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Meeting Notices

The Paper Cities Kennel Club will meet Wednesday, April 18th at 7:00 p.m. at Willow Springs Gardens off of Hwy. K in Wausau.

The Board of Directors meeting will be held Wednesday, May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at Biggby's in Rib Mountain.

In case of questionable weather or road conditions, contact any officer or board member after 5:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting to verify whether the meeting will be held.

Announcements

Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT	WHERE	WHO(contact)
April. 4	PCKC Board Meeting	Biggby's	Wausau, WI
April. 7-8	Saginaw Valley Kennel Club	Birch Run, MI	MB-F
April. 7-8	Kennel Club of Yorkville Illinois	DeKalb, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
April. 14-15	Steele City Kennel Club, Inc.	Crown Point, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
April. 18	PCKC Meeting	Willow Springs	Wausau, WI
April. 21-22	Fond Du Lac County KC	Fond Du Lac, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
April. 21-22	Waterloo Kennel Club	Waterloo, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
April. 19	Terre Haute Kennel Club, Inc.	Terre Haute, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
April. 20	Bloomington Indiana KC, Inc.	Terre Haute, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
April. 21	Terre Haute Kennel Club, Inc.	Terre Haute, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
April. 22	Bloomington Indiana KC, Inc.	Terre Haute, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May 2nd	PCKC Board Meeting	Biggby's	Wausau, WI
May. 4	Badger Kennel Club	Jefferson, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May. 5	Janesville Beloit Kennel Club	Jefferson, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May. 6	Badger Kennel Club	Jefferson, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May 5th	Canine Amb. at Bike Rodeo	Weston Police Dept.	Weston, WI
May 12-13	Indianhead Kennel Club	Eau Claire, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May 12-13	Scott County Kennel Club, Inc.	Rock Island, IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
May 12-13	Midland Michigan Kennel Club	Midland, MI	MBF-Inc.
May 16th	PCKC Meeting	Willow Springs	Wausau, WI
May 19	Oshkosh Kennel Club, Inc	Fond du Lac, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May 20	Winnegamie Dog Club, Inc.	Fond du Lac, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May 19-20	Kokomo Kennel Club	Greentown, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
May 19-20	Genesee County KC, Inc.	Flint, MI	MBF-Inc.
May. 25	IL Valley KC of Peoria, Inc.	Bloominton. IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
May. 26	Cornbelt Kennel Club	Bloominton. IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
May. 27	IL Valley KC of Peoria, Inc.	Bloominton. IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
May. 28	Cornbelt Kennel Club	Bloominton. IL	Onofrio Dog Shows

****Interesting Web Sites****

Dog Show Scores Database: <http://dogshowscores.herokuapp.com/?mid=562>

New AAHA Vaccine Guidelines: <https://www.aahanet.org/PublicDocuments/CanineVaccineGuidelines.pdf>

New Test for Lymes: http://ahdc.vet.cornell.edu/docs/Lyme_Disease_Multiplex_Testing_for_Dogs.pdf

Info Dog Site: <http://www.infodog.com/default.htm>

American Kennel Club: <http://www.akc.org/index.cfm>

Merck Veterinary Manual: <http://www.merckvetmanual.com/mvm/index.jsp>

Natural Holistic Health Care: <http://www.naturalholistic.com/nhpc/index.html>

EARS - Emergency Animal Rescue Service: <http://www.uan.org/ears/>

Therapy Dogs of Central Wisconsin: <http://www.wi-tdi-dogs.org/>

Amber Alert site for missing dogs: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/K9AmberAlert/>

Lost Dogs in Wisconsin: <http://lostdogswisconsin.webs.com///>

or facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Lost-Dogs-of-Wisconsin/395490441240>

Family Sanctuary at Peaceful Pines: <http://www.pppmemorials.com/FamilySanctuary/index.html>

Article on Bloat: <http://www.briard.com/about/liebesbloat.html>

Site about responsible breeders: http://www.akc.org/breeders/resp_breeding/resources.cfm

Lakeshore Pembroke Welsh Corgi Rescue: <http://www.lakeshorecorgirescue.org/>

Dog Federation of Wisconsin: <http://www.dfow.net/>

Dr. Patricia McConnell has a blog for training dogs: <http://www.theotherendoftheleash.com/>

Canine Vision: <http://www.uwsp.edu/PSYCH/dog/LA/DrP4.htm>

Canine Health Foundation: <http://www.caninehealthfoundation.org/>

Ask vet about medicines for pets from FDA:

<http://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm205666.htm>

Information on Dogs: <http://www.doggedhealth.com/>

Breeder's Handbook: Weaning More Puppies:

http://www.akc.org/enewsletter/akc_breeder/2010/spring/handbook.cfm

Hormone Replacement Products affect Pets: <http://news.vin.com/vinnews.aspx?articleId=15950>

LYME VACCINE & LYME DISEASE: <http://www.thedogplace.org/Vaccines/Lyme-Disease1-10062-Jordan.asp>

DNR Wolf Alerts: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/er/mammals/wolf/dogdepred.htm>

Foods: <http://www.dogfoodadvisor.com/dog-food-reviews/brand/>

Michigan State University-College of Law-Animal Legal & Historical Center: <http://www.animallaw.info/>

Dr. Schultz online vaccination seminar –free: <http://www.showdogvideopros.com/PCAF2010SchultzA.html>

K9 First Aid: <http://www.vet.upenn.edu/RyanHospital/K9FirstAid/tabid/1370/Default.aspx>

Study on causes of Death in dogs by breed: <http://www.lifewithdogs.tv/2011/04/landmark-study-reveals-breed-specific-causes-of-death-in-dogs/>

Ever need a more complete description blow by blow of those lab reports you get back on your pets :

http://www.broadwayvh.com/site/view/83223_AssessmentDescriptions.pml;jsessionid=g92sm55i901

Vestibular Disease in Older dogs: <http://www.petconnection.com/blog/2011/08/04/a-poorly-named-but-common-condition-old-dog-vestibular-disease/>

TOP DOG-News about one of our PCKC member's dogs: <http://www.dfs-pet-blog.com/2012/01/vinnie-the-collie/>

Kennel Blindness: http://www.akc.org/enewsletter/akc_breeder/2006/march/kennel.cfm

Pet Food and China - More Cause for Concern? :

<http://healthypets.mercola.com/sites/healthypets/archive/2012/02/01/pet-food-and-china-more-cause-for-concern.aspx>

Veterinarian Speaks Out on PETA and Westminster:

http://www.americanshihtzuclub.org/vet_speaks_on_peta_westminster

This Plant Will Kill Your Dog (and maybe your kids): <http://www.tonyspencer.com/2007/10/03/this-plant-will-kill-your-dog-and-maybe-your-kids/>

Pet Poisons From A to Z — What You Absolutely Must Know

http://www.vetstreet.com/our-pet-experts/pet-poisons-from-a-to-z-what-you-absolutely-must-know?WT.mc_id=Email;Newsletter;Petwire;Mar-29;Article1

NEW FOR THIS MONTH

How to create a reactive human (Karen Pryor Clicker Training):

http://www.clickertraining.com/node/2225?source=mnl_03_1204

Helpful Tips

How to Prevent Your Dog From Digging Up Your Garden

Have you planted your spring plants only to find that your dog has made a minefield out of your yard? The American Kennel Club (AKC®) notes that while certain breeds, terriers in particular, tend to dig more because it's in their genes, dogs dig as an outlet for frustration when they are left alone outside in the backyard. Digging provides something to do when an active, intelligent dog is bored out of his mind.

"Dogs dig for a number of reasons," said American Kennel Club® (AKC) Canine Good Citizen® Director and Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, Mary Burch, Ph.D. "It is a common issue that dog owners face, but it can be fixed with a little time and planning."

Dr. Burch offers the following tips on why your dog is digging and how to help him stop.

What You Can Do

- Providing mental stimulation through daily play and training sessions is the best thing you can do for a bored dog. The [AKC Canine Good Citizen](#) program is a great place to start by teaching your dog how to sit and stay down on command.
- Try making a digging pit in your yard that is basically an acceptable place for your dog to dig. Burying bones or favorite toys will help your dog learn that this place is an approved area.
- When it is hot outside, dogs will dig to try and expose cool earth for them to lay on and lower their body temperature. You can avoid this by bringing your dog inside so that he doesn't have to handle the heat on his own when it is very warm out. If you don't want to give your dog access to your whole house while you're gone, designate a climate controlled area with water and toys for your pooch to stay.

For more information on training your dog, visit <http://caninegoodcitizen.wordpress.com/>, the official blog of the Canine Good Citizen® program sponsored by The Hartford.

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Clear of Summer Hazards

For most of us, the warm weather means more time spent outdoors with our four-legged friends. While being outside with your dog is a great way to spend time together, there are certain dangers the summer season brings for Fido. To keep your dog safe, American Kennel Club (AKC®) Canine Partners offers the following tips to help prevent summer hazards.

- **Keep cool.** When the heat and humidity are making you uncomfortable, chances are that your dog is suffering too and is becoming overheated. You can prevent overheating by making sure that your dog always has access to cool shade and water. If you see that Fido is slowing down in the heat, you can spray him with a hose to cool him off.
- **Dogs get sunburn too.** Dogs that have hairless areas or have white fur on their noses or ears can get sunburn. Repeated sunburn on dogs can predispose them to skin cancer, just like humans. Make sure to put sun block on Fido if he's going to be outside on a sunny day.
- **Paws on pavement.** Sidewalks and streets can get very hot, and since your dog doesn't wear shoes his paws can end up getting burned from the scorching pavement. Keep your dog on the grass in extreme heat to keep his paws intact. Also remember that sand can burn too, so try taking your long beach walks with Fido early in the morning or late afternoon when it's cooler.

- **Stay away from the barbecue.** Keep your dog away from the grill while you are using it, as the open flame is very dangerous. Your dog should be kept away even after you have finished with the grill because it stays hot for a while. Also remember that barbecued food can be greasy and upset his stomach, so as tempted as you may be, don't give him barbecue scraps.

For more information on safely having fun with your dog, visit the AKC Canine Partners website at www.moredogfun.com.
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The American Kennel Club Offers Tips on How to Help Your Dog Handle a Move

Whether around the block or across the country, moving can cause stress for the entire family and the American Kennel Club® (AKC) wants to remind pet owners that dogs can feel it too.

“Dogs thrive with consistent routine especially when changes are going on around them,” explains Canine Good Citizen® and AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy® Director and Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, Mary Burch, Ph.D.

“Making it a priority to maintain your dog’s schedule while making other preparations for the move will help ease his transition into your new home.”

The AKC offers tips on how to help Fido with the move to your new home. Among them:

- **Keep a consistent routine.** As hectic as it is preparing for a move and settling into a new home, make it a priority to keep your dog’s routine as consistent as possible. Certain conflicts can’t be avoided but adjustments can be made to keep your pooch content. Does a new longer commute impede your morning walk? Try getting up earlier for your stroll to keep consistency.
- **Make socialization a priority.** If your dog mostly stays at home, make it a point to take her on trips before the move. Whether it be the local dog park or on an errand where she will meet new people, socializing your dog in the time leading up to the move will make the experience more familiar and therefore less stressful for her.
- **Take a visit to the vet.** Prior to moving, visit your vet. Making sure your dog is healthy is always important, but it especially is during the stress of a move. In addition, your vet will be able to offer last minute suggestions that apply specifically to your dog. During your visit, make sure that you are up to date on all vaccinations and have enough of your dog’s medication to last while you settle into your new home.
- **Make Fido feel special.** Once you arrive at your new home, set up your dog’s area right away. A special spot for his bed, crate and food dish will make him more comfortable, especially with the extra commotion of unpacking going on around him.

Additional tips on training and responsible dog ownership can be found online at the American Kennel Club website at www.akc.org.

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Ask AKC with Lisa Peterson Q & A Advice Column for Dog Owners

I found a great question from AKC’s Facebook Message board:

I am a 4-H Dog Club Leader in Kinsley, Kansas and my daughter is just getting started showing her border collie in AKC events. Our 4-H club is just getting started and is interested in purchasing used agility equipment. I have searched the internet and any imaginable place I can think of for used equipment. I was just wondering if you had any leads or information that you could provide me? We are currently building some of our own, but would like to purchase maybe some of the bigger items and we don't have the funds at the present time to buy new. Thank you for your time.

Dear 4-H Leader: I asked AKC's Senior Agility Field Representative Gail Storm about your needs and here are some great ideas from her for you!

- Talk to all the dog clubs of any type in their area and ask them to poll their members to see if anyone has anything they'd like to donate or sell.
- Leave a poster in local vet clinics that might catch the eye of an agility competitor that uses that vet.
- There are many "chat lists" on the web, such as the one in my area that is a Yahoo group called "Midwest Agility" and joining those and asking for help or what might be for sale.
- There are also "breed specific" Yahoo group agility lists and one of those might be helpful.
- Since the owner has a Border Collie, there's a lot of rescue groups too that have members that do agility or have agility connections in their area so also seek out those in her area and see what's going on with them.
- At the same time maybe they can help out the rescue group with a donation of time or work. One thing that I had the local group do was to hold several "50/50" drawings at group events and they sold some tickets and were able to get enough money to buy some of the larger pieces of equipment.
- And lastly, there are possibly local competitors that would be willing to donate "time on their equipment" to the kids. I do that in my area and let any child under the age of 18 use the equipment for free.

Thanks Gail for some awesome ideas to help kids and 4-H groups get started in Agility. Just remember to make sure the "used" equipment is safe for dogs before using it. For more information about AKC Agility visit www.akc.org

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