

Blues News

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BLUE RIDGE
DOG TRAINING
CLUB, INC.



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"Thank You!"

Just wanted to thank those who participated in the Apple Harvest Festival Demo this past Saturday at Frederick County Fairgrounds.

Ed and Nancy Strawsnyder
Bob and Pat Tataara
Annette Talbot
Cindy Gaines
Morgan Vance
Suzi Dodson
Rhaelynn (Suzi's granddaughter)
Daria Iwanczuk

We had a good time playing with our dogs and sharing our love of our dogs and their sports with others. We gave out lots of information and frisbees, enjoyed each other's company for the day, and it was good opportunity for us to try new things with our dogs.

It was a very hot day and I am grateful we had the pool (thanks, Ed) and the frozen treats (thanks, Nancy)! We ended up calling it a day at 3:00pm rather than 5:00pm due to the heat.

Thanks for continuing to give your all to the club! Much appreciated!

Debbie Vance
on behalf of the Demo Committee



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**IF AT FIRST
YOU DON'T
SUCCEED...**

Try doing what your
TRAINER
told you to do
the first time.



"Happy Birthday, Bernie!"



Bernie would have been 83 on September 24 had Parkinson had not taken him. He was from a family of 9, and only his dear sister Susie is still alive. He was an outstanding athlete & was given a full scholarship for basketball to the Univ of Illinois. He was overwhelmed there & joined the Army & served as a chaplain's assistant. We met when he enrolled at Fairmont State; unfortunately, it was my senior year & had a teaching job in Alexandria, VA. We wrote to each other daily & married 2 years later. We fell in love on the first date & for the next 55 years. He was well loved by those who knew him, and our kennel club named our training center after him. Cannot even begin to express the emptiness I feel. His loving wife, Donna

P.S. From all of us who were privileged to know him and love him - *HAPPY BIRTHDAY!*



JEFF TAYLOR/THE WINCHESTER STAR

Dog Show

ABOVE: Competitors line-up to present their dogs during a simulated dog show for clients of the Winchester Senior Center in Jim Barnett Park Wednesday. **RIGHT:** Regina Bonarti of Winchester turns in her chair to be greeted by Mosby, a field English setter owned by Marzenna Gilbert. **BELOW:** Gilbert gets a high-five from Mosby. **BELOW RIGHT:** Spumoni the Samoyed is dressed to compete in the "Most Patriotic Pooch" contest Wednesday at the Winchester Senior Center in Jim Barnett Park. Spumoni is owned by Lisa Marino of Frederick County.





Picture Of the Month



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Apple Biscuits for Dogs

Ingredients:

- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 cup rye flour
- 1 apple -- diced into small pieces
- 1 egg -- beaten
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 2 Tsp. Flaxseeds
- 1/2 cup water (add more if needed)
- 1/4 c. natural applesauce

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease cookie sheet. Combine flours into a large mixing bowl. Add apple, egg, oil, and water; mix until well blended. On floured surface, roll dough out to 1/4"-inch thickness. Cut with cookie cutters of your choice. Bake in pre-heated oven 35 to 40 minutes. Turn off oven. Leave treats in oven overnight to harden. Store baked treats in airtight container or plastic bag and place in refrigerator or freezer. Makes 2 to 2 1/2 dozen



Mark Your Calendar



Christmas Auction & Dinner

Our Christmas dinner & auction is not far away. I'm hoping that you're looking in those drawers, closets, attic, basement & garage for those treasures you would like to share. Doggie items, breed related or not are popular. No used clothing please! This is a good time to get a head start on the Christmas shopping for friends & family (both two & four legged). Don't think you can't afford to come. You can't afford not to-grab that change jar. Everything starts at a whopping \$1.00 & goes up. It's the best time ever & our biggest fund raiser. Santa & his helpers will be auctioning off the goodies. Start looking for those favorite family recipes to share. The Club brings the meat & drinks. So mark your calendar & get ready to have a great time.

Where? Bernie Thompson Training Center

When? December 7

Time? TBA

We will be voting on Officers and the Gaines Award. Dues will be collected





"WAGS & BRAGS"



Just got back photos from the rally trials, proud of my Jill. She's much better than her handler LOL. One more Q needed for her advance title. **Debbie Kay**



This weekend at the NADD nationals qualifier at Walnut Hill, Satchmo pulled off a 20.10, 20 ft jump and a 17 ft AR grab yesterday. Then had abdominal muscle spasms last night after AR and he couldn't jump into the car. But thanks to Mary Pat Corrigan working on him yesterday evening and again today, he started today with 20 ft jump and his last jump was 19 feet. Phoebe was awesome and ended up 2 inches short to earn the invite (to a 24" dog, she is 17") but jumped really nicely with 2- 14.9 which matches her PB, 14.3, 14.0 and a 13.9. Issie came along and enjoyed meeting people and dogs. Joy



“More Brags!”



Gibbs received his TDIA Certificate today from Therapy Dog International, he has made 50 or more visits. I am so glad we took the class at Blue Ridge almost two years ago. He has been to schools, libraries and his favorite, the nursing home. Thanks , **Sandy Golden**

Carmine went to a Stunt Dog Ring Trial (a Do More With Your Dog event), and earned his Proven (Level 3) and Professional (Level 4) Stunt Dog Titles with Honors (1 perfect 200 and 1 score of 195)!

Next up, Champion Stunt Dog, which requires a complete routine! If anyone is interested in Stunt Dog (basically performing all your awesome tricks to an audience), please let me know.

I would be happy to do a workshop and trial during one of our short sessions. (I am also a DMWYD Stunt Dog judge).

Susan Brogan





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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Nov 13 general meeting
Nov 15-17 akc rally & obedience trial
Nov 29,30,dec 1 akc agility trial
Dec. 2-4 akc agility trial

month a visit to the
nursing homes

Envoy 2nd & 4th Monday 11am
Spring Arbor 2nd & 4th Tuesday
1 pm
Hill Top 2nd & 4th Friday 10:45 am



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