



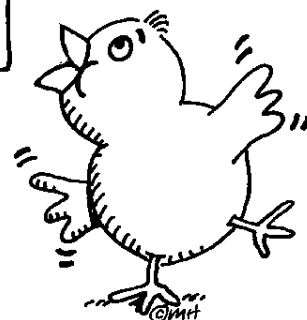
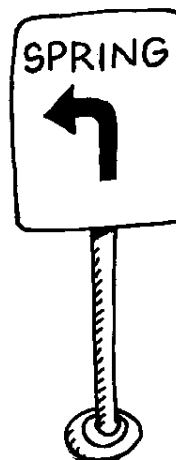
Pioneer Tails

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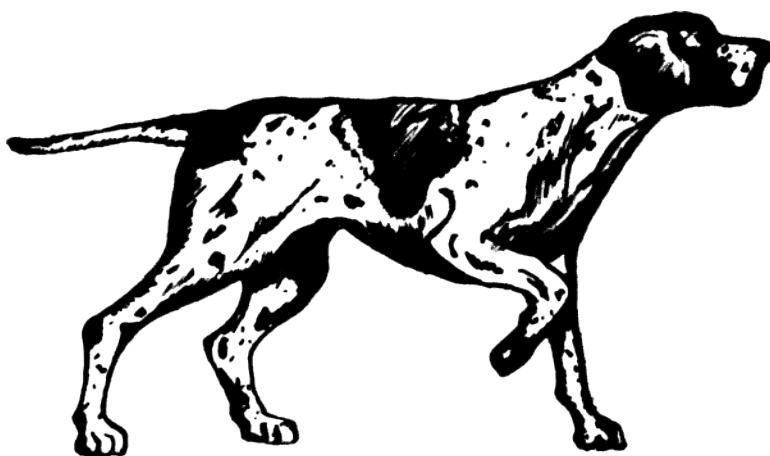
March 2015

It's been a painful Winter!

But it must be almost Spring – it's lighter and brighter and with the time change it can only get better and better.



Get out of your house and join fellow club members at the March General Meeting



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

*Brief meeting at 7:00 pm,
Program to follow*

Brown Motors Inc

39 Beacon St, Greenfield, MA

***This Newsletter is FULL of important Forms
Trophies for August Show, 2014 Awards, Health Clinic
Look at EVERY page – each form has a deadline!***

President's Message

Hi everyone!

I know that everyone is pretty much tired of winter or the excessive cold we have experienced. I am sure your dogs are as obnoxious as mine due to the lack of exercise. But soon enough we will be welcoming spring and prove that there really is green stuff under all that white!!

April is coming up fast and so is the spring PVKC show. Please make an effort to attend and help out. Our events are only as successful as we make them and for that we really do need all hands on deck!

I hope everyone is enjoying the new expanded format of the online newsletter and many thanks to Judith for all her excellent work!!

Think Spring!!!

Darci

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PioneerTails

Deadlines
Mar 26, 2015

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SHOW NEWS – PEG VOHR

From **Karen Marie Duprat**, Mountain View Havanese: Well, we are back home from our very cold and frigid week in NYC for Westminster week. On Friday, at the Progressive Dog Club Show, I showed *Steeler* to Reserve WD, and *Monroe* went Select Bitch under Judge Chuck Winslow. On Saturday, at The Greater NY Havanese Club Specialty, I handled *Steeler* to Winner Dog. *Monroe* decided to let out the Naughty Marilyn and was very mischievous in Sweepstakes, so then she got to show with her Aunt Polly (Lamarine.) *Sherlock* and I had fun and he received an Award Of Merit under Judge John Ionia. Then, on Monday at Westminster, *Sherlock* was shown by his Aunt Polly and they received a Select Dog Placement. *Monroe* and I had a great time and we made it down to the very end, holding our own as the only owner/ handler in the ring with all the top pros!!!

Another Westminster Winner! Award of Merit for "*Paris*" – GCh. *Happy Hour Champagne Only @ Ravenwoods*, owned and bred by **Darci Brown**, in a nice entry of Smooth Collies.

Deborah Abeles reports that her young dog *Kallie* completed her Rally Novice title at the Framingham Kennel Club in Westborough on January 3. She went three-for-three in the Novice B class (Springfield K.C. in West Springfield, and two legs on the same day in Westborough), finishing in style with a 99 and first place. *Kallie* is now known as *War Bouviator Kallisto, RN, CGC*.

From **Ryan Blanker** – Had a great day at The Connecticut [Siberian] Specialty! *Sparkle (Northern Light's When Sparks Fly)* won her class and RWB both times. *Ciara (Northern Light's Ciara, BN, RN WPD)* won Open twice and WB for a four point major. A big thanks to Jessica Plourde for showing her so well! I also showed her for BOW. *Shimmer (CH Northern Light's Shimmering Moonglade)* got an Award of Merit! Her first specialty and show as a special!



Northern Lights

Loot!

PVKC All Breed Show

April 18, 2015

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

Breed Stewards–

Linda Gagnon - 978-544-8933 wetacres@net1plus.com

Special Call –

Desperately Seeking Stewards

We are in extreme need of Conformation Stewards this year. Please, please offer your time.

NOW is when we need you!

For Breed Stewards please contact:
Linda Gagnon - 978-544-8933
wetacres@net1plus.com

Our Shows are good because we volunteer!

No Volunteers = No Shows

Please Help

**We're
begging
you!**



Calendar of Events

PVKC 2015

Newsletter Deadline March 26, 2015

March

Board of Directors, March 10
General Meeting – Monday, March 16

April

Board of Directors, April 7
PVKC All-Breed Show – April 18; Springfield, MA
PVKC Health Clinic, April 26

May

Board of Directors, May 4
Awards Banquet; May 21

June

Board of Directors, June 1

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
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 TROPHY DONOR FORM

August 2015 – POINT SHOW

Arrange now to offer trophies at our annual SUMMER show for your favorite breed or Group in conformation. We appreciate your support - and so will the lucky winners! Deadline for Trophy Donations is March 30, 2015

Available with the PVKC logo are

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

Available Group or Class Firsts are

To offer Group First you will need to make a cash donation to PVKC in the amount of \$50.00

Group trophies will then be offered in your name. Please write the exact wording you wish used for these specific trophies – such as “Donated by”, “In memory of”, etc. in the space provided.

Available Rosettes are

Rosettes are offered for Best of Breed or Variety in all breeds with 5 or more entries. They may be offered to other breeds or classes within a breed, at the cost of \$3.00 per rosette.

Specialties receive all those rosettes plus RWD and RWB.

*Deadline
Mar 30, 2015*

Mail the form below, along with your check (made out to the PVKC, Inc.), to:
Darci Brown, 111 West Road, Northfield, MA 01360
If you have questions, call or e-mail Darci at 413-498-5006 dbhappyhr@hotmail.com

*Deadline
Mar 30, 2015*

TROPHY DONATION TO 2015 PVKC POINT SHOW

I hereby agree to offer the following trophies (Use separate sheet of paper for more space):

Group 1: Group _____
Donated by _____

Breed Trophy: For BOB _____ BOW _____ BOS _____ WD _____ WB _____
Item Item Item Item Item
Other (specify) _____
BREED: _____ Donated by _____

Breed Rosettes: For BOB _____ BOW _____ BOS _____ WD _____ WB _____
Other (specify) _____
BREED: _____ Donated by _____

DONATED BY: _____

Date _____ Signature _____

Telephone Number: _____

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

Pioneer Valley Kennel Club

2014 ANNUAL AWARDS APPLICATION

DEADLINE: April 15, 2015

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, 2014 and December 31, 2014. 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 2014 _____

I would prefer to receive a certificate and have a donation made to t _____ 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.



PVKC All Breed Health Clinic

Sunday, April 26, 2015; 9 AM to 3 PM
North County Veterinary Clinic, Inc., 1182 Bernardston Rd, Greenfield, MA

CERF

Cost: \$37.00 for CAER

Dr. Keith Montgomery, DVM, ACVO – Southern NH Veterinary Referral Hospital, Manchester, NH

CARDIAC

Cost: \$42.00 auscultation ONLY; \$210.00 echocardiogram (includes auscultation)

For OFA submission a separate fee (via check or credit card) to OFA for \$7.50 per dog

Dr. Cassidy Sedacca – Upstate Veterinary Specialties, PLLC, Latham, NY

MICROCHIP

Cost: \$35.00 Cost **INCLUDES** registration fee and Microchip **IS** accepted by foreign registries.

Dr. Sheila Morrissey – North County Veterinary Clinic, Greenfield, MA

THYROID

Cost: \$70.00 via Michigan State Lab

For OFA submission a separate fee (via check or credit card) to OFA for \$7.50 per dog

Dr. Sheila E. Morrissey – North County Veterinary Clinic, Greenfield, MA

CHIC DNA BANKING

DNA banking through CHIC for research purposes (NOT DNA parentage)

Cost: \$20.00 blood sample

Dr. Sheila E. Morrissey – North County Veterinary Clinic, Greenfield, MA

Pre-registration required by April 11, 2015

For More Information call or e-mail
Charlie Blanker at (413) 498-5704 or CHBlank@aol.com

This is a summary of information ONLY. To obtain a copy of the actual brochure with details about age of dog and what paperwork you will need to bring with you –

Please Contact Judith Suarez handart@sover.net

Training Page

How to Handle PUPPY NIPPING with COMPASSION

Puppies play and explore the world through the use of those tiny, sharp teeth. They are teething, so their mouths are on fire. The act of chewing/nipping can ease their pain/discomfort.

It's our job to teach our puppies that teeth on humans is not okay, but we must do it *pawsitively*. Scaring them can cause normal puppy nipping to turn into fear of us and the world, and in many cases, lead to aggression.

WHAT NOT TO DO

These can cause fear of people or fear-aggression.

Never hit Puppy.



Never yell at Puppy.



Never hold Puppy's mouth closed.



Never push Puppy.

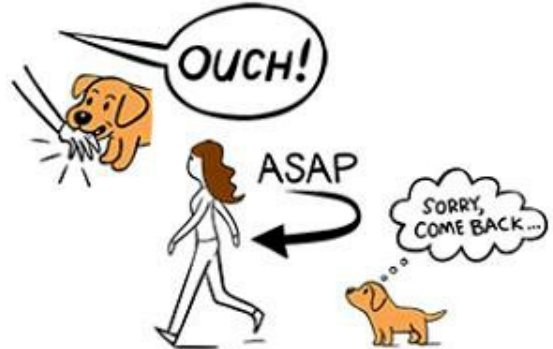


Never use shake cans, spray bottles or noise makers to stop unwanted behaviors.



WHAT TO DO

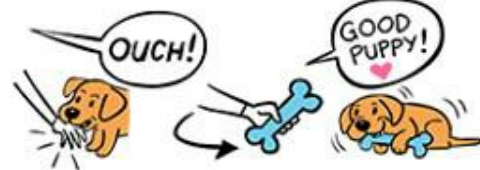
When Puppy nips, let out a high-pitched "ouch," cry or yelp, then immediately remove your attention by turning or walking away.



Count to ten, then re-engage calmly and praise Puppy for keeping Puppy's teeth away from you and for being sweet. Repeat if Puppy nips again.



OR...Replace your hand with a chew item.



MANAGEMENT is key in preventing puppy nipping.



Three Words to Remember:

SWIFTNESS, CONSISTENCY, CALM.

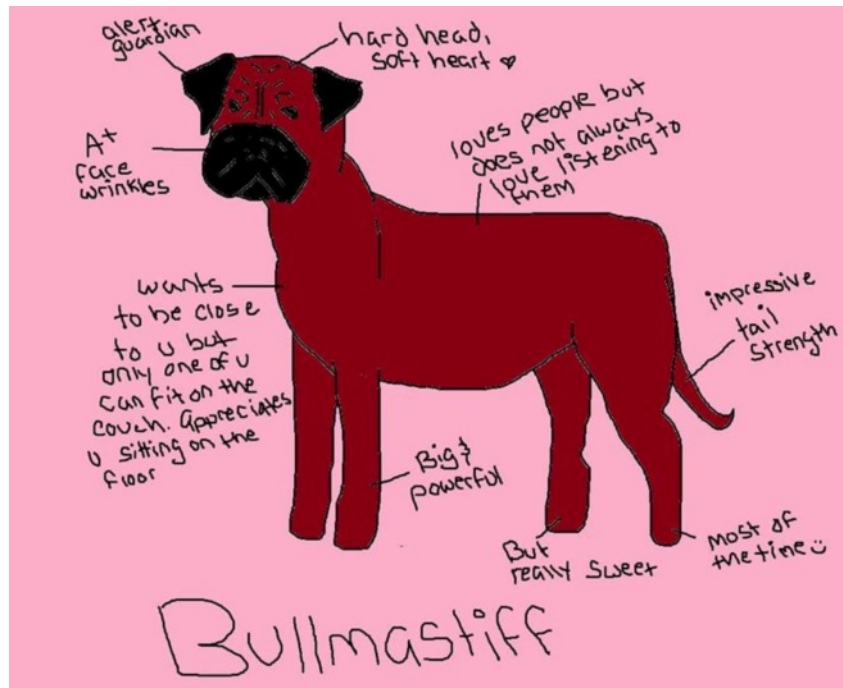
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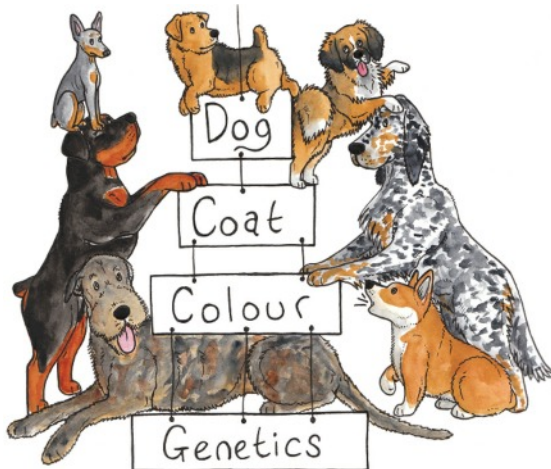
Hey – Check these out – they are pretty dern cute . You get to see the bullmastiff sample because I am more than mildly prejudice!

<https://www.facebook.com/nottostandard?fref=photo&sk=photos>



If you are looking for an excellent site for Dog Coat Color Genetics, you might start here. Although not perfect, it has all the complexity anyone could hope for.

<http://www.doggenetics.co.uk/>



Seriously Folks – you are NOT living with a wolf!

Wolves & Dogs:

Why Your Pet Is Not a Domesticated Predator

<http://www.decodedscience.com/wolves-dogs-pet-not-domesticated-predator/53109>

PVKC Training Schedule

PUPPY K CLASS

New Classes Begin

SATURDAY, April 18th

Brattleboro, VT

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

Vermont PVKC Classes:

Obedience, Rally, &
Breed Handling

Wednesday nights – Brattleboro, VT

Wed Drop-in Classes running weekly
March 4th - April 8th

NO CLASSES WED APRIL 15

April 22nd - July 15th

Saturday Drop-in Novice Obedience
March 7th – May 23rd

For information, please contact

Judith Suarez at (802) 722-9848
handart@sover.net



Come!

*It's Spring, but the weather is still weird
& sometimes emergencies happen –*

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

www.facebook.com/pages/Pioneer-Valley-Kennel-Club/198067530208377