



Pioneer Tails

Pioneer Valley Kennel Club, Inc
P.O. Box 407, Greenfield, MA 01302

March 2010

SHOW NEWS – PEG VOHR

From **Ryan Blanker**: “In our first show this year, *Northern Light’s Ciara* and won our Bred By class (out of a class of 5) at the Connecticut Valley Siberian Husky Club, Inc. Specialty, held Feb. 20th. We also won Reserve Winners Bitch to a 4 point major under judge Chuck Winslow. I was also asked by a professional handler to handle one of her dogs in Best of Breed and we won an Award of Merit and Best of Winners.” Congratulations, Ryan!

Kathy Wilcox writes that on Feb. 13, she showed *Ch Hille’s Gratitude to the Kathys (Katlen)* to BOS at the Empire Min Pin Specialty in heavy competition. Then, on Feb. 20th, *Ch Cabinwood’s Red Zone (Bruschi)* q’ed for the first time in a year in Level 2 Wild Card - CPE agility. That is a real accomplishment for **Kathy** and *Bruschi!* Way to go!

Important Notes

March 2010 General Meeting

Wagons Ho! Teach Your Dog to Pull a Cart

See the steps to get a dog started in drafting, learn how to properly fit harness and rig, get an overview of drafting rules and regulations, hear tips on getting a drafting title, and have your questions answered.

On Mon, March 15, 7pm, Dorianne Almann is giving a talk and demo on drafting, accompanied by her Rottie, Moxie. Dori and Moxie have been drafting since 2006 and Mox is titled in the sport.

Date: **MONDAY, March 15th**

Time: meeting at 6:30pm, program at 7pm

Place: Brown Motors, 39 Beacon Street, Greenfield, MA.

President's Message

Well, hopefully we will be seeing the end of winter soon! Please make an effort to attend the general meeting on the 15th. We will have an exciting program on carting with your dog by PVKC member Dorianne Almann. (It will also be a great time to talk to her about volunteering for the job of Hospitality Chair at our summer show!!)

We have a lot of exciting activities in the upcoming months and I hope to see a lot of you at these events!

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March 25, 2010

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PVKC All Breed Show, Obedience Trial & Rally Trial

April 24, 2010

BIG E, W Springfield MA

**Don't wait to be asked -
Contact the following committee
chairs to offer your assistance:**

Show Chair & Set-up/Clean-up –

Lori Carver- Show Chair - 413-634-5684 seabreez13@hotmail.com

Hospitality –

Nanette Prideaux - Hospitality - 508-347-9674 sarananp@earthlink.net

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Obedience & Rally Stewards –

Emily McDermott - 413-256-1031 mcdermott@surfglobal.net

And Help Us Make the Summer Show a Success, Too!

PVKC needs a hospitality Chair for the Summer Show.

The job is fun and Dorianne Almann, our past chair for many successful years, is more than willing to mentor you through the details.

Volunteer today. Yes, it still seems like winter, but August is not that far away.

**Call or e-mail Darci at
(413) 498-5006 or
dbhappyhr@hotmail.com**

Please Help

**We're
begging
you!**



AKC NEWS – PEG VOHR

Help Us Help You

In 2009, more than 100,000 puppies from AKC-registered litters born to owners active within the fancy were not registered. This represents a huge lost opportunity for the American Kennel Club to communicate the benefits of registration, available services and programs and participation in AKC events.

As you know, registration dollars do not go solely toward the printing of pedigrees and certificates; they also help the AKC fund important educational programs, support the research of health issues through donations, and subsidize AKC events. Our registration numbers also help us to maintain legislative influence and ensure that like-minded organizations continue to support the AKC through alternative revenue programs and sponsorships.

If the current trend continues AKC may face a drastic change to the face of one of our core activities, AKC dog shows and events. We cannot rely solely on raising the event service fees to make up for any shortfall. It may also become more and more difficult for clubs to host events and remain economically viable.

We rely on our loyal breeders, those on the “front lines” of purebred dogs, to communicate the benefits and importance of AKC registration to puppy buyers.

We’ve found, however, that AKC’s core customers, the fanciers, average a “return rate” (the percent of AKC registrable dogs actually registered) of just 50%. In the new year, we ask all of our breeders to make a concerted effort to register every puppy in every litter you breed. We’ve instituted several easy ways for breeders to ensure that the dogs they breed become AKC registered, including:

- Full Litter Process: Allows breeders to individually register all the puppies in the litter at the time of litter registration for a discounted price.
- Full Litter Offspring: Gives breeders who have already registered their litters with the AKC a second opportunity to individually register all the puppies in the litter at a discount, even though the breeder originally selected the traditional litter registration.
- Registration at the time of sale: Breeders ask their puppy buyers to fill out the registration application and pay the \$20.00 registration fee when

they pick up their puppy (or simply include the \$20 fee in the price of the puppy). The breeder then submits the registration and fee to the AKC.

- Breeders go online with their new puppy buyer at the time of puppy pick-up and help them complete the registration.
- As a last resort, breeders give the signed application to the new puppy buyers at time of pick-up and follow up with them on the importance of registering their dog.
- Unregistered Dog Program: Add the individual puppy information and new owner information in the AKC’s Online Record Keeping System. The new owners will be contacted via AKC’s automated unregistered dog program and reminded to register their dog.

If you’ve recently bred a litter or plan to breed one in the near future, please take advantage of the options we’ve outlined above, and share this information with your club members and other breeders. Online registration makes the process even easier!

Thank you for your dedication to your breed and to the sport of purebred dogs. Know that with your support, and by working together, we will be able to take the necessary steps to ensure AKC’s long and healthy future as the nation’s preeminent purebred dog registry.

For more information please contact AKC Customer Service at info@akc.org or 919-233-9767.

Upcoming PVKC Events

April

PVKC Show, April 24, see page 3

May

Annual Well Dog Health Clinic,
May 1

Beginner/Advanced Beginner
Tracking Clinic, May 8 & 9

Intermediate Tracking Clinic with
Randie Meyer, May 15 & 16

**PIONEER VALLEY KENNEL CLUB
2010 ANNUAL AWARDS APPLICATION
DEADLINE: April 15, 2010**

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., Cumington, MA 01026**. Titles and awards must have been completed between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009. 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: _____

PVKC Activities Participated in for 2005: _____

I would prefer to receive a certificate and have a donation made in my name to the Pioneer Valley Humane Society **OR** other charity (specify) _____ Yes ___ No ___

Dog's Registered Name (Please Print) _____

Breed: _____ Date of Birth: _____

CHAMPIONSHIP ATTAINED --(please circle)-- BREED FIELD OBEDIENCE AGILITY TRACKING RALLY

LIST KENNEL CLUB (AKC, CKC, etc) _____

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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) _____

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

Show _____	Show _____	Show _____
Date _____	Date _____	Date _____
Score _____	Score _____	Score _____

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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)

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AWARD FOR HIGHEST SCORING JUNIOR IN OBEDIENCE

Show _____ Date _____ Score _____

AWARD FOR HIGHEST SCORING JUNIOR IN JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

Show _____ Date _____ Placement _____

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_____ 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.

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A certificate will be awarded to dogs who complete a Canine Good Citizen Test, Herding Instinct Certificate, Tempeament Test, Therapy Dog Test, etc.

AWARD _____ Date _____

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

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

PIONEER VALLEY KENNEL CLUB
TROPHY DONOR FORM FOR AUGUST 7, 2010 POINT SHOW,
OBEDIENCE TRIAL, AND RALLY TRIAL

If you would like to offer trophies at our annual point show for your favorite breed, in conformation, in obedience, or in rally, April 15, 2010 is the deadline for inclusion in the premium list and therefore in the August 7 show. We appreciate your support - and so will the lucky winners!

If you would prefer to offer GROUP FIRST, OBEDIENCE CLASS FIRST, or RALLY CLASS FIRST trophies, a cash donation made out to P.V.K.C. in the amount of \$50.00 for GROUPS and \$15.00 for OBEDIENCE or RALLY will offer that trophy in your name. Please write exactly the wording you wish used, such as "Donated by" "In memory of", etc.

Rosettes are offered for Best of Breed or Variety in all breeds having five or more entries. They may be offered to other breeds or classes within a breed, at the cost of \$3.00 per rosette. Supported entries receive rosettes from PVKC for BOB, BOW, BOS, WD, and WB. Specialties receive all those rosettes plus RWD, and RWB.

Available with the P.V.K.C. logo are:

PVKC Medallion\$3.00
Coffee Mug \$3.00
Key Chain \$5.00
15 oz. Clear Stein \$5.00

DON'T FORGET THE DEADLINE — APRIL 15, 2010

Mail the pledge form below, along with your check (made out to the PVKC, Inc.), to:
Catherine Lee, 345 Hadley Street, South Hadley, MA 01075

TROPHY DONATION TO P.V.K.C. POINT SHOW, AUGUST 7, 2010

I hereby agree to offer the following trophies (Use other side for more space):

GROUP 1: Group _____ Donated by _____

OBEDIENCE CLASS FIRST: Class _____ Donated by _____

RALLY CLASS FIRST: Class _____ Donated by _____

CONFORMATION: Breed and Class _____

DESCRIPTION OF TROPHY:* _____

OBEDIENCE: Highest Scoring _____ in _____

DESCRIPTION OF TROPHY:* _____

RALLY: Highest Scoring _____ in _____ (must indicate class)

Qualifying _____ in _____

DESCRIPTION OF TROPHY:* _____

DONATED BY: _____

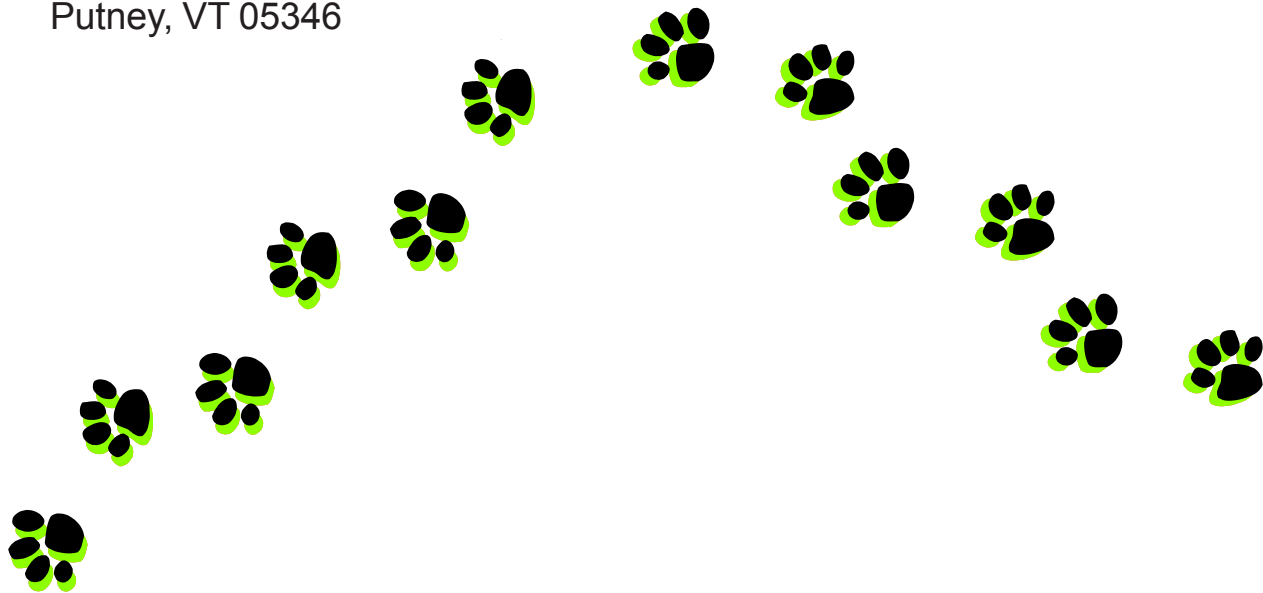
Date _____ Signature _____

Telephone Number _____

* AKC rules read: "Donors of trophies must state value of same or define offering as follows: Sterlingsilver, Silver-plated, Bronze, Copper, etc." The Trophy Committee reserves the right to approve trophy contributions before their inclusion in the premium list.

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PVKC Training

PUPPY K CLASS

with SARAH THAYER:

Puppy K classes
New Classes Begin
March 11, 2010
and April 29, 2010
at North County Veterinary Clinic
1182 Bernardston Rd,
Greenfield, MA.

For information, please contact
Peg Vohr at (413) 498-2609
or email Peg at
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Come!

NEW PVKC CLASSES:

PVKC Obedience, Rally and Breed
Handling at Breeze Thru Agility, 113
Technology Dr, Brattleboro, VT
New Classes begin on
March 3, 2010 & April 21, 2010

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