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# UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB



**NEWSLETTER JUNE 2021** 

## JUNE MEETING

When: JUNE 24th at 7:00PM

Where: Tautphaus Park (where classes used to be held)

## **UPCOMING TRIALS**

#### **Blackfoot Cluster**

Agility, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work, and Conformation

June 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>

https://webapps.akc.org/event-search/#/results

### **CLASSES**

The current obedience classes will be ending with the CGC on June  $9^{th}$  at 5:00 PM. Please come and volunteer for this event.

New Classes are available starting June  $22^{\text{nd}}$  and  $23^{\text{rd}}$ 

Sign up online at <a href="https://www.usrvdtc.org/site/shop/">https://www.usrvdtc.org/site/shop/</a>

## **UPCOMING PRACTICE**

Starting Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, a smaller jumper's course will be available for anyone wanting additional agility work. It will be at the electric substation behind WinCo, just off Garfield, at 10 AM

# The USRVDTC Christmas Party Committee is Proud to Present



When: July 24th

Where: Freeman Park band shelter

\*\*\*More details will be coming soon\*\*\*

# Secret Santa Gift Exchange

Do you want to get to know more people in the club? Do you love gift giving and picking out that perfect present? Then this Secret Santa exchange is for you!

We are excited to host the first ever USRVDTC Secret Santa Exchange! The cost is \$20 minimum a dog family. I have created a simple Google form to fill out that will be shared with your Secret Santa in order pick the perfect gift for your pup and you!

If this sounds like something you'd like to do, here is the link to the form, which includes more details.

https://forms.gle/5ub6orEwi7R4q8pe7

# Fun Facts and Comics Corner







"I'll only give you the paper if you promise not to let the news upset you."



Dogs and alcohol: the tragic untold story.

Have you found a fun fact or a comic/meme you'd like me to share? Feel free to send it to me!

# HOW TO REMOVE A Tick From Your Dog

#### 1. Gather Supplies



Tweezers or special tick removal instrument that allows you to remove tick without squeezing the tick body, jar of rubbing alcohol, and a toy or distraction for your dog.

#### 2. Get a Partner



Have your partner **hold the dog gently** and hold their head still. The
dog will otherwise try to lick or
look at the process.

#### 3. Grab the Tick



Grab by the **head or mouth** parts right where they enter skin. **Do not** grasp by body. You don't want to crush it and send toxins into your pet's bloodstream.

#### 4. Remove the Tick



Pull firmly and steadily **directly outward**. Do not twist the tick.

#### 5. Kill the Tick

After removing, place tick in a jar of **rubbing alcohol** to kill it.



#### 6. Clean Up

Wash your hands!



#### 7. Reward Your Pet

Give your dog a treat.



Source: Drsfostersmith.com

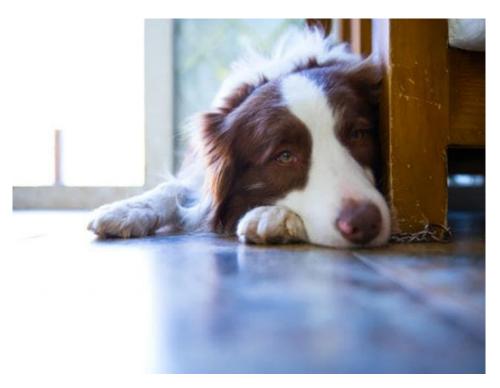
# How to Tell If a Dog Is in Pain and What You Can Do to Help

#### Aja Senestraro, DVM

Updated: December 07, 2020

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No pet parent wants their dog to be in pain. But since they instinctively try to hide their pain and they can't tell us when they are hurting, it's up to us to recognize the subtle signs and to get them the help they need.



Many behaviors and physical changes can

indicate that a dog is in pain. Learn how to recognize the signs of pain in dogs, what causes it, what you can do to help and how to discuss your concerns with your vet.

# Signs a Dog Is in Pain

Dogs feel pain the same way we do, but they don't always show it in the same way. A dog's pain can become evident through physical symptoms, behavioral changes and/or mobility issues. These might be subtle, so stay vigilant and never be afraid to ask your vet about anything that might signal that your dog is in pain.

## Physical Symptoms

When a dog is experiencing pain, you might notice slight physical changes or how they carry their body. Here are a few physical signs of pain in dogs:

Tight or twitching muscles

- Shaking or trembling
- Arched back
- Holding their head below their shoulders
- Panting

## **Behavioral Changes**

A dog in pain tends to behave differently than usual. Just like us, dogs tend to be crankier when they are experiencing pain. Here are a few behavioral signs that might indicate that your pet is experiencing pain:

- Not wanting to be touched
- Excessive licking
- Excessive vocalization
- Restlessness
- Aggression

## **Mobility Issues**

If a dog has sustained an injury or is dealing with arthritis, you may notice changes in their mobility. Here are common signs of pain in dogs that affect their mobility:

- Limping
- Walking slower or refusing to walk
- Reluctance to jump or use stairs
- Reluctance or inability to lie down or get up

Some of these signs of pain can be seen with other serious medical or behavioral problems too, so always discuss changes in behavior or normal activity with your veterinarian.

# What Causes Pain in Dogs?

There are two types of pain: acute and <u>chronic</u>. Something that just happened, like an injury or illness, causes acute pain. Things that have been going on longer, like <u>arthritis</u> or <u>dental disease</u>, cause chronic pain.

Anything that damages cells or creates inflammation can cause pain in dogs:

- Damage to bones or joints
- Soft tissue injuries
- Sprains/strains
- Back problems
- Dental disease
- Ear, skin and urinary tract infections
- Severe stomach upset
- Some kinds of cancer
- Surgeries

# How to Help a Dog That's in Pain

If you think your dog is suffering, don't panic. There are a lot of different options and things you can do to help them start to feel better.

Here are some steps you can take to help your dog cope with pain and work towards relief.

## Make an Appointment With Your Veterinarian

First, schedule an appointment with your veterinarian to figure out what the problem is.

Your veterinarian will need to run some diagnostic tests. In order to pinpoint the problem, your vet may need to do X-rays, blood tests or an ultrasound.

## Stop or Modify Physical Activities With Your Pet

If your pet is showing signs of pain during an activity, avoid it until you can talk to your veterinarian.

Your veterinarian will be able to help you figure out how to best help your pet, whether it is stopping that activity altogether or establishing modifications that will minimize pain.

Simple pain-reducing modifications to common activities can include: taking shorter walks, using a ramp or steps, rolling the ball or tossing it shorter distances, and raising food/water dishes to a more comfortable height.

For some instances of acute pain, these changes might be temporary, but for some chronic pain conditions, they may be long-term.

## Keep a Record of the Signs You're Seeing

We've all been through the scenario where we see certain signs at home, but by the time we get to the vet, everything looks fine.

That's why it can be helpful to take pictures or a video of your pet when they are showing signs of pain or discomfort. Write down when they occur and what your pet was doing at the time.

This helps your vet understand the scenarios in which your dog is experiencing pain as well as the types of symptoms and signs of pain they are displaying.

Having video and pictures of your dog can also help your veterinarian to make the proper modifications to your routine to help minimize the pain.

## **Explore All of the Treatment Options**

There are many veterinary treatments that can eliminate or reduce both acute and chronic pain. Talk with your veterinarian to understand what your dog's treatment options are.

The most common treatments for pain include:

- Medications
- Surgery
- Physical rehabilitation
- Laser therapy
- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic
- Regenerative medicine
- Massage
- Supplements and herbal therapies
- Ice or heat packs

# Ask Questions and Don't Be Afraid to Get a Second Opinion

Here are some questions you might ask your vet:

How will you manage your pet's pain after a surgery?

How will a specific treatment help her pain?

Can a supplement help reduce pain?

What modifications can I make at home to help her?

What else we can do for her pain?

You can also always contact another general practitioner vet; integrative vet; veterinary pain practitioner; or veterinary specialist like a behaviorist, surgeon, oncologist or neurologist for a second opinion or additional treatment options.

Be Your Dog's Advocate

Your dog depends on you to be her voice to get her the help she needs.

So if you think your dog is showing any signs of pain, including any changes in routine, preferences and behaviors, set up an appointment with your vet as soon as you can.

Even if the signs resolve, you'll want to keep the appointment to be sure whatever was causing the pain does not become a long-term problem.

If your pet is injured, ill or showing multiple or severe signs of pain, don't hesitate to take them into an emergency vet clinic to get their pain treated as soon as possible.

You are your dog's best health advocate.

By: Dr. Aja Senestraro, DVM

# History of Dog Agility: The Evolution of the Fast-Paced AKC Sport

By Sassafras Lowrey, CTDI

May 19, 2021 |

On August 11, 1994, the AKC's first licensed agility trial took place in Houston, Texas, at the Astro World Series of Dog Shows. Photo: AKC Gazette

In 1996, the AKC's first World Agility Team was established and competed in Morges,

Switzerland. That year, the large dog team earned ninth place in the international competition. Photo: AKC Gazette

The first AKC Agility National competition, held in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1996. Photo: AKC Gazette

First AKC Agility Trial, 1994. Photo: AKC Gazette





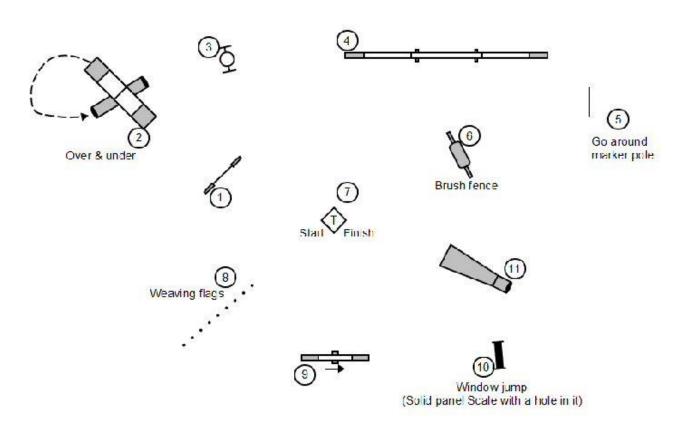


The fast-paced sport of dog agility has rapidly grown to become one of the most popular dog events. Agility captivates spectators of all ages—regardless of how much they know about dogs and dog training—and it's even more fun to play.

# The Beginning of Dog Agility

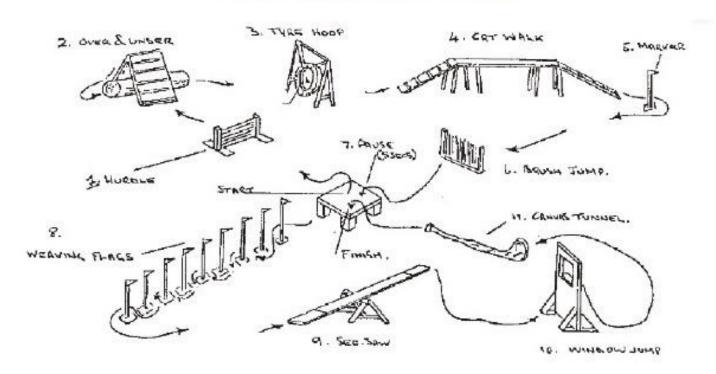
Dog agility's roots go back to the United Kingdom and the legendary Crufts Dog Show. In advance of the 1978 Crufts annual show, as part of the show committee, John Varley was tasked to create an event that would entertain the audience between existing conformation and obedience segments of the show. John Varley collaborated with Peter Meanwell to create the first dog agility demonstration. The 1978 Crufts agility demonstration was broadcast on Belgian television and a recording can be viewed below.

Varley, who narrates the competition, starts by explaining that his goal with the creation of this event was to "bring some fun into the more serious side of Crufts ... it has been designed to test a dog's ability over a number of obstacles and against the clock." The competition starts with an Alsatian Shepherd (or, as we would call them, a German Shepherd Dog) and then several Border Collies complete.



This first agility course was similar to our modern agility courses with tunnels, the now-retired collapsed tunnel, a frame and jump (including one made from a literal tire), and a catwalk, which Varley noted in the footage should perhaps be renamed a dogwalk—and, of course, it ultimately was. Initially they only had one jump and it was very high. After the success and popularity of the 1978 demonstration, agility returned to Crufts in 1979 and, in 1980, The Kennel Club (the official kennel club of the United Kingdom) officially recognized dog agility as a sport and began sanctioning trials.

#### THE FIRST EVER AGILITY COURSE - CRUFTS 1978



#### Agility's Equestrian Roots

The inspiration for the first dog-agility demonstration for Crufts came from the sport of equestrian show jumping. Varley, who had experience in the horse world, worked with Meanwell, an experienced dog trainer with a successful history with Working Trials (a UK dog sport that is a physically demanding civilian equivalent of police dog work). Furthering the connection to the horse world, in 1979 the first Pedigree Chum Agility Stakes Finals were held in collaboration with the Olympia Christmas Horse Show in the UK. In the years to come (including today), many dog agility competitions and training classes would take place in horse arenas.

#### **AKC** Agility

In 1993, the American Kennel Club held an advisory committee meeting around agility as a sport and named Sharon Anderson as the AKC consultant on agility. Anderson, who would later receive an AKC Lifetime Achievement award, is credited with developing the AKC's agility program and served as the Director of AKC Agility before retiring in 2008.

On August 11, 1994, the AKC's first licensed agility trial took place in



Houston, Texas, at the Astro World Series of Dog Shows. There were 192 dogs from 58 breeds entered in the trial, with dogs and their handlers traveling from across the country and Canada. In 1996, the AKC's first World Agility Team was established and competed in Morges, Switzerland. That year, the large dog team earned ninth place in the international competition. Also in 1996, the First AKC Agility National competition



was held in Tulsa, Oklahoma with more than 200 dogs entered.

The first AKC
Agility National
competition, held
in Tulsa,
Oklahoma in
1996. Photo: AKC
Gazette

# Growth of Agility

As a modern sport, agility is welcoming to dogs of all sizes with multiple jump heights. In 2009, the AKC Canine Partners Program was created, which enabled mixed-breed dogs to compete in AKC performance sports including agility. As agility courses have become more technical and as more is learned about canine safety, the sport has evolved to accommodate that. For example, in 2016 the AKC suspended use of the collapsed tunnel. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Agility Course Test (ACT), an entry-level agility event for new dogs and handlers, even has a virtual option so that everyone can compete safely while maintaining social distancing.

Today, agility is one of the most popular and recognizable canine sports with more than one million entries into AKC agility programs each year.

## What Makes a Great Dog Training Podcast?



BY KAYLA FRATT

I'm pretty picky about my podcasts – I like to consider myself a connoisseur. Today there are so many podcasts out there that it can be really

overwhelming.

Don't worry, I've done the listening homework for you! There's no reason to waste your time with sub-par podcasts, so I hope this best-of-the-best list can save you some time.

When deciding which podcasts I wanted to recommend for this article, I realized I needed a bit of a system to weed out the truly great podcasts from the "entertaining" ones.

Specifically, this list consists of dog training podcasts that have:

- **1. Expert Hosts.** I'm not looking for "Joe Average's Thoughts on Your Dog." I'm looking for bona fide animal behavior experts giving useful advice.
- I especially value podcasts hosted by people who are veterinarians or PhDs, involved with the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, and well-versed in Applied Behavior Analysis.
- Because I stay far away from e-collars and other corrective training methods, I don't tend to like podcasts hosted by police K9 trainers or military trainers.
- **2. Science-Based Training.** A few popular podcasts didn't make the cut because they gave training advice that wasn't based in ethical, gentle, science-based training.
- Any podcasts that rely on e-collar training, correction-based training, or pack theory were automatically cut.
- Confused about why I avoid these things? Read all about my training methods and philosophy here and the basics of what's wrong with dominance theory here.
- **3. High-Quality Audio.** It doesn't matter how good the content is if you can't hear it. For example, while I found a nosework podcast that I absolutely loved, I just couldn't get over the poor audio quality, so it didn't make the cut.
- **4. Great Listening.** Honestly, I can't stand cheesy podcasts. Podcasts with too many sound effects and ads, too much self-promotion, and too many vague explanations drive me nuts. That means that Victoria Stillwell's podcast, though full of good info, didn't make the cut. I just couldn't stand listening to it!

**5. Actionable.** I'm a pretty action-oriented, literal person – so I don't tend to like really esoteric podcasts. A few popular podcasts feel a bit too much like sitting around the bar talking about dogs. While I love doing that, I'd rather do it with my real friends! The best dog training podcasts are the ones that actually affect my future training sessions.

Now that you know my criteria for finding the best dog training podcasts, let's explore the seven podcasts that made the cut.

## The Seven Best Dog Training Podcasts

After scouring the podcast library for years, these are the six that I regularly listen to. I'm subscribed to them all and have heard every single episode of many. So yeah, they're that good!

For fairness sake, I didn't try to rank these in order of my favorites (how could I choose?). I just went alphabetically.



Annette Pedersen – Animal Training Coordinator at Copenhagen Zoo ... "Guinea pigs were not meant to fly"

August 7, 2018 by ryan cartlidge Leave a Comment



Michael Shikashio - Complete Canine: Aggressive dogs

July 31, 2018 by ryan cartlidge Leave a Comment



Dr. Chris Pachel - Animal Behaviour Clinic; "It's like learning a new language"

July 24, 2018 by ryan cartlidge Leave a Comment

## 1. **Animal Training Academy**

- Host Name and Business: Ryan Cartlidge, Animal Training Academy, an online learning community based out of New Zealand
- Focus: This podcast is interview-based. Ryan interviews animal behavior experts, ranging from
  PhD animal behavior researchers to the director of the San Diego Zoo. The questions follow the
  interviewee's "behavioral odyssey" from their introduction to animal training to where they'd like to see
  the field going in the future.
- My Favorite Episodes: Click to Calm: Healing the Aggressive and Reactive Dog and Punishment Starts Where Knowledge Ends
- Best For: Hardcore Behavior Nerds
- Praise: Ryan is cheerful, incredibly knowledgeable, and thorough. His podcast is firmly rooted in
  the principles of Applied Behavioral Analysis and science. Best of all, his guests have worked with
  animals of all types.
- Constructive Criticism: The biggest potential drawback to Animal Training Academy is that it's not species-specific. If you're a dog nut who really doesn't care much about horse training or life as a zookeeper, you won't love some of the episodes. Some listeners struggle with Ryan's New Zealand accent. At times, his early episodes can feel a bit rigid because he always asked the same questions in the same order. As of summer 2018, his questioning has gotten a bit more personalized and variable.
- Where to Listen: iTunes or Stitcher

2. Cog-Dog Radio



- Host Name and Business: Sarah Stremming of The Cognitive Canine, an agility trainer and behavior consultant in the Seattle area.
- Focus: This podcast focuses on Sarah's cases and considerations in the world of dog training.
   Sarah is a professional agility trainer who focuses on helping dogs that "fall apart" in the agility ring.
   The episodes are far-ranging, from semi-formal interviews to case studies to discussions on dog training theory.
- My Favorite Episodes: The Effective Behavior Change Series (<u>Part One</u>, <u>Part Two</u>, and <u>Part Three</u>)
- Best For: Agility lovers
- Praise: Cog-Dog Radio has really pushed my thinking on some deeply-rooted beliefs. Sarah is incredibly progressive in her training methods, and I think her podcast is the only one on this list that has had a concrete effect on my own training strategies. Her thoughts on Nothing in Life is Free (Part One, Part Two), in fact, led me to change my training recommendations to the SMART x 50 training system. Similarly, her post titled "Happy Crating" led me to rewrite my recommendations on crate training.

- Constructive Criticism: Cog-Dog Radio's audio *sometimes* leaves something to be desired Sarah records some episodes while walking with her dogs. The podcast is extremely interesting, but doesn't always end with concrete ideas for how to put these lessons into practice.
- Where to Listen: <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Soundcloud</u>
- 3. Dog Talk with Dr. Jen



- Host Name and Business: Dr. Jen Summerfield of Dr. Jen's Dog Blog and Brown
   Veterinary Services in West Virginia
- **Focus:** Dog Talk is aimed at giving ultra-high-quality behavior advice for pet owners. The podcast largely covers the basics, such as potty training and recall.
- My Favorite Episodes: Car Ride Anxiety and Reliable Recalls
- Best For: Owners who are just getting excited about training or dealing with a specific behavior concern.
- Praise: Dr. Jen is one of the most knowledgeable hosts out there. She's a veterinarian and
  extremely savvy trainer. Her podcast is also the most concrete and immediately "useful" for most
  owners.

- Constructive Criticism: This podcast is more aimed at pet owners than professional dog trainers, so the content might feel a bit boring if you're an experienced owner who is more interested in advanced training. However, Dr. Jen's expertise in the medical side of behavior makes reviewing the basics 100% worth it!
- Where to Listen: <u>iTunes</u> or on <u>Dr. Jen's website</u>

## 4. Drinking from the Toilet



- Host Name and Business: Hannah Brannigan of Wonderpups Training in North
   Carolina
- Focus: This podcast is focused on getting deep into the nitty-gritty of professional training.
   Hannah's background is as a competitive obedience trainer, but she doesn't discriminate in her topics.
- My Favorite Episodes: Resilience with Dr. Patricia McConnell, <u>Frustration</u>

  <u>Tolerance</u>, and <u>Puppy Thoughts</u>
- Best For: Really excited, nerdy trainers at any level
- Praise: Hannah's enthusiasm is contagious, and the episodes that dive into the specifics of
  training are some of the most in-depth I've heard. The podcast does a great job of covering a variety
  of subject and staying on-topic. Hands down, if I had the option to get a drink with any podcast host,
  I'd pick Hannah.

- Constructive Criticism: At times, I come away from an amazing Drinking from the Toilet episode that had me glued to the headphones but I can't figure out how to apply what I learned to my training. At times, the podcast feels a bit too in-the-weeds to be really applicable.
- Where to Listen: <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Stitcher</u>

5. Fenzi Dog Sports Academy Podcast



- Host Name and Business: Melissa Breau of Fenzi Dog Sports Academy, an online dog training school
- Focus: This podcast interviews Fenzi Dog Sports Academy instructors about dog training, dog sports, and their upcoming classes.
- My Favorite Episodes: Thresholds and Therapy versus Management, Desensitization and Counterconditioning
- **Best For:** People who are excited about <u>getting into dog sports</u>. This podcast is also great for anyone who's got a specific question or goal with their dog, as you can often take a full class online at Fenzi Dog Sports Academy with your favorite podcast guest!
- Praise: Melissa has a great set of questions that threads the needle beautifully between selling a
  course and delivering true value through the podcast. Her guests are knowledgeable and enthusiastic,
  balancing storytime and education well.
- Constructive Criticism: Since the podcast never does multi-episode series, it can sometimes feel like a particularly knowledgeable guest is being cut off when I'm dying to hear more. Longer episodes or occasional double-headers would help really get into it with the extra-interesting guests.

Where to Listen: <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Stitcher</u>



# 6. <u>Canine</u> Conversations

Host Name and

**Business:** Marissa Martino of Paws and Reward Dog Training, Ursa Acree of Canis Major Dog Training, and Kayla Fratt (me) of Journey Dog Training.

 Focus: Canine Conversations is hosted by three different professional dog trainers and behavior consultants. The focus is on practical

advice an in-depth discussions with experts in the field, especially focusing on behavior problems in dogs.

- My Favorite Episodes: <u>Things Dog Trainers Do Differently From</u>
   Pet Parents, <u>Preventing Reactivity and Aggression</u>
- **Best For:** Budding dog trainers or owners who really love learning about dog behavior.
- **Praise:** I'll admit I'm biased, as I'm a host! Canine Conversations really aims to be both practical and professional, with a focus on helping owners think more like trainers. We're all experts, and we have a great time recording!
- Constructive Criticism: Our sound quality isn't always perfect, and we struggle with flow in some of our early episodes.
- Where to Listen: <u>iTunes</u>, <u>Spotify</u>, Stitchr, Google Play, or the <u>Canine</u> Conversations site.

## 7. lan Dunbar's iWoof Podcast



Host Name and Business: Ian

**Dunbar of Dogstar Daily** 

- Focus: Dogstar Daily is broad-ranging, from
  listener questions to discussions on lan's own dogs.
   Dr. Dunbar is one of the pioneers of bringing positive reinforcement training to the fold.
- My Favorite Episodes: The

### Myth of Intent, Parvovirus versus Insufficient Socialization

- **Best For:** Dog owners with new puppies or dogs with behavior issues looking for real advice.
- **Praise:** Like Dr. Jen, Dr. Dunbar is a veterinarian who is incredibly knowledgeable about both the behavior and medical side. His podcast is frank, science-based, and funny. I particularly loved the listener question episodes!
- Constructive Criticism: Some listeners struggle with Dr. Dunbar's soothing British
  accent. Don't listen if you're sleepy! My biggest complaint? The podcast was discontinued in 2016 –
  but you can still listen to six seasons of backlogs.
- Where to Listen: <u>iTunes</u> or on <u>Ian Dunbar's website</u>
   Do you have a favorite dog training podcast that we missed here? Tell us all about it! We're always looking for more.
   Also check out our <u>big collection of affordable dog training resources</u> if

you're trying to train your pooch without breaking the bank.

### **USRVDTC BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date 5/20/2021

The regular monthly board meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Nicki Bowden, on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 7:04.

Previous Board Minutes Read/Dispensed: No April board meeting

Motion by: No previous meeting

Seconded by:

**Board Members Present:** 

Layla Johnson Melissa Meyer Nicki Bowden Lacey Moon

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: None

Motion for Adjournment: Melissa Meyer

Seconded by: Layla Johnson

Time Adjourned: 7:05

### **USRVDTC REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date May 20, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Nicki Bowden, at 7:05 p.m., on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at the 4H Building, in Idaho Falls ID.

Members present (for Board meeting and regular meeting)

Lacey Moon Nicki Bowden Lois Olson Steve Olson

Cheryl Loomis Duane Loomis Richard Brizzee

John Baughman

Layla Johnson Matt Johnson

### **Introduction of Guests/Visitors:**

Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting Read/Dispensed: Printed in Newsletter

Motion by: Steve Olson to accept minutes as printed in newsletter

Seconded by: Lois Olson

Report from the Board Meeting: None

Report of the President: None

**Report of the Vice President:** Layla Johnson - Working on Christmas July party Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup> at Freeman Park Pavilion (reserved) . Dog Talent Show. Grandpa Southern BBQ catering. \$15 per person. 6pm. Wear Ugly Christmas garb. Gifting. Details to come soon!

Report of the Secretary: None

**Report of the Treasurer**: Income YTD \$109,631.91 includes entries for scent work trial with no expenses taken into account yet. Filed with minutes and available via email if interested in viewing.

### **Report of Committees:**

Obedience -

CGC –Richard Brizzee - June 9<sup>th</sup> 5pm. Outside at Sandy Downs. CGC-A will be available too. We'd like to set up a CGCU so Richard will get with Marilynne to get that set up. We'll need fencing and distraction items brought in. Desi will put in the newsletter that we need help.

Agility – Trial - we made \$2400 after expenses. Should we not offer food anymore? It saved us about \$1000 not to offer.

Scent Work –Nicki Bowden- Our scent trial at the Blackfoot Cluster at Blackfoot Fairgrounds is 6/17-6/20. Spots are full. (It filled the first day)

#### **Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:** Any volunteers to teach obedience next term? – begins June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tuesday - Agility 1, 2, 3. Wednesday -Star Puppy, 3 Obedience and Rally.

**Membership Applications Read/Approved:** Amy Kaiser – Akita – Approved.

Motion for Adjournment: Lois Olson

**Seconded by:** Melissa Meyers

Time Adjourned: 7:26 pm

Location of Next Club Meeting: June 24th at Tautphaus Park