

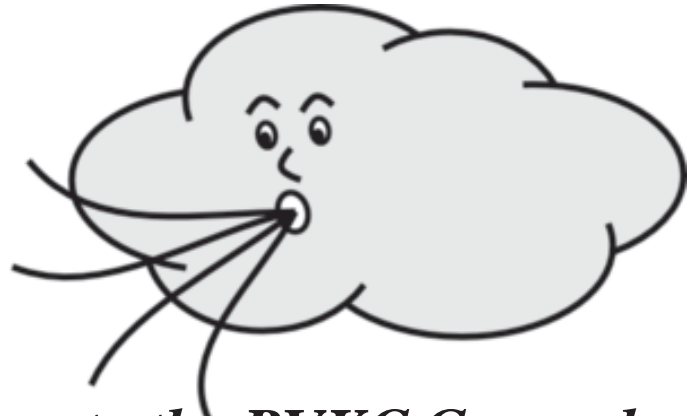


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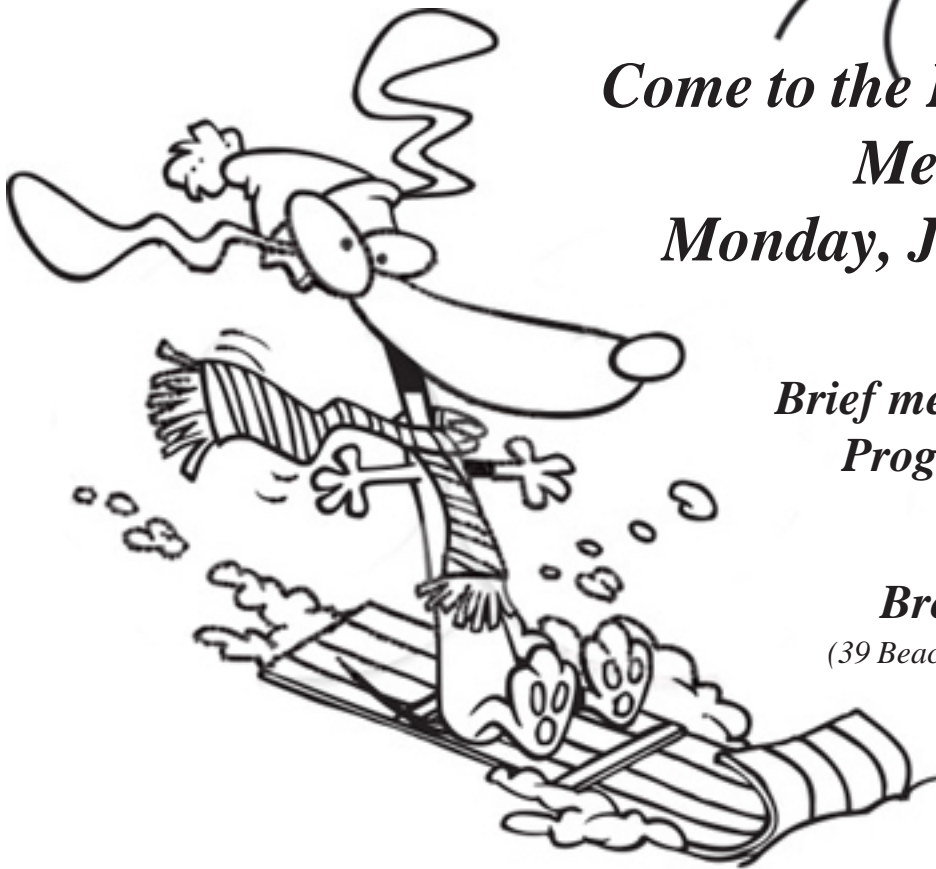
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January 2012

***Shake the January
Doldrums***



***Come to the PVKC General
Meeting
Monday, January 16th***



***Brief meeting at 6:30pm,
Program to follow***

***Brown Motors
(39 Beacon Street, Greenfield)***

If you haven't paid your Dues -- You're LATE!!!!

***Fill out the 2012 PVKC Membership Renewal Form (page 7)
and send it in NOW.***

President's Message

Happy New Year!! I hope that this new year brings great joy, big wins and yes, big challenges. We always learn more from our mistakes than we do from our successes.

And to start the year off I am going to issue a challenge to PVKC members. Make it one of your goals for 2012 to bring one new member into the club. Reach out to someone you know (or don't know!) Who is interested in showing, training, breeding or just dogs to become a member. Come up with one idea for a club activity or program and let us know. Chances are if it interests you it will interest others.

Let's all try something new this year. You might meet new people or find a new passion!

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Jan 26, 2012

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SHOW NEWS – PEG VOHR

Kathy Monaghan sends news from the Yankee Miniature Pinscher Specialties: At the first show *Ch Hille's Gratitude to the Kathys (Katlen)* was BOS for 4 points toward her Grand Championship. Her baby brother *Hille's Happy Happy Donald (DJ)* was Reserve Winners dog. At the second show, *Baby DJ* decided to use all 4 feet when walking and was BW for a 4 point major! *Katlen* was Select for another 4 point major on her Grand Championship. All 3 majors done now with a total of 20 points in VERY limited showing.

From **Dorianne Almann**: On December 10 and 11, 2011, *Stoneridge Quest for Success CGC (Arvo)* earned two of four legs towards his Novice Working Pack Dog title, hiking eight miles each day while carrying 20% of his body weight. PVKC's **Kelly Nevin** organized both hikes for the Swissy Club of New England. The hikes took place in Pelham and Amherst, Massachusetts.

From **Kenyon Fairey**: As this year comes to a close, I look back at the decision I made to let my boy *Daniel* go out with Per after ASC 2011. I had been trying to show *Daniel* myself, and winning with him enough to know he deserved better than I could do for him. My physical abilities were holding *Dan* back from achieving what he could . . . I simply could not keep up with him in the ring, and all too often, I had to bail out and mark him absent! And sometimes, even on a bad day for me, he would still win, in spite of my inability to show him well. *Daniel* left ASC with Per . . . And the rest is his history. #1 ASCOB in both Breed and All-Breed standings for the year. #2 Cocker All Varieties for the year. *Daniel* picked up over 1000 points in December alone, taking a BISS win and several Group placements in only 3 weekends. I could not have asked for a better year for him (well . . . We can always want more ;-). But for my first Special out with a handler . . . How could I ask for more?) I will remember this year for many to come. I only hope that in my current litter (*Daniel's* litter sister's babies) or in some future litter out of *Dan*, I will find another wonderful cocker to follow in his paw prints. Until then, I will just celebrate the memories of this past year as I ring in the new! I wish, for all of you, a very Happy New Year . . . And many great wins with your dogs!!!



AKC NEWS – PEG VOHR

The AKC Board recently passed a number of Rally Regulation changes and New Exercises – all to be effective April 1, 2012. In order to assist everyone (Judges, Clubs, Exhibitors, etc.) the AKC Companion Events Department has prepared several documents to assist in the transition.

At the link: www.akc.org/events/rally/2012info.cfm you will find (1) a draft copy of the AKC Rally Regulations – effective April 1, 2012; (2) A complete set

of Rally Signs with new numbering and new signs added; and (3) a label template for AKC Rally signs to be used to renumber signs from older sets.

At the link: www.akc.org/pdfs/events/rally/signs_2012.pdf you will find a training aid. At this link you can take the pointer to the top corner icon and the Rally sign description will appear.

We hope you will share this information with all members of your Clubs who are interested in the sport of Rally.

Calendar of Events PVKC 2012

Newsletter Deadline January 26, 2012

January

Board of Directors, Jan 9
General Meeting
Monday, January 16

February

Board of Directors, Feb 6

March

Board of Directors, March 5
General Meeting
Monday, March 19

April

Board of Directors, April 2
PVKC Breed, Obedience & Rally Show
April 1; Springfield, MA

May

PVKC Health Clinic
Board of Directors, May 7
Awards Banquet; May 17

June

Board of Directors, June 4

July

Board of Directors, July 2
PVKC Picnic; July 19

August

Board of Directors, Aug 6
PVKC Breed, Obedience & Rally Show

September

Board of Directors, TBD
PVKC Agility Trials
General Meeting, Monday, TBD

October

Board of Directors, Oct 1
Annual Election & General Meeting
Banquet; Thursday, October 18

November

Board of Directors, Nov 5

December

Board of Directors, Dec 3
General Meeting Holiday Party
Monday, Dec 17

American Kennel Club Celebrates Owner/Handlers In The Sport With New Series

More than 80% of the dogs being exhibited in the show ring today are family dogs shown by their owners. To celebrate the dedication and enthusiasm of these exhibitors, the American Kennel Club has created a new AKC Owner/Handler Series, a non-titling competition that will showcase owner handled dogs at shows across the country.

“We’re pleased to offer this special competition to celebrate AKC’s owner/handlers, who are the core of our dog sport,” said Robin Stansell, AKC’s Vice President of Event Operations. “We look forward to great competition in 2012 as the AKC Owner/Handler Series visits dog shows all over the country.”

The top-ranked dogs from the AKC Owner/Handler Series will be posted on www.akc.org and the top 10 owner-handled dogs of each breed and variety will be invited to compete at an “end of year” competition show. Rankings of the dogs competing in the series will be compiled based on the Best of Breed, Group and Best in Show placements in this specific series competition.

The AKC Owner/Handler competition will be conducted following Best of Breed judging in each breed ring. All dogs in the BOB competition (including WD & WB) will stay in the ring after the judge makes their placements in BOB competition. The ring steward will ask all professional handlers to leave the ring and then the judge will then select the Best Owner Handler (BOH). The dog and its owner will continue to accrue points for any group placements or Bests in Show.

Dogs owned or exhibited by professional handlers are not eligible for this competition. Professional handlers are defined as any person who belongs or has belonged to a professional handlers’ organization, distributed rate cards, or otherwise advertised or represented themselves as handling dogs for pay.

For more information about the series or to find upcoming shows where the AKC Owner/Handler Series will be offered, visit www.akc.org

Pioneer Valley Kennel Club
2010 ANNUAL AWARDS APPLICATION
DEADLINE: March 31, 2012

PVKC offers plaques and/or certificates to commemorate the titles earned by our club members' dogs. The awards are presented at our meeting in May. Please complete this form and return to **Lori Carver, 18 Plainfield Rd, Cummington, MA 01026**. Titles and awards must have been completed between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011. The member must have been an owner of the dog at the time the title or award was earned. We are not responsible for awards that are not reported in WRITING on this form. Please include a copy of title certificate, for verification.

Member Name: _____ Telephone Number _____

Address _____

Email address _____

PVKC activities participated in during 2011 _____

I would prefer to receive a certificate and have a donation made to the Dakin Pioneer Valley Humane Society or other charity in the name of _____ Yes _____ No _____

Dog's Registered Name (Please print) _____

Breed: _____ Date of Birth: _____

 CHAMPIONSHIP ATTAINED (Please Circle) BREED FIELD OBEDIENCE AGILITY TRACKING

LIST KENNEL CLUB (AKC, CKC, etc) _____

 PERFORMANCE TITLE OBTAINED (Please Circle Type)
 OBEDIENCE AGILITY FIELD HERDING LURECOURSING EARTHDOG TRACKING RALLY

LIST TITLE (Companion Dog, Novice Agility, etc) _____

LIST KENNEL CLUB (AKC, CKC, All-American, etc) _____

PERFORMANCE TITLE OBTAINED FROM A PARENT BREED CLUB:

LIST TITLE (Draft Dog, etc) _____

 AWARD FOR HIGHEST SCORING OBEDIENCE DOG - (please circle type) - AKC CKC

Show _____ Show _____ Show _____

Date _____ Date _____ Date _____

Score _____ Score _____ Score _____

AWARD FOR BEST IN SHOW (please circle type): AKC CKC Specialty
Show _____ Date _____

AWARD FOR HIGH IN TRIAL (please circle type): AKC CKC Specialty
Show _____ Date _____

AWARD FOR MOST GROUP FIRSTS (please circle type): AKC CKC
NUMBER _____ (attach list of shows and dates)

AWARD FOR MOST GROUP PLACEMENTS (please circle type): AKC CKC
NUMBER _____ (attach list of shows and dates)

AWARD FOR MOST BEST OF BREED OR VARIETY PLACEMENTS (please circle type): AKC CKC
NUMBER _____ (attach list of shows and dates)

AWARD FOR MOST PLACEMENTS IN ONE OR MORE PERFORMANCE AREAS (please circle type):
AKC CKC
NUMBER _____ (attach list of shows and dates)

AWARD FOR HIGHEST SCORING JUNIOR IN OBEDIENCE

Show _____ Date _____ Score _____

AWARD FOR HIGHEST PLACING JUNIOR IN JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

Show _____ Date _____ Placement _____

_____ BREEDER'S AWARD – for breeders who produce 3 or more titled dogs in one year. (Please attach list of dogs and titles.) NOTE: for this award, a dog may be counted only once in its lifetime, i.e., if a dog's AKC Championship has already been counted in any year, any future titles for that dog cannot be counted.

A certificate will be awarded to dogs who complete a Canine Good Citizen Test, Herding Instinct Certificate, Temperament Test, Therapy Dog Test, Carting Certificate, Working Aptitude Certificate, Certificate of Conformation Assessment or other certificate of achievement.

Award _____ Date _____

WAS THE AWARD OBTAINED BY A BREEDER-OWNER-HANDLER YES _____ NO _____

PLEASE INCLUDE ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE SURROUNDING THIS AWARD. (First dog, Finished title from Bred by Exhibitor Class, Veteran Dog completing an Agility Title, etc.)

2012 PVKC Membership Renewal Form



Our new membership year starts **January 1, 2012** and in order to appear on the membership list and to vote at meetings your dues must be paid by **December 31, 2011**. After that date a **\$7.50 late charge must be added**. Please complete the form below and send with your check made payable to PVKC to:

Marcia Evans, PVKC Membership Chairman
P O Box 208
Deerfield, MA 01342

Please Print Clearly!!

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Breed(s) _____

Check one: Please remember that Regular Members are expected to attend several club meetings a year.

_____ Regular Member - \$15.00 _____ Associate Member - \$ 15.00 _____ Junior Member - \$5.00

Please circle what dog activities you are involved in:

Conformation Obedience Rally Agility Tracking

Therapy Dog Flyball Herding Lure Coursing Earthdog

Service Dog Couch Potato Clicker Training Search & Rescue

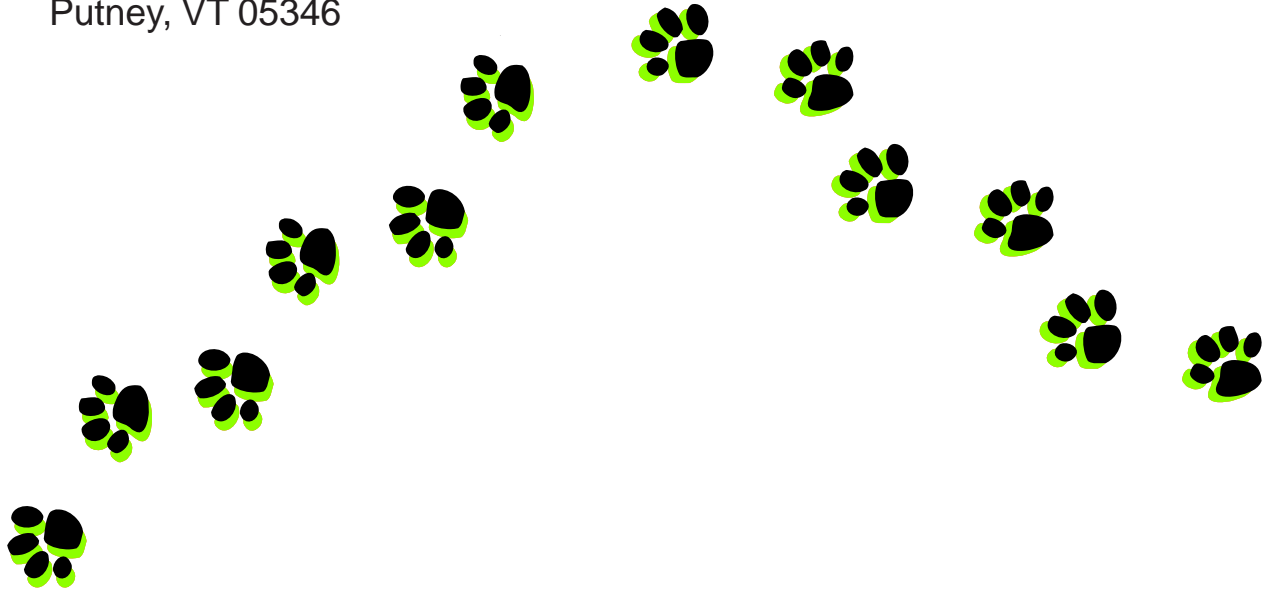
Field Trials Hunt Test Drafting & Carting Work

Other _____

Check one: _____ Currently a Breeder _____ Not Currently a Breeder

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PUPPY K CLASS with SARAH THAYER:

Puppy K classes
New Classes Begin
January 26, 2012

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Greenfield, MA

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