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UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB



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<u>February Meeting</u> Thursday, February 16, 2023, 7PM At Papa Tom's

Sunday Practices

We have added 4 additional Sunday practices for this winter. We will continue with the time we are currently using: Sunday, Noon – 2:00PM. The next 4 Sundays have been added. You may pay online.

Comics Corner







The Most Popular Dog Names of 2022

By <u>AKC Staff</u>

You did the <u>dog breed research</u>, you stocked up on all the <u>puppy essentials</u>, you <u>puppy-proofed your</u> <u>home</u>, you <u>found a veterinarian</u>, you've booked <u>basic dog training</u> classes, and you chose the <u>best dog</u> <u>food</u>. But there's another big decision to make: what in the world are you going to name your new puppy or dog?

Your new best friend will be part of your life for many fun-filled years to come, so choosing the best dog name is an important decision. "Dogs are an important part of our families, and people take great care in choosing a name," said American Kennel Club Executive Secretary Gina DiNardo. "It's fun to see if a dog's personality is reflected in its name."

Top 10 Girl Dog Names of	Top 10 Boy Dog Names of
2022	2022
1. Luna	1. Max
2. Bella	2. Milo
3. Daisy	3. Cooper
4. Lucy	4. Charlie
5. Willow	5. Teddy
6. Penny	6. Tucker
7. Sadie	7. Buddy
8. Maggie	8. Bear
9. Rosie	9. Rocky
10. Ruby	10. Leo

Here at the AKC, we've compiled the top 10 most popular dog names of 2022 for boy dogs and girl dogs from our <u>purebred dog registration</u> and <u>Canine Partner mixed-breed</u> <u>enrollment</u> statistics to give you some inspiration when picking the best name for your pet. Did your dog's name rank in the top 10?

You can also dig through the full list of <u>top 100 boy dog names</u> and <u>top 100 girl dog</u> <u>names</u> if you want to find something a little less popular for your pup.

USRVDTC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date 1/24/23

The regular monthly board meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Nicki Bowden, on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at the 4H building in Idaho Falls.

Previous Board Minutes Read/Dispensed: Motion to accept board minutes as they were printed in the December newsletter.

Motion by: Lacey Moon

Seconded by: Suzanne Belger

Board Members Present: Lacey Moon Nicki Bowden Cheryl Loomis Richard Brizzee Mira Johnson Heike Vitacolonna MaKayla Summers

Visitors/Members Present: Phil Moon

Report of President: None

Report of Vice President: None

Report of Secretary: Working on updated membership list/ booklet for 2023. It will be complete by the January newsletter and will be emailed to each member and mailed to those without emails.

Report of Treasurer: YTD income: \$494.91 Total Equity: \$110,016.93 Balance Sheets are filed with secretary notes and available upon request.

Report of Committees:

Nicki - Scent work trial will be going in June. Hopefully we'll be in a different area so that we can drop something and pick up exterior (which is difficult to find at trials). Maybe get rid of containers?

Practice committee. This Sunday is the last Sunday but Suzanne wants to extend for another 4 weeks. There are several people who attend regularly who are willing to pay for another month.

Next CGC test will be 4/4 Set up 5:30. Beginning testing at 6.

Obedience classes are all full. Rally only has 6-7. We have 12-14 dogs on the waiting lists.

License on agility trailer has been renewed and all other plates and stickers have been renewed for all trailers.

Auditing committee met 1/11 and determined that Suzanne can keep being treasurer. Report is filed with Secretary notes.

Unfinished Business:

Because Robert and Alicia have a shared address, the board voted that we combine their memberships into a family membership. We will pull his individual membership application so it won't be voted on next meeting.

New Business:

Tom (Marilynne Manguba's husband) asked that instead of flowers the club dedicate something in memory of Marilynne. Cheryl moved that we make a \$500 donation to the Snake River Animal Shelter. MaKayla seconded. Cheryl suggested the club also institute a trainer award. She made a motion to create an instructor award in Marilynne's name similar to Barbara's achievement award. Second by Richard. Nicki said that she and Cheryl with work to put criteria together.

Volunteer positions –All vital positions have been filled. Forms attached with secretary reports and will be printed along with the January newsletter.

Budget –Reviewed and adjusted according to current needs. It is attached with secretary reports and will be printed along with the January newsletter.

Nicki – Suggested that we make Diana Robinson honorary member. She has been a member since 1988 and her health is such that she can't participate. Approved by council.

Nicki – Suggested we add a new award at the Christmas party for 25 year members. This year we would have 25+, but then after this year, we'll honor those who have been active in the club for 25 years. Approved by council.

Nicki – We had considered a "Train the Trainer" class last year. We need to get this started so we are ready by summer classes. Nicki asked Desi to put a class together that will help the trainers deal with people as well as dogs. Once that is ready, we'll have every teacher take the class. This class will ensure that the teachers are all following AKC & club guidelines and outlines and can effectively deal with difficult people.

Motion for Adjournment: Richard Brizzee

Seconded by: Mira Johnson

Time Adjourned: 9:19