
DARTBOARD



NEWSLETTER OF DOG AGILITY RACING TEAM

FEBRUARY 2015

DOG HUMOR

Q: Who is the dogs favorite comedian?

A: Growlcho Marx!

Q: Why do dogs wag their tails?

A: "Because no one else will do it for them!"

Q: What do you get if you cross a sheepdog with a rose?

A: A collie-flower!

Q: What do dogs call frozen poop?

A: Poopsicles

And in other news

Two Scottish nuns have just arrived in the USA by boat and one says to the other, "I hear that the people in this country actually eat dogs."

"That's odd," her companion replies, "but if we shall live in America, we might as well do as the Americans do."

Nodding emphatically, the mother superior points to a hot dog vendor and they both walk towards the cart. "Two dogs, please," says one.

The vendor is pleased to oblige, wraps both hot dogs in foil, and hands them over the counter. Excitedly, the nuns hurry to a bench and begin to un-wrap their 'dogs'.

The mother superior begins to blush and, then, staring at it for a moment, leans to the other nun and whispers cautiously, "What part... did you get...?"

2015 DARTBOARD OFFICERS

Welcome to the new board members for 2015! Thank you all for continuing to volunteer your time and energies putting on trials and all that goes into making a successful trial.

President: Lisa Dewey

Vice President: Kate Moureaux

Membership: Janelle Fuchigami

Treasurer: Teresa Rodney

Secretary: Leslie Rudy

Librarian: Marc Marcseill

Member-At-Large: Becky Walton

Newsletter: Shelley Permann

MEMBERSHIP DUES

It's time to send in 2015 membership applications and dues. The membership application can be downloaded from the 'Membership' page of the DART website: www.dartagility.org. Send completed application to Janelle Fuchigami (2355 Stanley Hills, LA, 90046) with your dues...\$20 individual membership, \$30 family membership. DART Points (that you earn from working at trials) can be used to pay your dues. **Dues deadline:** end of January! If your membership has lapsed, please re-apply.

NEW EQUIPMENT (YAY)

15 new jumps, including regular and extended spreads, and two tire frames have been ordered from SummitAgility. Thanks to Lisa & Kate for researching a good deal!

BEST NEWS – new canopies have been purchased for DART, replacing the very heavy duty steel canopies with broken leg parts. The design includes tab pieces vs. push in buttons for extending and collapsing the canopies – no more pinched fingers 😊

UPCOMING EVENTS:

USDAA TRIAL, MARCH 14-15, 2015 SANTE FE DAM, IRWINDALE, CA

Just around the corner, DART's first trial of 2015 – titling and tournament classes offered (including Biathlon) with judges Marty Gadsby (MI)-masters, and our local Matt Palmieri (CA)-starters/advanced. Entries close on March 2nd – check the USDAA website for premium or email Lisa. Volunteers needed 😊

CONTINUING EDUCATION - DART SEMINAR RACHEL SANDERS, 21-22 MARCH 2015

One of the benefits of DART membership includes sponsored seminars with outstanding presenters. For 2015, Rachel Sanders will be teaching DART members the weekend before AKC nationals. Seminar will probably be held in Somis, CA at DrivenDogs Agility, more details to follow.

SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL, 24-26 APRIL 2015

DART will host the 2015 Southwestern Regional, at the Camarillo Community Center in Camarillo CA. The regional will be held the last weekend of April and includes judges Scott Chamberlain (PA), Carol Voelker (MN), and Peggy Hammond (TX). Three fenced (yay) rings will be used and focused on Grand Prix, Steeplechase, Team and Biathlon Masters Challenge courses. RVs will be able to overnight park at Freedom Park, 10 minutes away and day park at the show site. Premium should be approved very soon. We could use

both all-day (not running a dog) volunteers along with anyone else too! Let Shelley Permann at agilecardis@yahoo.com know if you'd like to volunteer! **2015 Cynosports World Games – Murfreesboro, TN 21-25 Oct 2015. Qualifying Dates: Sept 2, 2014-Sept 9, 2015**

DART AKC TRIAL, MAY 9-10TH, 2015 EDGAR SCHOOL PARK, GARDEN GROVE

In May, DART will host an AKC trial at the Edgar School Park in Garden Grove (thanks Teresa and Scott Klar) – a nice park with permanent bathrooms, flat terrain and easy access. We used Edgar Park last year and it was a lovely site, especially with the extra help for setup and teardown! This trial will include Standard, JWW, T2B and ISC classes with local Wendy Pennington (CA) and Sandy Moody (NV). Janelle will be the trial chair.

OTHER NEWS -

BOWLING NIGHT

Lisa is organizing a bowling night – details including date still in work. A night out for club members without club business. Alcohol, silliness, food, bowling. What more could you want??

DONATION SUGGESTIONS

DART donates a portion of each trial's net proceeds to a non-breed specific organization with recognized charitable status. Some of 2014's proceeds were donated to the Rabies Challenge and additional funds are still available. Recommendations are welcome, just remember it must be a non-breed specific organization with IRS recognized charitable status.

EQUIPMENT TRUCK

It's that time....time to help get the equipment truck organized ! Contact Marc for the date details – come one, come all.

POSSIBLE UKI TRIAL ADDED

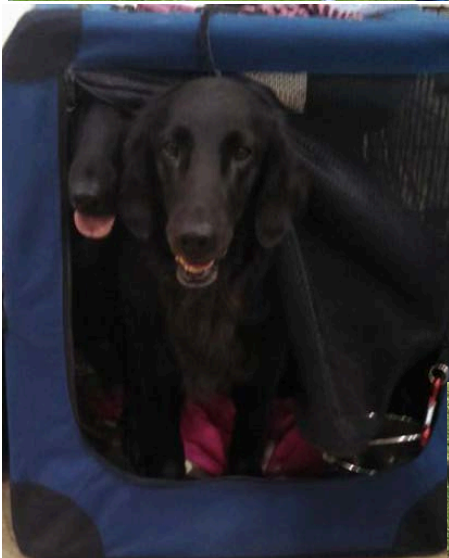
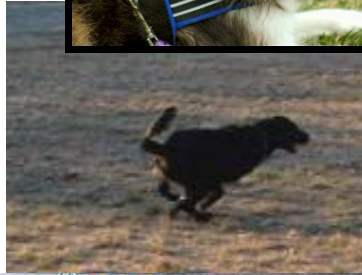
The club is considering adding a UKI trial adjacent to our November USDAA date. If you've considering trying UKI, here's an opportunity. UKI allows non-audible toys and not-for-competition runs on every course. Some reasons to try UKI - dog height cutoffs are generous, up contacts are not judged, and offer international flavor on certain courses.

NEXT MEETING

TBD ... possibly Sat evening on March 14th if the trial doesn't go too late.

THE DARTDOGS PACK - CAN YA PICK WHO'S WHO??

Just a random selection "lifted" from social media ☺



2015 CONSOLIDATED USDAA+ SOCIAL CALENDAR:

- Feb 21-22 – West Valley Dog Sports, Moorpark (HDA location)
 - Feb 28-Mar 1—DrivenDogs [UKI], Somis
 - Mar 7—DASH [UKI], Fountain Valley
 - Mar 14-15 – DART, Santa Fe Dam, Irwindale
 - Mar 21-22– Happy Dog, Moorpark (last one at current location)
 - Mar 28-29—Santa Barbara Flyers, Buellton
 - Apr 3-5 – DASH, Costa Mesa (including Fri Team tourney)
 - Apr 18-19 – Action Dog Sports, Moorpark
 - Apr 24-26– Southwestern Regional, DART, Camarillo
 - May 9-10—DART, AKC Garden Grove
 - May 23-25 – Happy Dog, Moorpark (new location)
 - May 29—DrivenDogs [UKI], Somis
 - May 30-31 – DrivenDogs, Somis
 - Jun 6-7 – Go!Agility Dogs, Oceanside
 - Jun 10-12—Action Dog Sports, Moorpark
 - Jul 3-5—Happy Dog, Moorpark
 - Jul 11-12—West Valley Dog Sports, Camarillo
 - Jul 24-26—DrivenDogs, Somis (Friday Team tourney)
 - Jul 31-Aug 2—Action Dog Sports, Moorpark
 - Aug 15-16—Santa Barbara Flyers, Santa Barbara
- 2015 USDAA nationals qualifying period cutoff: Sep 9, 2015