

UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB



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MAY NEWSLETTER 2024

May Board Meeting

May 9, 2024, at 7PM

Plum Loco

Thank you to everyone who came out and
helped with the Agility Trial!

It is greatly appreciated!

Obedience and Basic Agility Classes Begin
May 15, 2024

Member Accomplishments

Emily and Spade are our club's only junior handler team, and they did great and qualified at our Agility Trial! Congratulations Emily and Spade!



HR Rio's Marvelous Bo of Bear Island CGC JH just had his first pass towards his AKC Senior Hunter title. The transition in training from Junior Hunter (JH) to Senior Hunter (SH) is quite a huge jump. So I am looking forward to finishing this title and then in to Master Hunter (MH)!!



Itza competed in her first Agility Trial in April! She did great and got first place in Novice FAST, receiving her first leg.

2024 Obedience and Rally Gift Donations

It is that time of year again where club members get the chance to donate money towards the obedience and rally trial 1st place gifts. Last year, we gave a treat/toy and a stainless-steel water bucket. This year, we will be giving dog-show themed blankets from Kohl's. We gave out a few of these at the October agility trial, and they were a hit!

If you are interested in donating, please email me (Desirae Chase) with the amount you'd like to donate. The blankets were \$6.74 (I got them for a killer deal) and we need approx. 50 sponsorships for this year (we have leftover buckets/toys from last year that will be offered as well). Even sponsoring one class makes a huge difference! If you donate, we will list your name on in the premium as a sponsor.

We are sticking with tradition for the high in trial, high combined. Etc. classes and will be giving out the \$25 gift cards with a specific sponsor listed. If you are interested in sponsoring one of those classes, please see the availability for those below (the empty ones are available to sponsor).

Please pay Suzanne Belger, or club secretary, with cash or a check. Please make checks payable to USRVDTTC and mail them to Suzanne at 994 Lowell Dr., Idaho Falls ID 83402

2024 Sponsorship Donors

ODMAD Dog Training
Nicki Bowden

Tiffany Stolworthy

Suzanne Belger

*****FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2024*****

Class Name	Amount	Sponsor Name
Obedience Classes		
High Combined (Open B & Utility)	\$25	
Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Class	\$25	ODMAD Dog Training (2024)
Highest Scoring Junior Handler	\$25	The Jossi Family (2022)
Rally Classes		
High Combined (Advanced B & Excellent B)	\$25	
High Combined Triple (Advanced B, Excellent B, & Masters)	\$25	

Highest Scoring Junior Handler	\$25	Jossi Family 2024
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Obedience Classes		
High Combined (Open B & Utility)	\$25	
Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Class	\$25	
Highest Scoring Junior Handler	\$25	Jossi Family (2022)
Rally Classes		
High Combined (Advanced B &Excellent B)	\$25	
High Combined Triple (Advanced B, Excellent B, & Masters	\$25	ODMAD Dog Training (2024)
Highest Scoring Junior Handler	\$25	Nichole Nead-Crossley @ Keller Williams Realty East Idaho (2023)

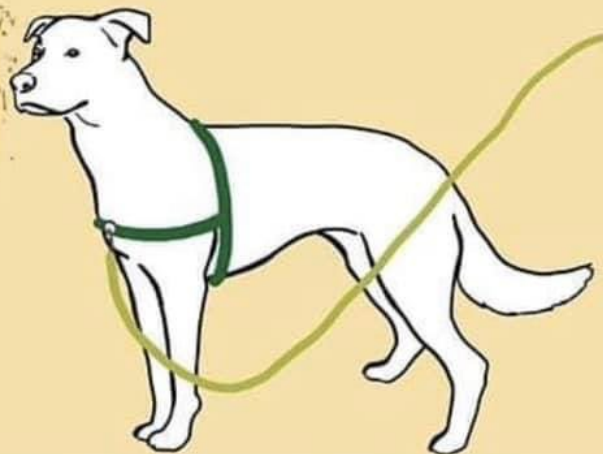
*******SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024*******

Class Name	Cost	Sponsor Name
Obedience Classes		
High Combined (Open B & Utility)	\$25	
Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Class	\$25	
Highest Scoring Junior Handler	\$25	The Jossi Family (2022)
Rally Classes		
High Combined (Advanced B &Excellent B)	\$25	

High Combined Triple (Advanced B, Excellent B, & Masters)	\$25	Kristie Rasmussen (2023)
Highest Scoring Junior Handler	\$25	The Jossi Family (2022)

ANTI-PULL FRONT-CLIP HARNESS

Description: A T-shaped harness. One strip goes over the dog's chest, the other right behind his front legs. The leash is clipped to the front of the harness.



Why it works: when the dog pulls, the leash pulls the harness to the side and the dog loses balance. The harness also presses on the dog's shoulders which restricts his movement, makes him unable to move normally and therefore makes him walk slower.

Consequences of use: trouble with movement; limping; pain in the back and muscles. Especially dangerous when used on young dogs as it causes abnormal muscle development and the possibility of permanent muscle damage.



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DOG-FRIENDLY ANTI-PULL EQUIPMENT DOES NOT EXIST!

USRVDTC REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date April 18th, 2024

The regular monthly club meeting of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club was called to order by President, Nicki Bowden, at 7:04 p.m., on Thursday, April 18th, at Smitty's in Idaho Falls, ID.

Board Members Present:

Lacey Moon Richard Brizzee Nicki Bowden Suzanne Belger MaKayla Summers

Members Present:

Cheryl Loomis Duane Loomis Alicia Thompson Heike Vitacolonna Amy Hall Nichole Crossley Tiffany Stolworthy

Guests

Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting Read/Dispensed: Printed in March newsletter.

Motion by Suzanne Belger to accept minutes as printed in March newsletter.

Seconded by: Alicia Thompson

Report of the President:

At the board meeting in March, we decided we needed a co-chair for obedience and rally trial because this will be Desi's last year as Chair of the August trial. Tiffany Stolworthy was asked and will be Co-Chair with Desi for this year's trial.

Report of the Vice President:

None

Report of the Secretary:

None

Report of the Treasurer:

YTD balance of \$105,747.68 and YTD net profit of \$1,186.36. Reports filed with minutes and available via email if interested in viewing.

All CDs have been rolled over into the 180 days at 5.25% interest.

4H building has raised their rates from \$40/hour to \$75/hour. We need to decide if staying at the 4H building is worth the cost. Can someone think of somewhere else to hold classes in the winter months? One benefit of the 4H building is that we can leave our equipment there for the duration of the classes.

Report of Committees:

Classes: *Obedience classes* starting on 5/15 at Sandy Downs on the West side of the bandstand. We have 3 instructors/3 classes. 2 classes (MaKayla Summers & Cheryl Loomis) at 5:45 and 1 class (David P'pool) at 6:45. They will finish up on July 17th (skipping the Blackfoot trial in June and the week of 7/4) with CGC. We need someone to help with selling collars and leashes.

Agility class starting on 5/15 at Sandy Downs- 5:45 set up and class goes from 6-7:00pm. It will be 10 weeks long. Club practices will be after the class gets over (until dark).

Scent Work Trial: June 14-16th in Blackfoot. We have 60 runs per day that aren't full yet. The September trial will be held at the North Bannock Historical Park again. We aren't having a December Trial.

Seminar: Patty Biggins seminar was very good. We had a profit of \$683.91. Nothing scheduled yet for another seminar. If anyone has any ideas on new seminars, please let Suzanne know.

Agility Trial: 4/12-4/14 at Wind River Arena. This trial was a huge success. For the first time in forever there was beautiful weather. We had a lot of help and good trials were run. \$952.04 Profit. We used our new equipment. There were a lot of compliments on how great it is. We will need to order a few new sandbags.

CGC: Next Wednesday, May 1st. Come at 5:15 to set up at the 4H building.

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Suzanne – we need to get some new obedience jumps before July 2025 because they are now required by AKC to be displaceable. Suzanne moved that we buy some new obedience jumps to meet the new regulations. Seconded, voted on and passed.

Motion for Adjournment: Richard Brizzee

Seconded by: Heike Vitacolonna

Time Adjourned: 7:42pm