

The Future of the CATalyst...

Every other month I work hard to information to put into The CATalyst that may be interesting or useful. Let me tell you this is no easy task. It is very time consuming and takes up many an evening, especially during publication months. But, I find more and more of what ends up in our publication is simply duplicate information available on the CAT website, agilecat listserv or other local club websites.

Our club's website (www.columbiaagility.org), now has everything a member could wish for. A great calendar, the general and board meeting minutes, and it is available 24-7.

Of the membership - some 240 entries, only 17 people do not have an e-mail address listed. I wonder if this means they do not have Internet access or that they have not given the club an e-mail address?

My question to you - the membership - is The CATalyst necessary in this age of instant information on the Internet?

I hope you will take the time personally to answer this by sending me an e-mail or snail-mail regarding whether or not The CATalyst should be continued.

Please send e-mails to catalyst@4mations.net and/or trish@greenstreet.name snail mail to Trish Greenstreet, 5250 Oakridge Rd., Lake Oswego, OR 97035.

Thank you in advance for sharing your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,

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Friday • 7-9
Open practice - all levels
Sunday • 3-4:30pm
Open practice - *novice*
Sunday • 4:30-6pm
Open practice - *advanced*
Practice Barn Info

Forest Grove

Van Dyke Farm Manager

Sue Woodson (503-640-0584)
is the barn manager

CAT Meetings

Here is the latest for Meeting Dates:

Board Meetings:

May 18, Garlic Onion in Wilsonville-7:30

June 22, Location TBA-7:30

General Meetings:

May 23, Delta Park Elmer's-7:00

June 27, Clackamas Elmer's-7:00

As always, more information will be on the CAT website at
www.columbiaagility.org

CAT News

If you haven't been on the CAT website lately you are missing a lot of great information.



The Board and General meeting minutes are posted.

Pictures of trial winners are there as well as a great calendar of events.

The CAT library has a section with a listing of all books and literature available to members.

A section is devoted for CAT gear for all of your agility clothing needs - well except shoes...

Trial premiums are available to print - get yours before they are mailed.

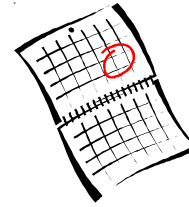
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2004 Calendar of Events Mark Your Calendar!!!**



NADAC (North American Dog Agility Association)

- May 15-16** Rainier Agility Team (RAT) Kent, WA
2 Tunnelers, 2 Touch N Go, 2 Weavers each day 1 ring (70 x 130)
Judge: Lori Vanderburg
Show Contact: Jef Blake, 37028 44th Ave. S, Auburn, WA 98001
email: jef@abam.com
- May 29-31** Megadogs Woodinville, WA.
Outdoors on sand or grass (weather dependent); 4 regular, 3 jumpers, 3 gamblers, 2 weavers, 2 tunnelers, and 2 touch & go offered. Judges Gro Aasgaard and Matt McCarter.
~~Premium on web in Feb~~ <http://www.mega-dogs.com>;
Contact Karen Hunter at karen@mega-dogs.com
- June 12, 2004** Willamette Agility Group (WAG) Turner, OR
Sat: 2 Tunnelers, 2 Touch N Go, 2 Weavers 1 ring (80 x 108) on sand
Judge: Doug Ricks (A. Courtney supvr.)
Confirmed Show Contact: Traci Bruchok, 1050 Limelight Ave., NW
Salem, OR 97304 email: adogcr8@juno.com
- June 18-20, 2004** Rainier Agility Team (RAT) Lacey, WA
Fri: Tunnelers; Sat/Sun: 2 Regular, Gamblers, Jumpers 3 rings
(100 by 100 each) on grass
Judges: Ric Pittman, Nadia Barrett and Katrin Andberg Pending
Show Contact: Mike Tu email: mstu@u.washington.edu
- July 10-11, 2004** Muddy Paws Agility Club of Kitsap (MudPACK)
Port Gamble, WA
Sat/Sun: 2 Regular, Jumpers, Gamblers 2 rings (100 x 100) on grass
Judges: Amber Abbott (L. Vanderburg supvr.) and Sandra Katzen
Show Contact: Ginny Partridge, P.O. Box 93, Hansville, WA 98340
email: Peartree@centurytel.net
- July 9-11** Willamette Agility Group Siletz (Newport), OR
Classes: TBA Rings: TBA Judges: Roger Coor and TBA
Show Contact: Jean McCrae email: jjbonrae@teleport.com
153 SE John Nye Rd., Newport, OR 97365

*There are more events, just no room to put them all. See NADAC's website or
4 CAT's website. NADAC <http://www.nadac.com/>*

CAT Seminar news

Elicia Calhoun Seminar - Perspective from a participant...

CAT was fortunate to have World-Team member Elicia Calhoun give a 2 day seminar at Mary's Barn in Vancouver on May 8th and 9th. Mary has a great facility, and we appreciate her letting the club use it! Although the seminar was labeled for handlers that are "stuck in Open or frustrated in Excellent A" there were twelve participants (and several auditors as well) from Novice to NATCH. And no one left disappointed!

Elicia is a dynamic, interactive presenter, and was able to provide tons of help to all of us. The participants had a variety of problems, from dogs with low drive, to dogs that are "over the top". Elicia approaches handling analytically, she takes advantage of her engineering background to provide a clear, rational analysis of the course. She started with exercises on how to read a course map and then walk the course, looking for handling clues. We then went on to drills on front and back crosses. She also offered a lot of tips on how to train behavior and single obstacle performance. She is an upbeat, positive trainer, who emphasizes connection with your canine partner and having fun on the course. At the end of the second day, she asked participants what they felt they took away, and the answers came blurting out. Even the common sense advice she offered seemed to fit in a new light.

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Upcoming Seminars

June 11 [All American Agility Dog Training](#) presents Jim Basic in a Beginning Distance seminar — auditor spots still available

June 12-12 [All American Agility Dog Training](#) presents Jim Basic in a Advanced Gamble seminar — — auditor spots still available

June 21-24 [High Voltage Agility](#) presents Nancy Gyes. 2 days novice seminar, 2 days advanced.

July 3,4, 5, 2004 CAT presents Susan Salo, more on page 16.

July 14,15 [Agile Action Agility](#) presents Barb Davis in a seminar for advanced dog/handler teams. \$200 for a two-day working spot (limited to 10), unlimited auditors at \$40/day. Contact [Leslie Renaud](#)

2004 Calendar of Events

AKC

May 22 – 23

WA (Washington)

Graham, WA AKC Trial
Seattle Kennel Club
Frontier Park
Meridian
Facility: Outdoor ,Grass ,Ample Shade,Food on Site,Concessions,RV Hookups,RV
Parking,Tent Camping,Showers,Water
OPENS: 4/5/04 CLOSES: 5/7/04 5pm LIMIT: 300 Per Day
Acceptance Method: First Received
Classes: All Classes/All Levels
Fees: \$20 first entry/\$10 additional class, same dog
Judge(s): Kylie Bourke
Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day
Contact: Gillian Crawford, SKC Trial Secretary, 4609 – 152nd Street East, Tacoma,
WA 98446, (253) 525-9319
EMail: my3sams@comcast.net Alternative Mail: mizroch@earthlink.net
Website: www.seattlekennelclub.org
Additional Information:
Online entries available at www.dogeventsonline.com

May 28

WA (Washington)

Graham, WA AKC Trial
American Belgian Tervuren Club
Pierce County Fairgrounds
21718 Meridian Avenue East
Facility: Outdoor ,Grass ,Food on Site,RV Parking,Tent Camping,Showers,Water
OPENS: 4/12/04 8am CLOSES: 5/13/04 5pm LIMIT: 150 Per Trial
Acceptance Method: First Received
Classes: Standard,JWW,Preferred
Level Restrictions: Excellent/Excellent Preferred only
Fees: \$22 first entry/\$10 second entry same dog
Judge(s): Barbara B. Davis
Contact: Gillian Crawford, 4609 152nd Street East, Tacoma, WA 98446,
253.535.9319
EMail: my3sams@comcast.net Alternative Mail: michael.judy@verizon.net

May 28 – 31

OR (Oregon)

Eugene, OR AKC Trial
Eugene Kennel Club & McKenzie Cascade Dog Fanicers
Lane County Fairgrounds
Facility: Indoor ,Dirt ,Indoor Baths,Food on Site,RV Hookups,RV Parking,Tent
Camping,Showers
OPENS: 3/22/04 8am CLOSES: 5/5/04 6pm LIMIT: 600 Per Day
Acceptance Method: First Received

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AKC

Classes: All Classes/All Levels - International JWW and Standard
Fees: 18.00 FIRST CLASS 12.00 SECOND CLASS SAME DOG P/DAY 8.00 INTL.
CLASSES
Judge(s): Carol Smorch and Jean Munger
Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day
Contact: Christie Bowers, PO Box 320, South Prairie, Wa 98385, 360-897-9939
Email: highpockets@juno.com Alternative Mail: bbostons@earthlink.net
Website: www.bostonbarker.com
Additional Information:
instant entry available at www.dogeventsonline.com

May 29 – 30

WA (Washington)

Graham, WA AKC Trial
American Belgian Tervuren Club
Pierce County Fairgrounds
21718 Meridian Avenue East
Facility: Outdoor ,Grass ,Ample Shade,Food on Site,RV Parking,Tent
Camping,Showers,Water
OPENS: 4/12/04 8am CLOSES: 5/13/04 5pm LIMIT: 300 Per Day
Acceptance Method: First Received
Classes: All Classes/All Levels
Fees: \$22 first entry/\$10 second entry same dog
Judge(s): Kurt Matushek
Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day
Contact: Gillian Crawford, 4609 152nd Street East, Tacoma, WA 98446,
253.535.9319
Email: my3sams@comcast.net Alternative Mail: michael.judy@verizon.net

Jun 3-4

Evergreen State Shetland Sheepdog Club
Auburn, WA

June 12 - 13

WA (Washington)

Auburn, WA * AKC Trial
EGRC Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
Argus Ranch
Facility:
LIMIT: Unknown
Acceptance Method: First Received
Classes: All Classes/All Levels
Judge(s): Pam Richcreek and Suzi Bluford
Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day
Contact: Marcia MacDonald, 3241 S. 259th Place, Kent, WA 98032,
253-529-7862
Email: mmacgold@aol.com
Trial Secretary: Gillian Crawford, 4609 - 152nd Street East, Tacoma, WA 98466,
253-535-9319, my3sams@comcast.net

Brag

Congratulations everyone!!!

CAT NADAC April 30 – May 2

This was my 21-month-old aussie, Shilo's 2nd NADAC trial. She came home with 7 Q's, four 1st places, one 2nd, two 3rd places and 3 titles. WHOOPEE!!
And for those of you who know my blue aussie, Cody, who decided last year to "not" run, he had a several month vacation from agility until this week-end where he actually put speed into his runs , causing me to have to run. Something I have not had to do with him. I am so proud of them both and it was great to have my Cody a happy boy again.

Connie Reed, Cody and Shilo

At the Belgian Sheepdog National Specialty, Nimbus and I took 3 blue ribbons out of four events entered for agility - a vast improvement over our Agility League showing!.

Kevin-Neil Klop

Murphy Brown (my Australian Shepherd) and I had a great weekend at the May NADAC trial.
Out of 3 runs on Saturday, she placed twice though we were seconds shy from Qualifying.
Sunday out of 3 runs, we had 3 clean runs, Qualified twice and took First and Second place on those runs.
It felt great to be working so well together!

Kathy "KC" Carnes & Murphy Brown

In early May, I took the boys to the Cardigan Welsh Corgi National Specialty in St. Louis.
Riley finished both of his Open titles at the show and even got a first place win in his Open Jumpers class!
Rugby earned a "Double Q" in the Excellent classes and earned his first MXP leg!

Thanks!
Kristine Gunter

Hmmmm...they're not agility brags :-)

Brin got HT (Herding Test) and JHD (Junior Herd Dog) titles
Colton finished his U-CD (UKC Companion Dog) title

I guess I should wait for some agility related brags to get them in the CATalyst, but just had to brag to someone :-)

Barbara Stone
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Some of the most popular answers were:

1. Watch your dog. Use your direct vision to watch the dog and your peripheral vision to watch the course obstacles, not the other way around!
2. Be consistent. Use the same release word for the start line, table and contact obstacles.
3. Make sure your training criteria and show criteria are consistent.
4. If you have a low drive dog that wanders, make sure that in your daily life at home you are the center of your dog's world.
5. If you have a high drive dog, rev the dog up, but teach it that you control when the switch gets turned on and off (are you reading this, Sasha?)

Overall, I felt fortunate that I had decided to participate (after much encouragement from my wife!). It was a great seminar, probably the best I have ever attended, and I can't wait to start implementing some of the things I learned, both in training at the barn, and at the next trial!

Thanks to the seminar committee for bringing Elicia to Portland!

Berklee Robins and Sasha the 9-year-old bionic Aussie

2004 Calendar of Events

AKC

AKC PAC TRIAL July 30,31, Aug 1 Washington County
Fairplex contact: rennopup@opusnet.com

AKC PAC TRIAL Sept 18,19 Vancouver Lake
contact: rennopup@opusnet.com

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CAT Fun Matches

May 22, July 10, August 7, Sept 4, Oct 2, and Nov 6

Fun matches at the [Forest Grove Barn](#). 10 AM Novice, 12 PM Advanced. 1 run \$3, 2 for \$5. For more information, contact [Cathy Nechak](#)

What is CPE?

At the General Meeting in April, there was discussion about Canine Performance Events (CPE) as another sanctioning organization. A motion was made to have Dwight Cash contact the organization and provide CAT Members and the Board of Directors information about what is required to hold a CPE trial. Since several clubs, in California, are now holding CPE trials and RCA in Medford will have a trial this August, it was felt we should investigate this organization. A Review of CPE for CAT is now available on our web site at www.columbiaagility.org along with sample courses and an article from the Bay Team, "Why CPE Isn't NADAC".

Bay Team Meeting Minutes, 13 July 2003

Addendum: Why CPE Isn't NADAC. (Used with permission)

Ellen sent out this summary of CPE back in February. You can find rules summaries and a bit of other info at their website, <http://www.k9cpe.com>. You can also see a lot of the upcoming local CPE trials at the WAG Agility site, <http://www.k9wag.com>

ENTRY ELIGIBILITY: Any trained, healthy dog 15 months or older may compete in a CPE agility trial. All purebred and mixed-breeds are equally eligible for entry. Dogs must be registered with CPE (\$5/lifetime) to compete (similar to NADAC & USDAA).

WHO'S COMPETING: Trials I've attended so far have been only 1 ring but have filled to their limits. Bruce (formally) of Starfleet tells me that this last weekend's trial filled quickly and he could easily have filled a 2nd ring with entries they know that they turned away.

LEVELS OF COMPETITION: 6 levels: Levels 1 (like starter/novice A) through 5 (like master/elite) and C (for dogs who have earned their championship—I like this feature! Means that dogs who haven't reached their peak yet aren't being bumped out of placements by very experienced champions).

START AT HIGHER LEVELS: CPE wisely allows experienced dogs to start competing at a level closer to their current competition level. Handlers who've earned titles in other org's can start at Level 2; Elite/Masters dogs could start at level 3; NATCHs/MADs could start at level 4).

CAN MOVE UP QUICKLY: You can move up to the next level in each separate class as you pass its requirements, and requirements start easy at Level 1 (e.g., need only 1 Q in a game to move up) and get a little harder as you go up. This is nice because dogs who do really well aren't held back

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and also aren't taking placements away from dogs who are moving up at a slower rate.

BE THE FIRST CH ON YOUR BLOCK! There's a **CATCH** (CPE Agility Trial Ch) and a CADE title – CPE Agility Dog Extraordinaire—kind of like a Superior NATCH (triple natch). There are only 16 CATCH titles awarded so far—you could be among the first! There are NO CATCHes in CA yet, although there are 3 or 4 dogs getting close.

STANDARD COURSE TIMES (SCT) GENTLER COMPARED WITH OTHER ORGS: CPE course times are generally more generous than other orgs. For example, a novice large dog would need to complete a 100-yard jumpers course in 33-40 seconds in CPE; in NADAC it would be around 25 seconds, and in USDAA it would be 25-30 seconds. (Yeah, I know, there's no SCT in USDAA novice jumpers. Leave me alone.) This is especially good for dogs who are putting an effort into it but just can't manage some of the extremely tight times.

FAULTS GENTLER COMPARED WITH OTHER ORGS: CPE faults fall into 4 categories rather than just “course faults” and “time faults”. Each increased Level has a decreasing number of faults allowed in each of the categories—so, for example, Levels 1,2,3 can have 1 off course and still Q as in AKC; levels 4,5,C can't have any off courses.

AGILITY OBSTACLES BETTER FOR BEGINNERS:
Same list as usual, but Level 1 has no weaves, teeter, or triple jump; table only for stopping clock in games; no cross-over.

JUMP HEIGHTS SLIGHTLY LOWER:
For most dogs. Withers 12" and under jump 8". Withers 16" and under jump 12". Withers 20" and under jump 16". Withers 24" and under jump 20". Withers over 24" jump 24".

PHILOSOPHY OF CPE AGILITY: (From Rules book):
“For the dog and handler to have fun while successfully competing for agility titles as a cohesive unit, achieved through positive training and teamwork.” The founder, Linda, told me that what's cool about CPE is “We have done no active marketing of CPE. CPE has grown by word of mouth of the exhibitors. The emphasis is put on safety for the dogs and having fun! I don't care if a class with a sufficiently challenging course has a high Q rate (60-70-80%) - it just tells me that people are having fun training their dogs, relaxing and having fun running!”

General Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2004

Meeting came to order at 7:10 PM

Board Members present: Matt Sachs, Wendy Ware, Janice Tsuchida, Kitty Ware and Lisa Klein

There are two prospective members present; Teresa Whalen and Scott and Barbara Richmond.

New member that is present in Denise Osten

Report of the Vice President: Next board meetings are April 14 at Izzy's and May 18th at Garlic Onion. The next general meetings are April 18 at Busters and May 23 at Delta Park Elmers.

Report of the Treasurer: No report given

Report of the Secretary: No Report

Report of the Training Director: New classes start April 12, there is a new foundation class in Wilsonville. We are asking for assistance for beginning one instructors. Assistants will receive a free class for every one that is taught.

Trial Review:

Canby-Parking was an issue, there was not enough and some people were parking in the fire zones. The wireless networking system was a challenge but it was the first time in use. Girl scouts were used as ring crew, they would have to be better trained but people enjoyed not having to work.

The club may look into getting another monitor so people can see scores as they are being entered so the score people don't feel so rushed.

Upcoming trials:

April 3-4, as far as we know, it is going well

April 30th, May 1-2-Judges are Fred Brattain, Michelle Ooms and Kelvin Grey, trial is going well.

July Regional, a budget will be requested, we are looking into getting umbrellas for ring crew. This trial is a 3 day trial that includes a DAM tournament and steeplechase

September 11-12 Columbia Cup, this trial has hit a snag. Because of Leap year this weekends are thrown off and our trial overlaps into Extreme

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Agility's trial. According to NADAC's rules there cannot be two trials within 150 miles on the same weekend. Lisa Klein (chairperson) has contacted both NADAC and Extreme regarding this. The same thing will happen in 2005, which will need to be resolved between the two clubs.

Old Business:

The additional lighting is done at the Forest Grove barn. This will make it safer for barn users during evening hours.

New Business:

Compensation for CAT instructors will increase to \$50 worth of CAT bucks for each session.

There will be a contest for a new design of CAT bucks, the winner will receive \$25 in CAT bucks.

The 2004 Financial Committee members are Dwight Cash-chairperson, Karla Forte-treasurer, Barb Stone and KC Carnes.

The board will be reviewing the CAT Policy at the next board meeting.

The board approved free trial entries for people who are on the trial committee. The positions who would receive them are; Chairperson, Secretary, Chief Ring Steward, Chief Scorer and Chief Course Builder. Wendy Ware and Karla Forte have a recording system to track the entries.

We are in need of people to organize the Summer BBQ and Holiday Party.

The new Title Completed ribbons have been ordered. The board voted out the small ribbon attachments. The new ribbons will be similar to the ones we had before.

Paige Pierce has looked into using Oregon City high school as a possible place to have general meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted:
Lisa Klein

Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting
March 16th, 2004

Called to order at 7:34 PM at Izzy's in Oregon City

Members Present: Matt Sachs, Wendy Ware, Karla Forte, Kitty Ware, Janice Tsuchida, Barb Stone, Mary Crittendon, Paige Pierce and Lisa Klein

Report of the President: Following agenda

Report of the Vice President: Board Meetings will be April 14th at Izzy's, May 18th at Garlic Onion and June 22-location TBA. General Meetings will be April 18th at Busters in Tigard, May 23 at Delta Park Elmers and June 27 at Clackamas Elmers.

Report of the Secretary: New member voted in were Shawna Schuh, Denise, Anna Marie and Rachel Oster and Janet Lamb. Welcome to CAT!

Report of the Treasurer: Karla updated us with our checking and investment account balances; the treasury is now all in the hands of Karla.

Report of the Training Director: April 12 starts a new session. Junior handler classes are getting more students. Marilyn will start another foundation class.

Unfinished Business:

Trial Review: Kitty Ware brought a copy of her budget for our past February trial, Karla will let us know when all the figures come in to see how close the numbers are. The 2003 Columbia Cup and Black Cat trials are close to closing.

Review of the February NADAC trial: There was some computer networking problems however this was the first time it was used. Overall, everyone felt the trial ran well. The club will consider having the girl scouts or a similar group come back again.

Upcoming trials: April 3-4, 2004 USDAA NW Cup-everything seems to be in order, the board has not heard otherwise. April 30th, May 1-2 NADAC trial-Lisa Klein will have a worker raffle, workers may have the option of getting a lunch ticket and one worker raffle ticket or three raffle tickets to see if this would cut down on lunch expenses. Karen Hunter will be bringing her slatless A-Frame for us to use. July 16-18, 2004 USDAA-Regional-The board will request a budget from Hilary Hibbard. The board would like to purchase large umbrellas for the ring crew to keep them out

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of the sun. September 11-12 2004 Columbia Cup-Lisa Klein has gotten her trial committee and the paperwork to NADAC mailed in. October 16-17 USDAA Black Cat-Barb White has her trial committee together.

Forest Grove Barn- The new lighting is being installed soon.

East Side Equipment- Pam Pallister will be asked if she is still using the agility equipment formerly used at the Be-Bop barn for her 4-H classes.

Dwight Cash is working on getting new NADAC equipment.

Lisa Klein will contact Clark County Fairgrounds to find out cost of storing both equipment trailers there under cover.

New Business:

Compensation for CAT instructors: Barb Stone brought in a proposal for increasing the compensation for the instructors. The board agreed to increase the amount of CAT bucks instructors would receive from 25 to 50. These CAT bucks can be used either for seminars or trial entries. Teaching assistants will receive a free class for every one they help teach. The board will re-word the policy at the next board meeting on April 12.

A contest will be held for anyone wanted to design a new "CAT Buck" The winner will receive 25 CAT bucks for a reward. Please email or snail mail entries to Matt Sachs.

Approval of the Financial Committee: The new members of the committee are Dwight Cash as chairperson, Karla Forte as Treasurer and Barb Stone and KC Carnes.

Review of the CAT Policy: Copies have been circulated to the board members and it will be amended and approved at the next board meeting on April 12, 2004

Free Trial Entry Program: Will remain in effect, the following trial committee positions will receive a free trial entry; Chairperson, Secretary, Chief Ring Steward, Chief Scorer and Chief Course Builder. Karla Forte and Wendy Ware will have a bookkeeping system.

Calendar on the website: Should include the Annual picnic/fun match and the holiday party both asking for volunteers.

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CAT Seminar news

SUSAN SALO JUMPING WORKSHOP

July 3, 4, 5, 2004

Susan Salo is relatively new to dog agility but brings a unique perspective and knowledge of the mechanical aspects of jumping to the sport. Not to be confused with a handling seminar, Susan's workshop focuses entirely on the dog to build better jumping skills and instill more confidence and speed. You'll learn what your dog does or does not know about the job of jumping and how to correct jumping problems. Susan's jumping drills teach proper muscle memory and balance and will keep your canine athletes in top shape throughout their careers.

Susan has over 35 years of experience in the world of horse show jumping. She has ridden with some of the nation's most noted horsemen including Gene Lewis, George Morris and the late Jimmy Williams. She's competed throughout the US and Canada and spent 16 years on the east coast as a professional helping clients achieve their goals. Susan currently is located in Northern California and competes in agility with her four year old Jack Russell Terrier Simon.

- *All dogs must be old enough to have closed growth plates. 12 months for small breeds, 18 months for large breeds or a letter from your vet verifying your dog's growth plates have closed.*
- *18 dogs will be selected by lottery if more than 18 register. CAT members in good standing will be given priority. Registration fee for the three day workshop is \$145 for CAT members.*
- *An unlimited number of auditors are welcomed at \$20 per day for CAT members.*

Registration info available online at www.columbiaagility.org or contact:

Herb Gercke	503-557-2372	hgercke@attbi.com
Janice Tsuchida	503-697-4147	ga42@aol.com

Board Meeting Minutes

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Title Ribbons: The board approved going back to title ribbons instead of the attachments we have now for "Title Completed".

Paige Pierce looked into using Oregon City High School as a possible place for future general meetings. We could bring our own food and we would have access to a projector. It would cost about \$25-\$50 to rent the space.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Klein

NW Cup Make-up trial April 2004 Results

Starters mini

Clip and Lisa Klein, 2.919 yps

Starters Open

Max and Pete DeWitt, 3.269 yps

P1

Lass and Dana Stillinger, 2.919 yps

Advanced Mini

Fenwick and Lindsay Christenson,
3.502 yps

Advance Open

Zesty and Barb Davis, 4.341 yps

P2

Dusty and Barbara Brandt,
3.538 yps

Masters Mini

Shimmer and Barbara Davis,
3.752 yps

Masters Open

Max and Bonnie Johnson, 3.818 yps

P3

Misty and Cindy Hardy, 3.428 yps

OVER ALL

Performance

1. Dusty, Barbara Brandt, 3.538 yps
2. Stella, Cindy Armstrong 3.459 yps
3. Misty, Cindy Hardy 3.428 yps
4. Bud, Renata Thommen 3.293 yps

Championship

Mini

1. Shimmer, Barb Davis 3.752 yps
2. Mikaela, Lori Sage, 3.548 yps
3. Fenwick, Lindsey Christenson,
3.502 yps
4. Sarah, Nancy Ballerstedt,
3.078 yps

Open

1. Zesty, Barb Davis, 4.341 yps
2. Max, Bonnie Johnson, 3.818 yps
3. Jamaica, Jane Fortney, 3.737 yps
4. Coco, Amy Legg, 3.554 yps

2004 Calendar of Events

Tea Cup Agility Association

TDAА

May 22 OR (Oregon)
Monmouth, OR * TDAА Trial
Agility A Go Go
Paulus Arena
1830 S. Pacific Hwy (99W)
Facility: Indoor ,Dirt ,Ample Shade,RV Parking
LIMIT: UNLIMITED
Classes: Standard - Game
Fees: TBA
Judge(s): TBA
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What is CPE?

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WIDER SLATE OF GAMES: CPE has Std plus 6 games:

- **Jackpot:** same as Gamblers
- **Jumpers** (tunnels & jumps)
- **Snooker:** same as USDAA
- **Colors:** This is sort of like USDAA relay without the other dogs:
There are 3 entwined standard courses on the field. You announce which one you're going to do (e.g., "the blue-numbered course") and then you do it. Typically only about 8 obstacles in each section, and you do only one of them (as you would in a relay). That's it!
- **Wildcard:** A standard course except that at 3 places in the course you have a choice of obstacles placed about 5' apart. Usually one is easier to get to than the other, let's call them A and B in each pair. So, for example, level 1 must take 2 As and one B; Level 5 must take 2 Bs and 1 A.
- **Full House:** Sort of like gamblers; you have 30 seconds during which to acquire a minimum number of obstacle points plus certain required obstacles. You must take, at some time, at least 3 jumps, at least 2 "circles" (tunnels, tires), and at least one of the obstacles designated as a "joker"— For example, the dogwalk, the triple, and the A-frame might be "jokers"— -so you have to do at least one of those during your run. The catch is that when the whistle blows you have 5 seconds to get to the pause table—for every second over that, you *lose* points. :-) Also, unlike gamblers, you can decide to head for the table any time after you've accumulated the minimum requirements.

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USDAA

June 26, 27 Sno-King USDAA Agility Test, Skykomish River Park, Monroe WA, premium available the end of March [HERE](#).

July 17-18 *Columbia Agility Team* USDAA Agility Test and (we hope but we don't know for sure yet) Regional Grand Prix Qualifier; Steeple Chase and Dog Agility Masters (DAM) Tournament, Vancouver Lake Park, Vancouver, WA

August 13, 15 WAG USDAA Agility Test, Brownsville, OR (tentative)

Oct 9-10 RAT USDAA Trial, Auburn, WA

Oct 16-17 *Back to the original date Columbia Agility Team* **Black CAT** USDAA Agility Test and Halloween Costume Fun Run, Clark County Fairgrounds, Vancouver, WA

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