

# Pioneer Tails

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

July 2015



*It's a Pot Luck!*

*A to L PLEASE bring a side dish to share*  
*M to Z PLEASE bring a dessert to share*

Join us at 6 PM to register for the fun match followed by other fun dog stuff. Picnic and members' meeting to follow the fun



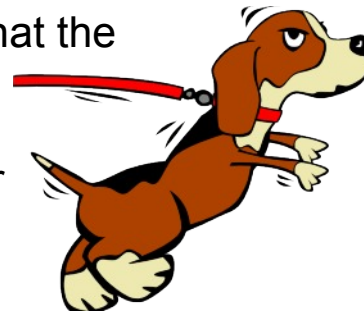
**No Puppy or Un-Titled Dog to bring to the Fun Match? ? ?**

**Not to Worry.**

**This year we are mixing it up! !**

Our very own super star, Juniors' Judge Ryan Blanker will be the Conformation MC. Bring **whatever dog** you have handy and Ryan will work with you on improving *your* conformation *showing* skills.

And for Rally – Grab your pens and note pads. Learn what the judges see by trying that job. Look at the ring from a new angle. It will improve your own game by watching others. And you may get a unique observation from other members when you run your own dog.



**Directions** – 91 N to exit 28A (Rt.10) North on Rt. 10 to 142 (Sign says to Vernon, Brattleboro VT) Follow Rt. 142 about 3 mi. to Playground on right.

## President's Message

Well it is July and summer is just starting to hit it's stride! It is also the beginning of a busy PVKC season!

Don't forget our picnic is scheduled for July 16 at the Northfield play ground in Northfield MA. We are going to try and shake it up a bit this year so hope you join us.

The August show is technically taking place on August 1<sup>st</sup> this year but a lot of the pre-work is in July. This year we will be celebrating "Paradise In The Valley" . So break out those red Hawaiian shirts, put on your grass skirt and slip on your flip flops and join us for a "luau" of a day!! Many jobs still need volunteers so please raise your hand and let them know you want to help. We can guarantee you good food and a great time!!

Darci

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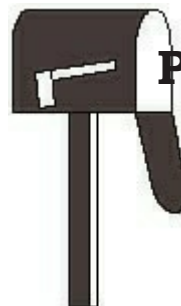
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**PioneerTails**

Deadlines  
July 27, 2015

**For advertising  
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## SHOW NEWS – PEG VOHR

**Darci Brown** reports: We had a GREAT Chickadee Classic in beautiful Maine. Smooth Fox Terrier *Panda* – CH Happy Hour Pandamonium – was Group 4 on both days she was shown. Smooth Collie *Paris* – GCH HappyHour Champagne Only @Ravenwoods – came home with two Group 1's, 1 Group 2, 1 Group 3 and a BEST IN SHOW! Both dogs handled by Annmarie Ruggieri. Needless to say we are all over the moon!

**Sue Meachem's** Field Spaniel *Teal*, UCH Nautica's Rules The Roost At Cabot, has been busy! First a long road trip to Kalamazoo MI for the UKC Top Ten and Premier, then home for more UKC shows at the Westfield Fairgrounds. She won 2 Best Of Breeds at Premier and got to show in the huge Gun Dog Group. At the AEDCONE shows she won 3 Best Of Breeds and was awarded a Group 4 and Group 3.



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## Calendar of Events PVKC 2015

Newsletter Deadline July 27, 2015

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### *July*

Board of Directors, July 6  
PVKC Picnic; July 16

### *August*

PVKC All-Breed Show – August 1,  
Greenfield MA  
Board of Directors, Aug 3

### *September*

Board of Directors, Sept 14  
PVKC Agility Trials, Sept 12-13  
PVKC Obedienc & Rally Trial, Sept 13  
PVKC Tracking Test, Sept 20  
General Meeting, Sept 21

### *October*

Board of Directors, Oct 5  
Annual Election & General Meeting  
Banquet – Thursday, October 15

### *November*

Board of Directors, Nov 2

### *December*

Board of Directors, Dec 7  
PVKC Holiday Party, Dec 14

## PVKC Summer Show

***Volunteer NOW!!!***

***Don't wait – we really need your help.***

Stewards – conformation only –  
Catherine Carr Lee at [destinywss@comcast.net](mailto:destinywss@comcast.net)

Hospitality – Judith at [handart@sover.net](mailto:handart@sover.net)

Everything else – Linda at [wetacres@gmail.com](mailto:wetacres@gmail.com)

## Internet Tid Bits

So many items and so little space!

*Two on breeding & puppies –*

Ovulation Timing and Preventing Fading Puppies

<http://www.puppyculture.com/fading-puppy-syndrome.html>

Pregnancy Stress Can Affect Offspring's Microbiomes  
– yes it's on mice but still very relevant

<http://www.the-scientist.com/?articles.view/articleNo/43296/title/Pregnancy-Stress-Can-Affect-Offspring-s-Microbiomes/>

*Three on Health Issues –*

Promoting Canine Cardiovascular Health

[http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/8\\_2/features/15693-1.html](http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/8_2/features/15693-1.html)

Cruciate Ligament Disease or Injury

<http://www.fitzpatrickreferrals.co.uk/orthopaedic/cranial-cruciate-ligament-injury/>

New Veterinary Product

<http://www.smartbrief.com/s/2015/06/instant-acting-gel-stops-hemorrhaging-headed-veterinary-clinics>

*No-Pull Harnesses*

There has been a huge debate on these. This article does a nice job of summarizing the trade-offs. Nothing like a concern for structure versus a need for control to send up sparks. [http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/16\\_7/features/the-no-pull-debate\\_20782-1.html](http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/16_7/features/the-no-pull-debate_20782-1.html)

*Just Plain interesting*

Cortisol-sniffing dogs and Special Needs Children

[http://www.naturalnews.com/048316\\_cortisol\\_dogs\\_special\\_needs\\_children.html?utm\\_campaign=coschedule&utm\\_source=facebook\\_page&utm\\_medium=Dogs%20Naturally%20Magazine#](http://www.naturalnews.com/048316_cortisol_dogs_special_needs_children.html?utm_campaign=coschedule&utm_source=facebook_page&utm_medium=Dogs%20Naturally%20Magazine#)

*And Just Plain Cool*

Oldest Mummified Dog

<http://siberiantimes.com/science/casestudy/features/f0121-autopsy-carried-out-in-far-east-on-only-mummified-dog-ever-found-in-the-world/>

# Paradise in the Valley

## AKC All Breed Dog Show

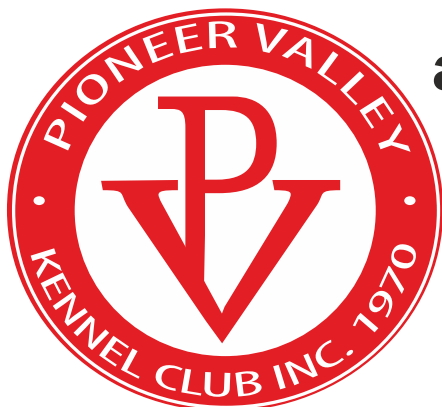


**SATURDAY, August 1<sup>st</sup>**

**8:30am - 5:00pm**



**Plus... Our Annual Kid's Stuffed Dog Show**  
**with Special Guest Judge**  
**Phil D of AM 1520 WIZZ Radio**



**at Greenfield Community College**  
**College Drive, Greenfield, MA**

*for more info call Darci at 413-772-2111*

Premium Available at  
[www.pioneervalleykennelclub.com](http://www.pioneervalleykennelclub.com)

## Tracking News

Dorie Viguers – has been approved as a regular status (up from provisional status) TDX judge. This means that she can now judge with other provisional judges and will therefore be judging both TD and TDX for Tracking Club of Vermont in October.

Way to Go, Dorie!

## Local Events:

*The Swissie Club of New England*

GSMDCA All-Breed Draft Tests; Oct 24 & 25

Contact Kelly Nevin; [kelly@prismgsmc.com](mailto:kelly@prismgsmc.com)

*The Swissie Club of New England*

All Breed AKC Herding Tests & Trials

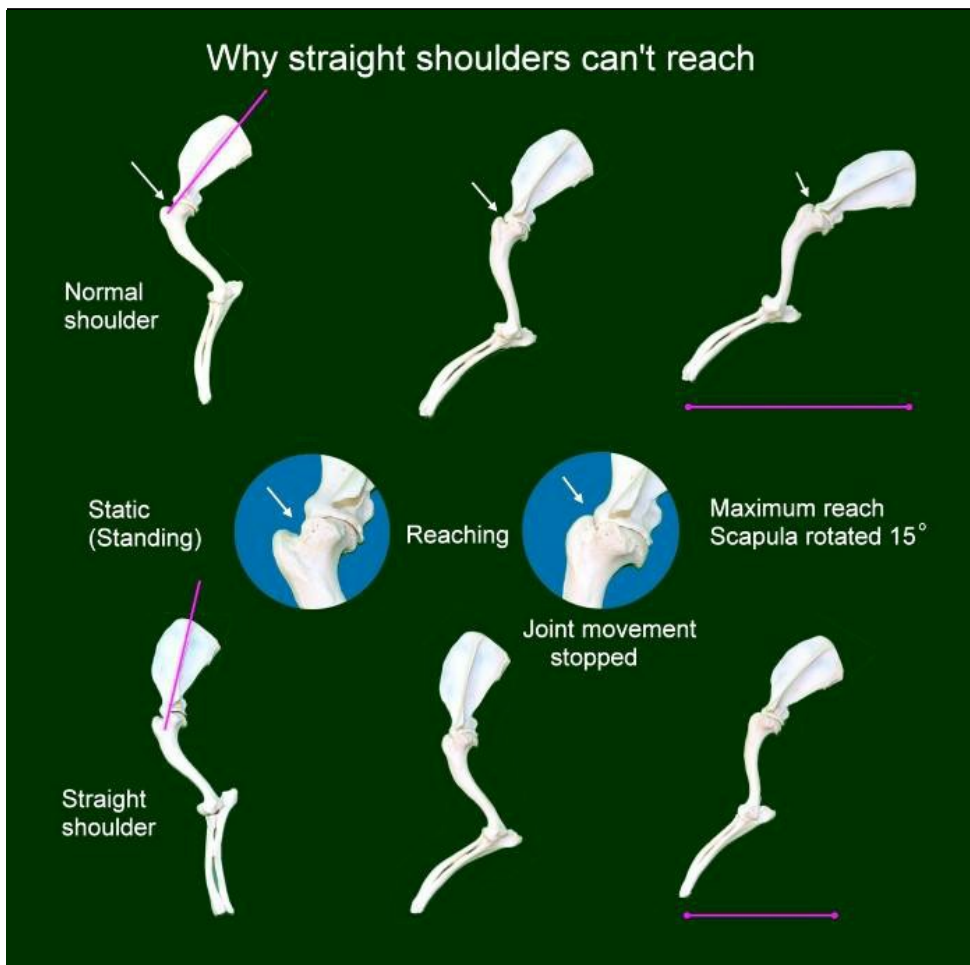
Oct 10 & 11 and Nov 14 & 15.

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## Other Training News

PVKC's Breed Handling Instructor – Leslie Vogt Woodward and Mica.

Back to back Bests In Show for Leslie Vogt Woodward and Mica (*Hickory Tavern Secret Liaison*) at the AKC FSS/Misc Shows in CT!!

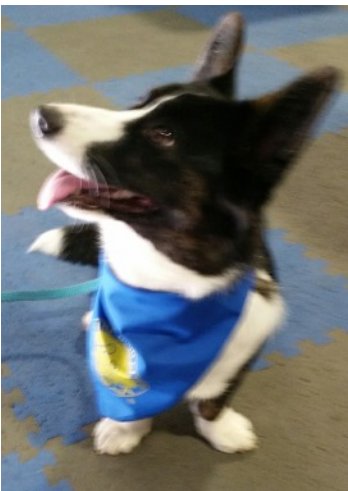
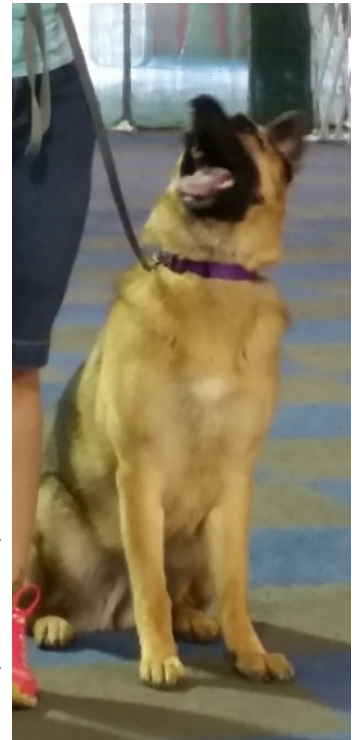


## Mechanics Of Movement

## An Educational Visual of the Shoulder

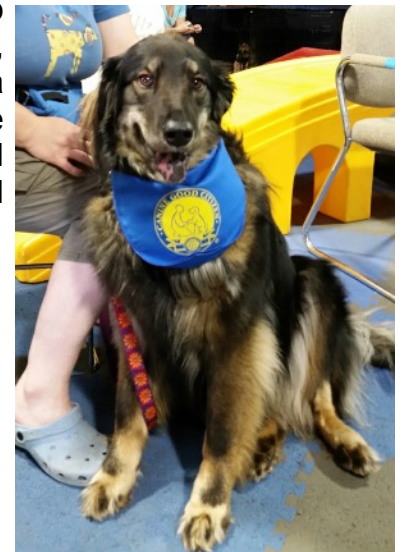


# Training Page – CGC Test – June 13, 2015 Results The Crowd, The Food, The Fun, The Passes



We Had A Great Day! ! Special Thanks to our “friendly” dog Oso and his handler Lisa Wood, our on-site Test coordinator Kim Reardon, our judge Roo Grubis AND our wonderful CROWD!

Five Passes in seven Tests. Pictures From top left: The Crowd, Keeva (owned by Patricia Lalli), Legend with Billie Jean Wood, Ember with Linda Marcille (and Oso with Lisa), The Food (the S’mores cheesecake was amazing), Abby (owned by Rachelle Ackerman), and (top right) Pearl (owned by Billie Jean Wood)



Sorry you missed the Fun!







# **The Swissy Club of New England (SCONE)**

## **GSMDCA All-Breed Draft Tests**

**Sat & Sun October 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

9 Round Hills Rd., Amherst, MA (Kelly's house)

contact: Kelly Nevin ([kelly@prismgsmd.com](mailto:kelly@prismgsmd.com))

Judges: Jim and Mary Jo Rasmussen

Entry Fee \$35    Bitches in Season Allowed    Max 15 entries/day

Ring and Qualifier Prizes and Lunch Provided

Come and join us at the first GMDCA draft tests this fall in  
New England.

More info and premium at [http://swissyclubofne.org/upcoming\\_events](http://swissyclubofne.org/upcoming_events)





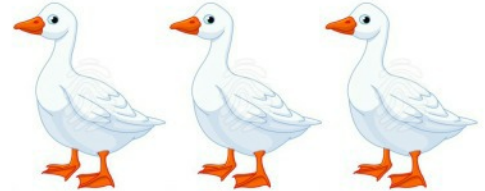


# **The Swissy Club of New England (SCONE)**

## **All Breed AKC Herding Tests & Trials**

**Sat & Sun October 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**Sat & Sun November 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015**



Nutmeg Farm, Portland, CT (<http://nutmegfarm.net>)

October Judges: Cynthia Knowlton (Sat) and Anne-Marie Ely (Sun)

November Judges: Katherine Spence (Sat) and Gerard Baudet (Sun)

All days, Sheep & Geese: Pre-Trial Tested and A Course

contact: Kelly Nevin ([kelly@prismgsmd.com](mailto:kelly@prismgsmd.com))

More info and premium at [http://swissyclubofne.org/upcoming\\_events](http://swissyclubofne.org/upcoming_events)



# PVKC Training Schedule

## PUPPY K CLASS

New Classes Begin

SATURDAY, Aug 8<sup>th</sup>

Brattleboro, VT

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



**Come!**

## Vermont PVKC Classes:

Obedience, Rally, &

Breed Handling

Wednesday nights – Brattleboro, VT

Wed Drop-in Classes running weekly

April 15<sup>th</sup> - July 15<sup>th</sup>

No Classes Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

July 29<sup>th</sup> - Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>

Saturday Drop-in Novice Obedience

July 11<sup>th</sup> & July 18<sup>th</sup>

No Class - Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, Aug 1<sup>st</sup>

August 8<sup>th</sup> & October 24<sup>th</sup>

For information, please contact  
Judith Suarez at (802) 722-9848  
[handart@sover.net](mailto:handart@sover.net)

## PVKC Tracking: Tracking Dates in July

Wednesdays: July 8

Thursdays: July 23

Saturdays: July 18, & July 25

Sundays: July 5

Contact: Dorie Viguers; [dviguers@nmhschool.org](mailto:dviguers@nmhschool.org) ; 413-648-9437

***It's Summer, but the weather can still be weird & sometimes emergencies happen –***

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

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