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CAT News

Hello, CAT members. Here is a brief update of our activities for those of you who haven't been able to make it to the general meetings or out to the website to read the Boards & General meeting minutes recently.

Mike Chapman has revived Saturday fun matches at the Forest Grove barn. They are on the 1st Saturday of each month, unless there is a CAT sponsored trial over that weekend. You may contact Mike at chap2chm@verizon.net with questions.

The Policies have been updated to include the approved charitable contribution of 10% of each trials net profit to a dog related charity.

New tunnel bags and panel jumps have been provided for the practice barns and Carole Seller, our Forest Grove Barn Manager, is working on getting sawdust tilled into the surface at Forest Grove to help reduce the dust.

The Board has reviewed the cost per run for trials and made the following changes to the rates approved last October:
USDAA Steeplechase cost at the regional event is reduced from \$35 to \$18.

CPE cost per individual run will be \$10 per run or a full weekend package-same dog that equates to \$9 per run.

NADAC cost per individual run will be \$10 per run or a full weekend package-same dog that equates to \$9 per run.

The Club has hosted two great trials so far this year, with four more on the calendar to come. Remember, it is the volunteer efforts of club members that makes this possible. Be sure to contact the trial chairs for the remaining events if you can help.

Cup awards have been approved for both the Columbia Cup and Northwest Cup.

Columbia Cup – 1st thru 3rd place ribbons for each of the following categories: Novice Small Dog, Novice Large Dog, Open Small Dog, Open Large Dog, Elite Small Dog & Elite Large Dog. Overall cup award and \$65 trial entry coupon to: Best in Trial Small Dog, Best in Trial Large Dog & Best in Trial Veteran Dog. Small dogs are dogs jumping 4”, 8” and 12” and Large dogs are dogs jumping 16” and above. All awards are based on fewest faults first and then fastest time of the average of the four Regular runs.

Northwest Cup – 1st thru 3rd place ribbons for each of the following categories: Starter Mini Dog, P1 Mini Dog, Starter Open Dog, P1 Open Dog, Advanced Mini Dog, P11 Mini Dog, Advanced Open Dog, P11 Open Dog, Master Mini Dog, P111 Mini Dog, Master Open Dog & P111 Open Dog. Overall cup award and \$65 trial entry coupon to: Best in Trial-Open Dog, Best in Trial-Mini Dog, Best in Trial-Performance Open Dog & Best in Trial-Performance Mini Dog. All awards are based on the combined results of the two Standard runs.

We have chosen a new vendor to provide logo clothing and various items. StitchHounds will be creating a web page for CAT and you will be able to go on-line and place your order directly. Stay tuned for further announcements, we will let you know when that is up and running.

Those are the highlights, as always, feel free to contact any of the board members if you have questions or suggestions related to the Club.

Sincerely, Tanya Sacks - President

2008 CAT Trials

June 27th, 28th & 29th, 2008
USDAA Regionals @ Canby, OR
Trial Chair: Barbara Persson

Aug 16th & 17th, 2008
CPE @ Memorial Park, Wilsonville, OR
Trial Chair: Cheryl Huffman

Sept 6th & 7th, 2008
NADAC Columbia Cup @ Ridgefield, WA
Trial Chair: Barbara Stone

October 11th & 12th, 2008
USDAA NW Cup @ Ridgefield, WA
Trial Chair: Tara Choate

Animal Assisted Crisis Response

One of the charities CAT has selected to support this year is the local branch of the Animal Assisted Crisis Response, a national volunteer non-profit. The certified handler and canine teams help provide relief and comfort to those affected by disaster, including disaster workers and victims.

The AACR Pacific Northwest teams are located in Oregon and Washington. Some of their efforts:

Work alongside clergy during death notifications

Lend emotional support following vehicular accidents

Take part in school visits after the injury or death of a parent, teacher or peer

Work with Search and Rescue

Volunteers from this group gave a presentation to the general meeting held in April after an introduction by Linda Friday. It was clear that the volunteers are carefully screened and trained for their work. The efforts of the Response volunteers have met with appreciation and support from local police and fire agencies.

April CAT CPE Trial

Despite some very questionable weather, April's CPE trial was well attended, fortunate in its judges, and the site for several successful runs and some well deserved C-atch's. Thought we all might enjoy some photos of the happy dogs/handlers.

Barb White



Barbara Watrous



Judy Bluett...

Two in one day!



