

Pioneer Tails

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

August 2016

SHOW NEWS – PEG VOHR

Lori Carver's Field Spaniel, *Baron*, picked up a Puppy Group Two in VT. His last time in the ring as a Puppy. Can't believe he will be a year old next week!

Doris Meadowcroft: More wins for Darcroft Keeshonds at the 4th of July cluster. *Darcroft Legend of Grinder's Switch (Minnie Pearl)* was BOW on July 8th for 2 more point – the major broke. She also went BOW on Sunday July 10th for a 3 point major. She only needs a major to finish. Hopefully that can be before she blows coat. As always, thank you to Michael Work for caring for and showing all my Kees to perfection.

Catherine Lee's Welsh Springer, *Spaniel Ch. Rysan's Requested Just for Destiny (Tinker)*, was Select Bitch both days in Norwalk, CT, at the Greenwich Kennel Club on June 11 and Longshore-South Beach KC on June 12. She defeated a special each day and now has 2 majors toward her grand champion and defeated a special 3 times.



And from **Dorianne Almann:** *Taika (Zebi's Some Kind of Wonderful)* had an exciting July. She turned a year old. On July 3 at a Barn Hunt trial under judge Eva Raczka at Two Shadows Farm, New Braintree, MA *Taika* earned her first Novice leg and placed second. On July 17 at the Lake Region Kennel Club's debut Performance Scent Dogs "MagnifiScents Trial" in Meredith, NH, *Taika* passed her Anise TOT, earned her third leg with a 2nd place in Novice Exteriors for her title (SD-NE), and earned her third leg with a 5th place in Novice Buildings for her title (SD-NB).



September is a very busy month for PVKC – Check the Calendar on Page 3

General Meeting, Agility Trial, Rally Trial & Tracking Test

President's Message

This month's President's message will be a giant want ad!

We are still looking for someone to take over the role as PVKC treasurer. If you think you might be interested in taking this on please contact me or Dorie for all details!

Also seeking a program chair. This is your opportunity to bring some new and exciting programs to our membership. Some of us have just plumb run out of ideas.

Contact me if you have questions.

Looking forward to hearing from volunteers!!!!

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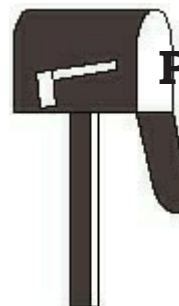
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Deadlines

Aug 29, 2016

**For advertising
contact Judith**

Calendar of Events PVKC 2016

Newsletter Deadline August 29, 2016

August

Board of Directors, Aug 1
PVKC All-Breed Show & Obedience/Rally Trial
– Aug 6, Greenfield MA

September

Board of Directors, Sept 5
General Meeting, Sept 12
PVKC Agility Trials, Sept 17-18
PVKC Rally Trial, Sept 18
PVKC Tracking Test, Sept 25

October

Board of Directors, Oct 3
Annual Election & General Meeting Banquet –
Thursday, October 20

November

Board of Directors, Nov 7

December

Board of Directors, Dec 5
PVKC Holiday Party, Dec 12

approximately ten different *Bartonella* bacteria species. *Bartonella* bacteria are transmitted to dogs and humans by ticks, fleas, lice, mites, and sand flies. Due to a lack of sensitive and reliable diagnostic tests, definitive diagnosis of bartonellosis in dogs remains a significant problem. Because these bacteria invade cells and infect tissues throughout the body, this chronic intracellular infection is difficult to cure with currently used antibiotic regimens. Dr. Breitschwerdt and his team aim to develop improved blood tests for bartonellosis in dogs that can also be used for world-wide sero-epidemiological prevalence studies, and to establish early and accurate diagnosis.

Pedro Paul Diniz, DVM, PhD, of Western University of Health Sciences, will study “Broad-Range Detection of Canine Tick-Borne Disease and Improved Diagnostics Using Next-Generation Sequencing.” Currently available tests for vector-borne diseases in dogs rely on previously known DNA sequences of each pathogen, with little room for detecting new or emerging organisms. This results in false negatives for tick-borne diseases, leaving veterinarians and dog owners frustrated by a lack of definitive diagnosis. Using an innovative approach, Dr. Diniz and team will employ next-generation sequencing (NGS) to overcome the limitations of current diagnostic technology. Testing samples from dogs naturally exposed to tick-borne diseases, NGS will detect not only new organisms but also characterize genetic differences among known organisms. The resulting dataset of a large number of DNA sequences of known tick-borne organisms and previously undetected organisms in naturally-infected dogs will support the development of diagnostic tools to simultaneously advance canine and human health.

AKC Canine Health Foundation Awards New Grants to Improve Diagnostics for Tick-Borne Diseases in Dogs

RALEIGH, N.C. (July 25, 2016) – The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to prevent, treat and cure diseases in all dogs, announces a second round of new grants awarded through its Tick-Borne Disease Initiative. This comprehensive Initiative addresses important health concerns that include Lyme disease, bartonellosis, and ehrlichiosis, through much-needed research in diagnostics, disease pathogenesis and prevalence.

Edward B. Breitschwerdt, DVM, DACVIM, of North Carolina State University, will study “Enhanced Testing for the Diagnosis of Bartonellosis in Dogs.” Bartonellosis is a potentially life-threatening zoonotic disease distributed throughout the world by

In addition to these two new grants, earlier this year the AKC Canine Health Foundation awarded three grants through its Tick-Borne Disease Initiative. The three grants address Lyme disease, vector-borne disease testing for canine blood donors, and ehrlichiosis.

**See you at
the PVKC
Show on
Saturday,
Aug 6 !!**





AKC AGILITY & RALLY TRIALS

**WESTFIELD FAIRGROUNDS,
WESTFIELD, MA**



TWO DAYS OF AKC AGILITY

September 17 and 18, 2016

Offered by Pioneer Valley Kennel Club

Judge: Sally Gichner, NJ

Premium List Available at: pawprinttrials.com

(Closing Date: August 27, 2016)

****** *Plus* ******



TWO AKC RALLY TRIALS



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Sunday, September 18, 2016

Pioneer Valley Kennel Club (morning trial)

Holyoke Kennel Club (afternoon trial)

Judge: Dr. Karen Westerfield Tucker, MA

Premium List available

from Lori Carver (413) 634-5684 seabreez13@hotmail.com

(Closing Date: August 31, 2016)



TENTATIVE AGILITY TRIAL SET-UP

Our PVKC Agility trial will be taking place on September 17th and 18th, 2016, at the Westfield Fairgrounds. Two Rally trials will be held on September 18, 2016 at the same site – one trial hosted by PVKC and the second trial hosted by Holyoke Kennel Club. To make this work, we need member support!!! Listed below is a tentative work schedule; as time gets closer to the trials, I will be able to provide times. If you wish to volunteer, or if you have any questions, please email me at jlak@facil.umass.edu or call 413-584-0330 (you may have to leave a message, but I will get back to you). Thanks!

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2016 PVKC Agility Chair

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Thursday, September 15:

- Meet at PVKC storage units in Bernardston to load agility fencing and supplies into Peg's trailer

Friday, September 16:

- 8:30 a.m. tent personnel will be at Westfield Fairground for tent set-up
- Rings to be set-up; plus practice jump area
- Tables and chairs to be set up under the tent
- Agility equipment ordered from MAX 200 should arrive at approximately 3:00 p.m. and will need to be unloaded and distributed into rings

Saturday, September 17:

- Rally ring to be set up in red barn
- Table and chairs to be set up

Sunday, September 18: (Trial Wrap-up, probably from 2:00 p.m. on)

- Rings to be taken down
- Agility equipment to be gathered together for MAX 200
- Peg's trailer to be reloaded

Monday, September 19:

- Unload trailer at Bernardston storage units



GREATER LOWELL KENNEL CLUB, INC.

Member of the American Kennel Club

COME JOIN US ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2016!!



**4-H Grounds
55 S. Chelmsford Road
Westford, MA 01886**

**We are holding our annual Morning & Afternoon AKC
Sanctioned Matches accompanied with a Puppy
Sweepstakes**

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**AM & PM Juniors, Obedience, CGC Testing, Micro-Chipping,
and Handling Seminar**

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Judging to start at 10:00AM with entries taken at 8:30AM

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**We are happy to announce The Baystate Bullmastiff Club,
Minuteman Elkhound Club, and The Great Dane Club of New
England will be holding their Annual Matches with us!!!**

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JUDGES:

**Stacey Gavin – Kent & Robin MacFarlane – Linda Berberich –
Tracy Powell – Marlene Plante – Cheryl Robicheau –
Ira Kaplan**

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Hot Dog, Chips, & Soda lunch will be available for \$2.00



Internet Tid Bits



Training & Development:

<http://www.patriciamccconnell.com/theotherendoftheleash/stress-fear-or-displacement-behavior>

<https://pethelpful.com/dogs/How-Music-Can-Affect-the-Agility-Handlers-Mental-Game-Building-a-Dog-Agility-Playlist>

<http://www.patriciamccconnell.com/theotherendoftheleash/presence-dont-let-your-dog-leave-home-without-it>

<http://dogcommunication.co.uk/wp2/index.php/2016/06/29/suddenly-spooked-secondary-fear-phase-in-adolescent-dogs/>

<http://hubpages.com/sports/The-Real-Reason-Canine-sports-Matter>

Politics:

Military dogs: http://www.worldanimalnews.com/content.php?content_ID=366

HSUS: <http://awesomeocean.com/2014/07/31/breaking-hsus-loses-charity-rating/>

Courts: http://barkpost.com/oregon-court-finds-dogs-are-sentient-beings/?lid=88xM&utm_source=bb-social&utm_medium=40WO&utm_campaign=88xM

Health & Safety:

http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/17_1/features/how-to-make-your-dog-vomit_20890-1.html

http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/home-remedies-for-itchy-pets/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=recycled&utm_campaign=july18-16

<http://drjeandoddspethealthresource.tumblr.com/post/147595920886/dodds-vaccination-protocol-dogs-2016#.V6CnNzXqrwK>

Heartworm: http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/9_3/features/Canine_Healthcare_15791-1.html

http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/benefits-diatomaceous-earth/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=post&utm_campaign=%2Fbenefits-diatomaceous-earth%2F

Titers: <https://www.avma.org/news/javmanews/pages/160701a.aspx>

<http://www.collared-scholar.com/news/safe-to-swim-another-day-water-safety-for-the-working-dog/>

AMVA Medical Data Base: https://www.avma.org/news/javmanews/pages/160715a.aspx?utm_source=javmanews&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=gen#.V3chYO2jB4E.facebook

Editor's Note: I have tested all links – they should work for you. AND I have been to each site multiple times from multiple platforms – no virus anywhere



PVKC Training Schedule

PUPPY Kindergarten Classes:

New Classes Begin

Saturday, Sept 24, 2016 Brattleboro, VT

For information, please contact
Judith (802) 722-9848 or handart@sover.net



Come!

Vermont PVKC Classes:

Obedience, Rally, &
Breed Handling

Wednesday nights – Brattleboro, VT
*New set of Classes for 2016
begin Sept 21st*

Wed Drop-in Classes running weekly
March 9th - Dec 14th

No Classes – Nov 23rd

Saturday Drop-in Novice Obedience
Jan 16th - Dec 17th

No Classes – August 27th Sept 3rd
& Nov 26th

For information, please contact:

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PVKC Tracking: Tracking Dates in August

Wednesdays: Aug 3, & Aug 31

Thursdays: Aug 18

Saturdays: Aug 13 & Aug 27

Sundays: Aug 7 & Aug 21

PVKC Tracking Test: September 25, see website for Premium
<http://www.pioneervalleykennelclub.com/tracking.html>

Contact: Dorie Viguers; dviguers@nmhschool.org ; 413-648-9437

NOT winter – but weird things & emergencies happen

***Remember to check the PVKC Facebook Page for cancellations
before coming to a Drop-in Class***

It's a Public Page – anyone can access it!!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Pioneer-Valley-Kennel-Club/198067530208377>