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UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB NEWSLETTER June, 2017



NEXT MEETING: Thursday, June 22, 7 pm

Papa Tom's Banquet Room

1830 S. Woodruff – Idaho Falls

Obedience and Rally Classes Starting June 21st

Orientation on June 20th at 6:30 pm

Blackfoot Shows – Obedience, Rally, Agility
June 15-17 – Fairgrounds
USRVDTC Obedience and Rally Trial
August 11-13

Caldwell – Agility June 23-25

Go to http://www.akc.org/events/ for info on other events in the area

USRVDTC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2017

The regular monthly board meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Marilynne Manguba, at 7:03 p.m., on Thursday, May 18, 2016, at Papa Tom's Pizza, in Idaho Falls ID.

Suzanne Belger made a motion to dispense with the reading of the previous Board meeting because they were published in the newsletter. Steven Olson seconded. Passed.

Board Members Present:

Marilynne Manguba Frank Mason Lucien Frederick

Steven Olson

Report of President: None Report of Vice President: None Report of Secretary: None Report of Treasurer: None

Report of Committees: Equipment Chairman Carl Fredrich reported that he has acquired 6 bags to hold the fencing; four new plastic tables and the obedience and agility equipment has

been repaired.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Lucien Frederick made a motion to adjourn. Steve Olson seconded. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

USRVDTC REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Marilynne Manguba, at 7:10 p.m., on Thursday, May 18, 2017, 2016, at Papa Tom's Pizza, in Idaho Falls ID.

Introduction of Guests/Visitors: Debbie Johnson, Aubrey Parry

Members Present:

Marilynne Manguba	Mark Whitham	Donna Whitham
Frank Mason	Rochelle Mason	Shel Williams
Charlie Urbanski	George Haller	Glenda Haller
Cheryl Loomis	Steven Olson	Ed Vitacolonna
Nik Johnson	Elise Desautel	Carolyn Jenkins
Lois Olson	Carl Friedrich	Charlie Urbanski
Heike Vitacolonna	LeAnn Chaffin	Mary Ann Igoe

Glenda Haller made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes because they were published in the newsletter. Lois Olson seconded. Passed

Glenda Haller made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes because all were present at meeting. Steven Olson seconded. Passed

Report of the President: None

Report of the Vice President: Frank Mason reported the next meeting will be the 4th Thursday, June 22 due to the Blackfoot shows. July meeting/picnic is July 20 at Tautphaus Park, and the August meeting date has been changed to August 10, due to the eclipse and the trial date changes.

Report of the Secretary: None

Report of the Treasurer: None

Report of Committees:

Equipment Chairman: Carl Friedrich reported earlier that the 4 tables and bags for the fencing have been purchase.

Obedience Training Director – Heike Vitacolonna reminded everyone that obedience classes will start on June 21 in Tautphaus Park. 6 pm and 7 pm basic obedience, rally, and an intermediate obedience class will be taught.

Unfinished Business: Glenda report on the Rabies Clinic on May 2, 2017. 171 vaccines were purchased and 40 senior free vaccines were provided. Glenda made a motion that the \$342 provided to the club be donated to the Idaho Falls Animal Shelter, Steve Olson seconded. Motion passed.

New Business: Marilynne Manguba is doing a workshop at Snake River Animal Shelter for the volunteers April 29 @ 3:30.

Marilynne reported she did not get an estimate for a new paint job or new wrap and will report at the next meeting.

Membership applications approved: Layla and Matthew Johnson, Kristin Sharp, and Aubrey Parry.

Applications Read: Debbie V. Johnson

Elise passed around information on the Ameripet 20th Anniversary celebration. Mary Ann announced that she is organizing obedience practice on Thursdays at 6:30 pm at Tautphaus Park.

Carl Friedrich made a motion for adjournment. Lois Olson seconded. Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm



WHO LET THE DOGS OUT?!! June 24, 2017

favorite mutt to Work-Like-a-Dog June 24 for a Howling good time! Festivities start at NOON with a time. Leave your Lint Roller home, costume Pack Parade down Main Tail Wagging live music will sure I Double Dog Dare Ya to join us Street. Food vendors including -Pure Bread scones, raffles and catch up with friends until it is to make for a Pawsitively fun in beautiful Mackay, Idaho on but Fetch a chair to relax and time to team up with your in Retrieve-her and other Doggedly games.

COME: Raise the Ruff in Mackay! But Don't step in a Poodle!!





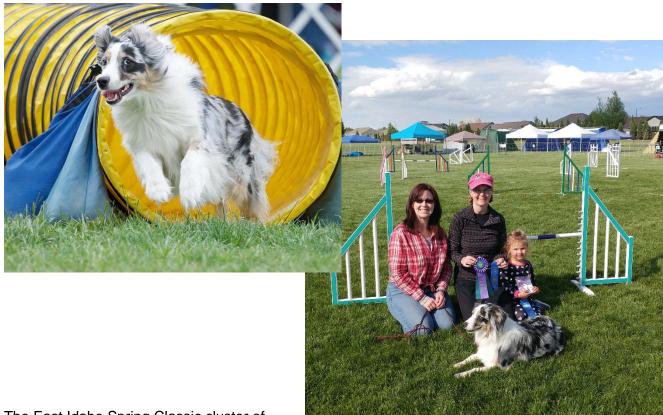




Congratulations to Vyktori and LaDawn!!!!

Vyktori competed in Preferred Novice Obedience in South Jordan and earned 1st Place with a score of 195.5 out of 200!!!

Vyktori earned her Novice Standard Title in South Jordan with 1st place, score of 100 and her 2nd "Q" in Open JWW 1st place, score of 100!!!



The East Idaho Spring Classic cluster of dog shows in Blackfoot has a record entry this year. Nearly 7000 dogs will be competing June 15-18 at the East Idaho Fairgrounds in conformation, rally, puppy competition and agility. There is also Diving Dogs and Fast Cat....

Tick Borne Diseases

The weather is getting warmer and that means new threats are on the rise, like the Powassan virus spread by ticks. There's no known cure for the Powassan virus so reducing the risk of being infected needs to be a top priority for all of us. Powassan is also sometimes fatal. It is spread by the same deer tick that carries Lyme disease and once you've been hit, it'll attack your nervous system and cause your brain to swell. Powassan is mostly found in the northeast but we're not immune here in Idaho, and with so many of us enjoying the outdoors on the greenbelt, hikes like table rock, hunting, jogging, biking, etc... we all need to be a little more aware of what's out there.

While we haven't seen a case this year so far, we need to take preventative measures to keep it that way. These things spread like wildfire so let's just keep it out. Here's how to keep yourself safe...

• Avoid direct contact with ticks

Use repellent that has 20% more DEET

Make sure your pet can't get

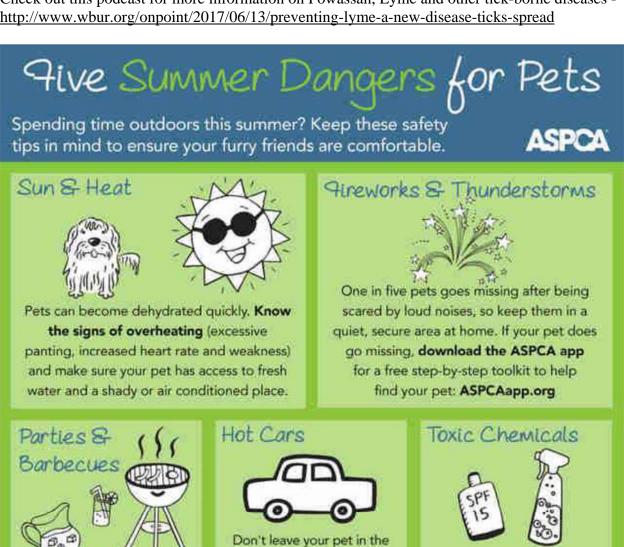
into human food (especially grapes, onion, avocado and

chocolate) or alcoholic drinks.

Find and remove ticks as quickly as possible

For more detailed information on how to prevent yourself and your pets from receiving this nasty virus go to the Centers of Disease Control Prevention. Like I said earlier there is no treatment for this virus. Approximately 10% of cases are fatal and half of those who are affected by Powassan are left with permanent neurological consequences. Symptoms are vomiting, weakness, confusion, seizures, and memory loss. See a doctor as soon as possible if you are experiencing these symptoms.

Check out this podcast for more information on Powassan, Lyme and other tick-borne diseases http://www.wbur.org/onpoint/2017/06/13/preventing-lyme-a-new-disease-ticks-spread



car! Even with the windows

cracked, a car's temperature

can reach 100° in 10 minutes.

on an 85° day. Sign our hot car

pledge at aspca.org/hotcars

Insecticides, insect

repellents, sunscreen,

citronella products and glow

sticks are toxic, so keep them

away from your pet.

CANINE INFLUENZA – from AKC.ORG

The dog flu has been in the media recently, thanks to increased reports of outbreaks and new strains. While most cases of dog flu are not fatal, the canine influenza virus can make your dog uncomfortably sick, causing him—and you—a lot of stress and time spent at the vet's office. If you are a dog owner, you don't need to panic about the dog flu. You should, however, familiarize yourself with the symptoms of dog flu so that you know what to look for in the event of an outbreak in your area.

What Is the Dog Flu?

The dog flu, or canine influenza virus, is an infectious respiratory disease caused by an influenza A virus, similar to the viral strains that cause influenza in people. There are two known strains of dog flu found in the United States:

- H3N8
- H3N2

The H3N8 strain actually originated in horses. The virus jumped from horses to dogs to become a canine influenza virus around 2004, when the first outbreaks affected racing <u>Greyhounds</u> at a track in Florida, and the virus is now found in 40 states in the U.S.

H3N2, on the other hand, originated in Asia, where scientists believe it jumped from birds to dogs. H3N2 is the virus responsible for the 2015 and 2016 outbreaks of canine influenza in the Midwest and continues to spread throughout the United States.

How Is Canine Influenza Spread?

Like human forms of influenza, dog flu is airborne. Respiratory secretions escape into the environment in the form of coughing, barking, and sneezing, where they are then inhaled by a new canine host. The dog flu also spreads through contaminated objects and environments, like water bowls, collars, and kennel surfaces, or through contact with people who have had direct contact with an infected dog.

Crowded areas like kennels and <u>dog parks</u> are breeding grounds for diseases like canine influenza. The close proximity of the dogs means that a barking, coughing, or sneezing dog can easily infect the dogs around him. This is made more dangerous by the fact that dogs are most contagious during the incubation period before they start exhibiting symptoms.

Symptoms of Dog Flu

So how do you know if your dog has the dog flu? There are several symptoms of dog flu that all owners should be aware of. Dog flu cases range from mild to severe and, unlike human influenzas, are not seasonal. Keep an eye out for the following symptoms year-round:

- Coughing (both moist and dry)
- Sneezing
- Nasal discharge

- Purulent nasal discharge
- Runny eyes
- Fever
- Lethargy
- Difficulty breathing

Dog flu symptoms resemble <u>kennel cough</u> symptoms, which is also an illness that you should talk to your veterinarian about as soon as you notice symptoms.

Most cases of dog flu are mild, but severe cases do occur. In these cases, dogs develop pneumonia, difficulty breathing, and a high fever. Luckily, the mortality rate of dog flu is relatively low, with less than 10 percent of dog flu cases resulting in fatalities.

This does not mean that you should refrain from taking your dog to the vet, as secondary infections can develop as a result of the virus. And as anyone who has had the flu can attest, the experience is singularly unpleasant, and your veterinarian can help you keep your dog comfortable during the recovery process.

Treating Dog Flu

The canine influenza virus requires the attention of a veterinarian. In some states, vets are required to report cases of canine influenza to the government to help monitor the spread of the disease. Since the canine influenza is still a relatively new virus, you will actually be assisting your veterinarian, as well as your dog, by bringing your sick dog in for a visit. This will help veterinarians study and monitor the disease as it evolves.

There is no cure for dog flu. Treatment is supportive, and your veterinarian can advise you on the best ways to keep your dog comfortable during his illness and recovery. Some dogs may require fluids to aid their recovery, as well as nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medications to reduce their fevers. Your vet will help you come up with a nutritional plan and may prescribe antibiotics to treat secondary bacterial infections.

Your vet will also inform you about appropriate quarantine procedures to prevent the spread of dog flu, depending on the strain of the virus your dog contracts, and can give you information about disinfectant solutions to use in your home to help kill the virus.

Call your vet ahead of time to let her know that your dog is showing symptoms of a respiratory infection. Both kennel cough and dog flu are highly contagious, and your vet may request that you keep your dog in the car (with someone keeping the car running to prevent overheating, of course) until your appointment time to prevent the risk of transmission to other patients in the waiting room.

For more info check out http://emessage.akc.org/HQ0022q0BUBA7Fj0MWL009v