

UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB NEWSLETTER October 2018

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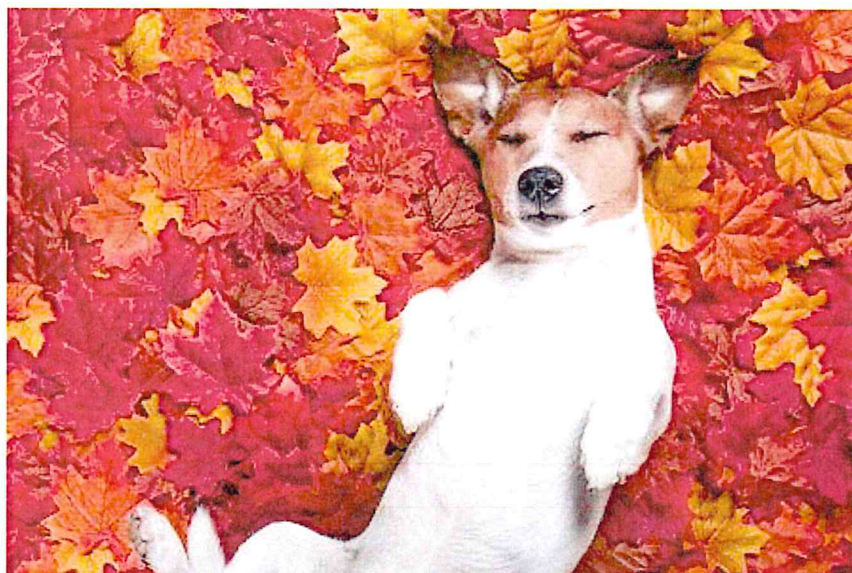
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OCTOBER MEETING

Thursday, October 18, 2018
7:00 pm @ The Zone

Scent Work Classes Start October 1st & 2nd

CGC Testing October 10, 2018

Tautphaus Park

Set up begins at 5:00 pm

Volunteers Needed to help with Testing

Agility Trial—October 26-28, 2018

Wind River Arena

70 North 4600 East—Rigby, ID

Scent Work Trial—December 1st and 2nd

Idaho Falls Activity Center

Nominees for 2019 Board Members Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club

President – Marilyn Manguba

Vice President – Frank Mason

Secretary – LaDawn Moad

Treasurer – Suzanne Belger

Three Year Board Member – Nicki Bowden

Two Year Board Member – Lucien Frederick

One Year Board Member – Steven Olson

Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor at the October meeting and voting will take place during our November meeting.

Possible Opportunity for CGCA and CGCU Testing

If you are interested in testing for Canine Good Citizen Advanced or Canine Good Citizen Urban please contact Shel Williams @ shel@cuzs-soccer.net by October 9, 2018. Just let her know if you are interested in CGCA, CGCU or both.

(For more information on CGCA and CGCU check them out at www.akc.org)

Volunteer Opportunities

- We will need volunteers to help with CGC Testing on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at Tautphaus Park. For more information, you can check in with Shel Williams or just show up at the park. Set up will begin at 5:00 pm.
- We need volunteers for the Agility Trial @ Wind River Arena (70 N 4600 E Rigby, ID). We will need help setting up Thursday, October 25 and tearing down on Sunday, October 28. In addition, help is needed throughout the trial (10/26-10/28). This is a great way to learn about the sport!

Club Member of the Year

Please send nominations for Club Member of the Year to me at nedwob88@gmail.com for inclusion in the November Newsletter. Voting will take place at the November Club Meeting.

TRACKING TRIALS - September 23, 2018

Congratulations to Melissa and Kita (TD); Lois and Java (TD) and John and Birdy (TDU). We had a great couple of days working with our judges, Kristie Rasmussen and Wendy McCleery, plotting tracks (Saturday) and then running them (Sunday). Brad Reed's alfalfa field was, according to Wendy, the best she's ever seen. University Place was also in great shape, although the occasional dog walker wandered through during plotting day

Thanks to everyone who helped make the trial happen: tracklayers – Mary Ann, John, Cheryl, Rosha, Carl, Diana, Brian and Leslie; hospitality provided by Lucien and Frank; Rochelle who kept track of all that paperwork. Next year, don't miss out – sign up for Tracking Class

And, there's always a good story to be told. At the end of Birdy's track the glove was missing, but the judges agreed that she knew it was there and called the team off, possibly the glove had been picked up by a passerby. The next day Kita found the glove just around the corner from where it was dropped by Brian and where Birdy was headed when they called off the search.





5 Steps to Safely Pull A Tick Off Your Dog

Here is what you should do when you find a tick on your dog to minimize the chance of tick-borne infection.

By Kate Eldredge, LVT

It's hard to say which is worse: running your hand over your dog and brushing against an attached tick, or seeing a tick skitter across your dog's face. Either way, the unwelcome arachnid must go. What should you do?

1. Remove the tick.

If it is walking on your dog, you can grab it with your fingers or use something like a paper towel if you don't want to touch it. If it is attached, you will need to pull it off, making sure that you get the head out of your dog's skin.

There are a variety of tick removers on the market that work well (our favorite is the Pro-Tick Remedy, pictured here). Keep your tick remover somewhere you can easily find it when needed, and read the directions on the package for best results.

If you do not have a tick-remover tool, tweezers will do the trick. Grip the tick's head as close to your dog's skin as possible and slowly pull it out using steady pressure. Don't tear quickly, or you could leave the tick's head behind, which still leaves your dog at risk for contracting a tick-borne disease.

I always flush any ticks that I find to be sure that they are out of my house and space. You can also drown them or put them in the trash in a sealed container (just in case they aren't actually dead). Burning them with a lighter can be satisfying; just do not try to burn the tick while it is still on your dog!

You can also save the tick in a sealed container to show to your veterinarian for identification purposes or to submit for Lyme-disease testing.

2. Clean the bite area.

Plain old soap and water will work fine, or you can use an alcohol wipe. Cleaning the wound, no matter how small, reduces the risk of secondary bacterial infection.

3. Check for more ticks.

Where there is one tick, there could easily be more. Go over your dog's entire body checking for any more eight-legged stowaways, including in his armpits, around his face, and in his ears. A fine-tooth comb can be very useful for getting through a longhaired dog's coat and will catch larger ticks. Also check yourself and any other pets that were in the area where your dog most likely got the tick.

4. Review your preventatives.

Is your dog on a regular flea and tick preventative? If not, this would be a good time to start. There are a wide variety of options, including topicals, collars, and oral medications. The fleas and ticks in some areas are becoming resistant to some preventives, so even if you have been using a preventative regularly, it may be necessary to switch if you are seeing a significant increase in ticks on your dog.

Consult with your veterinarian before choosing a product to make sure that it will fit your situation. No matter which product you choose, be aware that the vast majority do not actually repel ticks and may require the tick to bite to kill it. Ticks have to be attached for a period of time before tick-borne diseases are transmitted, so killing the tick quickly reduces your dog's risk.

5. Schedule blood work to check for tick-borne diseases.

It takes several weeks for most tick-borne diseases to be detectable on blood tests, so there is no need to rush to the vet unless your dog starts to show clinical signs of illness. The most common tick-borne diseases that affect dogs can all cause fevers, lethargy, and lameness.

If you live in an area with lots of ticks, screening for tick-borne diseases is a good thing to do as part of your dog's annual appointment to catch any developing issues before they become a major problem. If your dog does become ill or is acting off, mention to your veterinarian that he was bitten by a tick.

Kate Eldredge is a licensed veterinary technician from Plattsburgh, New York. She also trains, shows, and breeds Belgian Tervuren and is working on her canine-rehabilitation certification.

USRVDTC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2018

The regular monthly board meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Marilynne Manguba, at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 20, 2018, at The Zone, in Idaho Falls ID.

Lucien Frederick moved to approve the previous Board meeting minutes as published in the newsletter. Suzanne Belger seconded. Passed.

Board Members Present:

Marilynne Manguba

Frank Mason

LaDawn Moad

Suzanne Belger

Steven Olson

Lucien Frederick

Report of President: None

Report of Vice President: None

Report of Secretary: None

Report of Treasurer: Report held for regular meeting

Report of Committees: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Marilynn Manguba reviewed the Nominating committee members: Steve Olson, Nick Bowen and Elise D. Steven Olson Moved for the Board to recommend to the general membership the following: Publish the nominations for 2019 Board in the newsletter, have nomination from the floor at the October meeting and elections at the November meeting. Lucien Frederick seconded. Passed.

Lucien Frederick moved to adjournment. Steven Olson seconded. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm

USRVDTC REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Marilynne Manguba, at 7:05 p.m., on Thursday, September 20, 2018, at The Zone, in Idaho Falls ID.

Introduction of Guests/Visitors: Joe Bellin and Laurie Sambrano

Members Present:

Suzanne Belger	Frank Mason	Rochelle Mason
Marilynne Manguba	Heike Vitacolonna	Ed Vitacolonna
Lois Olson	Steven Olson	Lucien Frederick
Janet Frederick	George Haller	Glenda Haller
Carl Friedrich	Brian Meyers	Melissa Meyers
Matthew Johnson	Savannah Webb	Sheila Webb
Rose Durfee	Steven Durfee	Nicki Bowden
Mary Ann Igoe	LeeAnn Chaffin	Shel Williams
Desirae Chase	Duane Loomis	Cheryl Loomis
John Baughman	Stephanie Nielsen	LaDawn Moad
Aubrey Parry	Kim Nelson	Catherine Nelson

Glenda Haller moved to approve the minutes as published in the newsletter. Lucien Frederick seconded. Passed.

Suzanne Belger dispense with the reading of the board meeting minutes because everyone was present. Lucien Frederick seconded. Passed.

Report of the President: Marilynne Manguba reported the nominating committee members are Steve Olson, Nick Bowen and Elise D. As recommended by the Board, Lucien Frederick moved to have the nominations published in the newsletter, nominations from the floor at the October meeting and elections will be at the November meeting. Glenda Haller seconded. Passed.

Report of the Vice President: Frank Mason ask for Club member of the year nominee to be sent to the newsletter editor.

Report of the Secretary: None

Report of the Treasurer: Suzanne Belger read the monthly and year-to-date financial reports.

Discussion was held on where funds could be spent.

Report of Committees:

Obedience Training Director: Heike Vitacolonne presented the 2019 obedience class schedule. Let Heike know if you are interested in helping.

CGC Committee Chair: Shel Williams reported the CGC testing will be October 10, please contact Shel if you can help.

Shel Williams reported she has received CGC U and CGC A test forms. Discussion held about having a Trick Dog Test, CGC U and CGC A test at a different day and location, if there is enough interest to hold them.

Scent Work Training Director: Lois Olson reported scent work beginning class will begin October 1 and has 2 opening. Advanced class will begin October 2 and has 3 opening. Sign-up on the website.

Tracking Trial Chairman: Marilynne Manguba reported the tracking test is on September 23. All is set and ready, dinner with the Judges will be at 6:00 pm Saturday evening at Jaker's. Discussion held.

Agility Trial Chairman: LaDawn Moad reported Agility Trial dance idea will be sent out to all members via email.

Scent Work Trial Chairman: MaryAnn Igoe reported the premium is ready to for the Scent Work Trial and will be sent out via email.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Membership Applications Read/Approved: New Members voted in: Laurie Sambrano and Jason Peters

Lucien Frederick moved to adjourn. Lois Olson seconded. Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Location of Next Club Meeting: The Zone