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2006 IDHHA CANINE DISC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Turning prey into play

On Deck With the IDHHA World Championships

By Patricia Daugherty



The 18th annual Freedom Festival was held at Holland Park in Fishers, Indiana on June 24th and 25th. The festival commands hundreds of vendors and an attendance of 40,000 plus people each year. What better home for the Indy Dog and Disc Club's International Dog Handlers' Association World Championships. Amy King co-founder of IDDC has been busy all month and then some orchestrating the Event of the Year and her efforts along with many volunteers shined all weekend. The World Championships started off on Friday evening with a competitors' dinner at the Greek Islands Restaurant. Everyone got a chance to relax before the big weekend with good food and entertainment by the farthest thing from disc doggin entertainment there is, a beautiful belly dancer!. On Saturday morning all of the competitors were awarded beautiful T-shirts and discs provided by IDHHA. Also each person was given a booklet that gave information on the Event and Bios of some of the competitors... This is IDDC's biggest and most anticipated Event, and there were several dog handlers from other states represented in the competitors' corner.

The colorful stream of pop-up tents gracing the perimeter of the field, set the stage for two days of entertainment. The weekend took on an electrified atmosphere, with excited dogs and their handlers eagerly waiting for their turn to show what they can do with a large field, a disc, and the desire to have fun. This year's Event was cooler than last year's scorcher... Club member, Melissa Stuart, did a beautiful job manning the microphone and keeping the days proceedings flowing smoothly. Skyhoundz 2005 World champion Tony Hoard and his dogs Rory and Zanicee J were seen warming up before the event. So was 12 year old handler Chandler Curtis, and new member Jeremy Drobeck and his dog Chinook. Club member Jamie Hammond and his Doberman Scooby Doo are always big favorites with the crowd. Jamie and Scooby didn't let us down this year. They did a super job of entertaining the crowd while performing an excellent competitive routine. The weekend was host to an excited Don Lang's Freestyle routine debut with his Aussie's Lily and Shelby. Don and his dogs were simply awesome. This was Christina Curtis's friend Kelli Kuch and her Aussie, Vegas', first time competing in this weekend's annual Event. This year's youngest competitor was Ron and Amy King's two year old son, Neo. Neo has a wicked over the shoulder throw

which he demonstrated for the crowd, and with this little guys wicked throw, Indy Retriever is thinking in about 18 years he will be Adrian Custer's match.

What's the biggest IDDC Championship weekend without the biggest IDDC championship celebration? On Saturday evening when the last Frisbee was thrown for the day and everyone's tired dogs were tucked inside their crates and placed in their cars or trucks everyone convened at Greg Million's home for his annual celebration of the year. Greg's party provided everyone with a chance to relax after a long day while hashing over the days events with friends... To gain admittance you were required to bring a lawn chair, a smile and a promise to have a good time. Food, spirits, and jovial conversation flowed like sweet wine. A co-work and friend of Greg's, Kenny Litherland, served his popular and tasty pulled barbecue pork and club members brought side dishes to complete the feast. Cameras flashed to document the weekend while a variety of potent libations kept the party going from going dry. Greg's friends and fellow dog lovers send him a huge thanks of appreciation for opening his home to us and providing us with the best barbecued celebration this side of Texarkana!! You're simply the BEST Greg!

Championship results on Page 7.



~ Baddog's Midway Event ~

April 29, 2006 proved to be a beautiful spring Saturday in Midway, KY for Margaret and Marshall Smith's annual Baddog Midway Event. This is always a romping, fun filled occasion. There was a good turn out and lots of people participated. Neo King debuted in T/F and wowed the people with his super charged over the shoulder toss. Watch out dad, your son is growing up fast! Kristie Davis and her dogs were there. Kristie's dog, Brindi, was really ON that day. She showed tremendous drive. Also on hand were Natalie Moore, her daughter Alicia and granddaughter Anastasia. Neo made a new friend in Anastasia! Watch out mom, your son is growing up fast. Christina Curtis, Sharon Galema, Curt, Pat and Rocky Daugherty, Carol Herbertz and Iggy Pop, Ron, Amy and Neo King, Adrian and Tracy Custer and Sjoukje Janssen were some of the people who graced the field with their high performance dogs. Margaret Shives and her dog Laddie and Pat Daugherty and her Lab Rocky had a third place throw off in the Backyard Division. Pat and Rocky won the throw off and Margaret's dog, Laddie, took home the crowd pleaser award.

In the Backyard division, Baddogs's fun moniker for T/F, John Milligan and his dog, Frisbee came in first with Sjoukje and Rave taking second place. Pat and Rocky won third place. In Pro T/F Adrian and Six won first prize. Tracy and Five were second place winners followed by Ron and Montyboy. Freestyle winners in order were Mark & Mya, Tracy & Five and Adrian & Six. Baddogs had a challenging and fun event they christened Hillside Challenge. The object was to throw the disc to your dog as far as you could up a steep hill that was adjacent to the field. This was a distance game made for strong arms and fast dogs. Now it is known far and wide that Adrian Custer has a throwing arm that is envied by every Major League Baseball team in American and Japan!! Adrian didn't let us down when he won both first and second place. Robert Machionie showed off his throwing abilities by taking third along with his dog Blade. After the last pop-up was taken down and everyone's exhausted dogs were batten down in their crates for the ride home, Margaret took us all to downtown Midway for a quaint dining experience at the Darlin' Jeans Apple Cobbler Cafe. How's that name for atmosphere. We ate and laughed and talked and ate some! Everyone enjoyed this perfect ending to a perfect day.

New Kids In Town

At the end of April, Kristie Davis adopted a 5 month old cattle dog mix named Darby. Darby is enjoying her Mom's new home and her new sisters.

Congratulations to Mark and Karin Gose who have a new Shelti puppy they are naming Bleidd, which is Welsh for Wolf.

Congratulations to Stephanie Myers on her new Aussie puppy, Ariel. She is simply adorable.

On May 19, 2006, Rick & Mary Jo now have a new kid. They adopted 7 weeks old Dugan (Doogie), a black Aussie. Rick says this little guy is the spunkiest pup in the world.



Darby Davis



Dugan Kimball



Ask Miss Murphy:

By Mary Jo Corso

Leptospirosis

Zoonotic diseases can be passed between animals and humans. Among the most common is leptospirosis, which can be transmitted by livestock, pets and wildlife to humans and other animals.

Canine Infection

Dogs become infected when mucous membranes (lining of mouth, nose, etc.) or scraped skin comes in contact with urine from an infected animal. Stagnant or slow moving water is a good reservoir for the organism; incidents of infection typically increase during flooding. Once the Leptospira bacteria enters the blood stream, the spirochetes travel quickly, usually to the kidneys. Rapid reproduction causes further inflammation and kidney failure. Liver failure can also occur, depending on the strain of leptospire involved. After infection the organisms may be shed in the urine for weeks or months.

Symptoms

Early symptoms in pets can include fever, depression, loss of appetite, nausea or vomiting, joint pain and muscle tenderness, and coughing. Symptoms may ultimately progress to include severe bleeding, jaundice, difficulty breathing, and increased thirst. Similar symptoms also occur in humans. Cats, however, rarely show signs when infected. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention officials monitor leptospirosis cases in humans. Studies indicate approximately one third of cases come from contact with infected dogs.

Diagnosis

Leptospirosis in animals is frequently misdiagnosed as meningitis or hepatitis. A positive diagnosis can be made through blood tests or urine analysis.

Diagnosis is confirmed by a 4-fold increase in antibodies revealed by a second blood test conducted two to four weeks after the first.

A fresh urine sample may be submitted for testing, but leptospire are shed intermittently and most veterinary hospitals do not have the "dark field" microscopy necessary.

Treatment

A one-week (or longer) course of treatment consists of antibiotics, controlling vomiting, replacing fluid, and alleviating any problems associated with the kidney or liver infections. Prognosis depends upon the extent of organ damage.

Vaccination and Prevention

Vaccinations will reduce the disease's severity, but will not prevent infected dogs from being carriers. Because of low infection rates, no vaccine is currently available for cats.



Rocky says:

Don't Feed me junk food because I'll love YOU.

Feed me nutritious food because you'll get to love ME longer if you do.





Beginning Clicker Training 101

Barks



and Bites

By Rick Kimball

For many years I poo-pooed the idea of clicker training my dogs. Training a dog with a kid's toy seemed silly. Thanks to my gentle giant Big Jake I have seen the light. I have embraced it as the best training method for dogs.

Clicker training is a form of a very old method of training called Operant Conditioning. It is the type of training used by Hollywood animal trainers. The most amazing use I know of is when the US Department of Defense taught a Raven to carry a small camera, fly to a window pointed out with a laser pointer, gently press the camera to the glass, press the shutter to take a picture, and then return with the camera.

Conditioning

Operant conditioning is basically rewarding something the dog does with something that it really likes like food at the exact instant he does it. The dog learns that by repeating the same act that he always gets rewarded. Always. Dogs are natural born gamblers and learn by trial and error. What ever gets them a reward gets repeated. Since getting a treat in our fingers and to the dog at the exact instant is difficult we had to come up with a way to mark the exact instant the dog does what we want to reward. That is where the clicker comes in.

Association

First we have to teach the dog to associate the click with the reward usually a tasty food treat. To do this feed the dog his meals for 2 days by hand. Click the clicker and give a treat. Click treat, click treat, click treat, etc.. The click becomes a promise for a treat. For the rest of your life if you click you gotta give a treat. Never break this promise to the dog. Never.

Now we will teach a trick called targeting. Hold out an empty plastic CD case near the dog's face. Nearly all dogs will stick their nose out and investigate it. The instant his nose touches the case click then reach into your pocket or bait bag and give him a tasty treat. Repeat. Repeat. Repeat. If he only glances at the case click and reward that. Gradually you will get him to touch the case by waiting for him to move closer to the case each time. Gradually get so you only reward him when he does the touch really fast. Overtime you can make the game a little harder by holding the target further away, alternating hands, and eventually placing the target on the floor.

Targeting

Do not say anything or give a command as you begin teaching a trick. We only want to reward an action with a click and a treat. This is the biggest mistake that beginners make. Once the dog has become at least 80% successful we can add a voice command. The order here is important. Give the command "touch", hold out the target, dog touches, click, reward. Do not give the command at the same time that you hold out the target and he touches it. Say it before. Eventually the command makes him anticipate the target and touching it. He has associated the voice command with the reward.

Reward

Make the dog successful or he will loose interest in training. Use 80% as a rule. If he isn't 80% make you sessions shorter, get tastier treats, back up a step and reward him for less prettier responses and build back up to a full touch.

www.clickertraining.com

Editor's Notes

The Indy Retriever wants to hear from you. We are asking the members to send in their quips, news items, adoptions, or anything, dog related, you would like to share with the club.

The Indy Retriever would like to thank Stephanie Myers for her contribution to this issue, and to Margaret Smith for some of the suggestions for reading material in the [Book Corner](#).

Patricia Daugherty, Editor

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Funny Quips

At the June 3rd Pets in America demo Pat Daugherty's Lab, Rocky, kept the poop bugs going all day. Finally someone asked her, "What have you been feeding that dog?" to which Pat replied, "I can't figure it out, Rocky only had four beers and a burrito last night!"

Clever Signs Around Town

Seen on a Fence:
"Salesmen welcome! Dog food is expensive".

Posted in a veterinarian's office:
"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

Be Sure To Visit Our Website

www.d-dog.com

Kokomo, Indiana was the place to be on May 20th & 21st. Mark and Karin Gose kicked off the disc dog season by hosting the IDDC 2006 Spring classic at Darrrough Chapel Park. Sweatshirts and jeans took the place of the usual shorts and T-shirts. Many were seen giving Alice Lang an envious eye as she mummy wrapped herself in a warm cozy afghan. It was a cool and windy weekend, but that didn't stop people from having fun and chalking up high scores in the Freestyle, T/F and Hot Zone competitions.

Shaun Johnson and his dog, Kacee, were there from Kansas City, MO. Shaun introduced everyone to his newest dog, Royal, whose debut earned him a third place win in advanced T/F. First place wins were given to Tony and Rory in Pro Freestyle, Drobeck and Chinook in Open Freestyle, Adrian and Six in Advanced T/F, Natalie Moore and Diamond in Intermediate T/F and Jeremy Drobeck and Chinook in Novice T/F. Jeremy and Chinook also won first place in Novice Hot Zone. Tracy Custer took first place honors in Open Hot Zone. Best small dog went to Shaun Johnson's dog, Kacee. New member Angie Ogle and her dog Seven took home the Crowd Pleaser award. Congratulations to all who competed.

On Sunday everyone munched on sweet rolls furnished by Ron King. Some even took advantage of the sugar rush and challenged the wind with wicked throws. Pat Daugherty was seen throwing to her Lab, Rocky, an unheard of thirty yarder after nibbling on one of Ron's donuts. Unfortunately, if Pat would have shared her donut with her Lab he might have caught the toss. The Spring Classic season opener always manages to be a huge success. This year's event was no exception. After Saturday's day of hard play everyone piled into their cars and met at the Texas Road House Restaurant for food, spirits and conversation before the long ride home. Ron announced that next year the Spring classic event will be officially and posthumously known as the "Gretchen Invitational" in honor of Mark Gose's champion boxer, Gretchen.



Photo by Vicki Gose

Mark Gose's beautiful champion Boxer, Gretchen, managed to touch many people's hearts with her graceful and classy demeanor. Wherever they went people loved watching this winning team perform their magic on and off the field. It was easy to see that this quiet, kind man and his gentle Boxer was a match made in heaven. Their association with the competitive disc dogging world took them on many rewarding and enjoyable adventures and fortunately we their friends were often privy to it all. Gretchen was Mark's faithful friend and companion for ten years – and he the same to her. They played hard and always made it fun. Gretchen never failed to give

Mark what he asked for on the disc dog field and in life generally. It was so comforting to see how protective Mark was with Gretchen and all his dogs. It is evident that because she sensed all these stellar things in her friend she strove to please him.

A year ago Mark got the devastating news that Gretchen was diagnosed with an ACL tear and Lumbar Spondylosis. These are debilitating and painful maladies made more difficult by Gretchen's age. Mark didn't stop until he exhausted all avenues for Gretchen's comfort and recovery. The medications kept the diseases at bay for awhile, but time eventually took its toll. All who new Gretchen will miss her greatly. It's as if we can still hear the announcer wail "Mark and Gretchen on Deck!" There would be Gretchen engulfing the field with her stately, down to business presence ready to wow us once again!! Gretchen may be gone from us, but she will always be "On Deck" in our minds and hearts. And she has left her beloved companion a better man for knowing her.



In Loving Memory of Zoey Kimball



Photo by Mary Jo Smith

For a long time Rick Kimball was devoted to making his dog Zoey whole in mind and spirit. Because of Zoey, Rick's devoted journey into helping her led him to a plethora of knowledge related to his love of dogs. Zoey also gave Rick a determination that will serve him well the rest of his life. He gave her a commitment, a good home, love, contentment and dignity. Unfortunately, early life gave Zoey too much irreversible baggage before she found Rick and Mary Jo. If she could have told them why she felt threatened enough to be a threat to those around her.

Because of her serious behavioral and personality malfunctions Zoey's odds were excellent for a bleak destiny of suffering if released back into the system. Rick and Mary Jo's unselfish and difficult decision to save Zoey from such a fate gave her the peace and dignity she deserved. It was their last loving gift to their dog. We truly feel for Rick and Mary Jo's loss and we know Zoey is happily herding sheep in some idyllic pasture.



Indy Retriever's Roving Spycam:

"Guess Who" at IDDC Spring Classic



Photo by Marvella Smith

No Text Needed



Pet vs. Family Member



By Patricia Daugherty

When I was a little girl of nine I was introduced to the wonderful world of "Canis Familiaris" when I brought home by first stray dog. During my childhood I executed many such stray animal rescues. I would always beg and plead to keep my new charges. My parents would furrow their brows and in their deepest and firmest grown up voices proclaim: "No Patty you can't keep the dog! That's final!" By evening time my furry little buddy would be eating my last ration of cookies while smuggled amid a cache of well worn comic books on my and HIS permanent new bed. All the while I would marvel at how I managed to convince my strict parents once again. It seems even my unyielding folks couldn't resist the warm, pleading eyes of dog and daughter. My steady stream of orphans and pleading to keep them didn't stop with dogs.

There were kittens, bunnies, fish, and a baby chick that grew into a cantankerous, randy, rooster I named Frankie. Like clockwork every morning at 5 a.m. Frankie would jolt the family from their beds with a resounding rendition of COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO followed by an angry, but groggy, family chorus of "PATTY!" On washday Frankie would lay in waiting for my Mom to come through the back door armed with a basket of wet laundry. He would shadow in her footsteps and when she reached the clothesline he patiently waited for her to set her basket down. In the blink of an eye he had all the laundry pecked from the basket and the backyard would be a sea of wet crumpled white BVD's! My dear mother would instantly go into a frantic tirade threatening to put poor Frankie in the stew pot!! Whenever the family menu was chicken I would check to see if Frankie was still afoot before I ate one morsel.

It was my canine buddies who seemed to really reach out to me. At nine years old I knew nothing about bonding, but that was what I was doing each time my new canine friend and I connected. I quickly learned no other friend will faithfully and unconditionally listen to your adolescent problems, give you an understanding and reassuring lick when you are sad, refrain from unsolicited advice and never tell a sole your deepest secrets. So, at a young age I realized that the family menageries was just that to me...FAMILY. Often I would encounter a playmate and they would ask "Hey Patty is that a new pet? Own him long?" I would always say in my best Peppermint Patty impersonation "NO he isn't my pet, he's a family member and NO I don't own him, he owns me!" I've outgrown my Peppermint Patty days, but my frame of mind hasn't changed a bit over the years. I've grown more adamant than ever about the implications in the meaning of PET. Call me eccentric if you wish, but to me the word "PET" when referring to the family dog or cat is strictly not used!

Did You Know?.....

Chip and Teresa Hershey's newest pup, Gripper and Patricia Daugherty's year old Lab, Rocky, made their disc dog debut at SOFK9'S Spring Fling Competition on April 22nd at Highland Park in Fort Thomas, KY.

IDDC is thrilled to announce the engagement of Shaun Johnson and Nova Haney over the weekend at the 2006 IDDHA World Championships. Congratulations Shaun and Nova.

On May 6th, the 2006 Spring Adoption day at the State Fair Grounds drew 2,000 people and IDDC performed several demos for the crowd. The Adoption Day found new homes for 115 animals. At the end of the day, 200 animals were involved in pending adoptions. This Fall there will be another Adoption Day on October 7th.

May 16th was Beech Grove's K9 Kollege's Graduation Day for Don & Alice Lang's Aussie, Lily, who graduated in second place and Sheridan Gilchrist's Aussie mix, Bella, who graduated in fourth place and Patricia Daugherty's Lab, Rocky, who graduated in the middle of the class. We send hearty congratulations to them all.

Photos by Mary Jo Corso



Rocky

Lily

Bella

Pets In America Demo Indiana State Museum June 3rd and 4th



Photo by Mark Gose

From left to right:
Mary Jo Corso, Ron King, Chip Hershey, Patricia Daugherty, Carol Herbertz, Tony Hoard, Sharon Galema, Mark Gose, Rick Kimball, Dugan Kimball, Amy King, Neo King, and Curt Daugherty. Not Shown: Don and Alice Lang.

Words from the President

By Ron King

Etiquette is Everything.

By following these simple guidelines, events run more smoothly and are more enjoyable for everyone involved. Play safe and have fun!

The IDDC season is off to a wonderful start. And while I'm busier than a one-toothed man in a corn-on-the-cob eating contest, I wanted to take a minute to remind everyone of proper competition etiquette. I know a lot of new members are going to their first or second competition ever. So here are 14 rules of etiquette for both Veteran and Novice competitors to assure everyone has a successful and enjoyable competition.

- 1.....Arrive at the competition early and sign-in/register on time.
- 2.....Always clean up after your dog!
- 3.....Listen for the order of competition, and be ready to go when it is your turn.
- 4.....Walk your dog to and from the throwing line on lead.
- 5.....Always respect every competitor's dog's space.
- 6.....When you are finished with your round, gather your dog and leave the field quickly.
- 7.....Never let your dog off lead near the competition field, unless to compete.
- 8.....Never allow anyone, especially a child, to be eye level with your dog, no matter how docile your dog may be.
- 9.....Always walk around the competition field, never across it.
- 10.....Never talk to judges while they are working. Wait until they are not judging and talk with them then.
- 11.....Keep your dog under control at all times. You are responsible for your dog's actions whether you are paying attention to them or not.
- 12.....Don't walk your dogs through other people's tents, be careful & courteous.
- 13.....This is a family event, keep negative emotions and inappropriate language under control.
- 14.....Have fun and be safe.

Ron King is a co-founder and president of the Indy Dog & Disc Club. Ron and his dog, Montyboy, are Skyhounds World Finalists, USDDN National Finalists, and were the IDDDHA's #1 ranked Freestyle team for 2002.

Calendar of Events:

Jul 8th Sat	New GOFK-9s	Midsummer of the Madhouse Fun GOFK-9 Event	SOCK-9 website, West Chester OH
Jul 29th Sat	8:30 AM Reg 9:30 AM Start	Skyhounds North Central Regional Qualifier for Skyhounds World Championships	New Castle High School (Football Field) 801 Parkview Dr New Castle, IN 47362-2954
Jul 30th Sun	8:30 AM Reg 9:30 AM Start	Skyhounds North Central Regional	New Castle High School (Football Field) 801 Parkview Dr New Castle, IN 47362-2954
Aug 12th Sat	TBA	Delphi Disc Drive! Toss n Fetch, Freestyle and other events. Run by Bill Marriot.	Riley Park US 421 & Riley Park Rd. Delphi, IN 46923
Aug 13th Sun	8:30 AM Reg 9:30 AM Start	Indiana Casual Disc State Championships Single Disc & Freestyle using IDDDHA rules.	Riley Park US 421 & Riley Park Rd. Delphi, IN 46923
Aug 17th-20th Thurs - Sun	All Weekend	2014 Summer's Disc Dog Dream Camp (training weekend) Camping and Disc Doggin'!	Herbata Farm Please email us for directions Martinsville, IN
Aug 30th Wed	6:30 PM - 1	End of Summer Dinner Social gathering	Sahm's Restaurant 11895 Altonville Rd. Fishers, IN 46038
Sept. 2nd Sat	8:00 AM Reg 10:00 AM Start	Free Afternoons Event Toss n Fetch event (Run by Bill Camp.)	Delphi TBA
Sept 28 th - Oct. 1st Fri - Sun	All Weekend (Sat comp at 11:00 AM)	Team Frisbee Competitions Alternative disc dog competition and campout.	Herbata Farm Please email us for directions Martinsville, IN
Oct 25th Sun	9:00 AM Reg 10:00 AM Start	Fall Fun Competition IDDC's season finale! It features a cookout. This will be a Skyhounds Discdogathon.	TBA
Dec 2nd Sat	8:30 PM	IDDC Annual Meeting Open board members, discuss club affairs, and eat.	Ron & Amy's Please email us for directions Indianapolis, IN
Dec 9th Sat	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	IDDC Holiday Party/Play Day IDDC's year-end celebration which features a post-in, dinner and play day.	Marion County Fair Grounds Please email us for directions Indianapolis, IN

DISC DOG FEVER

2006 IDDHA Canine Disc World Championships competitors and friends at Greg Million's Saturday evening barbecue bash.

Kenny Litherland was official Barbecue Master/Chief

Photo by Patricia Daugherty

Small Photos by Mary Jo Corso (except for Skyler)

2006 IDDHA Canine Disc World Championship 1st through 4th Place Winners

Open Freestyle

Tony Hoard & Rory
Darron Barrus & The Moo
Teresa Musi & Cielita Azule
Danny Eggleston & Guinan

Novice Freestyle

Jeremy Drobeck & Chnook
Don Lang & Shelby
Matt Maynard & Anabelle
Mary Jo Corso & Murphy Brown

Open Single Disc

Adrian Custer & Blade
Darron Barrus & The Moo
Marshall Smith & Bud
Greg Tresan & Skeeter

Novice Single Disc

Matt Maynard & Anabelle
Jeremy Drobeck & Chnook
Tim Zimmer & Buster
Natalie Moore & Diamond

Open Mens Distance

Greg Tresan & Stinger
Adrian Custer & Dingo
Shaun Johnson & Royal
Greg Tresan & Skeeter

Open Womens Distance

Christina Curtis & Jack
Christina Curtis & Nitro
Daneane Hart & Avice
Teresa Musi & Cielita Azule

Novice Mens Distance

Curta Durman & Harley
Jeremy Drobeck & Chnook
Tim Zimmer & Buster
Curt Daugherty & ROCKY

Novice Womens Distance

Maly Wright & Sampson
Carol Herbertz & Iggy Pop
Monica Zimmer & Buster
Teresa Hershey & Gripper

Overall

Christina Curtis & Jack
Tony Hoard & Rory
Shaun Johnson & Royal
Darron Barrus & The Moo

Crowd Pleaser

Skyler, Ellen Oberholzer's Dog

View Remaining Results at www.d-dog.com

Book Corner

Below is a list of recommended reading for your enjoyment and pleasure.

Don't Shoot the Dog

Author: Karen Pryor

Culture Clash

Author: Jean Donaldson

Marley and Me

Author: John Grogan

The Other End of the Leash

Author: Patricia McConnell

In Harm's Way

Authors: Terri Crisp & Samantha Glen



Photo by Mary Jo Corso

Christina Curtis and Captain Jack
2006 IDDHA Overall World Champions

Tony Hoard and Rory
2006 IDDHA Open Champions in World Freestyle



Photo by Mary Jo Corso

The Art of Vacuuming with Herding Breeds

Vacuuming at the Myers home is such a fun event.

By Stephanie Myers

We all know how much fun it is trying to vacuum with herding breeds in the home. There are various scenarios as to which could happen on any given day.

Scenario 1 – Both Dogs Involved

I approach the hall closet and Tess immediately gets the look “Here comes that loud machine that I just want to tear apart.” She starts circling through the living room and kitchen just waiting for it to be activated. Rex is standing toward the corner of the living room acting all innocent but excited about what is beginning to unfold. I turn the vacuum cleaner on and start the dreaded task. Tess makes the first jump at the vacuum, nailing it on the corner. This irritates Rex. He decides that he is going to make Tess leave the vacuum alone. After he moves her to the side, he takes his stance in the middle of the living room. With a watchful eye that Tess is still where he put her he takes his shot at the machine that is headed right toward him, he misses. Back he goes, making sure Tess is not going to try to attack again. And this repeats itself over and over until a fight breaks, so this scenario rarely takes place.

Scenario 2 – Tess Loose and Rex Crated

It all begins exactly the same as scenario 1. Once this machine is started, Tess takes her final circle around the end table and attacks the cleaner. After a couple hits and many NO’s she retreats. Then Jared takes part. He likes to run back and forth in front of the vacuum cleaner, yelling funny noises to see if he can get by before it runs into him. Well Tess just can not stand the thought of this awful machine attacking her boy. The attack becomes serious, this time with a vengeance for trying to attack her baby, she pounces faster than before and this time grabs the corner and tries to pull the attacker off of its wheels. To no avail and many more NO’s I set off for the hall, the final stretch of this dreaded task. Tess sees this as a perfect opportunity to come from a different angle. She heads to the kitchen from the entry on the far side of the living room to plant herself just behind the entry from the kitchen to the foyer, thinking she is hidden from me. As I round the corner knowing what is coming next, here comes Tess straight at me, very low to the ground, as fast as those legs will move trying to attack again. After that small area, thank goodness I am to the part where she can not interfere anymore. Did I mention Rex is standing in his crate barking the entire time? This scenario is very loud moment at our house, Bill can be 50 yards away and hear every sound from the vacuum to the boy to the dogs to the NO’s. What fun.

Scenario 3 – Rex Loose and Tess Crated

This one is rather easy. Rex just hangs out. Then he gets the look “Maybe I will attack this thing since Tess does.” “Oh that was no fun, I wonder why she does it?” “OK well let me try this” as he circles around behind me. “I will bite at her shorts” “Oh Yeah this is much more fun. I could follow her around the entire house and do this but for some reason she wants me to stop. Oh well, I guess I will just have to bark, oh wait what is that over there, I think it needs checked out” And that is Rex for you, much more laid back with no attention span.

Scenario 4 – Both Crated

All is quiet with the exception of my son running back and forth trying to see if he can run faster than the vacuum. The occasional barking does occur. You know I should really stick with this one but it is much faster just to let Rex walk in his crate as he usually does when he sees the vacuum, proceed and deal with Tess.

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The Indy Retriever staff wishes everyone a happy and safe summer.....and a lot of 40 yarders.



A Look Into The Family Album



Photo by Patricia Daugherty
A Raceday outing at Carol Herbertz Farm



Photo by Patricia Daugherty
New Members: Angie & Bill Ogle
with Seven and Solo



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Kim Aduks with "Smelly" Nellie



Photo by Mary Jo Corso
Clip Hershey and Lexi



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Mark Guse with Mysa



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Mary Jo Corso with Murphy
Brown



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Don Lang with Shelly



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Ron King with Montyboy



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Darron Barnes and the Moo's dis-
coggin Headquarters.



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Nova Haney and Shaun Johnson



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Jamie Hammond and Scooby Doo



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A 2006 World Championship Player



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Patricia Daugherty with Rocky



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Awesome Rory



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Teresta Mayl and Trixie



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Christina Curtis and Captain
Jack

Something to think about: Our dogs have fun whether they win or lose, do you?