information on future classes please contact: Linda Reimann 529-3942 or [topdobe@onewest.net](mailto:topdobe@onewest.net)

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## Agility Practices

Our next agility practice will be April 22, 2007 at Tautphus Park. We will start at 1:00 p.m. For more information please contact: Linda Reimann 529-3942 or [topdobe@onewest.net](mailto:topdobe@onewest.net)

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## Up-Coming Events

04-22-07---Agility Practice-Tautphus Park  
04-29-07---PKC B-OB Sanctioned Match---Pocatello, ID  
05-3/6-07---Beehive Cluster---South Jordan, UT  
05-10-07---ABMC All-breed Herding Trial---Farmington, UT  
05-11/12-07---ABMC All-breed Agility Trials---Farmington, UT  
05-18/20-07---Logan Cluster---Logan, UT  
06-14/17-07---Blackfoot Cluster---Blackfoot, ID

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## "Braggs"

Maurice and Jane Guidinger report:

- Kilo Guidinger finished her NAJ at the IKC trials in South Jordan. She had one clean run 16 seconds under course time and one 94 run to finish her title. She also earned a novice standard leg with a clean run and 16 seconds under time.
- Chance Guidinger had some nice runs but didn't Q. The course were really tight for my big jumping boy.

"Libby" and Carl Friedrich had a great time in Caldwell at the ICCKC agility trials. They earned two more Double "Q"s and 51 more MACH points. They also picked up their 2<sup>nd</sup> Novice FAST leg! Only 5 more "Double Qs" needed for their MACH III!

The amazing team continued their run of great teamwork. "Libby" and Carl earned 3 more Double "Q"s and 38 more speed points at the ABMC trials! They also finished their Novice Fast title and earned 2 legs towards their Open Fast title!

"Wunder" and Linda Reimann enjoyed the ICCKC trials by picking up another leg toward their MXJ with a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish.

The Haller babies had a great time at the ERKC Match. Bo Haller & George placed 1st in Puppy Dog 6-9 months and 1st Place Male Golden (Winners Dog) Ivy Haller & Rosha Adams placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Puppy Bitch 6-9 months, 1st Place Female Golden (winners Bitch) Best Of Breed (Golden) and 1st Place Sporting Group

"Saber" Robinson was awarded Best of Match at the Eagle Rock Kennel Club's March match. He showed like a champ!

Shelby Moad went Best Junior Handler at the same match.

"Dune" and Adrienne Belger went BOB and won their Junior Handling class at the same match. "Everett" made his debut much to the amusement of the crowd!

"Tycho" and Nancy Lasky enjoyed the ABMC trials by earning two Novice Fast legs (1<sup>st</sup> and a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish)!

"Sid" and Liz Hassing had a great agility debut. They earned their first NJW leg with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the ABMC trials.

The following people deserve a lot of credit for the success of the agility trials held by ABMC...the trials were for the benefit of the ABMC but it was USRVDTTC that did the work. Special thanks to Carl and Barb Friedrich, Duane Loomis, Cheryl Loomis, Lori Keele, Juley Hankins, Kerwin and Fran Hassing and girls, LaDawn Moad, George and Glenda Haller, Rosha Adams and the other club members who showed up to help.

**REMEMBER** that brags and other newsletter information is due to the newsletter editor by the 24<sup>th</sup> of each month. You can email your info to Karen at [bkpete4@hotmail.com](mailto:bkpete4@hotmail.com).

## Meet our Members

### GLEND A and GEORGE HALLER

I was born the youngest of four children; one boy and three girls, in Idaho Falls and have lived here all my life. I never had any pets as a child but was constantly bringing home any stray I could find including dogs, cats, pigeons, baby swallows and mice.

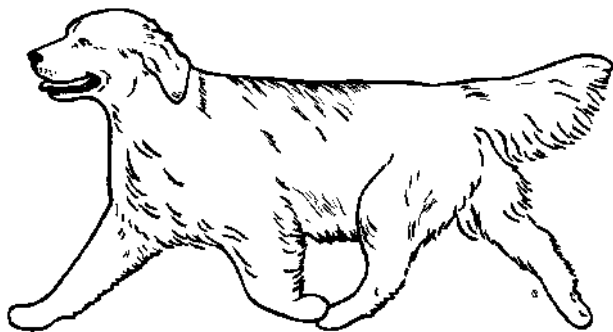
My first pet was a Basset Hound puppy, which George bought for me just before we got married. "Buttons" didn't last very long - he escaped from our back yard within two weeks after our marriage and was never seen again. Since that time we have had a Chihuahua, a Cocker Spaniel, 5 German Shorthaired Pointers and 9 Golden Retrievers over the years.

George is the youngest of three children; one girl and two boys. He was born and grew up on 6th Street in Idaho Falls. He had dogs most of his childhood.

George and I started training classes at the City Recreation Center with our first two Shorthairs in January of 1981. In February we joined the club. By October, I was Treasurer and George was Training Director. Since then I have been President, Secretary, Training Director, Match Chairman, Raffle Chairman, Obedience Trail Secretary, Publicity, Public Education, Newsletter Editor and Board Member; many of these more than once and for extended periods of time. George has been Vice President, Training Director, Trailer Committee, Tracking Chairman, Board Member and forever the Club Printer.

Our first CDs were earned on the Shorthairs, than came CDX, UD and TD. After 10 years of fun and frustration with them we bought our first Golden. With them we have had many great times and much success. There have been 7 CD, 3 TD, 2 CDX, 1UD, 2 NA, 2NAJ, 1 RN, 9 CGC, 1 VDC1 and 1 Champion.

Our club is lucky to have such great members!



As you all have noticed we have a new column in our newsletter, "Meet our Members". Please submit a short bio about yourself, your family, how you started in dogs, etc. We would like to profile all of our club members.

We are also having trouble coming up with articles for the newsletter. Please contribute or the newsletter will be very short!

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Many of you know that there has been a recall of pet foods. Please check and make sure the food you are feeding your companions is safe. Visit the website of the food you are using to see if there has been a recall.

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For those of you interested in a RAW diet here are several websites.

- <http://www.rawfeddoggs.net/>
- <http://rawfed.com/myths/designer.html> (the myth that different breeds need different diets)
- <http://rawfed.com/myths/expensive.html> (myth that raw is expensive and/or time-consuming)
- <http://www.naturalpuppies.com/2.html>
- <http://www.doggiedietician.com/>
- <http://www.canadassguitodogs.com/health/nutritionarticle23.htm>
- <http://www.dogfoodanalysis.com/>
- <http://www.rawlearning.com/>
- <http://www.rawfeddoggs.net/>
- <http://www.caberfeidh.com/Truth.htm>

Remember the true test of a good diet is the dog himself! If your dog is healthy and happy there is no need to change diets!

## USRVDTC REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MARCH 15, 2007

The regular monthly meeting of the USRVDTC was called to order by President, Suzanne Belger, at 7:45 p.m., on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at Godfather's Pizza in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Members present were: Cheryl Loomis, George Haller, Glenda Haller, Kent McCandless, Rosalyn McCandless, Rosha Adams, Suzanne Belger, LaDawn Moad, Bill Groff, Judy Groff, Margi Vanover, Heike Vitacolonna (guest), and Abbie Zaladonis (guest).

**LaDawn Moad motioned to dispense with the reading of the previous month's minutes due to the reason that they were included in the club's newsletter. Glenda Haller seconded the motion. PASSED.**

**LaDawn Moad motioned to dispense with the reading of the Board Meeting Minutes for the reason that all present for the regular meeting were also present at the Board Meeting. Glenda Haller seconded the motion. PASSED.**

Report of President: Suzanne reported that Linda Reimann is recovering from surgery. She also reported that Carl Friedrich has been diagnosed with lymphoma and will begin treatments shortly. Linda Reimann lost her Doberman, Orion, and her Doberman, Luna, has been diagnosed with lung cancer. The club wishes to send its condolences to Linda. Suzanne also reported that Bill Orr has recovered from his recent surgery as has Glenda Haller and Barbara Friedrich. Suzanne reported that she had received thank you notes from Barbara and from Glenda. Suzanne also stated that she believes enough club members have been sick, and we need to put a stop to it!

Report of the Vice-President: None.

Report of the Secretary: Rosha reported that the AKC is now requiring x-pens to be provided at AKC shows for exercise areas for dogs. AKC has established the size and number of pens to be provided, depending on the number of dogs entered. The requirement, however, appears to only apply to breed shows.

Rosha also reported that AKC is asking for feedback from member clubs about AKC putting on an AKC International Obedience Invitational. Part of the support asked for from AKC is for club's to offer Non-Regular International Classes at shows/trials. Discussion was held among the members present and our club did not express an interest in supporting the invitational. **Glenda Haller motioned that the club not support the invitational. Rosalyn McCandless seconded the motion. PASSED.**

Rosha also reported that she had received information from the AKC Companion Animal Recovery ID System offering to sell microchips and scanners to club for "discounted" prices to encourage clubs to have "microchipping programs" in place. None of the members present expressed an interest in having such a program.

Rosha also reported that AKC has announced a new initiative called *The Outstanding Sportsmanship Award Program*. The program provides the infrastructure to help member clubs honor individuals who have made a difference in the world of purebred dogs every year. The club has

received the first medallion, and AKC indicated that the award may be presented at any time during the year. Discussion was held as to how to form a committee, etc., for the purpose of choosing a recipient. **Glenda Haller motioned to table the discussion until a later time. LaDawn Moad seconded the motion. PASSED.**

Report of the Treasurer: LaDawn reported for Barbara Friedrich and read the monthly report.

### Report of Committees:

Agility: Suzanne Belger reported that an agility practice will be held on Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at The Barn, at 3:00 p.m. The cost for the practice is \$5.00 per person or per dog. Suzanne also reported that the current session of agility classes are proceeding well. Glenda Haller reported that Ameripet is in the process of building an agility area. It is expected to be finished sometime in June. Discussion was held as to whether the club might have access to the facility. Ameripet is supposed to have their own equipment.

Obedience/Rally Trial Chairperson: Cheryl Loomis reported that all up-coming trials have been approved.

### Membership Applications read:

Heike Vitacolonna, single membership. Sponsored by Mark Whitham and Suzanne Belger.

Abbie Zaladonis, single membership. Sponsored by Suzanne Belger and Rosha Adams.

Karen Young, single membership (renewal). Sponsored by Linda Reimann and Suzanne Belger.

The above memberships will be voted on at the April 2007 club meeting.

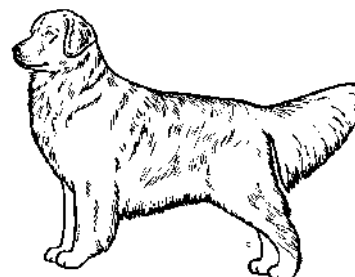
Unfinished Business: None  
New Business: None

**LaDawn Moad motioned for adjournment. Glenda Haller seconded the motion. PASSED.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by,

Rosha Adams  
Secretary





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 #5 Agility Class	5	6 Juley Hankins	7 "Jenna" Guidinger
8	9 "Bootes" Reimann	10	11 #6 Agility Class	12	13 "Max" Grof	14
15 "Maggie" McCandless	16	17	18 #7 Agility Class "Gibb" Moad	19 CLUB MEETING	20	21 George Haller "Celeste" Belger "Tycho" Lasky
22 Agility Practice Tautphus Park 1:00 pm	23	24 Colette Wright Truman Tuck	25 #8 Agility Class	26 "Luna" Reimann	27	28
29 PKC Match & Show -n- Go	30 "Lacey" Orr "Danny" Moore					

April Showers bring May flowers!